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40TH ARMORED DIVISION



The 40th was originally organized as an Infantry Division on 18 July 1917, and was composed of units from the State of California, Arizona, Colorado, New Mexico and Utah.

In August 1918 the Division moved from Camp Kearney, California, to France, and several thousand troops, serving as replacements, saw combat during World War I. One hundred men of Los Angeles' own 160th Infantry Regiment served with the famed Lost Battalion. The Division returned to the United States and was demobilized at Camp Kearney on 16 July 1919.

In 1926 the 40th was reorganized with units in California, Nevada and Utah. Called into Federal service at Camp San Luis Obispo, California, on 3 March 1941, it served in Hawaii and Guadalcanal, fought on New Britain and participated in the invasion landings on Leyte, Lingayen Gulf and Panay Island in the Philippines. When World War II ended, the 40th was assigned to occupation duty in Korea, and the Division was demobilized in early 1946.

Shortly after the outbreak of the Korean conflict in 1950 the 40th received its third call to active duty. At that time it had 110 units in 46 Southern California communities, and numbered approximately 10,000 officers and men. The Division was called to duty 1 September 1950 at Camp Cooke, California, and sailed for Japan the following April. It served ten months on the main Japanese Island of Honshu, and in January 1952 moved to Korea

where it relieved the veteran 24th Infantry Division in the battle line. Battle participation included Heartbreak Ridge, Sandbag Castle and the Punchbowl. The Division colors were returned to California and the Division was inactivated at San Francisco on 19 June 1954. Meanwhile, National Guardsmen returned to the States in March-June 1952 and the 40th Infantry Division (NGUS) was reorganized in California on 2 September 1952.

The Division was converted from Infantry to Armor and redesignated the 40th Armored Division on 1 July 1954, and was reorganized under "ROCAD" (D-series) TOE's on 1 July 1959. In preparation for the 1963 realignment and reorganization of National Guard elements, most non-divisional elements in Southern California were attached to the Division between 1 May 1962 and February 1963. The 95 organic and 23 attached units were reorganized 1 March 1963 as a "ROAD" Armored Division (E-series "draft" TOE's) with the Division Base, 5 organic Tank Battalion, 4 organic Mechanized Infantry Battalions, 1 attached D-series TOE Medium Tank Battalion, and 1 attached modified Armored Cavalry Squadron. Receipt of final E-series TOE's resulted in the most recent reorganization effective 15 March 1964. Attendant actions included reorganization of the attached Tank Battalion and attachment of an Ordnance Direct Support Company. Current Division totals include approximately 10,000 officers and men in 107 units stationed in 61 communities from Atascadero and Tulare on the North to San Diego and Calexico on the South.

The 40th's organic units are designated Priority III (60%); the attached 1/18 Cavalry is Priority II (80%); the attached 6/185 Armor is Priority III (60%); and, the attached 123d Ordnance (DS) Company is Priority II (80%).

Battle honors include: World War I; World War II - Bismark Archipelago, Luzon, Southern Philippines; Korea - Second Korean Winter, Korea Summer-Fall 1952, Third Korean Winter, Korea Summer-Fall 1953. Decorations include the Philippine Presidential Citation and Republic of Korea Presidential Unit Citation.

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COLONEL A. E. HOWELL
CO 2D BRIGADE



MAJOR GENERAL C. A. OTT, JR.
COMMANDING GENERAL



LT COL T. M. ROBINSON
CO 2D BRIGADE



LT COL E. C. RUDD, JR.
CO 1/185 ARMOR



LT COL G. R. SMITH
CO 5/185 ARMOR



LT COL D. W. CAMAN
CO 1/160 INF



LT COL R. J. MADDEN
CO 4/144 ARTY



MAJ H. R. TEMPLE, JR.
S1 2D BRIGADE



MAJ A. L. PALUMBO
S2 2D BRIGADE



MAJ R. F. BRAINARD
S3 2D BRIGADE



MAJ E. H. BURCHETT
S4 2D BRIGADE



1ST LT A. SANCHEZ, JR.
CO 3D CAV BN



CAPT R. C. LA BADIE
CO C 132 BN



CAPT C. S. CLARK
CO Trp C 1/18 CAV



1ST LT C. F. DES FORGES
CO D 40 MAINT BN

KEY PERSONNEL

Headquarters, 40th Armored Division (Los Angeles)

Division Commander	Maj Gen Charles A. Ott, Jr.
Assistant Division Commander	Brig Gen Glenn C. Ames
Assistant Division Commander	Brig Gen Robert G. Elder
Chief of Staff	Col Thomas K. Turnage
Division Advisor	Col William H. Nelson, Jr.

