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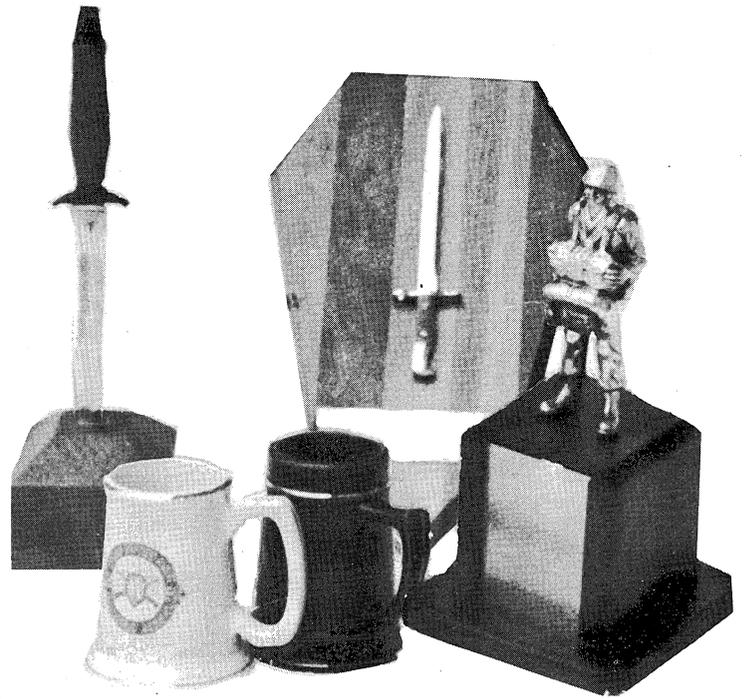
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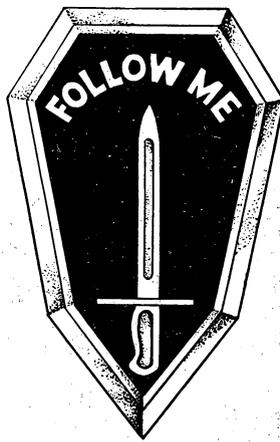


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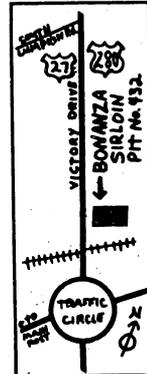
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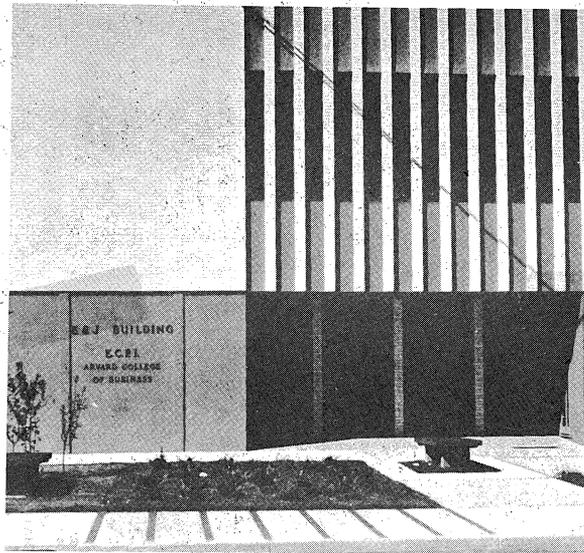
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History of Fort Benning

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 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 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 was issued 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, 67,056 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 14,000 Ranger tabs, and 337,000 parachute badges and has prepared 94,000 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.

New on the Fort Benning scene is the NCO Candidate, a student learning the duties and responsibilities of rifle fire team and squad leaders, the Army's junior NCOs. The 12-week course, emphasizing field training, and "learn-by-doing," is expected to graduate nearly 10,000 new sergeants and staff sergeants in its first year.

Also new is the Third Army NCO Academy, located in Harmony Church, which develops further the leadership skills of Fort Benning NCOs regardless of their specialty, and prepares them for promotion to more responsible positions.

Infantry School Courses

Infantry/Armor Officer Career
Infantry Field Grade Officer Refresher
Infantry Officer Career (Reserve Component)
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Infantry Officer Basic
Infantry Officer Candidate
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Nuclear Weapons Employment
Infantry Mortar Platoon Officer

Infantry Radio Maintenance
Tracked Vehicle Mechanic
Infantry Mortar Platoon NCO
Airborne
Pathfinder
National Guard Special Refresher
Infantry Officer Basic (Mob)
Infantry Radio Maintenance Refresher
Tracked Vehicle Mechanic Refresher
Instructor Training
Noncommissioned Officer Candidate Course

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

is open 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Both officers 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 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 200 and 300 allied students yearly from as many as 50 different nations. Allied students are enrolled in regularly scheduled classes with U. S. students.

The Allied Training Program at the Infantry School implements the Department of Defense informational program which is designed to acquaint the allied student with the various aspects of the American way of life.

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. 5243, Harmony Church. 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 thru Friday. Emergency assistance nights and weekends may be received in Bldg. 1699 or by phone at 545-3716. 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 three working days 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

insurance 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 a current state motor vehicle inspection sticker.



INFANTRYMEN CONDUCT FINAL ASSAULT DURING TRAINING EXERCISE

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 6 p.m. on Friday, with additional hours on pay day. At the Main Post bank, there are additional hours at the patio windows, located at the rear of the building, from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. on Mon-

day and Wednesday. The Sand Hill branch is also open from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Friday.

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 Infantry Hall, 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 pre-

Bowling Alleys

Special Services operates three bowling alleys.

The Main Post Bowling Center with 24 lanes is located in Bldg. 2785 on Eckel St. and Sight-seeing Road. It is open from 9 a.m. to 11 p.m. Monday through Saturday and 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. on Sunday and holidays.

Annex No. 2 in Bldg. 3717, Sand Hill, eight

Community Service

Army Community Service, located in Bldg. 5, provides counseling for military personnel, both active and retired, and their dependents, and for civilian personnel of the post. As a staff agency of The Infantry Center Director of Personnel, A C S makes contact between individuals with personal

Education

Military personnel are afforded opportunities for general educational improvement in subjects ranging from Vocational-Technical training through Degree Completion Programs at both undergraduate and graduate levels. Over 200 U. S. Armed Forces Institute (USAFI) courses are available through correspondence and as the demand justifies, by group study. These are available during duty hours in group study for elementary and high school classes when necessary for the soldier to meet the minimum educational standards of the Army. State

Firearms

Enlisted men quartered with their organizations are required to register all privately owned firearms 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 firearms

Civilian Personnel Section

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

pared 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.

lanes, is open from 6 to 10:30 p.m., Tuesday through Friday and from 12 noon until 10:30 p.m. on Saturday, Sunday and holidays.

The new Kelley Hill Bowling Center, on Watkins St., is open 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. Monday through Saturday; noon to 11 p.m. on Sunday, and 9 a.m. to 11 p.m. on holidays.

problems and the unit or activity best suited to provide assistance. Hours are from 8 to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday and from 8 a.m. to 12 noon on Saturday. Appointments for interviews at other hours may be made by telephoning 545-4043 or 545-7813 during normal duty hours.

colleges and universities provide over 6,000 extension courses. Columbus College and the University of Georgia have off-post facilities in Columbus; the American University conducts on-post classes. These are available to the military with tuition assistance subject to approval for qualified military personnel. Both degree completion and advanced degree programs are available. For evaluation, assistance and counseling contact the Educational Development Branch, Bldg. 35, Room 312, or telephone 545-4111.

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.

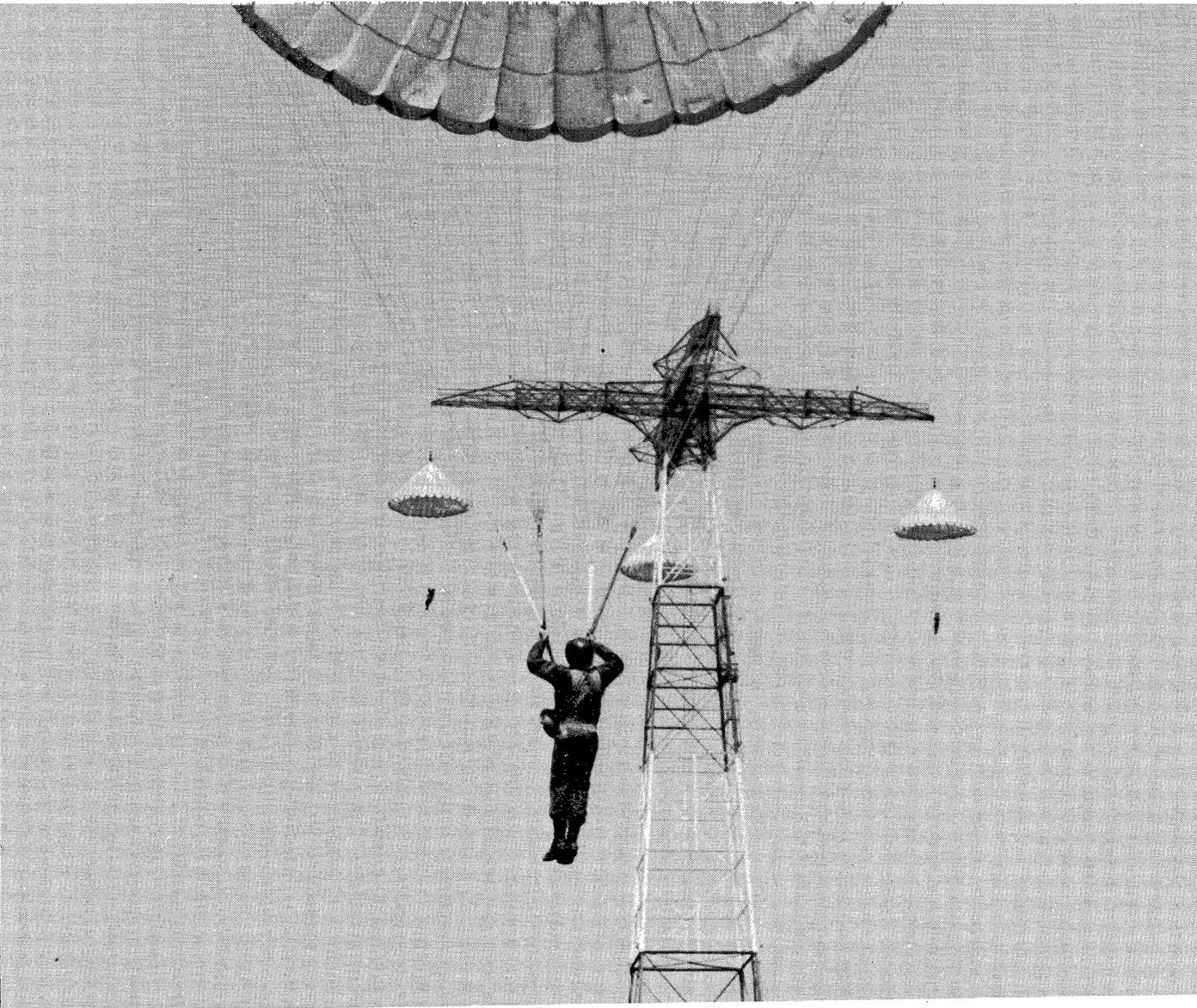
Personnel quartered separately are required to register with the Provost Marshal any weapons kept in their quarters.

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

Carrying concealed weapons is prohibited.

For further information, call the Provost Marshal Office, 545-3393.

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



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

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" 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 2 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 RESEARCH 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 fundamental military 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

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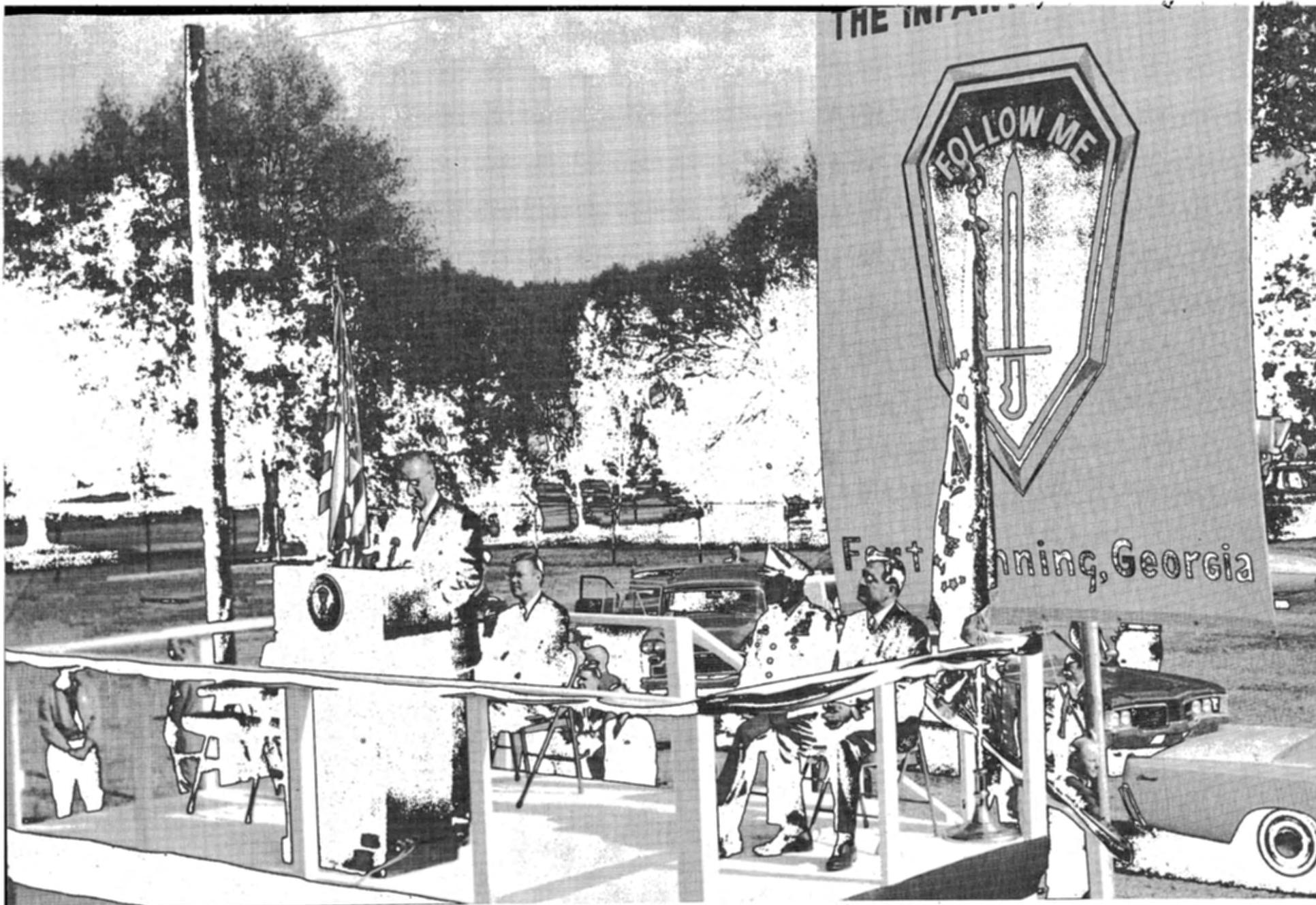
Rates are \$1 per adult per night and 50 cents per child (under 12 years of age) for rooms sharing bath; \$1.50 per adult and 75 cents per child for rooms with private bath.

Horseback Riding

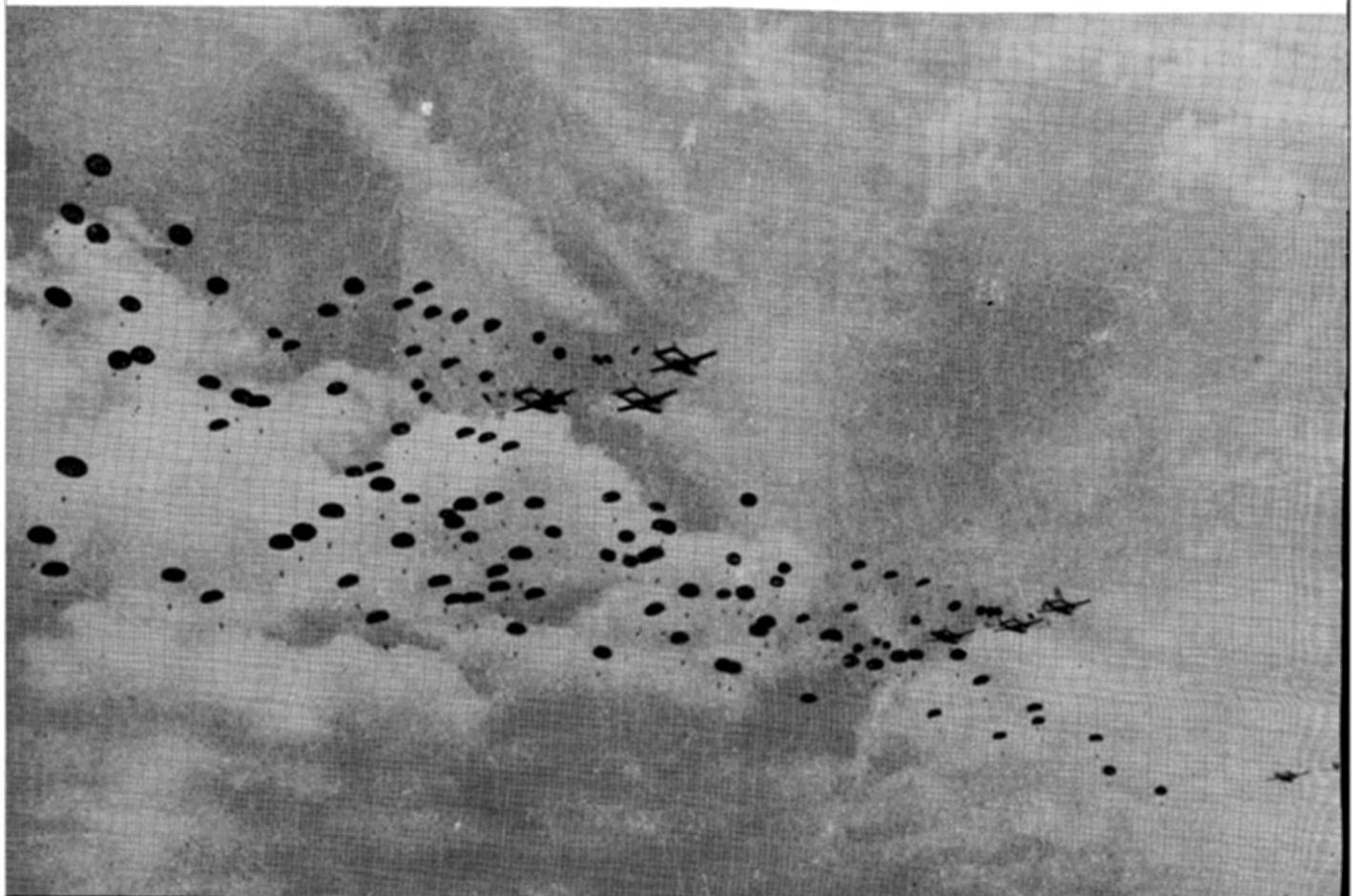
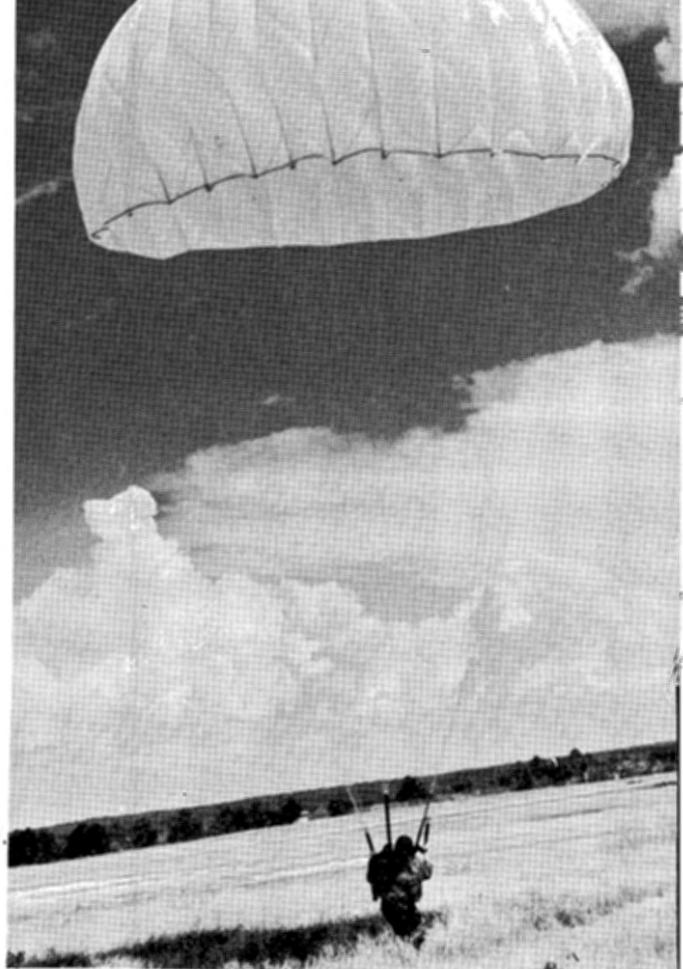
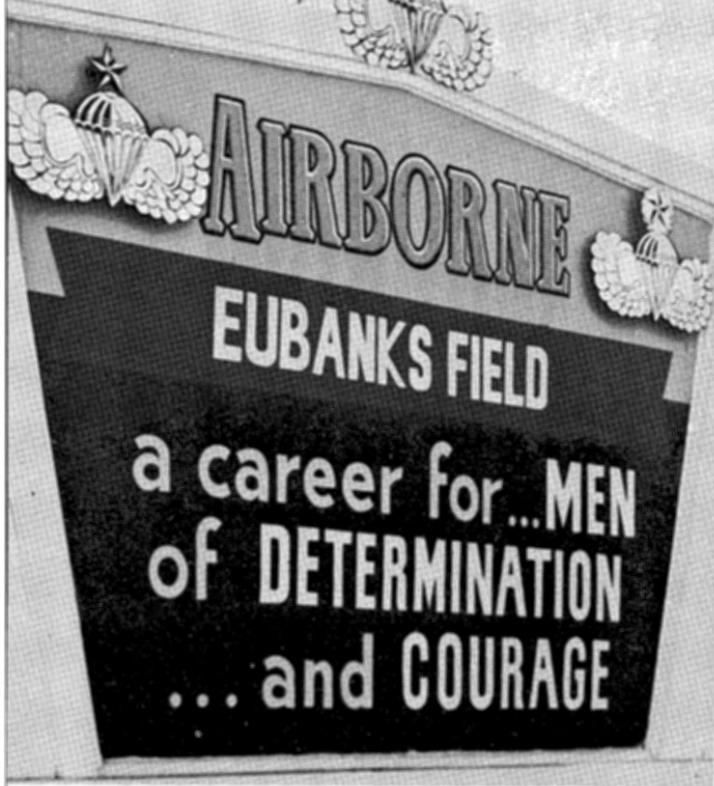
The Hunt Club near the intersection of Stone-wall and Marne Roads is open to all military personnel and their dependents. Horses, equipped with English style equipment, may be rented between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., seven days a week. Rental fees are \$1.50 per hour for members and \$2.50 per hour for non-members.

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

month. Rates for riding lessons, for both novice and experienced riders, are \$1.50 per hour in addition to the rental rate for riders who do not own their own horses. Only members of the Hunt Club may board horses and be eligible for riding lessons. Members pay a \$10 entrance fee and monthly dues of \$3. For additional information, telephone 545-2574.



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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 a.m. to 10 p.m. Monday through Saturday except Thursday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. On Sunday, hours are from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. 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 pro-

vide assistance and information about Fort Benning and the civilian community. Hours are from 1 p.m. to 10 p.m. Monday through Wednesday; 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. Thursday and Friday; 8 a.m. to 11 p.m. Saturday; and 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. 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 hunt-

ing and fishing licenses and a Fort Benning permit obtained from the Provost Marshal Office on Wold Ave. at Edwards St., Main Post. Sign-out rosters are maintained there and at the Rod and Gun Club off 1st Division Road near Hwy. 27 in the Harmony Church area. Hunters and fishermen are required to sign these rosters for their own protection before entering any part of the reservation.

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 maintain eight libraries for members of the command. They are the Main Post Library, Bldg. 93 on Wold Ave. next to the Main Exchange; telephone 545-7141; Branch Library No. 1, Room 9-D in the basement of Martin Army

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 is welcome.

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.

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. 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

Military Police

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

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.

Hospital, telephone 544-2851; Branch Library No. 2, Bldg. 3743, Sand Hill, telephone 544-7706; Branch Library No. 3, Bldg. 4492, open weekends and holidays; Branch Library No. 4, Bldg. 4847, in the 58th Infantry area, telephone 545-6362; Branch Library No. 6, Bldg. 9027, Kelley Hill, telephone 544-2551; and Branch Library No. 7, Bldg. 5361, North Harmony Church, telephone 545-6190. For schedules, telephone the library. The Main Post Library offers a telephone reference service, 545-4012.

The Little Theatre presents a season of six plays. To develop the acting potential of members of the command, a drama workshop teaches the fundamentals by presenting a series of one-act plays. For information, telephone 545-2992.

Fort Benning has one of the finest officers' mess systems 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.

For information, telephone 545-2928.

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, 544-1061.

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 or 544-3112.

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. For information, call 545-5413.

NCO Mess

The Fort Benning NCO Mess system operates in accordance with appropriate laws and regulations to provide recreational and other morale 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, and for wives of members who are overseas; and honorary membership to all retired NCOs regardless of branch of service. 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 who are club members. For further 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 chil-

dren 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 through Thursday 7:30 a.m. to 7 p.m.; Friday 7:30 a.m. to 1 a.m.; Saturday 9 a.m. to 1 a.m.; Sunday 8:45 a.m. to 1 p.m. The nursery is closed on post holidays. Special openings for post or unit functions are arranged upon request. Tot Town is located in Buildings 1075 and 1076; in the Old Hospital area. A new building is to be built on 1st Division Rd. near the present site. For information telephone 545-7008.

Officer Candidate School

In July, 1941, The Infantry School opened its first officer candidate class. By 1947, 67,056 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 94,000 new lieutenants.



TROOPS ATTACK FORTIFIED POSITION

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 (Fine Arts Shop) Sand Hill, Bldg. 3788; Shop No. 3 (woodworking), Harmony Church, Bldg. 4846; Shop No. 4 (woodworking), Sand Hill Bldg. 3145; Shop No. 5 (multiple-type), Kelley Hill, Bldg. 9007; 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, crafts available at the shops are leathercraft, ceramics, jewelry-making, and woodworking. Shops 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, and 9 are open Tuesday through Friday from 1 p.m. to 9 p.m., and on Saturday and Sunday from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Shop No. 1 and the Photo Lab are open Tuesday-Friday from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m., and weekends from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. The two automotive shops are open Tuesday-Friday from noon to 9 p.m., and weekends from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Post Exchanges

The Fort Benning Post Exchange System comprises approximately 45 branches at troop locations over the entire reservation. Included are restaurants, snack bars, soda fountains, 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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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.

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

Automotive service stations are located on Main Post, Sand Hill and Kelley Hill.

Soft drinks and ice cream drive-ins are located at Marchant and Anderson Streets on Main Post; Sand Hill adjacent to the PX on Scott Ave., Eighth Division Road in Harmony Church, and First Division Road near the Reception Station.

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 3 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.

A Quick-Shop also is open from 7 a.m. to 11 p.m. on Ingersoll St. near the Youth Activities Club.

Branches are located at Harmony Church, Kelley Hill, Martin Army Hospital, Sand Hill, and Infantry Hall.

One special feature of the Post Office is the daily mail service by postmen to family quarters on the post. For information, telephone 545-5177.

privilege identification cards in Room No. 5, Bldg. 5, and medical cards at the Information Desk at Martin Army Hospital.



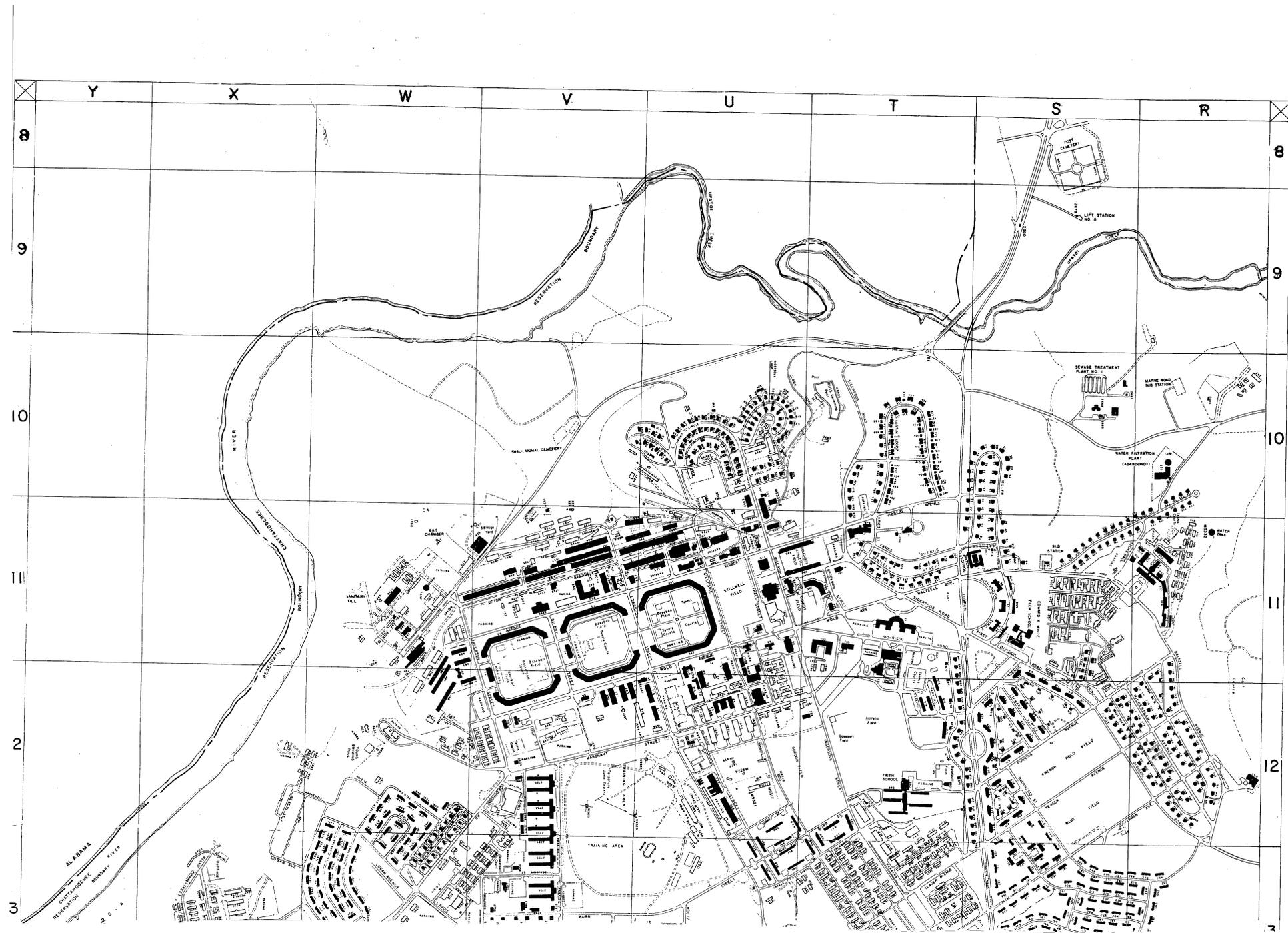
MARTIN ARMY HOSPITAL

Quarters

Application for government quarters may be made at the Family Quarters Branch, Billeting Division, in rooms 126, 128, 130 in Bldg. 35. There are 1,480 sets of officers' quarters and 1,654 of enlisted men's quarters. Three hundred new units for enlisted men's quarters are under construction and will be completed in September, 1968. Battle Park Homes, an apartment complex of 200 two and three-bedroom units, is located on the reservation near the Main Post. These apartments are available to permanent officer personnel and, if vacancies exist, to officers stationed on the post for

temporary duty in excess of 60 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 advance. Temporary housing for families of enlisted men is usually available at one of the two guest houses.

Any incoming bachelor officer can apply for quarters at the Billeting Office, located in Bldg. 399 on the Gillespie St. side. The registration desk is open 24 hours a day. For information telephone 545-1794 or 545-1851.



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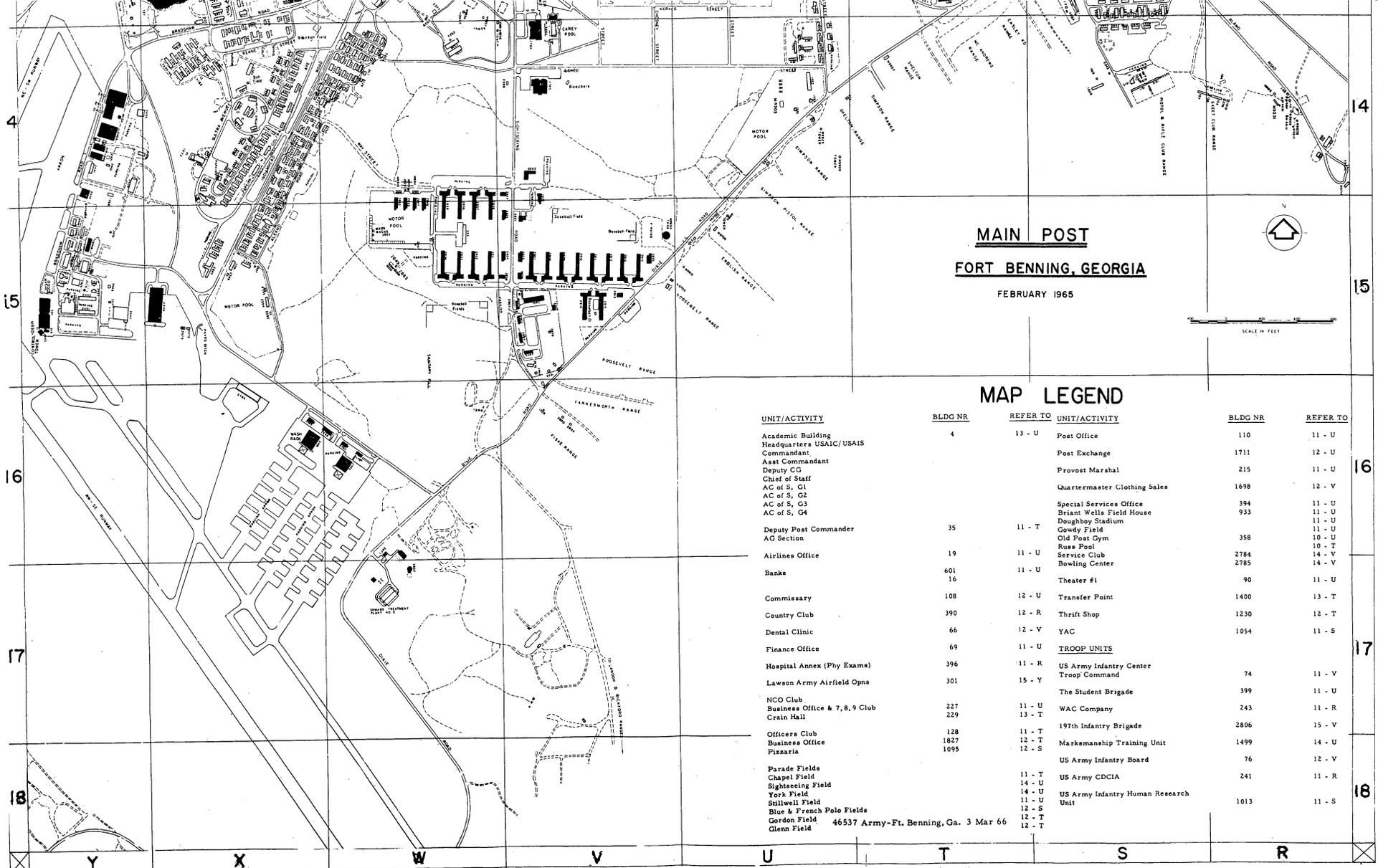
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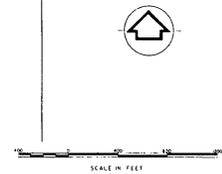
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MAIN POST
FORT BENNING, GEORGIA
 FEBRUARY 1965



MAP LEGEND

UNIT/ACTIVITY	BLDG NR	REFER TO	UNIT/ACTIVITY	BLDG NR	REFER TO
Academic Building	4	13 - U	Post Office	110	11 - U
Headquarters USAIC/USAIS			Post Exchange	1711	12 - U
Commandant			Provost Marshal	215	11 - U
Asst Commandant			Quartermaster Clothing Sales	1698	12 - V
Deputy CG			Special Services Office	394	11 - U
Chief of Staff			Briant Wells Field House	933	11 - U
AC of S, G1			Doughboy Stadium		11 - U
AC of S, G2			Gowdy Field		11 - U
AC of S, G3			Old Post Gym	358	10 - U
AC of S, G4			Russ Pool		10 - T
Deputy Post Commander	35	11 - T	Service Club	2784	14 - V
AG Section			Bowling Center	2785	14 - V
Airlines Office	19	11 - U	Theater #1	90	11 - U
Banks	601	11 - U	Transfer Point	1400	13 - T
Commissary	108	12 - U	Thrift Shop	1230	12 - T
Country Club	390	12 - R	YAC	1054	11 - S
Dental Clinic	66	12 - V			
Finance Office	69	11 - U	TROOP UNITS		
Hospital Annex (Phy Exams)	396	11 - R	US Army Infantry Center		
Lawson Army Airfield Ops	301	15 - Y	Troop Command	74	11 - V
NCO Club	227	11 - U	The Student Brigade	399	11 - U
Business Office & 7, 8, 9 Club	229	13 - T	WAC Company	243	11 - R
Crain Hall			197th Infantry Brigade	2806	15 - V
Officers Club	128	11 - T	Marksmanship Training Unit	1499	14 - U
Business Office	1827	12 - T	US Army Infantry Board	76	12 - V
Pizzeria	1095	12 - S	US Army CDCIA	241	11 - R
Parade Fields			US Army Infantry Human Research Unit	1013	11 - S
Chapel Field		11 - T			
Sightseeing Field		14 - U			
York Field		14 - U			
Stillwell Field		11 - U			
Blue & French Polo Fields		12 - S			
Gordon Field		12 - T			
Glenn Field	46537 Army-Ft. Benning, Ga. 3 Mar 66	12 - T			

Recreation

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

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 from 1st Division Road to the USAIC Recreation Area. Use of the lodge 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. A lodge, 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 RECREATION 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 which can be rented with or without 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 furnished with everything except linen and towels. There is a 38-foot boat that can be reserved for deep sea fishing. For reservations or information, telephone 545-5641.

Special Services also has available for use ten boats, fully equipped with motors and safety devices, and ten completely equipped folding camping trailers with hitches. These may be reserved by calling 545-2952.

For hunters, Special Services has a supply of shotguns of various sizes, available free of charge to anyone with a military identification card, a Georgia hunting license and a post hunting permit. Ammunition is not furnished. Phone 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 Kelley Hill. The central office of the Chaplain Section is in the Old Infantry School, Bldg. 35, phone 545-2621.

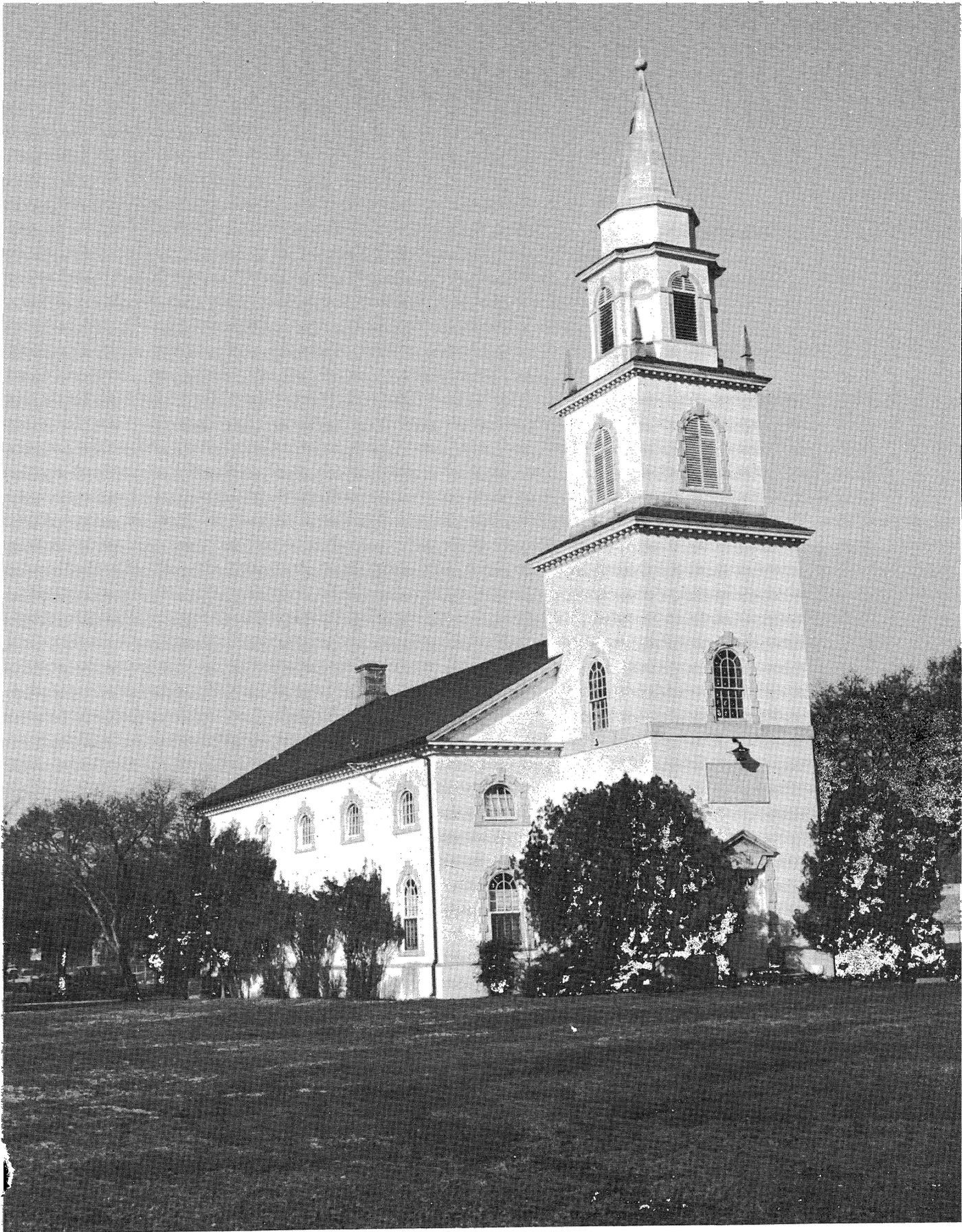
The Religious Education Center on Dixie Road, offers religious instruction and activities to all faiths and ages.

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 Col. G. A. Sharpe at 545-1292 or 545-4461.

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 calling 545-2621.



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 to attend high school in the Muscogee

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 a wide variety of 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. 3248, the South Harmony Church Club, Bldg. 4410, The

Marksmanship

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

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 outings, hunting and fishing activities, contests, and recreational activities to further physical well

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

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. At certain times throughout the year, the pool is reserved during the evening for water safety instruction for students of the Infantry School and Ranger Training Command. 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 Post

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.

Kelley Hill Club, Bldg. 9079, and the North Harmony Church Club, Bldg. 5362, are all located in their respective areas. Main Post, Sand Hill and Kelley 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. For information, call 545-4592.

7 p.m. every day. Membership is open to all military personnel and their dependents. For information, telephone 545-2717.

being and morale among the members of the club.

The Club conducts skeet and trap shooting and archery on ranges at its site in Harmony Church, off First Division Road. For information, telephone 545-6028.

and handball courts, weightlifting equipment and an indoor swimming pool. The Fieldhouse is open from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m., Monday through Saturday, and from 1 to 9 p.m. Sunday and holidays.

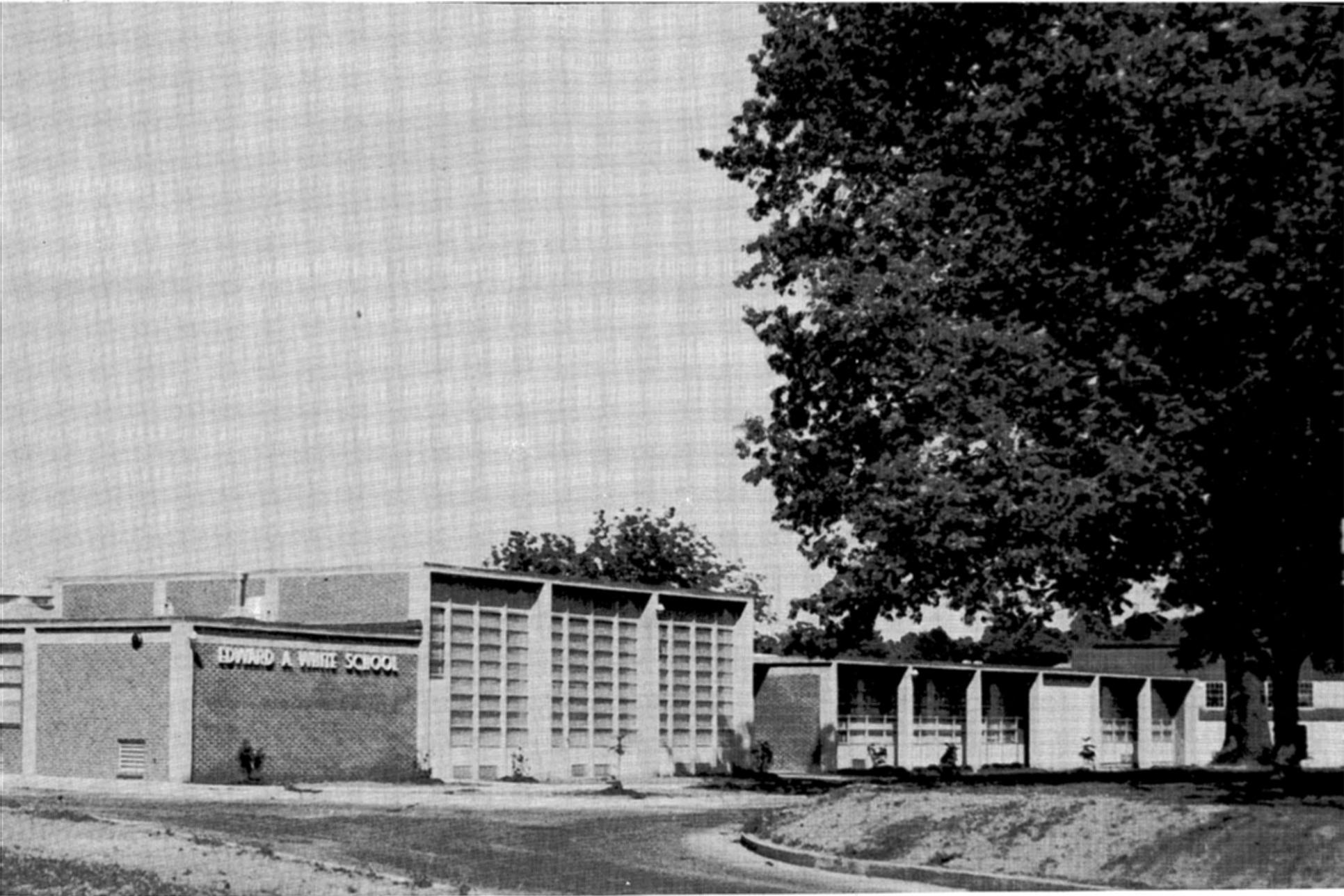
The School Brigade gym on Bradshaw Road is open Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. Kimbro Gym in Sand Hill is open Monday-Friday, 4:30 to 9:30 p.m. and Saturday, Sunday, and holidays from 1:30 to 9:30 p.m. The Harmony Church Field House hours are 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday-Friday, Saturday, noon to 8 p.m., and Sunday and holidays from 1 to 8 p.m.

open from 1 to 4 p.m. and 6 to 9 p.m. Between 4 and 6 p.m. weekdays and from 9 a.m. to noon Saturday the pool is reserved for the use of the Youth Activities Club.

Four outdoor pools are Sand Hill, Harmony Church, Kelley Hill and Carey pools, open from 1 to 8 p.m. daily.

and throughout the reservation.

Telegrams may be sent at the Fort Benning Western Union office in Bldg. 1600. Hours are 9 a.m. to 7:15 p.m., Monday through Friday and 9:30 a.m. to 1:45 p.m., Saturday.



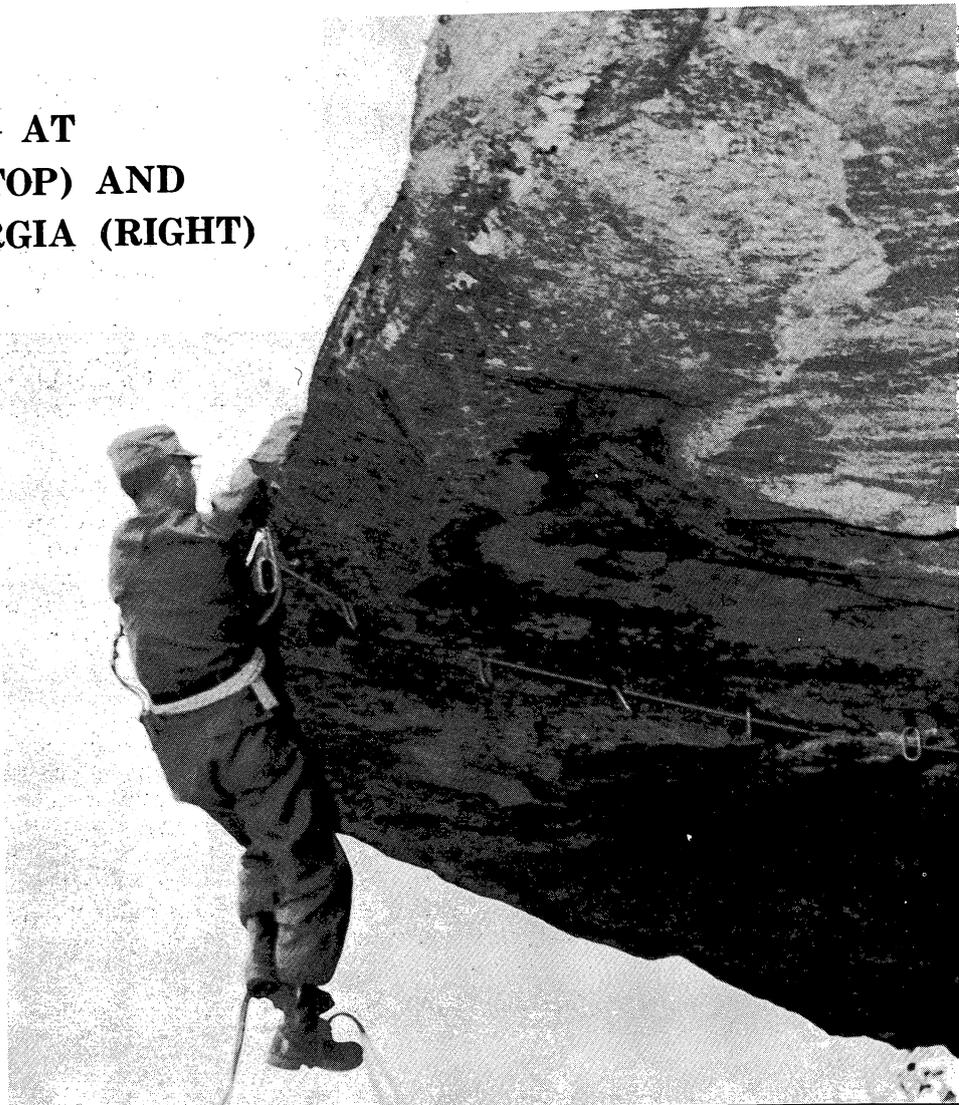
EDWARD A. WHITE SCHOOL



INFANTRYMEN TRAIN ON BENNING RANGES



**RANGER TRAINING AT
EGLIN, FLORIDA (TOP) AND
DAHLONEGA, GEORGIA (RIGHT)**



Thrift Shop

The Thrift Shop, Bldg. 1230, is operated by the Officer's 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 ar-

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 nightly at 7 p.m., and a matinee Sunday at 2:30 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

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

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

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 basketball for boys. The Club conducts the Junior

ticles 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.

