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UNITED STATES ARMY

INFANTRY OFFICER

CANDIDATE SCHOOL



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The
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OCS ALMA MATER

Far across the Chattahoochee
To the Upatoi
Stands our loyal Alma Mater
Benning's School for Boys.

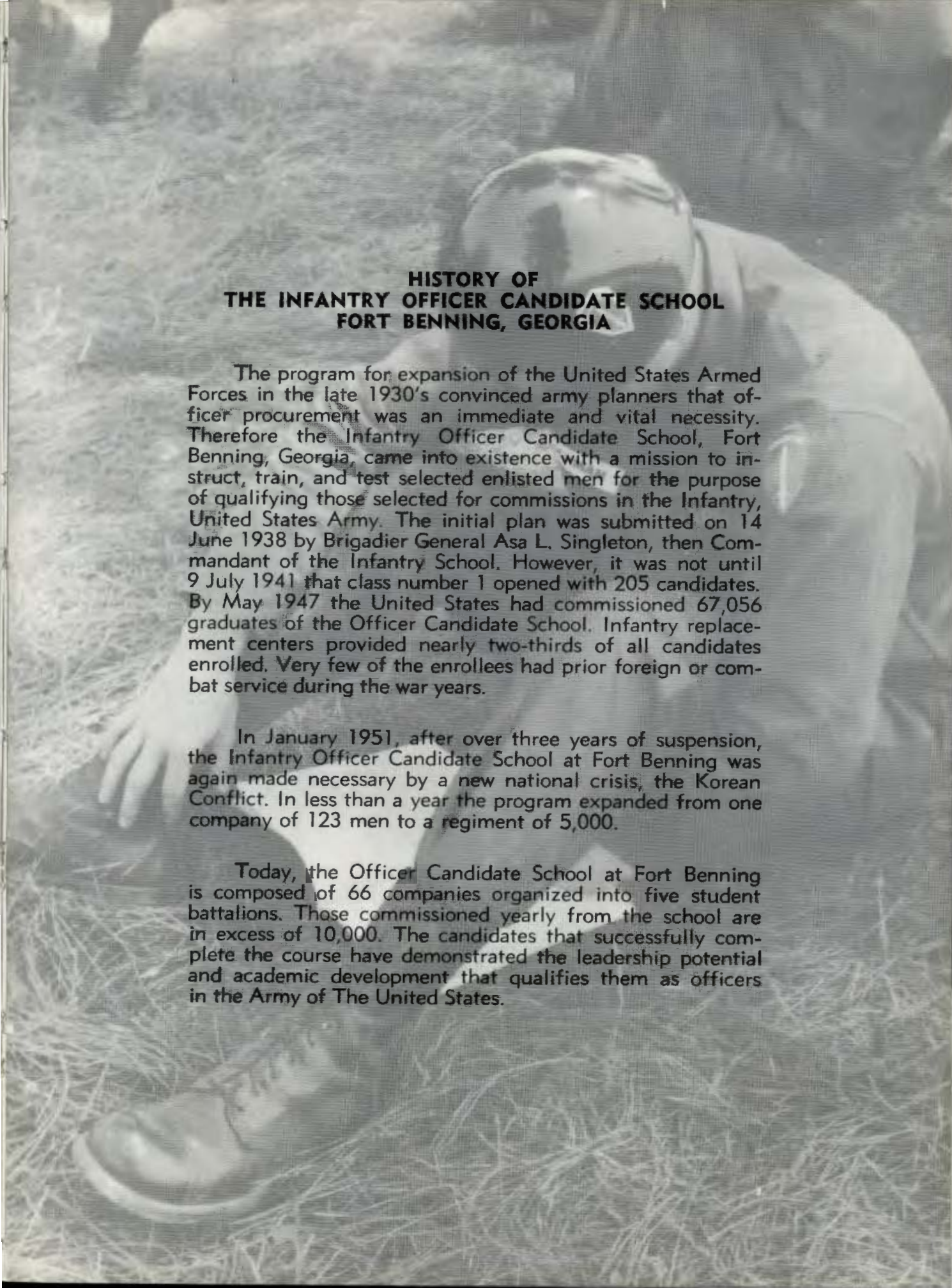
Forward ever backward never
Faithfully we strive
To the ports of embarkation
Follow me with pride.

When it's time and we are called
To guard our country's might
We'll be there with head held high
To lead in Freedom's fight.

Yearning ever, Failing never
To keep our country free
The call is clear, we meet the task
For we are Infantry.

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HISTORY OF THE INFANTRY OFFICER CANDIDATE SCHOOL FORT BENNING, GEORGIA

The program for expansion of the United States Armed Forces in the late 1930's convinced army planners that officer procurement was an immediate and vital necessity. Therefore the Infantry Officer Candidate School, Fort Benning, Georgia, came into existence with a mission to instruct, train, and test selected enlisted men for the purpose of qualifying those selected for commissions in the Infantry, United States Army. The initial plan was submitted on 14 June 1938 by Brigadier General Asa L. Singleton, then Commandant of the Infantry School. However, it was not until 9 July 1941 that class number 1 opened with 205 candidates. By May 1947 the United States had commissioned 67,056 graduates of the Officer Candidate School. Infantry replacement centers provided nearly two-thirds of all candidates enrolled. Very few of the enrollees had prior foreign or combat service during the war years.

