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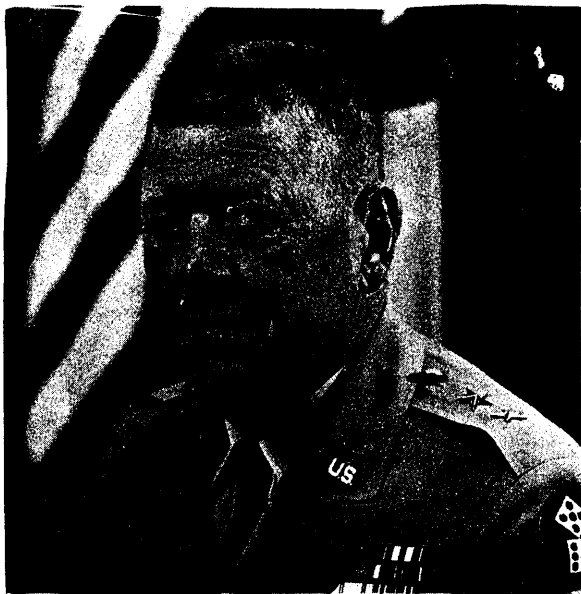
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THE POINT IS...Major Alice M. Orr, an Army Reserve Nurse, checks the fluid level in a syringe before giving a patient an injection. Major Orr of Menasha, Wis., works in the Surgical Section of the 44th General Hospital from Madison, Wis. (U.S. Army Photo by SP5 Bob Thomas)



XI CORPS COMMANDING GENERAL
VISITS CAMP MCCOY JUNE 1

Major General Robert H. Adams, Commanding General, XI U. S. Army Corps, St. Louis Mo., paid his first visit to Camp McCoy June 1.

He was met at the McCoy Airport by Colonel Paul Craig Post Commander.

After lunch at the Officers Club, General Adams paid a brief visit to some of the XI U. S. Army Corps units taking their Army training test here at McCoy.

He returned to XI Corps Headquarters yesterday.

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FIRST NURSE WO'S NAMED

WASHINGTON (ANF) - The first nurses to be appointed under the recently established Warrant Officer Nurse procurement program have been named by the Army.

Edward Dabkowski of New Britain, Conn., and Anne B. Kessler of Troy, N. Y., received appointments as warrant officer, W-1, in the Army of the United States on May 16 and May 18 respectively.

Both will attend the basic nurse course at Brooke Army Medical Center, Fort Sam Houston, Tex., before reporting to their first assignments -- WO Dabkowski to Madigan General Hospital, Tacoma, Wash. and Kessler to Walter Reed Army Medical Center, Washington, D. C.

The new Warrant Officer Nurse program, announced and outlined in DA Circular 601-15, April 12, 1966, provides opportunity for individuals who are graduates of two-year programs in nursing education to apply for appointments as warrant officers in the Army of the United States. Applicants may be married or single, however women applicants may not have dependents under 13 years of age.

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"FOOD FOR THOUGHT"

When driving that auto remember to be especially watchful for deer.

---Keep in mind that summer time is also fire time, and help keep Wisconsin green.

---Last year nearly 5,000 tax dollars were spent on wasted coke bottles. Lets put them back in the racks.

SUNDAY IS WORK DAY AT THE RESERVE PROCESSING CENTER

"Never on a Sunday" may be the theme for a popular motion picture but there is at least one organization at Camp McCoy where it would never be apropos.

The one day a week when the work load at the Ready Reserve Processing Center is the heaviest and most hectic is Sunday. Reservist from all over the United States start to pour into the processing center in the early hours of the morning and continue until late at night.

On an average Sunday some 400 to 1400 ready reservist enter Camp McCoy for two-weeks of active duty with an assigned unit. These men must be processed; their records checked, their pay and allowances accounted for, and their travel pay arranged. Although there are many steps in the processing, the average time per man is only 25 minutes. Before the summer is finished there will be over 6,000 ready reservist processed here.