Headquarters, 2d Brigade, 40th Armored Division (Ontario)

Commanding Officer	Col Alvin E. Howell
Executive Officer	Lt Col Theodore M. Robinson
S-1	Maj Herbert R. Temple, Jr.
S-2	Maj Anthony L. Palumbo
S-3	Maj Robert F. Brainard
S-4	Maj Earl H. Borchert
Brigade Advisor	Lt Col Robert W. Brady

1st Battalion, 160th Infantry

Hq & Hq Co (Glendale)	Lt Col Donald W. Caman, Comdg
Company A (Glendale)	Maj Cecil A. Davis, Jr., Advisor
Company B (Glendale)	Capt John R. Freeman
Company C (Glendale)	Capt Robert P. Nelson
	Capt Henry A. Compton
	Capt Randall L. Woods

1st Battalion, 185th Armor

Hq & Hq Co (Riverside)	Lt Col Eugene G. Rudd, Jr., Comdg
Company A (Apple Valley)	Capt Henry G. Schmid, Advisor
Company B (Indio)	Capt Julian W. Almador, II
Company C (Hemet)	Capt Dennis D. Delph
	Capt Earl L. Nelson, Jr.
	Capt Frank J. Carpenter

5th Battalion, 185th Armor

Hq & Hq Co (San Diego)	Lt Col George R. Smith, Comdg
Company A (Calxico)	Capt Armando E. Carrillo, Advisor
Company B (Brawley)	1st Lt Ronald D. Atkinson
Company C (Escondido)	Capt James L. Speer
	Capt Oliver A. Presley
	Capt Ray F. Brookhart, Jr.

KEY PERSONNEL (Continued)

4th Battalion, 144th Artillery

HH&S Battery (Van Nuys)
Battery A (Los Angeles)
Battery B (Los Angeles)
Battery C (Glendale)

Lt Col Robert J. Madsen, Comdg
Maj Eugene S. Rovegno, Advisor
Capt Robert D. Olson
Capt Rob R. Schuyler
Capt Sammy Johns, Jr.
Capt Gordon L. Neilson

Separate Units

Hq & Hq Co, 2d Brigade
(Ontario)

Capt John Aguilar

Troop C, 1/18 Cavalry
(Canoga Park)

Capt Charles F. Clark

Battery C, 1/144 Artillery
(San Luis Obispo)

Capt Douglas A. Baird

Company D, 132d Engineer Bn
(Burbank)

Capt Robert C. LaPayne

Company D, 40th Maintenance Bn,
(Burbank)

1st Lt Curtis F. DesForges

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ORGANIZATION FOR TRAINING

(TASK ORGANIZATION - 2D BRIGADE)

Hq & Hq Company, 2d Brigade, 10th Armored Division
Military Police Platoon, 10th Military Police Company
Forward Area Signal Center Platoon, Co B, 240th Signal Bn
Forward Command Terminal Team, Co B, 240th Signal Bn
Aviation Detachment
Tactical Support Section (-), Co B, 110th Aviation Bn
Service Section, Co B, 110th Aviation Bn
Support Detachment
Light Truck Platoon, Co B, 10th Supply & Transport Bn
Ammunition Section (-), Headquarters, Headquarters
Co and Band, 40th Armored Division Support Command
Forward Supply Section (-), Co A, 40th Supply &
Transport Bn
Bath Section, Co A, 10th Supply & Transport Bn
Administrative Detachment
Finance Team, 540th Administration Company
Adjutant General Support Team, 540th Administration Company
Company C, 40th Medical Battalion
Company D, 40th Maintenance Battalion
Mechanized Maintenance Section, Headquarters & Company A,
40th Maintenance Bn
Forward Support Platoon (-), Co E, 40th Maintenance Bn

1st Battalion, 160th Infantry

1st Battalion, 185th Armor

5th Battalion, 185th Armor

4th Battalion, 114th Artillery
Battery C, 1st Battalion, 114th Artillery

Troop C, 1st Reconnaissance Squadron, 18th Armored Cavalry

Company D, 132d Engineer Battalion
2d Platoon, Company E, 132d Engineer Battalion



