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I. PINE CAMP, GREAT BEND, NEW YORK.—Effective 6 December 1951, Pine Camp, Great Bend, New York, is redesignated as follows:

Name	Location
Camp Drum (named in honor of <i>Lieutenant General Hugh A. Drum</i> , United States Army.)	Great Bend, New York.

[AG 600.05 (7 Dec 51)]

II. FORT BANKS, MASSACHUSETTS.—Effective 1 November 1951, Fort Banks, Massachusetts, a class I subinstallation of Boston Army Base, Massachusetts, is redesignated a class I subinstallation of Fort Devens, Massachusetts, a class I installation under the jurisdiction of the Commanding General, First Army.

[AG 680.1 (26 Oct 51)]

III. MERITORIOUS UNIT COMMENDATION.—By direction of the Secretary of the Army, under AR 260-15, the Meritorious Unit Commendation is awarded to the following unit of the United States Army for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service during the period indicated. The citation reads as follows:

The *Ambulance Company, 15th Medical Battalion, 1st Cavalry Division*, is cited for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service in support of combat operations in Korea during the period 18 July 1950 to 31 January 1951. When the 1st Cavalry Division was committed to combat in Korea against numerically superior enemy forces, this company moved with the division in support of its front-line units. Despite the lack of combat indoctrination of a large majority of the personnel, the *Ambulance Company* performed its tasks in an outstanding and commendable manner. Working under the most adverse conditions, this company became a smoothly functioning organization that materially contributed to the high standards of medical service attained in the Korean campaign. During the period 22 July to 3 August, the *Ambulance Company* evacuated over 1,200 patients from front-line aid stations to clearing stations located many miles to the rear. Although the ambulances were unescorted at all times and frequently subjected to intense enemy fire, the drivers never faltered in their mission of evacuating casualties. From 3 August to 22 September, this company evacuated over 10,000 casualties, including civilians and soldiers of the United Nations Forces for further hospitalization in rear areas. When the division launched its offensive to break out of the Pusan perimeter on 22 September, separate platoons of the *Ambulance Company* accompanied each of its regiments, which created additional hazards and discomforts for its members because of the long routes over which evacuation had to be accomplished. On 1 November at Unsan, and again at Sainjang from 29 November to 2 December, the company evacuated hundreds of wounded from collecting stations to clearing stations. When this evacuation operation proved

insufficient owing to the tremendous influx of casualties, the company re-evacuated the wounded to facilities located many miles to the rear. The *Ambulance Company, 15th Medical Battalion, 1st Cavalry Division*, displayed such outstanding devotion to duty and performed its exceptionally difficult tasks in such a superior manner as to set it apart from and above other units with a similar mission. The consistently outstanding manner in which the personnel performed their important duties reflect great credit on themselves, the Army Medical Service, and the military service of the United States. (*General Orders 728, Headquarters, Eighth United States Army, Korea, 25 September 1951.*)

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:

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