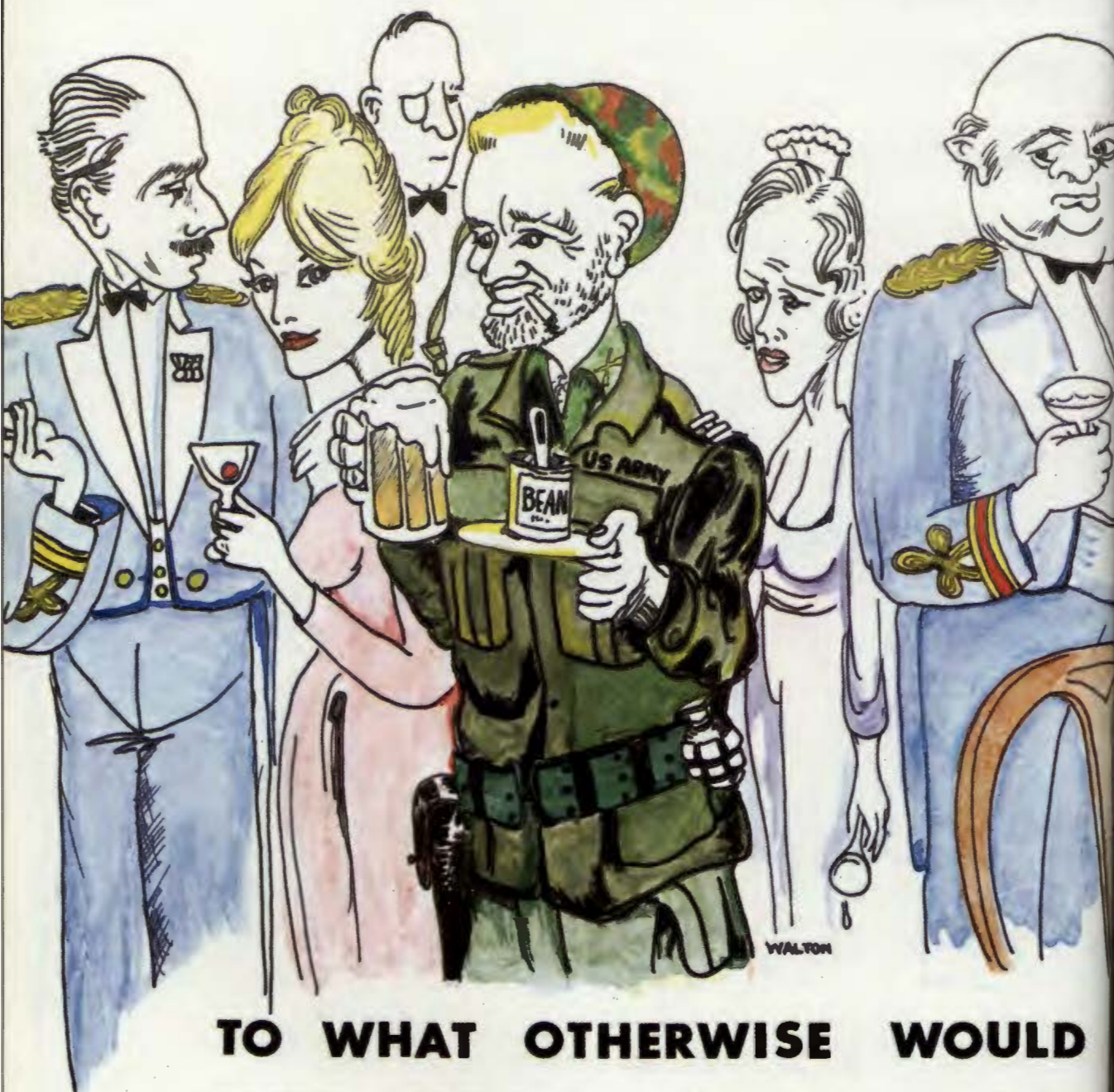
In January 1951, after over three years of suspension, the Infantry Officer Candidate School at Fort Benning was again made necessary by a new national crisis, the Korean Conflict. In less than a year the program expanded from one company of 123 men to a regiment of 5,000.

Today, the Officer Candidate School at Fort Benning is composed of 66 companies organized into five student battalions. Those commissioned yearly from the school are in excess of 10,000. The candidates that successfully complete the course have demonstrated the leadership potential and academic development that qualifies them as officers in the Army of The United States.

THE INFANTRY

LEND

COLOR



**TO WHAT OTHERWISE WOULD
HAVE BEEN A DULL AFFAIR !!**

Company 69th OCRoster Number 69OBSERVATION REPORT

OC SMILING, EVERLASTING B ACTING AS Co Commander DATES 1 - 4 Sep
RATED BY Lt. Growler COUNSELLED BY Lt. Growler
REVIEWED BY Company Commander, CPT PANEL
SUBJECT Leadership (FLOR)

SUMMARY OF PERFORMANCE

As Student CO, OC Smiling was downright poor. He continually said "you", instead of "Y'all". His accent made it difficult to understand, although the men within the company seemed to respond promptly to his exceptionally loud commands.

OC Smiling does not seem to be aware of the seriousness of the course or the leadership positions he holds (see SLOR 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, and 10). He walks in formation with a constant grin on his face and even smiled when informed he was to appear before the 22nd Week Panel.

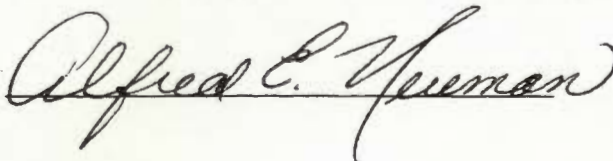
Demonstrated Performance and Estimated Potential. Indicate number of points awarded and circle appropriate description.

EXCEPTIONAL	- - - - -	81 - 100
SUPERIOR	- - - - -	61 - 80
ADEQUATE	- - - - -	41 - 60
MARGINAL	- - - - -	21 - 40
INADEQUATE	- - - - -	0 - 20

Numerical Rating 1

The above deficiencies, if any, have been brought to my attention and corrective actions recommended.