Major Gordon Bishop is the Officer in Charge of the unit. He has with him one officer and seven enlisted men to help him full time and draws upon the personnel of the 5064th Garrison for additional help when needed.

The permanent staff is Captain Donald Giesbregh, Sp5 Joe Titus, Sp5 Terry Campbell, Sp5 Ronald Clark, Sp5 Russel Barris, Sp4 Steven Barnett, Pvt Donald Adams, PFC Francisco Riviera.

How the ready reservist are selected for training at Camp McCoy is an interesting story in itself. In the USAAC Headquar-

ters in St. Louis there is a computer which is programed all the reservists in the country by rank, MOS, and the area where they are living. Before a Reserve or National Guard unit goes to summer camp they send in a requirement for the additional manpower it will take to bring their TO&E's up to full strength. The requirements are run into the computers and the men are acquired. In this way men will wind up working in their MOS in which they were trained and the Reserve units will not have to conduct on the job training for many unskilled men.

How effective is this program so far? Lt. Col. Jack Bowers, Liaison Officer for the U.S. Army Administration Center, in St. Louis, commented that "The program at Camp McCoy exceeds the U.S. Army Administrations Center's expectations by far."

The program takes one step further. Men with unusual MOS's, such as missile repairmen, will still take their annual two-weeks training, but with active army units rather than reserves units. In this way, all reservists will not only get two-weeks of active duty, but they will get practice in the field in which they are qualified and trained for.

CAMP MCCOY MEN PARADE

Men and equipment from Camp McCoy participated in the Memorial Day Parade in LaCrosse.

Project officer for the event was Major Harry J. Randall. He was assisted by Major Bardoll.

"JUDGE SEZ"

When you entered the United States Army some of your rights and privileges as a citizen were either substantially modified--or removed. However, one right and privilege which remains constant, regardless of military or civilian status, is the right to vote. Recent developments have affected voting rights of military personnel who make their legal residence in Texas, Virginia, Alabama and Mississippi.

According to information recently distributed by the Department of Defense, Texas has enacted a new voter registration law which eliminated the payment of poll taxes as a requirement for voting in local, state or federal elections. The new Texas law, however, does require that the voter obtain a valid registration certificate no later than 1 February. Both registration and voting under the new Texas law may be done either in person or absentee.

Poll taxes in Virginia were abolished by a decision of the United States Supreme Court which held the Virginia tax a violation of equal protection of law guaranteed by the 14th Amendment. The same decision, issued by the court on 24 March 1966 also invalidated the poll taxes formerly imposed by Alabama and Mississippi.

As a member of the United States Army, you are on duty to safeguard the basic rights of every citizen including the right to vote. Be sure that you exercise that right yourself. Know your state's procedures and

requirements for registration and absentee voting. If you need help see your legal assistance officer in building 110, telephone 275.

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**"PERHAPS THE MOST VALUABLE
RESULT OF ALL EDUCATION IS
THE ABILITY TO MAKE YOURSELF
DO THE THING YOU HAVE TO DO
WHEN IT OUGHT TO BE DONE,
WHETHER YOU LIKE IT OR
NOT."**

**...THOMAS HENRY HUXLEY
BRITISH NATURALIST**

"THE REAL MCCOY"

Col Paul Craig
Commanding Officer

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44TH GENERAL HOSPITAL CONDUCTS MASS CASUALTY EXERCISE ON MAY 27

Twenty-seven "victims" of a "training accident" were rushed to the Camp McCoy Hospital by ambulance about 10 a.m., May 27.

Among the victims of an artillery round which fell short were soldiers with head wounds, belly wounds, sucking chest wounds, broken bones, hysteria, shock and central nervous system injuries.

Many of the victims were listed in "critical" condition and several were tagged "dead on arrival." However, all were released in excellent condition from the hospital before 11:30 a.m.