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 Kelley Hill, performances daily at 6:30 and 8:30, a matinee Sunday and holidays at 2:30.

Theater No. 11, at the junction of 8th Division Road and Cusseta Highway, Harmony Church, performances Sunday through Friday at 7 p.m., Saturday 6:30 and 8:30, and matinee Saturday, Sunday, and holidays at 2:30 p.m.

A new 1,000-seat theater is expected to be completed in July 1968 in Sand Hill to replace No. 6.

all organizations and are issued at the vehicle registration point, the Provost Marshal Office.

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, Kelley Hill and Sand Hill areas is furnished daily.

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.

Olympics on post, as well as an aquatic program including scuba diving, and water safety and life-saving instruction. In addition, there is a program for handicapped children. The YAC office is in Bldg. 358 (Old Post Gym). YAC operates Teen Square, a center, including an outdoor swimming pool, for social activities for teen-age military dependents. For further information, telephone 545-2130.



AIRMOBILE 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

WOMEN'S CLUB ACTIVITIES AT FT. BENNING



On The Golf Course



"Annual '49er Party

Women's Club Activities at Fort Benning

It is very unlikely that any woman at Fort Benning will wail that she has nothing to do. The women's clubs are among the busiest of any clubs, and club interests are wide and varied enough to suit any lady's tastes.

Whether it's molding beautiful pieces of ceramics, knitting, dancing, horseback riding, reading or playing golf, Fort Benning has it on the distaff side.

Or try modeling, painting, making hats, or gardening. Fort Benning has it for its wives.

Also, women's religious groups further the spiritual work of the Fort Benning community.

Of course, perhaps the main reason that wives especially enjoy their clubs is that they give them the chance to meet so many other wonderful people from all parts of the country. Through common interests within the clubs, lasting friendships are made.

Society of the Blessed Virgin Mary

The Society of the Blessed Virgin Mary, a religious organization for Catholic women at Fort Benning, has a dual purpose, to further the individual spiritual growth of each of its members and to contribute to the work of the Catholic community of the post.

Their projects include such accomplishments as purchasing a carpet for the Catholic Activity Center, holding frequent retreats, and visiting the elderly.

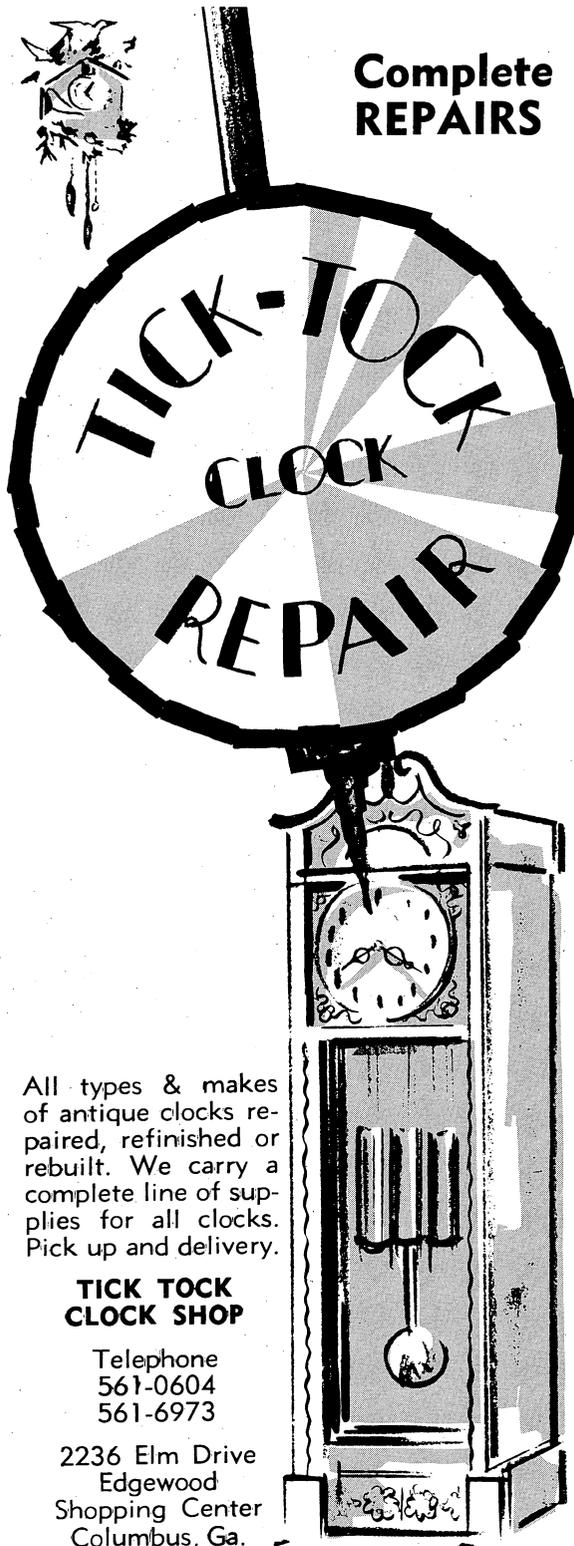
The society meets each first Friday morning of each month. Mass begins at 9:30 a.m. and breakfast follows at the 7-8-9 Club. For further information, Sister Joan Thomas may be called at 545-5811.

Jewish Sisterhood

The Jewish Sisterhood of Fort Benning keynotes "togetherness" in its activities. Among the projects adopted by the Sisterhood are the refurbishing of the Chapel Library, the packing of children's school boxes for shipment to Vietnamese orphanages, the sponsorship of monthly "Evening Out" programs for young couples, and the operation of The Judaica Shop.

The Sisterhood also assists with preparations for religious holiday activities and festivities.

For further information about the Sisterhood, the Jewish Center may be called at 545-5722.



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Also it sponsors the "Polka Dots," the club's choral group, the School of Dance, the Ladies' Golf Association. The Thrift Shop, the Pre-kindergarten School, and the Charm and Modeling School. The Officers' Wives' Geographical Wives' Club is a club of wives whose husbands are overseas, on temporary duty, or on "bootstrap."

The club's annual membership tea, Christian luncheon, February luncheon, spring election luncheon, and spring champagne installation supper are listed as the officers' wives' most enjoyable and best remembered activities.

Club funds are used to sponsor its internal groups, to award scholarships at Fort Benning, and to support post charities.

For further information, Mrs. Albert F. Muehlke at 545-3528 or Mrs. James M. Morris Jr. at 545-3849 may be called.

The Noncommissioned Officers' Wives Club

The Noncommissioned Officers' Wives' Club offers a full calendar of events for its members.

Luncheons, coffees, and meetings are always on the club calendar, and other activities such as ceramics or bridge lessons are in the offering. Fashion shows, beauty demonstrations, and interesting talks are a few of the programs on its entertainment agenda.

The club also sponsors the Army Community Service Hospitality House, awards scholarships, supports coffee calls at Martin Army Hospital, and supports other worthwhile post projects.

For further information, Mrs. Roscoe Mansfield at 544-2456 or Mrs. Thomas Fitzpatrick at 544-1856 may be called.

Daughters of the U. S. Army

The Daughters of the U. S. Army (DUSA), daughters of active or retired Army officers, are especially known for their sponsorship of the post's Tot Town Nursery.

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DUSA meets each first Tuesday of each month at the Main Officers' Club.

The club also sponsors the Junior Army Daughters of America for high school-age girls who are daughters of Army officers.

For further information about DUSA, Mrs. Paul R. Buckley at 545-4309 or Mrs. Robert Beidleman at 687-1074 may be called.

Mrs. Curtis Herrick may be called at 689-2993 for information about the Junior Army Daughters of America.

The Registered Nurses' Association

The Registered Nurses' Association has as its aim to help inactive registered nurses, now busy mothers, to remain aware of current trends in nursing.

Meetings, open to all registered nurses in the Fort Benning-Phenix City-Columbus area, are held the first Monday of each month at Martin Army Hospital.

At each meeting, after a get-acquainted coffee,

the nurses hear a lecture given by a member of the medical or nursing profession.

The association also provides an opportunity for inactive nurses, unable to work full time, to give part time volunteer service to Martin Army Hospital, as assistants to school nurses, or as nurses in bloodmobiles.

Interested persons may call Mrs. David Hacking at 545-5845 or Mrs. Samuel J. Watson at 544-3739.

Fort Benning Chapter of Panhellenic

The Fort Benning Chapter of Panhellenic is an organization of the "Greeks," sorority sisters whose primary aim is to aid Army daughters in gaining entry to colleges and to sororities. Through their sponsorship of social activities for high school girls, the ladies' chapter can also answer the younger set's questions about college life, major courses of study, and college finances.

The chapter meets each third Friday at the Main Officers' Club.

Interested persons may call Mrs. James G. Madison Jr. at 545-4920 or Mrs. Lyman K. Harris at 689-7401.

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Protestant Women's Activities

Protestant women's religious organizations include the Protestant Women of the Chapel Council and the Ladies' Bible Study Group. The Protestant Women of the Chapel (PWOC) Council, with its six chapters, strives to provide Christian fellowship, a variety of programs for spiritual growth, and Christian service.

The Infantry Center Chapel chapter meets each fourth Wednesday at 9:30 a.m. at the Religious Education Center, Bldg. 2605; the Army Training Center Chapter meets each second Tuesday, 9:30 a.m. in the Defender's Lodge near the Army Training Center Headquarters, Sand Hill; the evening chapter meets each fourth Monday at 7 p.m. in the Religious Education Center, Bldg. 2605; The Student Brigade Chapter meets each fourth Wednesday at 9:30 a.m. in the Sightseeing Road Chapel; the Spanish-Speaking Ladies' Group meets each first Saturday at 7:30 p.m. in the Benning Park Baptist Church; the Episcopal Altar Guild meets each fourth Monday at 10 a.m.

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For further information on any of the Protestant women's activities, Mrs. Marguerite Waldrop may be called at 545-7413.



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Columbus on the Chattahoochee 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 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 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 low-rate water transportation.

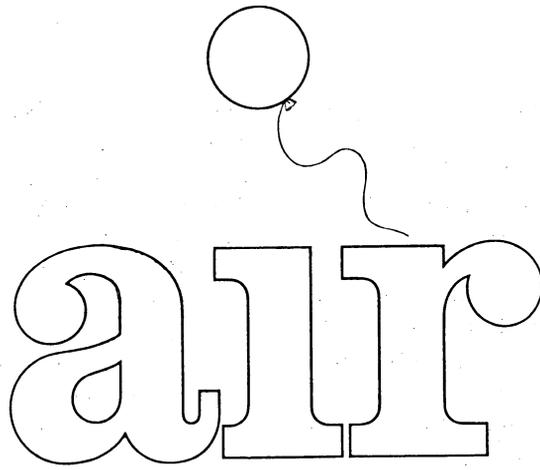
In addition to being an industrial-minded city, Columbus is a city of pleasant living. Recreation facilities are numerous and varied. Three municipally operated swimming pools, a golf course, football stadium, baseball park, an auditorium which is the site of the annual Miss Georgia Pageant and many 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.

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 Chamber 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.

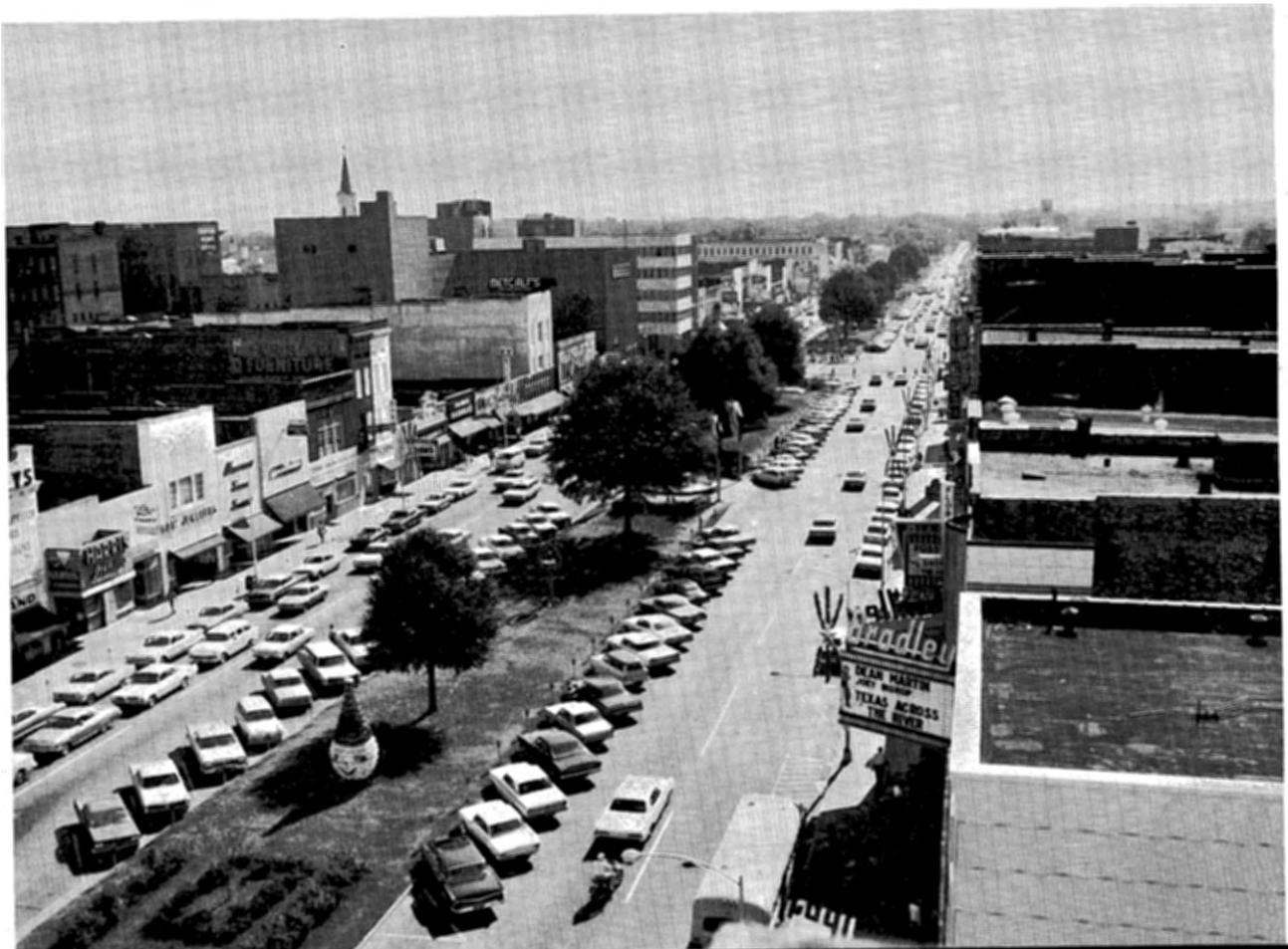
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Following the last Creek cession Russell County, Alabama was created by an act of the legislature, approved December 18, 1832. Girard, a white settlement located in the northeast corner of the county, was designated the county seat.

In the final settlement of accounts with the Indians, Ben Marshall, a halfbreed, was awarded a tract of land one mile square in March 1832. Three months later he sold this area, known as Marshall's Reserve, to land speculators from Georgia for \$35,000. They laid it out in lots, sold them, and received \$100,000 for them. This was the official beginning of the little border town of Girard. It is believed that it was named for Stephen Girard, philanthropist and slave dealer. He was a prominent Philadelphian, and founded Girard College in that city, which stands today.

In 1842 the county seat was moved from Girard to Crockettville' (named for Davy Crockett), now Crawford, Alabama. In 1868 the county seat was again moved, this time to Seale. In 1935 it was moved again, to Phenix City its present location.

Until 1866 Russell County included much of its present area plus a large part of Lee. Lee County was created by an act of the legislature approved December 15, 1866. The new northern boundary of Russell (southern boundary of Lee) ran through Girard leaving part of it in Lee and other in Russell.

This was an awkward situation for both sections of the town, particularly the part in Lee. February 23, 1883 an act of the legislature incorporated this part into the Town of Brownsville. Al-

though the town was officially named "Brownville" the post office serving it was called "Lively" and the railroad depot was "Knight's Station." On February 19, 1889 an act of the Alabama legislature officially changed "Brownville" to Phenix City, named for the old Phoenix mills in Columbus.

In 1921 another boundary line change placed Phenix City in Russell County. In 1923 Phenix City and Girard consolidated. The combined population, at the time, was 10,374 and "Phenix City" was chosen as the name of the entire area.

Following consolidation progress began in earnest. A new senior high school was built in 1928. During the '30's modern fire and police departments were created. Electricity was made available to all: a modern water works was built and a natural gas system installed. A new courthouse was begun in 1935. By this time more than 30 miles of streets had been paved. In 1948 a new, modern hospital began receiving patients.

During the last fifteen years more than a hundred million dollars of new business and industry has moved into Phenix City and the entire "face" of the city has been changed. A multimillion dollar shopping center occupies the former site of one of its worst slums. A new city hall, three new fire stations, two banks, a new football stadium, two large nursing homes, five new schools, a modern library, new health center, hundreds of new brick homes, have been built.

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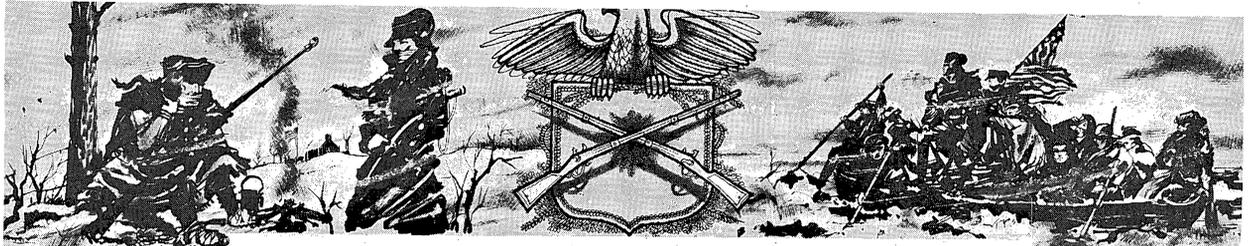
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At Chateau-Thierry, first over the top, then I stood like a rock on the Marne. It was I who cracked the Hindenburg Line . . . in the Argonne, I broke the Kaiser's spine . . . and didn't come back till it was "over, over there." I am the Infantry! **FOLLOW ME!**

A generation older at Bataan, I briefly bowed, but then I vowed to return. Assaulted the African shore . . . learned my lesson the hard way in the desert sands . . . pressed my buttons into the beach at Anzio . . . and bounced into Rome with determination and resolve. I am the Infantry!

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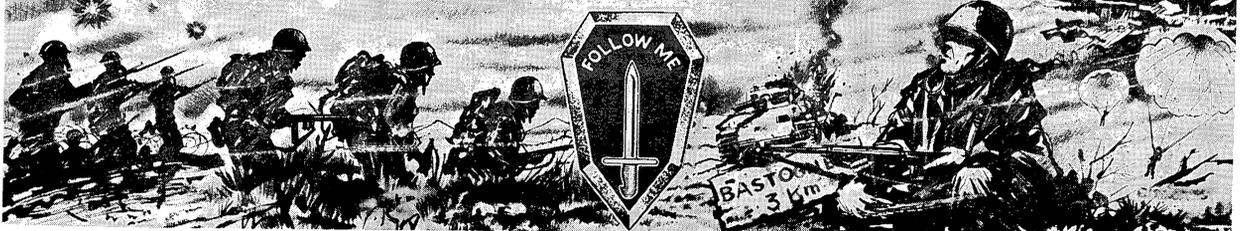
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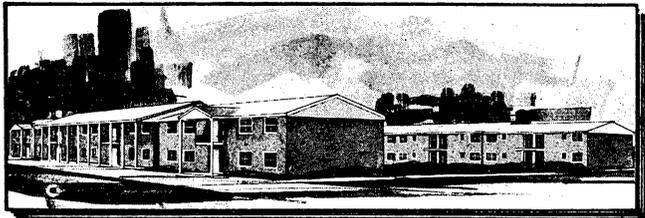


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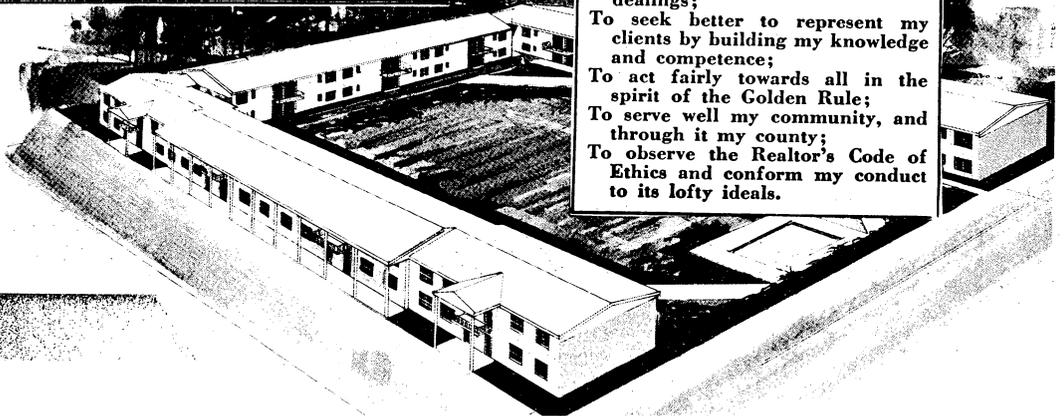
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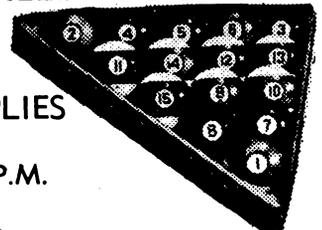
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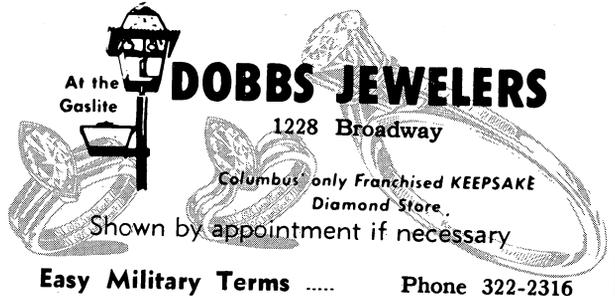
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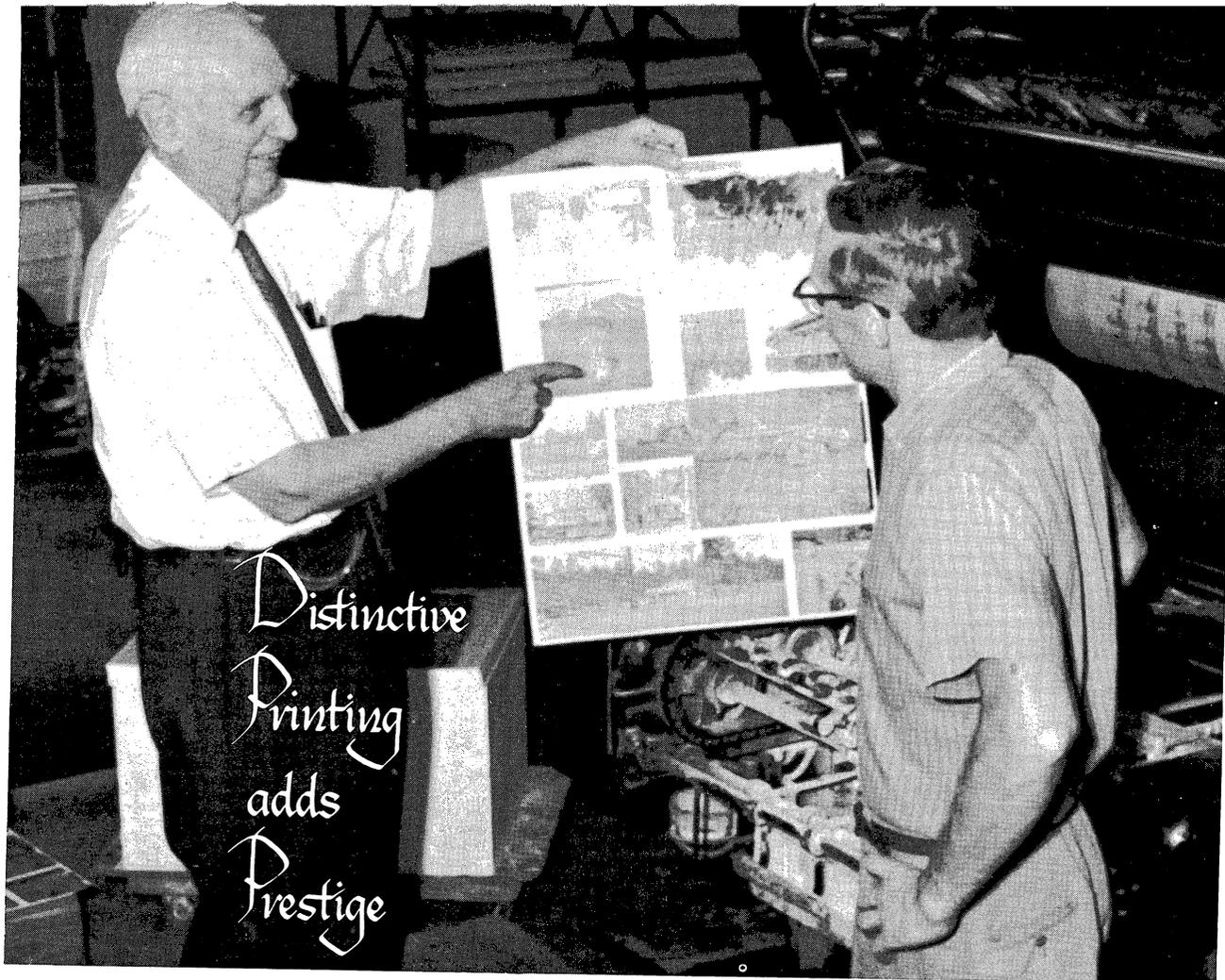
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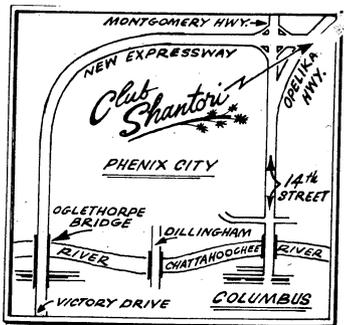


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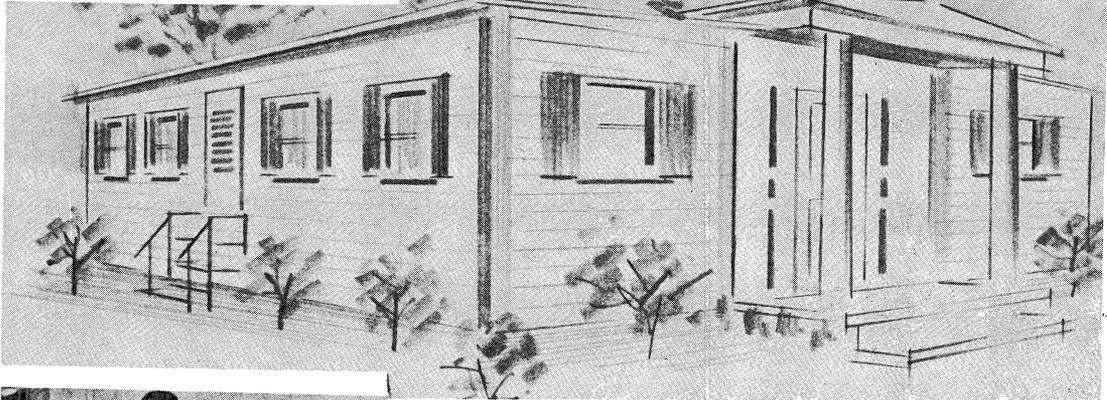
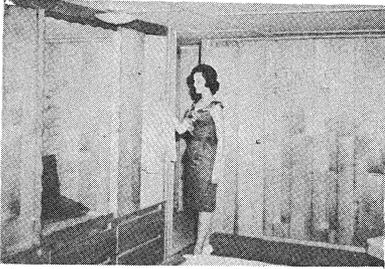
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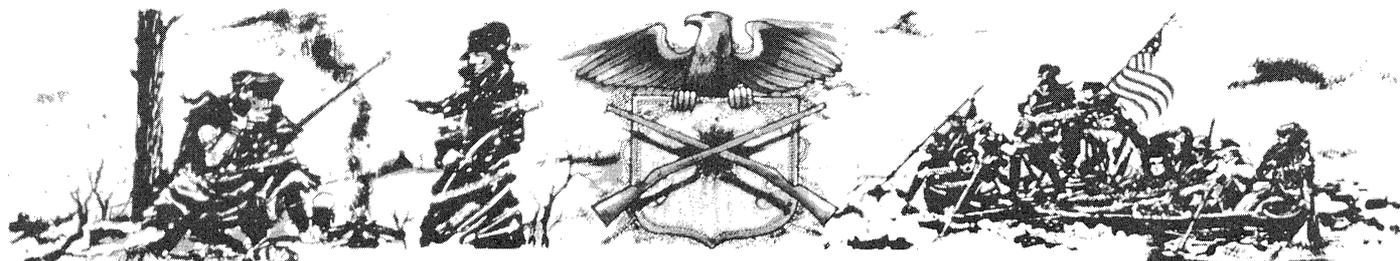
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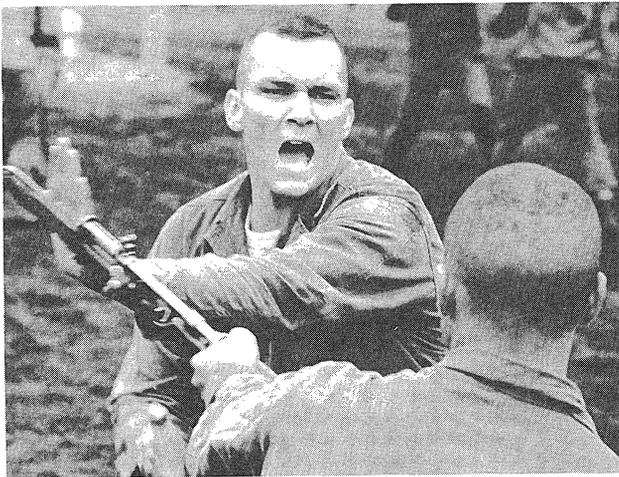
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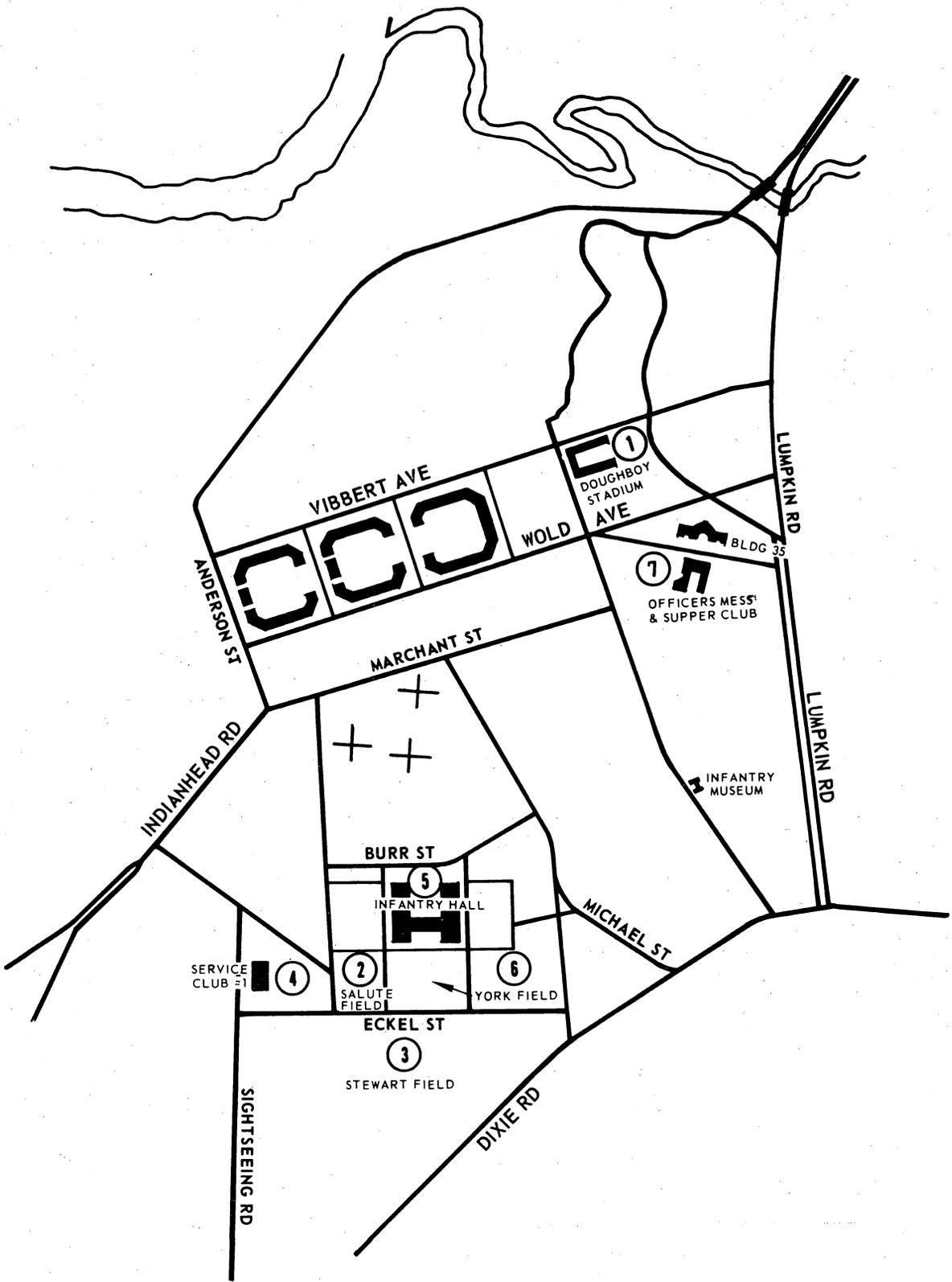


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1000-1200	Downtown Parade with Floats
1830-2200	Infantry Banquet — Officers Open Mess (7)*
2200	Infantry Ball — Officers Open Mess (7)*
Sunday, 6 October 1968	
1100-1200	Memorial Church Services — Doughboy Stadium (1)
1300-1700	Demonstration of Fort Benning's History — Salute Field (2) Static Displays: (Weapons, Vehicles, Aircraft, Ranger Demonstrations, Sky Diving, Buddy-Seat Rides, "I am the Infantry" Shows and Appropriate Films on Fort Benning and/or the Infantry in General) — Stewart Field and Vicinity (3) Demonstrations on Methods of Training by United States Army Training Center, Infantry — Stewart Field (3)
1400-1500	General Benning's Graveside Ceremony — Linwood Cemetery, Linwood Blvd, Columbus
1500-1800	OCS "Alumni" Reunion — Service Club #1 Bldg 2784 (4)
1530-1600	Infantry Museum Ceremony — Infantry Hall, Marshall Auditorium (5)
1900-2030	Cocktails and Dinner for Distinguished Guests — Officers Open Mess (7)*
Monday, 7 October 1968	
1000-1100	Recognition of Former Infantrymen and Current Personnel at Fort Benning — York Field (6)
1200-1430	Official Luncheon — Officers Open Mess (7)*
1000-1700	Demonstration of Fort Benning's History — Salute Field (2) Static Displays — Stewart Field and Vicinity (3) Demonstrations on Methods of Training by United States Army Training Center, Infantry — Stewart Field (3)
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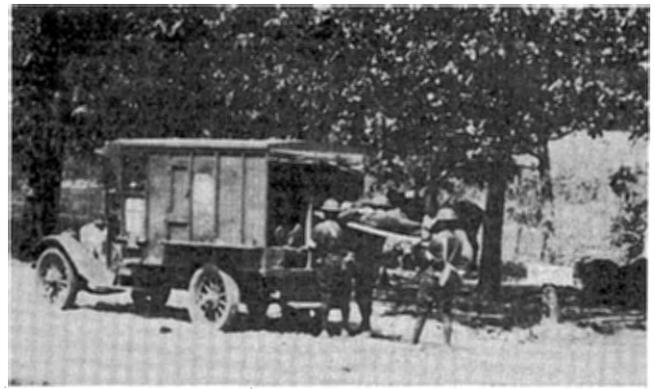
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Red Georgia clay clung tenaciously to his highly polished riding boots. Over his shoulders could be seen a few half completed wooden buildings neatly lining a muddy street. Below the hill and out of his sight the rain-swollen Upatoi Creek was flooding into the lowlands. The date was 24 April 1919.

Major General C. S. Farnsworth, on his first day in command of a post only seven months old, reacted to the question put to him by a Columbus newspaper reporter: "My goal is simple. It is my hope and ambition to make Fort Benning the largest and most influential Army post in the United States."

Farnsworth's goal was unbelievably optimistic considering the status of Camp Benning at the time. The War Department had already disapproved his memorandum announcing Camp Benning as a permanent post; and although he referred to the post as "fort," it was, in fact, recognized only as a temporary camp. The "war to end all wars" — World War I — was over and the citizen soldiers were returning to their homes. An economy-minded Congress was drastically opposed to continued military spending and was seriously considering the abandonment of the budding Army post near Columbus. Construc-

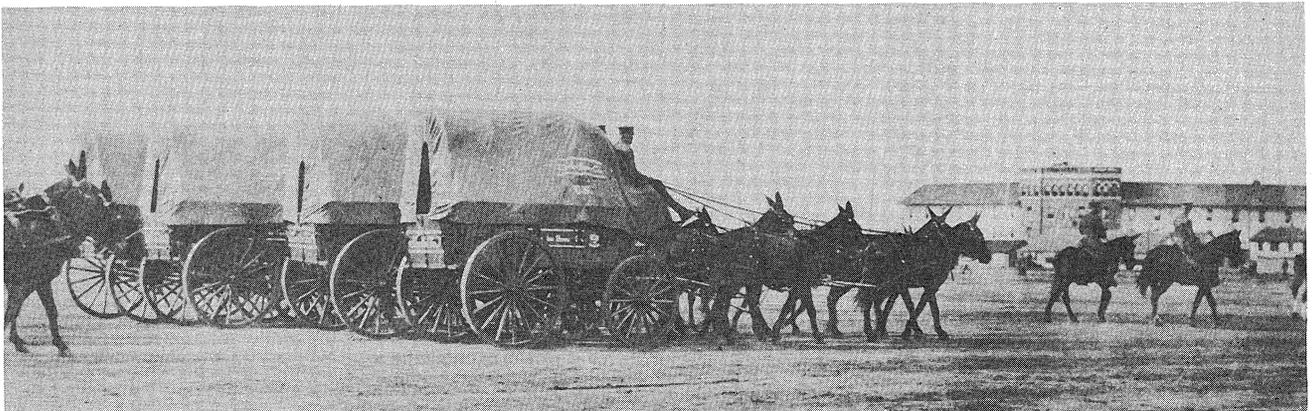


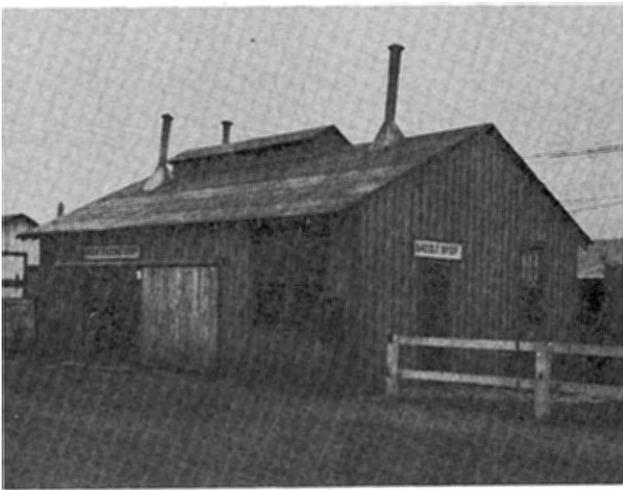
tion and other improvements were stalemated during the political debates. And yet, despite these conditions, Farnsworth outlined his bold plans for Fort Benning's future.

Remarkably enough, it did not take many years for Fort Benning to earn the reputation among military leaders Farnsworth predicted. Now, exactly 50 years later — Fort Benning observes its golden anniversary on 7 October 1968 — the post is solidly established as "the Home of the Infantry." Except for some parochial dissent, no one questions that Fort Benning is the world's most influential military establishment.

Fort Benning's greatest strength may be attributed to one factor: the simplicity of its mission. Regardless of the wordy and confusing mission statements often found in directives and manuals, Fort Benning's mission is "to produce the world's finest combat Infantrymen." All the resources of the post are directed toward accomplishment of that mission. And those resources are vast and complex.

In terms of personnel, 50,000 soldiers make up the total station complement, a strength that has been fairly consistent for a number of years. Over 10,000 civilian employees work on the post. There are nearly 40,000 dependents of military





personnel and an additional 10,000 retired families who look to Fort Benning. In short, Fort Benning's supported population exceeds 110,000 people.

The permanent land area of the Fort is 285 square miles, or 182,247 acres, and an additional 335 square miles have been leased to provide the training areas necessary to support the United States Army Infantry School's instruction.

A number of major activities support the Fort Benning mission.

One of these is the Infantry School. Day in and day out the Infantry School has a student load of 10,000, and this year alone more than 60,000 students will graduate from the 240 courses taught. The School's Allied Officer training program extends Fort Benning's prestige to over 57 nations throughout the free world.

Another major activity is the US Army Training Center, Infantry, where basic training is conducted. Each week 880 new soldiers are graduated and a like number are being processed into the Army.

The 197th Infantry Brigade is a STRAF unit with a primary mission of supporting the training problems conducted by the Infantry School. This unit is the Army's largest Infantry Brigade.

Since superlatives seem in order in talking about units at Fort Benning, it follows that the 10th Aviation Group is the world's largest tactical aviation unit. This unit trains aviation units for deployment and conducts individual and unit transition training.

Another major unit is Lawson Army Aviation Command, which operates the airfield. Modern in every respect, the airfield boasts an 8,000 feet

runway which can accommodate the largest aircraft. This airfield controls some 200,000 take-offs and landings each year, making it one of the busiest airports in the nation.

The Center Troop Command, an organization of some 7,000 to 8,000 people, provides the support necessary to operate an Army post the size of Fort Benning. To this unit are assigned such activities as the band, military police, engineer units and other personnel necessary for station support.

An exceptionally important activity to a post the size of Fort Benning is Martin Army Hospital, a modern medical facility which provides medical treatment not only to the active duty personnel, but a large retired segment of the nearby civilian communities. Over 10 percent of the patients now at the Hospital are Vietnam returnees.

In addition to these units, there are other tenant activities which mesh their operations into the Fort Benning mission. One of these is the Combat Developments Command Infantry Agency, which takes on the giant task of determining how the Infantry of the future will be structured, equipped, and will fight.

What the Infantryman will fight with is being tested by the Army Materiel Command's Infantry Board, another member of the Fort Benning team. Additional activities are the US Army Marksmanship Training Unit, and the US Infantry Human Research Unit, which conducts studies and research in devices, motivation, and leadership among the Infantry.

This, then, is Fort Benning today. Perhaps General Farnsworth could envision such a complex establishment back in 1919, but not even this farsighted leader could imagine the rocky road Fort Benning faced before arriving at its





gate, New Mexico, for example, was disqualified because of terrain. Although Eames' group considered Bragg, Knox, and Sill, artillery training needs precluded any sort of serious consideration.

The site near Columbus afforded nearly ideal conditions for Infantry training — a mild year-round climate, access to transportation, and varied terrain. Colonel Eames, who would become Benning's first commander, was impressed. Still, the effort of both Infantry officers and interested civilians cannot be underestimated. Although their motives may have differed slightly, their combined surge to locate Camp Benning near Columbus was considerable — the Army wanted a camp near Columbus, while the Columbus citizens had similar motives grounded in historical and patriotic roots stemming from the Civil War.

Meanwhile, Major J. Paul Jones was in Washington working on the plans and estimates for the relocation of the Infantry School of Arms from Fort Sill to Camp Benning. His job, once the decision was made to locate the new camp at Columbus, was an overwhelming one: in two weeks, build a cantonment to accommodate 1200 men. Jones' task was further compounded by instructions that troops already en route to Columbus had to be taken care of, although no money had been allocated and the whole project had not yet received the formal approval of the Secretary of War.

Jones started his frantic project by telephone from Washington, setting things in motion for construction. He arrived in Columbus on 24 September, the same day as Colonel Eames. While a camp site was being selected about three miles from town on the Macon Road, a civilian and military committee was formed and began marshalling a labor force to accomplish the nearly impossible task of overnight construction. A



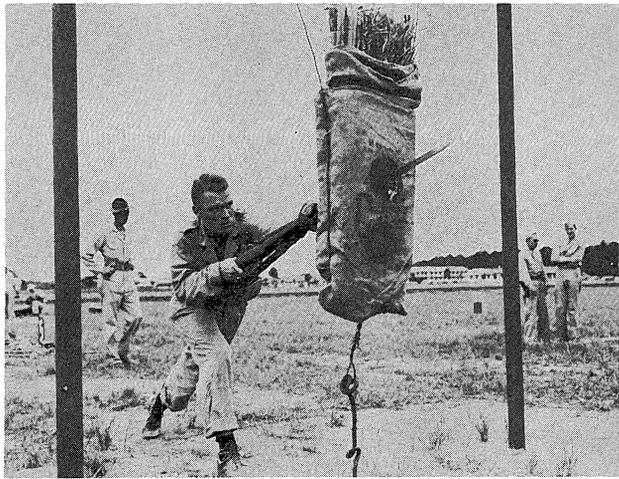
present status.

Camp Benning was founded on 7 October 1918 to meet the manpower needs of General Pershing's expeditionary forces. Fortunately for the Infantry, General Pershing also needed a large number of Artillerymen for the same purpose. And this gave the Artillery School of Fire at Fort Sill, Oklahoma, a natural excuse to complain about the lack of training ground available to them because of the presence there of the Infantry School of Arms. In addition to the whole of Fort Sill, the Artillery also wanted more land for the location of a training center. Thus both Infantry and Artillery were jockeying for camp sites. Fayetteville, North Carolina was finally chosen as the Artillery camp because, as one report (probably apocryphal) has it, the Infantry wanted it; the report attributed General Peyton March, an Artilleryman and Army Chief of Staff, as saying, "If it (Fayetteville) is all that damned good and the Infantry wants it, maybe the artillery should have it."

At any rate, coupled with a growing recognition of the Infantry, the pressing need for more terrain at Fort Sill was the most probable reason for the establishment of Camp Benning.

On 21 May 1918, the Adjutant General of the Army appointed Colonel Henry E. Eames, Infantry, to head a board of officers to meet at Fort Sill to select a site for the Infantry School of Arms. The AG expressed a desire to consider relocating the School to either Camp Gordon, Georgia; Camp Pike, Arkansas; Camp Lee, Virginia; or to another location central to those sites.

Columbus, Georgia was central to them, but other sites also came in for consideration. Most were disqualified either because of poor climate or remoteness to population centers. Fort Win-



MacArthur when he said of the school, "In the evolution of the school, the scope of the work may take a wider range and include all subjects connected with small arms, ammunition, and tactics." An Infantry School?

The School progressed markedly during its existence. It introduced such revolutionary concepts as the coach-and-pupil method of instruction, field firing which demanded a consideration of terrain, and the combining of tactics with fire. But by 1913, the War Department chose to transfer the School to a more central location at Fort Sill, Oklahoma.

While at Fort Sill, the School of Musketry never managed to get into full sway because of Mexican border incidents. These raids upon US soil necessitated the detachment of school troops to the border, and this affected the training cycle at the Sill location; these interruptions would last until our entrance into World War I.

In 1917, the name of the school was changed from the School of Musketry to the Infantry School of Arms, and it was at this time that the struggle for maneuver land began with the Artillery and resulted in selection of the new camp near Columbus.

Obviously, a few acres in what is now downtown Columbus could not satisfy the space requirements of an Infantry School, so Colonel Eames set about selecting a more suitable site. He finally located one south of Columbus which seemed to possess the topography needed for a school. It had originally been part of the newly ceded Indian territory disposed of in the lottery of 1827 which lay between the Flint and Chattahoochee Rivers. John Woolfolk, formerly of North Carolina, drew one lot and purchased additional lots from those who preferred to live elsewhere.

monument now stands where Camp Benning was born, not only to serve as a fitting reminder of a significant birthplace, but also as a tribute to the entire city of Columbus and the magnificent effort expended in making Camp Benning ready for occupancy in the unbelievably short period of seven days.

Troops arrived on 6 October and the camp was officially born the following day. Twelve days later, on 19 October, a ceremony was held to ceremoniously christen the Army post as Camp Benning, named after Confederate General Henry Lewis Benning, an outstanding lawyer-turned-soldier from Columbus. Camp Benning was a reality.

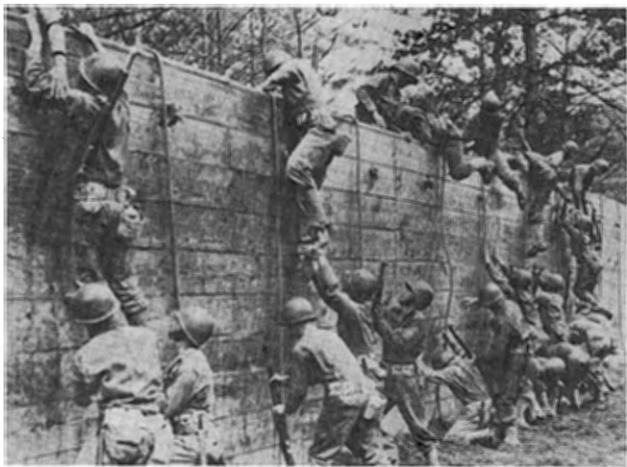
It's impossible to trace the history of Fort Benning, the post, without considering the influence of the Infantry School. In the first place, a school for Infantry was a long sought for goal of many Army leaders, even before Camp Benning reached the drawing board.