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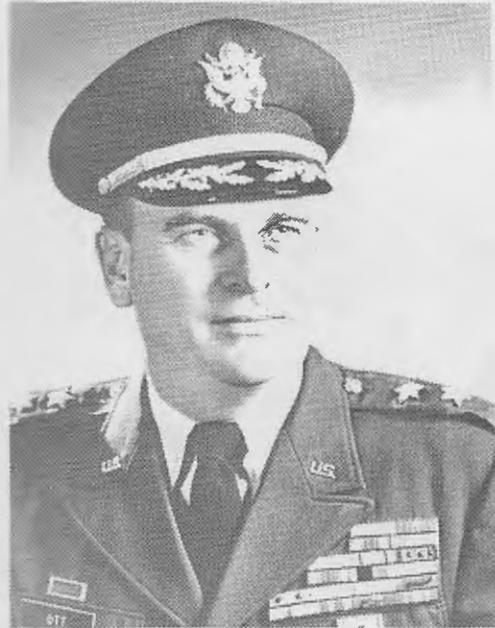
MAJOR GENERAL CHARLES A. OTT, JR.

COMMANDING GENERAL

40TH ARMORED DIVISION

General Ott is a resident of Santa Barbara, California, where he received his early schooling preparatory to entering Stanford University. He completed his undergraduate training at Stanford in 1941 and received an honor graduate commission in the Regular Army in September of that year.

He served in Europe during World War II with the 76th Field Artillery Battalion and the 18th Field Artillery Group Headquarters. His service took him from the Normandy Beachhead through France, Belgium, Germany and into Czechoslovakia and his assignments included Battery Commander, Operations Officer, Battalion Commander and Group Executive Officer. He was decorated for his actions during the German breakthrough and subsequent allied crossings at Remagen on the Rhine River. Following the war he was assigned as Assistant Army Artillery Officer and Assistant G3 at the 6th Army Headquarters at San Francisco.



In October 1946, General Ott resigned his regular commission to enter business in Santa Barbara. He joined the 40th Infantry Division a short time later and organized the 981st Field Artillery Battalion in the Santa Barbara area. At the time of the induction of the 40th Division for the Korean emergency, General Ott was a Colonel and the Division Artillery Executive Officer. He served in that capacity from September of 1950 until his release from active duty in June of 1952 and was decorated during the campaign in the Kumsong Valley.

He is a graduate of the Command and General Staff College, Artillery and Guided Missile Schools, Ordnance School and Armor School. He was promoted to the rank of Brigadier General on 1 September 1952, and has served as Commanding General, Division Artillery, and Assistant Division Commander of the 40th Armored Division. Appointed Commanding General of the 40th Armored Division on 3 July 1960, and promoted to the rank of Major General

on 15 August 1960, General Ott commands elements of the Division located geographically throughout Southern California from San Diego and Calexico on the South to Atascadero and Tulare on the North.

General Ott's decorations include the Legion of Merit, Bronze Star, Air Medal, Commendation Ribbon, Presidential Unit Citation, Korean Presidential Citation, Belgium Croix de Guerre and United Nations Medal. He holds the European-African-Middle Eastern Campaign Medal with four battle stars and the Korean Service Medal with two battle stars.

His military society affiliations include the American Legion, Reserve Officers Association, Military Order of the World War, and the National Guard Association of the United States. In the latter, he is presently serving as National Secretary and member of the Executive Council. He is also a member of the Secretary of Defense's Reserve Forces Policy Board and alternate member of the Army Affairs Council (Section V) of the Department of the Army.

He, his wife, Patricia, and two of their children, daughter Mila Lee and son Chris, live at 1929 East Las Tunas Road, Santa Barbara. Their oldest daughter, Lesley Jane, is attending Stanford University.

General Ott serves as President of Sterling Supply Corporation, Channel Properties, Inc., and the Ott Hardware Company. He is a director of the General Telephone Company of California. Active in civic affairs, he serves as a member of the Board of Trustees of the Santa Barbara Cottage Hospital, Advisory Board of the Crocker-Anglo Bank, Music Academy of the West and Santa Barbara YMCA. He is president of the Board of Trustees of the Laguna Blanca School and Past-President of the Valley Club of Montecito, the Santa Barbara-Ventura Chapter of the U. S. Army Association and the Santa Barbara Rotary Club. He is a member and past director of the local Chamber of Commerce and Convention Bureau; U. S. Chamber of Commerce; National Association of Plumbing, Heating and Electrical Contractors; Pacific Southwest and National Hardware Association; and other business and professional societies.

