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WEAPONS, by Edwin Tunis. The World Publishing Co., 1954. \$5.95.

WHETHER WEAPONS fascinate or repel you, you need only thumb through the pages of WEAPONS to discover for yourself one of the most fascinating and provocative books you've seen in a long time. For WEAPONS is the rich and exciting story, in text and picture, of arms through the ages--from the first tied stone thrown by prehistoric man to the super bombs of our own day.

Illustrated with the unusually detailed and astonishingly realistic drawings of Edwin Tunis, it is a weapon-by-weapon account of man's ingenuity in the invention and improvement of arms for defense and offense. The detailed and sardonically humorous text is filled with useful information and anecdotes that bring history to life in romantic fashion, for Edwin Tunis is just as interested in the human-interest story behind the weapon and in the men



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who used it as he is in the weapon itself.

THE RANGE OF MAN'S WEAPONS over the centuries of man's existence on earth is astounding. Begin with the Stone Age, its slings and spears, its axes and bows and arrows, and follow through to the Copper and Bronze Ages when man made chariots, swords and daggers. Then advance to the Iron Age, with its swords, helmets, and complicated siege weapons. Have you ever heard of the testudo, the onager, the ballista? The sight of these weapons threw terror into the hearts of those in many a beleaguered city. The highly fortified castles of the Normans, the tournaments of the knights in the Dark Ages, the change in manners of war and uniforms of war; the buzz bombs, the rockets, the atom and hydrogen bombs of the present...all these things and more are included in this book. Mr. Tunis writes and draws with rare skill, and this pictorial and textual history of man and his weapons is a treasury of lore and information of interest to everyone.

Edwin Tunis, well-known artist, illustrator and muralist, was born at Cold Spring Harbor, N.Y. At present he is living near Shawan, Maryland, writing and painting. His most ambitious art project was a mural, depicting the History of Spices, which took two and a half years to paint and is 145 feet long. His articles have appeared in various magazines, and he has exhibited at the Baltimore Museum of Art, Society of American Etchers, National Academy of Design, Victoria and Albert Museum, and other well-known galleries.

CITY POOLS TO OPEN

Deray Eyre, Pool Supervisor of the City Recreation Department has announced the following dates for opening of City pools and the first session of swim classes.

MUNI POOL (Bonanza and Las Vegas Blvd.), Lorenzi Pool, (Twin Lakes Park), and DOOLITTLE Pool, (Lake Mead and 'J' Streets) will be open for Recreation swim from 12 noon to 7 p.m. beginning May 24.

HADLAND Pool (next to Roy Martin Junior High), Baker Pool (J. C. Fremont Junior High) and Cragin Pool (next to Hyde Park Junior High) will open June 4 for Recreational Swimming from 12 noon to 7 p.m. every day.

The first session of swim classes will begin registration at all six city pools on June 6 through June 11 from 12 noon to 7 p.m. daily. Classes will begin on June 13. Classes will be offered at each pool for swimming, synchronized swimming and diving. All swimming and diving lessons are \$2 for nine lessons.

For further information, please call 385-1221, ext. 374 at City Hall, Recreation Department.

Doolittle Tournament Winners



CAPTURING FIRST PLACE HONORS in Doolittle Recreation Center's First Annual Softball Tournament was the Louie Rowe Elementary School team shown in top photo--1966 Tournament Champs are (front row l-r): Mickie Linschoten, Bobby Wilkins, Ronnie Chartan, Peter Ham, John Hancock, and Cardis Cooley--Back row (l-r): Jimmy Snowden, local businessman who donated all the Tournament trophies, Coach Neall Rees, Bruce Wirey, Dave Davis, Donald Taylor, Nat Kaine, Marleau Borsook, Mark Gerhauser, Alan Davis, James Watson, Ed Krzywick, Ron Taylor, and Coach Ray Nelson. Smiling Grey Bell receives the trophy from Snowden.

In photo below, Madison school's 6th grade team which had defeated all the schools in the area to become the area League Champions had to settle for 3rd place in the Doolittle Tournament. Matt Kelly school was runner-up to the winning team in the Tournament, but did not remain to be photographed.

Madison school players shown receiving consolation prize are (front row l-r): Ronnie Williams, Leonard Smith, Charles E. Simmons, Bonnie Cranford and Fred Monroe--Back row (l-r): Jimmy Snowden (again the Trophy donor), Evans, Kenneth Feaster, Jerry Richardson, Dunbar Lawson, Robert Myers, David Gilmore, Willie Gregory, and Larry Washington.

Sponsors of the Tournament and all who participated were delighted with the success of the first softball tournament at Doolittle, and anticipate an even bigger Tournament next year in which it is hoped California teams will participate. Especial appreciation was extended to Snowden.



LEAGUE CHAMPS FINISH IN 3rd PLACE



CHAMPIONS OF DOOLITTLE CENTER'S SOFTBALL LEAGUE were Madison schools 6th grade A and B teams that won 1st and 2nd place respectively in League competition--In Left Photo (l-r) are shown the Madison winning team: Curtis Cook, Ronald Marshall, James Grace, Mi-



chael Holmes, and Gregory Strickland--Back row (l-r): Robert Lee, Albert Kline, Michael Yates, Maurice Owens, Michael Wilson and Coach Evans. . . .

In Right Photo, Madison school's 2nd place team in the Doolittle League play are shown (l-r): James Lewis, Larris Holmes, Jimmy McCurdy, Jerry Washington, and Glenn Eason--Rear (l-r): Donald Harris, Isaac McMullin, Harry Webb, Ronald Robinsin, John Williams, and A.W. Scott, Coach.