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January 1, 1942.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ASSISTANT CHIEF OF STAFF, G-3:

Subject: Designations suggested for naming
new Army Posts at Ozark, Alabama,
and Bastrop, Texas.

1. In compliance with memorandum of December 22, 1941
(G-3/45440), on the above subject, there are given below
several names considered appropriate for designating the
posts in question, together with brief biographical data
relating to each of the persons listed:

a. For post at Ozark, Alabama. *Rucker*

(1) PELMAN, John (1838-1865) - Lt. Col.,
C.S.A.

Born in Alabama; cadet U.S.M.A., 1856-61;
famous organizer and commander of "Jeb" Stuart's horse
artillery; killed in action at Kelly's Ford, Virginia;
buried at Jacksonville, Alabama. Probably the best
known officer of his rank in the Confederate Army.

(2) LONGSTREET, James (1821-1904) - Officer,
U.S.A. and C.S.A.

Born in South Carolina; appointed to the
U.S.M.A. from Alabama, where he made his home after
1861; famous Corps Commander under Lee; served in the
U. S. Army, 1842-1861; and in various civil offices,
state and national, 1869-1904; U. S. Minister to Turkey,
1880-1881.

Note: Recently the Secretary of War wrote
Gen. Longstreet's widow that if any new camps were
established, consideration would be given to naming one
in honor of her late husband.

(3) ANDREWS, Sam E. (1895-1918) - 1st Lieut.,
145th Infantry, 37th Division, A.E.F.

Born in Ozark, Alabama (location of camp);
awarded Distinguished Service Cross, posthumously, for
heroic services near Montfaucon, France, on Sept. 26,
1918.

b. For post at Bastrop, Texas.

(1) HOOD, John B. (1831-1879) - Distinguished American Soldier.

Although born in Kentucky, most of his service in the U. S. Army was in Texas; and he led the famous Texas Brigade in the Confederate Army.

(2) SWIFT, Eben (1854-1938) - Distinguished American Soldier.

Born in Texas; appointed to the U.S.M.A. from Texas; long career in the Regular Army, as officer, instructor, and author of military works; commanded the 32d Division in World War I; Chief of American Military Mission to Italy; and commander of the U. S. troops in Italy, 1918.

(3) GRAVES, William S. (1865-1940) - Major General, U. S. Army.

Born in Texas at Mount Calm, near Brownwood, and claimed Texas as his residence; graduate, U.S.M.A.; participated in Philippine Insurrection; distinguished in World War I as commander of the American Expeditionary Forces in Siberia.

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