



JAPANESE-AMERICAN SOLDIERS DRILL UNDER COLOR GUARD AT CAMP SHELBY, MISSISSIPPI. UNIT OFFICERS AND MEN ARE ALL CHILDREN OF JAPANESE IMMIGRANTS

NEWLY ARRIVED VOLUNTEERS look forward eagerly to their U. S. Army training. Double-checked for loyalty, these products of American educational institutions are determined to get into the fight for their adopted country's freedom.

Loyal Japanese Fight For U. S. A.

Democracy Outweighs Blood Ties For These Determined "Nisei"

Unquestionably loyal to the United States are the thousands of second generation Japanese youths now in the Army, training at Camp Shelby, Mississippi.

Sons of adventuresome Japanese who emigrated from the land of the Rising Sun in search of greater opportunity, these men have been educated in the schools and traditions of our country and are grateful for their chance to serve in our Army.

More than 2,000 of these youths of Japanese ancestry from our island possessions traveled 4,000 miles for the privilege of serving in the U. S. Army. An equal number of Japanese-American soldiers training at Camp Shelby are from the United States mainland. They have adopted as the slogan of their unit the Japanese phrase "Go for broke" which is their equivalent of the American slang "Shoot the works!"

Officered by men of like ancestry, second generation or "Nisei" Japanese, the soldiers of this Japanese-American unit were carefully selected from all ranks of life. Stevedores from the docks of Honolulu, plantation hands from the sugar fields of Hawaii, and the most brilliant and promising of university students stand solidly together in their determination to help the country of their parents' adoption.

Officers at Camp Shelby praise the dogged determination these youths bring to the job of fitting themselves to fight for freedom.





JAPANESE-AMERICAN OFFICERS who accompanied volunteers are greeted by Brigadier General Halloran, Camp Shelby Commandant (second from left), and Colonel Spence, unit's head.



JAPANESE AGILITY is an asset in this toughening-up course. It's part of training for these men of the unit at Camp Shelby. Officers are unstinting in their praise of the willingness and determination of these soldiers to exceed the training schedules.



WAAC SEWS ON INSIGNIA for Japanese-American soldier at Camp Shelby. These soldiers are full members of our fighting forces and many of their officers have seen long Army service.



GUNNERY INSTRUCTION is duck-soup for many of these Japanese-American soldiers. Officers assigned to instruct them say they are quick to learn and devote much of their free time to studying military tactics. Few fail to make the training grade.