COLONEL ALVIN E. HOWELL
COMMANDING OFFICER, 2D BRIGADE
40TH ARMORED DIVISION

Colonel Alvin E. Howell, Commanding Officer of the 2d Brigade, enlisted in Company G, 185th Infantry, 40th Infantry Division, in 1932. He received a direct commission in 1940, and remained with the same organization.

The Colonel served in the Asiatic-Pacific Theater with the 40th Infantry Division from March 1941 to August 1945, as platoon leader, company commander, battalion executive officer, and battalion commander.

Following World War II, he remained with the division, and when the unit was recalled for Korean War duty, he commanded the 2d Battalion, 224th Infantry Regiment, which he had organized in 1947.

Following reorganization of the division in 1952, Colonel Howell served as executive officer of the 224th Infantry and Combat Command B, then commander of CCB in July 1962. He was promoted to his present rank in August 1962.

With reorganization of the division under ROAD this spring, Colonel Howell remained as commanding officer with the new designation of 2d Brigade.

His decorations and awards include the Bronze Star Medal with oak leaf cluster, the Purple Heart, and the Combat Infantry Badge with star.

Service schools attended include The Infantry School; Advanced Course, The Armor School, and various refresher and orientation courses.

He is married and has three children.

The colonel is a full time employee of the Military Department, State of California.



LIEUTENANT COLONEL DONALD W. CAMAN

COMMANDING OFFICER, 1ST BATTALION, 160TH INFANTRY

10TH ARMORED DIVISION

Lieutenant Colonel Caman enlisted in the ERC in 1939 while attending Glendale College. He was later commissioned through the CMTC program and entered active duty as a 2d Lieutenant in May 1942.

During World War II he earned the Bronze Star Medal while serving with the 100th Reconnaissance Troops, 100th Infantry Division. His duties in the Division included various staff assignments as well as troop commander. After the war, he was assigned to the G3 Section, Delta Base Headquarters, in Marseille, France.

Following his release from active duty in 1946, Lieutenant Colonel Caman became a member of the ORC and served with the 318th Squadron, 310th Cavalry Regiment, until he was recalled to active duty for Korea. During this tour of duty, he served as an instructor in the Communications Department, U. S. Army Armor School.

After his release from active duty in 1952, he served with Company I, 3d Battalion, 111th Armored Cavalry Regiment, which he organized and commanded. He was then assigned as Regimental Communications Officer, earning his promotion to Major in 1954. Following a consolidation and reorganization in 1954, he served as the executive officer of an Armored Infantry Battalion, and as a Combat Command staff officer. He assumed command of the 1st Battalion, 160th Infantry, in 1960 and was promoted to his present rank in March 1961.

Service schools attended include the Communications Officers Course and the Advanced Officers Course, Fort Riley, Kansas, and the Armored Officers Refresher Course, Fort Knox, Kentucky.

Lieutenant Colonel Caman is employed in a supervisory capacity by Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company in Burbank, California, and is also owner and operator of a private enterprise in Tujunga, California.

The Colonel, his wife Elaine and their two children, daughter Colette and son Steven, reside in Lakewood Terrace, California.



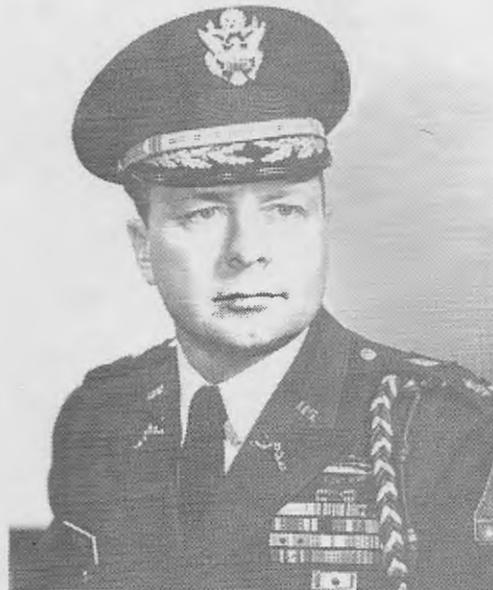
LIEUTENANT COLONEL EUGENE G. RUDD, JR.

