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FOLLOWING Anniversary Day 1950, the 1st Military Police Company continued to operate patrols in and around Bad Tölz, Lenggries, Bad Wiessee and Tegernsee in Bavaria, with its main police station at Flint Kaserne and a sub-station at Bad Wiessee. The Provost Marshal section performed PM functions for Bad Tölz sub-post.

Upon movement of the 1st Division headquarters and special troops to Darmstadt in January 1951 it was considered advisable to de-emphasize post operations and concentrate on readiness to take the field, thus putting aside the "high gloss" and applying the "dull drab." Operation of the Darmstadt police and booking station remained a sub-post responsibility and patrols from 1st MP Co augmented sub-post MP patrols to the extent necessitated by the presence of 1st Infantry Division troops in the area. Training in the combat mission of the company was stressed, loading and evacuation plans perfected, and traffic control to assembly areas worked out.

The 1st Military Police Company made its first public appearance in the Frankfurt Area as part of the gigantic

military police escort and honor guard for General Eisenhower during his recent visit. On Armed Forces Day, May 30, 1951, the people of Frankfurt were treated to a dazzling display presented by a mounted platoon of the 1st Military Police Company.

To further prepare the MPs for field operations, the Company moved to Grafenwöhr in June for field training. In addition to firing its authorized weapons, the M1 rifle, .30 cal. machine gun, .45 cal. M3 sub-machine gun, carbine, .45 cal. pistol, and rocket launcher, training was received in use of the flame thrower and recoilless rifle. The Company also received Infantry training on the infiltration course, the transition firing range, thru small unit exercises, and as "aggressors" in field problems.

The 1st Military Police Company is, as stated in the report of its last annual inspection by the Inspector General, "in excellent condition and fully capable of performing its mission in a manner meeting the high standards set by the Division Commander."