OC's Signature



MISSION OF THE OFFICER CANDIDATE PROGRAM OF THE UNITED STATES ARMY INFANTRY SCHOOL

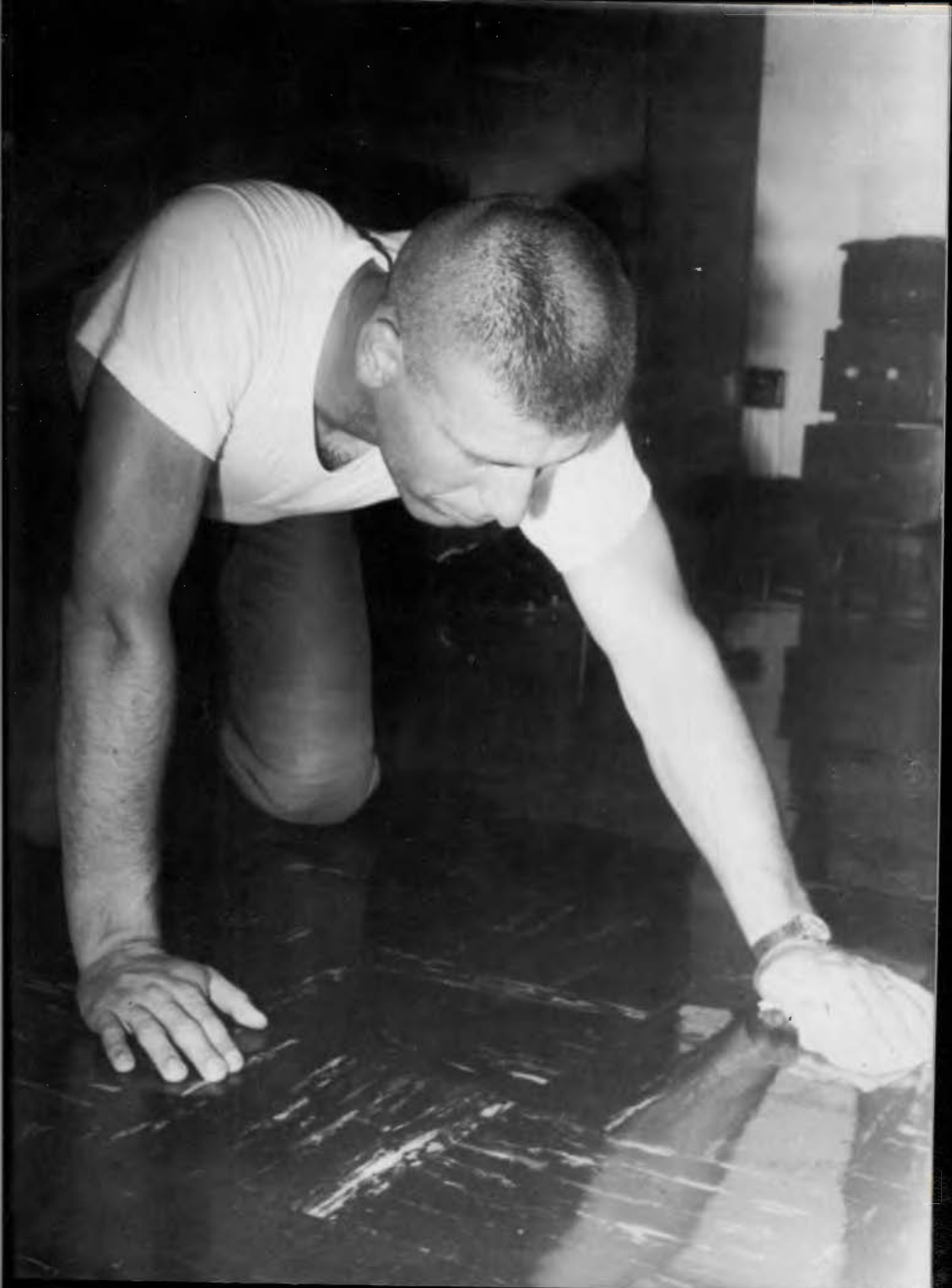
"To develop selected personnel to be Second Lieutenants of the Army of the United States who will be capable of performing duties appropriate to their grade in Infantry units, and who, with a minimum of additional branch training, will be prepared to serve as Second Lieutenants of other branches designated by the Department of the Army. The secondary mission is to serve as a basis for mobilization as the needs of the service require."

The Officer Candidate Course at the United States Army Infantry School is a period of transition, training, and leadership evaluation for selected enlisted men and warrant officers who have demonstrated leadership potential, which prepares them to assume the increased responsibilities of a commissioned officer. To accomplish this the Officer Candidate Program is divided into three distinct phases. Basic, Intermediate, and Senior.

The Basic phase is one in which there is extensive supervision by the Tactical Officer in any and everything the Officer Candidate does. The Officer Candidate is given the basic rudiments of leadership and the emphasis is on leadership potential rather than demonstrated leadership.

The Intermediate phase is one of less direct supervision by the Tactical Officer over the Officer Candidate. In connection with this decrease in supervision is an increase of command responsibility. Emphasis during this phase is now on demonstrated performance of leadership as well as leadership potential.

The Senior phase is the culmination of all efforts to create a high quality Infantry officer. In this phase there is little supervision by the Tactical Officer; however, the Senior Officer Candidate must assume greater responsibilities with emphasis on demonstrated performance. In many instances the Senior Officer Candidate might be considered a "Third" Lieutenant.



THE FIRST DAY . . .