An Infantry School of Instruction was established in 1826 in St. Louis. Unfortunately, this school was stillborn and finally abandoned in 1828.

After this, the issue of an Infantry School lay dormant for many years. Field commanders were still required to train their soldiers while in battle, and the horrible slaughter during the Civil War proved once again that lack of discipline and formal training only brought on higher casualties.

By 1907 Lieutenant General Arthur MacArthur had noted the deplorable state to which marksmanship had fallen among his own troops, and he founded the School of Musketry at the Presidio of Monterey, California. This school was ostensibly founded to train marksmen, but something beyond this was envisioned by General





Later, in 1843, he purchased additional land in the same area, so that his plantation eventually comprised over 5,000 acres. This plantation became the nucleus of modern Fort Benning.

The great plantation system was almost gone following the Civil War, and the Woolfolk Plantation, like many of its counterparts throughout the South, was broken up and sold. Benjamin Hatcher, a citizen of Columbus, purchased 1,782 of its acres, including the old plantation house, in 1883, and although he continued to live in Columbus, he operated the plantation under the direction of a resident manager until 1907, when it was purchased by Arthur Bussey.

Since the Bussey Plantation satisfied his requirements, Eames sought — and obtained — War Department approval to locate the boundaries of the reservation practically as he chose. Action was begun to acquire the property, including the large frame house which now serves as the home of the Commanding General.

Then World War I ended, and most of the Army that General Pershing commanded was demobilized. This went well with the people and their representatives because the United States had long been suspicious of a large standing defense establishment, and the economy-minded 66th Congress turned its attention to the millions of dollars appropriated for military spending during the war emergency. The Congress particularly objected to the establishment of new posts, including Camp Benning, while other Congressional targets included Forts Bragg and Knox, although their construction was further along than that at Benning.

The League of Nations debate also seemed to threaten the new post, for half of the US Senate's Committee on Military Affairs was dead

set against the League and its proponents who argued that American soldiers should be the Nation's enforcement arm. The Congressional Record for Friday, 13 June 1919 repeatedly mentions Benning. Georgia Congressmen naturally rose to defend the post, for it was much in their interest to do so. But other Congressmen, mindful of the economy crunch, could not be convinced that the Army really needed another post, especially since wars were a thing of the past — for the moment, at least.

And so the debate went on. Throughout it, the Army continued to push for Camp Benning. Funds were frozen, then released. The project somehow muddled through.

It was about this time that Major General C. S. Farnsworth took over command from Eames and his dream began materializing in 1922 when the little encampment south of Columbus was redesignated "fort." Still, Congress was in no liberal mood for full-scale development of the post.

Between the years 1925-1935 the three quadrangles, or cuartels, now considered Fort Benning landmarks, were constructed. Other building projects were still on a stop-and-go basis.

There is little question that the highlight of the 1920s was the assignment of Colonel George C. Marshall in 1927 as Assistant Commandant of the Infantry School. General Marshall did not believe on total reliance of the "school solution" and threw open the doors of academic thinking to personal thoughts. For example, one day in a classroom, he required each student to draw a detailed map of the route he followed to class, locating both natural and man-made features. From this simple exercise he drove home the point that military men always had to be observant and to think, think, think.





General Marshall surrounded himself with people who were capable of independent thought, people like Joseph W. Stilwell and Omar N. Bradley, who later would become Chairman of the US Joint Chiefs of Staff. It was the beginning of a golden era in academic instruction, an era which has continued to this day.

The 1930s brought the great depression and with it massive doses of Government spending. Fort Benning came in for a lion's share through such projects as WPA, PWA, and CCC, and Building 35, for years the heart of Fort Benning and the School, was completed in 1935. A year earlier, the officers' club was built, along with a number of other modern structures which still grace this most beautiful of Army posts.

It was during this period more than any other that Fort Benning literally "motored" into Army leadership as the true "Home of the Infantry." The automatic weapon, the machinegun, and, above all, the tank, called for a re-examination of Infantry organization and Fort Benning was tasked with the study. The results of the Infantry School study were recorded favorably in 1936 by the Chief of Infantry, and the study itself had a tremendous impact on the reorganization of the Infantry Regiment, increased mobility, and more firepower with the creation of a weapons battalion.

During the build-up for World War II, the 2d Armored Division under the flamboyant General George S. Patton was activated at Fort Benning, the first of many resident divisions. The latest, of course, has been the 1st Cavalry Division, now serving proudly in Vietnam. It was also during the early 1940s that the Infantry Officer Candidate School came into being, and that a radical new approach in moving troops to a

battlefield by parachute was tested. Both schools are now world-famous.

The Korean Conflict in the 1950s once again energized Fort Benning after a period of military demobilization following World War II. Probably the most lasting innovation of this period was the creation of an environment at Fort Benning for the training of a special breed of fighting man — the Army Ranger. It quickly became a common saying that among candidates for the coveted Ranger Tab that "it took more courage for a Ranger to refuse to perform a training challenge than to do it."

Then Korea quieted and Fort Benning fell victim to the inevitable cutback in strength. Still, the mission to retain Infantry leadership prodded the post through the Pentomic era (ROCID) and ROAD (Reorganization Army Division).

The 1960s literally flew in on the blades of helicopters with the formation in 1963 of the 11th Air Assault Division under the leadership of Major General Harry W. O. Kinnard and a galaxy of airmobile-minded young Infantrymen. Again, Fort Benning proved a bellwether in the development of battlefield techniques, as this unit — now the 1st Cavalry Division — repeatedly proves its mettle in combat.

And in 1964, the headquarters of the Infantry Center and the academic function of the School moved out of Building 35 into a modern educational complex befitting the world's most influential Army post. The heart of Fort Benning is now Infantry Hall.

Then Vietnam. Again the tempo increased and Fort Benning geared for war. "Win in Vietnam" became the slogan. OCS, airborne, ranger — all courses in the School — stepped up to meet

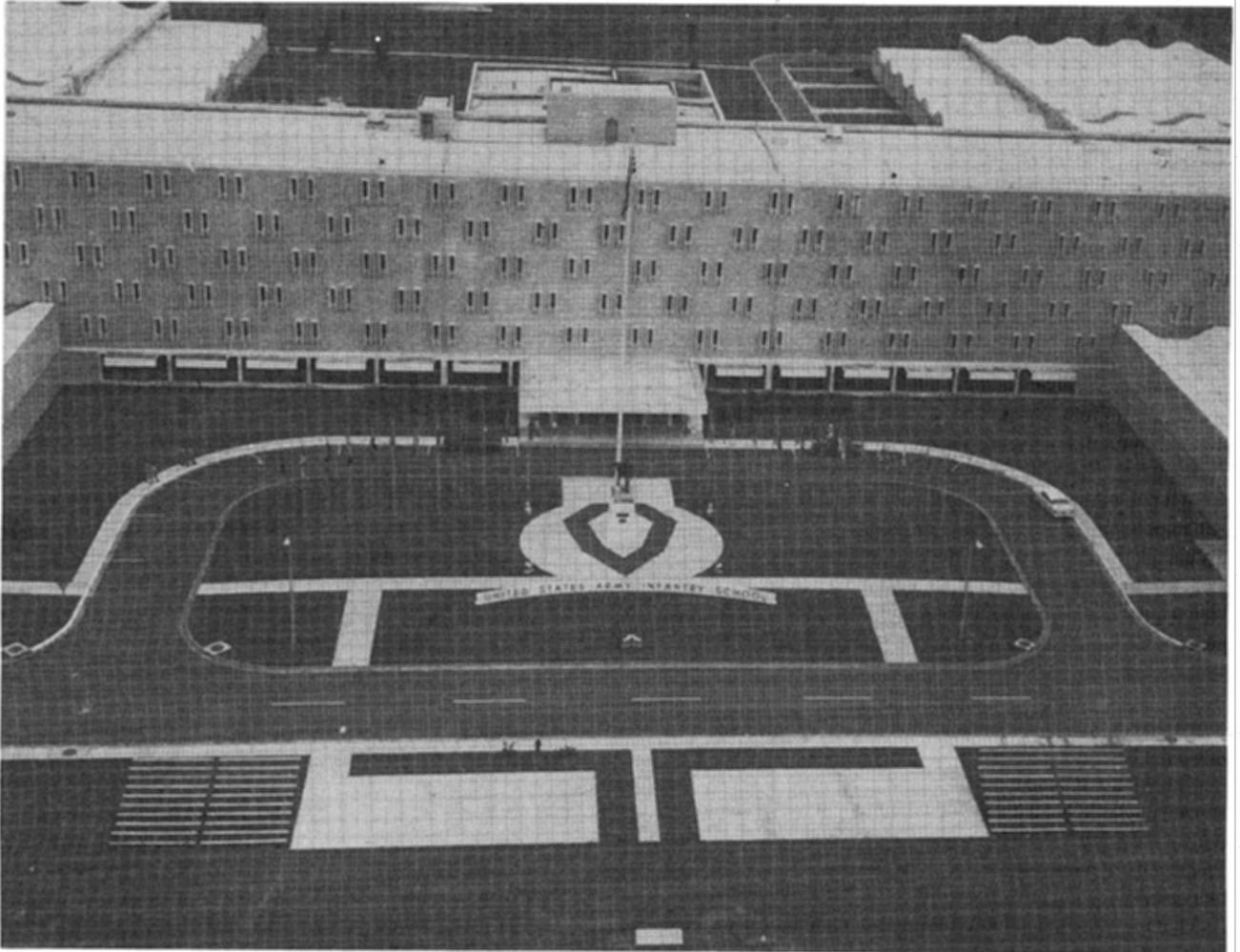


the demands of Vietnam. As in the past crises, Fort Benning is providing the leadership necessary to carry the fight to the enemy.

There is another side to Fort Benning that is rarely mentioned — the Fort is a community of people with an Infantry heartbeat. Those people work, play, worship and. . .sometimes wait.

That community, according to the President of the United States in a speech to soldiers and dependents at Fort Benning, is “a community of courage.”

This sort of courage made Fort Benning what it is today. Infantrymen have always had it. It is called the “Spirit of the Infantry.”



Commandants

United States Army Infantry School

Col Henry E. Eames	October 1918	to	April 1919
MG Charles S. Farnsworth	April 1919	to	July 1920
MG Walter H. Gordon	September 1920	to	November 1923
BG Briant H. Wells	November 1923	to	March 1926
BG Edgar T. Collins	March 1926	to	May 1929
MG Campbell King	May 1929	to	May 1933
BG George H. Estes	September 1933	to	September 1936
BG Asa L. Singleton	October 1936	to	August 1940
BG Courtney H. Hodges	October 1940	to	March 1941
BG Omar N. Bradley	March 1941	to	February 1942
MG Leven C. Allen	February 1942	to	September 1943
MG Charles H. Bonesteel	September 1943	to	June 1944
MG Fred L. Walker	July 1944	to	July 1945
MG John W. O'Daniel	July 1945	to	June 1948
MG Withers A. Burress	July 1948	to	January 1951
MG John H. Church	March 1951	to	May 1952
MG Robert N. Young	June 1952	to	January 1953
MG Guy S. Meloy, Jr.	January 1953	to	June 1954
MG Joseph H. Harper	June 1954	to	May 1956
MG George E. Lynch	May 1956	to	August 1956
MG Herbert B. Powell	August 1956	to	April 1958
MG Paul L. Freeman	May 1958	to	April 1960
MG Hugh P. Harris	April 1960	to	July 1961
MG Ben Harrell	August 1961	to	February 1963
MG C. W. G. Rich	February 1963	to	August 1964
MG John Heintges	August 1964	to	July 1965
MG Robert H. York	July 1965	to	July 1967
MG John M. Wright, Jr.	July 1967	to	Present

Assistant Commandants United States Army Infantry School

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Col William M. Fassett	December 1922	to	September 1923
Col Alfred W. Bjornstad	September 1923	to	September 1924
Col Frank S. Cocheu	June 1925	to	November 1927
LTC George C. Marshall, Jr.	November 1927	to	June 1932
Col Charles W. Weeks	August 1932	to	July 1936
Col Walter C. Short	July 1936	to	February 1937
Col Charles F. Thompson	February 1937	to	June 1938
Col Courtney H. Hodges	July 1938	to	October 1940
Col Charles W. Thomas, Jr.	October 1940	to	June 1941
Col Withers A. Burress	October 1941	to	February 1942
BG George H. Weems	March 1942	to	August 1945
BG W. P. Shepard	August 1945	to	November 1948
BG J. S. Bradley	November 1948	to	July 1950
BG George Honnen	July 1950	to	October 1951
BG Guy S. Meloy, Jr.	October 1951	to	January 1953
Col George E. Bush	January 1953	to	May 1953
BG C. F. Fritzsche	May 1953	to	June 1955
BG Robert L. Cook	July 1955	to	June 1957
BG Stanley R. Larsen	July 1957	to	August 1959
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BG John Norton	May 1963	to	March 1965
BG George I. Forsythe	March 1965	to	March 1966
BG Ellis W. Williamson	March 1966	to	October 1966
BG James S. Timothy, Jr.	October 1966	to	July 1968
BG Sidney B. Berry	July 1968	to	Present

COLUMBUS, GEORGIA

Columbus on the Chattahoochee 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 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 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 and store fixtures. The city also boasts a sizeable meat-packing 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 the 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 low-rate 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. Columbus College, founded in 1958, moved to its present campus in January, 1963 where it now has ten modern buildings and a student enrollment of 1,750. The Muscogee County School District operates 51 elementary schools, 7 junior high schools and 9 senior high schools; the air-conditioned W. C. Bradley Memorial Library has 190,000 volumes, Bookmobile service and record and film departments.

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 Chamber 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!"

PHENIX CITY, ALABAMA

Following the last Creek cession, Russell County, Alabama was created by an act of the legislature, approved December 18, 1832. Girard, a settlement located in the northeast corner of the county, was designated the county seat.

In the final settlement of accounts with the Indians, Ben Marshall, a halfbreed, was awarded a tract of land one mile square in March 1832. Three months later he sold this area, known as Marshall's Reserve, to land speculators from Georgia for \$35,000. They laid it out in lots, sold them, and received \$100,000 for them. This was the official beginning of the little border town of Girard. It is believed that it was named for Stephen Girard, philanthropist and slave dealer. He was a prominent Philadelphian, and founded Girard College in that city, which stands today.

In 1842, the county seat was moved from Girard to Crockettville (named for Davy Crockett), now Crawford, Alabama. In 1868, the county seat was again moved, this time to Seale. In 1935, it was moved again, to Phenix City, its present location.

Until 1866, Russell County included much of its present area plus a large part of Lee. Lee County was created by an act of the legislature approved December 15, 1866. The new northern boundary of Russell (southern boundary of Lee) ran through Girard leaving part of it in Lee and the other in Russell.

This was an awkward situation for both sections of the town, particularly the part in Lee. On February 23, 1883, an act of the legislature incorporated this part into the Town of Brown-

ville. Although the town was officially named "Brownville," the post office serving it was called "Lively" and the railroad depot was "Knight's Station." On February 19, 1889 an act of the Alabama legislature officially changed "Brownville" to Phenix City, named for the old Phoenix mills in Columbus.

In 1921, another boundary line change placed Phenix City in Russell County. In 1923, Phenix City and Girard consolidated. The combined population, at the time, was 10,374 and "Phenix City" was chosen as the name of the entire area.

Following consolidation, progress began in earnest. A new senior high school was built in 1928. During the 30's modern fire and police departments were created. Electricity was made available to all: a modern water works was built and a natural gas system installed. A new courthouse was begun in 1935. By this time more than 30 miles of streets had been paved. In 1948, a new, modern hospital began receiving patients.

During the last fifteen years more than a hundred million dollars of new business and industry has moved into Phenix City and the entire "face" of the city has been changed. A multi-million dollar shopping center occupies the former site of one of its worst slums. A new city hall, three new fire stations, two banks, a new football stadium, two large nursing homes, five new schools, a modern library, new health center, and hundreds of new brick homes have been built.

The city is solvent, energetic and enthusiastic with a population of 32,000. **"Phenix City is a Good Place to Live."**



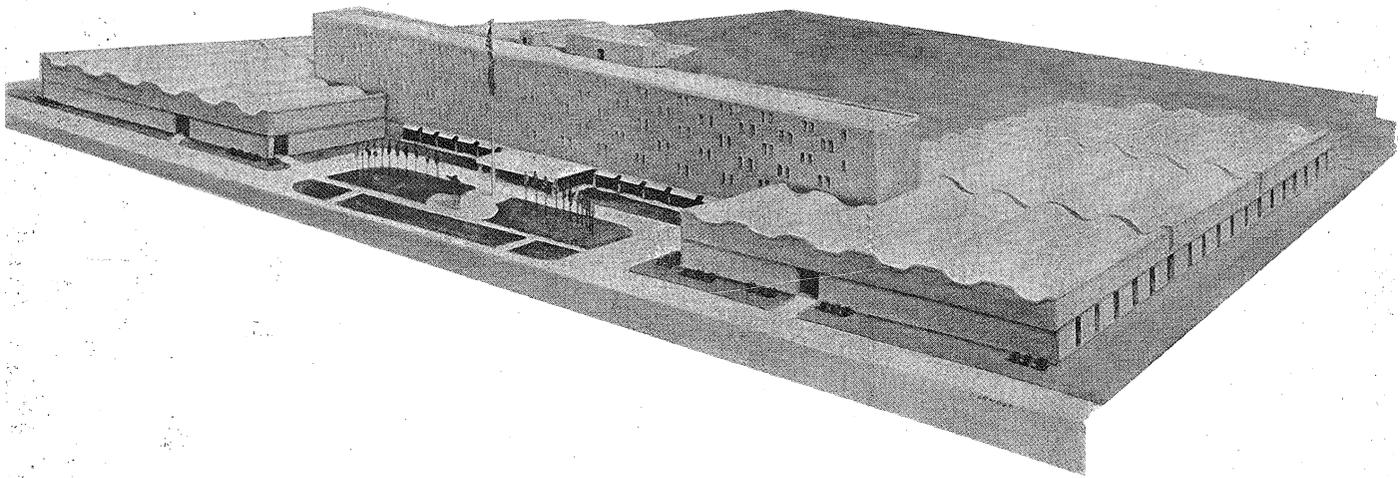
"THE HERITAGE OF THE INFANTRY"



Perhaps no other single thing is as characteristic of the purpose and spirit of the United States Army Infantry School as the shoulder patch worn proudly by its officers and men. While officially a part of the uniform, the emblem is also the "trademark" of the School. Much more important, the motto on the emblem is a terse and yet almost complete definition of the Infantry School. To lead, to develop, to participate -- these are the essential elements of the School's mission. To lead men, to develop ideas and knowledge, and to participate in the development of doctrine and material. How better could the early students of the Infantry School define this mission than by the simple phrase "Follow Me"?

The original drawing of the emblem was made by Lieutenant Bernard A. Byrne, a student at the Infantry School in 1919. Although the emblem may have been in use since shortly after the School's formation, it did not receive official recognition until 1935. The patch is the traditional Infantry blue with silver trim. The shield is of a type used by foot soldiers of old and bears the ultimate Infantry weapon, the bayonet. The seven sides represent the seven principal weapons then used by the Infantry. They were the machine gun, the rifle, the grenade, the Stokes mortar (81mm), the Browning Automatic Rifle, the 37mm gun, and the pistol.

The "Follow Me" motto breathes the very spirit of the bayonet and the Infantry. The primary tactical principle of the offensive is to go forward with the fixed determination of driving home the bayonets of the Infantry. The staff is in command, but the man behind the bayonet is at the head of the Army. Infantry determines the victory. Infantry pays the greatest price in casualties. Infantry has the place of honor. Infantry leads, all others follow. If the bayonet could speak, it would command, "Follow Me"!



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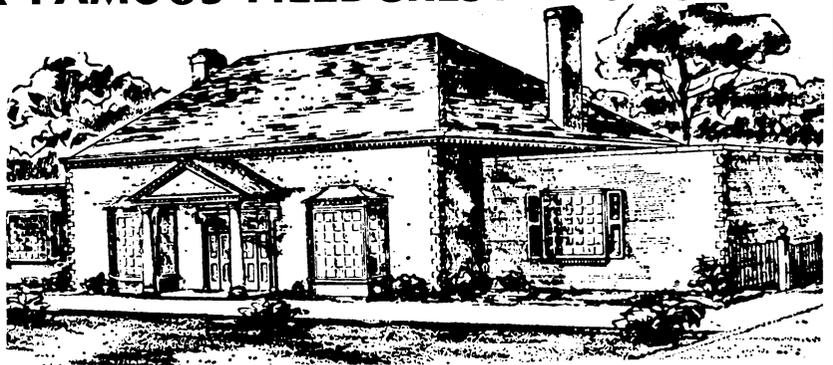
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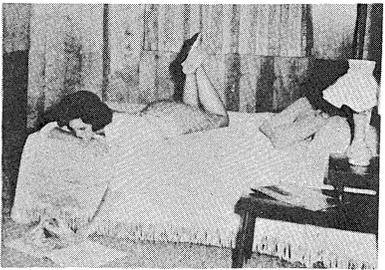
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History of Fort Benning

Red Georgia clay clung tenaciously to his highly polished riding boots. Over his shoulders could be seen a few half completed wooden buildings neatly lining a muddy street. Below the hill and out of his sight the rain-swollen Upatoi Creek was flooding into the lowlands. The date was April 24, 1919.

Major General C. S. Farnsworth, on his first day in command of a post only seven months old, reacted to the question put to him by a Columbus newspaper reporter: "My goal is simple. It is my hope and ambition to make Fort Benning the largest and most influential Army post in the United States."

Farnsworth's goal was unbelievably optimistic considering the status of Camp Benning at the time. The War Department had already disapproved his memorandum announcing Camp Benning as a permanent post; and although he referred to the post as "fort," it was, in fact, recognized only as a temporary camp. The "war to end all wars" — World War I — was over and the citizen soldiers were returning to their homes. An economy-minded Congress was drastically opposed to continued military spending and was seriously considering the abandonment of the budding Army post near Columbus. Construction and other improvements were stalemated during the political debates. And yet, despite these conditions, Farnsworth outlined his bold plans for Fort Benning's future.

Remarkably enough, it did not take many years for Fort Benning to earn the reputation among military leaders Farnsworth predicted. Now, exactly 50 years later — Fort Benning observed its golden anniversary on October 7, 1968 — the post is solidly established as "the Home of the Infantry." Except for some parochial dissent, no one questions that Fort Benning is the world's most influential military establishment.

Fort Benning's greatest strength may be attributed to one factor: the simplicity of its mission. Regardless of the wordy and confusing mission statements often found in directives and manuals, Fort Benning's mission is "to produce the world's finest combat Infantrymen." All the resources of the post are directed toward accomplishment of that mission. And those resources are vast and complex.

In terms of personnel, 50,000 soldiers make up the total station complement, a strength that has been fairly consistent for a number of years. Over 10,000 civilian employees work on the post. There are nearly 40,000 dependents of military personnel and an additional 10,000 retired families who look to Fort Benning. In short, Fort Benning's supported population exceeds 110,000 people.

The permanent land area of the Fort is 285 square miles, or 182,247 acres, and an additional 335 square miles have been leased to provide the training areas necessary to support the United States Army Infantry School's instruction.

A number of major activities support the Fort Benning mission.

One of these is the Infantry School. Day in and day out the Infantry School has a student load of 10,000, and this year alone more than 60,000 students will graduate from the 240 courses taught. The School's Allied Officer training program extends Fort Benning's prestige to over 57 nations throughout the free world.

Another major activity is the US Army Training Center, Infantry, where basic training is conducted. Each week 880 new soldiers are graduated and a like number are being processed into the Army.

The 197th Infantry Brigade is a STRAF unit with a primary mission of supporting the train-

ing problems conducted by the Infantry School. This unit is the Army's largest Infantry Brigade.

Since superlatives seem in order in talking about units at Fort Benning, it follows that the 10th Aviation Group is the world's largest tactical aviation unit. This unit trains aviation units for deployment and conducts individual and unit transition training.

Another major unit is Lawson Army Aviation Command, which operates the airfield. Modern in every respect, the airfield boasts an 8,000 foot runway which can accommodate the largest aircraft. This airfield controls some 200,000 take-offs and landings each year, making it one of the busiest airports in the nation.

The Center Troop Command, an organization of some 7,000 to 8,000 people, provides the support necessary to operate an Army post the size of Fort Benning. To this unit are assigned such activities as the band, military police, engineer units and other personnel necessary for station support.

An exceptionally important activity to a post the size of Fort Benning is Martin Army Hospital, a modern medical facility which provides medical treatment not only to the active duty personnel, but a large retired segment of the nearby civilian communities. Over 10 percent of the patients now at the Hospital are Vietnam returnees.

In addition to these units, there are other tenant activities which mesh their operations into the Fort Benning mission. One of these is the Combat Developments Command Infantry Agency, which takes on the giant task of determining how the Infantry of the future will be structured, equipped, and will fight.

What the Infantryman will fight with is being tested by the Army Materiel Command's Infantry Board, another member of the Fort Benning team. Additional activities are the US Army Marksmanship Training Unit, and the US Infantry Human Research Unit, which conducts studies and research in devices, motivation, and leadership among the Infantry.

This, then, is Fort Benning today. Perhaps General Farnsworth could envision such a complex establishment back in 1919, but not even this farsighted leader could imagine the rocky road **Fort Benning** faced before arriving at its present status.

Camp Benning was founded on October 7, 1918 to meet the manpower needs of General Pershing's expeditionary forces. Fortunately for the Infantry, General Pershing also needed a large number of Artillerymen for the same purpose. And this gave the Artillery School of Fire at Fort Sill, Oklahoma, a natural excuse to complain about the lack of training ground available to them because of the presence there of the Infantry School of Arms. In addition to the whole of Fort Sill, the Artillery also wanted more land for the location of a training center. Thus both Infantry and Artillery were jockeying for camp sites. Fayetteville, North Carolina was finally chosen as the Artillery camp because, as one report (probably apocryphal) has it, the Infantry wanted it; the report attributed General Peyton March, an Artilleryman and Army Chief of Staff, as saying, "If it (Fayetteville) is all that damned good and the Infantry wants it, maybe the Artillery should have it."

At any rate, coupled with a growing recognition of the Infantry, the pressing need for more terrain at Fort Sill was the most probable reason for the establishment of Camp Benning.

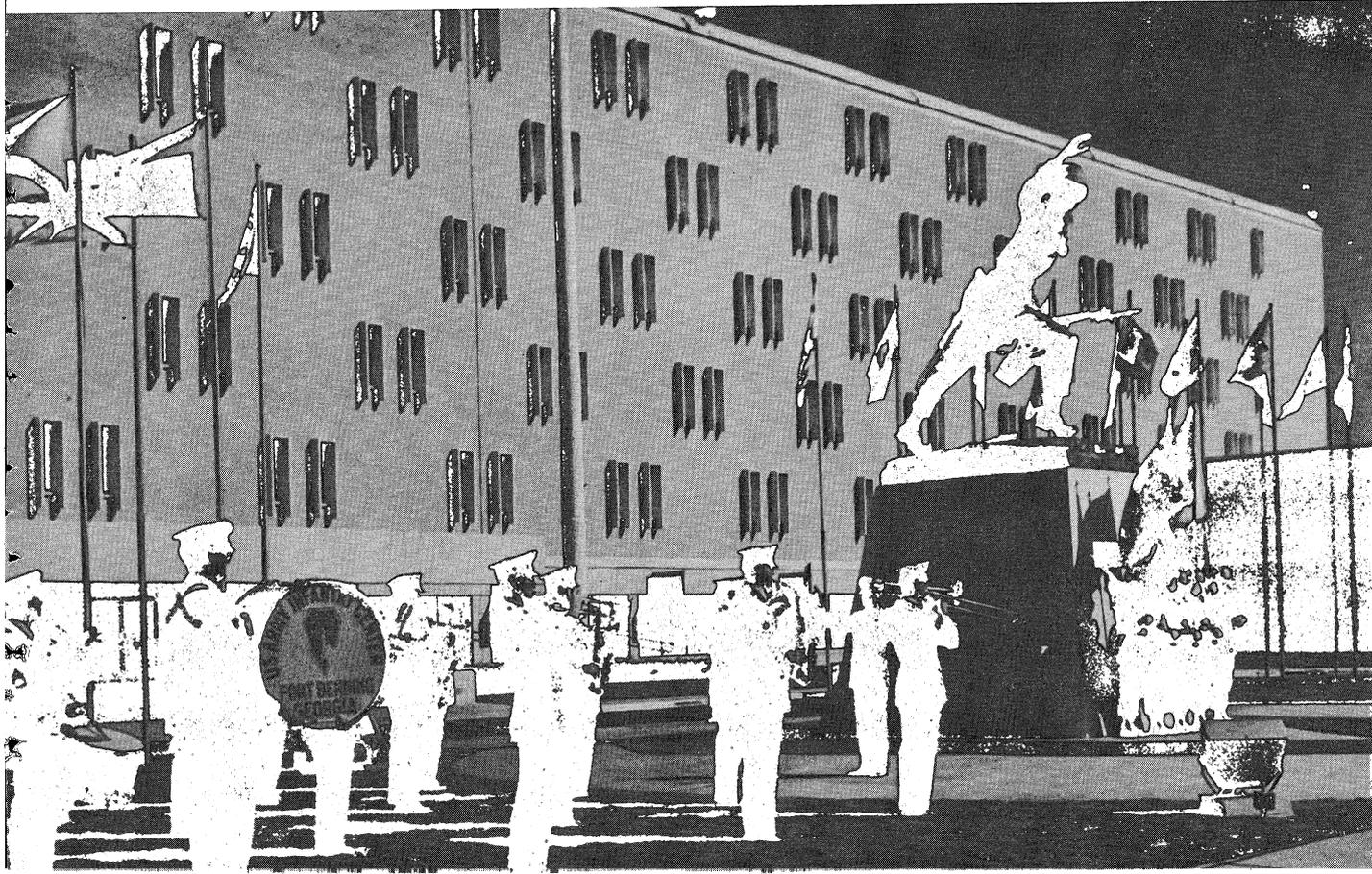
On May 21, 1918, the Adjutant General of the Army appointed Colonel Henry E. Eames, Infantry, to head a board of officers to meet at Fort Sill to select a site for the Infantry School of Arms. The AG expressed a desire to consider relocating the School to either Camp Gordon, Georgia; Camp Pike, Arkansas; Camp Lee, Virginia; or to another location central to those sites.

Columbus, Georgia was central to them, but other sites also came in for consideration. Most were disqualified either because of poor climate or remoteness to population centers. Fort Wingate, New Mexico, for example, was disqualified because of terrain. Although Eames' group considered Bragg, Knox, and Sill, Artillery training needs precluded any sort of serious consideration.

The site near Columbus afforded nearly ideal conditions for Infantry training — a mild year-round climate, access to transportation, and varied terrain. Colonel Eames, who would become Benning's first commander, was impressed. Still, the effort of both Infantry officers and interested civilians cannot be underestimated. Although their motives may have differed slightly, their combined surge to locate Camp Benning near



Parade In Downtown Columbus Marked 50th Anniversary Celebration
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Columbus was considerable — the Army wanted a camp near Columbus, while the Columbus citizens had similar motives grounded in historical and patriotic roots stemming from the Civil War.

Meanwhile, Major J. Paul Jones was in Washington working on the plans and estimates for the relocation of the Infantry School of Arms from Fort Sill to Camp Benning. His job, once the decision was made to locate the new camp at Columbus, was an overwhelming one: in two weeks, build a cantonment to accommodate 1200 men. Jones' task was further compounded by instructions that troops already en route to Columbus had to be taken care of, although no money had been allocated and the whole project had not yet received the formal approval of the Secretary of War.

Jones started his frantic project by telephone from Washington, setting things in motion for construction. He arrived in Columbus on September 24, the same day as Colonel Eames. While a camp site was being selected about three miles from town on the Macon Road, a civilian and military committee was formed and began marshalling a labor force to accomplish the nearly impossible task of overnight construction. A

monument now stands where Camp Benning was born, not only to serve as a fitting reminder of a significant birthplace, but also as a tribute to the entire city of Columbus and the magnificent effort expended in making Camp Benning ready for occupancy in the unbelievably short period of seven days.

Troops arrived on October 6 and the camp was officially born the following day. Twelve days later, on October 19, a ceremony was held to ceremoniously christen the Army post as Camp Benning, named after Confederate General Henry Lewis Benning, an outstanding lawyer-turned-soldier from Columbus. Camp Benning was a reality.

It's impossible to trace the history of Fort Benning, the post, without considering the influence of the Infantry School. In the first place, a school for Infantry was a long sought for goal of many Army leaders, even before Camp Benning reached the drawing board.

An Infantry School of Instruction was established in 1826 in St. Louis. Unfortunately, this school was stillborn and finally abandoned in 1828.

After this, the issue of an Infantry School lay dormant for many years. Field commanders were still required to train their soldiers while in battle, and the horrible slaughter during the Civil War proved once again that lack of discipline and formal training only brought on higher casualties.

By 1907 Lieutenant General Arthur MacArthur had noted the deplorable state to which marksmanship had fallen among his own troops, and he founded the School of Musketry at the Presidio of Monterey, California. This school was ostensibly founded to train marksmen, but something beyond this was envisioned by General MacArthur when he said of the school, "In the evolution of the school, the scope of the work may take a wider range and include all subjects connected with small arms, ammunition, and tactics." An Infantry School?

The School progressed markedly during its existence. It introduced such revolutionary concepts as the coach-and-pupil method of instruction, field firing which demanded a consideration of terrain, and the combining of tactics with fire. But by 1913, the War Department chose to transfer the School to a more central location at Fort Sill, Oklahoma.

While at Fort Sill, the School of Musketry never managed to get into full sway because of Mexican border incidents. These raids upon US soil necessitated the detachment of school troops to the border, and this affected the training cycle at the Sill location; these interruptions would last until our entrance into World War I.

In 1917, the name of the school was changed from the School of Musketry to the Infantry School of Arms, and it was at this time that the struggle for maneuver land began with the Artillery and resulted in selection of the new camp near Columbus.

Obviously, a few acres in what is now downtown Columbus could not satisfy the space requirements of an Infantry School, so Colonel Eames set about selecting a more suitable site. He finally located one south of Columbus which seemed to possess the topography needed for a school. It had originally been part of the newly ceded Indian territory disposed of in the lottery of 1827 which lay between the Flint and Chattahoochee Rivers. John Woolfolk, formerly of North Carolina, drew one lot and purchased additional lots from those who preferred to live elsewhere.

Later, in 1843, he purchased additional land in the same area, so that his plantation eventually comprised over 5,000 acres. This plantation became the nucleus of modern Fort Benning.

The great plantation system was almost gone following the Civil War, and the Woolfolk Plantation, like many of its counterparts throughout the South, was broken up and sold. Benjamin Hatcher, a citizen of Columbus, purchased 1,782 of its acres, including the old plantation house, in 1883, and although he continued to live in Columbus, he operated the plantation under the direction of a resident manager until 1907, when it was purchased by Arthur Bussey.

Since the Bussey Plantation satisfied his requirements, Eames sought — and obtained — War Department approval to locate the boundaries of the reservation practically as he chose. Action was begun to acquire the property, including the large frame house which now serves as the home of the Commanding General.

Then World War I ended, and most of the Army that General Pershing commanded was demobilized. This went well with the people and their representatives because the United States

Interior View Of Infantry Museum At Present Location



had long been suspicious of a large standing defense establishment, and the economy-minded 66th Congress turned its attention to the millions of dollars appropriated for military spending during the war emergency. The Congress particularly objected to the establishment of new posts, including Camp Benning, while other Congressional targets included Forts Bragg and Knox, although their construction was further along than that at Benning.

The League of Nations debate also seemed to threaten the new post, for half of the US Senate's Committee on Military Affairs was dead set against the League and its proponents who argued that American soldiers should be the Nation's enforcement arm. The Congressional Record for Friday, June 13, 1919 repeatedly mentions Benning. Georgia Congressmen naturally rose to defend the post, for it was much in their interest to do so. But other Congressmen, mindful of the economy crunch, could not be convinced that the Army really needed another post, especially since wars were a thing of the past — for the moment, at least.

And so the debate went on. Throughout it, the Army continued to push for Camp Benning. Funds were frozen, then released. The project somehow muddled through.

It was about this time that Major General C. S. Farnsworth took over command from Eames and his dream began materializing in 1922 when the little encampment south of Columbus was redesignated "fort." Still, Congress was in no liberal mood for full-scale development of the post.

Between the years 1925-1935 the three quadrangles, or cuartels, now considered Fort Benning landmarks, were constructed. Other building projects were still on a stop-and-go basis.

There is little question that the highlight of the 1920s was the assignment of Colonel George C. Marshall in 1927 as Assistant Commandant of the Infantry School. General Marshall did not believe on total reliance of the "school solution" and threw open the doors of academic thinking to personal thoughts. For example, one day in a classroom, he required each student to draw a detailed map of the route he followed to class, locating both natural and man-made features. From this simple exercise he drove home the point that military men always had to be observant and to think, think, think.

General Marshall surrounded himself with people who were capable of independent thought, people like Joseph W. Stilwell and Omar N. Bradley, who later would become Chairman of the US Joint Chiefs of Staff. It was the beginning of a golden era in academic instruction, an era which has continued to this day.

The 1930s brought the great depression and with it massive doses of Government spending. Fort Benning came in for a lion's share through such projects as WPA, PWA, and CCC, and Building 35, for years the heart of Fort Benning and the School, was completed in 1935. A year earlier, the officers' club was built, along with a number of other modern structures which still grace this most beautiful of Army posts.

It was during this period more than any other that Fort Benning literally "motored" into Army leadership as the true "Home of the Infantry." The automatic weapon, the machinegun, and, above all, the tank, called for a re-examination of Infantry organization and Fort Benning was tasked with the study. The results of the Infantry School study were recorded favorably in 1936 by the Chief of Infantry, and the study itself had a tremendous impact on the reorganization of the Infantry Regiment, increased mobility, and more firepower with the creation of a weapons battalion.

During the build-up for World War II, the 2d Armored Division under the flamboyant General George S. Patton was activated at Fort Benning, the first of many resident divisions. The latest, of course, has been the 1st Cavalry Division, now serving proudly in Vietnam. It was also during the early 1940s that the Infantry Officer Candidate School came into being, and that a radical new approach in moving troops to a battlefield by parachute was tested. Both schools are now world-famous.

The Korean Conflict in the 1950s once again energized Fort Benning after a period of military demobilization following World War II. Probably the most lasting innovation of this period was the creation of an environment at Fort Benning for the training of a special breed of fighting man — the Army Ranger. It quickly became a common saying that among candidates for the coveted Ranger Tab that "it took more courage for a Ranger to refuse to perform a training challenge than to do it."

Then Korea quieted and Fort Benning fell victim to the inevitable cutback in strength. Still, the mission to retain Infantry leadership prodded the post through the Pentomic era (ROCID) and ROAD (Reorganization Army Division).

The 1960s literally flew in on the blades of helicopters with the formation in 1963 of the 11th Air Assault Division under the leadership of Major General Harry W. O. Kinnard and a galaxy of airmobile-minded young Infantrymen. Again, Fort Benning proved a bellwether in the development of battlefield techniques, as this unit — now the 1st Cavalry Division — repeatedly proves its mettle in combat.

And in 1964, the headquarters of the Infantry Center and the academic function of the School moved out of Building 35 into a modern educational complex befitting the world's most influential Army post. The heart of Fort Benning is now Infantry Hall.

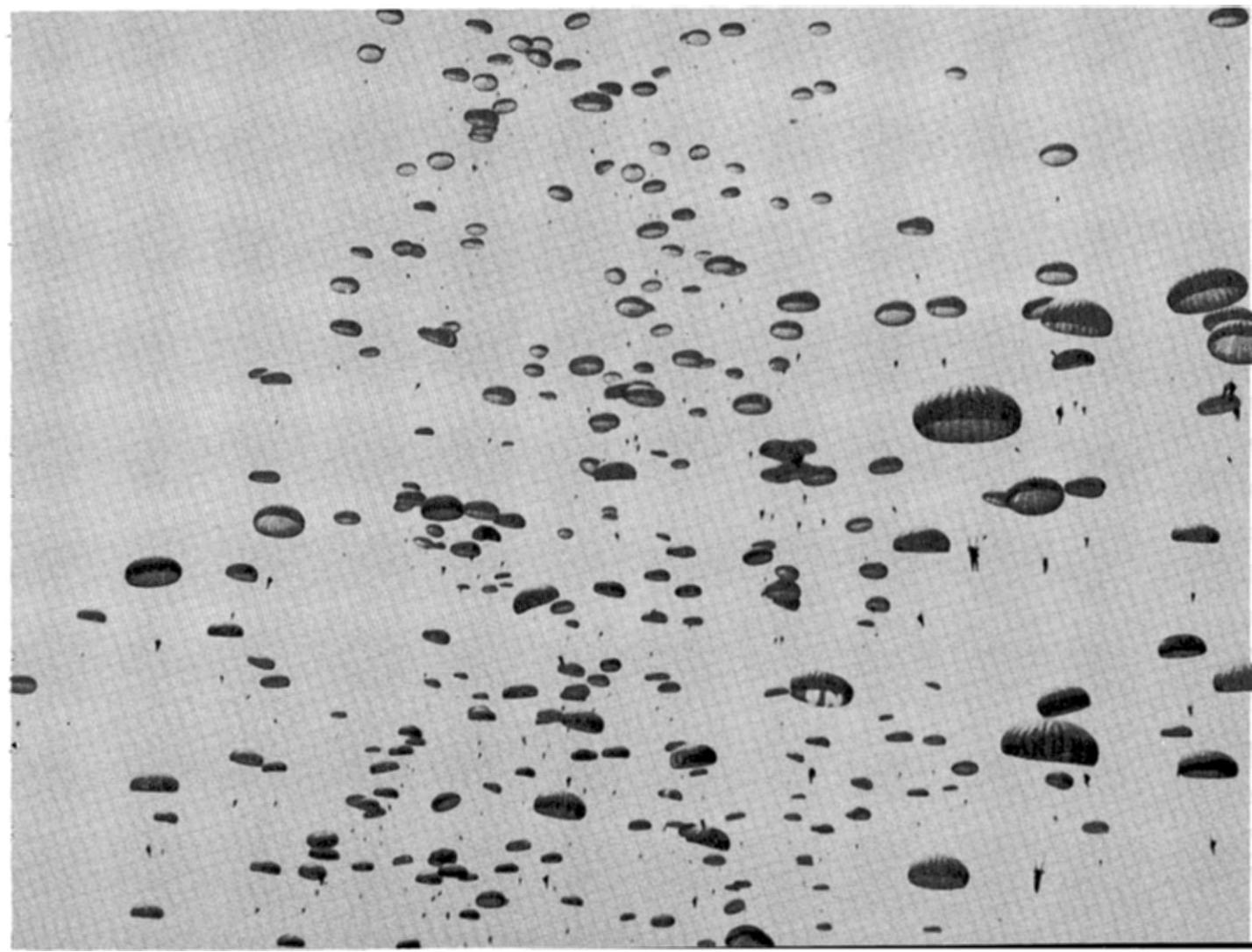
Then Vietnam. Again the tempo increased and Fort Benning geared for war. "Win in Vietnam" became the slogan. OCS, airborne, ranger — all courses in the School — stepped up to meet the demands of Vietnam. As in the past crises, Fort Benning is providing the leadership necessary to carry the fight to the enemy.

There is another side to Fort Benning that is rarely mentioned — the Fort is a community of people with an Infantry heartbeat. Those people work, play, worship and. . .sometimes wait.

That community, according to a former President of the United States in a speech to soldiers and dependents at Fort Benning, is "a community of courage."

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a major role in this effort, training between 200 and 300 allied students yearly from as many as 50 different nations. Allied students are enrolled in regularly scheduled classes with U. S. students.

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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, families of 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 thru Friday. Emergency assistance nights and weekends may be received in Bldg. 1699 or by phone at 545-3716. 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.

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pared 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.

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Annex No. 2 in Bldg. 3717, Sand Hill, eight

lanes, is open from 6 to 10:30 p.m., Tuesday through Friday and from 12 noon until 10:30 p.m. on Saturday, Sunday and holidays.

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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. For further information telephone 545-2513.

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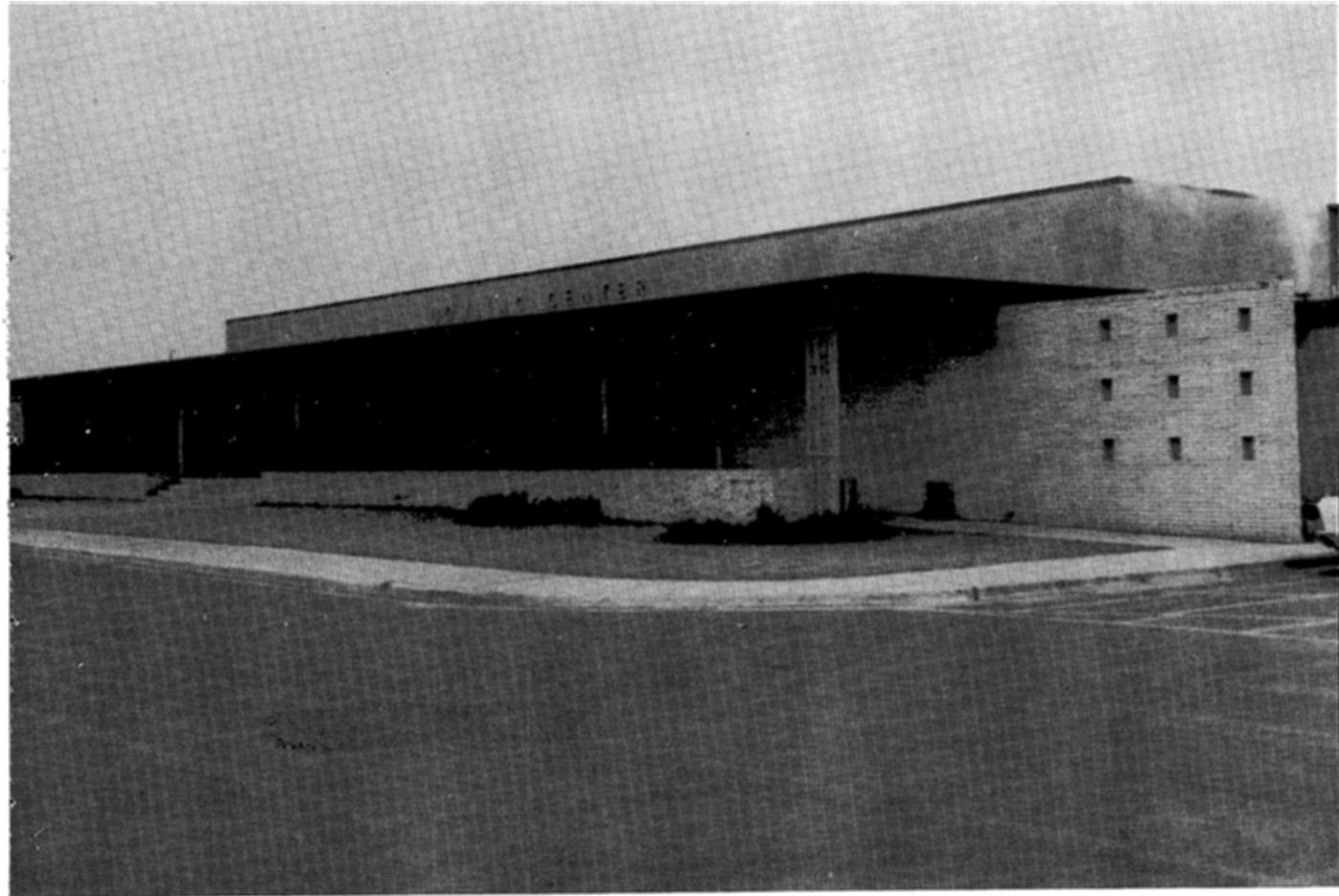
Army Community Service, located in Bldg. 5, provides counseling for military personnel, both active and retired, and their dependents, and for civilian personnel of the post. As a staff agency of The Infantry Center Director of Personnel, A C S makes contact between individuals with personal problems and the unit or activity best suited to

provide assistance. Hours are from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday and from 8 a.m. to 12 noon on Saturday. Appointments for interviews at other hours may be made by telephoning 545-4043 or 545-7813 during normal duty hours. Emergency calls may be made at any time to 545-4043.

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Firearms

Enlisted men quartered with their organizations are required to register all privately owned firearms 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 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 on post 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.

For further information, call the Provost Marshal Office, 545-3393.

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

THE CANDIDATE BRIGADE houses, feeds, pays and administers to students of the Officer Candidate and Noncommissioned Officer Candidate classes 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.

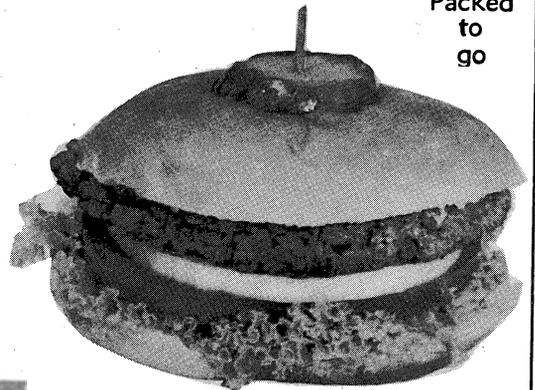
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U. S. ARMY COMBAT DEVELOPMENTS COMMAND INFANTRY AGENCY was organized in July, 1962, as an agency of the Combat Developments Command at Fort Belvoir, Virginia. It develops current doctrine and future concepts, including organization, tactics and material requirements relating to the Infantry, mechanized Infantry, airborne Infantry and airmobile Infantry.

U. S. ARMY INFANTRY HUMAN RESEARCH 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 fundamental military 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 three Guest Houses operated by the Billeting Division are provided to furnish overnight transient accommodations for immediate families, relatives and friends of military personnel. These are:

Main Post Guest House—Vibberts Ave., 545-3258
Sand Hill Guest House—Fourth St., 544-7785
Officers Club Annex—Bldg. 1454, 545-1165

Guest House accommodations are on a first come basis 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 \$1.50 per adult per night and 75 cents per child (under 12 years of age) for rooms sharing bath; \$2 per adult and \$1 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, equipped with English style equipment, may be rented between 8 a.m. and 5 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, for both novice and experienced riders, are \$1.50 per hour in addition to the rental rate for riders who do not own their own horses. Only members of the Hunt Club may board horses and be eligible for riding lessons. Members pay a \$10 entrance fee and monthly dues of \$3. For additional information, telephone 545-2574.



Members Of The Hunt Club Are Active Horse Show Participants

Household Goods

For information concerning incoming shipments of household goods and other personal prop-

erty and, or, delivery and unpacking services call 545-1423.

