

NISEI HELPING TO TRAIN G. I.'S

FORT GEORGE MEADE, Md., July 30.—(AP)—Pacific-bound G. I.'s are getting a preview of how the Japanese soldier looks, fights and thinks.

Military Intelligence training units, which include in their personnel Americans of Japanese parentage, will aid in the coaching. To date the Army has seven such teams at Ground Forces installations, including one here, with three more scheduled to go into operation by August 1.

Both the soldier new to battle and the veteran of fighting in Europe, who is being redeployed through the United States, will be taught by these teams.

Nisei Mimic Enemy

The Nisei coaching troops use weapons captured from the enemy; they speak Japanese in the maneuvers; move in the short, half-trot of the Japanese soldiers and wear enemy uniforms.

The Nisei are volunteers for the training-team jobs. The Army felt that it could not order these American citizens to play the distasteful role of so hated an enemy. Daily, a Nisei stands before outdoor classes while an officer points at him and expounds:

"There is a Japanese rifleman, your enemy. He is tricky, he is murderous. Watch him. Learn his methods carefully."

The G. I. sees some of the favorite techniques of the small Japanese unit. A light machine-gun squad shows how the enemy prefers to take an American position.

Jap Words Taught

American troops are taught the words they will use in the attack on the Nipponese: Kosan shiro (surrender); Te wo age (hands up); ijime wa shimasen (we will not harm you) and ugoku to utsu zo (If you move, I'll shoot you).

The G. I. is made familiar with enemy weapons. He learns how they operate, in the event that he captures and is required to use an enemy gun.

The Yank hears that the Japanese light machine gun chatters with a higher, apparently quicker tone than an American gun, that the heavy machine gun has a slower cyclic rate of fire, about the cadence of a woodpecker working on a hollow tree.

The American-born Japanese in the unit here, most of them from the West Coast, were given a special training course at Fort Snelling, Minn., then transferred to a Maryland camp for special Intelligence training-unit instruction.