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Sgt. Thomas Tweed

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Talk with Sgt. Thomas Tweed at Hotel Ralston, Columbus, Georgia, June 7, 1962, by Forrest C. Pogue.

(This was really just a chat because Tweed had just stopped in on the way elsewhere. Short, bald, pleasant. No great amount of education. Hunting companion of Marshall, Bradley and others. I had information about this which he sent me).

Tweed was from western North Carolina. He enlisted in the army in 1915; came to Benning in 1919 and stayed there until 1946. Helped train hounds; was game warden. Helped stage hunts and rides.

Says Gen Marshall liked to ride, but not in the hunts. Tweed recalled that he had trained a fine horse--once an outlaw, now safe. He had been named Steger for the tough 1st Sergeant of the 24th Infantry. The Master of Hounds gave him to Col. Marshall to ride. He was one of the best in the woods.

Marshall a good shot. Liked to take me along. He was very nice to me. He invited me and my children to the wedding reception. When he was Chief of Staff he asked that I be promoted so that I could retire at top pay. I wanted to get a chance for my boy to go to W officers school (or West Point?). One of the officers wrote a letter for me. I said I had better do it in my own way, since he would prefer to see my own way of writing. He helped the boy.

Recalls that Gen. King dropped dead on a hunt which he went on with him. Good man.

Recalled stories from article about Marshall and hunting. Marshall a fine man at the school. Had excellent instructors. They all went up.