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 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday. It is closed Saturday and Sunday. 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 pro-

vide assistance and information about Fort Benning and the civilian community. Hours are from 1 p.m. to 10 p.m. Monday through Wednesday; 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. Thursday and Friday; 8 a.m. to 11 p.m. Saturday; and 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. 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 hunt-

ing and fishing licenses and a Fort Benning permit obtained from the Provost Marshal Office on Wold Ave. at Edwards St., Main Post. Sign-out rosters are maintained there and at the Rod and Gun Club off 1st Division Road near Hwy. 27 in the Harmony Church area. Hunters and fishermen are required to sign these rosters for their own protection before entering any part of the reservation.

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.

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.



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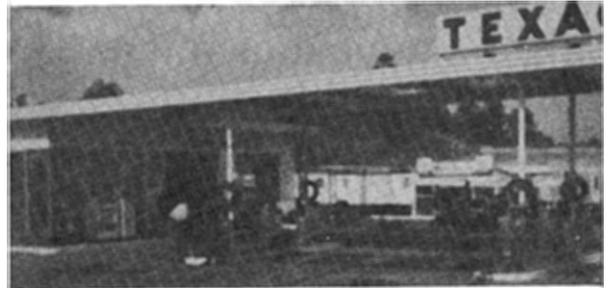


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Libraries

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 maintain eight libraries for members of the command. They are the Main Post Library, Bldg. 93 on Wold Ave. next to the Main Exchange; telephone 545-7141; Branch Library No. 1, Room 9-D in the basement of Martin Army

Hospital, telephone 544-2851; Branch Library No. 2, Bldg. 3743, Sand Hill, telephone 544-7706; Branch Library No. 3, Bldg. 4492, open weekends and holidays; Branch Library No. 4, Bldg. 4840, in the 58th Infantry area, telephone 545-6222; Branch Library No. 6, Bldg. 9027, Kelley Hill, telephone 544-2551; and Branch Library No. 7, Bldg. 5361, North Harmony Church, telephone 545-6822. For schedules, telephone the library. The Main Post Library offers a telephone reference service, 545-4012.

Entertainment Center

The Fort Benning Entertainment Center 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 is welcome.

The Entertainment Center presents a season of six plays. To develop the acting potential of members of the command, a drama workshop teaches the fundamentals by presenting a series of one-act plays. For information, telephone 545-2992.

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 systems in the Army, with annexes conveniently located throughout the post. Available are 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.

For information, telephone 545-2928.

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. 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 at

the Martin Army Hospital Annex, Bldg. 396. Appointments are required except in cases of emergency.

They can be obtained by calling the Central Appointment Desk, 544-1061.

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 or 544-3112.

Military Police

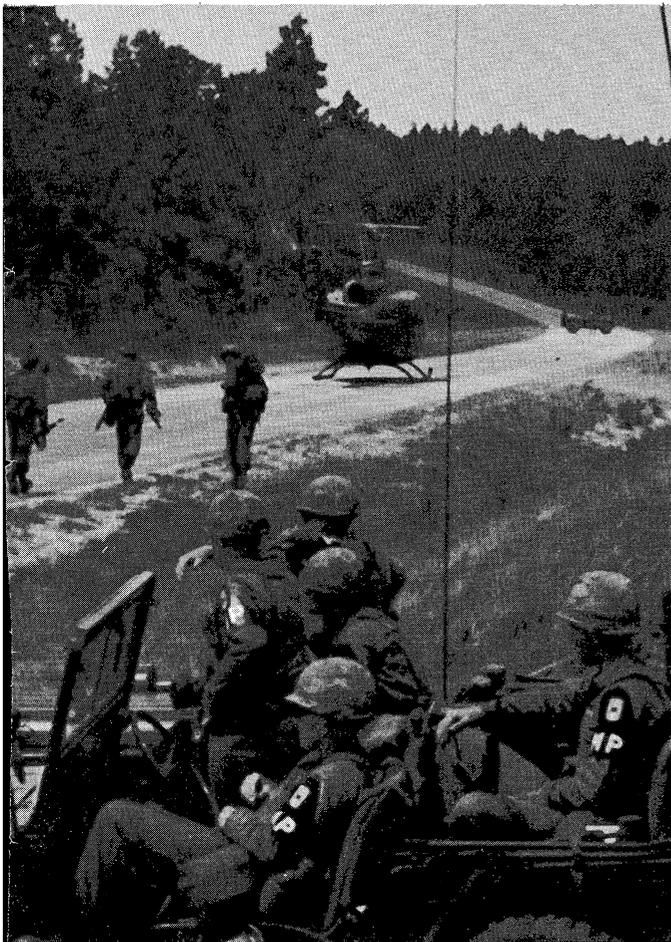
The Military Police at Fort Benning provide assistance to military personnel and visitors to the

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

Museum

THE U. S. ARMY INFANTRY MUSEUM is located in Bldg. 1234 on Ingersoll St. The Museum is open from 10:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Tuesday-

Friday and on Saturday and Sunday from 12:30-4:30 p.m. The Museum is closed on Monday. For information, call 545-5413.



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NCO Mess

The Fort Benning NCO Mess system operates in accordance with appropriate laws and regulations to provide recreational and other morale building facilities for its members. There are annexes at troop locations throughout the military reservation in addition to Crain Hall and the Top Five Supper Club on the Main Post. Facilities include dining rooms, lounges, 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, and for wives of members who are overseas; and honorary membership to all retired NCOs regardless of branch of service. 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 who are club members. For further 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 chil-

dren 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 through Thursday 7:30 a.m. to 7 p.m.; Friday 7:30 a.m. to 1 a.m.; Saturday 9 a.m. to 1 a.m.; Sunday 8:45 a.m. to 1:15 p.m. The nursery is closed on post holidays. Special openings for post or unit functions are arranged upon request. Tot Town is located in new facilities, Bldg. 1051 on 1st Division Rd. near the Edward A. White School. For information telephone 545-7008.

Officer Candidate School

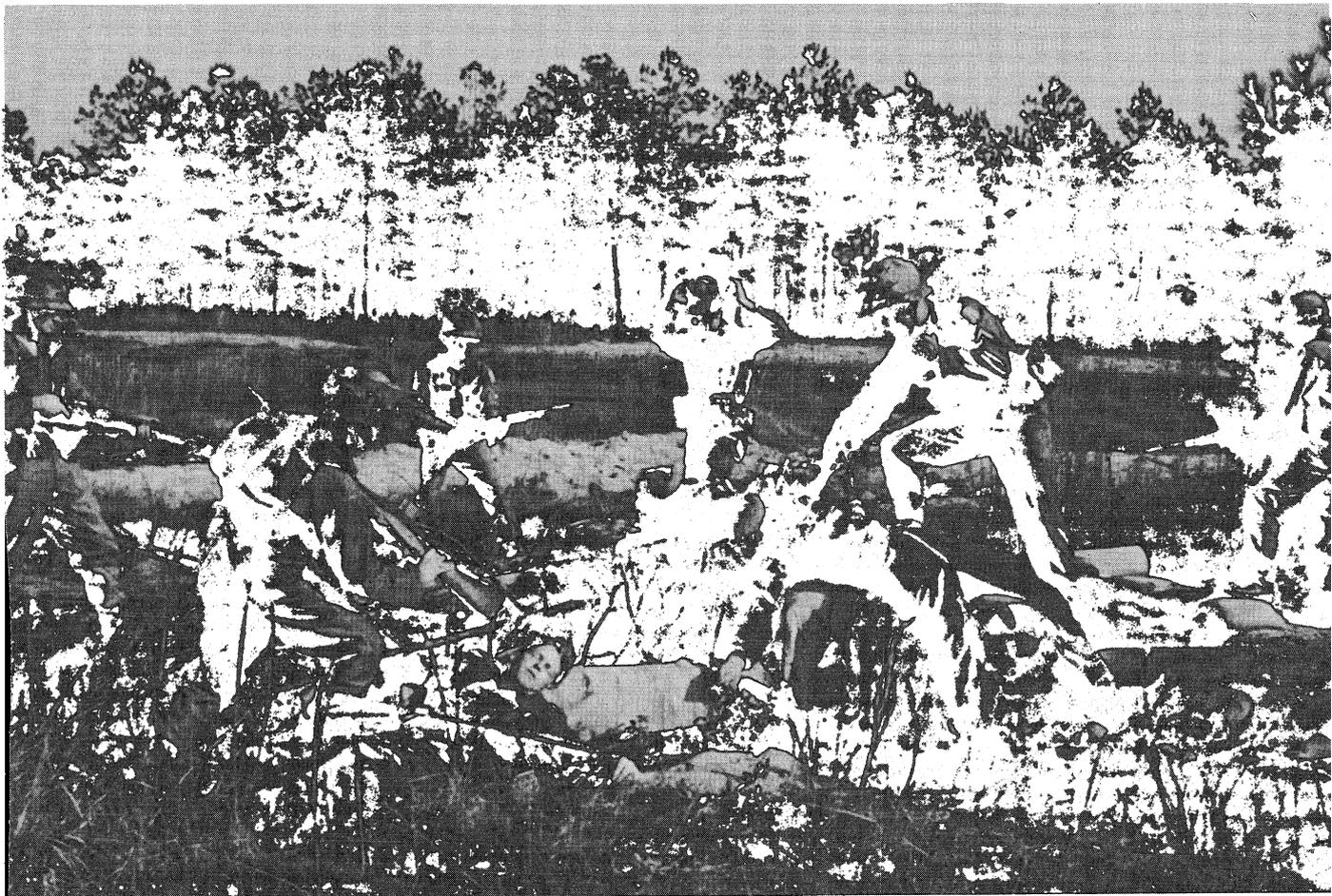
In July, 1941, The Infantry School opened its first officer candidate class. By 1947, 67,056 candidates had completed the course and were commissioned. With the end of World War II, the Army's need for officers diminished and Officer Candidate Schools of all branches were transferred to Fort

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 94,000 new lieutenants.

Pets

All cats and dogs must be registered with the Post Veterinarian within 72 hours after arrival on the post and receive their first rabies shot at 3 months of age. All pets will be leashed, under

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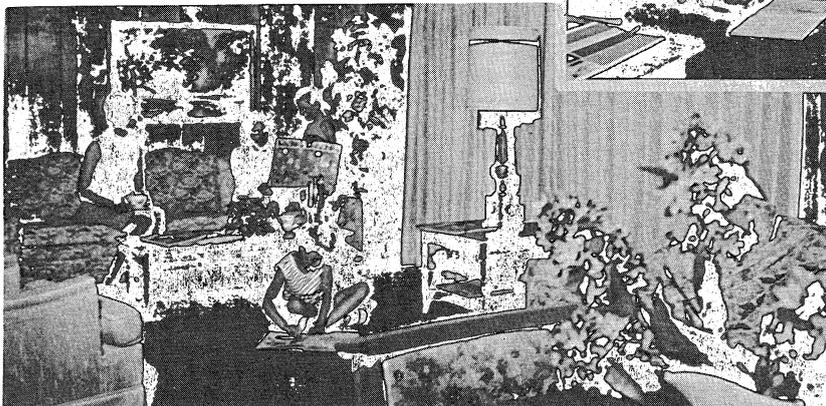


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Post Craft Shops and Photo Lab

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 (Fine Arts Shop) Sand Hill, Bldg. 3788; Shop No. 3 (woodworking), Harmony Church Bldg. 4846; Shop No. 4 (woodworking), Sand Hill, Bldg. 3145; Shop No. 5 (multiple-type), Kelley Hill, Bldg. 9049; 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, crafts available at the shops are leather-

craft, ceramics, jewelry-making, and woodworking. Shops 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, and 9 are open Tuesday through Friday from 1 p.m. to 9 p.m., and on Saturday and Sunday from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Shop No. 1 and the Photo Lab are open Tuesday-Friday from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m., and weekends from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. The two automotive shops are open Tuesday-Friday from noon to 9 p.m., and weekends from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

A new craft shop is scheduled for completion in April, 1969 at main post. It will replace Craft Shop No. 1.

Post Exchanges

The Fort Benning Post Exchange System comprises approximately 45 branches at troop locations over the entire reservation. Included are restaurants, snack bars, soda fountains, 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
	Optical Shop

Automotive service stations are located on Main Post, Sand Hill and Kelley Hill.

Soft drinks and ice cream drive-ins are located at Merchant and Anderson Streets on Main Post; Sand Hill adjacent to the PX on Scott Ave., Eighth Division Road in Harmony Church, and First Division Road near the Reception Station.

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 11 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.

A Quick-Shop also is open from 7 a.m. to 11 p.m. on Ingersoll St. near the Youth Activities Club.

Post Office

The Fort Benning branch of the Columbus Post Office is at the intersection of Vibbert Ave. and Hall 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.

Branches are located at Harmony Church, Kelley Hill, Martin Army Hospital, Sand Hill, and Infantry Hall.

One special feature of the Post Office is the daily mail service by postmen to family quarters on the post. For information, telephone 545-5177.

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 Bldg. 1827, 545-3302, and medical cards at the Information Desk at Martin Army Hospital.

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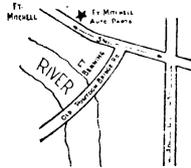
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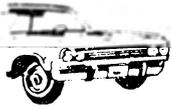
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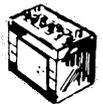
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Application for government quarters may be made at the Family Housing Office, Billeting Division, in rooms 126, 128, 130 in Bldg. 35. There are 1,480 sets of officers' quarters and 1,954 of enlisted men's quarters. Battle Park Homes, an apartment complex of 200 two and three-bedroom units, is located on the reservation near the Main Post. These apartments are available to permanent officer personnel and, if vacancies exist, to officers stationed on the post for temporary duty in excess

of 60 days.

Any incoming bachelor officer can apply for quarters at the Billeting Office, located in Bldg. 399 on the Gillespie St. side. The registration desk is open 24 hours a day. For information telephone 545-1794 or 545-1851.

A Family Housing Referral Office is located in room 132, Bldg. 35, 545-5712. This office is open from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and provides information regarding off-post housing.

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 Kelley Hill. The central office of the Chaplain Section is in the Old Infantry School, Bldg. 35, phone 545-2621.

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

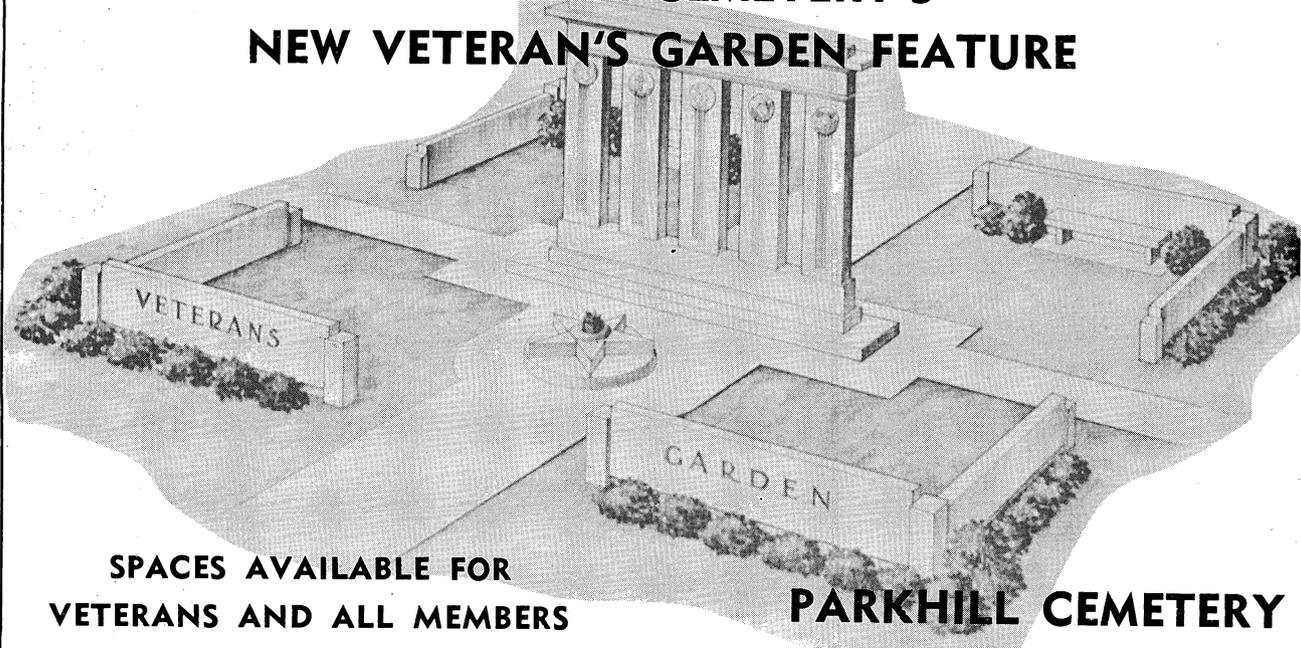
In addition to general Protestant, Catholic and Jewish services, special services are conducted on

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.

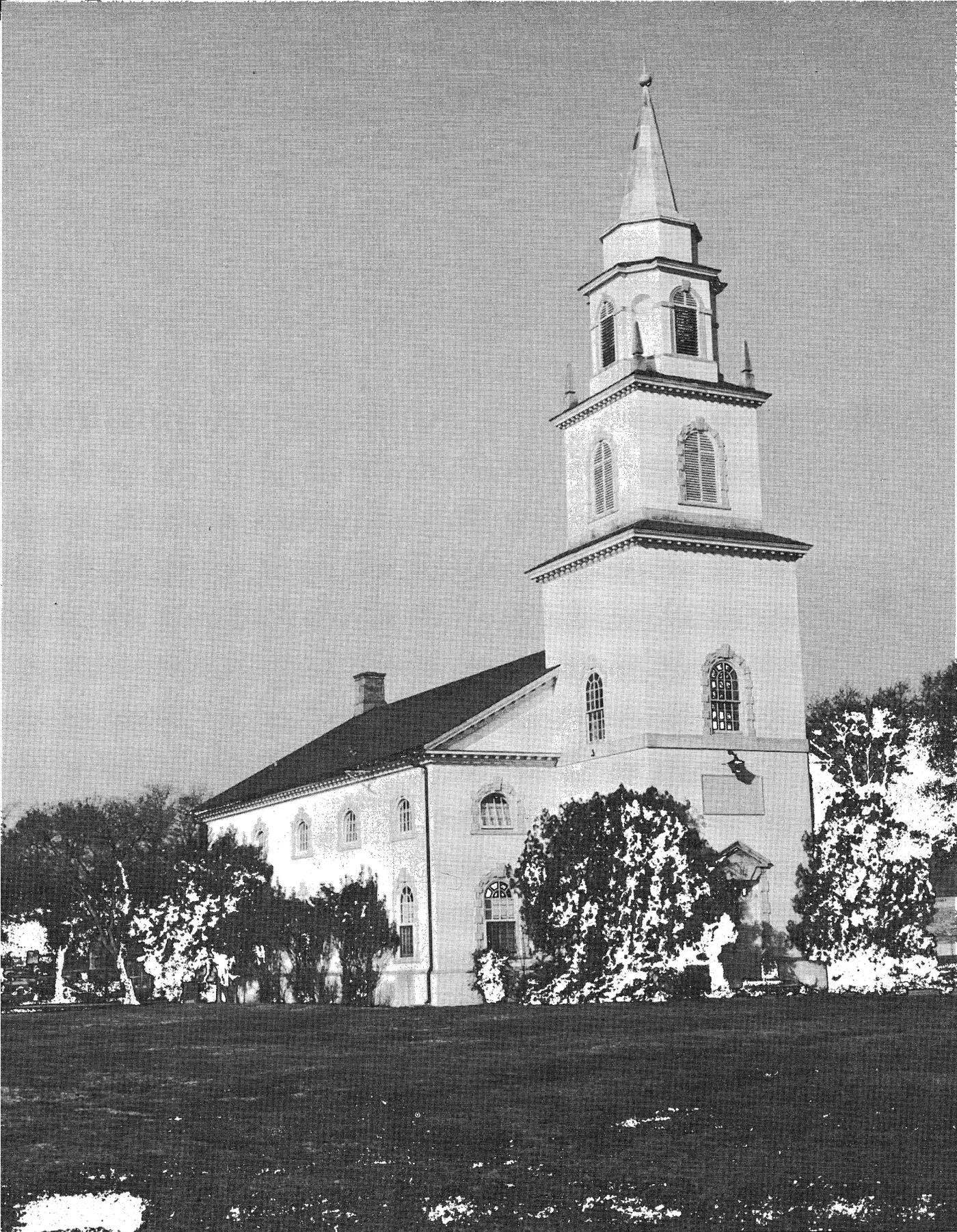
Chaplains are available at all times for consultation and interviews. Appointments may be made by telephoning the Post Chaplain's Office, 545-7394, through company commanders, or, during off-duty hours by calling 545-2621.

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Recreation

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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 from 1st Division Road to the USAIC Recreation Area. Use of the lodge 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. A lodge, 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.

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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 to attend high school in the Muscogee

Service Clubs

Five Service Clubs provide enlisted personnel, their families, and friends recreational opportunities during their off-duty time. Facilities include games, music, and reading rooms and lounge areas. Equipment includes billiard tables, table tennis, and a wide variety of 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. 3248, the South Harmony Church Club, Bldg. 4410, The

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 which can be rented with or without 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 furnished with everything except linen and towels. There is a 38-foot boat that can be reserved for deep sea fishing. For reservations or information, telephone 545-5641.

Special Services also has available for use ten boats, fully equipped with motors and safety devices, and ten completely equipped folding camping trailers with hitches. These may be reserved by calling 545-3831.

For hunters, Special Services has a supply of shotguns of various sizes, available free of charge to anyone with a military identification card, a Georgia hunting license and a post hunting permit. Ammunition is not furnished. Phone 545-5641.

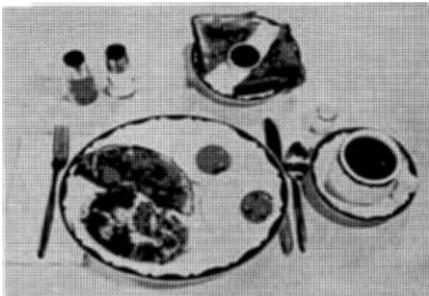
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A Pre-Kindergarten School for children from three to four years old is privately operated by the Officers' Wives Club in Bldg. 322, 545-2217, adjacent to the Old Hospital. Terms are concurrent with the regular school year.

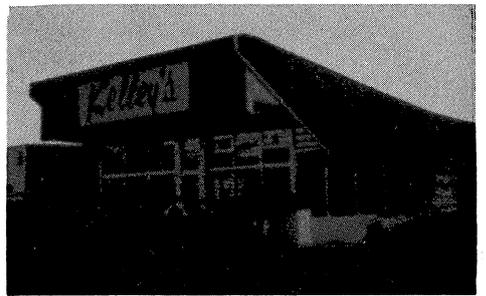
Kelley Hill Club, Bldg. 9079, and the **North Harmony Church Club, Bldg. 5362**, are all located in their respective areas. Main Post, Sand Hill and Kelley Hill Clubs are open 1 to 10 p.m. daily. The hours at South Harmony Church are 1 to 10 p.m. Monday through Saturday and 10 a.m. to 10 p.m., on Sunday 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. For information, call 545-4592.



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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 outings, hunting and fishing activities, contests, and recreational activities to further physical well

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

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. At certain times throughout the year, the pool is reserved during the evening for water safety instruction for students of the Infantry School and Ranger Training Command. On Sunday and holidays the pool is

on weekends and holidays. Membership is open to all military personnel and their dependents and local civilians. For information, telephone 545-2717.

being and morale among the members of the club.

The Club conducts skeet and trap shooting and archery on ranges at its site in Harmony Church, off First Division Road. For information, telephone 545-6028.

and handball courts, weightlifting equipment and an indoor swimming pool. The Fieldhouse is open from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m., Monday through Saturday, and from 1 to 9 p.m. Sunday and holidays.

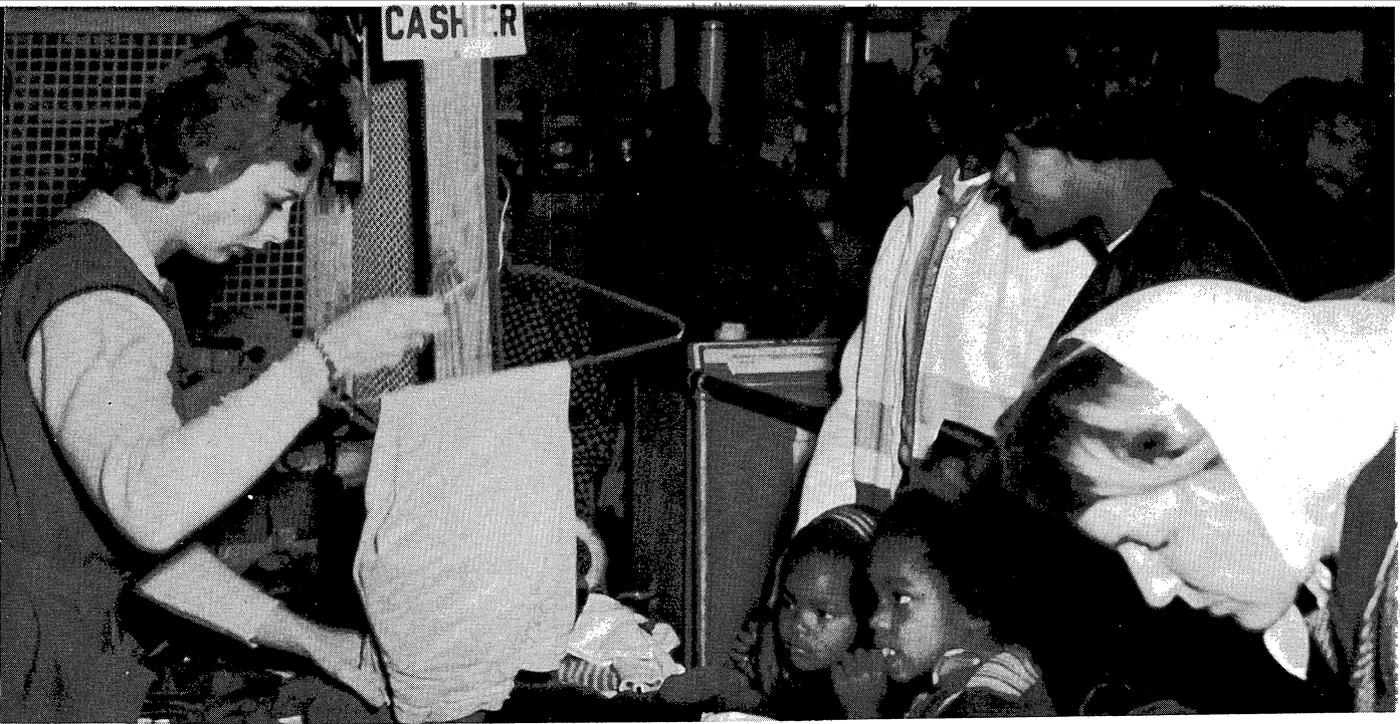
The School Brigade gym on Bradshaw Road is open Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. Kimbro Gym in Sand Hill is open Monday-Friday, 4:30 to 9:30 p.m. and Saturday, Sunday, and holidays from 1:30 to 9:30 p.m. The Harmony Church Field House hours are 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday-Friday, Saturday, noon to 8 p.m., and Sunday and holidays from 1 to 8 p.m.

open from 1 to 4 p.m. and 6 to 9 p.m. Between 4 and 6 p.m. weekdays and from 9 a.m. to noon Saturday the pool is reserved for the use of the Youth Activities Club.

Four outdoor pools are Sand Hill, Harmony Church, Kelley Hill and Carey pools, open from 1 to 8 p.m. daily during season.

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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 Post

and throughout the reservation.

Telegrams may be sent at the Fort Benning Western Union office in Bldg. 1600. Hours are 9 a.m. to 7:15 p.m., Monday through Friday and 9:30 a.m. to 1:45 p.m., Saturday.

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 15 per cent 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 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 nightly at 7 p.m., and a matinee Sunday at 2:30 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 Kelley Hill, performances daily at 6:30 and 8:30, a matinee Sunday and holidays at 2:30.

Theater No. 11, at the junction of 8th Division Road and Cusseta Highway, Harmony Church, performances Sunday through Friday at 7 p.m., Saturday 6:30 and 8:30, and matinee Saturday, Sunday, and holidays at 2:30 p.m.

A new 1,000-seat theater is expected to be completed in April, 1969 in Sand Hill to replace No. 6.

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, the Provost Marshal Office, Bldg. 215.

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.

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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

Youth Activities Club

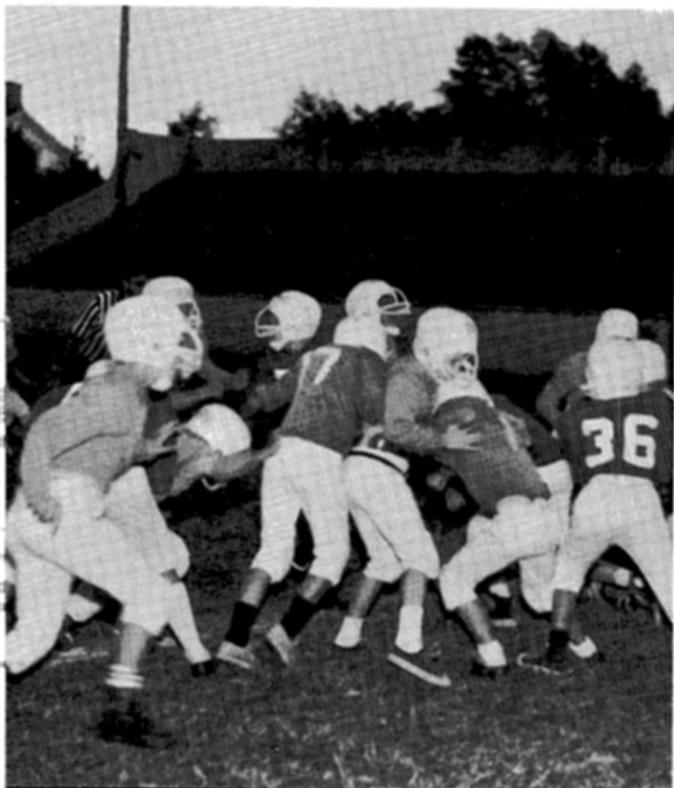
The Youth Activities Club is an official organization which finances, organizes and supervises a wide variety of recreational activities for children of military personnel. These activities include Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts, swimming, boxing, rifle marksmanship, archery and seasonal athletic leagues.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

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, Kelley Hill and Sand Hill areas is furnished daily.

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.

Olympics on post, as well as an aquatic program including scuba diving, and water safety and life-saving instruction. In addition, there is a program for handicapped children. The YAC office is in Bldg. 358 (Old Post Gym). YAC operates Teen Square, a center, including an outdoor swimming pool, for social activities for teen-age military dependents. For further information, telephone 545-1585.

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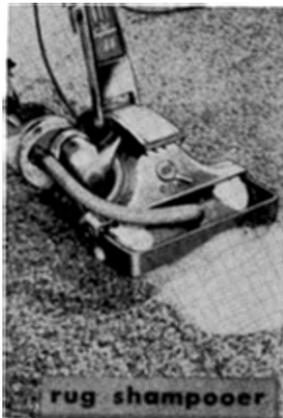
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Whether it's molding beautiful pieces of ceramics, knitting, dancing, horseback riding, reading or playing golf, Fort Benning has it on the distaff side.

Or try modeling, painting, making hats, or gardening. Fort Benning has it for its wives.

Also, women's religious groups further the spiritual work of the Fort Benning community.

Of course, perhaps the main reason that wives especially enjoy their clubs is that they give them the chance to meet so many other wonderful people from all parts of the country. Through common interests within the clubs, lasting friendships are made.

Society of the Blessed Virgin Mary

The Society of the Blessed Virgin Mary, a religious organization for Catholic women at Fort Benning, has a dual purpose, to further the individual spiritual growth of each of its members and to contribute to the work of the Catholic community of the post.

Their projects include such accomplishments as sponsoring events for servicemen at the downtown YMCA, holding frequent retreats, and visiting the elderly.

The society meets each first Friday morning of each month. Mass begins at 9:30 a.m. at the Main Post Catholic Chapel and a business meeting follows. For further information, Sister Joan Thomas may be called at 545-5811.

Jewish Sisterhood

The Jewish Sisterhood of Fort Benning keynotes "togetherness" in its activities. Among the projects adopted by the Sisterhood are the re-furnishing of the Chapel Library, the packing of children's school boxes for shipment to Vietnamese orphanages, the sponsorship of monthly "Evening Out" programs for young couples, and the operation of The Judaica Shop.

The Sisterhood also assists with preparations for religious holiday activities and festivities.

For further information about the Sisterhood, the Jewish Center may be called at 545-5722.

The Officers' Wives' Club

The Officers' Wives' Club at Fort Benning is a club that offers the fullest round of activities, from creative projects such as painting or gourmet cooking to outdoor sports, for its members.

Also it sponsors the "Polka Dots," the club's choral group, the School of Dance, the Ladies' Golf Association, The Thrift Shop, the Pre-kindergarten School, and the Charm and Modeling School.

The club's annual membership tea, Christmas luncheon, February luncheon, spring election luncheon, and spring champagne installation banquet are listed as the officers' wives' most enjoyable and best remembered activities.

Club funds are used to sponsor its internal groups, to award scholarships at Fort Benning, and to support post charities.

For further information, Mrs. Bruce Fraser, 545-4628 or Mrs. James M. Morris, Jr., at 545-3849 may be called.

The Noncommissioned Officers' Wives Club

The Noncommissioned Officers' Wives' Club offers a full calendar of events for its members.

Luncheons, coffees, and meetings are always on the club calendar, and other activities such as ceramics or bridge lessons are in the offering. Fashion shows, beauty demonstrations, and interesting talks are a few of the programs on its entertainment agenda.

The club also sponsors the Army Community Service Hospitality House, awards scholarships, supports coffee calls at Martin Army Hospital, and supports other worthwhile post projects.

All interested wives whose husbands are in grade E4 or above are cordially invited to join the club at any meeting. The club meets the second Wednesday of each month.

For further information, Mrs. Paul M. Long at 545-5440 or Mrs. Eugene Y. Fides at 544-2708 may be called.

Daughters of the U. S. Army

The Daughters of the U. S. Army (DUSA), daughters of active or retired Army officers, are especially known for their sponsorship of the post's Tot Town Nursery.

Among their other projects are the purchase of pediatric equipment at Martin Army Hospital, support of the United Givers Fund, the American Red Cross, and the awarding of local and national scholarships.



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DUSA meets each first Tuesday of each month at the Main Officers' Club.

The club also sponsors the Junior Army Daughters of America for high school-age girls who are daughters of Army officers.

For further information about DUSA, Mrs. Curtis Herrick at 545-1910 or Mrs. Robert Beidleman at 687-1074 may be called.

Mrs. Robert Fullerton may be called at 689-6841 for information about the Junior Army Daughters of America.

The Registered Nurses' Association

The Registered Nurses' Association has as its aim to help inactive registered nurses, now busy mothers, to remain aware of current trends in nursing.

Meetings, open to all registered nurses in the Fort Benning-Phenix City-Columbus area, are held the first Monday of each month at Martin Army Hospital.

At each meeting, after a get-acquainted coffee, the nurses hear a lecture given by a member of the medical or nursing profession.

The association also provides an opportunity for inactive nurses, unable to work full time, to give part time volunteer service to Martin Army Hospital, as assistants to school nurses, or as nurses in bloodmobiles.

Interested persons may call Mrs. David Hacking at 689-2213, or Mrs. P. Porterfield, at 545-1116.

Fort Benning Chapter of Panhellenic

The Fort Benning Chapter of Panhellenic is an organization of the "Greeks," sorority sisters whose primary aim is to aid Army daughters in gaining entry to college sororities. Through their sponsorship of social activities for high school girls, the ladies' chapter can also answer the younger set's questions about college life.

The chapter meets each third Friday at the Main Officers' Club.

Interested persons may call Mrs. J. E. Watson, 545-4700 or Mrs. A. C. Robnett at 545-4135.

Protestant Women's Activities

Protestant women's religious organizations include the Protestant Women of the Chapel Council and the Ladies' Bible Study Group. The Protestant Women of the Chapel (PWOC) Council, with its six chapters, strives to provide Christian fellowship, a variety of programs for spiritual growth, and Christian service.

The Infantry Center Chapel chapter meets each fourth Wednesday at 9:30 a.m. at the Religious Education Center, Bldg. 2605; the Army Training Center Chapter meets each second Tuesday, 9:30 a.m. at Chapel No. 5, Sand Hill; the evening chapter meets each fourth Monday at 7:30 p.m. in the Religious Education Center, Bldg. 2605; The Student and Candidate Brigades Chapter meets each fourth Wednesday at 9:30 a.m. in the Sightseeing Road Chapel; the Spanish-Speaking Ladies' Group meets each first Saturday at 7:30 p.m. in the Benning Park Baptist Church; the Episcopal Altar Guild meets each fourth Monday at 10 a.m.

The Ladies' Bible Study Group meets each Wednesday morning in Building 2605.

For further information on any of the Protestant women's activities, Mrs. Marguerite Waldrop may be called at 545-7413.



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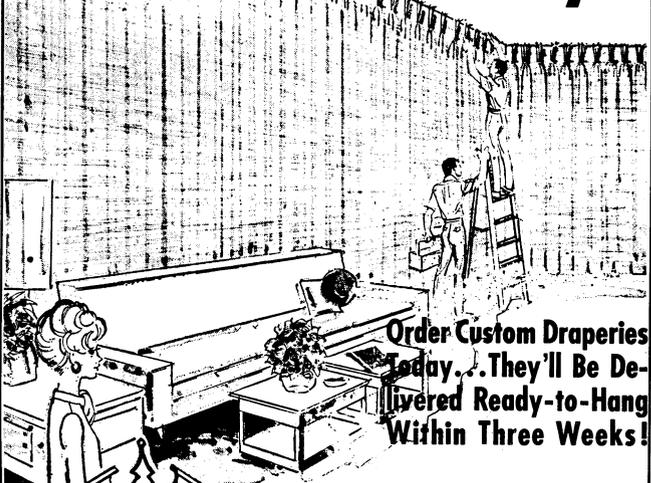
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There are twenty-nine active troops, sixty-three leaders, and fourteen Service Team members involved the Girl Scout program in the Fort Benning Neighborhood at this time. They meet at Custer Terrace, NCO Capehart, Brownie Square, Harmony Church, Hideaway, Wilson School, Our Lady of Lourdes, and Main Post Scout House.

Adult volunteers are always needed as leaders, assistant leaders, Service Team members, committee chairmen, and resource consultants.

Any girl or adult desiring to participate in the Girl Scout program may obtain information by contacting any adult member of the Girl Scouts or by calling the Youth Activities at 545-1585.

Boy Scouts

Boy Scouting involves practical experiences in arts and crafts and out-of-doors. All boys between the ages of 8 and 10 1-2 years are welcome to join a cub scout pack near their home. All boys between 11 and 14 years are welcome to join a boy scout troop near their homes. All boys between 14 and 18 years are welcome to join an Explorer post on main post.

There are 36 active units on Fort Benning with adult volunteers in each unit. There are 7 Explorer Posts, 13 Boy Scout troops and 15 Cub Scout packs located on Fort Benning. The location of all units can be obtained by contacting the Scout Coordinator Office, Building 358 Main Post.

Adult leaders are always needed to assist in the Boy Scout program at Fort Benning.

Fort Benning has a Boy Scout Camp called Pine Knot for the use of all Boy Scouts on Fort Benning.

Any boy or adult desiring to participate in the Boy Scout program may obtain information by contacting any adult member of the Boy Scouts or by calling the Scout Coordinator's Office at the Youth Activities at 545-1585 or 545-1881.



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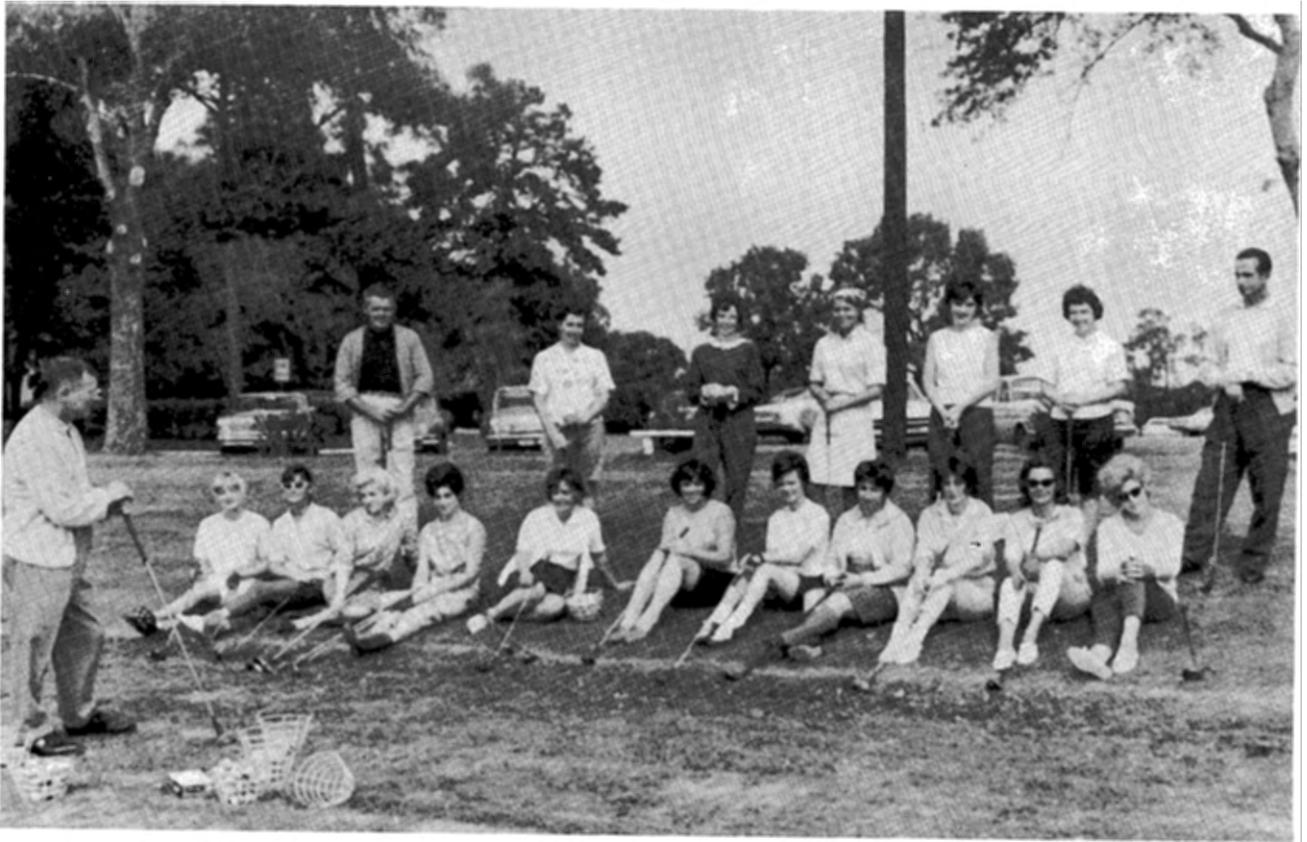
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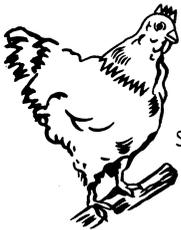
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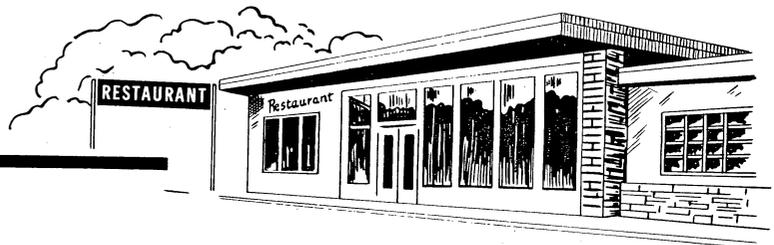
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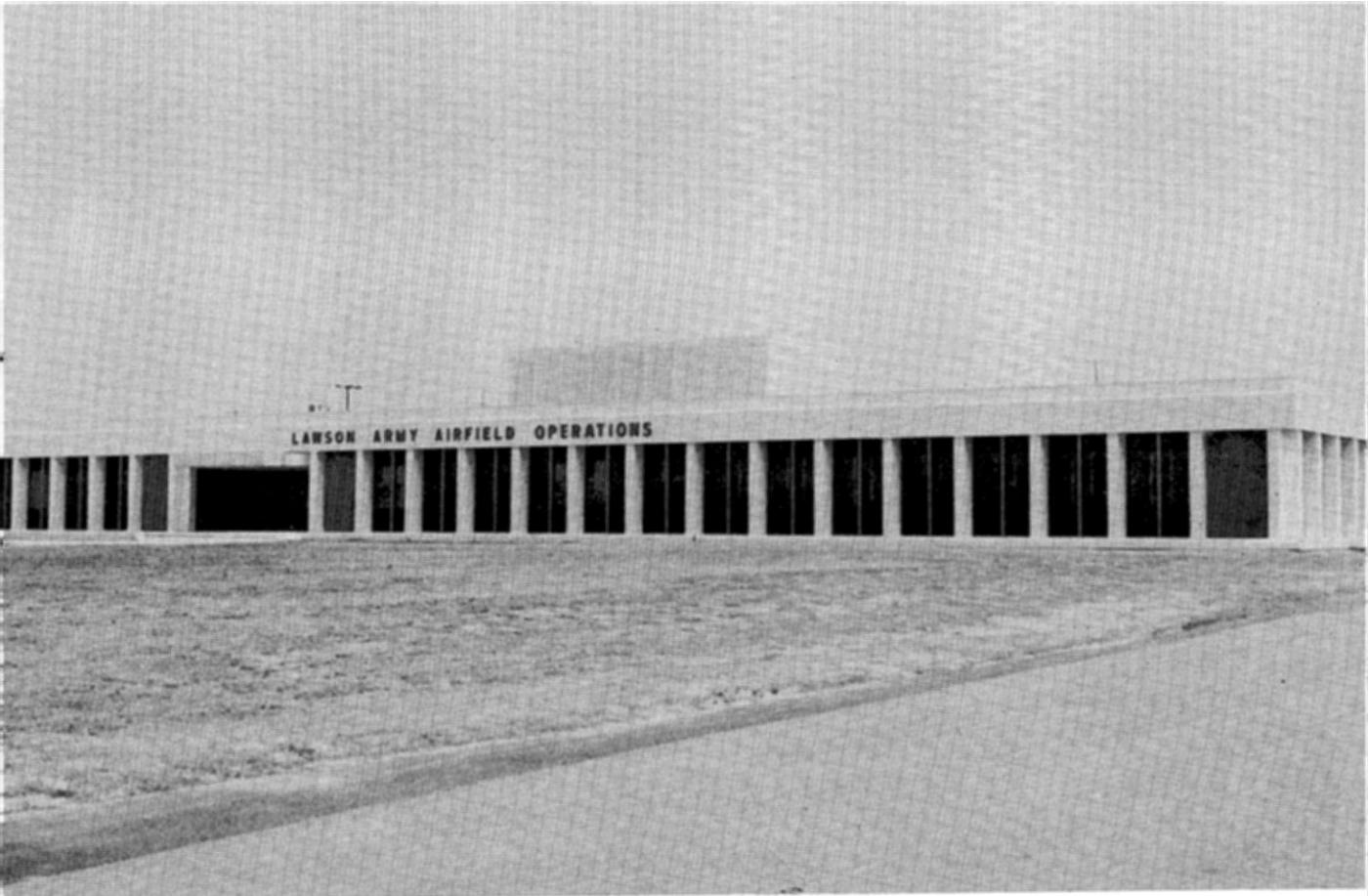
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The history of the homesite dates back to the early 1800's when the nucleus of the present house on Vibbert Ave. was on Lumpkin Road. Some 150 years or so ago the two-story structure echoed to gay laughter and the patter of dainty feet as belles and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

Even with the improvements of the modern age, Riverside remains basically unchanged, a gracious touch of the Old South.



RIVERSIDE

COLUMBUS, GEORGIA

Columbus on the Chattahoochee 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 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 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 and store fixtures. The city also boasts a sizeable meat-packing 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 the 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 low-rate 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. Columbus College, founded in 1958, moved to its present campus in January, 1963 where it now has ten modern buildings and a student enrollment of 1,750. The Muscogee County School District operates 51 elementary schools, 7 junior high schools and 9 senior high schools; the air-conditioned W. C. Bradley Memorial Library has 190,000 volumes, Bookmobile service and record and film departments.

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 Chamber 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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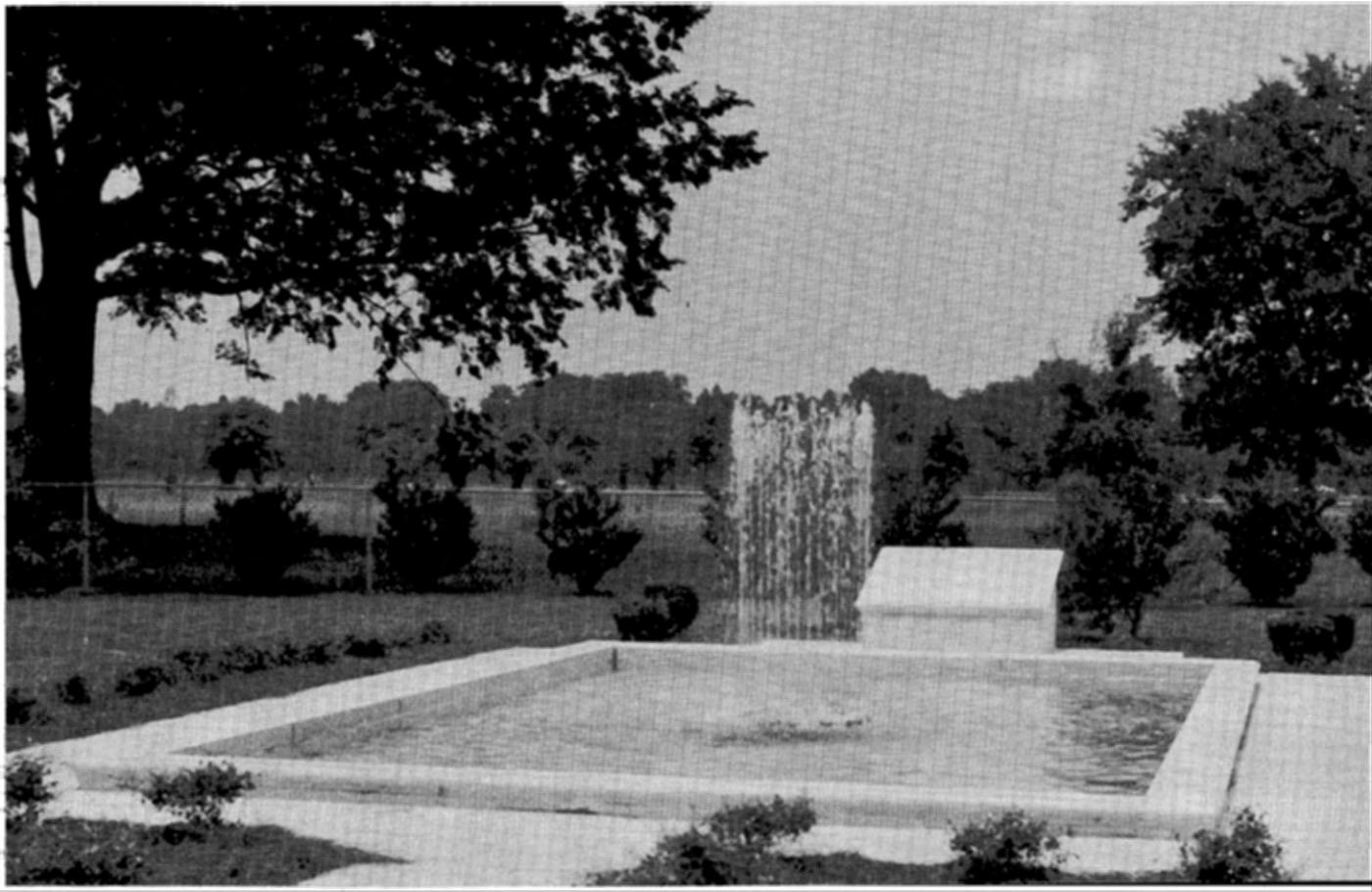
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Russell County, of which Phenix City is the county seat, lies in the east central part of the state and is bounded by Lee, Barbour, Macon and Bullock counties and by the Chattahoochee River which is also a part of the boundary between the states of Alabama and Georgia. The land area comprises 639 square miles. Phenix City, governing seat of the county, is in a favorable diversified shopping center with some 275,000 persons within the trade area.

