



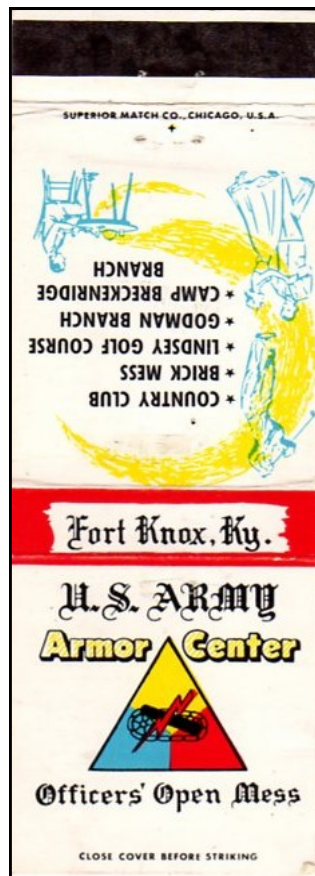
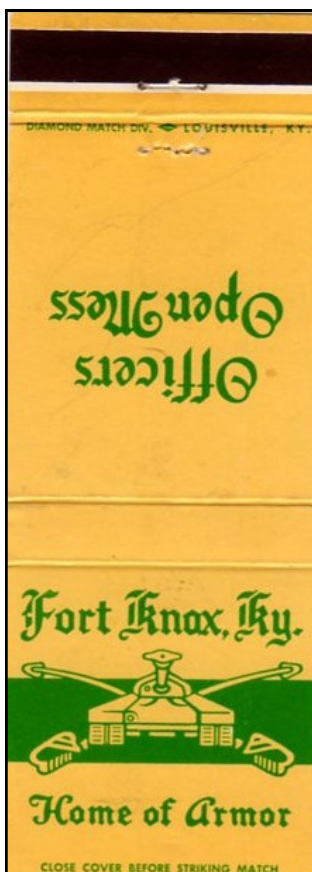
## Fort Knox

Although intermittently used from the Civil War on, a new camp, named after Henry Knox, the first Secretary of War, was begun in July 1918. The camp was greatly reduced after WW I and became a semi-permanent training center for the 5th Corps Area for Reserve Officer training, the National Guard, and Citizen's Military Training Camps.

### Military Corner

In 1931, a small force of mechanized cavalry was assigned to Camp Knox to use it as a training site. The camp was turned into a permanent garrison in January 1932 and renamed Fort Knox. The 1st Cavalry Regiment arrived later in the month. In 1936, the 1st was joined by the 13th to become the 7th Cavalry Brigade (Mechanized). The site quick start of World War II was a major impetus to operations at the fort. A new Armored Force was established in July 1940, with its headquarters at Fort Knox with the 7th Cavalry Brigade becoming the 1st Armored Division. The Armored Force School and the Armored Force Replacement Center were also sited at Fort Knox in October 1940, and their successors remain located there today. The site was expanded to cope with its new role. By 1943, there were 3,820 buildings on 106,861 acres. A third of the base has been torn down within the last ten years, with another third slated by 2010.

The Army HR Command Center was re-located to Fort Knox from the DC/Virginia area beginning in 2009. New facilities were constructed throughout Fort Knox, such as the new Army Human Resource Center, the largest construction project in the history of Fort Knox. It's a \$185 million, three-story, 880,000-square-foot complex of six interconnected buildings, sitting on 104 acres



The post contains an airfield, called Godman Army Airfield, that was used by the United States Army Air Corps, and its successor, the United States Army Air Forces as a training base during World War II. It was used by the Kentucky Air National Guard for several years after the war until they relocated to Standiford Field in Louisville. The airfield is still in use by the United States Army Aviation Branch.

