

The Hood Panther

Issue Date, Primary Article and Units* Mentioned

- Dec 10, 1942.....1st Anniversary of Tank Destroyer Forces Creation (774th, 605th, 665th, 827th, 753rd and 744th)
- Dec 24, 1942.....1st Christmas for Camp Hood (644th, 605th, 899th, 802nd, 776th)
- Jan 21, 1943.....Anti-Loose Talk Drive Begins (643rd, 802nd, 630th, 809th, 819th, 644th, 812th, 827th, 610th and 644th)
- Feb 18, 1943.....Tank Destroyers are Talk of African Drive (605th, 773rd, 827th, 807th, 774th and 809th)
- March 4, 1943.....Joan Blondell Visits Camp Hood (4th Grp, 825th, 643rd and 817th)
- March 18, 1943.....Camp Gives \$16, 423.79 to Red Cross War Fund (13th Grp, 812th, 605th, 825th, 774th, 822nd and 823rd)
- April 15, 1943.....Bob Hope Broadcast from Camp (812th)
- May 13, 1943.....Specialized Training Course Now Available to More Enlisted Men (823rd, 822nd, 814th, 12th Grp, 801st, 827 and 824th)
- May 27, 1943.....North Camp Will Open Saturday, Three Battalions Smash Record with 3-Inch Gun (824th, 822nd, 823rd, 15th Grp, 647th, 12th Grp, 812th, 610th and 605th)
- June 10, 1943.....Pre-college Training Opens at North Camp (601st, 823rd, 819th, 829th, 820th and 12th Grp)
- July 8, 1943.....President Signs Bill Giving WAAC's Regular Army Status (657th, 635th, 663rd, 658th, 612th, 829th and 820th)
- July 15, 1943.....Replacement Training Center Has Own Small School (653rd, 605th, 815th, 666th, 827th and 829th)
- July 22, 1943.....Fast Moving Comedy Review, Funzafire, will Play at Camp (824th, 647th, 651st, 825th and 679th)
- July 29, 1943.....Col. McVicker New Training Brigade Head (605th, 670th, 824th and 829th)
- August 5, 1943.....V-Mail Use Overseas is Urged (801st, 658th, 14th Grp, 605th, 635th and 679th)
- August 12, 1943...."Meet the Girls" in Field House Tonight (670th, 648th, 21st Grp, 668th and 605th)
- August 19, 1943....OCS Class Hears Talk on Loyalty (13th Grp, 14th Grp, 635th, 605th, 17th Grp, 661st, 23rd Grp, 824th, 635th and 827th)
- August 16, 1943.....18th Group Completes ITC Training (671st, 652nd, 611th, 658th, 648th, 801st, 647th and 692nd)
- Sept 2, 1943.....Brazilian Officers Visit (669th, 22nd Grp, 17th Grp and 660th)
- Sept 9, 1943.....Italy Quits Unconditionally (660th, 668th, 657th, 20th Grp, 663rd, 827th, 672nd, 661st and 658th)
- Sept 16, 1943.....One Year Anniversary of Camp Hood (22nd Grp, 827th and 648th)

Sept 23, 1943.....100,000 Men Studying Under Army Specialized Training Program (664th, 16th Grp, 801st, 635th, 658th, 22nd Grp and 827th)

Sept 30, 1943.....Fewer Men Will Attend Army O.C.S. (662nd, 19th Grp, 827th, 601st, 668th, 23rd Grp, 665th and 635th)

Oct 7, 1943.....Men Eligible for ASTP to Get Chance (23rd Grp, 653rd, 17th Grp, 801st, 21st Grp, 19th Grp, 658th and 635th)

Oct 14, 1943.....M-10 Gun Crews Sets High Firing Score (663rd, 22nd Grp, 662nd, 23rd Grp, 658th, 17th Grp, 655th and 19th Grp)

Oct 21, 1943.....General Hester Assumes Command of TDC (667th, 660th, 662nd, 19th Grp, 801st, 776th and 672nd)

