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Fort Knox, Kentucky, September 28.—Ready to begin their basic training course which, when completed, will qualify him for duty with the Armored Force, Private Josie C. Reed, son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Reed of near Newton, has arrived at the Armored Force Replacement Training center here preparatory to duty with the newest and fastest moving land force of the Army.

For the first six weeks of the twelve week training period the men

will be taught the fundamentals of soldiering. They will study the organization of the Army and Armored Force; insignias of rank; military courtesy and discipline; care of clothing and equipment; map reading and many other courses.

During the second six-week period, the men may find themselves in any one of the following companies: Special training, light tank, medium tank, scouting and patrolling, mortar, anti-tank, machine gun, assault gun, reconnaissance.

The training center is equipped to house and care for thousands of trainees at once and with the rapid expansion of the Armored Force the Fort Knox "grammar school" has been operating at capacity. There are eighteen training battalions under the direct supervision of Major General Charles L. Scott, and each boasts that when it graduates a class of trainees they are the best qualified men in the Armored Force.

Upon "graduation" from the training center, most of the men will go into an armored division, while those showing exceptional ability will be sent to the Armored Force school here at Fort Knox to become technical specialists.

Private Roy Danforth of Newton writes that his address is now the Fifteenth Hospital Center, Camp, Barkeley, Texas.

Private Jerome Schmidt of Newton writes that his address is the Fifty-fourth Station hospital, Camp Barkley, Texas.

Louis Mascher Jr. of Scott field, Belleville, visited home folks over the week end. He is a radio instructor and will be sent to Chicago this week.

Neil Mason arrived home last week for a few days visit, the first time since enlisting in the Navy last December. He is stationed at New Orleans.

Private Daniel W. Ward writes that he has been seeing California and had a very pleasant trip to the coast. His address is Battery C, Fifty-sixth Battalion, Camp Callen, San Diego, California.

Walter Oursler, who had just completed his "boot" training at Great Lakes Naval Training Station near Chicago, spent last week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Oursler of near Newton.

Dr. Medfred S. Riley has been sent to Columbia university, New York City, for training in plastic surgery. Dr. Riley is a lieutenant in the United States Army Dental Corps, and has been stationed at Wichita Falls, Texas. He is a son of Dr. and Mrs. H. S. Riley of Newton.

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Barnum said a fool was born every minute and the fact has never been disputed.

Mr. and Mrs. Eph Mason and Mrs. Edith Crews were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Mascher and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Al Stanley of Newton and Mr. and Mrs. Tom Kirke of Effingham spent the past week fishing at Reelfoot Lake near Tiptonville, Tennessee. They report much luck in that famous lake. Mr. Kirke caught a half gunny sack full of crappies in less than half an hour.

Mr. and Mrs. Clete Jansen of Ob-long are announcing the birth of a son, Larry Clete, born September 18. He weighed eight and one-half pounds.