

HEADQUARTERS FIRST ARMY
Governors Island, N. Y.

FIRST ARMY MANEUVERS, 1941

PURPOSE.

The purpose of the maneuvers is training.

Throughout the past year units and individuals of the First Army have been undergoing extensive and continuous field service and staff exercises. Numerous weapons, vehicles and equipment have been added to organizations. Certain methods have been changed and modernized. It is planned to demonstrate and test the working value of these methods, materials and past years' efforts with large units at these maneuvers so as to improve and develop our team-work and combat powers.

VISITORS.

There will be established at Camden, South Carolina, a Public Relations Headquarters organized into the following sections: Visitors, Press, Radio, Photo, News-photo, News-reel, Tactical Information and Medical. There will be adequate commissioned and enlisted personnel present to administer to the needs of distinguished visitors, military observers and representatives of the press and affiliated agencies.

All accredited visitors will be housed in buildings with adequate living conveniences. There will also be telephone and telegraph installations sufficient for the use of the press and other visitors.

There will be no need for visitors to bring articles other than those necessary for a guest in a hotel, excepting recreational equipment such as golf clubs and tennis racquets. There is an 18-hole golf course with grass greens adjacent to Public Relations Headquarters, which can be used for a nominal fee. There are also free tennis courts.

The officers' mess will be available at a cost not exceeding ~~\$1.75~~ ^{\$1.85} per day, which price includes a nominal charge for personal service.

Desks, copy paper, maps, standard reference books, and dark rooms will be furnished for the press and similar agencies.

A pool of government transportation will be operated. Army aircraft will be on call at the Camden airfield for the press and similar agencies to observe and photograph activities from the air.

It will be an advantage to members of the press to bring their own cars.

By rail Camden, S.C. can be reached on the main line of the Seaboard Air Line R.R. overnight from New York City, by automobile on U.S. Highway No. 1, 670 miles from New York City, 710 miles from Miami, Florida. Good airport four miles from Camden for private planes and others, if they can be induced to stop. Eastern Air Transport connection at Charlotte, 78 miles from Camden and Delta Air Lines at Columbia, S.C., 32 miles from Camden.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

October 6 to noon, October 11 (5½ days) - Field Exercises and training I, II and VI Army Corps within their areas.

Noon, October 11 - October 12 (1½ days) - Rest period.

October 13 to noon, October 18 (5½ days) - Field exercises and training I, II and VI Army Corps within their areas.

Noon, October 18 - October 19 (1½ days) - Rest period.

October 20 to noon, October 25 ($5\frac{1}{2}$ days) - Field maneuver between I and II Army Corps; VI Army Corps field exercise.

Noon, October 25 - October 26 ($1\frac{1}{2}$ days) - Rest Period.

October 27 to noon, November 1 ($5\frac{1}{2}$ days) - Field maneuver between II and VI Army Corps; I Army Corps movement to new concentration area.

Noon, November 1 - November 2 ($1\frac{1}{2}$ days) - Rest Period.

November 3 (1 day) - Movement of Corps into position for three-corps exercise.

November 4 - 5 (2 days) - 1st phase of combined exercise of three corps.

November 6 (1 day) - Rest period.

November 7 - 8 (2 days) - 2nd phase of combined exercise of three corps.

November 9 (1 day) - Rest period.

November 10 - 11 (2 days) - 3rd phase of combined exercise of three corps.

November 12 - 15 (4 days) - Return of troops to concentration areas, critique and rest period.

November 16 - 30 (16 days) - Maneuvers under direction of the General Headquarters of the army; exercises between First Army and IV Army Corps.

It is especially important that invited guests to Public Relations Headquarters reply to this invitation at the earliest moment, indicating the time and place of their arrival in Camden and probable duration of stay so that they can be properly met and cared for. Address the Commanding General, First Army, (Public Relations Division,) Governors Island, N. Y., before August 10, 1941; after that date, Public Relations Headquarters, Camden, South Carolina.

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LIST OF MAJOR UNITS

I Army Corps

8th Division	-----	Fort Jackson, S.C.
9th Division	-----	Fort Bragg, N.C.
30th Division	-----	Fort Jackson, S.C.

There will also be Artillery, Signal, Medical, Antiaircraft, Cavalry, Aviation, Engineers, Quartermaster, Chemical and Ordnance personnel to make up corps troops and units attached to a separate corps. Many of these will come from Forts Bragg and Jackson, but there will also be units from Columbia, S.C., Fort Dix, N.J., Fort George G. Meade, Md., Camp Pendleton, Va., Camp Stewart, Ga., Fort Devens, Mass., and Fort Sam Houston, Texas.

II Army Corps

28th Division	-----	Indiantown Gap, Pa.
29th Division	-----	Fort George G. Meade, Md.
44th Division	-----	Fort Dix, New Jersey

Attached and Corps troops will contain personnel from Wilmington, Del., Harrisburg, Pa., Frederick, Md., Fort Story, Va., Camp Forrest, Tenn., Camp Livingston, La., Fort Monroe, Va., and Edgewood Arsenal, Md., in addition to those places mentioned above for I Corps and the divisions of the II Corps.

VI Army Corps

1st Division	-----	Fort Devens, Mass.
26th Division	-----	Camp Edwards, Mass.

Corps and attached troops will contain personnel from Providence, R.I., Fort Benning, Ga., East Boston, Mass., Hillsgrove, R.I., Plattsburg Barracks, N.Y., Camp Claiborne, La., Madison Barracks, N.Y., Fort Ethan Allen, Vt., and Camp Livingston, La., in addition to those places mentioned above.

First Army Troops will be drawn from Governors Island, N.Y., Newark Airport, N.J., Fort Belvoir, Va., Carlisle Barracks, Pa., Delaware Ordnance Depot, N.J., Nantemone Ordnance Depot, Va., Raritan Arsenal, N.J., Augusta Arsenal, Ga., Camp Beauregard, La., Fort McClellan, Ala., Army Base, Boston, Mass., Holabird QM Depot, Md., Camp Shelby, Miss., Fort Myer, Va., Camp Ord, Cal., Camp Bowie, Texas, Fort Leonard Wood, Mo., Fort Ontario, N.Y., Fort DuPont, Del., Fort Monmouth, N.J., Fort Slocum, N.Y., Mitchel Field, N.Y., in addition to those places mentioned above.

Troops of the First Army will contain personnel from Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut, New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryland, District of Columbia, Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Florida, Tennessee, Alabama, Mississippi and Louisiana.

Further detailed lists of troops and troop locations will be furnished at Public Relations Headquarters, Camden, South Carolina.