The Phenix City-Russell County area is a dynamic and growing network of progress. The plans, work and sacrifice of its proud people have made the area a good place to live and work with the promise of an even better tomorrow.

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tation, favorable tax rates, an abundance of skilled labor or help with location or expansion problems.

Phenix City and Russell County offer recreational features unsurpassed anywhere in the nation. The City of Phenix City has a fulltime Recreation Director with a paid staff. Park areas are spread throughout the radius of 30-40 miles of downtown Phenix City as well as recreational areas within the City.

Water sports of all kinds . . . swimming, fishing, water skiing, picnicking, boating are enjoyed throughout the year in some form. Russell County is a particularly well-known area to the devotee of rod and gun. Quail, dove, squirrel, rabbit, and other small game are widely distributed over the county. Russell County is the quail hunting capitol of the United States. Bass, crappie, bream and other game fish abound in the watershed of the Chattahoochee River and in the many ponds of the area.

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PHENIX CITY, ALABAMA

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Following the last Creek cession, Russell County, Alabama was created by an act of the legislature, approved December 18, 1832. Girard, a settlement located in the northeast corner of the county, was designated the county seat.

In the final settlement of accounts with the Indians, Ben Marshall, a halfbreed, was awarded a tract of land one mile square in March 1832. Three months later he sold this area, known as Marshall's Reserve, to land speculators from Georgia for \$35,000. They laid it out in lots, sold them, and received \$100,000 for them. This was the official beginning of the little border town of Girard. It is believed that it was named for Steven Girard, philanthropist and slave dealer. He was a prominent Philadelphian, and founded Girard College in that city, which stands today.

In 1842, the county seat was moved from Girard to Crockettville (named for Davy Crockett), now Crawford, Alabama. In 1868, the county seat was again moved, this time to Seale. In 1935, it was moved again, to Phenix City, its present location.

Until 1866, Russell County included much of its present area plus a large part of Lee. Lee County was created by an act of the legislature approved December 15, 1866. The new northern boundary of Russell (southern boundary of Lee) ran through Girard leaving part of it in Lee and the other in Russell.

This was an awkward situation for both sections of the town, particularly the part in Lee. On February 23, 1883, an act of the legislature incorporated this part into the Town of Brownville. Although the town

was officially named "Brownville," the post office serving it was called "Lively" and the railroad depot was "Knight's Station." On February 19, 1889 an act of the Alabama legislature officially changed "Brownville" to Phenix City, named for the old Phoenix mills in Columbus.

In 1921, another boundary line change placed Phenix City in Russell County. In 1923, Phenix City and Girard consolidated. The combined population, at the time, was 10,374 and "Phenix City" was chosen as the name of the entire area.

Following consolidation, progress began in earnest. A new senior high school was built in 1928. During the 30's modern fire and police departments were created. Electricity was made available to all: a modern water works was built and a natural gas system installed. A new courthouse was begun in 1935. By this time more than 30 miles of streets had been paved. In 1948, a new, modern hospital began receiving patients.

During the last fifteen years more than a hundred million dollars of new business and industry has moved into Phenix City and the entire "face" of the city has been changed. A multi-million dollar shopping center occupies the former site of one of its worst slums. A new city hall, three new fire stations, two banks, a new football stadium, two large nursing homes, five new schools, a modern library, new health center, and hundreds of new brick homes have been built.

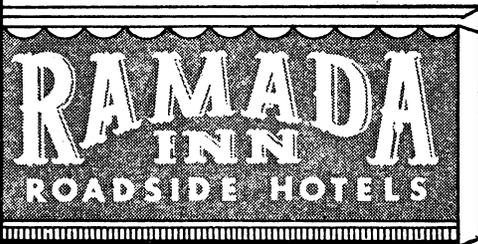
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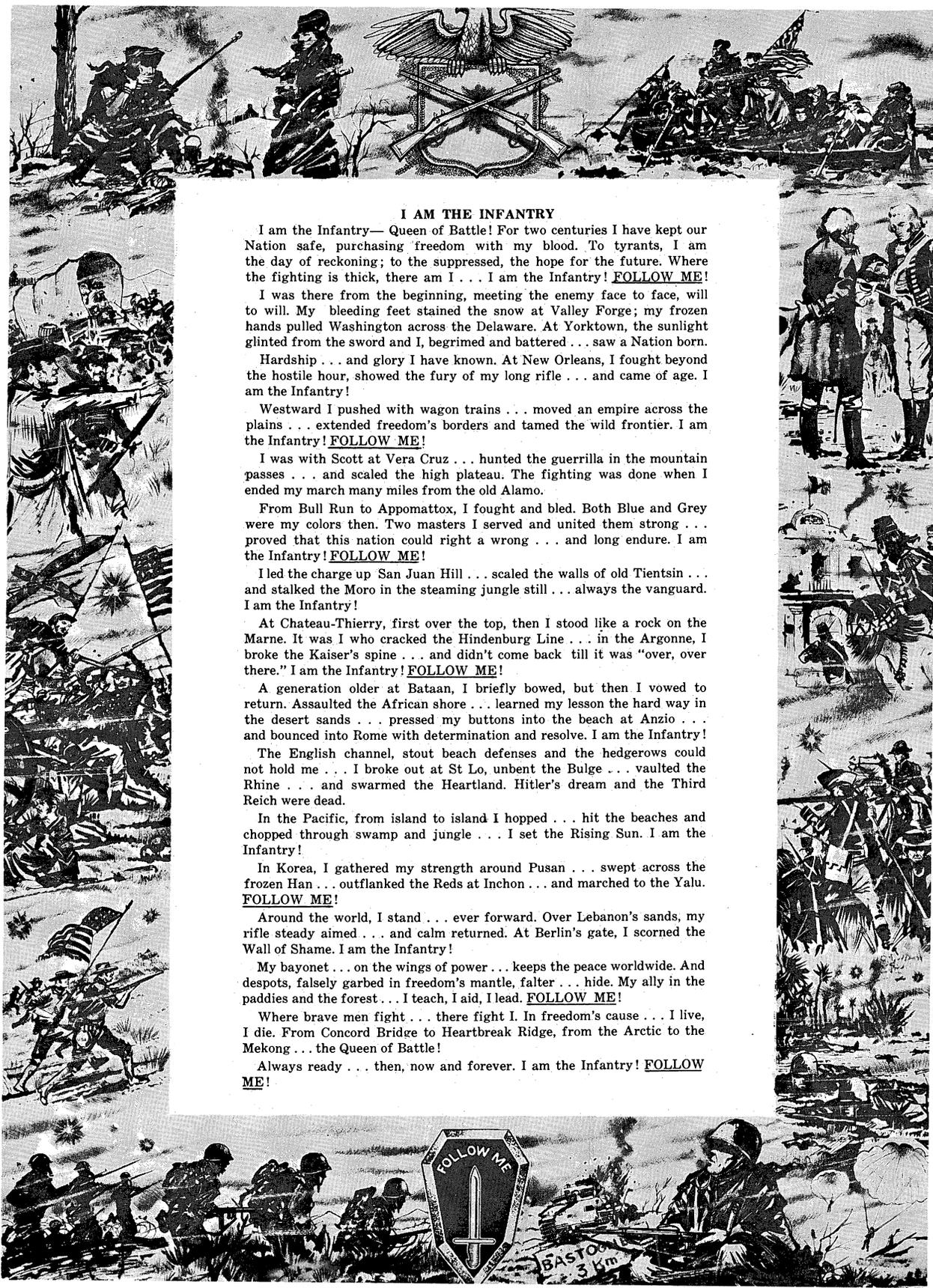


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A generation older at Bataan, I briefly bowed, but then I vowed to return. Assaulted the African shore . . . learned my lesson the hard way in the desert sands . . . pressed my buttons into the beach at Anzio . . . and bounced into Rome with determination and resolve. I am the Infantry!

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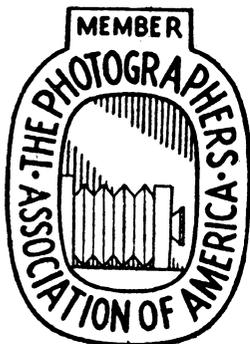
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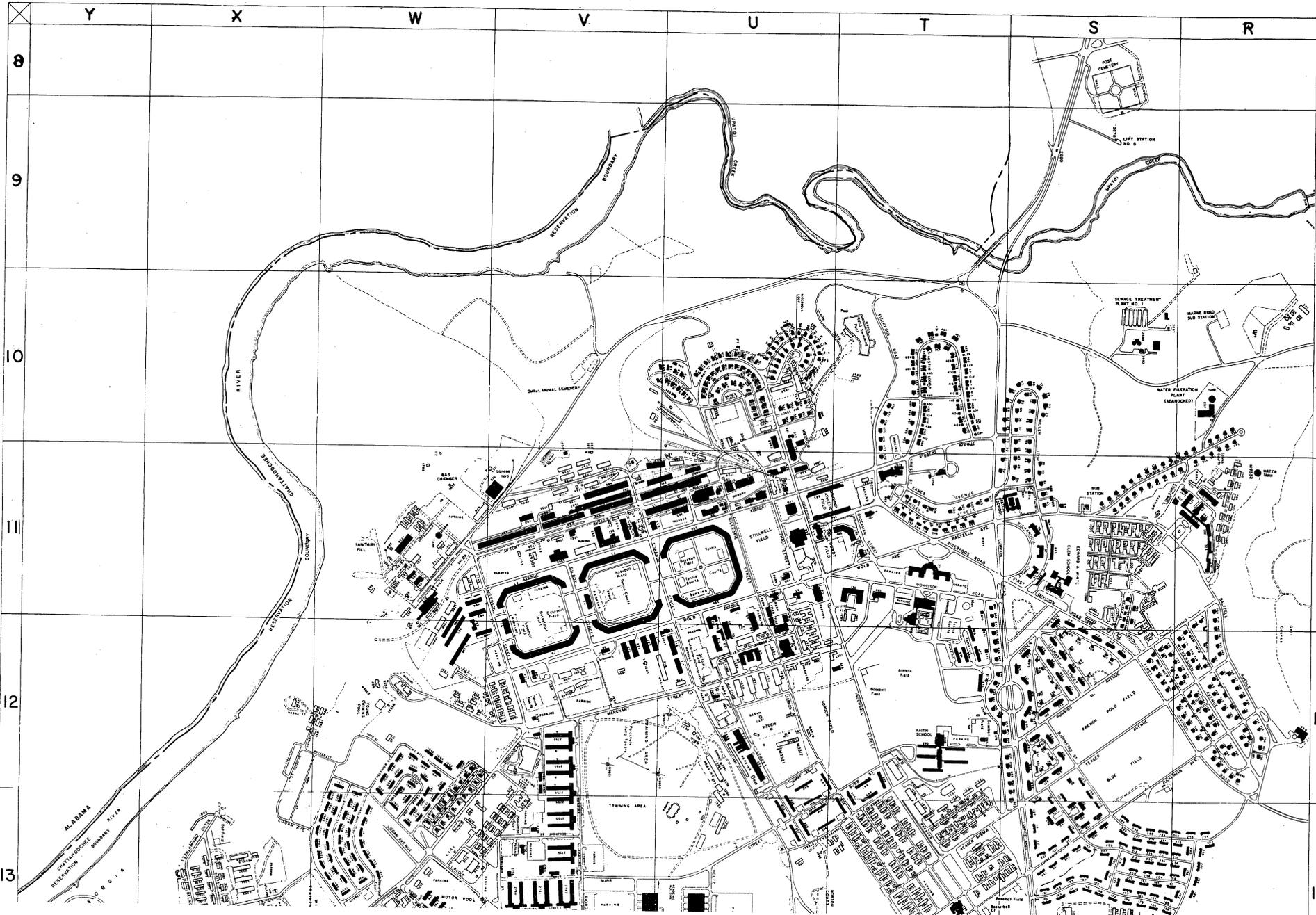


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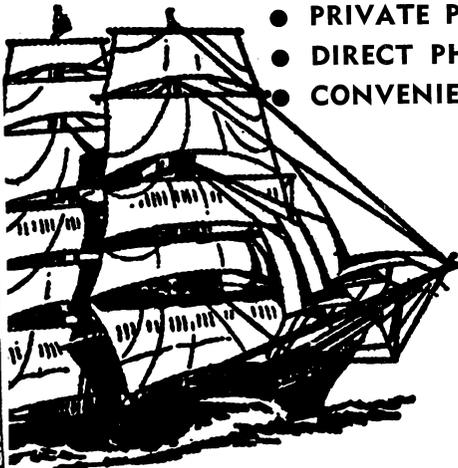
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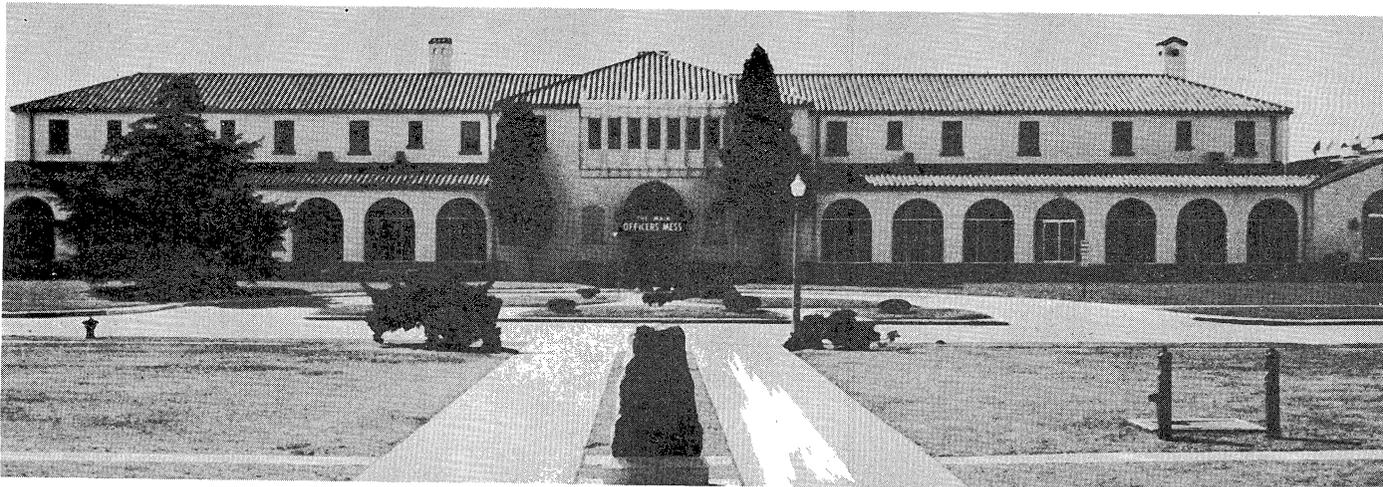


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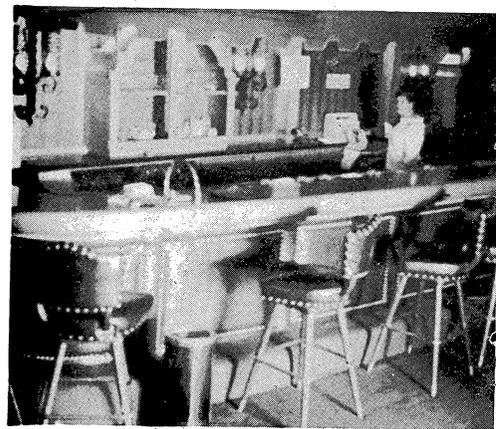
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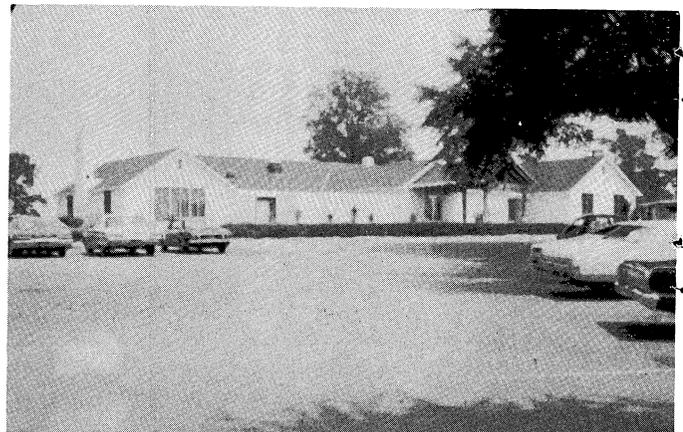
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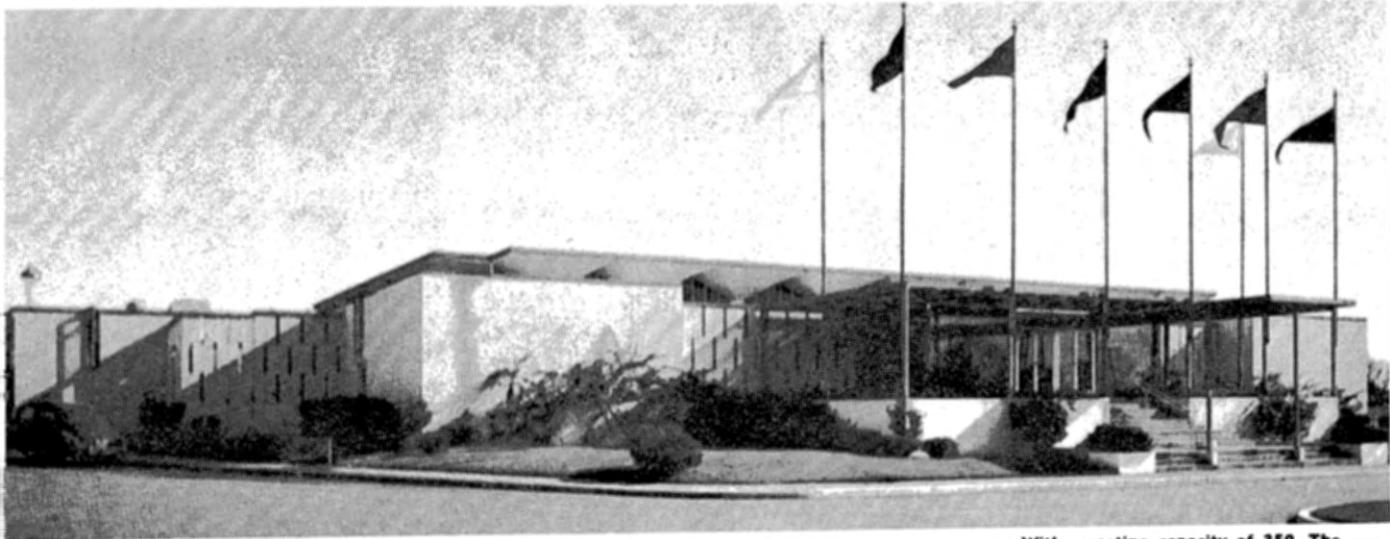


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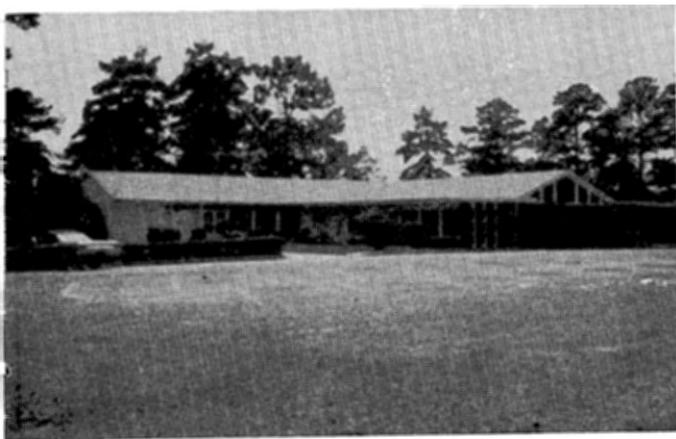
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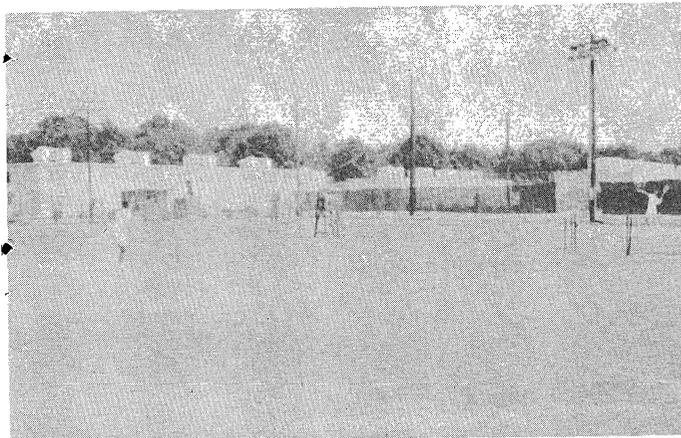
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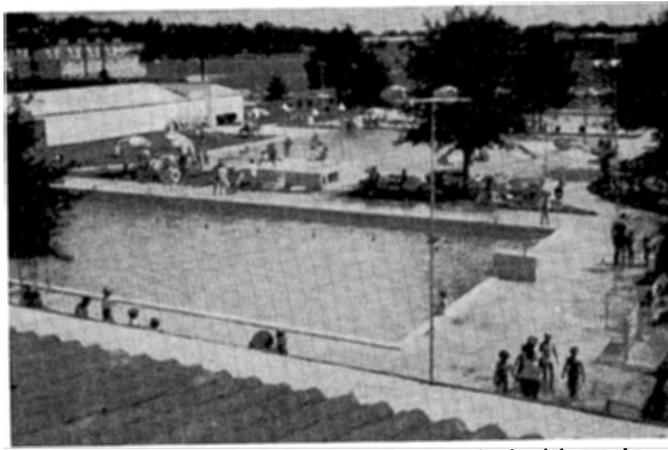
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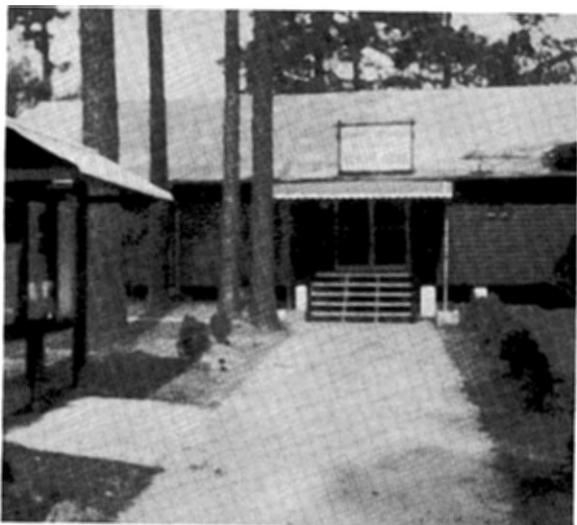
Membership cards may be purchased at any NCO club.



CRAIN HALL NCO largest club is located on Main Post, building 229 and is open to E4 and above. Luncheons may be booked by calling central office 545-7418.



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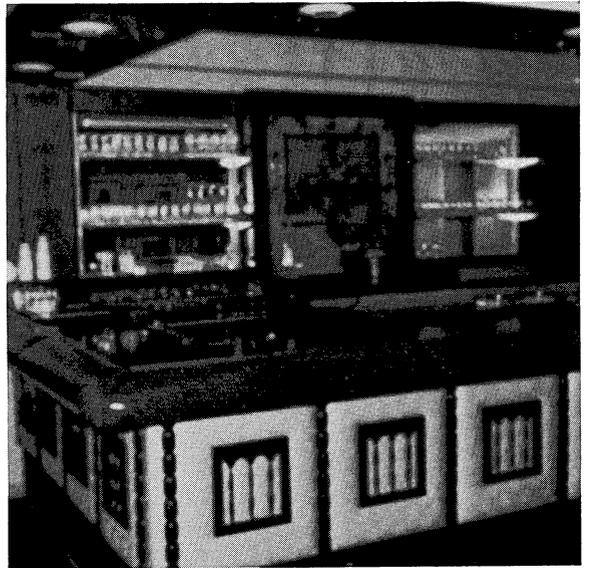
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Top 5 Supper Club and Ballroom, Main Post building 227. Dining and dancing here. Band Sunday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday night. Open to E5 and above. NCO wives hold their meetings once a month at Top 5.

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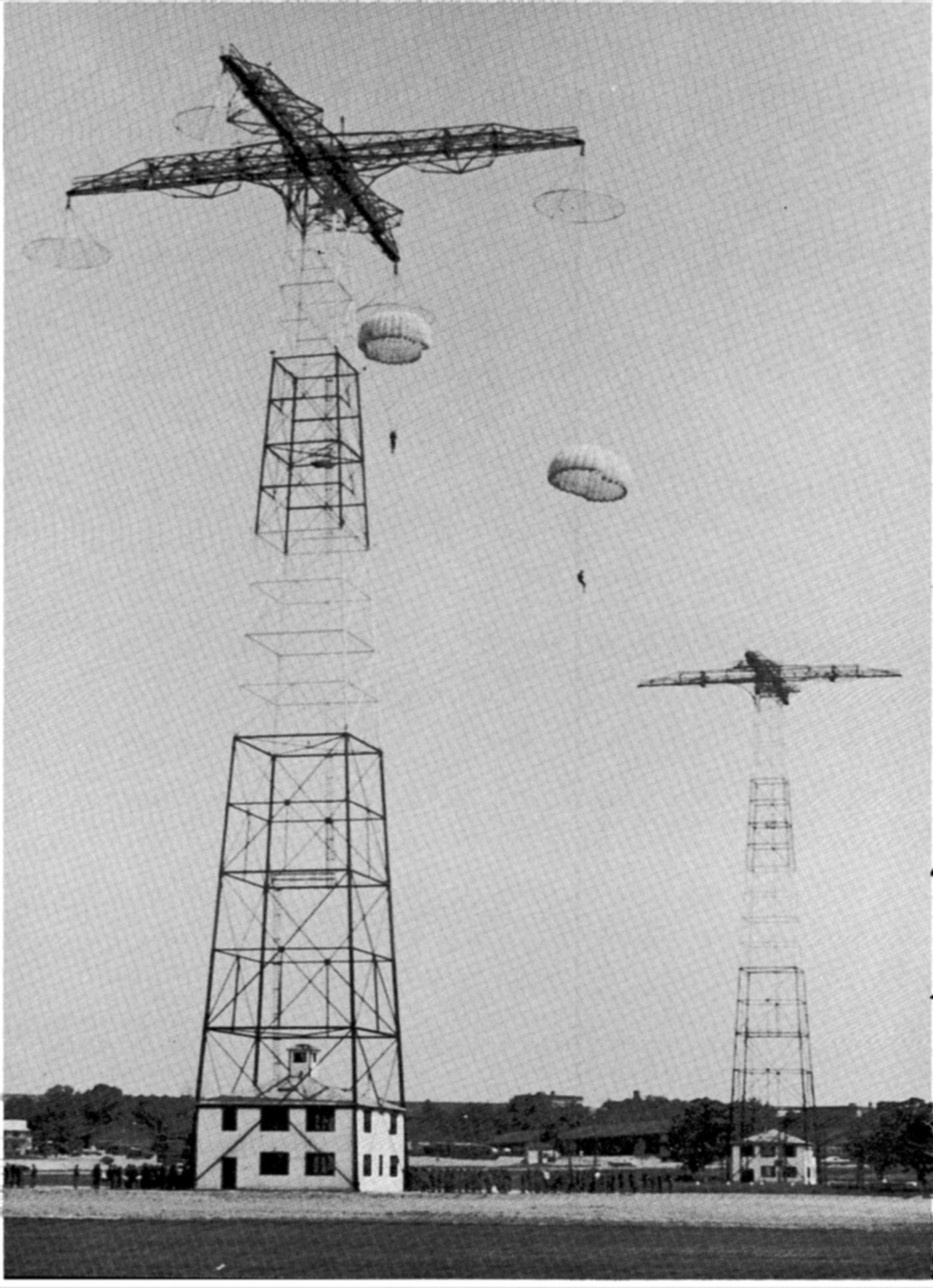
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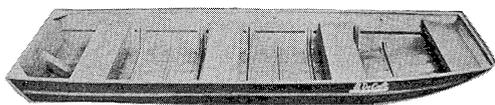
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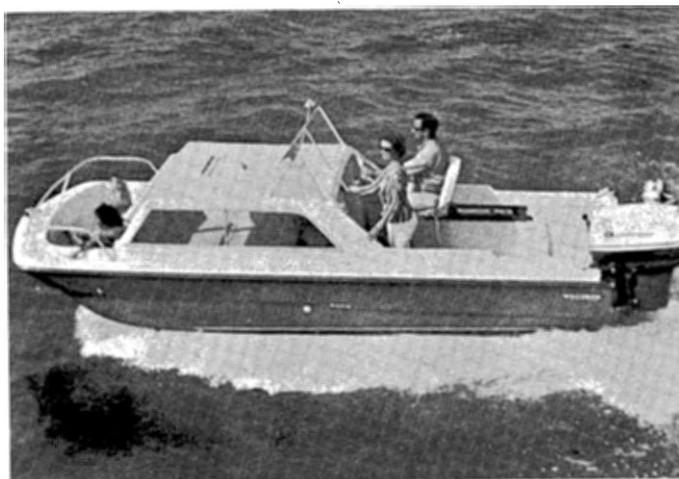
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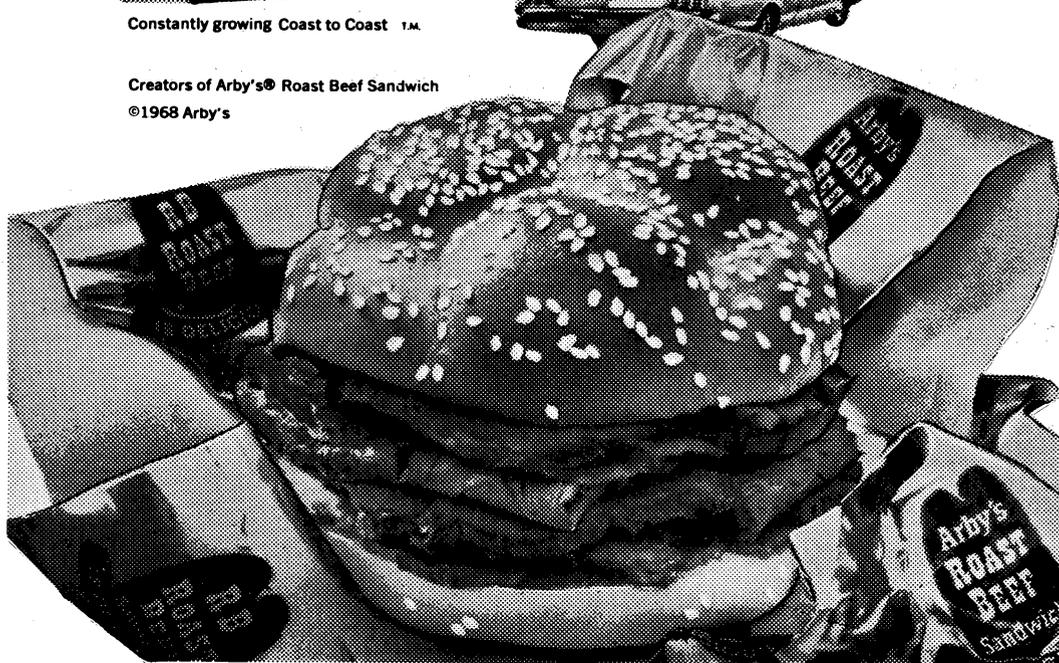
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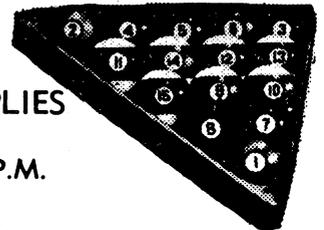
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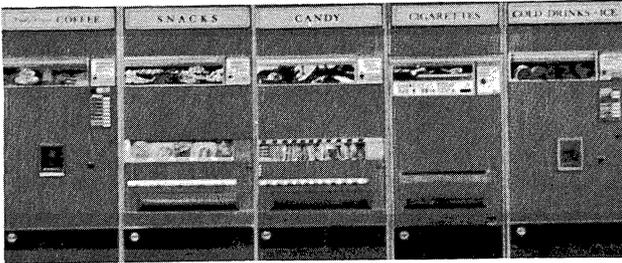
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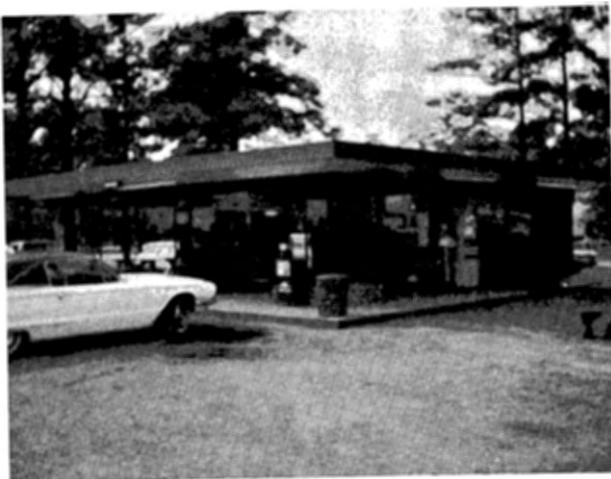
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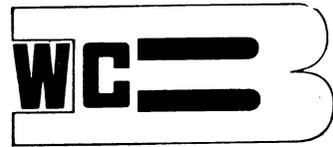
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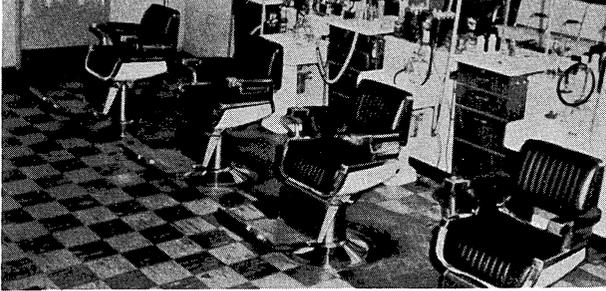


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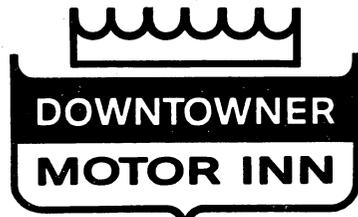
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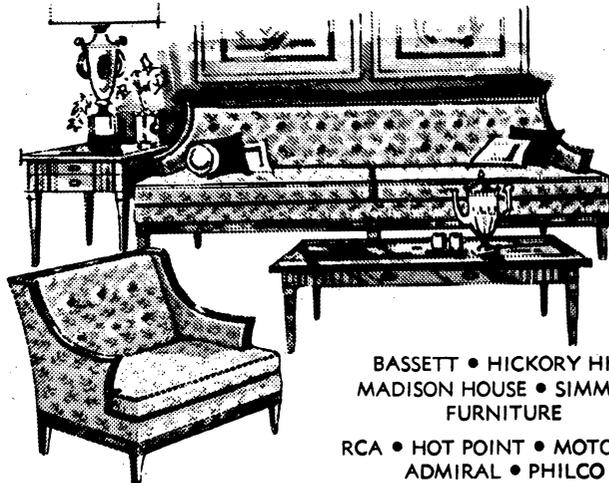


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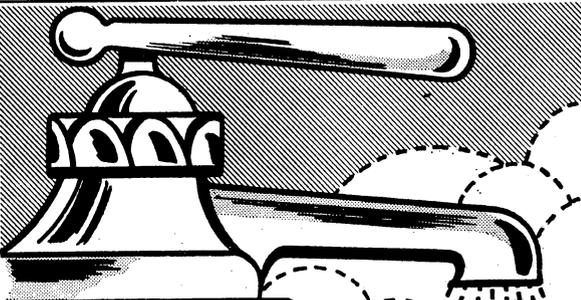
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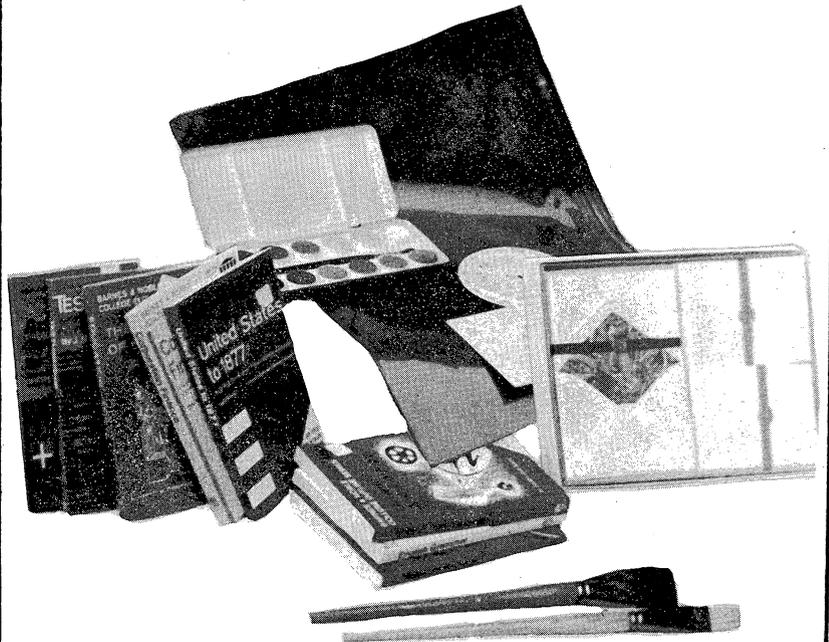
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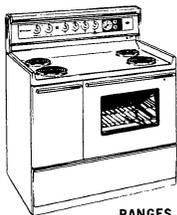
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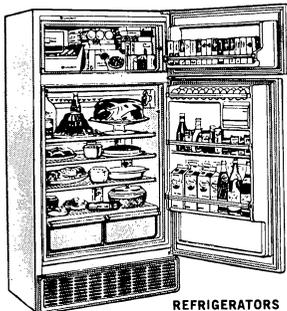


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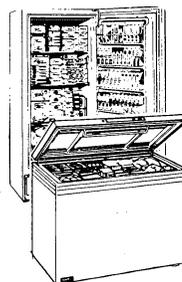
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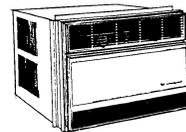
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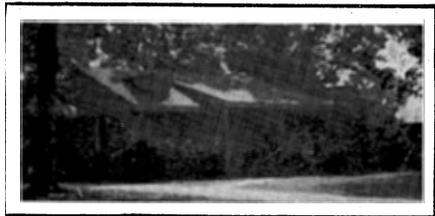


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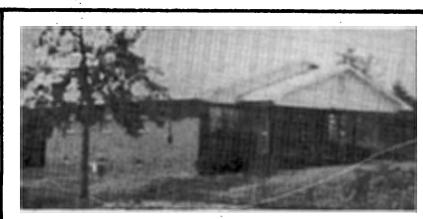
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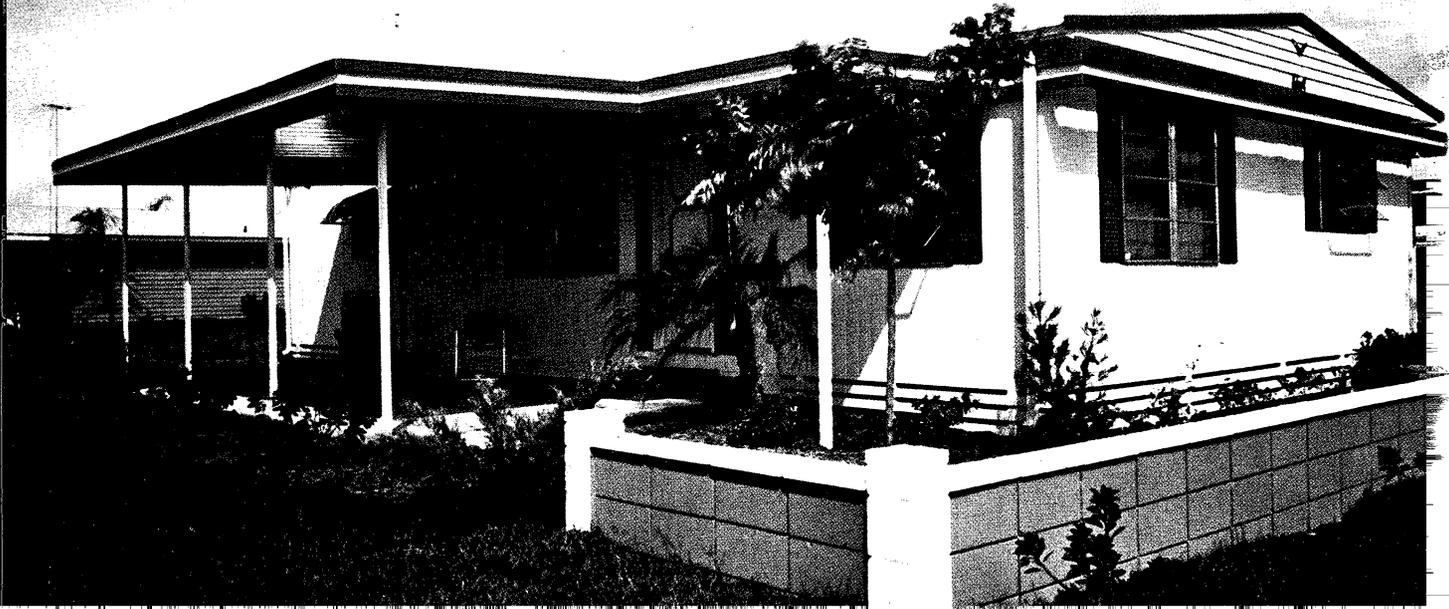
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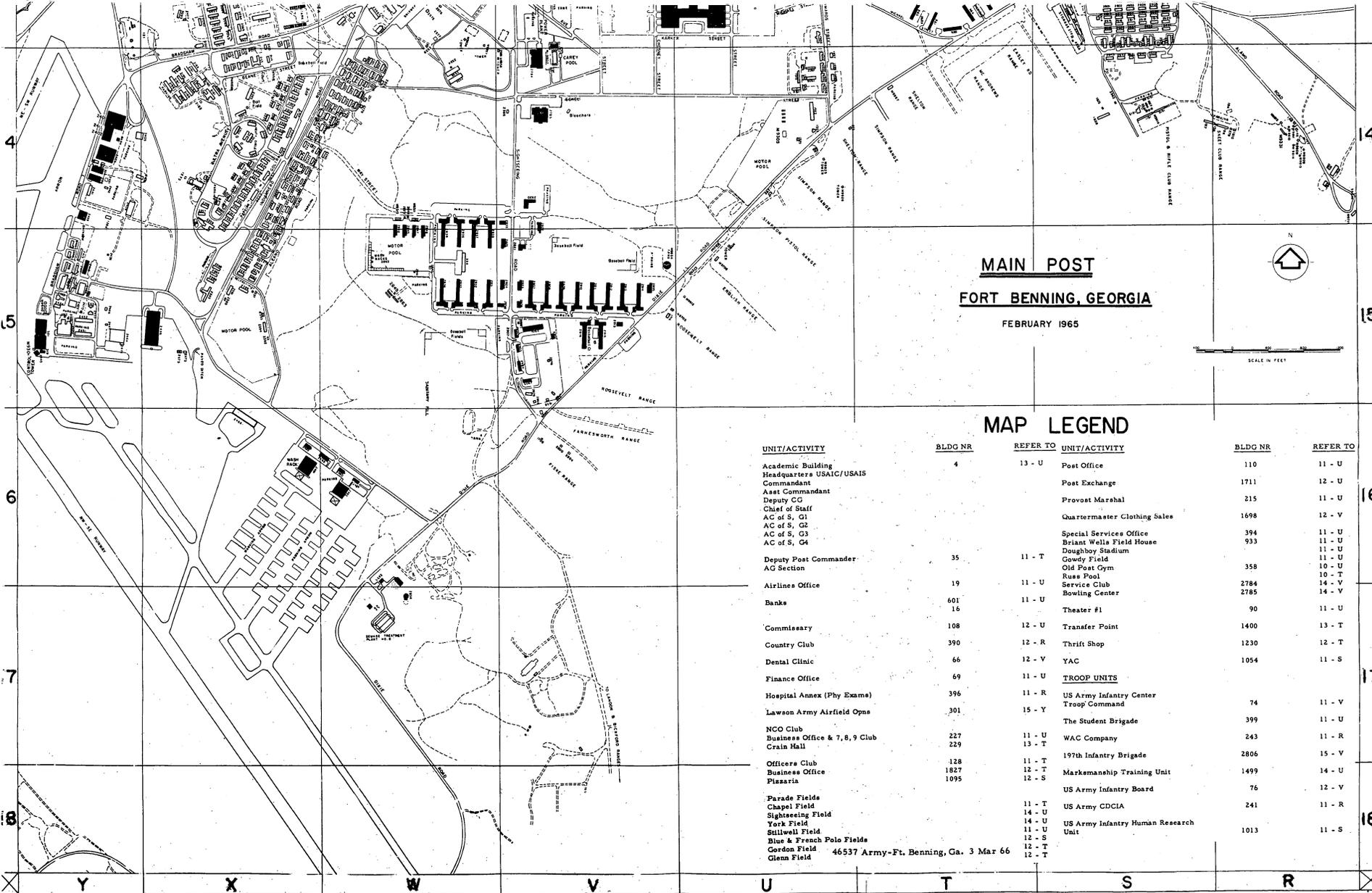
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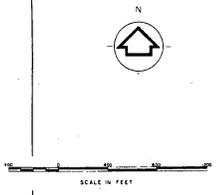
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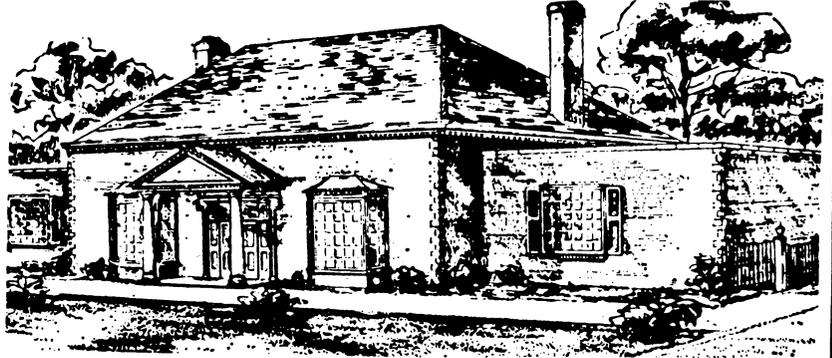


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Deputy CG			Special Services Office	394	11 - U
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Deputy Post Commander	35	11 - T	Service Club	2784	14 - V
AG Section			Bowling Center	2785	14 - V
Airlines Office	19	11 - U	Theater #1	90	11 - U
Banks	601 16	11 - U	Transfer Point	1400	13 - T
Commissary	108	12 - U	Thrift Shop	1230	12 - T
Country Club	390	12 - R	YAC	1054	11 - S
Dental Clinic	66	12 - V			
Finance Office	69	11 - U	TROOP UNITS		
Hospital Annex (Phy Exams)	396	11 - R	US Army Infantry Center		
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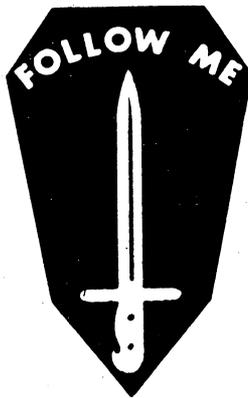
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History of Fort Benning

Camp Benning was founded October 7, 1918. From an original small tent encampment, Fort Benning has grown until today the post encompasses some 182,311 acres or 285 square miles. The present military population is nearly 50,000.

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 distinguished Confederate Army officer, Major General 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 that definition, he issued orders that all buildings be painted to "save" them.

During 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 November 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, was founded in 1826 at Jefferson Barracks, Missouri. Two years later the school was discontinued because the Indian Wars had interrupted its scheduled courses.

Seventy-nine years later it was reestablished when Lieutenant General Arthur MacArthur became commandant of the School of Musketry at the Presidio of Monterey, California. In 1913 the school was moved to Fort Sill, Oklahoma, and its name was changed to The Infantry School of Arms.

In 1918 the Infantry School was moved to Fort Benning. Its staff and faculty at this time consisted of 125 officers and 1200 enlisted men. The School became a permanent installation in September, 1919.

In July, 1941, the Infantry School opened its first officer candidate class. The last World War II class graduated on December 9, 1946. During the five years of its operation the officer candidate school graduated 70,000 new lieutenants. Following World War II, the officer candidate program was discontinued. It was reopened in February, 1951, to meet the need for additional junior officers in the Korean Conflict. Recently, the 100,000th new officer was graduated from the officer candidate course here.

The Vietnam war created a severe shortage of squad and fire team leaders. In 1967 the Non-commissioned Officer Candidate Course was initiated to fill this demand. In its 51-year history, the Infantry School, which holds a Distinguished Service School Award for outstanding contribution to national defense, has graduated more than 600,000 students who have served their country in all corners of the globe.





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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.

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

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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 RESEARCH 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.

Infantry School Courses

Infantry Officer Advanced
Infantry Field Grade Officer Refresher
Infantry Officer Advanced (Reserve Component)
(Resident Phases III & V)

Ranger

Infantry Officer Basic

Infantry Officer Candidate

Infantry Officer Candidate (Reserve Component)

Nuclear Weapons Employment

Infantry Mortar Platoon Officer

Infantry Radio Maintenance

Tracked Vehicle Mechanic

Infantry Mortar Platoon NCO

Airborne

Pathfinder

National Guard Special Refresher

Infantry Officer Basic (Mob)

Infantry Radio Maintenance Refresher

Tracked Vehicle Mechanic Refresher

Instructor Training

Noncommissioned Officer Candidate Course

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.

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. For further information telephone 545-2513.

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 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 200 and 300 allied students yearly from as many as 50 different nations. Allied students are enrolled in regularly scheduled classes with U. S. students.

The Allied Training Program at the Infantry School implements the Department of Defense informational program which is designed to acquaint the allied student with the various aspects of the American way of life.



Facilities and Services





Riverside

"Riverside, the home of the Commanding General, has stood over the reservation's thousands of acres for over 150 years.