That first day is regarded by many as "The Longest Day." As part of the transition from enlisted status, your rank insignias are removed. You are no longer PFC or Sergeant, but Candidate. In that first day you never thought you could be made to remember so much in so short a time. Senior Officer Candidates insure that you don't forget. It's "Double Time" all the way and from now on you're on the move.



Take a good look candidate, because from now on . . .



You'll move on the double!



Far across the Chattahoochee . . .



"What are the first 3 words you say?"



"You mean you're the janitor?"

RUSHES THE NEXT



"This is going to be a long haul."



BAYONET TRAINING



"We'll take off the sheath if you want it to hurt . . ."





leadership Reaction Course

... is a test of leadership potential and ingenuity. The course is designed to require the Officer Candidate to exercise leadership traits in solving situational problems, thereby providing him and the instructor with a basis for identifying and improving his personality weaknesses.

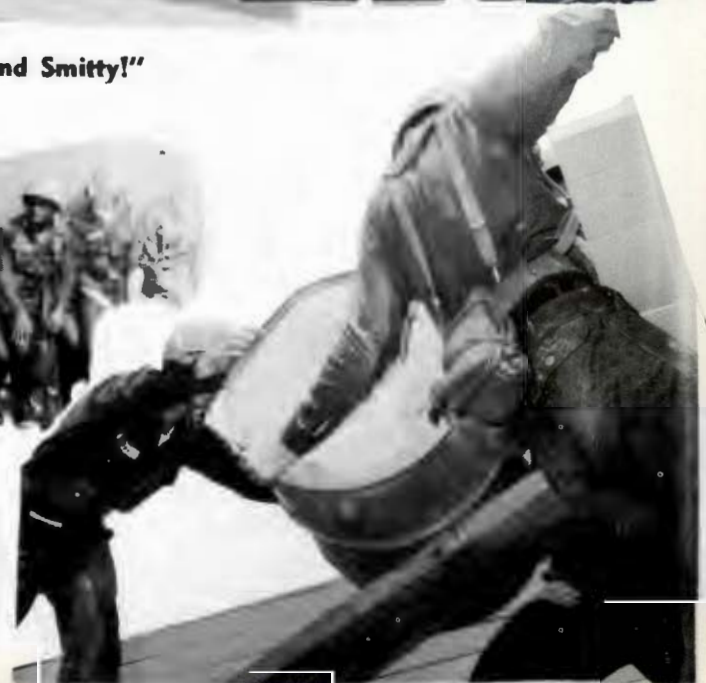
Each Candidate is given the opportunity to be the leader of his team. He must analyze the situation, formulate plans, and then direct the accomplishment of his mission within a specified time.

The course involves land and water situations and there are times when the "most obvious ways" are "dampened . . ."





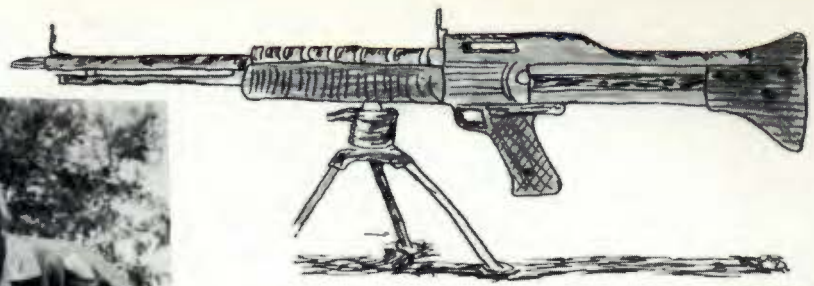
"Hey fellows, I found Smitty!"



Pugil Stick Training is designed to build aggressive self-confidence in the individual as well as to increase proficiency in bayonet training. The Officer Candidate is given the opportunity to match his skill against another in mock combat. Pugil Training does have its "ups and downs" on occasion.



"Those low blows smart."





40 MM Grenade Launcher



3.5" Rocket Launcher



LAW M72









"I know we have to lead them by the hand, but this is ridiculous!!"



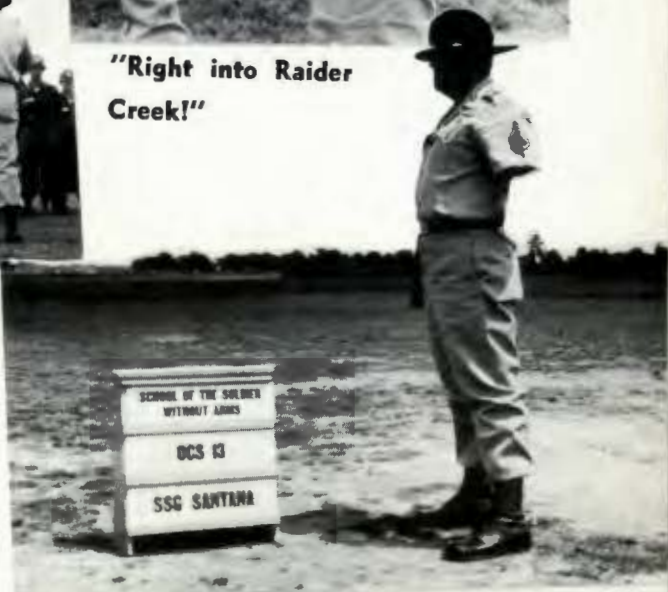
"One more comment Sarge, and off comes your head!"



"... and then the traveling salesman ..."



"Right into Raider Creek!"



