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At the height of the war in Europe, 50 Army researchers interviewed thousands of soldiers about their attitudes toward Negro platoons fighting experimentally within their white divisions. The findings: Negroes, fighting within an integrated framework, could do just as well as whites. These findings were never made public during the war; Washington officials feared that disclosure would force the Army into hasty, ill-timed reorganization on an integrated basis. Segregation generally remained the rule.

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