Riverside has served the Infantry School Commandants as home since the establishment of the School June 17, 1919, at Camp Benning.

The history of the homesite dates back to the early 1800s, when the nucleus of the present home was on Lumpkin Road. It was moved to its present 12 acre-site on Vibbert Ave., when Arthur Bussey bought the estate from the Hatcher family. The house was moved by rolling it on logs which were pulled by mules, and it was used as a basis for the Bussey summer home.

The house had large ceilinged rooms, which through the years have been lowered as the heavy cross-beams were reinforced. The walls were tongue and groove woodwork. Black chandeliers, fed with carbide gas, provided the necessary lighting for the home. Three fireplaces, heated the downstairs, and smaller fireplaces heated each of the six bedrooms.

A rarity for the early 1900s was running water. Riverside's water was pumped from the river into a tower and piped into the house.

Modifications through the years have changed the home but it has remained basically unchanged, as a reminder of a gracious touch of the Old South.

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. 3, on 13th & Scott, Sand Hill, performances daily at 7 p.m. and a matinee Saturday and Sunday at 2:30 p.m.

Theater No. 5, on Hourglass Road in Harmony Church, performances nightly at 7 p.m.

Theater No. 9, on Watkins St. at Kelley Hill, performances daily at 6:30 and 8:30 on Sunday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday; 7:00 on Monday and Tuesday; a matinee Sunday at 2:30.

Theater No. 11, at the junction of 8th Division Road and Cusseta Highway, Harmony Church, performances Sunday through Friday at 7 p.m. and matinee Sunday, and holidays at 2:30.

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 15 per cent 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 of the month, from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30p.m.

Hospitality House

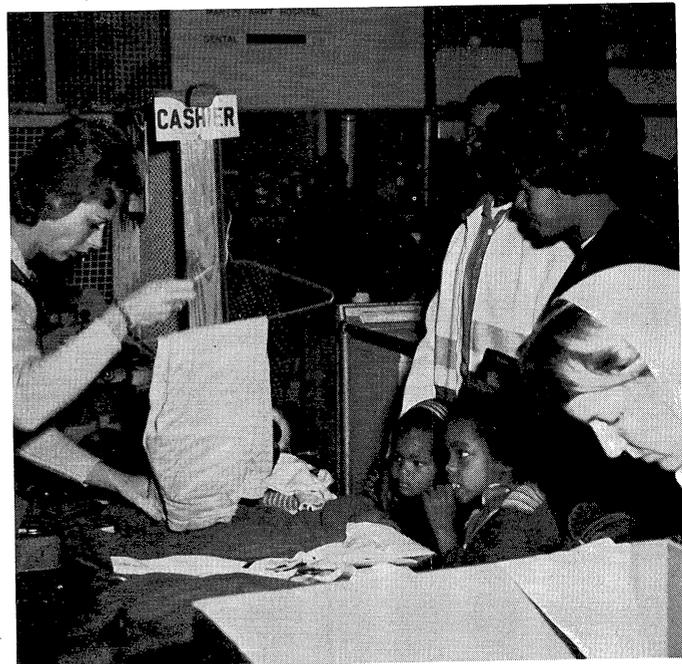
Hospitality House, a welcome center for incoming and departing personnel of all ranks, is located in Bldg. 274 on Dixie Road. Sponsored by the NCO Wives' Club, the activity is a function of the Army Community Service. There is a lending closet of household items in addition to lounges, a playroom, "nap room" for weary travelers, maps of the post and general information. Hours are from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday. It is closed Saturday and Sunday. For further information, telephone 545-7723 or 545-7444.

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. This bank also operates a Mobile Unit on a regular schedule. 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 6 p.m. on Friday, with additional hours on pay day. At the Main Post bank, there are additional hours at the patio windows, located at the rear of the building, from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. on Monday and Wednesday. The Sand Hill branch is also open from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Friday.

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 p.m. to 6 p.m. on Friday.

Banks are not open on Saturday.





Post Exchanges

The Fort Benning Post Exchange System comprises approximately 45 branches at troop locations over the entire reservation. Included are restaurants, snack bars, soda fountains, 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	Photo Studio
Tailor Shop	Watch Repair
Beauty Shop	Optical Shop
Dry Cleaners	

Automotive service stations are located on Main Post, Sand Hill and Kelley Hill.

Soft drinks and ice cream drive-ins are located at Merchant and Anderson Streets on Main Post; Sand Hill adjacent to the PX on Scott Ave., Eighth Division Road in Harmony Church, and First Division Road near the Reception Station.

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 11 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.

A Quick-Shop also is open from 7 a.m. to 11 p.m. on Ingersoll St. near the Youth Activities Club.

Museum

THE U. S. ARMY INFANTRY MUSEUM is located in Bldg. 1234 on Ingersoll St. The Museum is open from 10:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Tuesday-Friday and on Saturday, and Sunday from 12:30-4:30 p.m. The Museum is closed on Monday. For information, call 545-5413.

Guest Houses

There are three guest house facilities operated by the Billeting Division, Headquarters Commandant Section:

Guest House #1, Bldg. 1685 Vibbert Avenue, Main Post, 545-3258

Guest House #2, Bldg. 3249, Fourth Street, Sand Hill, 545-7785

Guest House #3, Bldg. 1454, Couston Street, Main Post, 545-1165 or 545-2779

In addition there are six completely furnished guest cottages at Sand Hill that are rented through Guest House #2. These facilities are provided to furnish overnight transient accommodations for immediate families and relatives. No reservations are accepted. Rates are \$1.50 per adult per night and 75 cents per child (under 12) for rooms without adjoining bath; \$2 per adult per night and \$1 per child for rooms with adjoining bath. There is no service charge for small children when parents have their own cribs or bassinets.

Book Department

The Book Department of The Infantry School operates the Main Book Store on Morrison Road near Bldg. 35, the Academic Branch in Infantry Hall, Branch No. 1 in Bldg. 2759, and Branch No. 3 in Bldg. 4410, Harmony Church.

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.

Quarters

Application for government quarters may be made at the Family Housing Office, Billeting Division, in rooms 126, 128, 130 in Bldg. 35. There are 1,480 sets of officers' quarters and 1,954 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. These apartments are available to permanent officer personnel and, if vacancies exist, to officers stationed on the post for temporary duty in excess of 60 days.

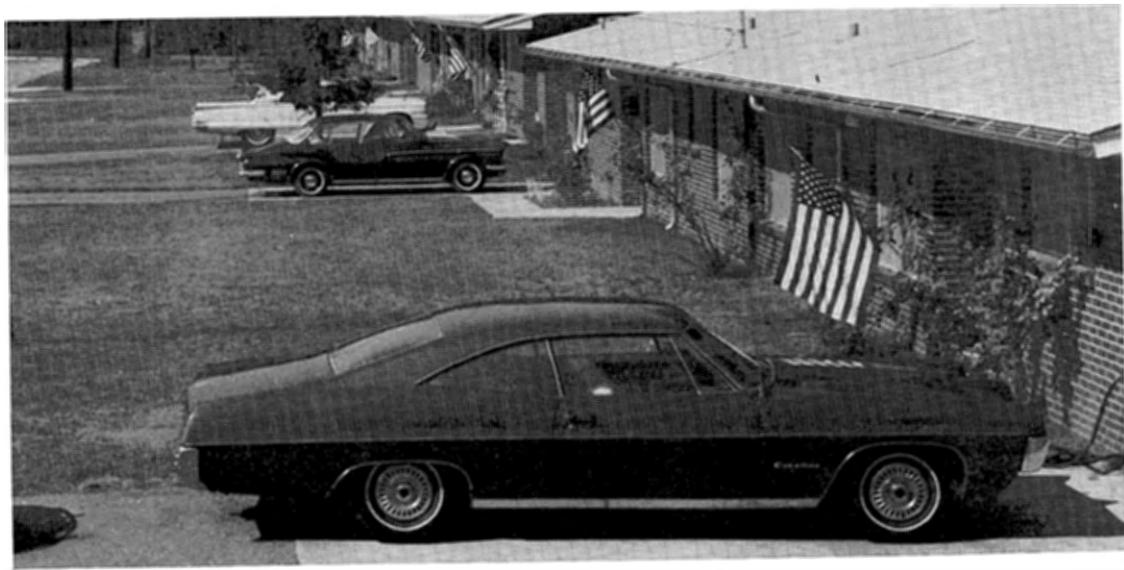
Any incoming bachelor officer can apply for quarters at the Billeting Office, located in Bldg. 299 on the Gillespie St. side. The registration desk is open 24 hours a day. For information telephone 545-1794 or 545-1851.

A Family Housing Referral Office is located in Room 1, Bldg. 5, 545-5712. This office is open from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and provides information regarding off-post housing.



Post Craft Shops

The Arts and Crafts Center is located in Bldg. 2783 on Eckel Avenue. It contains 20 different crafts and is open from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesday thru Sunday and from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. Tuesday thru Sunday. Other craft shops include Shop No. 3 (woodworking), Harmony Church, Bldg. 4846; Shop No. 4 (woodworking), Sand Hill, Bldg. 3145; Shop No. 5 (multiple-type), Keller Hill, Bldg. 9049; 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, crafts available at the shops include leathercraft, ceramics, jewelry making, and woodworking. Shops 3, 4, 5, 7, and 9 are open Tuesday through Friday from 1 p.m. to 9 p.m. and on Saturday and Sunday from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. The two automotive shops are open Tuesday through Friday from noon to 9 p.m., and weekends from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.





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. At certain times throughout the year, the pool is reserved during the evening for water safety instruction for students of the Infantry School and Ranger Training Command. On Sunday and holidays the pool is open from 1 to 4 p.m. and 6 to 9 p.m. between 4 and 6 p.m. weekdays and from 9 a.m. to noon Saturday the pool is reserved for the use of the Youth Activities Club.

Four outdoor pools are Sand Hill, Harmony Church, Kelley Hill and Carey pools, open from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. daily during season.

Post Office

The Fort Benning branch of the Columbus Post Office is at the intersection of Vibbert Ave. and Eckel 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.

Branches are located at Harmony Church, Kelley Hill, Martin Army Hospital, Sand Hill, and Infantry Hall.

One special feature of the Post Office is the family mail service by postmen to family quarters at the post. For information, telephone 545-5177.

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 to attend high school in the Muscogee County, Ga. School District.

A Pre-Kindergarten School for children from three to four years old is privately operated by the Officers' Wives Club in Bldg. 322, 545-2217, adjacent to the Old Hospital. Terms are concurrent with the regular school year.

Bowling Alleys

Special Services operates three bowling alleys. The Main Post Bowling Center with 24 lanes is located in Bldg. 2785 on Eckel St. and Sightseeing Road. It is open from 9 a.m. to 11 p.m. Monday through Saturday and 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. on Sunday and holidays.

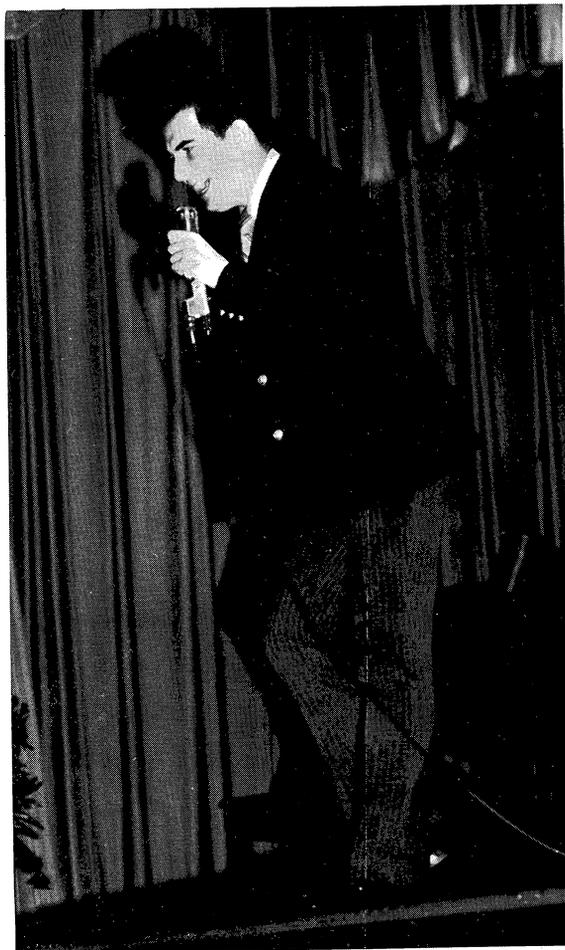
Annex No. 2 in Bldg. 3717, Sand Hill, eight lanes, is open from 6 to 10:30 p.m., Tuesday through Friday and from 12 noon until 10:30 p.m. on Saturday, Sunday and holidays.

The new Kelley Hill Bowling Center, on Watkins St., is open 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. Monday through Saturday; noon to 11 p.m. on Sunday, and 9 a.m. to 11 p.m. on holidays.

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 maintain eight libraries for members of the command. They are the Main Post Library, Bldg. 793 on Wold Ave. next to the Main Exchange; telephone 545-7141; Branch Library No. 1, Room 9-D in the basement of Martin Army Hospital, telephone 544-2851; Branch Library No. 2, Bldg. 3743, Sand Hill, telephone 544-7706; Branch Library No. 3, Bldg. 4410, open weekends and holidays; Branch Library No. 4, Bldg. 4840, in the 58th Infantry area, telephone 545-6222; Branch Library No. 6, Bldg. 9027, Kelley Hill, telephone 544-2551 and Branch Library No. 7, Bldg. 5361, North Harmony Church, telephone 545-6822. For schedules, telephone the library. The Main Post Library offers a telephone reference service, 545-4012.



Service Clubs

Education

Military personnel are afforded opportunities for general educational improvement in subjects ranging from Vocational - Technical training through Degree Completion Programs at both undergraduate and graduate levels. Over 200 U. S. Armed Forces Institute (USAFI) courses are available through correspondence and as the demand justifies, by group study. These are available during duty hours in group study for elementary and high school classes when necessary for the soldier to meet the minimum educational standards of the Army. State colleges and universities provide over 6,000 extension courses. Columbus College has off-post facilities in Columbus; the American University conducts on-post classes. These are available to the military with tuition assistance subject to approval for qualified military personnel. Both degree completion and advanced degree programs are available. For evaluation, assistance and counseling contact the Educational Development Branch, Bldg. 35, Room 308, or telephone 545-4111.

Five Service Clubs provide enlisted personnel, their families, and friends recreational opportunities during their off-duty time. Facilities include games, music, and reading rooms and lounge areas. Equipment includes billiard tables, table tennis, and a wide variety of 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. 3248, the South Harmony Church Club, Bldg. 4410, The Kelley Hill Club, Bldg. 9029, and the North Harmony Church Club, Bldg. 5362, are all located in their respective areas. Main Post, Sand Hill and Kelley 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. For information, call 545-4592.

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 Carke 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 through Thursday 7:30 a.m. to 7 p.m.; Friday 7:30 a.m. to 1 a.m.; Saturday 9 a.m. to 1 a.m.; Sunday 8:45 a.m. to 1:15 p.m. The nursery is closed on post holidays. Special openings for post or unit functions are arranged upon request. Tot Town is located in new facilities, Bldg. 1051 on 1st Division Rd. near the Edward A. White School. For information telephone 545-7008.

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 Post and throughout the reservation.

Telegrams may be sent at the Fort Benning Western Union office in Bldg. 1600. Hours are 9 a.m. to 7:15 p.m., Monday through Friday and 9:30 a.m. to 1:45 p.m., Saturday.

Transportation

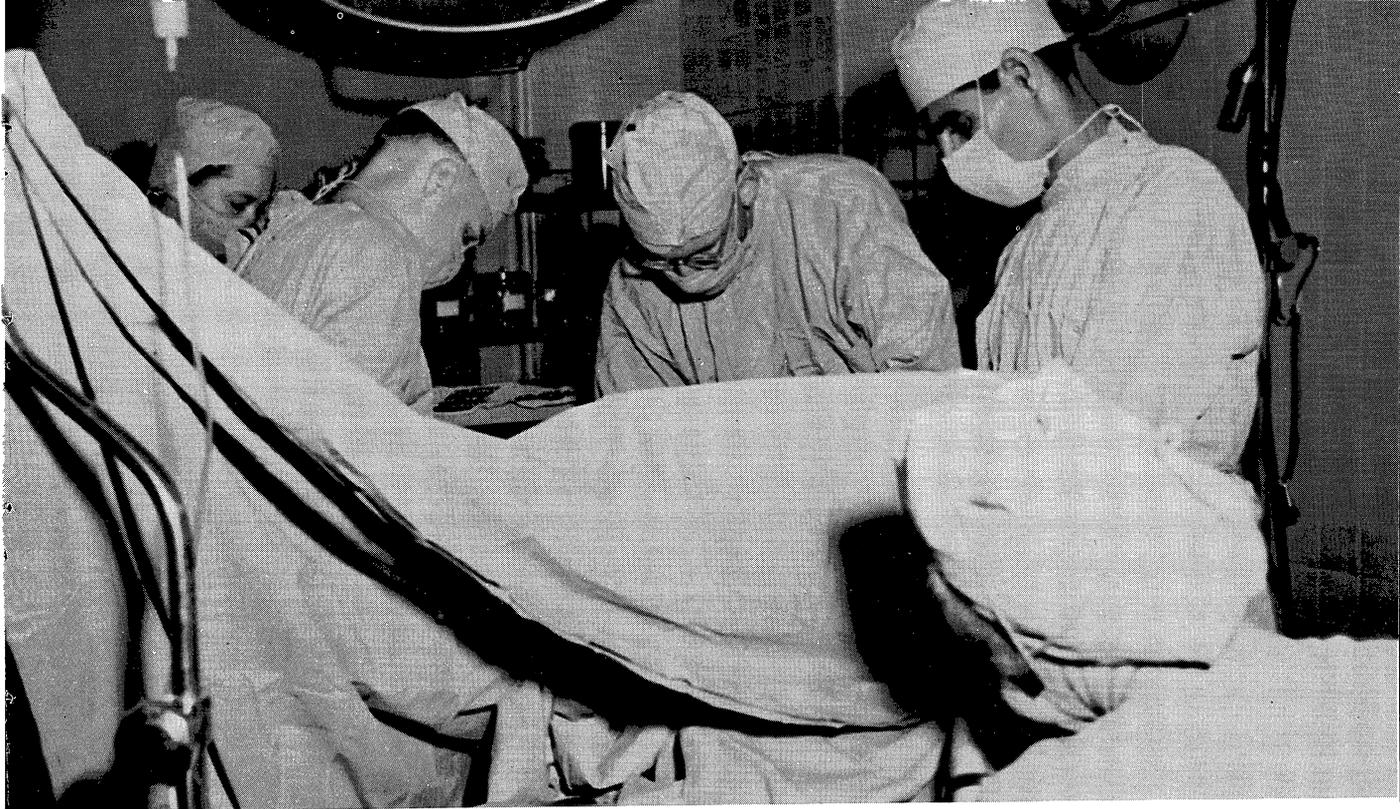
A scheduled Airline Ticket Office is located in Building 19, corner of Vibbert Avenue and Gillespie Street, Main Post. Office hours are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday. Telephone number is 545-3438.

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, Kelley Hill and Sand Hill areas is furnished daily.



Community Service

Army Community Service, located in Bldg. 35, provides counseling for military personnel, both active and retired, and their dependents, and for civilian personnel of the post. As a staff agency of The Infantry Center Director of Personnel, ACS makes contact between individuals with personal problems and the unit or activity best suited to provide assistance. Hours are from 9 a.m. to 5 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. Emergency calls may be made at any time to 545-4043.



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. 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 at the Martin Army Hospital Annex, Bldg. 396. Appointments are required except in cases of emergency.

They can be obtained by calling the Central Appointment Desk, 544-1061.

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 or 544-3112.

Household Goods

For information concerning incoming shipments of household goods and other personal property and, or, delivery and unpacking services call 545-1423.

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. 5243, Harmony Church. There is also a Red Cross office at Martin Army Hospital for service to patients, families of patients and the Medical Detachment.

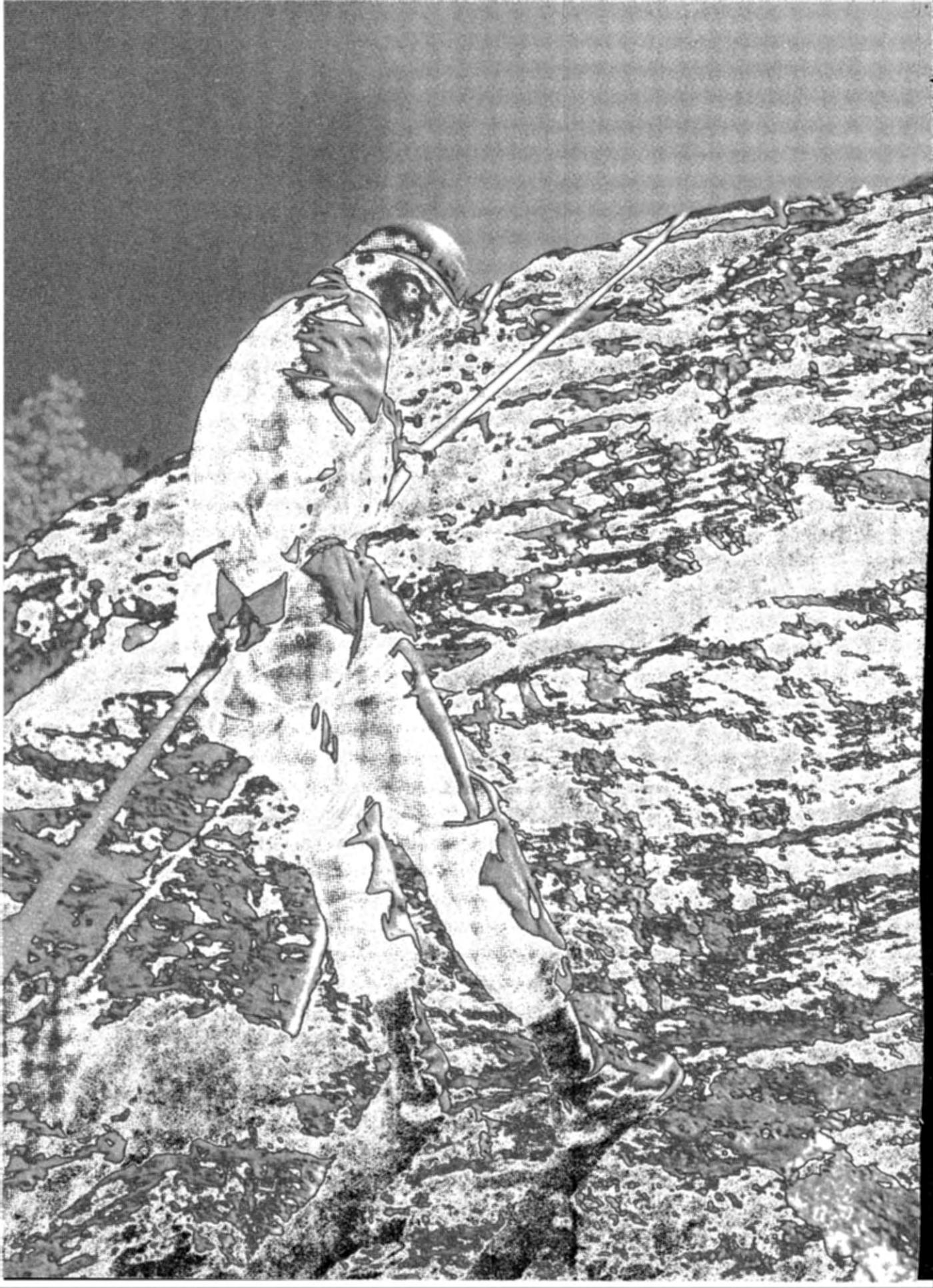
Office hours at the main office are from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. and at the suboffices, 8:30 a.m. to 4:15 p.m., Monday thru Friday. Emergency assistance nights and weekends may be received in Bldg. 1699 or by phone at 545-3716. At Martin Hospital, Red Cross hours are from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through 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.

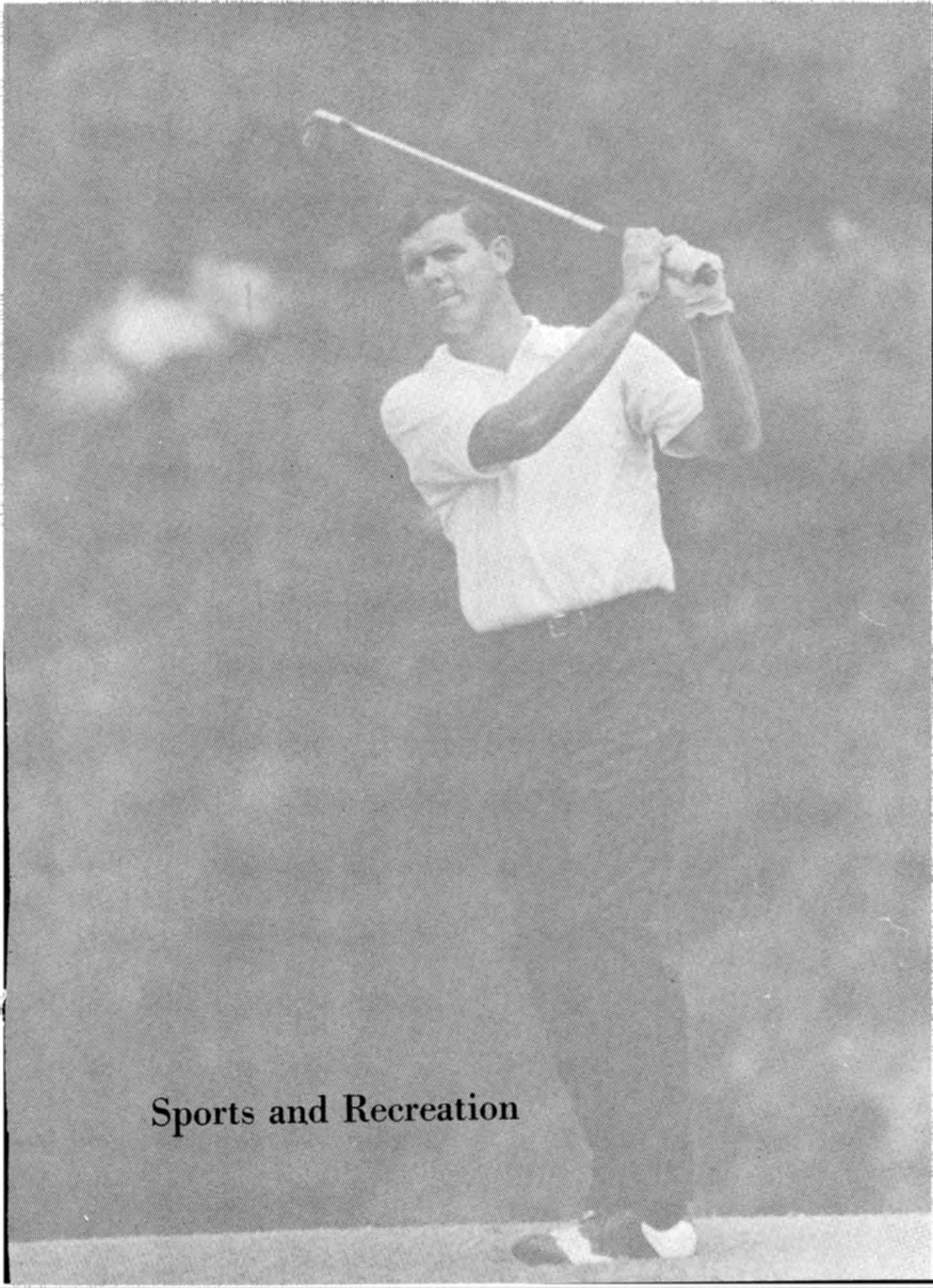
Legal Assistance

The Legal Assistance Office is in Bldg. 2610. 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.

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.





Sports and Recreation

Recreation

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

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 from 1st Division Road to the USAIC Recreation Area. Use of the lodge 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. A lodge, 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 RECREATION 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 which can be rented with or without 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 furnished with everything except linen and towels. There is a 38-foot boat that can be reserved for deep sea fishing. For reservations or information, telephone 545-5641.

Special Services also has available for use ten boats, fully equipped with motors and safety devices, and ten completely equipped folding camping trailers with hitches. These may be reserved by calling 545-3831.

For hunters, Special Services has a supply of shotguns of various sizes, available free of charge to anyone with a military identification card, a Georgia hunting license and a post hunting permit. Ammunition is not furnished. Phone 545-5641.



Horseback Riding

The Hunt Club near the intersection of Stone-wall and Marne Roads is open to all military personnel and their dependents. Horses, equipped with English style equipment, may be rented between 8 a.m. and 5 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 \$31 per month. Rates for riding lessons, for both novice and experienced riders, are \$1.50 per hour in addition to the rental rate for riders who do not own their own horses. Only the members of the Hunt Club may board horses and be eligible for riding lessons. Members pay a \$10 entrance fee and monthly dues of \$4. For additional information, telephone 545-2574.



Youth Activities



Girl Scouts

Girl Scouting involves practical experience in arts and crafts, homemaking, and the out-of-doors. All girls between the ages of seven (or the second grade) and eighteen (or the twelfth grade) are welcome to join a troop. Troops are formed according to the age level of the girls involved, starting with Brownies, then Juniors, Cadettes, and Seniors.

There are twenty-nine active troops, sixty-three leaders, and fourteen Service Team members involved the Girl Scout program in the Fort Benning Neighborhood at this time. They meet at Custer Terrace, NCO Capehart, Brownie Square, Harmony Church, Hideaway, Wilson School, Our Lady of Lourdes, and Main Post Scout House.

Adult volunteers are always needed as leaders, assistant leaders, Service Team members, committee chairmen, and resource consultants.

Any girl or adult desiring to participate in the Girl Scout program may obtain information by contacting any adult member of the Girl Scouts or by calling the Youth Activities at 545-1585.

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 basketball for boys. The Club conducts the Junior Olympics on post, as well as an aquatic program including scuba diving, and water safety and lifesaving instruction. In addition, there is a program for handicapped children. The YAC office is in Bldg. 358 (Old Post Gym). YAC operates Teen Square, a center including an outdoor swimming pool, for social activities for teen-age military dependents. For further information, telephone 545-1585.



Boy Scouts

Boy Scouting involves practical experiences in arts and crafts and out-of-doors. All boys between the ages of 8 and 10 1-2 years are welcome to join a cub scout pack near their home. All boys between 11 and 14 years are welcome to join a boy scout troop near their homes. All boys between 14 and 18 years are welcome to join an Explorer post on main post.

There are 36 active units on Fort Benning with adult volunteers in each unit. There are 7 Explorer Posts, 13 Boy Scout troops and 15 Cub Scout packs located on Fort Benning. The location of all units can be obtained by contacting the Scout Coordinator Office, Building 358 Main Post.

Adult leaders are always needed to assist in the Boy Scout program at Fort Benning.

Fort Benning has a Boy Scout Camp called Pine Knot for the use of all Boy Scouts on Fort Benning.

Any boy or adult desiring to participate in the Boy Scout program may obtain information by contacting any adult member of the Boy Scouts or by calling the Scout Coordinator's Office at the Youth Activities at 545-1585 or 545-1881.



Women's Activities



The Officers' Wives' Club

The Officers' Wives' Club at Fort Benning is a club that offers the fullest round of activities, from creative projects such as painting or gourmet cooking to outdoor sports, for its members.

Also it sponsors the "Polka Dots," the club's choral group, the School of Dance, the Ladies' Golf Association, The Thrift Shop, the Pre-kindergarten School, and the Charm and Modeling School.

The club's annual membership tea, Christmas luncheon, February luncheon, spring election luncheon, and spring champagne installation banquet are listed as the officers' wives' most enjoyable and best remembered activities.

Club funds are used to sponsor its internal groups, to award scholarships at Fort Benning, and to support post charities.

For further information, Mrs. Bruce Fraser, 545-4628 or Mrs. James M. Morris, Jr., at 545-3849 may be called.

The Noncommissioned Officers' Wives' Club

The Noncommissioned Officers' Wives' Club offers a full calendar of events for its members.

Luncheons, coffees, and meetings are always on the club calendar, and other activities such as ceramics or bridge lessons are in the offering. Fashion shows, beauty demonstrations, and interesting talks are a few of the programs on its entertainment agenda.

The club also sponsors the Army Community Service Hospitality House, awards scholarships, supports coffee calls at Martin Army Hospital, and supports other worthwhile post projects.

All interested wives whose husbands are in grade E4 or above are cordially invited to join the club at any meeting. The club meets the second Wednesday of each month.

For further information, Mrs. Paul M. Long at 545-5440 or Mrs. Eugene Fides at 544-2708 may be called.



Daughters of the U. S. Army

The Daughters of the U. S. Army (DUSA), daughters of active or retired Army officers, are especially known for their sponsorship of the post's Tot Town Nursery.

Among their other projects are the purchase of pediatric equipment at Martin Army Hospital, support of the United Givers Fund, the American Red Cross, and the awarding of local and national scholarships.

Funds for the management of the nursery and for project support are largely raised at the club's annual 49'er Party, a gala evening from the Old Gold Rush Days.

DUSA meets each first Tuesday of each month at the Main Officers' Club.

The club also sponsors the Junior Army Daughters of America for high school-age girls who are daughters of Army officers.

For further information about DUSA, Mrs. Longgear at 687-3470 may be called.

Miss Virginia Vaughn may be called at 545-7325 for information about the Junior Army Daughters of America.

Fort Benning Chapter of Panhellenic

The Fort Benning Chapter of Panhellenic is an organization of the "Greeks," sorority sisters whose primary aim is to aid Army daughters in gaining entry to college sororities. Through their sponsorship of social activities for high school girls, the ladies' chapter can also answer the younger set's questions about college life.

The chapter meets each third Friday at the Main Officers' Club.

Interested persons may call Mrs. J. E. Watson, 545-4700 or Mrs. A. C. Robnett at 545-4135.

The Registered Nurses' Association

The Registered Nurses' Association has as its aim to help inactive registered nurses, now busy mothers, to remain aware of current trends in nursing.

Meetings, open to all registered nurses in the Fort Benning-Phenix City-Columbus area, are held the first Monday of each month at Martin Army Hospital.

At each meeting, after a get-acquainted coffee, the nurses hear a lecture given by a member of the medical or nursing profession.

The association also provides an opportunity for inactive nurses, unable to work full time, to give part time volunteer service to Martin Army Hospital, as assistants to school nurses, or as nurses in bloodmobiles.

Interested persons may call Mrs. P. Porterfield at 545-1116.

Women's Club Activities at Fort Benning

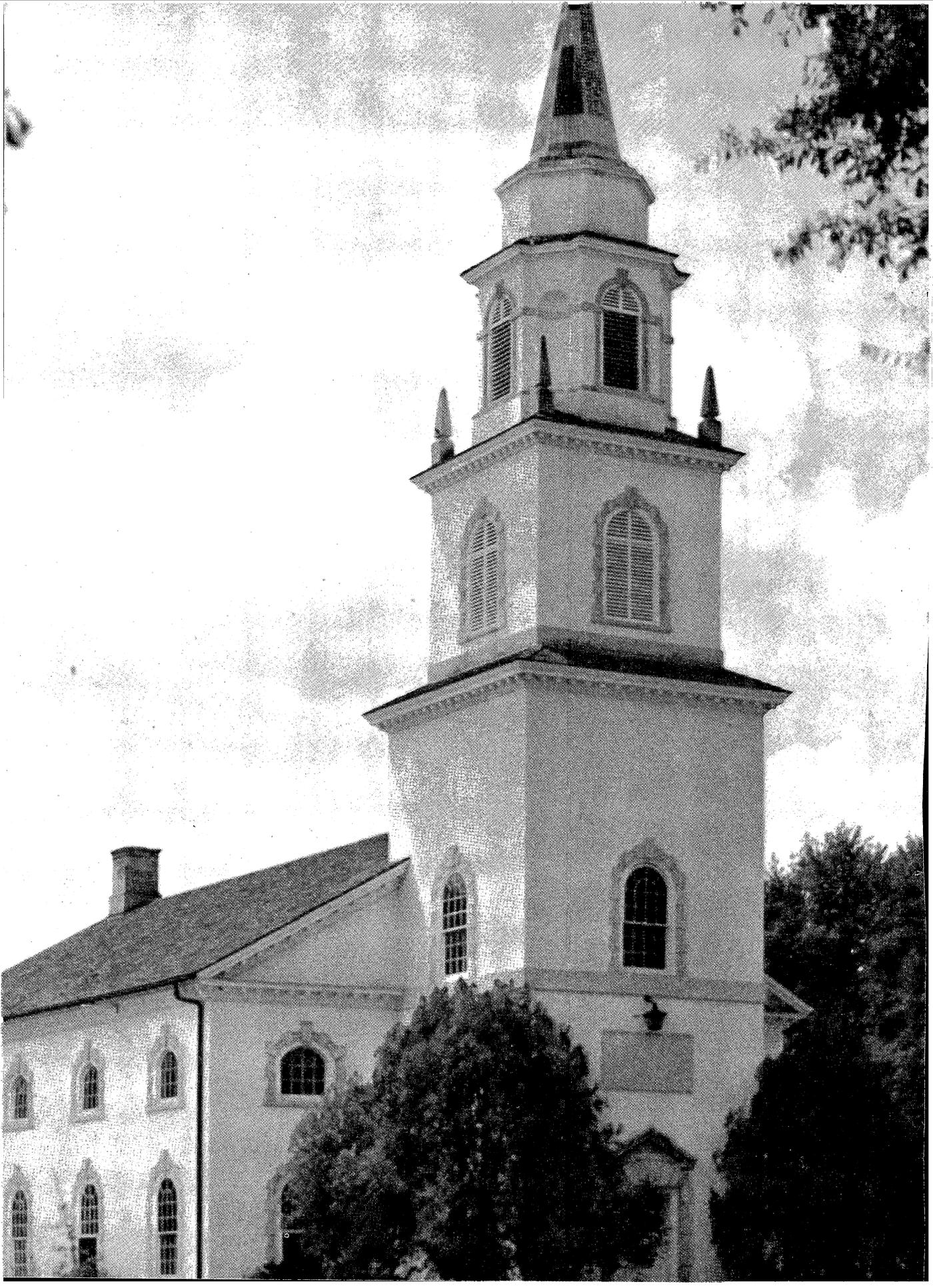
It is very unlikely that any woman at Fort Benning will wail that she has nothing to do. The women's clubs are among the busiest of any clubs, and club interests are wide and varied enough to suit any lady's tastes.

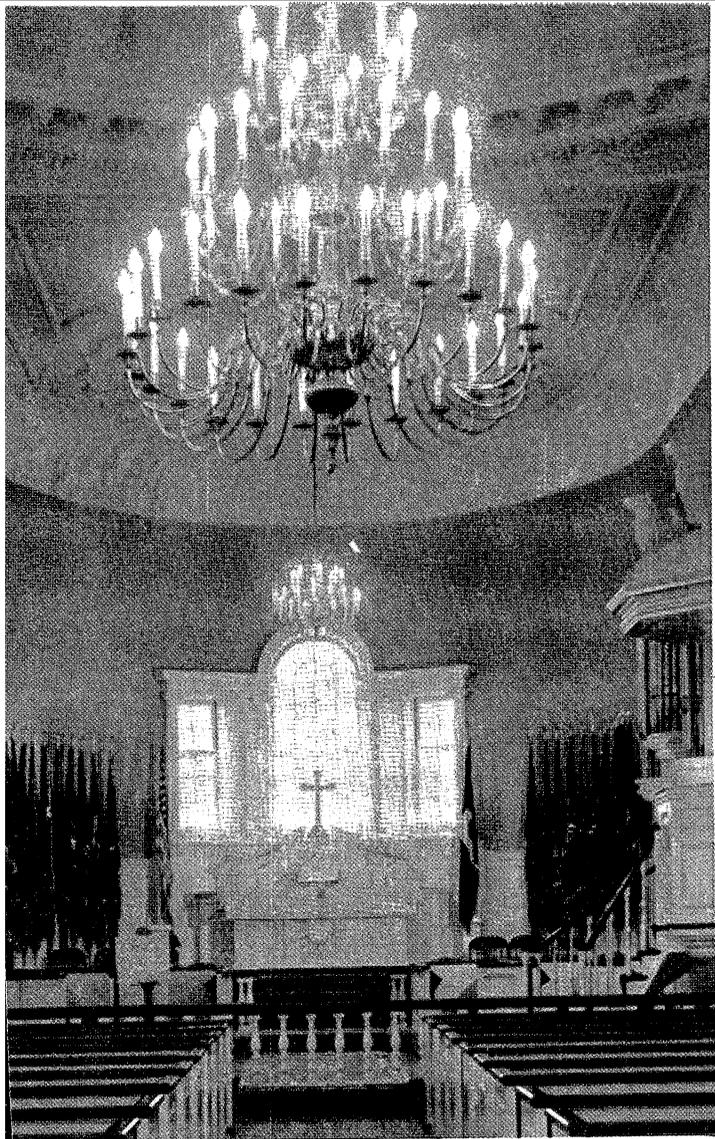
Whether it's molding beautiful pieces of ceramics, knitting, dancing, horseback riding, reading or playing golf, Fort Benning has it on the distaff side.

Or try modeling, painting, making hats, or gardening. Fort Benning has it for its wives.

Also, women's religious groups further the spiritual work of the Fort Benning community.

Of course, perhaps the main reason that wives especially enjoy their clubs is that they give them the chance to meet so many other wonderful people from all parts of the country. Through common interests within the clubs, lasting friendships are made.





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 Kelley Hill. The central office of the Chaplain Section is in Bldg. 2642, phone 545-2621.

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.

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 calling 545-2621.

Protestant Women's Activities

Protestant women's religious organizations include the Protestant Women of the Chapel Council and the Ladies' Bible Study Group. The Protestant Women of the Chapel (PWOC) Council, with its six chapters, strives to provide Christian fellowship, a variety of programs for spiritual growth, and Christian service.

The Infantry Center Chapel chapter meets each fourth Wednesday at 9:30 a.m. at the Religious Education Center, Bldg. 2605; the Army Training Center Chapter meets each second Tuesday, 9:30 a.m. at Chapel No. 5, Sand Hill; the evening chapter meets each fourth Monday at 7:30 p.m. in the Religious Education Center, Bldg. 2605; The Student and Candidate Brigades Chapter meets each fourth Wednesday at 9:30 a.m. in the Sightseeing Road Chapel; the Spanish-Speaking Ladies' Group meets each first Saturday at 7:30 p.m. in the Benning Park Baptist Church; the Episcopal Altar Guild meets each fourth Monday at 10 a.m.

The Ladies' Bible Study Group meets each Wednesday morning in Building 2605.

For further information on any of the Protestant women's activities, Mrs. Marguerite Waldrop may be called at 545-7413.

Society of the Blessed Virgin Mary

The Society of the Blessed Virgin Mary, a religious organization for Catholic women at Fort Benning, has a dual purpose, to further the individual spiritual growth of each of its members and to contribute to the work of the Catholic community of the post.

Their projects include such accomplishments as sponsoring events for servicemen at the downtown YMCA, holding frequent retreats, and visiting the elderly.

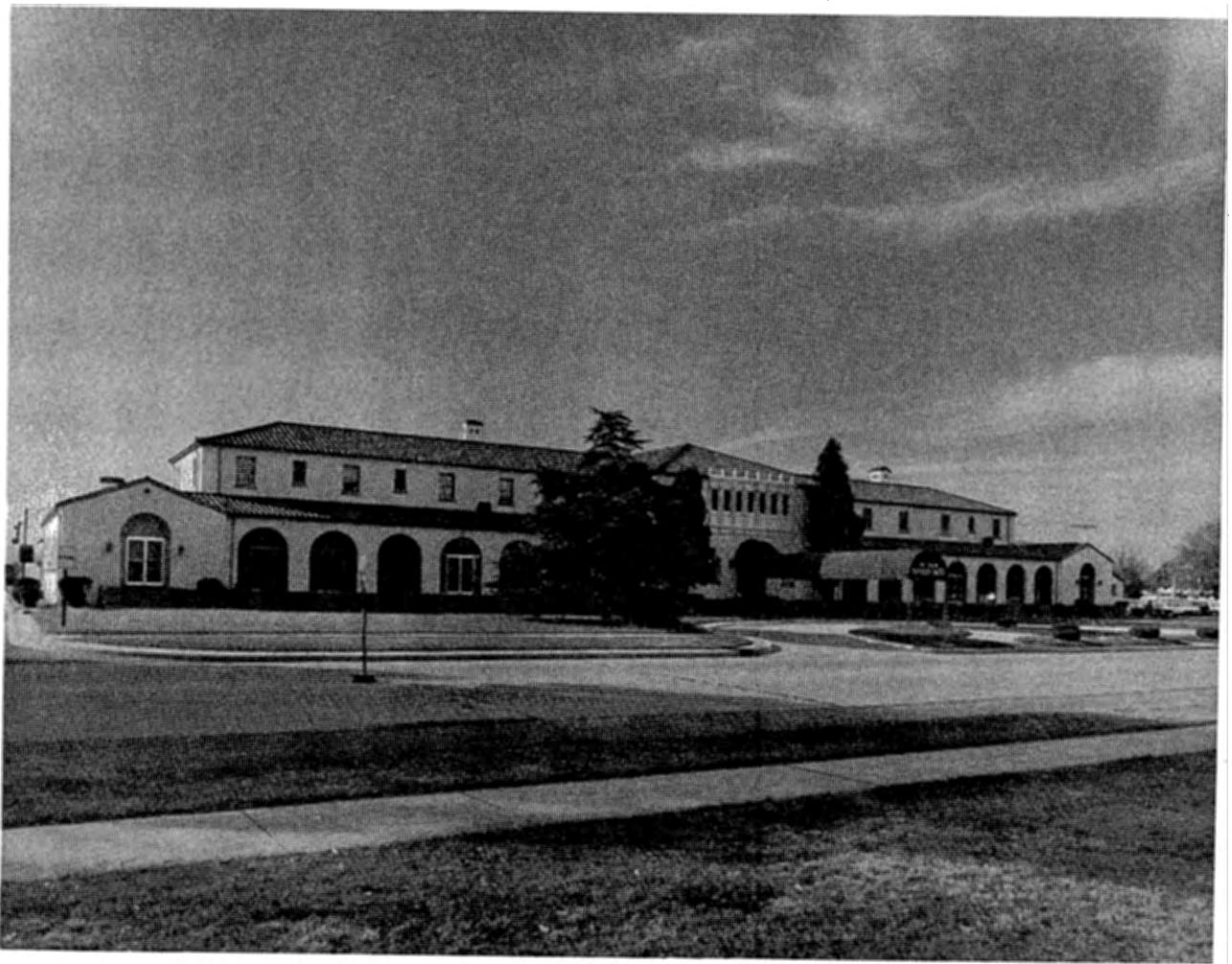
The society meets each first Friday morning of each month. Mass begins at 9:30 a.m. at the Main Post Catholic Chapel and a business meeting follows. For further information, Sister Joan Thomas may be called at 545-5811.

Jewish Sisterhood

The Jewish Sisterhood of Fort Benning keynotes "togetherness" in its activities. Among the projects adopted by the Sisterhood are the refurbishing of the Chapel Library, the packing of children's school boxes for shipment to Vietnamese orphanages, the sponsorship of monthly "Evening Out" programs for young couples, and the operation of The Judaica Shop.

The Sisterhood also assists with preparations for religious holiday activities and festivities.

For further information about the Sisterhood, the Jewish Center may be called at 545-5722.



Officers' Open Mess

All Army commissioned personnel and warrant officers reporting to Fort Benning will be considered as members of the 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 systems in the Army, with annexes conveniently located throughout the post. Available are dining room food service, tennis courts, swimming pools, barber and beauty shops and boarding kennel for pets.

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

For information, telephone 545-5106.

NCO Mess

The Fort Benning NCO Mess system operates in accordance with appropriate laws and regulations to provide recreational and other morale building facilities for its members. There are annexes at troop locations throughout the military reservation in addition to Crain Hall and the Top Five Supper Club on the Main Post. Facilities include dining rooms, lounges, 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, and for wives of members who are overseas; and honorary membership to all retired NCOs regardless of branch of service. 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 who are club members. For further information, telephone 545-3827.

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 9 p.m., Monday through Saturday, and from 1 to 9 p.m. Sunday and holidays.

The School Brigade gym on Bradshaw Road is open Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. Kimbro Gym in Sand Hill is open Monday-Friday, 4:30 to 9:30 p.m. and Saturday, Sunday, and holidays from 1:30 to 9:30 p.m. The Harmony Church Field House hours are 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday-Friday, Saturday, noon to 8 p.m., and Sunday and holidays from 1 to 8 p.m.

Hunting and Fishing

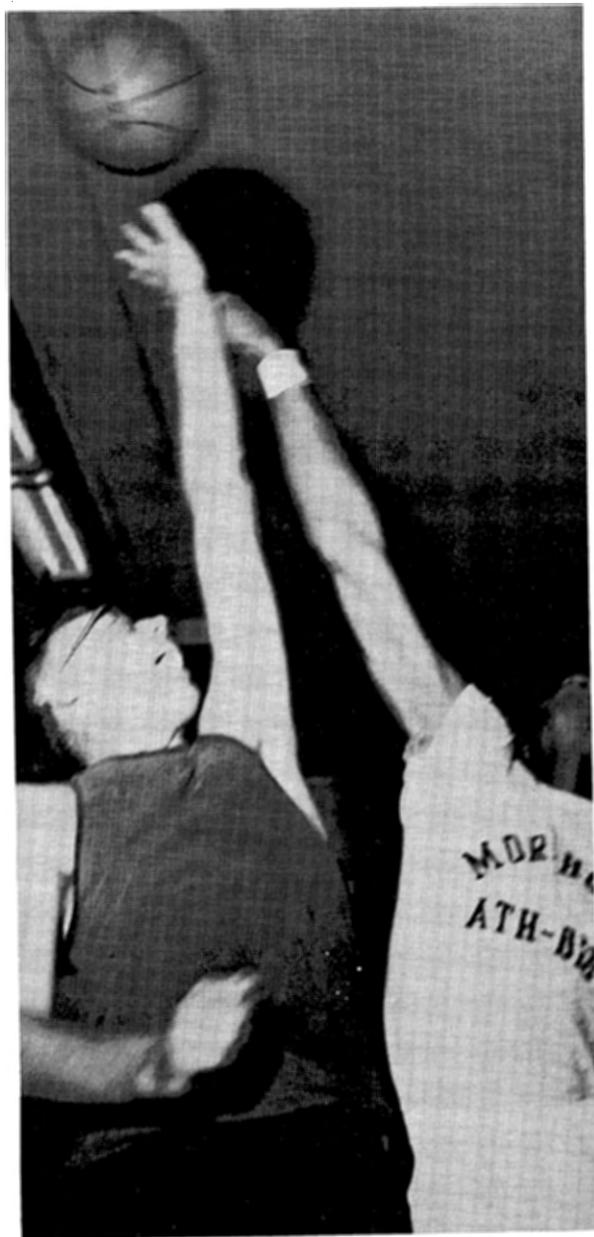
Several thousand acres and numerous lakes and streams are available to the hunter and angler on the Fort Benning Reservation. Various species of fish including bass, bream, crappie, and catfish are abundant. Deer, turkey, rabbit, quail, and dove are among the wildlife population.

