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EARS LATER:

Recalling end of World War II; reactions at Camp McCoy

On Sept. 2, 1945, the official end of World War II came to pass with Japan's signing of the Instrument of Surrender aboard the battleship USS Mis-

At then-Camp McCoy, Wis., the thousands of ervice members, civilian workers, and more who had kept the war effort going at the post were already preparing to send service members home after the war was all done.

The first announcement that the war was over was printed in the special Aug. 14, 1945, edition of The Real McCoy newspaper where the entire front page had a hammer headline of "EXTRA: WAR'S The paper also stated that the Japanese had ac-

was officially over. In that Aug. 14 special edition, the post commander, Brig. Gen. John K. Rice, stated that "now there was a lot of work ahead."

cepted the terms of unconditional surrender from

the Allies. It wasn't until Sept. 2, 1945, that the war

In an article in that same paper, entitled "Important job ahead for McCoy, Gen. Rice asserts," it states how the plan going forward has begun to start increased discharges instead of the post changing course to train more Soldiers for the Pacific theater of operations.

"Camp McCoy's importance in the new problems posed by the end of the war were emphasized by Brig. Gen. John K. Rice, commanding general, who declared the task faced by the post in separation of men from the service 'parallels anything undertaken here during the fighting years and will task our energies to the utmost," the article states. "The huge job of discharging thousands of veterans from the six-state area serviced by Camp McCoy will swing into high shortly when the War Department is expected to announce its new plans regarding disposition of at least five million of the men now in uniform."

By Sept. 7, 1945, less than a week after the official end of the war, separations were well underway from Camp McCoy. The headline in the Sept. 7 edition of The Real McCoy newspaper stated, "Separation Center doubles discharges; 25,680 redeployed here in August, more coming.

"August was a busy month for personnel of the reception center as pay vouchers and furlough papers were signed for 25,680 men who were processed for redeployment," the article states. "Bigger loads are expected this month.

"Under direction of Capt. D.D. O'Connell, commanding officer, the reception station handled an average of 500 to 1,000 men daily during the past month. The largest number to be processed was on Aug. 31 which included 116 officers and 1,587 enlisted men," the article states. "New arrivals for the reception station are met by guides who remain with the group during medical examinations, screening, issuing of clothing, and until furlough papers are signed."

The article also states that upon returning to the camp after their furlough, the service members are assembled and grouped for shipment, excluding those who have requested furlough extensions, special agricultural and essential job discharges, and those becoming eligible for discharge.

That same Sept. 7 paper stated the dining facilities were also extra busy feeding the troops being discharged through McCoy.

In the article, "Jumbo' messes feed 1,700 a meal," it states on mess hall, now called dining facilities, was cranking out a record effort to feed everyone.

"With a boom in discharges steadily mounting at the separation center, its new double mess hall was doing capacity business this week, according to Capt. Kenneth Cochran, assistant mess officer for the personnel center. Capt. John M. Willis is mess officer for the center," the article states. "Approximately 1,700 men are being fed in mess hall 1726-27 in the separation center, Cochran said. Another mess hall of the new double type is in operation in the new reception station.

The new mess halls have bigger seating capacities with the room where the old kitchens were now being used for seating space and cafeteria-style facilities." the article states. "The kitchen in the middle permits serving on both sides simultaneously from steam tables which keep the food warm."

In the Aug. 14 "victory" edition of The Real Mc-Coy, the man who had been the post commander for most of the wartime period at McCoy, Col. George M. MacMullin, wrote a short column, entitled "Praise for McCoy," where he also celebrated the war victory.

"The victory for which our nation and all United Nations have striven has been achieved, thank God," MacMullin wrote. "With the proclamation by President Harry S. Truman, our commander in chief, this day has been designated as (Victory in Japan) V-J Day, signifying the end of hostilities against the remaining Axis foe, Japan.

"The record amassed by our military forces during the fighting years since Japan attacked this nation Dec. 7, 1941, has been studded with feats of military achievement bordering on the impossible. The magnificent triumphs of our armed forces serve as a symbol of Americanism, portray a nation united as one," the article states.