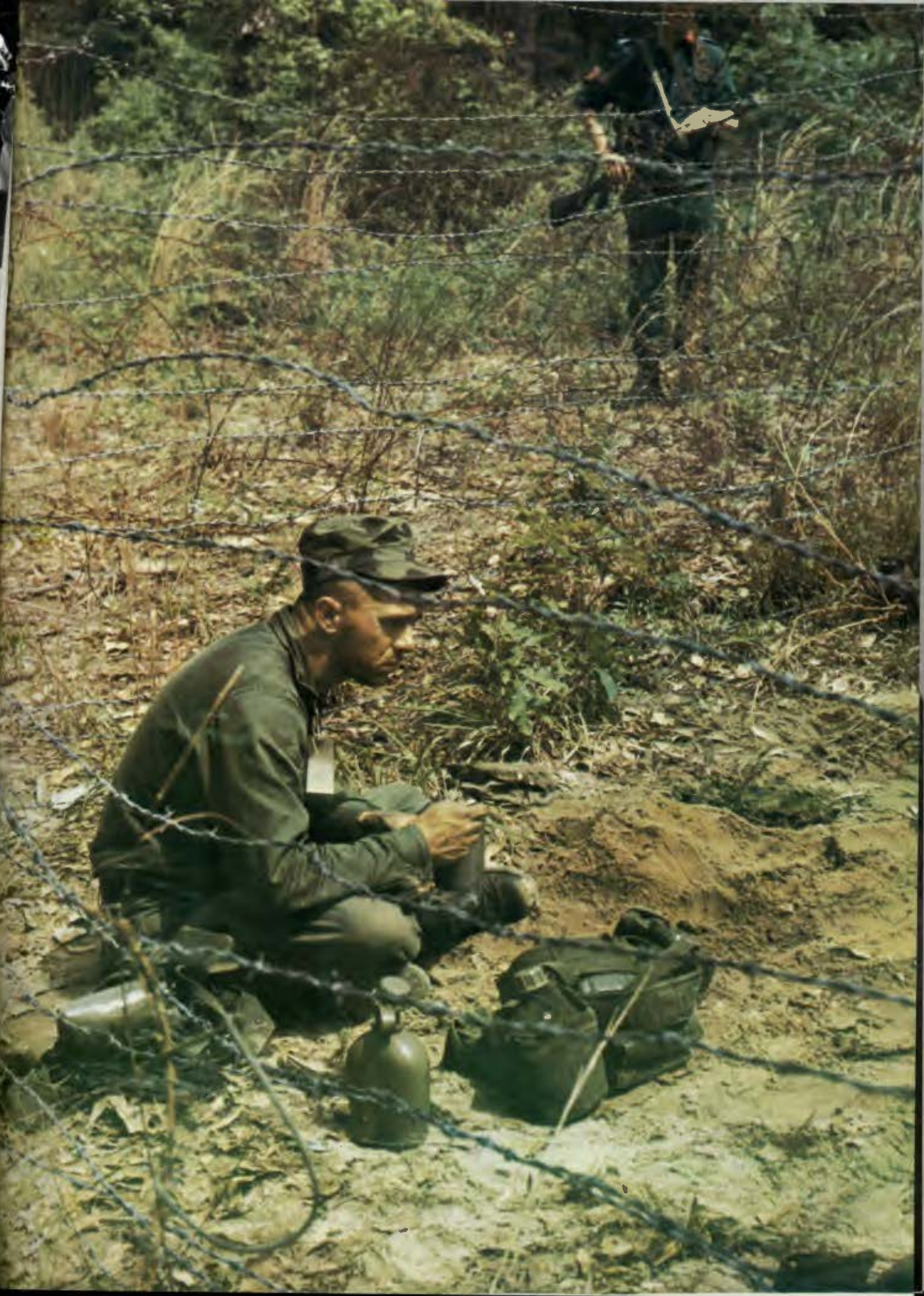
Would you believe ...



... AND THEN THERE WERE THOSE DARN



BLEACHERS!





Bivouac









Tactics



Obstacle Course







To Company 73(OC)
"Stand proud and undefeated."
Best wishes.
Harold K. Hansen
Chief of Staff - M.S. Army



Seventh Battalion OC

MAJOR RAYMOND L. FLEIGH
COMMANDING OFFICER

73rd Officer Candidate Co.

CAPTAIN BILLY W. MAY
COMPANY COMMANDER



1LT RICHARD C. RESCORLA
SENIOR TACTICAL OFFICER



1ST SGT. DAVID TINGA
FIRST SERGEANT



Officer Candidate Prayer

Almighty God, we who will soon become leaders of men, come to you for guidance in this awesome responsibility.

We pray for humility, O Lord, that any existing selfishness, arrogance, and vanity, may be removed from our lives.

Grant us patience in dealing with the mistakes of our fellow man. Let us never forget that no man is perfect. But that perfection for fragile humans is trying each day to be better than the day before.

Keep before us our goal, which is not to perpetrate war but to safeguard your greatest gift to mankind — freedom.

Let us never forget our duty to men whom we will lead. May we instill in them the qualities of honor, integrity, and duty.

Remind us that wisdom is not gained in an hour, a day, or a year, but that it is a process that continues all the days of our lives.

Give us courage, O Lord, in the face of danger, Keep us pure of heart, clean of mind, and strong of purpose.

May you always be near, to guide us in our decisions. Comfort us in our failures. And keep us humble in our successes.

We ask your divine blessings as we continue to prepare for the great honor of serving our country. Walk close to us always, our Father, that we may not fail.

Drive On

THE SEVENTY-THIRD IS MOVING OUT.
SO LIFT YOUR HEAD AND GIVE A SHOUT.
THE GREATEST TEST THAT WE MUST FACE,
IS TO WIN THAT BAR AND SET THE PACE.

DRIVE ON, DRIVE ON.
THE TEST IS CALLED DRIVE ON.

SOME DAYS WE SPEND A-CUTTING GRASS.
AND OTHER DAYS THE LEANING REST.
HOPE SOME DAY WE'LL DO OUR BEST,
TO END THESE DAYS OF COMPLETE UNREST.

