HISTORY
OMPANY 5452
S-74-Pa.
ontes Mills, Pa.

Army Personnel

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Ward W. Farnham
Commanding

t. John H. Thompson
Exchange Officer

. Benjamin Schwartz
Camp Surgeon

James P. Prenatt
ucational Adviser

COMPANY 5452 was officially formed on May 14, 1936, at Fort Barrancas, Florida, with Ward W. Farnham, Captain, 6th Cavalry, Commanding, and John H. Thompson, 2nd Lieut., 327th Infantry, Junior Officer. The entire cadre had been sent to Fort Barrancas from different camps in the State of Mississippi with the intention of filling strength at that point.

However, enough men had not been sent to fill all the companies, and Company 5452 was transferred to Fort McPherson, Georgia, to pick up the rest of the needed men who were being conditioned there. The men had been enrolled May 15, in Jacksonville, Florida, and all except 35 were from North Florida, the remainder coming from South Carolina.

On May 27, the entire company entrained for Clearfield, Pennsylvania, and arrived there the afternoon of May 29, after a long trip. Trucks met the company and transferred the enrollees to Camp S-74-Pa., about 24 miles north of Clearfield.

With all of the enrollees finally assembled, the company began to function smoothly. The project work, mainly road building, went along well, and a great deal of fine work has been done by the company since the projects were started.

Relations with the townspeople of Clearfield have been very pleasant. Largely due to the efforts of Captain Farnham, and the cooperation of leading organizations of Clearfield, a spirit of friendliness and cooperation has been developed, and the members of the company feel that they are as well received in Clearfield as any CCC company in the Area.

First Lieutenant Benjamin Schwartz, Camp Surgeon, Mr. James P. Prenatt, Educational Adviser, and Mr. F. K. Wood, WPA Instructor, had remained in the camp when the former company was disbanded. A baseball team and swimming team were organized.

On July 5, 1936, sixteen rookies were sent to the company from Savannah, Georgia, to replace men who had been discharged since the formation of the company.

Educational and recreational activities afford the enrollees ample opportunity to better their mental and physical abilities. Numerous educational classes have been organized for the benefit of members of the company, and a large majority of the enrollees take advantage of the splendid educational opportunities being afforded them.

The Technical Personnel of the company consists of A. R. Hinkle, superintendent, Ralph Dorman, engineer, Ben Palmer, forester, Lloyd Luzier, foreman, John Graham, foreman, Isaac Condon, foreman, H. R. Meeker, foreman, H. Thompson, foreman, W. Wyre, skilled laborer, and G. Schifter, blacksmith.