"Victory is here, and we look to the future confident our country will continue to lead the world in peace as it did in war. For those of us at Camp McCoy, there remains an important task before we write Finis to the war years. The return to civilian pursuits of thousands of veterans is the responsibility of Camp McCoy's personnel center. This huge assignment parallels anything undertaken here during the fighting years and will require our maximum efforts. I am certain I will receive your wholehearted support — as in the past — and we at Camp McCoy shall meet our objectives promptly and with as much dispatch as possible. Again, my congratulations to you and your part in this great

Camp McCoy (today Fort McCoy) played a major role in World War II as one of the U.S. Army's most important training and mobilization centers in McCOY HAS EVERYTHING

Recreational Facilities at Vets' Disposal



SEPARATION CENTER **DOUBLES DISCHARGES**

25,680 Redeployed Here In August; More Coming

Record Load of THE REAL MCCOY

Killed 8, Captured 18 Nazis

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For 20 McCoy 38-Year-Olds

Gen. Rice Issues Call For Reenlistments In Regulars

(Above and below) Images of news clippings and photos of Camp McCoy in September 1945 are shown. World War II officially ended Sept. 2, 1945

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Efficient to Nth Degree!















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THE REAL McCOY Vol. IV Camp McCoy, Wis., Priday, September 21, 1945



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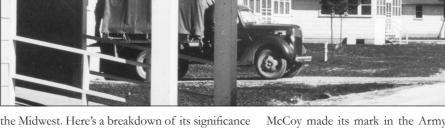


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Throughout World War II, history shows Camp



McCoy made its mark in the Army. First, the installation served as a key training and mobilization hub. The post expanded dramatically after 1940

with new barracks, ranges, and facilities built to handle the wartime draft. By 1942, it could house

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Discharges Soon

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over 35,000 troops at a time.

During the "fighting years," Camp McCoy hosted dozens of divisions and units for basic, advanced, and specialized training before deployment overseas. Units trained at McCoy included: 2nd Infantry Division, 76th Infantry Division, 100th Infantry Battalion (Nisei soldiers from Hawaii), and various artillery, engineer, and support units.

The 100th Infantry Battalion, especially was one that made historical achievements during the war. The 100th was the first Japanese-American unit in the Army during World War II, and they arrived at McCoy in 1942.

Their successful training at McCoy helped prove the loyalty and capability of Nisei Soldiers, McCoy's history states, leading to the creation of the famed 442nd Regimental Combat Team, the most decorated unit of its size in U.S. military history.

Training for the 100th at McCoy lasted roughly six months, covering marksmanship, physical conditioning, and tactical exercises. Anecdotes highlight the unit's advanced, multi-weapon training to prove their loyalty and competency. One story from The Real McCoy archives show five 100th Soldiers received the Soldier's Medal for rescuing civilians from drowning on a frozen Wisconsin lake. Soldiers with the 100th also interacted with local communities, es-

pecially in Sparta, La Crosse, and Tomah. The Soldiers even formed a baseball team nicknamed the "Aloha team," complete with Hawaiian musicians and leis, playing local teams around Wisconsin. They also hosted a farewell luau before departing — full of music, food, and

McCoy also served as a prisoner-of-war (POW) camp during World War II. The former Civil Conservation Corps discharge and reception center located on South Post was converted into a POW and relocation camp, history shows. The facility consisted of 35 buildings and a 20-acre enclosure. The FBI relocated 293 enemy-alien internees (five Italians, 106 Germans, and 182 Japanese) to Camp McCoy. The camp was the largest holding facility for Japanese POWs (2,700) in the Continental United States and also housed nearly 3,000 German and 500 Korean POWs until POW operations were ceased in 1946. Camp McCoy is unique in American history as having housed both relocated Japanese-Americans from the West Coast as well as European and Japanese POWs captured during World War II.

McCoy was also well known for specialized training during World War II. The camp supported training in cold-weather operations, artillery, engineering, and maneuver warfare. Its varied terrain (woods, rivers, and open prairie) made it ideal for simulating European combat conditions, as stated by many of the World War II veterans who trained for war at the post.

By the end of World War II, hundreds of thousands of troops had passed through Camp McCoy. It was a symbol of both American preparedness and the integration of diverse groups (including Nisei soldiers) into the Army, the history states. And the post remained active after World War II, serving in the Korean War mobilization and



This is a news photos from summer 1945 of the current headquarters of U.S. Army Garrison-Fort McCoy. At that time the building was 3 years old.

later evolving into today's Fort McCoy, a key Army and mobilization

Fort McCoy history is also highlighted in every monthly issue of The Real McCoy — Fort McCoy's official newspaper — in the "This Month in Fort McCoy History" column. See past editions at https:// www.dvidshub.net/publication/1002/the-real-mccoy.