DRIVE ON, DRIVE ON.
THE TEST IS CALLED DRIVE ON.

AS YOU CAN SEE WE NOW ARE BLUE.
IN FIVE MORE WEEKS WE'LL ALL BE THROUGH.
THEN WE'LL SAY GOOD-BYE TO ALL OF YOU.
AND WE'LL HIT THE ROAD AND THE V.C. TOO.

DRIVE ON, DRIVE ON.
THE TEST IS CALLED DRIVE ON.

MOTTO

73RD COMPANY, WE'RE NO DAMN GOOD!



Comments

FROM OUR COMMANDING OFFICER:

YOU HAVE WORKED HARD AND PUT IN MANY LONG HOURS TO MEET THE VARIOUS CHALLENGES AND DEMANDING TASKS THAT ARE PREREQUISITES OF THE OCS PROGRAM. ACCEPT YOUR NEW POSITION AS ONE OF GREAT RESPONSIBILITY. I AM CONFIDENT YOU WILL CONTINUE TO IMPROVE AND MEET ALL OF YOUR FUTURE ENDEAVORS WITH ALL THE PROFESSIONAL ABILITY THAT YOU HAVE. MY CONGRATULATIONS TO YOU UPON ATTAINING YOUR GOAL AS A COMMISSIONED OFFICER IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY. GOOD LUCK!!

CAPTAIN BILLY W. MAY

FROM OUR SENIOR TACTICAL OFFICER:

IN VIET NAM THE WAR IS BEING FOUGHT AT PLATOON LEVEL. SOON MANY OF YOU WILL HAVE THE PRIVILEGE AND RESPONSIBILITY OF LEADING THOSE PLATOONS INTO BATTLE.

I WISH YOU EVERY SUCCESS AND OFFER YOU SOME ADVICE TAKEN FROM HENRY V BY WILLIAM SHAKESPEARE:

*"IN PEACE THERE'S NOTHING SO BECOMES A MAN
AS MODEST STILLNESS AND HUMILITY:
BUT WHEN THE BLAST OF WAR BLOWS IN OUR EARS,
THEN IMITATE THE ACTION OF THE TIGER."*

