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COLONEL HARRIS NEW C.O.

Col. Benjamin T. Harris has been appointed Commanding Officer of the 17th Infantry "Buffalo" Regiment. He replaces Lt. Col. Theodore C. Metaxis, who is rotating home.

Colonel Harris's father, Col. Lester J. Harris, served in the Signal Corps, and so it was natural that his son should begin his long, varied, and interesting career in the Army by attending West Point.

Colonel Harris graduated in 1933, received his commission as a 2nd Lt. in the Infantry, and was sent to Ft. Benning, Ga. There he spent three years with the 29th Infantry Regiment as a Rifle Platoon leader and Battalion Communications Officer. The next year with the rank of 1st. Lt., he attended the "Regular Course" of Infantry school, and in 1937 he took the tank course.

Colonel Harris smilingly recalled, "that was back in the days when the Infantry had all the tanks. It was the summer of '38 when I joined the 5th Infantry Regiment at Ft. Williams, Me. as Anti-Tank platoon leader. Tank defense wasn't what it is now either," he recalled, "we had 50 caliber machine guns."

In November of that year (1939), Colonel Harris accompanied the 5th to Panama, where he was Regimental Communications Officer and later Company Commander of Company K.

In November 1940 he was made assistant G-3 of the Panama Mobile Force. Colonel Harris speaks of the force as "a command charged with the ground defense of the Panama Canal---some what like a Division, except short on artillery."

He returned to the United States as a Captain and was assigned to the 6th Division at Ft. Leonard Wood, Mo., where he was S-3 of the 1st Infantry Regiment. He left there in April of '42 to join the cadre of the 81st Infantry Division at Camp Rucker, Ala., and was promoted to Major.

Colonel Harris was S-3 in the 323rd Infantry Regiment when they were activated in June 1942. He stayed with the 323rd, rising to Lt. Colonel, until they were de-activated in Japan in 1946. During this time, he was Commanding Officer of the 3rd Battalion for approximately one year, Regimental Executive Officer for one year, and Commanding Officer of the 1st Battalion for a year.

In July of '44, he was placed on DS with the 24th Corps, and accompanied them on the Leyte Invasion as Assistant G-3. He rejoined the 81st Division on Pelilieu in November of that same year.

In Japan in 1946, Colonel Harris went to the 97th Division as Commander of Special Troops. "In those days," he relates, "special troops were the Medical Corps, Signal Corps and so on." The 97th was de-activated on the 1st of April 1946---barely three months after he got there.

Colonel Harris then reported to "GHQ-SCAP," (General Headquarters, Supreme Commander Allied Powers) General MacArthur's Headquarters. His work in the office (continued on page #2 column #2)

MOVIE SCHEDULE FOR THURSDAY JUNE, 4

Reg. Hq.	The Hour of Thirteen
1st Bn.	Lili
2nd Bn.	Men Behind the Gun
3rd Bn.	The Clown
Med. Co.	Off Limits
Col. Bn.	The Washington Story

REMINER

The "Buffalo" PX is open for business. It is located at the gateway to the Buffalo Shower Point.

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Sports

BUFFALOES TOP 31st, 3-1

In one of the finest games played this season, the BUFFALO baseball team pulled up even with the 31st Regiment in the league standings by downing the Polar Bears Tuesday afternoon, 3-1.

Rudy Bunch, pitching in his first starting role this season, limited the Bears to five scattered hits as he went the distance in twirling the BUFFALOES to victory. Only in the third inning could the Polar Bears score against Bunch's right hand slants, and this lone score came as a result of a couple of BUFFALO battery miscues. Bears' first baseman Frank Friend drove a double into the left field corner with one out. Before another man could be retired, a passed ball and a wild pitch permitted Friend to score. However, this ended the scoring for the day as Bunch allowed only five other Bears to reach base throughout the game.

The BUFFALOES wasted little time in getting to starting and losing pitcher Jack Holland. With two outs in the opening inning Paul Benanno reached first base on an error and went down to second on a passed ball. A tremendous double into left center field by Bunch brought Benanno home from the Keystone sack with the first run of the game. From this point until the sixth inning Holland hurled two-hit ball for the Bears. But, in the sixth the Buffs touched Holland for another run on a pair of hits. Benanno started the frame by doubling into center field. Bunch received an intentional pass. After Bob Corrick and Jim Lhuillier were retired,

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Gogo Toro came through with a clean single to center to score Benanno with what proved to be the winning run. In the ninth the BUFFALOES added an insurance run to make Bunch's task easier in the bottom of the inning. Toro opened with a double and scored easily on Lou Domenico's towering triple into the right field corner. In the last of the ninth Bunch set the Bears down in order on two fly balls and an infield out.

Batting honors for the day must go to Gogo Toro. Playing with a painful back, the little first baseman drove in the winning tally and scored another run.

Bunch's pitching performance was the best turned in by any BUFFALO hurlers this season. The big right hander was never in any serious trouble as he scattered five hits. In no inning could the Bears get two safeties.

Yesterday's scheduled game with Divarty was postponed because of inclement weather. Watch the Bugle for notice on the next game.

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of Secretary to the General Staff which dealt with the preparation of briefs and paper work for the Chief of Staff to the Commanding General.

He was home in time for Christmas 1946 and after his leave reported to Washington again for duty with the Plans and Operations Division of the War Department. He served on the Joint Staff, which performs staff functions for the General Staff.

He was a student at the Staff College in Norfolk, Va. until February 1950, where he received his present rank of full Colonel.

Then back to Washington to serve on the Joint Staff until February of this year. Before coming to Korea, Colonel Harris took the Field Refresher Course at Ft. Benning, Ga. Though this is the first time Colonel Harris has commanded a Regiment, he's no stranger to the 17th; former Commanders General William Quinn, Colonel's Royal Reynolds and R.A. "Pop" Risdan were classmates of his at West Point.

"I am certainly very proud to have the privilege of commanding a regiment with the spirit and the traditional background of the Buffaloes," Colonel Harris said. "I sincerely expect that the regiment will continue to have the fine record and reputation they've held in the past."