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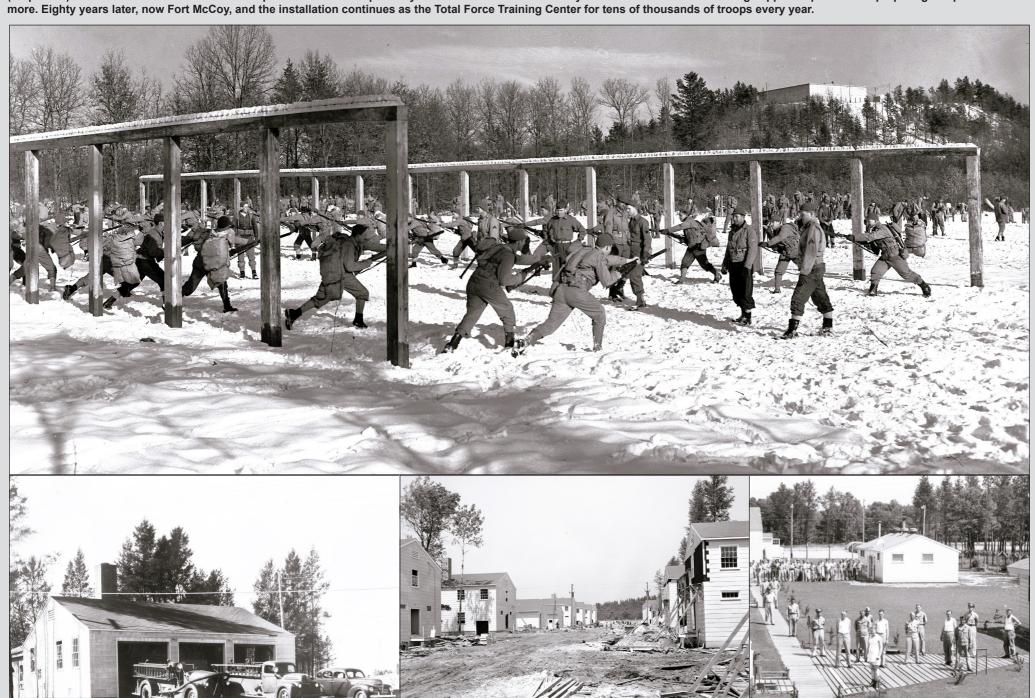
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Also try downloading the My Army Post app to your smartphone and set "Fort McCoy" or another installation as your preferred base. Fort McCoy is also part of Army's Installation Management Command where "We Are The Army's Home."

THROUGH THE WAR YEARS: Photos at Camp McCoy, 1942-45



(All photos) This a small collection of historical photos of then-Camp McCoy from 1942 to 1945. Fort McCoy was known then for its training support capabilities in preparing troops for war and



THIS MONTH IN FORT MCCOY HISTORY:

September World War II years, 1942-1945

This Month in Fort McCoy History Here's a collection of excerpts from the special columns of This Month in Fort McCoy history that highlighted history at then-Camp McCoy in September between 1942 and 1945.

80 Years Ago — September 1945

SEPT. 21, 1945: Col. George M. MacMullin, the man who guided Camp McCoy through its war years to national fame as a training center, left the post for a new assignment in the Pacific.

Under MacMullin's command, Camp McCoy gained fame as the Middle West's top combat training center. He assumed command June 17, 1942, at that time in the old camp, now the pris-

In August of that year the new camp opened and it was here that, under MacMullin's command, McCoy gained nationwide fame.

Here the 2nd and 76th Infantry Division and the 100th Infantry Battalion trained for what later proved to be action against the Germans.

A host of other units were also readied for combat against the Nazis and later distinguished

SEPTEMBER 1945: Seeing his son for the first time in 11 months was a great thrill for Staff Sgt. E. M. Shaw of Medford, Wis., who had been stationed at Camp McCoy since 1942. His son, Pfc. James Shaw, was sent to Camp Mc-Cov for redeployment after serving in Germany.