1LT RICHARD C. RESCORLA



Abromovich,
Charles N.
St. Louis, Missouri
Fifth Platoon



Addair,
Keithern, W.
Welch, West Virginia
Second Platoon



Alexander,
Wilson M., Jr.
Pensacola, Florida
Second Platoon



Amato, Paul V., Sr.
Hammond, Louisiana
Second Platoon



Anderson, James R.
Bethel, Ohio
First Platoon



Anderson, John A., Jr.
Sacramento, California
Second Platoon



Andrews, William C.
Jacksonville, Florida
Third Platoon



Annicelli, Roger F.
Levittown, New York
Sixth Platoon



Arlington, John G.
Dover, New Jersey
First Platoon



Basler, William H.
Totowa, New Jersey
Fifth Platoon



Bennett, James C.
Bell, California
Fourth Platoon



Bobbitt, William E. G.
Norfolk, Virginia
Second Platoon



Bohn, Francis K.
Grand Forks,
North Dakota
Fifth Platoon



Boyce, Herbert J., Jr.
North Kingston,
Rhode Island
Fifth Platoon



Prettyman, Mahlon B.
Parsippany,
New Jersey
Fourth Platoon



Brown, David S.
Western Springs,
Illinois
Second Platoon



Bryant, William L.
Ft. Worth, Texas
Fifth Platoon



Burgett, Lonnie D.
Houston, Texas
Sixth Platoon



Burrow, Joey C.
Elizabeth, Tennessee
Fourth Platoon



Busby, Fred R.
Abilene, Texas
Fifth Platoon



Butler, Ronald G.
Santa Maria,
Californian
Fifth Platoon



Cagley, Lonnie L.
Portland, Oregon
Sixth Platoon



Calhoun, Albert E.
Fresno, California
Fourth Platoon



Callahan, John B.
Dorchester,
Massachusetst
Third Platoon



Cannell, Gordon H.
Bridgetown, Maine
Third Platoon



Carmack, Gerald D. K.
Honolulu, Hawaii
Second Platoon



Carr, Dennis R.
Pittsburgh,
Pennsylvania
First Platoon



Carter, Johnny M.
Oneco, Florida
Sixth Platoon



Casner, Charles L.
Fairmont, Indiana
Sixth Platoon



Castle, Archie G.
Asbury Park,
New Jersey
First Platoon



Caswell, Raymond M.
Dallas, Texas
Fifth Platoon



Catey, Richard H.
Chicago, Illinois
Sixth Platoon



Cphoon, Dennis W.
Midland, Michigan
Second Platoon



Collins, James L.
Washington, D. C.
Second Platoon



Condra, William L.
Dixon, Missouri
Sixth Platoon



Cook, Martin W., Jr.
South Bend, Indiana
Fourth Platoon



Cool, John R.
Marshall, Minnesota
Sixth Platoon



Cox, Daniel E.
San Jose, California
Fourth Platoon



Creeden, Daniel A.
West Springfield,
Massachusetts
Fifth Platoon



Cunningham, James G.
Fort Stockton, Texas
First Platoon



Davidson, William G.
Wilmington, Delaware
First Platoon



Debernardo,
Anthony W.
Pittsburgh,
Pennsylvania
Fourth Platoon



Doiron, Gerard C.
Sanford, Maine
Fifth Platoon



Doll, Donald A., Jr.
Easton, Pennsylvania



Drew, Mark E.
Edina, Minnesota
Sixth Platoon



Dupre, Samuel R.
Walterborough,
South Carolina
First Platoon



Durkee, Terrence J.
Miami, Florida
Fifth Platoon



Eisaman, Harry W.
Pittsburgh,
Pennsylvania
Third Platoon



Feichtmeir, Robert A.
San Francisco,
California
Second Platoon



Ficken, James W.
Trumbull, Connecticut
First Platoon



Fleming, Allan F., Jr.
Bethesda, Maryland
First Platoon



Foley, John B.
Whiteman AFB,
Missouri
Fourth Platoon



Gadomski, John J.
Staten Island,
New York
Sixth Platoon



Galbraith, John D.
Rochester, New York
Sixth Platoon



Gallagher, James D.
Columbus, Georgia
Sixth Platoon



Gartland, John J., Jr.
Downers Grove,
Illinois
Sixth Platoon



Harris, John W.
Oxen Hill, Maryland
Third Platoon



Herring, Robert J.
Seattle, Washington
Second Platoon



Hinkle, John J.
Norristown,
Pennsylvania
Fourth Platoon



Hinz, Kenneth W.
Indianapolis,
Indiana
First Platoon



Holland, Joseph T.
Fort Lauderdale,
Florida
Second Platoon



Hoppe, Mark A.
Redondo Beach,
California
Second Platoon



Ingoglia, Gerald
New York, New York
Sixth Platoon



Jenkins, Francis A.
Philadelphia,
Pennsylvania
Sixth Platoon



Johnson, Thomas E.
Durango, Colorado
Fourth Platoon



Jones, Edward H., Jr.
Tacoma, Washington
Fourth Platoon



Jones, Howard F.
Pensacola, Florida
Fourth Platoon



Kado, Herbert J.
Baton Rouge,
Louisiana
Second Platoon



Williams,
Charles F., Jr.
Jamesville,
North Carolina
Third Platoon



Kelbaugh, Gilbert B.
Thurmont, Maryland
Sixth Platoon



Kelly, Craig R.
Anacortes,
Washington
Sixth Platoon



Kibbon, Larry J.
Omaha, Nebraska
Sixth Platoon



Kidd, Hillery G.
Clarksville, Tennessee
Sixth Platoon



Kopaczewski,
Michael M.
Milwaukee, Wisconsin
First Platoon



Kravetsky,
Alexander A.
Santa Monica,
California
Fifth Platoon



Kropp, Leland S.
St. Louis, Missouri
Sixth Platoon



Lambert, Larry W.
Flint, Michigan
Second Platoon



Landry, Robert M.
Des Plaines, Illinois