COMMANDING OFFICER, 1ST BATTALION, 185TH ARMOR

40TH ARMORED DIVISION

Lieutenant Colonel Rudd enlisted for World War II service in July 1940 and was assigned to the Army Air Force. He served until 1946, during which time he participated in the African, Sicilian, and Italian campaigns with the 12th Air Force. Prior to discharge, he was returned to the United States for training in the Jet Propulsion Engineering Field.

Following his release from active duty in 1946, Lieutenant Colonel Rudd became a member of the 224th Infantry Regiment, 40th Infantry Division. He was commissioned in 1948, and served as platoon leader and unit commander until recalled to active duty with the 40th Infantry Division for the Korean conflict. During this tour he served as the Commanding Officer of the Headquarters Company, 224th Infantry Regiment. During this period he earned the Combat Infantry Badge.



Following his release from active duty in 1952, he served with Company B, 133d Tank Battalion, as commanding officer. He then served with the 133d Tank Battalion in several staff capacities, and as Executive Officer of the 1st Battalion, 185th Armor, upon its reorganization in 1959. He assumed command of the 1st Battalion in 1963 and was promoted to his present rank in November 1963.

Service schools attended include the Curtis-Wright School of Aeronautics, School of Jet Engineering, Armor Officer Career Course, and Armor Officer Refresher Course.

Lieutenant Colonel Rudd is employed by the Lemon Products Division of Sunkist Growers, Inc., Corona, California, as an Industrial Relations Representative. He is active in community activities and is past chairman of the Armed Forces Committee, Riverside County, March of Dimes.

The Colonel, his wife Kathleen and their two children, daughter Janet and son Michael, reside in Corona, California.

LIEUTENANT COLONEL GEORGE R. SMITH

COMMANDING OFFICER, 5TH BATTALION, 185TH ARMOR

40TH ARMORED DIVISION

Lieutenant Colonel Smith enlisted in the Iowa National Guard in April 1938. He was called to active duty in January 1941 and continued in an enlisted status until commissioned in June 1942 as a 2d Lieutenant, Cavalry, as a result of having graduated from OCS, The Cavalry School, Fort Riley.

He served in various capacities as an Armor officer, to include duty with the 89th Reconnaissance Troop, 89th Infantry Division. He was released from active duty in February 1946 and retained his commission as a Captain in the ORC.



In 1951, Lieutenant Colonel Smith joined the California Army National Guard and was assigned as the Communications Officer of the 111th Armored Cavalry Regiment. Later, he served as the Operations Officer of the same organization. As the result of a subsequent reorganization, in which the Cavalry Regiment became a part of the 40th Armored Division, he served as an Assistant G3 of the Division and the executive officer of a tank battalion.

He was assigned to his current command and promoted to Lieutenant Colonel in December 1956.

Lieutenant Colonel Smith is active in civic activities. He is a member of the Elks, the Junior Chamber of Commerce, and Chairman of the San Diego Claims Managers Council and Arbitration Board.

He is married and resides in La Mesa with his wife and three sons.

LIEUTENANT COLONEL ROBERT J. MADSEN

COMMANDING OFFICER, 4TH BATTALION, 144TH ARTILLERY

40TH ARMORED DIVISION

Lieutenant Colonel Madsen enlisted in the Utah National Guard in January 1939. He entered active duty in 1944 and served in an enlisted status until successful completion of the Field Artillery Officer Candidate School in March 1945.

Following commissioning, Lieutenant Colonel Madsen served in the Pacific, to include duty with the occupation forces in Japan.

Upon release from active duty in 1946, he was assigned to the 214th Field Artillery Battalion, 40th Infantry Division, became a battery commander prior to recall to active duty for the Korean conflict. He continued in assignments as battery commander and liaison officer during his tour of duty in Japan and Korea, and earned the Bronze Star for his performance in Korea.



After his return to a National Guard status in 1952, he served with the 4th Battalion, 144th Artillery as S3. He then served as Assistant G3, 40th Armored Division, and S3, 40th Armored Division Artillery. He assumed command of the 4th Battalion, 144th Artillery in 1962 and was promoted to his present rank in June 1963.

Service schools attended include the Field Artillery Officer Candidate Course, Fort Sill, Oklahoma and Armor Officer Basic, Fort Knox, Kentucky.

Colonel Madsen, his wife Cloteel and three sons, Robert, Jr., Steven, and Kenneth reside in Van Nuys, California. The Colonel is employed as a Police Officer with the City of Los Angeles.

