

(Above) Pep Band relaxes awaiting the halftime at the Bethune football game at home. (Back: David Doerr, Alex Kiker, JD Anderson, Mike Harris, Emory Johnson, Jonathan Morningstar. Foreground: Michael McCoy; Major David

Green, Band Director; Mike Stone). (Below) Staff. MSgt Nick Lopez, Capt Cliff Carter, 2d Lt Ray Hudson (in back), 1Sgt Emory Johnson, Major David Green (Adv) 2d Lt Tom Stallings.

## **Band Company**

## The Musicmakers

The boys in the band "... mind the music and the step..." and, in a great many instances, "... with the girls are handy." Band Company provides melody and, of course, the beat for drill and for parades.

Located across from the guard room, Band is only a step away for the bugler to sound reveille early in the morning and to continue calls through taps, late in the evening. Sound, as a matter of fact, keynotes the organization. At the start of studyhall each evening, musicians practice with their instruments for the first half hour, a near deafening cacophony. But individuals combine their creative efforts on parade and review days to provide military marching music which keeps the whole battalion in step and marching sharp.

Company Commander Captain Cliff Carter says, "A company is a unit of people who are working hard to accomplish something important to themselves." Individually and as a group, band members do work hard and, whether playing on campus, during parades in neighboring communities, or in concert, they look sharp and provide mellow military music. What they achieve is not only personally rewarding but also a real contribution to the entire corps.