Third Platoon



Langer, Frederic A.
Adin, California
Third Platoon



Langer, Leonard C.
Ontario, Oregon
Third Platoon



Lee, Charles W.
Tampa, Florida
Second Platoon



Love, Larry M.
Raytown, Missouri
Sixth Platoon



Maksymowicz,
Jerald J.
Ridgewood, New Jersey
Second Platoon



Maleady, Peter J.
Acton, Massachusetts
Fourth Platoon



Mallory, James E.
Baltimore, Maryland
Fourth Platoon



Marston,
Christopher R.
Princeton,
New Jersey
Fifth Platoon



McCurdy, Virgil B.
Julian, California
Fifth Platoon



McDougall, Dennis D.
Columbus, Georgia
Fifth Platoon



McFarland, James M.
South St. Paul,
Minnesota
First Platoon



McInnis, John J.
San Rafael,
California
Fifth Platoon



Miller, Gary E.
La Grande, Oregon
First Platoon



Moser, Richard D.
Indianapolis,
Indiana
Fourth Platoon



Mueller, Forrest E.
Granite City, Illinois
Fourth Platoon



Murray, Hugh L.
St. Louis, Missouri
Second Platoon



Neuman, Richard F.
Mankato, Minnesota
Third Platoon



Norman, Silas, Jr.
Augusta, Georgia
Fourth Platoon



O'Brien, Arthur F., Jr.
Braintree,
Massachusetts
Second Platoon



O'Conner, Joseph W.
Preston, Minnesota
Second Platoon



Oltman, Joe H.
Kingsbury, California
Sixth Platoon



Overstreet, Bill E.
McAllen, Texas
First Platoon



Pacheco, Giovavnni C.
Los Angeles,
California
Second Platoon



Quin, Gerald A.
New Orleans,
Louisiana
Fifth Platoon



Perron, Robert R.
Bradford,
New Hampshire
Fifth Platoon



Peters, Gregory H.
Hampton, Virginia
Third Platoon



Platt, Charles T.
St. Paul, Minnesota
Sixth Platoon



Rodreck, Ronald N.
Fresno, California
Fifth Platoon



Rodriguez, Javier
El Paso, Texas
Second Platoon



Ruckman,
Thomas W., Jr.
Warren, Ohio
Third Platoon



Rupp, Gary G.
Garden Grove,
California
Fifth Platoon



Ryan, Robert B.
Wellington, California
Second Platoon



Sargent, James F.
Salt Lake City, Utah
Fifth Platoon



Sartor, Robert K.
Flint, Michigan
Sixth Platoon



Sawka, Edward J., Jr.
St. Clair Shores,
Michigan
Fifth Platoon



Schwartz, Gary D.
Groton, Connecticut
Fifth Platoon



Showalter, Stephen A.
Hutchinson, Kansas
First Platoon



Silver, Irving E.
Berkley Springs,
West Virginia
First Platoon



Simmons, Robert E.
Dorset, Vermont
First Platoon



Simpson, Larry L.
Phoenix, Arizona
Fourth Platoon



Slibeck, Edward W.
Wilmington, Delaware
Third Platoon



Sparks, Stephen
Tulsa, Oklahoma
First Platoon



Spence, James L., Jr.
New Iberia,
Louisiana
Third Platoon



Steffen, Wayne D.
Fayetteville,
North Carolina
First Platoon



Stephen, Karl H.
Boston, Massachusetts
Second Platoon



Strawder, Billy S.
Los Angeles,
California
Sixth Platoon



Sunseri, Kenneth T.
Pittsburgh,
Pennsylvania
Third Platoon



Sutcliffe,
Grenville G.
Kirkwood, Missouri
Fourth Platoon



Ritucci, Joseph F.
Brockton,
Massachusetts
Second Platoon



Taylor, Larry, Jr.
Tellico Plains,
Tennessee
First Platoon



Thompson, Michael A.
Rocky Ridge,
Maryland
Fifth Platoon



Thwing, William C.
Holyoak, Maine
Second Platoon



Todoroff, Andrew N.
Naperville, Illinois
Fifth Platoon



Tordillos, Francisco G.
Seattle, Washington
Sixth Platoon



Trudell, Peter J.
Buena Vista, Virginia
Third Platoon



Twentier, Henry W.
Butler, Pennsylvania
Second Platoon



Ulmer, Jan A.
Brattleboro, Vermont
Third Platoon



Valla, Ray W.
Jacksonville, Florida
Fifth Platoon



Von Fange, Lyle D.
Salinas, Kansas
Third Platoon



Vosbury, Gerald W.
Columbus, Ohio
Third Platoon



Wagner, Kenneth A.
New York, New York
Second Platoon



Ware, Maxwell H.
Columbus, Ohio
Third Platoon



Warnhoff, Gary D.
Cuba, Missouri
Second Platoon



Weddle, Kenneth D.
Topeka, Kansas
Sixth Platoon



Wilton, Lane H.
Cypress, California
Fourth Platoon



Woods, Robert L.
Birmingham, Alabama
Sixth Platoon



Rench, Quentin H.
Racine, Wisconsin
First Platoon



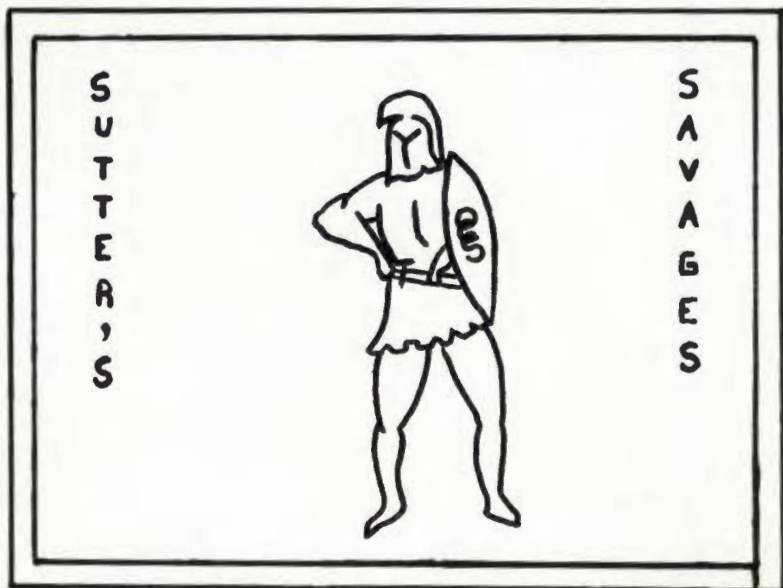
2LT JOHN CHRISTIE



2LT DAVID CONRAD



2LT BENJAMEN WELLS
FIRST PLATOON



2LT VERNON SUTTER
SECOND PLATOON



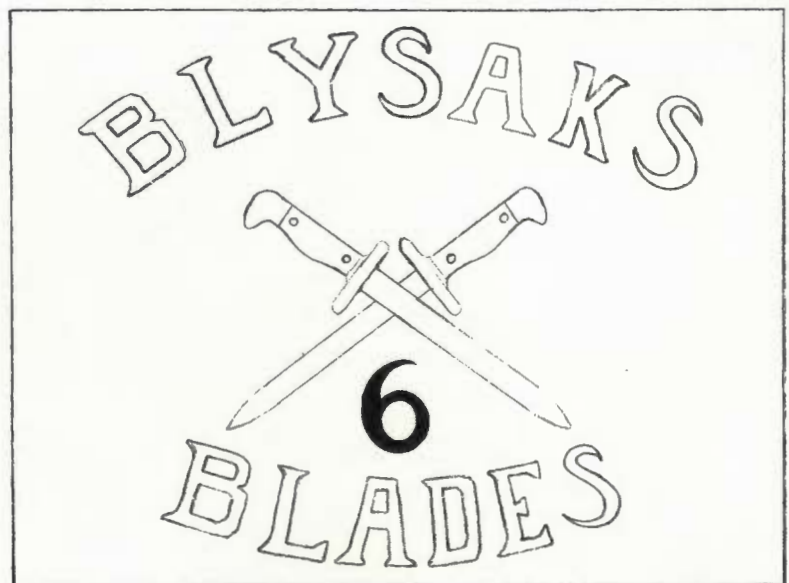
2LT PAUL SCHIERHOLZ
THIRD PLATOON



2LT MONTE THOMAS
FOURTH PLATOON



1LT JOHN DE TREVILLE
FIFTH PLATOON



1LT GEORGE BLYSAK
SIXTH PLATOON



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FOOTBALL TEAM
William C. Andrews
and Donald A. Doll,
Co-Captains.



PARTY COMMITTEE



Geritol brings Spence through the mile.



I go to Omar for my uniforms.



So what if I die in Viet Nam.



Bivouac was a blast.











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