Two other members of the Shaw family were in service, as well: Lt. Grace Shaw with a hospital in Chicago and Tech Sgt. Jack Shaw, stationed in France.

SEPT. 9, 1945: A 100 percent boost in the rate of discharges from the Camp McCoy Separation Center was reported the week of Sept. 9, 1945, by Maj. Thomas B. Hammond, separation center commanding officer.

Where previously the average daily discharge load was about 250, that week's daily totals topped the 500 mark, Hammond said. He said the center was aiming for a 1,200-a-day rate of discharge goal and would probably hit a peak of somewhere between 1,600 and 2,000 after the first of the year.

SEPT. 14, 1945: A member of the famed 100th Infantry battalion, made up of Americans of Japanese descent from Hawaii, returned to become a civilian employee the week of Sept. 14, 1945, at Camp McCoy, where he had trained with the unit for more than six months about 2

Kenneth Koji was working as a mail clerk at the camp post office. "It's good to work at Camp McCoy," Koji said. "Wisconsin weather is different than Hawaii's, but I like it very much

Most of the remaining original 100th Infantry members had already been discharged, according Koji said. Their combat record, which has been cited as one of the most outstanding of any unit's in the European Theater of Operations, included nearly two years of fighting from North Africa, the length of Italy, through France from the south, and back for the victory

With headquarters company of the 100th Infantry, Koji earned six campaign stars and the distinguished unit citation with which the unit

81 Years Ago — September 1944

FROM THE SEPT. 2, 1944, EDITION OF THE REAL MCCOY NEWSPAPER: New camp 2 years old; termed 'l ast word' in Army training centers (By Newspaper Staff) — Camp Mc-Coy this week celebrated the second anniversary of the opening of the new camp - marking the birthday without incident but with an accelerated war effort. Every office shop and unit on the post worked harder to speed victory.

Col. George M. MacMullin, post commander, commenting on the anniversary, declared: "Camp McCoy has established an enviable reputation as a training site. It ranks among the nation's greatest camps. Its personnel — both military and civilian — has been a credit to the United States, and I am sure will continue unceasingly to work toward victory."

At the camp's opening two years ago, 50,000 visitors toured the post expressing surprise at its wonders. The Army has continually pointed to Camp McCoy as the last word in training camps. Since its erection two years ago, the camp gained the reputation throughout the nation as being one of the finest. It has pioneered experiments for the Army and has produced fighting men who are today giving excellent accounts of

themselves on the battlefields of France, Italy, and in the Pacific.

Built with permanency

All the experience and practice the Army accumulated in building hundreds of training camps across the nation in the months before Pearl Harbor were combined and brought to the full flower in the construction of Greater Camp McCoy.

The new camp, as differentiated from the old - now a prisoners of war center praise from high-ranking Army officials as the most modern and most beautiful in the Middle West, if

Spacious — it takes in over 6,000 acres of rugged terrain — the camp bears as much resemblance to the first cantonments thrown up following the move to rearm as a city slum does to a modern housing project. The Army gave Camp McCoy the best — building it with permanency.

Hundreds of barracks, 12 chapels, six theaters,

14 post exchanges, a dozen recreation halls, two service clubs, two guest houses, dozens of offices and blocks of warehouses and shops make Camp McCoy a city out of an area where once only jack pine and scrub oak grew.

Only one for artillery

Giving troops advanced combat training was the objective of Camp McCoy. These troops were generally trained in the field and hardened by months of living in the open before coming here. The camp's rugged terrain, steep ridges, sandy soil, and hundreds of streams made it ideally suited for preparing Soldiers for combat tests.

Its size made it the only Army station in the North Central states capable of handling the big guns of heavy artillery units.

FROM THE SEPT. 16, 1944, EDITION OF THE REAL MCCOY NEWSPAPER: Medal

of Honor award given to hero's dad here; 76th Combat Team stages huge parade (By Newspaper Staff) — The nation's highest award — the Congressional Medal of Honor — was presented posthumously at Camp McCoy on Friday afternoon by Maj. Gen. William R. Schmidt, 76th Infantry Division commander, to Erland Gibson, Rice Lake, Wis., in recognition of Gibson's son's gallantry in action.

