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Under simulated combat conditions, the 396th Arm. Engr Bn, of Texas' 49th Arm Div, gives demonstration of bridge-building on Ft Hood's maneuver area, as smoke keeps the operation under cover. Helicopter (lower left) was used by the 111 Med Bn in demonstrating evacuation of casualties.