

## "Those gigantic hills"

# 32nd Sig soldiers run

By Wray Hall

Thirty soldiers from the 32nd Signal Battalion turned out early on the morning of August 6 to tackle the 7.5 mile up-hill run to Burg Frankenstein in Darmstadt, sponsored by the 440th Signal Battalion. The long run turned out to be just as much, if not more than anyone had been hoping for. A picturesque run through a scenic forest, through a woodcutters operation, passing by a country livestock auction, and many, many up-hill grades.

PFC Wade Gardner from Company C, an avid body builder who works out daily in the gym, finished in one of the first 50 places and remarked that he thought he was in great shape, but, "some of those last gigantic hills almost got the best of me."

Over 700 old and young runners, male and female, braved the grueling but "fun run". Sgt. Robert Evans, also from Company C said, "just to finish was enough of an accomplishment in itself, and the medallion awarded to all parti-



cipants will be a nice souvenir of Germany." Evans, who let his old First Sergeant beat him up the hill said, "I ran here last year, and if I'm still in Germany in 1983 you can count on seeing me back again."

(Editors Note: See page 12 for race results. Sgt. Maj. Hall is assigned to the 32nd Signal S-3 section).

## Armed Forces Voter's Week begins Sept 6

The week of September 6-12 has been designated as Armed Forces Voter's Week, to publicize upcoming elections and to emphasize the importance of voting.

Unit voting officers should ensure that all personnel are advised of their rights to vote, and are given assistance with voter registration and absentee ballot requests. This is especially important for the many young soldiers who may be

first time voters, and for newly assigned personnel who may not have been informed by previous publicity.

Voting officers needing advice or assistance can call the USAREUR Voting Action Line 2121-6864.

## 17th Sig has Family Day

17th Signal soldiers and family members joined together August 6 for "Family Day" at McNair Kaserne.

## Nelson named Cook of Qtr.

Sp5. David Nelson, HHC, 17th Signal, has been named the best brigade cook for the third quarter, FY 82.

Also during the third quarter the 440th Signal's Dining Facility was selected the best.

During the day-long activity, HHC 17th won the tug-of-war contest and the softball game. A Co. was victorious in volleyball and B Co. took the basketball championship. The Chariot race proved exciting as well as challenging and was won by C Co.