Technician Fifth Grade Eric Gunnar Gibson, 24, was killed in Italy after leading his squad on a dangerous mission. Under heavy enemy artillery, machine gun, and rifle fire, Gibson advanced and destroyed four enemy positions, killed five, and captured two German soldiers and secured the left flank of his company before he fell.

Came over from Sweden

A parade of a reinforced division combat team with motorized elements preceded the presentation. In attendance were Mrs. Gibson, the hero's mother; Cpl. Sven Gibson, 22, his brother, who is in the air force stationed at Shepherd Field, Texas; and a group of Rice Lake legionairres.

82 Years Ago — September 1943 FROM THE SEPT. 11, 1943, EDITION OF

THE REAL MCCOY NEWSPAPER: Camp Mc-Coy Harvest Army's 'furlogh' to farms extended another week by War Department order (By Pvt. Frank Brookhouser) — FINLEY, N.D. — Thousands of shocks of wheat await threshing before the journey to market figuratively toppled over on the Army's marching orders and, as a result, the Soldiers of the 278th Field Artillery Battalion continued their campaign in the North Dakota grain belt for another week.

The six-day extension of time to aid the farmers was finally granted by the War Department and word of the decision reached the temporary camps on Sunday as the men were preparing for the trip back to Camp McCoy.

The extension lengthened the work period to ent 10 and affected the entire 177th Field Group from McCoy, both battalions having been scheduled to leave Monday under previous orders. This group, under the command of veteran campaigner Col. R. T. Guthrie — who found nothing about threshing in the numerable training manuals he studied — is the largest individual group which was moved to the grain fields in the home front

Scenes that might be called the tragi-comic type developed from the sudden change in virtually all camps. Here in Finley, "home" of the 278th's "Charlie" Battery, the men had just taken down all of the six-man tents when the telephone call from headquarters came through to Capt. Ernest

E. Keusch. A photographer with the artistic touch could have caught nearly a hundred inspired portraits of "man beset by adversity" if he had been on the grounds when the announcement was made.

SEPT. 4, 1943: Shots fired at Camp McCoy were heard around the world as the Army Hour picked up a five-minute broadcast from the camp as part

The program included Camp McCoy rifle marksmanship under the direction of Lt. Frank W.

McCoy's 80-Point Veterans Get Releases; 35s Are Next

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Take Pride In Your Uniform. Gen.Rice's Appeal

Betg. Gen. John H. Rice, con-minding general, in an appeal to ordinal personnel on the post this week, urged the men take more care in their wearing of the uniform.

He warned against rolled up-deeves, solled garments and tie-less shirts after retreat. Gen. Rice added:

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3 McCoy Men Compare Notes on Nazi PW Camps

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80 YEARS AGO: This is a news clipping from the Sept. 21, 1945, edition of The Real McCoy newspaper. The post was busy processing Soldiers for discharge from the war.

Luchowski, 23rd Infantry. Enlisted men appearing on the program included 1st Sgt. Edwin L. Neyrey, Cpl. Glenn W. Spray, Pfc. James R. Hill, and Pfc.

Written and directed by Maj. Jack Harris, executive officer of the radio branch of the War Department Public Relations Division, the Camp Mc-Coy portion of the Army Hour came between the pickups from Fort Benning, Ga., and North Africa.

> 83 Years Ago — September 1942

NOTES AND NEWS: Avocado -

has the highest food value of all fresh fruits, claim scientists." This one liner was printed in the September 1942 edition of The Real McCov. A forecast for the future of avocados?

Believe it or not, but The Real McCoy is believed to be the 'first Army camp paper' in America to be sold by newsboys on the streets of a civilian city. This unusual phenomenon occurred in Sparta, Wis., (1942); shortly after The Real McCoy came off the presses with its sixth issue. The unusual fact; which thrilled the camp paper's personnel was that it almost outsold all other publications for those days.

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WAR YEARS SCENES: (Above and below) Scenes from training to the completion of the "New Camp" between 1942-45 at then-Camp McCoy. The post excelled in completing winter training and the New Camp was completed in a matter of months in 1942.



THIS MONTH IN HISTORY

OTHER NOTED HISTORY FROM SEPTEMBER 1942 AT CAMP MCCOY: On Aug. 30, 1942, Camp McCoy's expansive new cantonment — the "New Camp" — was officially inaugurated after rapid construction of over a thousand buildings and extensive.

