## **Training for WWII**

#### Company K Answers The Call!!!

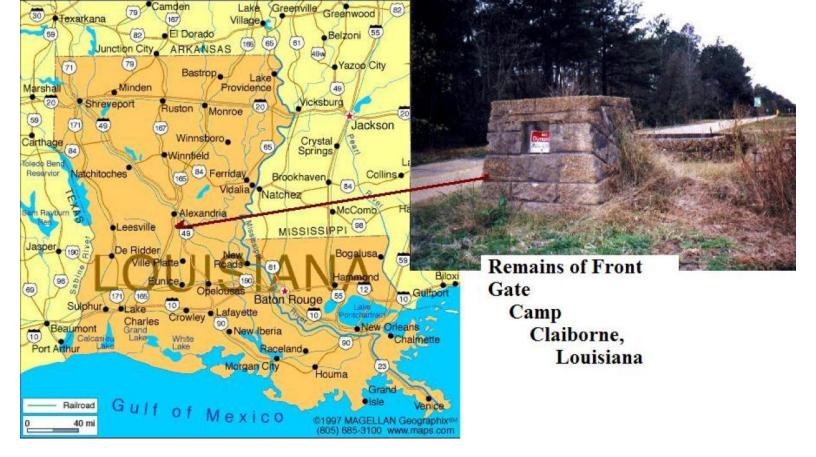
On February 12th, 1941, members of the 164th Infantry Regiment boarded trains to travel to Camp Claiborne, Louisiana for the purposes of training and to add "fillers" to bring the regiment up to full strength. Through the rest of 1941, the regiment continued it's training and received further replacements.



#### Officers of Company K, Dickinson, ND (1941):

Front Row left to right: 2Lt Dayle Flegel, Cpt Ben Northridge, 1Lt Harold Crook, 2Lt John Crawford

Back Row left to right: 2Lt Laroy Baird, 2Lt Robert Baird, 2Lt Paul Ebeltoft, 2Lt Ted Steckler



Camp Claiborne was located in the Kisatchie National Forest at Forest Hill, approximately 17 miles south of

Alexanadria, Louisiana. Between 1939 and 1946, over half a million men would go through camp claiborne.



After being at Camp Claiborne for only about 8 weeks, the 3rd Battalion of the 164th Infantry Regiment,

were marched down the streets of Alexandria, Louisiana for Army Day on April 7th, 1941.



## **Pvt Paul Dowhaniuk**

Displaying the Company K Guidon at Camp Claiborne, Louisiana.

(Circa 1941)



Jack Liethold, George Grimm & Bob Booke It Must Have Been A Cold Day At Camp Claiborne As These Guys Are Wearing Their Wool Coats.

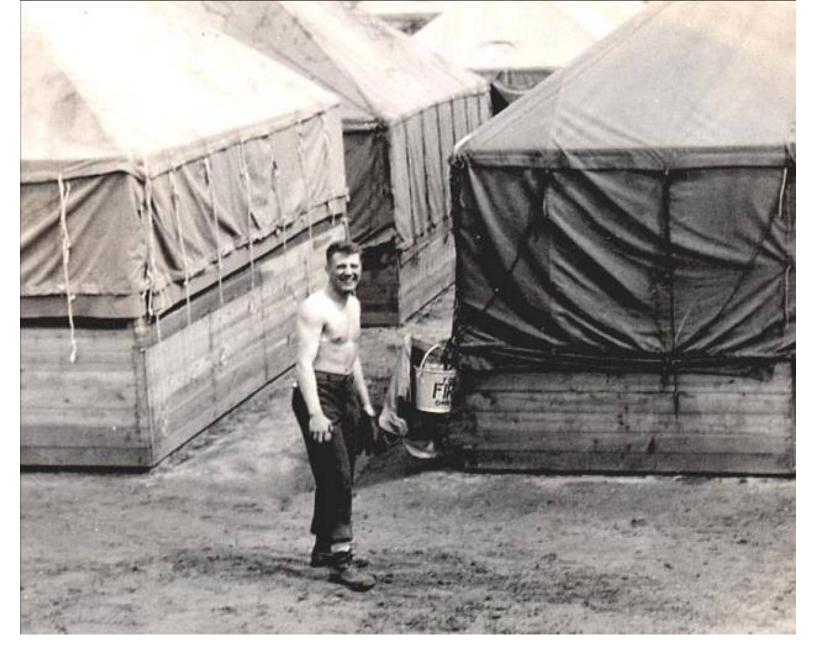


Some Days Were Miserable And Muddy At Camp Claiborne.



Let's See.....do We Keep Building The Dike Or Do We

Just Use Our Army Blankets To Absorb The Water?



## **Frank Thomas**

Frank Walks Through The Mud At Camp Claiborne.

# Living arrangements and Scenery



The "Lone Tree" Was Seen From All Over Camp Claiborne. It Appears In The Background Of Many Photographs.



The Wooden Barracks Were Reserved For "Regular" Army Soldiers.



Soldiers From Company K And Other National Guard Soldiers Were Housed In Tents. Note The 'lone Tree' In The Background To The Center Right.



Another Shot Of Camp Living Conditions. The Building In The Background Is Most Likely The 'motor Pool'.