The victims were reservists participating in a mass casualty drill conducted at the hospital by members of the 44th General Hospital, a Madison-area Army

reserve unit now operating the camp hospital.

The drill was conducted to test the hospital's capability for handling a large number of casualties within a short period of time, according to Col. Bruce J. Longley, commander of the 44th increment now at McCoy.

"Every attempt was made to insure realism throughout the drill," Col. Longley said.

Litter bearers lifted non-ambulatory patients from the ambulances and carried them to the receiving room where a triage team sorted the wounded and dispatched them to appropriate wards or treatment areas.

According to one weary litter bearer, "not one of the stretcher cases weighed less than 250 pounds. (continued page 6)



SORTING THE WOUNDED -- Capt. Douglas D. Harris, left, discusses the wound of one of the accident "victims" with Capt. Julia Greutzmacher and Major James H. Brandenburg during the mass casualty exercise. (U. S. ARMY PHOTO by PFC William Carman)

MASS CASUALTY EXERCISE...

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A few wheeled carts were available to the bearers, but most patients were carried.

Wounds were simulated with realistic-appearing plastic moulages developed by the Army to train medical corpsmen. Patients with wounds that were not visible were tagged to indicate injuries.

Once patients arrived in the wards or treatment rooms, physicians or surgeons checked early diagnoses and simulated treatment procedures.

"We hope such a disaster never occurs," Col. Longley said, "but drills such as this help prepare us to handle a large number of casualties quickly and efficiently."

The test May 27 revealed a few problems, the colonel said. But, he added, the purpose of the drill was to uncover these problems, and steps already have been taken to correct them.

Among those observing the drill were Brig. Gen. Myron J. Tremaine, commander of the 801st Hospital Center unit of Chicago, who was inspecting the hospital; and Maj. Kenneth Lennox, post surgeon.

The 44th General Hospital, a 1,000-bed hospital reserve unit, opened the post hospital May 22.

Members of the unit are attending summer camp in two groups in order to operate the

hospital a full month.

The 44th is affiliated with the University of Wisconsin Medical School. Among the unit's 115 officers and enlisted men now at McCoy, 12 are physicians or surgeons, 3 are dentists and 4 are nurses.

THREE PERMANENT PARTY TO BE REASSIGNED

Three members of the Camp McCoy Permanent Party Force will be departing us shortly.

Major Charles B. Thompson, Director of Maintenance; Lt. Joseph Hollman, Special Services Officer; and Mr. George W. Perry, have all received orders to leave Camp McCoy within the next month.

Major Thompson, a native of Keokee, Va., came to McCoy in April of 64 from Iran, to assume his maintenance-chief duties. From here, the Major will report to the 45th CS Group, Fort Lee, Va., for further overseas assignment.

A native of Hillsboro, Ore., Lt. Hollman came to McCoy from Ft. Benning, Ga., immediately after receiving his commission. He has served as McCoy Detachment Commander, Assistant S-1 Adjutant, and currently as Special Services Officer. The Lt. will join the First Cavalry Division, Vietnam, late in June.

Mr. Perry, Post Exchange Officer, will leave for Ethiopia in June after three years at Camp McCoy. He is from Georgia.

CHAPLAIN'S COLUMN

The parched sands of the great Sahara Desert in Africa contain the bleached bones of many a traveler who lost his way. A left handed man normally has a left leg slightly longer than his right. The same holds true in reverse for a right handed individual. Because there is no point of reference in the desert other than endless sand dunes which all look alike; a man's leg becomes the key factor in determining the path that he walks. If he is lost and has no point of reference he may find himself walking in a great circle. There is nothing on the horizon to aim at, this may mean death in the desert.

A man named Paul was lost and his life was going nowhere. One day he found the key to all mysteries and the sure and certain road that leads to eternal joy and peace. This great Apostle says we will never lose our way if we allow God to be our guide and perfecter of our faith.