On Sept. 4, 1942, an open-house event welcomed nearly 50,000 visitors, drawn in droves by curiosity and civic pride. Roads were packed - cars, buses, even taxicabs streamed in — as people came to marvel at the transformed military city consisting of homes, theaters, chapels, hospitals, mess halls, and more.

The Real McCoy newspaper highlighted the visitor's praise: "Expressions of delight at the beautiful buildings were heard on all sides," calling the site "a monumental token to freedom.

Around this time, the camp began its dual function as a training base, preparing units like the 100th Infantry Battalion (Nisei soldiers) for deployment. Its role as a POW camp housing Japanese and German prisoners would emerge later in the war. Meanwhile, members of the 100th Infantry Battalion - many from Hawaii — were also experiencing their first snowfall that month. According to veterans' accounts, snow in September, paired with the song "White Christmas" showing at the base theater, created a poignant, nostalgic moment - especially when snow didn't return until Thanksgiving.

(Article prepared by the Fort McCoy Public Affairs Office with special contributions from Theresa Fitzgerald, Aimee Malone, Kaleen Holliday, and Scott T. Sturkol.)

Well-sessuned' could be the opprepriate term for quite a few WACs Tuesday right. Pvt. Phyl-

Capt. McCombs, Former WAC CO At Grant, Here

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-By 1st Sgt. Kathleen Hendron

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'Homesick' for Army Life, She Joined The WACs

Cpl. Cornellia L. Wiley of Cape Vincent, N. Y., WAC serving in the post personnel office, is the envy of her father, Capt. Melvin C. Wiley, who retired from active service in the U. S. Army in 1940.

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Company Street In New Camp McCoy



A Smile Always **100TH INFANTRY** Ramblings Around TID-BITS

newspaper at then-Camp McCoy.

Camp Quartermaster

From Job "Boss" Since her arrival at Camp IcCoy. Miss Ethel Van Sickle as been busier than the pro-

continues to smile as applicant after applicant appears before her desk at the Post Exchange office, where she is Director of

Bombsight-Gets Bars

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'The Paper" Says **Detroit Writer**

Grand Opening Of Sparta USO Tonight



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Gen. McNair Lauds Division McCoy Helps To Sell Million In Bonds

New Sparta USO Building Opening



3rd War Loan Pushed **Broadcast Successful**

Private Bath Now At McCoy

Five Officers Promote Bond Sales Thru State

New USO Is Smoothly Modern

So. Pacific Vet

Made First Sgt.

Chief Of Army Ground Forces Visits McCov: Views Battle Practice

outfit — real soldiers," was the co

Engineer Twins

Mark 1st Year

Proud Of 2nd

Germans Feel American Might In Italian Invasion

Maj. R. B. Mercer

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WACs Are In The Army Now

McCoy Pushes 3rd War Bond Campaign All Smiles **Post Commander To Be**

At Marshfield To Start Drive, Weld Relations

Colonel George M. MacMullin's first official visit :

* took command of the 31 county Western Wisconsinutity District will highlight the Third War Loan drive

**staged at Marshield Sept. 8 and 8.

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Post NCO Club

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Soldiers To Give Radio Program

Military Given Tax Extension

Women Soldiers Elated; 'Auxiliary' Is Dropped In Impressive Rituals

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Unit Moves From Old To New Camp Drivers Warned

On Car Parking Mass Troop Movement Vies

With Air Show For Thrills

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Gen.MacArthur **Heading Back** To Philippines

New Commander

of 301st Engineers

Col. Fillinger Aids

Smoke Eaters In

Putting Out Fire

CAMP McCOY, WIS., SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 1944

Medal of Honor Award Given Hero's Dad Here



Col. Lloyd Besse Assumes

Reports to 417th

Prize Winning Play Aired

Elaborate Program Planned For Visiting Legionnaires

Sunday Services Usher In Jewish 17th Detachment Command New Year Here

76th Combat **Team Stages** Huge Parade

Herr Goebbels

Famous Women Musicians Soloists With Symphony

Three of America's outstanding Led by the famed Car orsen musicians will highlight ledan, Bohamir Kryl, three re concerts of the Kryl Welestra which is the oil on's Symphony octherin at phony on tour in the 81 YEARS AGO: This is a news clipping from the Sept. 16, 1944, edition of The Real McCoy

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