The basic requirements for hunting and fishing participation are valid Georgia or Alabama hunting and fishing licenses and a Fort Benning permit obtained from the Provost Marshal Office on Wold Ave. at Edwards St., Main Post.

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

The Club conducts skeet and trap shooting and archery on ranges at its site in Harmony Church, off First Division Road. For information, telephone 545-6028.



Marksmanship

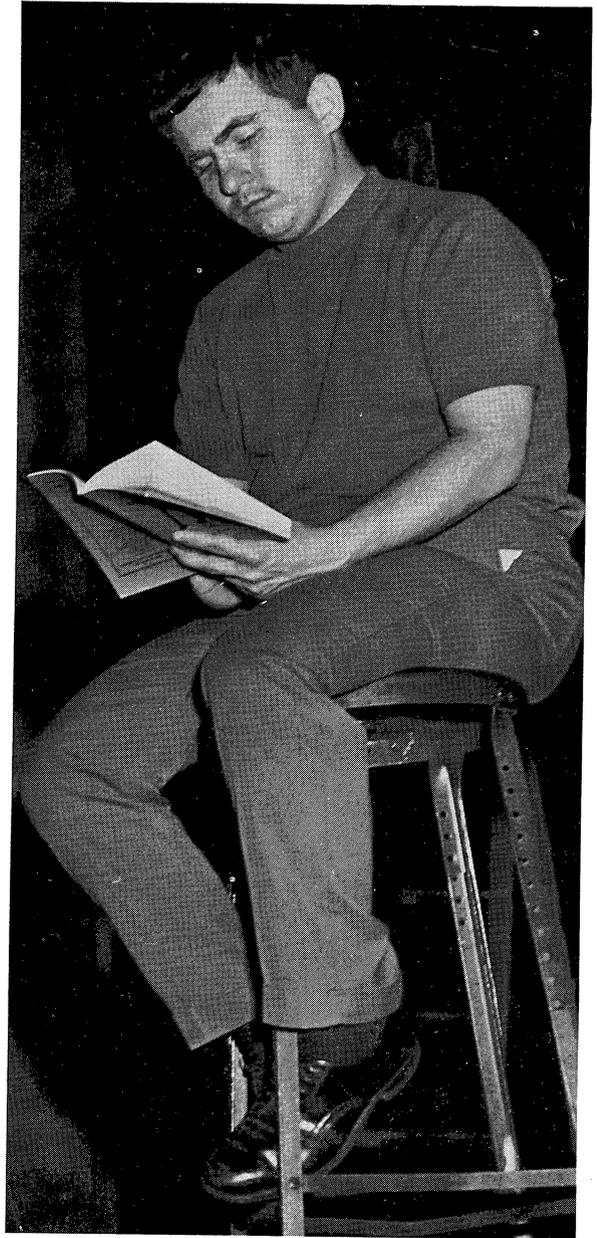
The Rifle and Pistol Club in Bldg. 1615 off Dixie Rd., is equipped with ranges for shooting any type hand gun or rifle. It is open from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Friday and from 1 to 6 p.m. on weekends and holidays. Membership is open to all military personnel and their dependents and local civilians. For information, telephone 545-2717.



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 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.



Entertainment Center

The Fort Benning Entertainment Center 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 is welcome.

The Entertainment Center presents a season of six plays. To develop the acting potential of members of the command, a drama workshop teaches the fundamentals by presenting a series of one-act plays. For information, telephone 545-2992.

Pets

All cats and dogs must be registered with the Post Veterinarian within 72 hours after arrival on the post and receive their first rabies shot at 3 months of age. All pets will be leashed, under voice control or in a fenced area at all times. Pet sick call (out-patient only) is held weekdays, 1 - 3 p.m., at the Veterinary Clinic located in Building 265, telephone 545-4444.

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 Bldg. 1827, 545-3302, and medical cards at the Information Desk at Martin Army Hospital.

Firearms

Enlisted men quartered with their organizations are required to register all privately owned firearms 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 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 on post 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.

For further information, call the Provost Marshal Office, 545-3393.



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, the Provost Marshal Office, Bldg. 215.

Automobile Registration

An automobile must be registered with the Provost Marshal's office within three working days 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. Every vehicle registered at this installation must have a current state motor vehicle inspection sticker and each registree must certify that he has liability insurance (minimum coverage —\$10,000-\$20,000-\$5,000). All 1965 and later models must have seat belts in the front seats.



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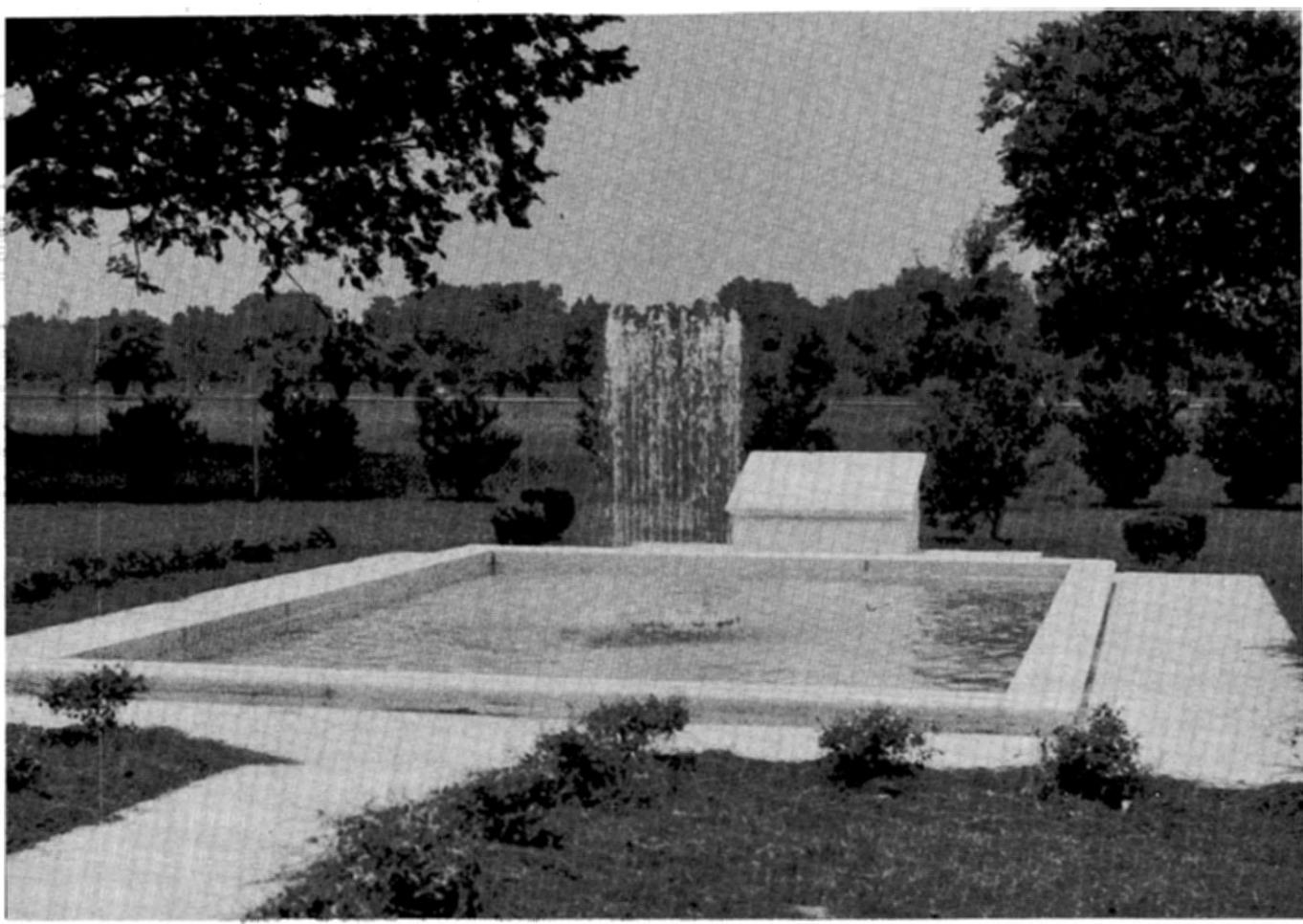
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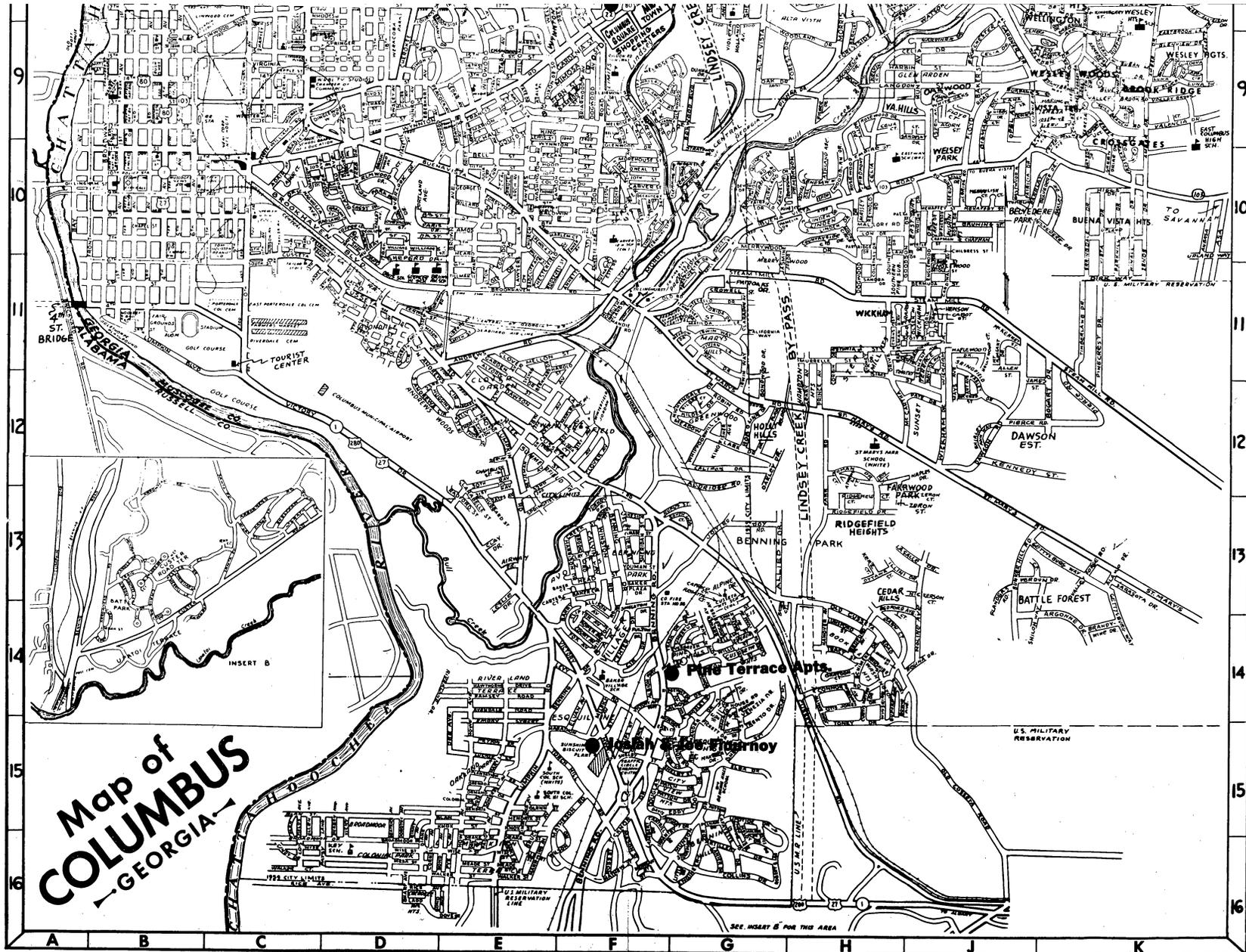
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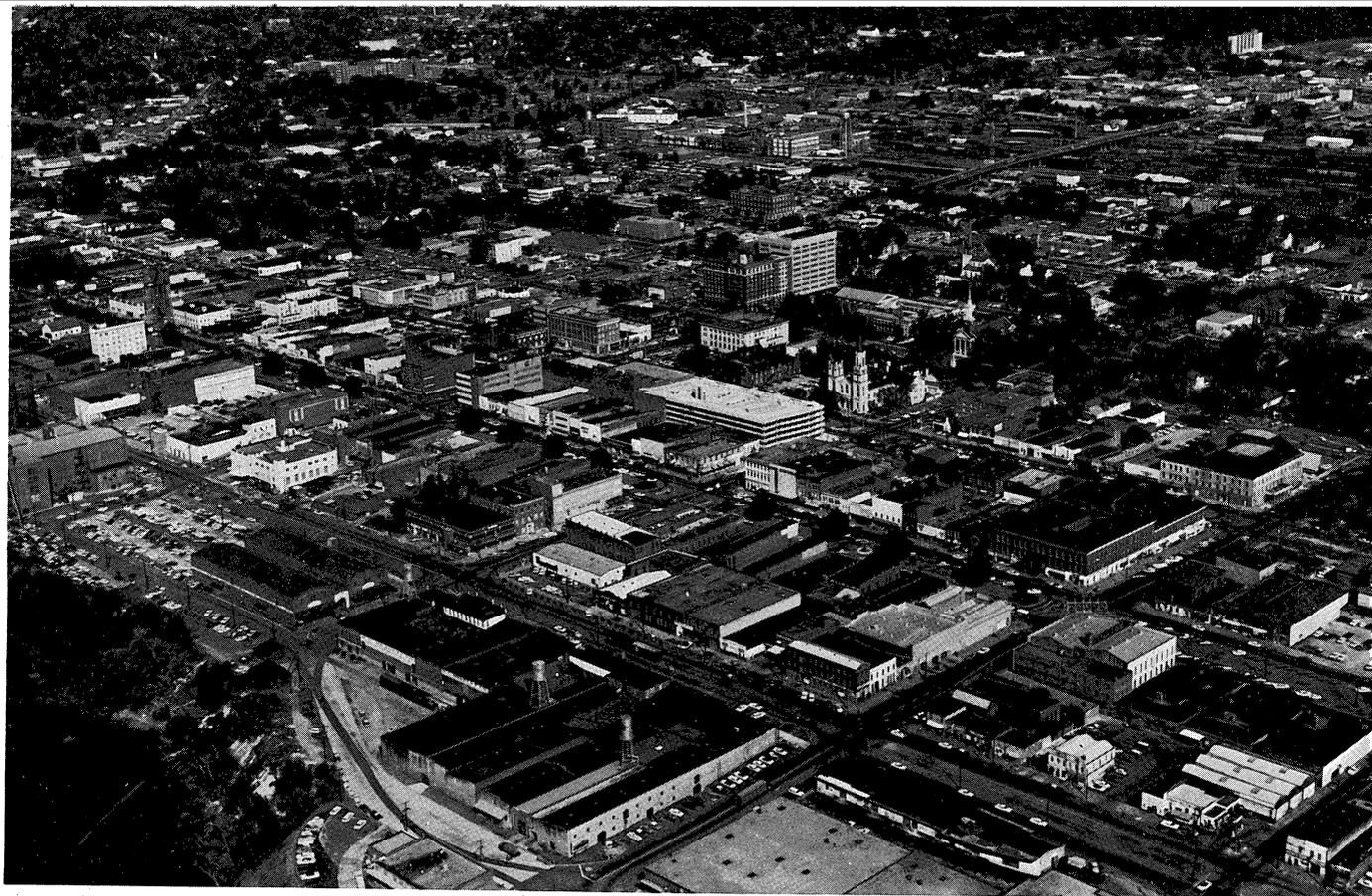




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The citizens of Columbus have long been proud of their thriving metropolis and have watched with keen interest its phenomenal growth and progress but it took the U. S. census in 1960 to prove to the nation the many claims which Columbusites and visitors to the city have been making.

Prior to that census, Columbus ranked fifth in the State of Georgia in population; But with the '60 census — placed Columbus second only to Atlanta in metropolitan population, with an estimated 217,987 persons.

Columbus growth and development can best be shown by the following statistics: In the twenty year period ending in 1960, Columbus had nearly a 100% increase in population. The county population more than doubled during that period, and during the same period the area of the city more than doubled.

Civic minded residents say — "that the past is a yardstick with which to measure the future;" and they are working now so that in twenty-years more the present will look like the gay nineties.

Fortunately the remarkable growth of the city has been steady and thoroughly planned; thus even at the height of Columbus's expansion, it was born in an orderly and systematic manner. Consequently there resulted none of the "growth pains" felt by many modern-day cities. The only

boom time experienced by this city was its earliest day. Columbus was born in 1828 in virgin forest that had just been vacated by the Indians. What an exciting birth it had.

The new city established by the Georgia Legislature as a trading center, was laid off in an unbroken forest by State Engineers, who left Columbus a wonderful heritage of wide straight streets and tree lined park ways. Building lots in the town were offered for sale in July, 1828. That July the town was packed with people, who camped in tents or slept under the trees. The bidding was lively. Indians, who were exiled across the Chattahoochee River in Alabama, weren't permitted to cross into Georgia except in the daytime, they sometimes came to Columbus 1,000 strong to watch the goings on.

Within two weeks, 488 city lots had been sold. By November the frontier town had three hotels; one hundred frame buildings, one of these three stories high; and a population of between 700 and 1,000. Within twenty years, Columbus had outgrown every city in the State except Savannah and Augusta. By the time of the War between the States it had become one of the chief industrial centers of the South especially in the field of textiles and hard goods. It was second only to Richmond as a source of military supplies.

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The Columbus Guards, was a noted military company organized in 1835. They served voluntarily in the Indian War of 1836; The war with Mexico 1846; The War between the States, The Spanish War, and on the Mexican border in 1916-17; and the First World War after which they became inactive.

The Columbus Guards furnished the largest number of volunteers of any of the twenty-one companies from Muscogee County in the War between the States. Serving in thirty-one battles the company surrendered April 6, 1865 with less than a dozen men.

Columbus Siezed

The last land battle of the War between the States was fought on a hill across the river — one week after the war was officially over. (This was due to the bad communications of the time.)

Wilson's raiders 4,000 strong came into Columbus after easily defeating the home guard. The battle began at 2:00 p.m. and was over at 10:00 p.m. It took place at Ingersoll Hill in Ala. Where remains of the trenches are still recognizable. It ended at Columbus at 4th Ave. and 14th Street and a marker has been placed there to commemorate that historical day. General Wilson destroyed 125,000 bales of cotton valued at \$43,000,000, 20,000 sacks of corn, 15 locomotives and 250 freight cars.

He did not burn homes, however, as General Sherman did on his march to the sea.

Linwood Cemetery

Linwood cemetery is the final resting place for many Union and Confederate dead. The first interment however was the civilian son of the surveyor that helped to plan the city. He died of a fever. Such notables as General Henry L. Benning and Dr. John Pemberton, who originated the coca-cola formula, are interred there. One of the 76 cedars of Lebanon in America grows in Linwood.

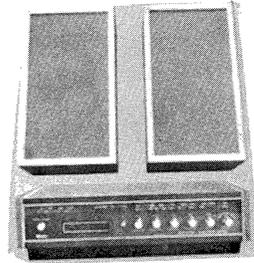
Memorial Day Originated

Annually, for almost a century now, graves have been decorated in Linwood on April 26, by The Ladies Memorial Associations. This observance of Memorial Day had its beginning in Columbus in 1866. The first memorial service was conducted at or near the west door of the St. Luke Methodist Church. A marker to this occasion has been placed there. Today Memorial Day has spread throughout the entire South.

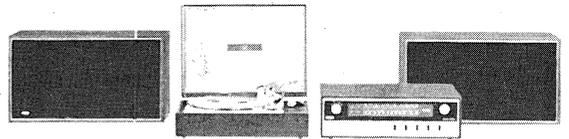
The Confederate dead Monument was erected in 1879, by the Ladies Memorial Association, it is located in Salisbury Park; so named for Major William Salisbury whose home formerly faced it on lower Broadway.

In 1903 Bragg Smith Memorial was erected to a negro workman who gave his life endeavoring

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A marble replica of a circus tent was erected in memory of some twelve circus performers by their company here. These performers lost their lives in a train wreck near Columbus, November 22, 1915. Circus performers often conduct commemorative services at this memorial while visiting in Columbus.

By 1875 Columbus had made a remarkable comeback. She rebuilt her cotton mills, flour mills, banks and foundries. The Eagle Mill (its first name) rose from its ashes thus it was called, Eagle-Phenix. Just as the Phenix of Greek mythology. There is a cupola and Bell tower today nestled upon the building near 14th St. Bridge. New businesses were opened and Columbus started readjusting to the wage-plan for colored labor, a plan far different from the plantation system of providing housing, food, and clothing, and all the many necessities for them.

Columbus soon became one of the South's largest inland ports since it was the head of Navigation of the Chattahoochee River. That was the impetus for Columbus to enter the cotton textile field. It became the leading market for raw cotton. There were times when as many as sixteen steamboats hauling cotton down to the Gulf of Mexico were seen on the river. Early in its history Columbus was called "The Lowell of The South" its first nickname; later it was to receive many others.

Tho' the second largest textile center in the South: Columbus today by no means depends on that industry alone. The cities manufacturers, some 149 of them, produce a wide diversity of items ranging from soft drinks, candy, hosiery, to caskets and kitchen stoves; another Columbus first was the worlds first ice producing machine. It was turned out here in 1873.

Tom Houston Peanut Co; one of the nations fastest growing food industries, "headquarters here" and uses Georgia's agricultural products. Today Tom Houston is nationwide with branches in Texas, Tennessee, Georgia, and Virginia. Columbus is still "Home" for Tom Houston.

Other headquarters here are the Royal Crown Cola, Schwobilt, Lummus Gin, American Family Life Assurance Co; Martin Theaters, Burnham Van, Golden Foundry and many others.

Today textile mills provide employment for around 10,500 persons in Columbus, with a yearly payroll of approximately \$45,000,000 to \$50,000,000.

Established to be a trading center, Columbus today fulfills that purpose constantly. It now is the retail center for an era embracing twenty-six Georgia and Alabama Counties containing one half million persons. An area larger than the State of New Jersey!

While the hustle and bustle of building is constantly felt throughout the city, the recreational side of life in Columbus is never neglected. Abundant facilities for sports and other forms of relax-

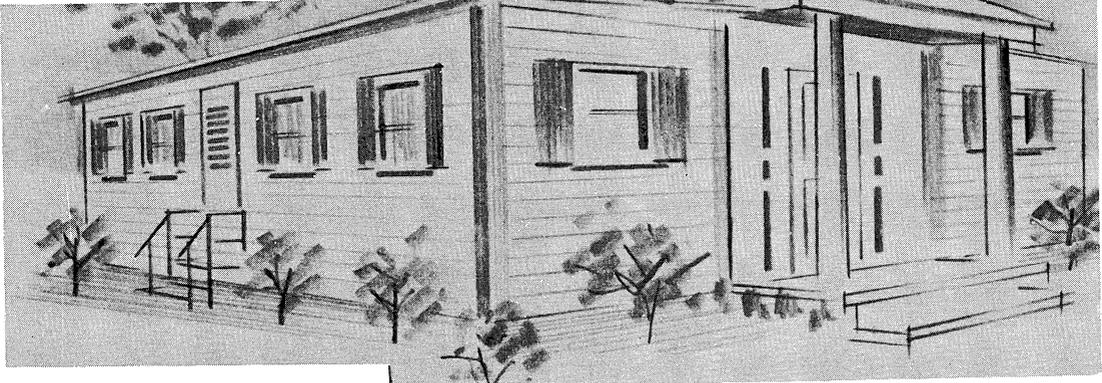
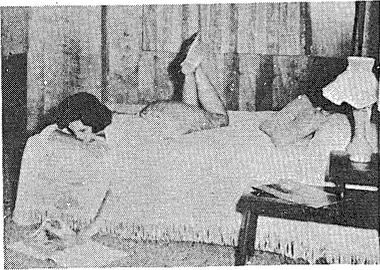
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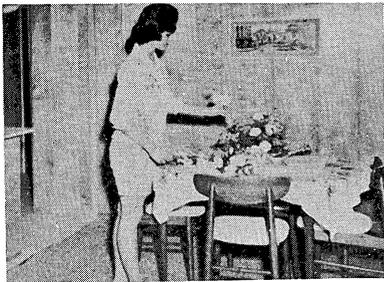
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The Chattahoochee River provides swimming, water-skiing, sail and motorboat enthusiasts with ample playground. The hunting and fishing in the area are excellent.

A modern football stadium with a seating capacity of 25,000 people is the scene of numerous high school and college games and a new municipal auditorium seats 5,265 people.

A new addition to Columbus is the Columbus-made Confederate boat which has been reclaimed from its' 100 year old watery grave in the Chattahoochee River. The Ironclad "Muscogee" rests on the site of the recently established Confederate Museum; the only one of its' kind in America.

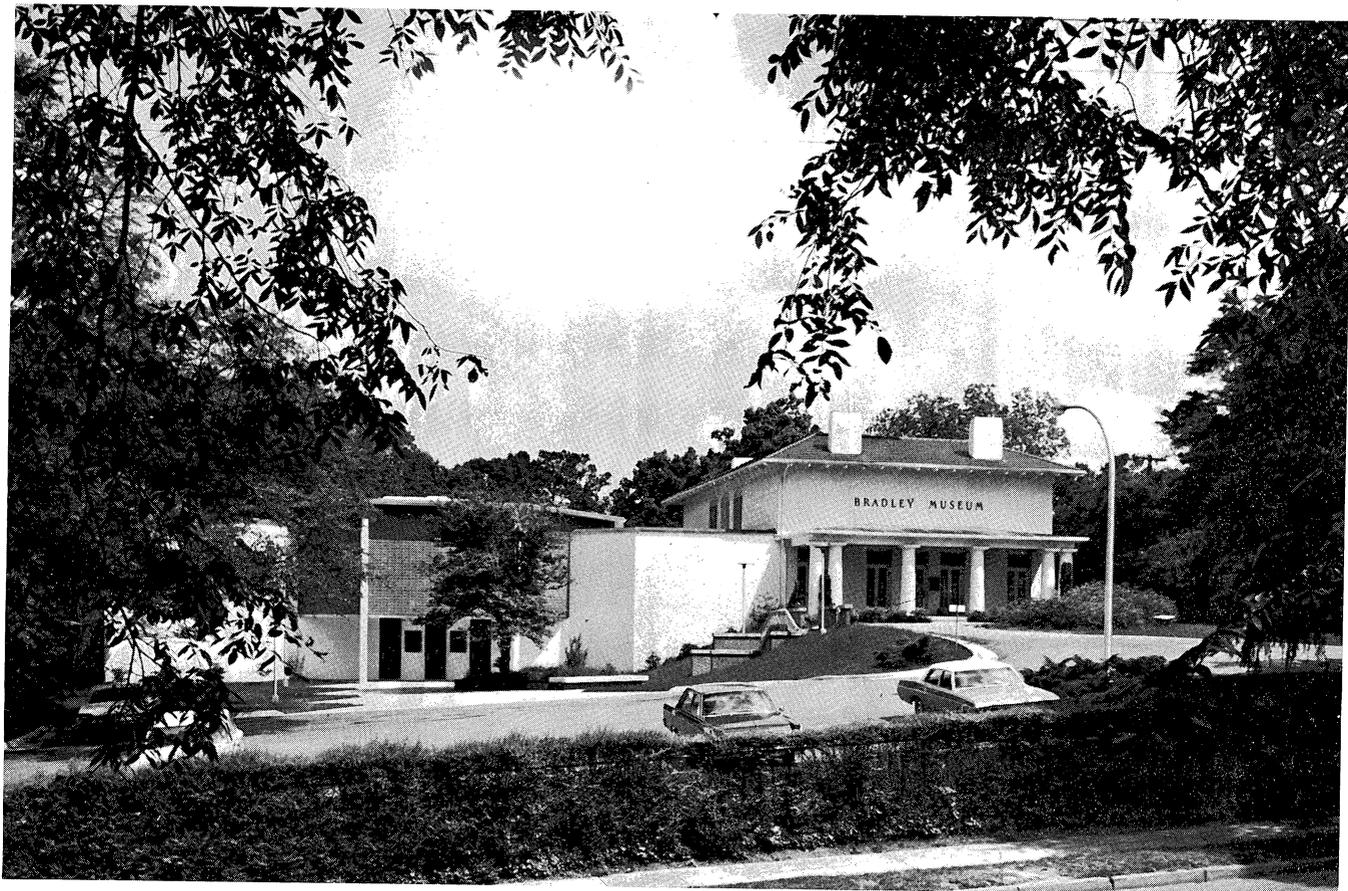
Bradley Memorial Library

The Bradley Memorial Library houses over 300,000 volumes, which are available to you. The library serves the Muscogee, Chattahoochee, Marion and Stewart Counties.

Not limited to books alone, film and film strips are available. Recordings may be enjoyed both in the library or at home. Like to borrow a reproduction of an old master? That too, is possible. Bookmobiles serve the Baker Village and Fourth Avenue Branches, plus the public school libraries

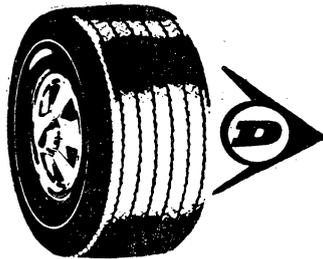


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Columbus Museum

On the other side of this delightful garden is the Columbus Museum of Arts and Crafts, 1251 Wynnton Road. You will find it open Tuesday through Saturday from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. and Sunday 3 p.m. until 6 p.m. Closed on Monday and major holidays. There you will be a guest of the museum. The museum has a growing collection of old and new masterpieces. It sponsors an art school with professional studio instruction with day and evening classes in drawing and painting in oil and watercolor.

Murals, authentic in detail, set the mood for enjoying a rare collection of Yuchi Indian clothing, costumes and artifacts, plus a significant collection of arrowheads. The Yuchi tribe lived in the Chattahoochee Valley and left its imprint on the land.

On view are examples of the best work by regional artists, plus paintings, ivories, china, antique dolls, costumes and Asian Art. A full schedule of traveling exhibits is brought to the museum. These exhibits cover all phases of the arts, and are rotated each month.

Schools

In keeping with her libraries and museum is its school system. The Muscogee County School District is today one of the best, consisting of 67 schools with the current enrollment of 43,000 pupils from kindergarten through the 12th grade.

Dr. William Henry Shaw, superintendent, has a very able and progressive school board to assist in making the best education available for all children.

Recently the school system added a reading center that provides diagnostic and therapeutic services to children experiencing difficulty in learning to read. Its equipment is unparalleled and seven buses transport pupils from school to center and return. Its Instructional Material Center is unequalled in the state and provides multi-media material with daily delivery service to the teachers and pupils of the district. A Remedial Math Program is available, as are consultants in various fields for the purpose of improving the instructional program. Is it any wonder that the graduation classes of one high school have 20% of its students coming into the 90 percentile, 50% of its students will fall into the 75 percentile and 90% of the students fall into the 50 percentile or above. 50 percentile is the rating of the average student

in the United States. The National Merit winner is in the top 3/10 of 1% of all the students in the United States.

Instruction is not limited to the "everyday schools" in the Muscogee County School District. There are classes for Exceptional Children, two-way telephones connected directly to the classroom are available for students not able to attend school. Driver Education is also a part of this vast school program.

An adult Education Center, Area Vocational-Technical Schools, High School Vocational Education Programs, Night High School, Manpower Training Programs and "Project Transition" with the enrollment of over 8,000 students.

In addition to the public school system, there are three private schools and three parochial schools available for those who prefer them.

Columbus College

Columbus College, a great source of pride to Columbus, graduates its 1st class in 1970. New in every respect, the college moved to its present campus in 1963. The buildings were planned and designed to be functional and efficient for use as a modern educational plant. Several new buildings have been added since the college opened its doors on the 131-acre campus. The latest to be dedicated is a Fine Arts Hall, a major landmark in the growth of the college. The \$1.6 million building is the campus center for instruction in the fine arts, Music, drama, painting, sculpture, ceramics, crafts, to name some of the courses — are taught in this specially designed building. The auditorium is used for student productions and the facility is made available for civic programs.

Under construction is the new Illges Health Science Building which will accommodate the nursing program and the allied health program. Plans to expand the present associate degree program to educate and graduate 150,200 nurses per year also include training for dental technicians and hygienists.

The college offers baccalaureate degrees in 11 fields of study, and the number of offerings is growing. Fort Benning active duty personnel study on the campus to complete their education or to fill in gaps left before entering military service. Many Fort Benning dependents are enrolled, and several of these young people are student leaders. One young man, a veteran of Viet Nam, is president of the Student Government Association; his father recently retired at the post, and the family is living in Columbus.

Another new program at the college is the associate degree program in Police Science designed to upgrade the quality of law enforcement in the community. Already the program is the largest of its type in Georgia, and tangible results in better law enforcement will be felt in the community.

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interest of its senior constituents with the Community Service Program. Students of all ages enrolled in non-credit courses ranging in scope from typing for personal use and physical education to flower arranging. No prerequisites are needed to take these courses which are offered four times a year. Most are given at night to accommodate the working adults for whom the large majority of the courses are designed. Last year over 2,000 students studied on the campus in the program, and the college offered about 100 different courses which have proved to be especially popular with Fort Benning personnel.

Its 2100 member student body generate a year-ly budget of over \$2 million, exclusive of new construction. But its greatest contribution to the progress of the area is the educational opportunities it offers to all the residents and military personnel of the area.

Parents in the area served by Columbus College are usually surprised and pleased to learn that a first class education can be obtained locally for a small fraction of the out-of-pocket cost at most residential colleges. Credit earned at Columbus College is readily transferable to graduate or professional schools.

Small classes and individual attention encourage student interest and progress, and financial assistance is available to those who have need for it.

The college's motto is "Community Service."

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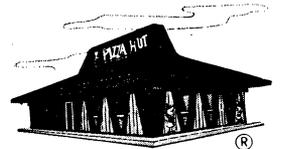
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The Changing Scenes of 1969-70

The third court house for Columbus, built in 1896, will soon give way to a beautiful 14 story city-county wide government building now under construction on Courthouse Square, one of the two original squares left of the 1828 plan. Remodeling to businesses and residences alike is prevalent in the historic district and throughout the downtown area.

The Trust Company of Columbus is nearing its completion on Thirteenth Street, and a beautiful new fire station is taking shape now in the 800 block of Second Avenue.

A Historic District, South of the Courthouse Square, has been established by the City Commission. This Historic District has been accepted by the National Register, National Park Service of the Interior in Washington, D. C.

Throughout the city, is the sound of building, the new must come, yet much of the old is being preserved. Columbus refuses to be hindered in its expansion. The oldest section of Columbus is between Eighth Street and Fourth Street, Third Avenue and the river. Ride through, and note the fanciful and individualistic architecture and the magnificent trees!

Notice a bright new atmosphere prevails for downtown Columbus where exteriors of modern facings already adorn many of its present buildings on both sides of main street — "Broadway."

The first stage of the W. C. Bradley Shopping Complex has been almost completed. This has redesigned more than one half of the 1200 block of Broadway. All of the beautifully remodeled buildings will be occupied when Matthews moves into the completely remodeled old "Montgomery Ward Building".

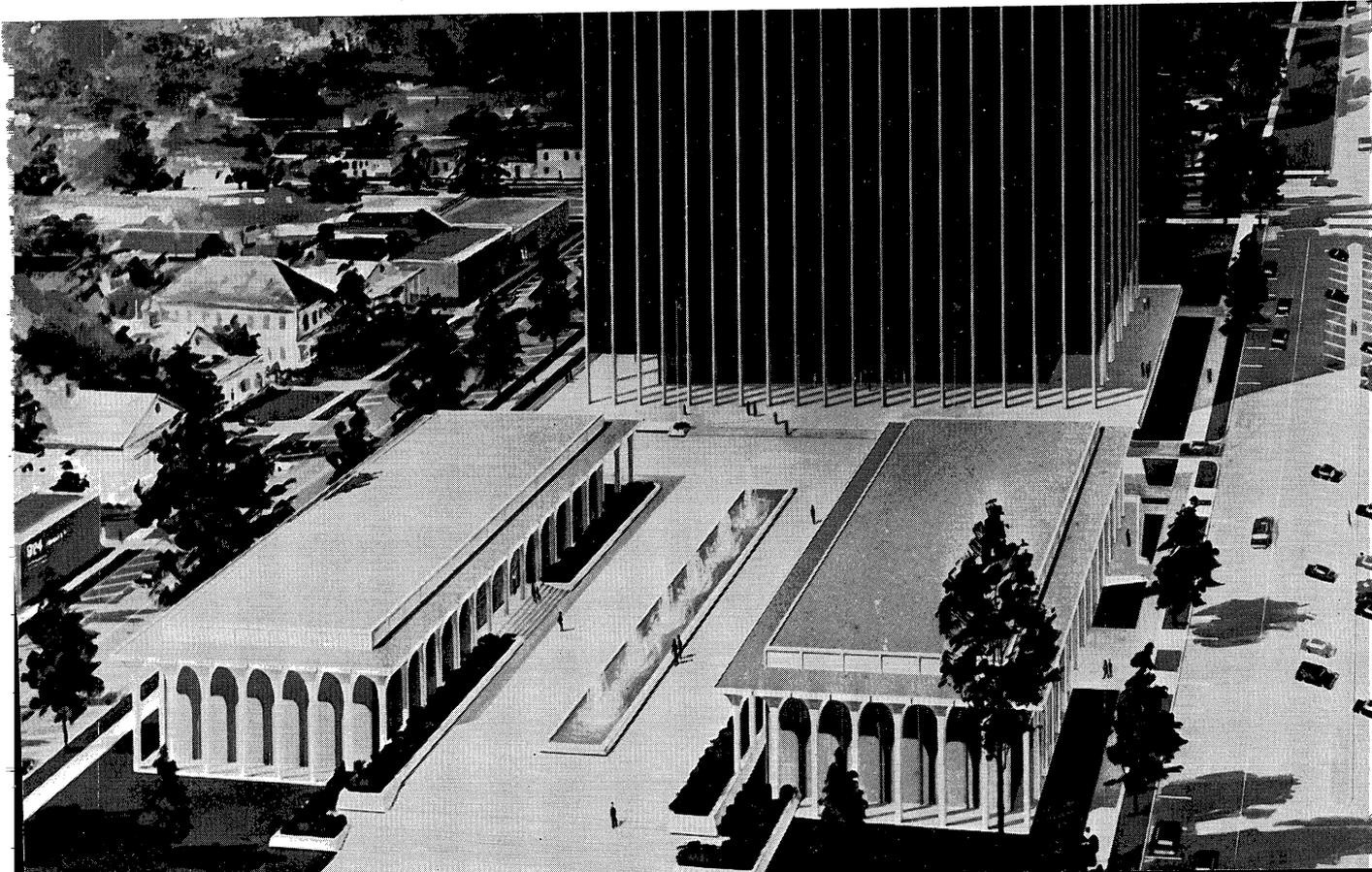
Stage two of this comprehensive shopping complex calls for the erection of a new Multi-storied building in the present Broadway parking area. Stage three of the total plan includes building a parking garage on Front Avenue that will serve all the businesses in the total shopping complex.

The Georgia Power Company has moved into the impressive new Georgia Power building adjacent to the Ralston Hotel. This ultra modern 10-story office building — a new landmark for downtown Columbus — is owned by The Ralston Corporation, with the Georgia Power Company leasing the first three floors.

Other tenants include Law Firms, Insurance Firms, Stock Brokerage Firms, Personnel Placement, Career Training, Public Stenographer, Engineering Consultants, Radio Station, Postal Credit, Air Line Sales and Dentists.

A modern parking garage is in conjunction with this structure.

New City-County Government Bldg. now under construction.





St. Luke Methodist Church

Today through the united efforts of a progressive minded people in more than three hundred clubs and organizations assisted by the Columbus Chamber of Commerce, whose twelve member staff is among the best trained, hardest working staffs in America, together with an aggressive group of city commissioners and mayor, the growth of Columbus has been phenomenal.

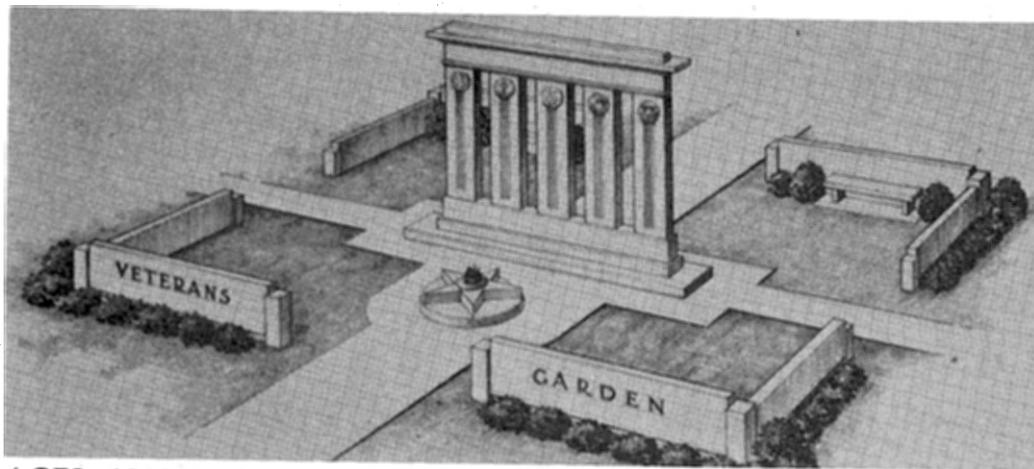
Churches

The Methodist, Baptist, Presbyterian, Roman Catholic and Episcopal groups had each built churches in Columbus between 1828 and 1838. Today approximately 190 represent practically all denominations throughout Columbus.

Church square remains today as it was platted in Dec. 1828. Lot B of the platt was set aside for the Methodist Church. St. Luke became the first church congregation in an early building that was of log construction, another of brick replaced the old "meeting house" and the present sanctuary was built in the 1940's. Necessary educational buildings have been added on the west side of the present buildings. St. Lukes fountain adds also to the "new look of Columbus downtown today."

The second church lot granted was to the Baptists. Its first church was also a wooden church begun in 1829. The present building was started in 1859 and is the only ante-bellum sanctuary in the city. The Doric Columns were added in 1909. It has been beautifully restored.

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Dr. Othell Hand present pastor of the First Baptist church was the first to call Columbus "a fountain city. It has literally spread a desire for beautiful fountains. Now new and old dot the streets and parkways. The beautiful marble fountain on the lawn of The First Baptist Church is among the largest and newest. It was added to the scenic delight of all downtown in 1969.

One of the loveliest fountains in Columbus is at the intersection of Buena Vista and Wynnton Road. It was given in memory of Mrs. Lenora M. Sarling given by her sister Mrs. Desire Franklyn.

The present fountains on Broadway were cast in molds as copies of one of the oldest fountains in the city. Mrs. Reynolds Flournoy originated this drive for fountains in 1920, with local garden clubs assisting. It was in 1960 that the United Garden Club raised money for the fountains on Broadway to be lighted.

Dr. G. Othell Hand is president of "The Greater Columbus Beautification Commission, Inc. He recently recommended a plan that will indeed bring extensive improvement throughout the city.

It involves a five year program to make Columbus one of the most beautiful cities in America.

The Urban Research and Development Associates of America, were employed to draft the plans by the commission. The plans include beautification projects ranging from downtown Broadway to the Bull Creek Watershed. It is focused on four major areas, public parks, pedestrian areas, recreational areas, streets, thoroughfares, public



**The Courtyard scene of
The First Baptist Church.**



The Walker Peters - Langdon House 716 Broadway



Miss Georgia 1969, Marilyn Olley at The Walker-Peters-Langdon House.

and historic structures. It also involves an organizational structure of existing county and city services to more economically accomplish beautification continuation of projects already completed.

This commission recommended tree preservation, sign regulations and landscaping of public areas such as off-street parking.

With such wide streets and parkways as Broadway has, these plans could provide a scenic wonderland in the very heart of downtown Columbus.

Historic Columbus Foundation, Inc.

The preservation of many historical landmarks and ante-bellum mansions has been definitely assured because of "The Historic Columbus Foundation, Inc. (a growing organization with an active board of trustees and membership).

The purpose of this organization is to preserve sites and structures which are of historical and architectural importance to the heritage of Columbus.

Under the sponsorship of the Junior League of Columbus, an inventory has been made of approximately 400 worthy structures in this city. The Foundation conducts a community-wide educational program. If interested in securing a speaker for your group, contact Historical Columbus Foundation headquarters at 716 Broadway.

Operating and administrative expenses for the Foundation are obtained from membership dues and the annual "Heritage Ball. At this Ball the seasons debutantes are introduced, and it is usually held in an ante bellum home; the proceeds being used to further H.C.F., Inc. aims. The Walker-Peters-Langdon House, 716 Broadway, is the headquarters of The Columbus Historic Founda-

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tion, Inc. This is the oldest known house in Columbus. It dates back to 1828. The architectural details are very simple. The house consists of four rooms heated by two chimneys with a basement kitchen underneath. The H.C.F. Inc., has a full time executive director so this interesting home is open to the public from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Buildings to be preserved, are restored through the revolving-re-development fund; (so called because the properties purchased, when restored are resold and the monies used again on other properties). It is the purpose of the foundation to show the way for this preservation.

The home most recently restored is the "Rankin House. It was formerly the home of the Rankin Family who also built the Rankin Hotel. The beautiful cast iron work is reminiscent in style to houses of the same period in Natchez and New Orleans. This lovely home is now the property of the H.C.F. The downstairs area is operated by the Junior League as a "Historic House Museum of the 1850-1860 period. It is also available for receptions, teas, etc. For further information call the HCF 322-0756 or 323-3639.

The "Pemberton House" is another property of the H.C.F. It is of International importance because from 1855-60 it was the home of Dr. John S. Pemberton, a Columbus druggist who originated the Coca-Cola formula. Plans are now being formulated to operate this residence as a museum in tribute to Dr. Pemberton.

In the tempo with the craze for octagon shaped buildings in the mid 19th Century the "Octagon House" at 518 - 1st Avenue reflects the moods of that day. Here the daughter of Governor John Forsyth came to live. Research has proved that it was once "double Octagonal" in forum and it is being restored in this manner, as such, it will be the only such house, in the United States.

Architecture reflects, more than any other one thing, the way of life, growth and prosperity of any community. As you approach the business area, which was designed, incidentally, to separate the residential from the industrial, you will notice that some of the buildings have elaborate architectural detail, reflecting the growth from a simple trading post to a prosperous industrial city.

One of the few cast iron buildings remaining in America is the Broadway branch of the First National Bank. It has a baroque facade made entirely of cast iron, Sectionally it was brought up the river by steamboat. An early pre fabrication feat. Started in 1859 — completed in 1860, it is truly a landmark of Columbus.

The Rankin Hotel trim was cast locally at the Columbus Iron Works. This historical hotel built in the 1870's played a large part in the business life of early Columbus. World famous lecturer Oscar Wilde, stayed here in 1882. He addressed a fashionable audience at the Springer Opera House and it is reported sunflowers were strewn in his pathway from the hotel to the theatre!

The Springer Opera House

Step into the Springer Opera House and back into the pages of history. Step into Francis Joseph Springer's magnificent Opera House that was considered the finest opera house between New York and New Orleans.

1971 marks the centennial year of this outstanding theatre. Plans for the building started in 1869 when a movement to build a new and more elegant opera house began. "A meeting of the incorporators of the Public Hall Association was held on June 19 in the office of John King. The site on which Mr. F. J. Springer's store stood was selected because it was the most convenient spot available. It was one of the busiest corners of the city. On May 17, 1870 the work of tearing down Mr. Springer's store began. Mr. Springer had obligated himself to pay ten percent annually on \$25,000.00 on stock of a new association which had been formed. Mr. Springer was to pay the annual amount until the entire principal and interest was paid and then the proprietary rights to the hall was to revert to him and his heirs. This was considered, as civic generosity on Mr. Springer's part, as there were many ways in which he could have invested his money more profitably. The total cost for the Opera House construction came to \$40,000.00.

Historians tell us that 600 people assembled for the "Grand Amateur Concert by the ladies and gentlemen of Trinity Church" for the opening, February 21, 1871. The Enquirer described the grandeur of the theatre as giving "the illusion of a palace on stage".

The Springer had a seating capacity of 1,250, two balconies, nine boxes on either side of the stage, with chandeliers over each, a full stock of scenery, an orchestra, a marble-floored lobby, frescoed walls and "odd paper".

The ninety-nine year history of great performances at the Springer Opera House is unmatched by any other theatre left standing in America. Virtually all of the great personages of late nineteenth and early twentieth century theatre, ballet, vaudeville, and concert performed there.

Among the notables who have played the Springer are the famous Tom Thumb, and another Tom, the Midland-born blind child of a slave, called "Blind Tom", created as much of a sensation, at the Springer as he did throughout the world. This strangely gifted pianist made several fortunes for each of his three masters with his incredible musicality. Theodore Thomas, famous as the founder of the Chicago Symphony, and his symphony orchestra appeared at the Springer in 1872 and several times thereafter. Edwin Booth, the great tragedian and brother of the assassin of Lincoln, returned here in 1876 for the first time since the Civil War, and played "Hamlet" at the Springer. In happier times, he and his erratic, brilliant brother, John Wilkes Booth, had visited this "Lowell of the South" and had been guests of

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January 27, 1880, Joe Jefferson appeared in his most famous role, that of the sleepyhead Rip Van Winkle. He also appeared in the role of Bob Acres opposite Mrs. John Drew as Mrs. Malaprop in *THE RIVALS* on January 26, 1884. Mrs. Drew, whose career spanned the greater part of the nineteenth century and, in itself epitomizes the history of the early American theatre, was the matriarch of the famous Drew-Barrimore theatrical family. Years later (1930) her granddaughter, Ethel Barrymore, great-grand-daughter, Ethel Barrymore Colt, and great-grandson, John Drew Colt, appeared at the Springer, making four generations of the Drew-Barrimore family on our stage.

Oscar Wilde lectured at the Springer in 1882. Franklin D. Roosevelt delivered a speech on behalf of Al "Happy Warrior" Smith, then the Democratic nominee for President in 1928. John L. Sullivan, the boxing champion, gave an exhibition there in 1890. The celebrated actor Otis Skinner, who has an equally celebrated actress-daughter named Cornelia, appeared at the Springer in a play called "Villon, the Vagabond". And so it goes . . . George M. Cohan, Marie Dresslar, Merredith Wilson. . .

The Springer continued as a legitimate theater until well into the 1920's, but then the Great Depression made itself felt. The "road", lifeblood of the Springer and other theatres like it across the country, was dealt a mortal blow. The building became a movie house, and began its long slide into near-oblivion.

The building stood deserted and vacant. Its fate seemed certain . . . demolition.

February of 1964, the month of the Springer's 93rd birthday, marked perhaps the lowest ebb of its fortunes. The building was slated for certain destruction. Plans had been announced to raze it and erect a multi-story office building on the site. Time, it seemed, had run out. But then a number of things began to happen. Robert Porterfield, founder of the famed Barter Theatre of Virginia, visited Columbus that spring, saw the Opera House and came away with high praise for its history and potential. And a Columbus Businessman, the late Robert M. Lewis, Jr. became interested in the project. Mr. Lewis began to discuss the Springer with other business men and civic leaders, and the idea of a last attempt to save the historic structure was born. Time was short. The wrecker's ball was ready to swing.