A man can live his whole life repeating his mistakes, which will cause him to "walk in circles". This no one really wants as it affords no progress. However with God as your point of reference, your path in life will never be aimless. The Master himself pioneered the way and His way leads to an eternal reward. Follow Him and you will never walk in an aimless circle.

James E. Roberts
Chaplain (Capt) USAR
972nd Engr Bn (C) (A)

ATTEND CHAPEL SUNDAY

CATHOLIC MASS:

0800 Hours Chapel # 10 Bldg 1759

1000 Hours Chapel # 10 Bldg 1759

0900 Hours Chapel # 12 Bldg 2559

PROTESTANT WORSHIP:

1000 Hours Chapel # 1 Bldg 2672

1000 Hours Chapel # 12 Bldg 2559

JEWISH SERVICES:

In LaCrosse, Sat, 0900, Contact
Post Chaplain for transportation

801ST COMMANDING GENERAL

VISITS MCCOY MAY 25TH

Brig. Gen. Myron J. Tremaine, commanding officer of the 801st Hospital Center, a Chicago Army reserve unit, flew into Camp McCoy May 25 for a three-day visit at the camp hospital.

The visit was the first of six or seven trips the general will make to Camp McCoy this summer to coordinate the medical units operating the hospital.

The 44th General Hospital, a 1,000-bed hospital unit from Madison, opened the hospital May 22 and is staffing a medical and a surgical ward.

The number of wards will be expanded when and if necessary.

As commander of the 801st, Gen. Tremaine is responsible for supervising and coordinating the activities of reserve medical units in the Fifth U.S. Army area.

In civilian life, the general is a surgeon and is team physician for the Chicago Black Hawk hockey team. He has a staff appointment at Chicago's Henrotin Hospital and is consulting surgeon at several other Chicago hospitals.

POST TEAM DROPS FIRST GAME; OFFICERS LEAD INTRAMURAL LEAGUE

The Camp McCoy softball season started last week and the first results of play are in.

In the Tomah League, made up of teams sponsored by business establishments from Tomah, the post team played and lost their first game against the team sponsored by the Teepee Lounge by a score of 4 to 2.

The winning pitcher was Johnson who gave up four hits, walked four and struck out eight. Sp5 Joe Titus pitched for the post team and gave up five hits, walked 1 and struckout 1.

The standings as of June 2 for the Post Intramural team are:

Team	Win	Loss
Officers	2	0
Spec Svc	1	1
Hqts	1	1
TVMP	0	1
TVEP	0	1

In the first game of the season the Special Services team stomped the Headquarters team by a score of 15 to 10.

Winning pitcher was PFC George Wassen and Sp5 Joe Titus took the loss for Headquarters. Titus helped his losing cause by knocking the first homerun of the season.

Special Services took the win behind the batting of Sp5 James Shelton with a 4 for 5 record and the pitcher, Wassen, with 3 for 4 at the plate.

In the second game the Officers team, guided by the pitching of Lt Joseph Hollman, ran over TVEP with a score of 10 to 5. Sp5 Joe Mohorn took the loss for TVEP.

The third game of the season was the closest contest so far, with the Officers finally triumphing over Special Service with a score of 10 to 9.

Lt Hollman pitched his second win of the season and Lt Phil Fox helped the Officers cause with a 3 for 4 record at the plate. Losing pitcher was Sgt Isaac Craig. Sp4 Jerry Setterman made a good show at the plate for the Special Service Team with a 2 for 4 record, one of which was a round-tripper.

Sp5 Joe Titus of Headquarters picked up his first win of the season during the fourth game as he went the distance to take a 16 to 10 win over TVMP.

Taking the loss at the mound was Sp4 Robert Copeland. On the winners side Sp4 Nathaniel Barbosa had 4 for 5 at the plate while Sgt Armand Castille had a 3 for 5 day.

Special Services needs approximately six umpires for their intramural league. The pay is \$3 a game and qualified persons should contact Sp5 James Sheldon at 226 or in person at building 2675.

