A Learning Experience.



Sgt. Carroll Smith and Squad Leader Terry Pike show off their camouflage.



. . . Still more machine gun practice!



Where did that round hit?



Army Personnel Carriers (APC) used for training.



The Company chow line



Guardsmen practice on the Familiarization Range, using 50 caliber machine guns.



Headquarters of C Company.

FORT BRAGG, N.C. — Members of Edenton (Detachment 1) and Elizabeth City's (Company C-), 119th Infantry recently completed two weeks of active duty training here.

Activities included a five-day "Mock War" complete with artillery duels, air attacks and patrols into "enemy territory".

The detachment arrived via military convoy, settling into a main camp in a thicket of pine woods on the back side of Ft. Bragg, sixteen miles east of Southern Pines.

At dawn Monday they moved to a defensive position, which they held most of the three-day "war". Patrols led by Lt. Rogers, Platoon Leader and Staff Sgt. Jimmy Yates, were dispatched at night to locate the enemy positions and report back to the company commander, Capt. Larry Taylor.

On the third day of "Operation Copperhead" the enemy attacked in full force, and C Company withdrew from their position, throwing smoke grenades behind them to obscure their retreat.

The remainder of the training period was spent with guardsmen sharpening their skills in tactical maneuvers and weapons usage.



Sgt. Smith giving orders to his troops.



Sgt. Nixon directing his APC driver.



Sgt. Yates, Lt. Rogers on the 203 Live Fire Range.

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