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Miss Georgia of 1969, Marilyn Olley, admires beautiful restoration features from a mirror in the Rankin House.

After many meetings, discussion and plans were made, the Trustees, 11 in number, immediately launched an intensive campaign. This involved "cocktail party-coercion, duns at dinners and being obnoxious at balls", as one Trustee observed, all on behalf of the Springer, as the city's leading citizens were canvassed for help in raising the sum in time to meet the deadline. The Springer, as one Trustee was fond of painting out, "had to be looked at with eyes of love". The mother of another of them put it somewhat less romantically. Threading her way gingerly through a junk-filled lobby, climbing gamely over broken seats, dodging a torrent of water pouring in from a hole in the roof, she sighed, looked around and said, "Only young people would attempt a project like this!" (the average age of the Trustees was under 40.) After much "Blood, sweat, tears and tender loving care" the Springer has been returned to its previous splendor and Mr. Springer could still glow with pride if he could view his Opera House today.

But to be complete, the Springer Opera House needed a family to make it a living theatre, and on its 94th birthday the Springer Theatre Company presented "Lil Abner. Formerly known as the Columbus Little Theatre, it had performed at the Columbus Museum of Arts and Crafts, at the St. Francis Hospital School of Nursing, and in the Fine Arts Building at the Fairground.

The grand opening took place October 6, 1965 and not only did the Springer reopen in style, it

reopened with an original musical production of one of the best-known novels of the Victorian era, "St. Elmo", written by a Columbus native, Augusta Evans Wilson. The black-tie premiere was a night to remember. Chandeliers sparkled, the deep red of the great curtain was repeated in the carpets and theater seats, myriad tulip lights outlined the graceful curve of the balconies. Members of the dressy and excited audience saw themselves reflected in the huge gilt-framed pier mirror dominating one end of the lobby as they passed through. It was a gala and glamorous evening, culminating in a champagne reception following the final curtain. Charles Jones, director, of the Springer Theatre Company, in keeping with the tradition of The Springer, presents outstanding theatre today. Ranked as one of the leading amateur theatre groups in America today, it was selected by the American Community Theatre Association, which is sponsored by the International Theatre Association, to compete last year, 1969. It is the only theatre group in the Southeast to have "placed" in this competition.

The Springer Ballet Theatre

The Springer Ballet Theatre is likened to "THE ICING ON THE CAKE," a delightful addition to the Arts in Columbus and Fort Benning. Created in the spring of 1968, under the auspices of the Springer Theatre Company for the purpose of offering to the adult community of the area, the best possible program in community-oriented



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Jenna David, a well known dance instructor, is president of Chapter 33 of Dance Masters of America, Inc. which includes Georgia, Alabama and Tennessee. Mrs. David was dance instructor for THE MUSEMONT FINE ARTS CAMP held each summer at Pine Mountain, Georgia. Her activities are varied, having served on the Pop Warner Board, The Little League Baseball Board, The Symphony Board, and The Springer Theatre Board, and the Musemont Board. A choreographer much in demand, she has choreographed three benefits for the Columbus Symphony, "The Gallant City" a centennial celebration of Columbus, and all of the Springer Theatres musicals.

Paulk was artistic Director of Le Petit Ballet Company of Fort Benning which was under the sponsorship of the Officers Wives Club. An outstanding dance company made up of young men and women from both Fort Benning and Columbus.

"The Nutcracker was presented in its entirety by Le Petit Ballet at Benning for the first time in this area. Members of Le Petit Ballet formed the nucleus of The Springer Ballet Theatre when it was organized.

The Springer Theatre, with all of its heritage, provides a beautiful atmosphere for ballet.

Dancers interested in becoming members of The Springer Ballet Theatre are especially invited to audition.

Springer Children's Theatre

The Springer Childrens Theatre, although young in years, is already mature in experience.

The S. C. T. had its first full season in 1968-69 after a trial production of WINNIE THE POOH the previous season had indeed proven there was a need for childrens theatre in the community. During its first season, which consisted of two plays, THE SHOEMAKER AND THE ELVES AND ONCE UPON A CLOTHESLINE, the CHILDRENS THEATRE involved several hun-

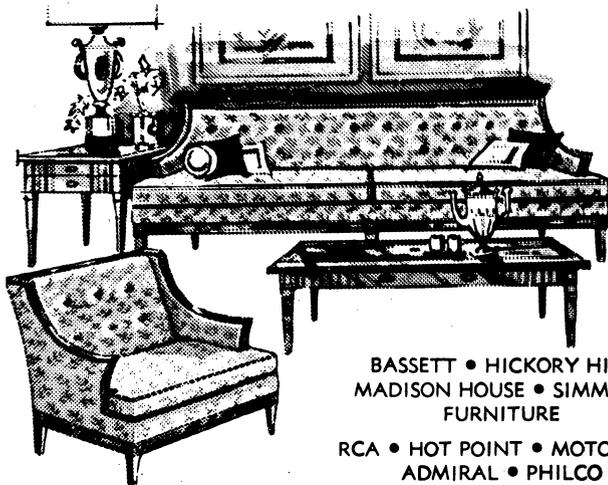


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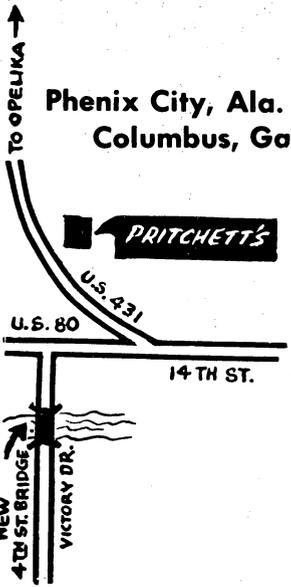
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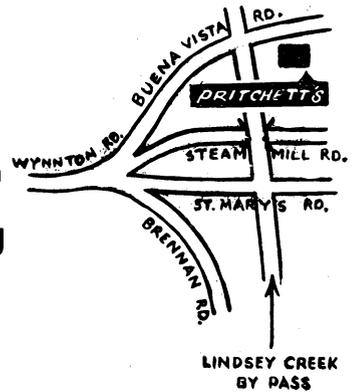
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dred children as participants; actors, stagehands, ushers and about 10,000 as audience members. Also during this first full season the CHILDRENS THEATRE took the show "on the road. The SHOEMAKER AND THE ELVES played to enthusiastic audiences in Americus, Georgia and Opelika, Alabama. The tour ended back at the Springer Opera House with a performance for the Georgia Theatre Conference.

Feeling very strongly that a childrens theatre group should be a vital part of a community and render worthwhile service, that first season the Springer Childrens Theatre began working with service groups such as SCOUT-A-PAL to enable the children in these groups to come to the theatre as guests of the Theatre. This indeed proved a wonderful experience for all involved.

The SCT opened its 1969-70 season with a festive rock musical AESOP'S FALABLES which was most enthusiastically received. Once again the show went on the road and in addition to Americus and Opelika, AESOP'S FALABLES also played in Eufaula, Alabama. The second production of the 1969-70 season will be a classic favorite ALICE IN WONDERLAND which will play at the Springer Opera House the last week-end in April and the first week-end in May. Anyone interested in working with the SCT productions either as an actor or as back stage crew, please contact the Springer Childrens Theatre through the Springer Opera House.

The Choral Guild

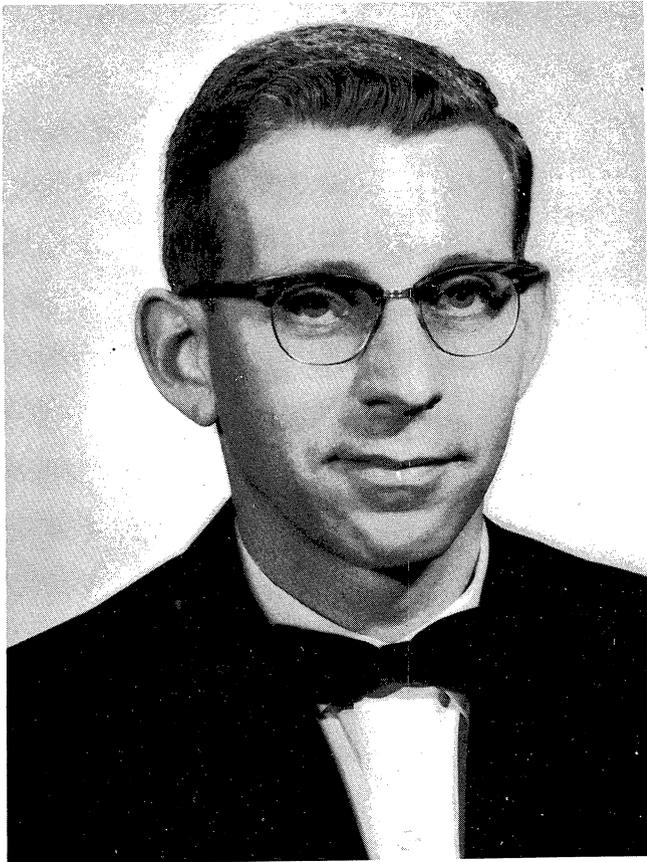
The latest addition to the Springer Theatre family is the Columbus Choral Guild which was founded in 1966 by Horace E. "Mac" McFarland, Director of Music at St. Luke United Methodist Church in Columbus. The Guild is composed of people from all walks of life who live throughout Columbus, Fort Benning, Phenix City and the entire Valley area. Admission is by audition. Rehearsals are held Monday evenings, 8:00 - 10:00, at St. Luke Church, 1104 - 2nd Avenue. They have performed on television, at the Municipal Auditorium, the Three Arts Theatre and Columbus College in addition to their new home The Springer Opera House. They have performed Handels MESSIAH, Orffs CARMINA BURANA, and Verdis REQUIEM with the Columbus Symphony.

Mr. McFarland is a graduate of Westminster Choir College with a B.M. 1952 and M.M. 1955 degree. He also holds the Choirmaster degree in the American Guild of organists and is a certified director of music in the Methodist Church. Membership in the Choral Guild is open to any singer in the area.

For information call Mr. McFarland at 327-4343.

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The organizational meeting of the Three Arts League was held in the old Illges home (now Ellenwood on First Avenue) in April of 1927. The first series of programs 1927-1928 were held at the new Columbus High School Auditorium and included such well known attractions as the Metropolitan Opera Company, Lowell Thomas, lecturer, Frederick Marsh and Florence Eldridge in "Mr. Pim Passes By, and Margaret Matzenauer, Concert Contralto.

In the early years the membership was around 600.

Through the years most of the outstanding artists have played in Columbus.

In March of 1962 the Three Arts League moved into the completely renovated Royal Theater, which was purchased by friends of the League and later turned over to the City. It was re-named the Three Arts Theatre. Staffed by Volunteers, all the money brought in by ticket sales and donations are used to pay the artists.

The 1969-70 season includes Jerome Hines, Osipof Balalaika Orchestra, "Man of la Mancha and the Houston Symphony Orchestra.

The Columbus Symphony Orchestra

True to its tradition of being a "cultural town since its very beginning, Columbus had a Symphony Orchestra dating as far back as 1855. Herman

Saroni was the founder and it survived until after the Civil War.

Several attempts have been made to re-establish the orchestra. In 1908, Louis Chase formed a Symphony Orchestra which lasted about five years.

Again in 1936, which lasted for nearly a decade, but World War II took its toll.

Robert Barr, director of the Jordan High School Band, created such enthusiasm among music lovers that another orchestra was formed in 1949. They recruited musicians and necessary money to enable the concerts to be offered free to the public so the greatest number of people could enjoy good music.

Recruiting musicians was more difficult than raising money. The Muscogee County School District provided school instruments and the use of Jordan High School Auditorium for rehearsals and concerts without charge.

Their struggles have been rewarded many times.

Today, under the baton of Mr. Harry Kruger, the Symphony has won awards from the National Federation of Music Clubs for excellence. Mr. Kruger was instrumental in securing a government grant which allowed formation of a Youth Orchestra.

The Orchestra opened its 1969-70 season with the world-famous pianist, Eugene List, as guest artist, and concludes it with a final concert in May



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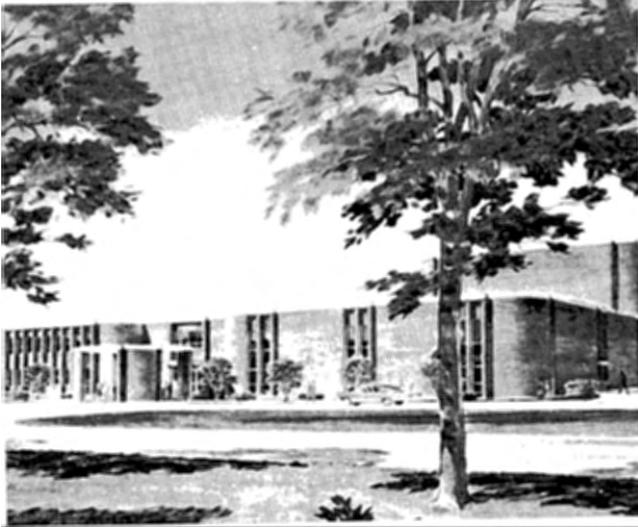


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"Westmoreland on Warm Springs Road was used as an Inn on the old Stage Coach Road. The negro musical prodigy-Blind Tom is buried here. It is only a few miles from his birthplace. Blind Tom performed for royalty in his extensive travels in Europe. This house dates back to 1825.

"Rosemont 620-20th Street is one of the few ante-bellum mansions left in this section of Columbus. The wife of one of its owners planted beautiful rose gardens on their estate and the section became known throughout this area as "Rose-Hill."

The "Mott House" 300 Front Avenue. General Wilson used this house as his headquarters following the capture of Columbus after the last gallant stand of the Home Guard. Architects declare it to be the most classical Portico in the entire State of Georgia. It has been preserved and is today used as headquarters for Muscogee Mills. A division of Fieldcrest.

The beautiful Swift-Kyle House, built in 1857 was the home of Mr. George Parker Swift the founder of Muscogee Mfg. Company. The house has remained in the family for three generations. It is used today to house various businesses and as such is open to the public.

The small cottage in the rear is older than this big house by 10 years. It once sat near to the front but was moved back for the house to be built. The two story brick building to the rear was used as bachelors quarters, today it is the Columbus studio of a noted New York artist.

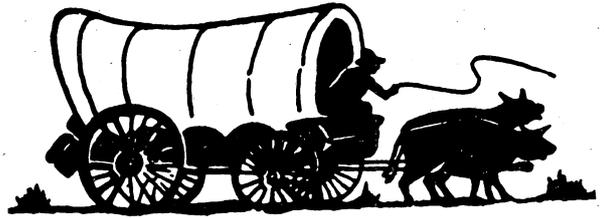
At one time another house stood on Broadway at 808. It dates back to the early days of Columbus and only one room of the original house remains. The house was erected about 1884. The original room is where the son of the surveyor of Columbus died of a fever in the early days. This house was also the home of Miss Mary Kelvin, who founded the oldest music club in the State of Georgia, The Orpheus Club, in 1895.

The Wells-Bagley House, relocated at the Southwest corner of 1st Ave. and 6th Street once stood at 744 Front Ave. The Historic Columbus Building Inventory rated the house of paramount importance in architectural and historical significance so when it became endangered by an apartment complex; it was decided to preserve it at all cost. It is a classic example of houses built in the 1840's.

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ian detail and is still owned by the descendants of Dr. William Lewis Bullard, its builder.

The statues of two resting Lions grace the entrance to the **mystery-house** of Columbus built by Dr. Thomas Hoxey in 1840 at 1316 Third Avenue. This Greek architecture has Egyptian influences. One lion sleeps, one is awake, moulded of iron—they rest just outside a long porch bordered with Corinthian columns. Under the entrance is a doorway that leads to a tunnel (now sealed off) once connecting this house to the river as an escape route — so the story goes. . . .

The "**Peabody-Warner**" house on Second Avenue, was so loved that it was moved brick by brick and reconstructed on its' present site. Peabody's boyhood home and is now the residence of Miss Joan Warner whose grandfather was Commandant of the Confederate Naval Works.

Many other homes over 100 years old stand today. The "**Joseph House,**" 828 Broadway, was built by Mr. Joseph who operated a steamship line here. The **McGhee-Woodall house** 1543 2nd Ave. today serves as a headquarters for Senior Citizens and thereby is preserved.



This is "**Ridgewood**", The original pre-civil war mansion that was a main house on the old plantation. Ridgewood gives it's name to the subdivision which surrounds it. It is owned today by Mr. Jack M. Deese.

Not very far out the Macon Road is Upatoi, Georgia. "**Ridgewood**" built there by James Hardwick was on a land grant of 3,000 acres. The house has been restored and the old plantation subdivided into beautiful lots. The home is two stories built over a large raised basement. Families of the past are buried inside a little wrought iron fence that surrounds a family graveyard tucked away in the trees near the old house. Slaves and Indians are also buried near this fence.

The Developers of Columbus also have exercised careful planning. In no direction has the growth combined with grandeur been more outstanding than in the Wynnton-Macon Road midtown area! **Midtown Mall**, the fabulous **Columbus Square** (with its' air conditioned area housing a group of Columbus businesses) has joined beautiful **Cross Country Plaza** in locating in this section. This is the largest business section of the many subdivisions that have extended Columbus city limits so far and so fast. The further growth and success of this busy development is assured by a freeway opened recently from there to Fort Benning — The new **Lindsey Creek Bypass** when completed will connect the Manchester Expressway near the airport (only a short five minute drive then from North

Columbus to the area and only a 10 minute drive from Fort Benning to the center. Arteries of good streets and roads make it easily accessible from every direction to the shopping area.

Out Wynnton Road

In each direction from Columbus are historical homes and land sites. 1240 Wynnton Rd. is an antebellum mansion of classic proportions. It was built by The Wynn family who gave Wynnton its name. It was later owned by Hines Holt a distinguished member of the Confederate Congress and several others before it was converted to its' present use.

Across the road from the old Wynn home is the Columbus Museum of Arts and Crafts.

One of Wynntons oldest homes is the "Colonial Apartments. Columns at the side were removed when the house was converted into apartments. "Hilton" is one of the most outstanding homes from an architectural view point. The Italian facade was added after the house was purchased from the distinguished Methodist minister, Dr. Lovic Pierce, who had built Hilton.

"Wynnwood" was constructed as a simple classic house in 1834. The Octagonal Wings which give it it's distinctive appearance were added in 1868. It was built by Lambert Spencer whose son was the founder of the Southern Railway System. It was once called the "Elms," Lloyd Bowers, I, a hero of the Southern Cause, enlarged and beauti-

fied it. Now the home of W.D.A.K. radio Station this outstanding adaption of a historic structure to a 20th century use is indeed elegant. Furnishings were gathered from all over the country for the reception rooms.

"The Cedars" home of Col. John Banks, who lost five sons to the Confederate Cause is still owned by his descendants. It is filled with treasures and originally there were rows of trees on each side a cedar an elm then a cedar. Thus the name.

"Dinglewood" is one of the most elaborate houses ever built in this entire section of the South! Italian artisans were imported to work on this beautiful home. It was the home of the legendary beauty Julia Hurt. She was courted by the nephew of the Emperor Napoleon when Julia and her family lived in Paris following the Civil War. Julia preferred to return to "Dinglewood". She later married the wealthiest man in Georgia of her day — Lee Jordan of Macon.

The Yonge-Key-Tyler home was built during the Civil War by the first Episcopal Bishop of Georgia—Bishop Stephen Elliot. It is reported he hid the collection of \$3,000.00 in a tree there on the Sunday Columbus was seized by General Wilson.

Col. Seaborn Jones was the founder of City Mills, the oldest mill operating in Columbus today. In their home at 2808-18th Ave. known today as St. Elmo, famous personages were entertained including President Polk, President Filmore, Henry Clay and General Westfield Scott. The daughter of

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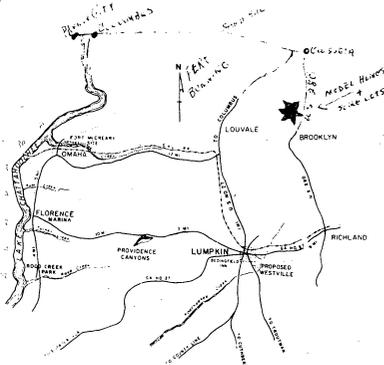
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"Tranquilla" — 1608 Wildwood Avenue was built in 1909 and remodeled in 1959 by Mr. and Mrs. Jack Passailaique, daughter and son-in-law of the builder, Mr. and Mrs. Mallory Reynolds Flournoy. A historical marker has been placed in front of this house commemorating Mr. Flournoys' efforts toward the establishment of Fort Benning near Columbus.

1617 Summit Drive only dates back to 1924 but an event worthy of mention happened when this was the home of Mr. Robert Dismukes. A very good friend of his, General George Marshall stopped by for a short chat one day (while at Fort Benning for a visit.) He left two men in his car and later it was learned the two men were Sir Anthony Eden and Field Marshall Sir John Dill!

Close Neighbors

Columbus's association with Fort Benning and its neighbor, Lawson Air Field, brought it another nickname, "Mother-In-Law of the Army." The two communities are closely akin. Some Columbus citizens belong to the officers's club where lifetime friendships are formed. Thousands of Benning soldiers live in Columbus; almost all of them spend their money here, making a sizable contribution to the cities economy.

Throughout the years of the Columbus - Fort Benning alignment, most of the senior officers of the army have served at Benning many of them married Columbus girls. Now the city points with pride to the title, "Mother-In-Law of the Army."

Columbus is now the home of hundreds of persons who first knew of the city during their tours of duty in the army. They liked the friendly atmosphere and decided to make Columbus their permanent home upon retirement or discharge.

Columbus shows its' appreciation with genuine hospitality by supporting service Clubs, Y.M.C.A.'s and other organizations, to provide wholesome off-duty enjoyment.

See Providence Canyons so near to Fort Benning: They are South of Victory Drive (U. S. Highway 27).

These canyons are truly a nature lovers delight! They cover 3000 acres and are reported to be 200 ft. deep. 43 different soils appear there in the beautiful colors and shades of the rainbow. Close by is Westville, a planned village where dirt streets have been laid out with a square in the center. There are to be weaving and blacksmith shops for the village and a potter is to set up a kiln and a potters shop there. Westville is expected to be for this area what Sturbridge Village is

to New England, a Georgia Community with the time turned back to 1850.

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Conclusion

The Chattahoochee today has returned to its important role of influence in the development of Columbus: work has been completed on the Chattahoochee-Apalachicola-Flint River project making the Chattahoochee navigable, with a nine-foot channel all the way to Columbus from the Gulf of Mexico. Columbus future is tied closely to the project which make Columbus once again a river port enjoying the benefits of low rate water transportation. Dedication ceremonies for the port were held September 11, 1964.

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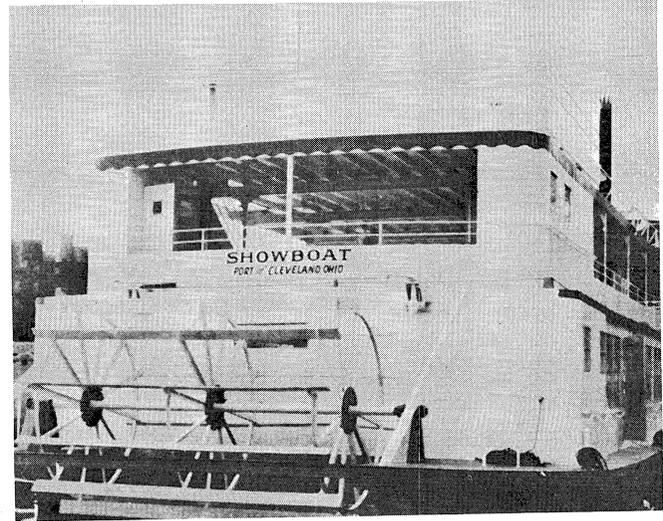
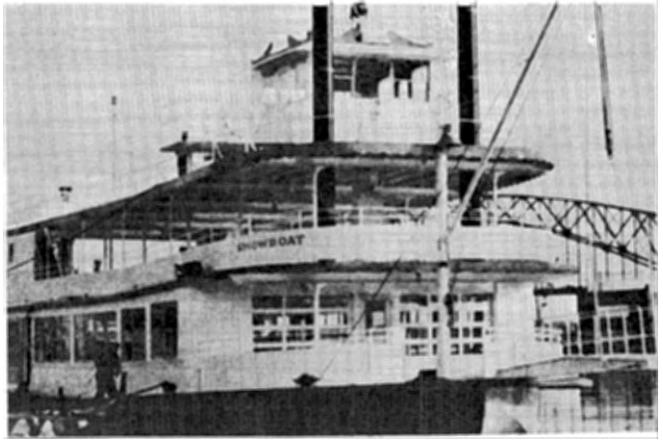
The Columbus Enquirer (morning-daily) was established in 1828 and The Columbus Ledger (evening-daily) was established in 1886. The Ledger and Enquirer combine on Sunday to publish the Sunday Ledger-Enquirer. Both papers are distributed throughout west and south Georgia and east Alabama.

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A Port City

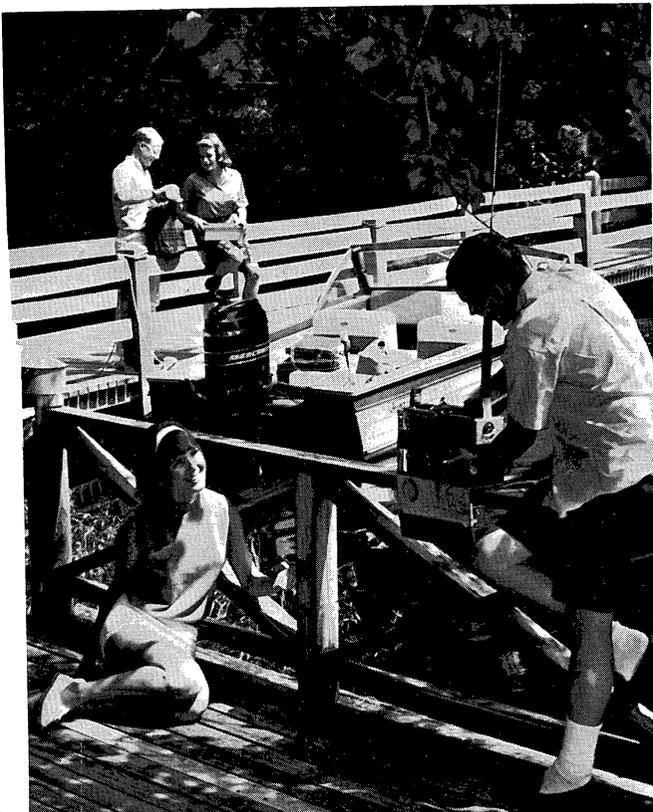
Will Columbus (once again a port city) see the return of the Excursion Boats on the Chattahoochee?

One Pittsburg firm has six such boats, three operating at Pittsburg and three at Philadelphia, Pa. Cleveland also has several. In the last six years, Fred H. Schomburg, Sr. of Columbus has made extensive research into this matter. He reports that Government regulations have ruled out wooden passenger boats. He has located several with all metal hulls, no wood at all in their superstructure but they were not for sale because in this tourist orientated age they were all being operated at a profit!

Mr. Schomburg, has specifications for a 400 passenger boat (a duplicate of one operating in Philadelphia built by Dubugne Boat Builders, boat builders for over a hundred years).

No longer able to pursue his ambition of seeing a riverboat on the river, he hopes someone will bring such a boat to Columbus as a tourist attraction and for schools, colleges and other organizations to charter.

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Our nearest neighbor separated only by the river but connected with three bridges over the Chattahoochee is Phenix City, Ala. whose history has been carefully documented herein.

Russell County, of which Phenix City is the county seat, lies in the east central part of the state and is bounded by Lee, Barbour, Macon and Bullock counties and by the Chattahoochee River which is also a part of the boundary between the states of Alabama and Georgia. The land area comprises 639 square miles. Phenix City, governing seat of the county, is in a favorable diversified shopping center with some 275,000 persons within the trade area.

The Phenix City-Russell County area is a dynamic and growing network of progress. The plans, work and sacrifice of its proud people have made the area a good place to live and work with the promise of an even better tomorrow.

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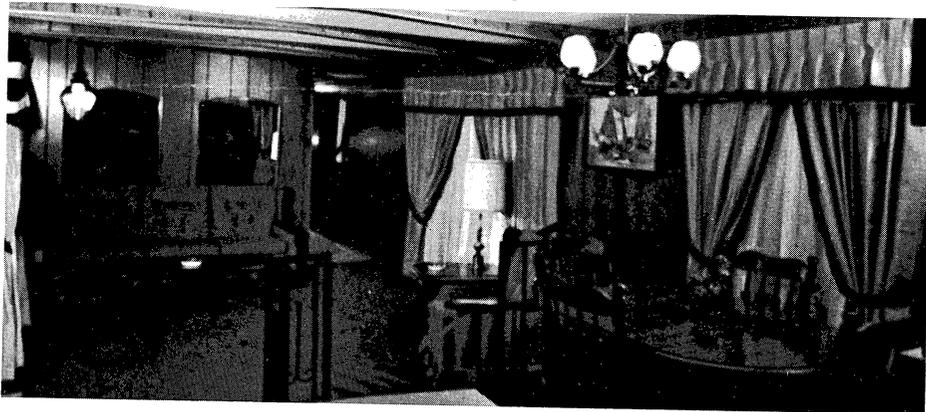
power, natural gas, water, economical transportation, favorable tax rates, an abundance of skilled labor or help with location or expansion problems.

Phenix City and Russell County offer recreational features unsurpassed anywhere in the nation. The City of Phenix City has a fulltime Recreation Director with a paid staff. Park areas are spread throughout the radius of 30-40 miles of downtown Phenix City as well as recreational areas within the City.

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In the final settlement of accounts with the Indians, Ben Marshall, a halfbreed, was awarded a tract of land one mile square in March 1832. Three months later he sold this area, known as Marshall's Reserve, to land speculators from Georgia for \$35,000. They laid it out in lots, sold them, and received \$100,000 for them. This was the official beginning of the little border town of Girard. It is believed that it was named for Steven Girard, philanthropist and slave dealer. He was a prominent Philadelphian, and founded Girard College in that city, which stands today.

In 1842, the county seat was moved from Girard to Crockettville (named for Davy Crockett), now Crawford, Alabama. In 1868, the county seat was again moved, this time to Seale. In 1935, it was moved again, to Phenix City, its present location.

Until 1866, Russell County included much of its present area plus a large part of Lee. Lee County was created by an act of the legislature approved December 15, 1866. The new northern boundary of Russell (southern boundary of Lee) ran through Girard leaving part of it in Lee and the other in Russell.

This was an awkward situation for both sections of the town, particularly the part in Lee. On February 23, 1883, an act of the legislature incorporated this part into the Town of Brownville. Although the town

was officially named "Brownville," the post office serving it was called "Lively" and the railroad depot was "Knight's Station." On February 19, 1889 an act of the Alabama legislature officially changed "Brownville" to Phenix City, named for the old Phoenix mills in Columbus.

In 1921, another boundary line change placed Phenix City in Russell County. In 1923, Phenix City and Girard consolidated. The combined population, at the time, was 10,374 and "Phenix City" was chosen as the name of the entire area.

Following consolidation, progress began in earnest. A new senior high school was built in 1928. During the 30's modern fire and police departments were created. Electricity was made available to all: a modern water works was built and a natural gas system installed. A new courthouse was begun in 1935. By this time more than 30 miles of streets had been paved. In 1948, a new, modern hospital began receiving patients.

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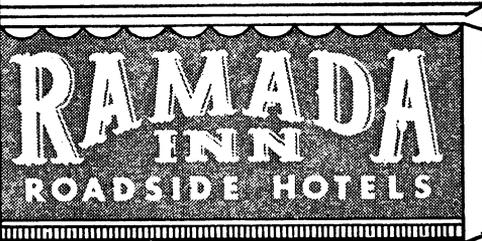
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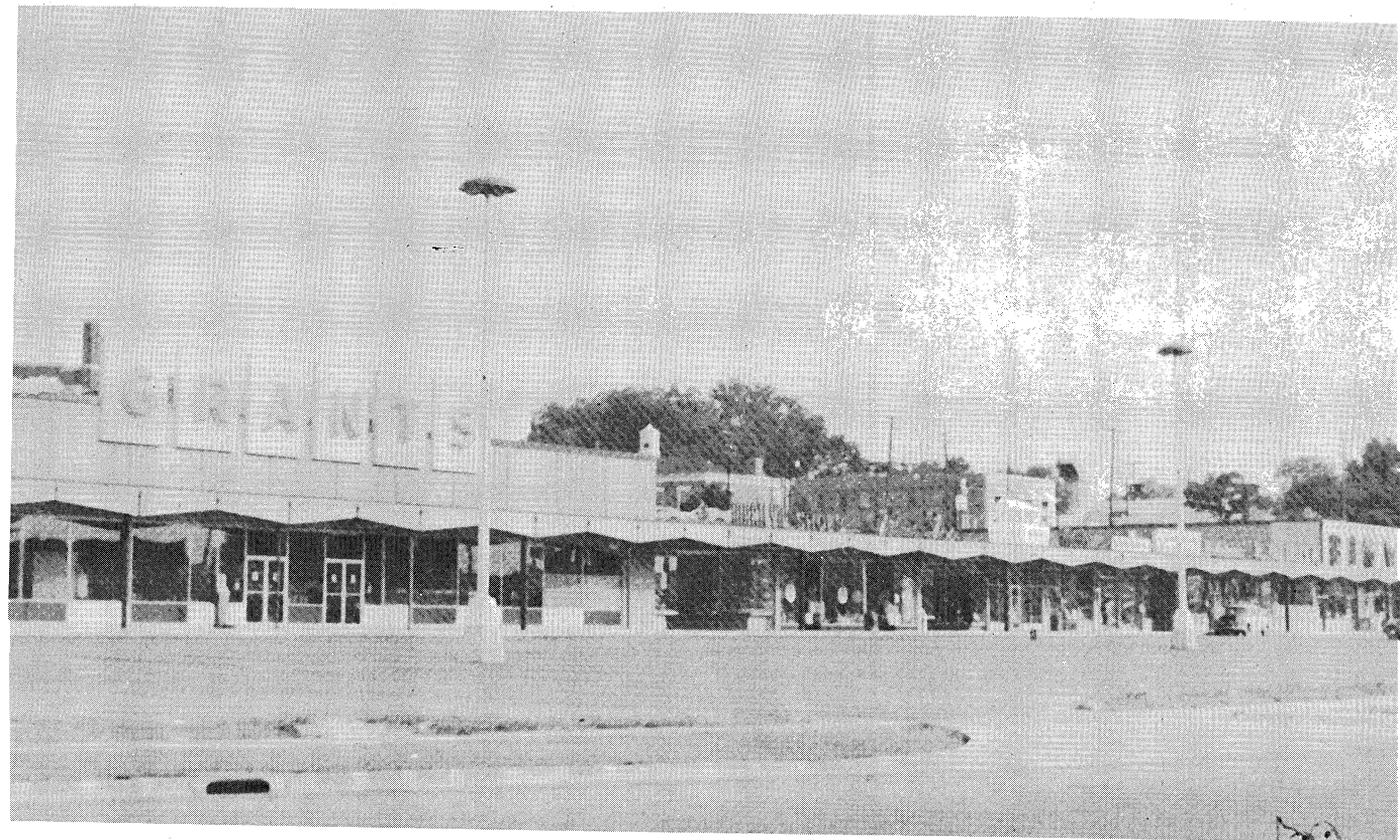
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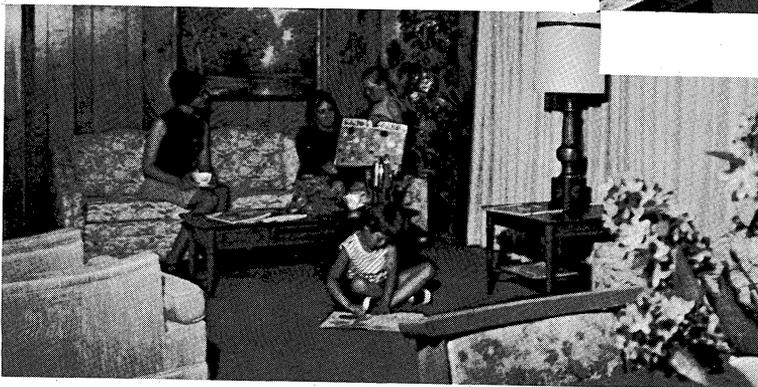
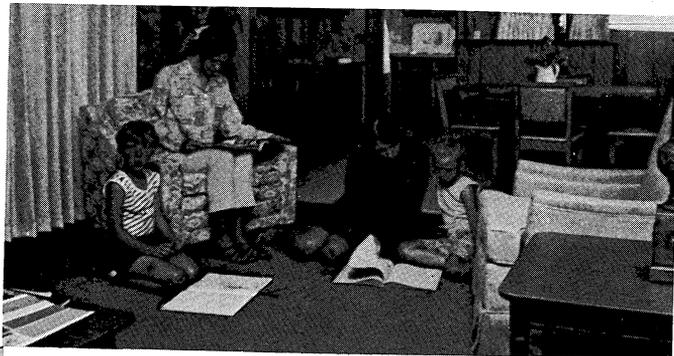
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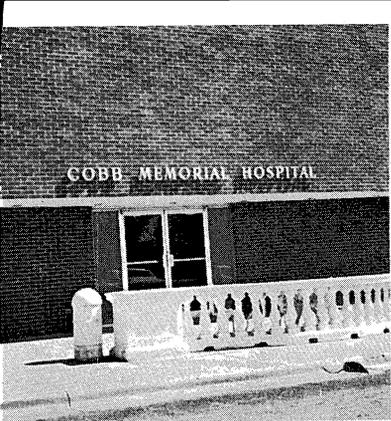
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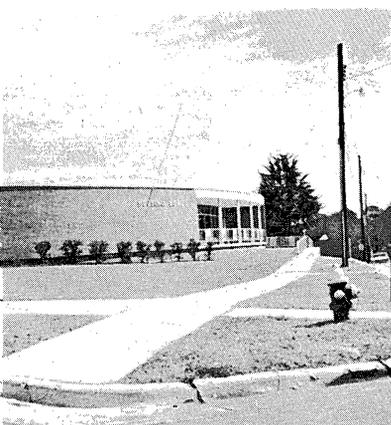
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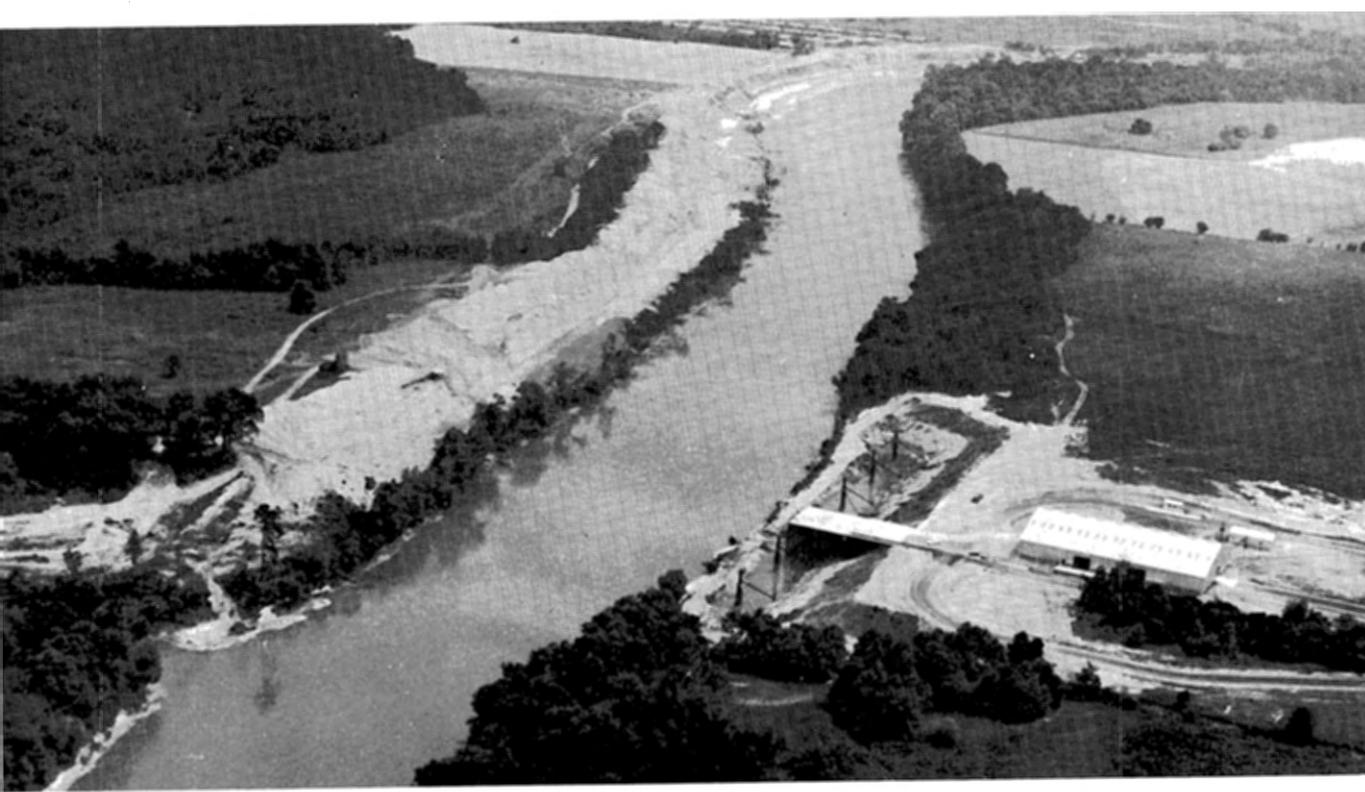
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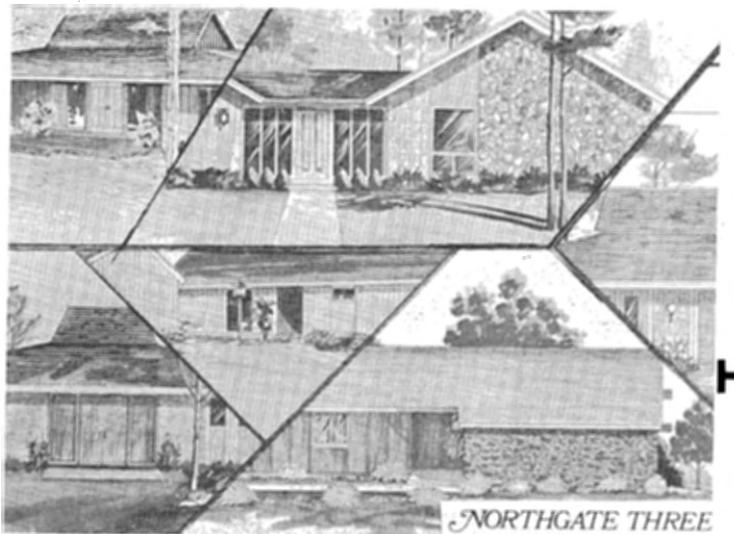
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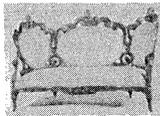
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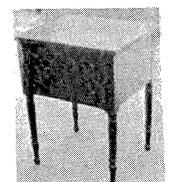
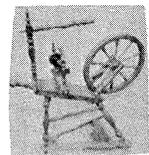
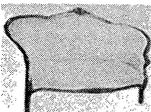
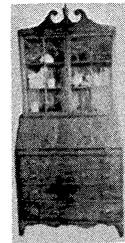
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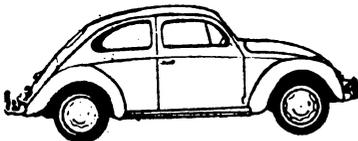
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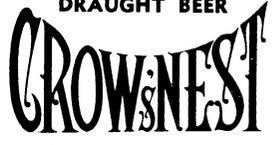
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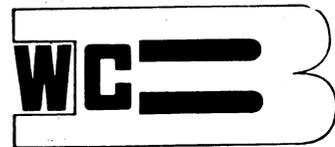
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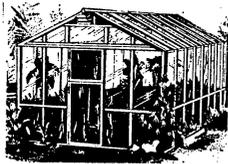
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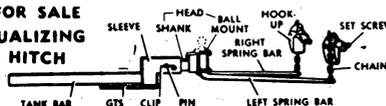


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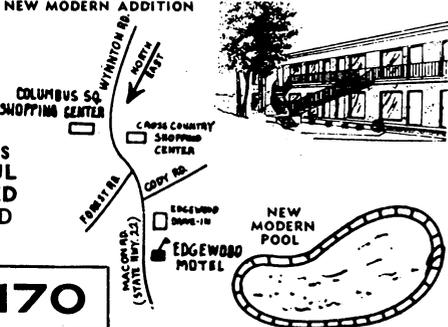


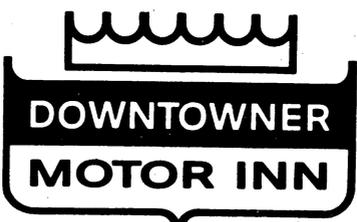
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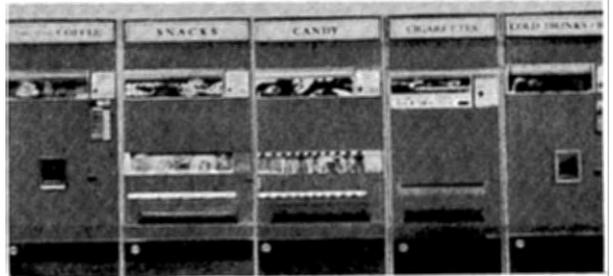
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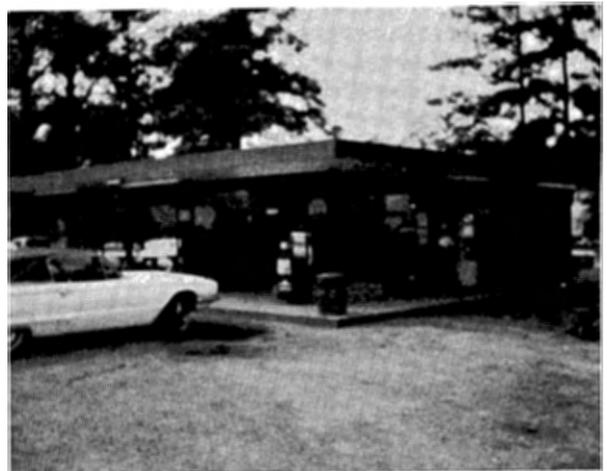
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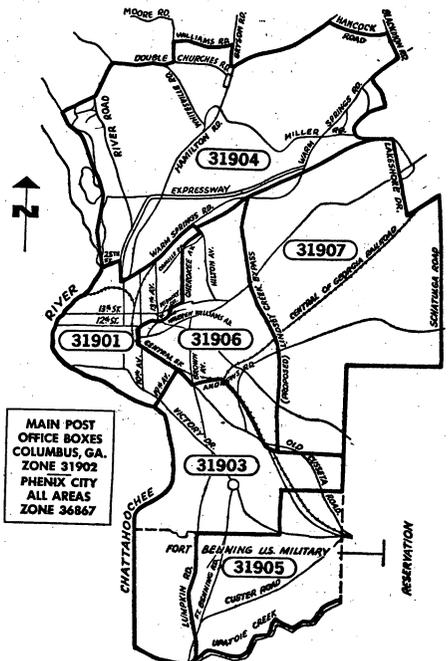
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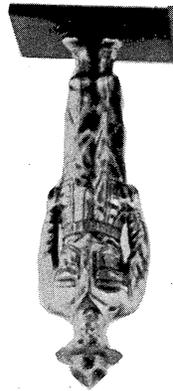
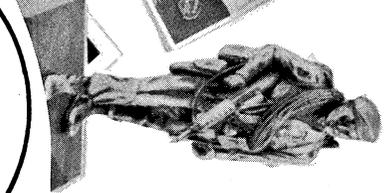
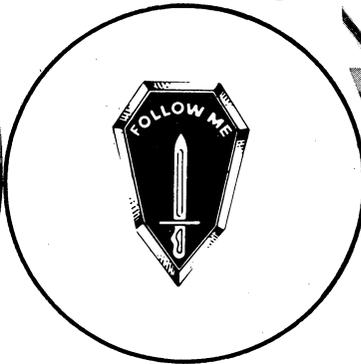
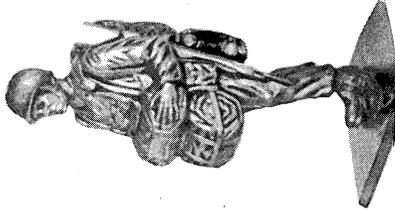
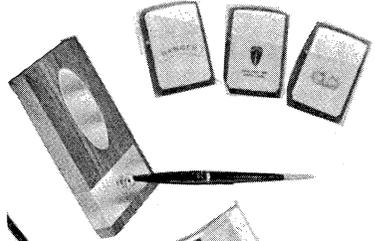
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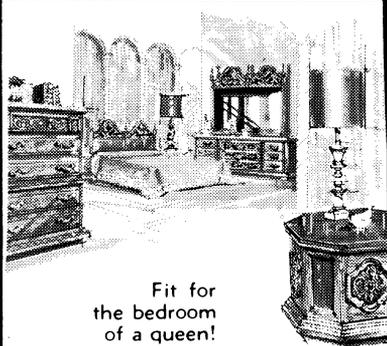
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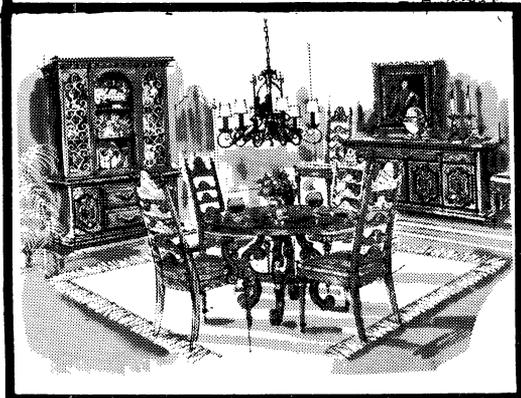


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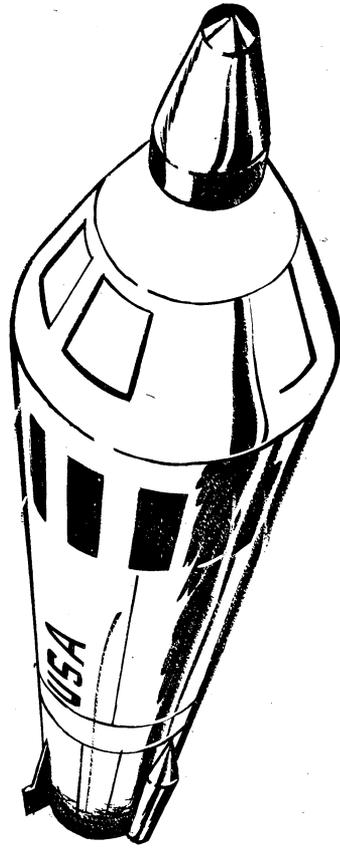
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