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INTERVIEWEE: Lt. Col. J. Hal Gambrell, USARet.
INTERVIEWER: Bebe Allen
PROJECT: General Terry Allen Project
DATE OF INTERVIEW: May 26, 1992
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BIOGRAPHICAL SYNOPSIS OF INTERVIEWEE:

Born 1920; father was a medical doctor, attended Crockett Elementary and Austin High School in El Paso. Graduated from New Mexico Military Institute in Roswell, received Army Commission in 1939 in Horse Cavalry Reserves. Was attending Texas A&M when Japanese attacked Pearl Harbor and was called to active duty. Served in European theater during WWII and saw action in Italy and Germany. Sustained three wounds.

SUMMARY OF INTERVIEW:

World War II combat experiences; stories of being wounded three times and describes convalescent periods; tells about brief encounters with Gen. Terry Allen; relates story of General Allen's problems in Africa with the 1st Division which led to his dismissal and eventual command of the 104th.

Length of Interview: 55 minutes Length of Transcript _____

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Name of person interviewed HAL Gambrell
Name of interviewer Bebe Allen
Date(s) of interview May 26, 1992
Subject of interview Gen. Terry Allen
Approximate time length of interview 1 hour Number of tapes 1

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