Oct 28, 1943.....Holiday Furloughs Are Reduced (635th, 656th, 663rd, 692nd, 661st, 655th, 614th and 22nd Grp)

Nov 4, 1943....."All is Well" New USO Show Coming (670th, 635th, 601st, 801st, 663rd, 829th, 614th and 667th)

Nov 18, 1943.....TD's Praised for Helping Defeat Germans at Salerno (662nd, 671st, 23rd Grp, 635th and 655th)

Nov 25, 1943.....Fourteen Gun Crews in 670th Battalion Shoot Perfect Scores (670th, 672nd, 801st, 665th and 635th)

Dec 2, 1943.....Roosevelt, Churchill, Chiang meet to plan Jap end; Stalin Next? (660th and 635th)

Dec 9, 1943.....671st Bn Gun Crews Shatter Proficiency Records for Firing (671st, 661st, 20th Grp, 668th, 667th, 656th and 19th Grp)

Dec 16, 1943....."Showtime" Broadcasts Here Sunday (672nd, 635th and 660th)

Dec 23, 1943.....Special Christmas Events Spread Yule Spirit Over Camp (667th, 672nd and 662nd)

Dec 30, 1943.....Comedy Play is New USO Presentation (670th, 667th, 665th and 656th)

Jan 6, 1944.....TD's Trained as Reinforcing Artillery in Secondary Role (667th, 672nd and 661st)

Jan 13, 1944.....New Georgia Action by 43rd Division told by War Dept. (667th, 663rd, 660th, 661st, 665th, 657th, 666th and 649th)

Jan 20, 1944.....Col Kurtz Camp Commander (667th, 663rd, 665th, 666th and 664th)

Jan 27, 1944.....All Camp Firing Records Smashed by 656th TD Bn. in AGF Proficiency Test (656th, 24th Grp, 664th, 801st, 672nd, 655th, 666th and 657th)

Feb 3, 1944.....Service Unit in Camp is Streamlined (658th, 672nd, 670th, 656th, 660th and 671st)

Feb 10, 1944.....Return Concert by Houston Symphony (657th, 659th, 666th, 664th, 655th, 661st and 658th)

Feb 17, 1944.....Captured Nazi Arms Studied by Men in TDS (679th, 664th, 663rd, 665th, 657th and 660th)

Feb 24, 1944.....UTC Discontinued; Gen. Gorder takes Command of RTC (668th, 666th and 658th)

March 2, 1944.....TDC Headquarters is Reorganized (664th, 667th, 655th and 658th)

March 16, 1944....Infantry Replacement Training Center Comes to Camp Hood (658th, 672nd, 656th, 660th and 24th Grp)

March 23, 1944....Advance IRTC Contingent Getting Hq. Set Up Here (658th and 662nd)

March 30, 1944....Big Morale Group Meets (672nd, 894th, 658th, 655th and 662nd)

April 6, 1944.....First IRTC Trainees Arrive (662nd, 664th, 660th and 667th)

April 13, 1944.....Gen Hazlett at Camp Hood IRTC for Brief Visit (656th, 662nd and 667th)

NOTE: The issues from this point on, are focused on the facility, as an infantry training center.

April 20, 1944.....Big Air Show Staged for IRTC (None)

April 27, 1944.....Officers to be Schooled for Far East Civil Affairs (662nd)

May 4, 1944.....Camp Demonstration is Complete Battle Show (None)

May 11, 1944.....Chief of Brazilian Army Armored Force Visits TDS (None)

May 18, 1944.....Hood WACS Take Part in Waco Parade on WAC Day (None)

May 25, 1944.....AGF Chief Visits Hood (662nd)

June 1, 1944.....General Marshall Makes an Appeal for More WAC's (None)

June 8, 1944.....Camp Paper's Name to be Changed with Next Issue (656th and 662nd)

* Not all units listed are Tank Destroyer units and some are undocumented units.