

70th Five Meets OSC ASTU Tonight on Post

On paper, the Trailblazer basketball team looks like THE team of Oregon this year. And if they earn that same reputation on the court, they'll be earning it the hard way . . . through one of the toughest schedules any team in this area faces this season.

Tonight the 70th five meets Oregon State College ASTU at the Field House. Reputed to be one of the strongest service teams in the whole Northwest, the Specialists will put the Trailblazers to the crucial test.

Tonight the 'Blazers won't go into the fray as underdogs. They did that two weeks ago when they met the Albina Shipyard team and then scared the daylight out of the Hellships by refusing to concede defeat until a last-minute converted foul extended the Builders undefeated string to 23 straight.

Monday night Albina had an easy time with the ASTUs and took them to camp 40-29, giving the 70th the advantage by comparative scores.

As this issue of the Sentry goes to press, the 70th was meeting the Albany Semi-pros here at Camp Adair.

The rest of the schedule is just as rugged. Journeying to Bend, the Trailblazers will meet the Camp Abbot team January 21. A return game with Oregon State comes up February 12.

Willamette University, conquerors of OSC earlier this season and a leading contender in collegiate circles, takes on the 70th at Salem, February 18.

Camp Abbot will invade Adair the following evening, February 19 at the Field House.

The Albina game not only catapulted the 'Blazers into prominence in north-coast sport circles, it also put a wary glint in the eyes of prospective opponents. A noticeable reluctance to meet the 70th has made the job of filling in the schedule a difficult one.

A game with the champs of the 91st Division is being sought, Lt. W. R. Bogart of the Special Service office said. The Fir Tree has no all-division team but the Division Hq. team took the title last week and the Trailblazers would like to climax their season by meeting them.

276th Promotes

Sporting new stripes for the new year are eight EM of Co. E of the Bloody Axe 276th Inf., it was announced this week.

Privates who were upped are Harold R. Robinson, Lonnie H. Ross, Paul H. Hoke, Andrew J. Datillo, William E. Tull, Richard C. Seibert, Arnold C. Haberichter and Ernest C. Mitchell.

A good salute is the mark of a good soldier.

884TH VS. 274TH

It's the artillery versus the infantry Saturday afternoon as the 70th Division touch-football playoff goes into the semi-finals.

The 884th FA meets Co. L, 274th Inf. Regt. for the right to take on Recon for the Trailblazer trophy.

The game is scheduled for 1400 at the Field Artillery gridiron. The championship game will be played next week.

91st Plans Boxing Tournament Start About January 26

As we move into 1944, the "sports spotlight" focuses on the 91st Division boxing tournament scheduled to start about January 26, according to plans announced this week by the division athletic director.

This will be an all-division affair, with eight-man teams being entered by Division Troops, Division Artillery and the 361st, 362 and 363rd Infantry Regiments.

The men from these teams will be matched against each other according to their weight divisions. The team coming through with the most victories will be the division champ.

Although many men are already training for the elimination matches within their own units, there is still room for more. Anyone interested should report his name to his unit special service officer, who is in charge of the elimination bouts.

Those who have enjoyed unarmed combat training and would now like to learn something about boxing will have this opportunity. An instructor will be available at the Field House every Wednesday, Thursday and Friday from 0800 to 1600.

JUST A LATRINE ROOMER

Ft. Brady, Mich.—One battery of an Artillery unit here was tossing a party in its day room and had been so gallant as to fix up the latrine for the gals. The windows were blacked out to blind prying GI eyes and everything possible had been done for the comfort of the lovely lassies.

About 20 gals were powdering and painting when a male head poked slowly out of the shower room.

The gals beat a hasty retreat while the soldier dressed and scrambled. He had been stranded in the shower.

The University of Iowa will perpetuate the memory of Ens. Nile Kinnick, All American quarterback in 1939 who died last June when his Navy fighter plane crashed at sea, with the annual award of a gold medallion to the student judged most like him.



Camp Adair SPORTS

By Pfc. Lionel Kay



Meet Oregon State ASTU Tonight



Trailblazer Photo

HERE'S THE FIRST picture of the Trailblazer varsity basketball five, the same lads who came within one point and about 20 seconds of smashing the 22-game winning streak of Portland's Albina Hellships last week. Left to right, Mendell, center (Capt.); Cole, forward, Parks, guard, Mel, guard and Allen, forward.

276th Pingpong Postponed

The 276th Inf. table tennis finals, which had been originally scheduled for tomorrow evening at Service Club 2, have been postponed next week due to repairs to the club.

Whoever is determined to be the regimental champion will compete next month for the division crown.

70th Recon Drops 275th in Gridiron Semi-Final, 28-0

Recon of Special Troops goes into the long-delayed finals of the Trailblazer touch-football championship tournament. They reached the last bracket by defeating Co. L, 274th Infantry, 28-0, Monday.

The infantry, which had played three scoreless ties with the 275th and then drew Recon in a reshuffle of the schedule, was licked by the first play though they contested the decision all the way.

The Scouts received the kick-off, and on the first play Cassidy passed to Freeman who galloped 45 yards for a touchdown.

In the last quarter, as the desperate Riflemen tossed passes with abandon, Crever intercepted one and galloped half the length of the field for the final tally.

Pvt. Mike De Cosmo, the former lightweight fighter, has the biggest pair of feet of any man his size at Camp Stewart, Ga. He's only five feet five but he wears size 12 kicks.

Mess Sergeant and Detail

Willing to Share Work but Not Cash Prize

With rollers oiled and surfaces polished, the 348th FA Bn. field ranges were inspected recently by a group of battalion officers headed by Capt. J. L. Hogan.

Anxious mess sergeants waited while their much-loved, though much cussed-at, gas ovens were gone over inch by inch, corner by corner.

Two stoves from Hq. Btry., which shone not only on the outside but even to their innermost recesses, were finally selected as winners of the competition.

Victory brought a ten-dollar prize from battalion commander Major R. B. Collier. Lt. J. D. Erickson, Hq. Btry. CO, on hearing the results, immediately matched the prize with ten dollars of his own, and said the men had earned a three-day pass to spend the money.

Cpl. Theodore Neal and Pfc. William Rush were in charge of the winning team which consisted of Pvs. George B. Ball, Harold Spitzer and Bruce Burnett.

Failure to Load Camera Necessitates Strategic Withdrawal for Photog

When the Intelligence crew of the 270th Engineers was ordered to commando it into the bivouac it into the bivouac area of the 70th Division last week, they anticipated difficulties of a different kind than they actually encountered.

On their arrival, they found the bivouac was non-tactical, so they were unchallenged on their mission. Capt. Hilary Furmaniak had ordered them to bring back a picture of Maj. Gen. John E. Dahlquist as proof of success.

Pvt. Irving Greenfield, H and S Co., who manned the camera, was so unnerved by the ease of entrance (and the gleaming stars of Maj. Gen. Dahlquist and Brig. Gen. Peter Rodes of Divarty) that he forgot to load his camera and had to make a strategic withdrawal before he could snap his distinguished subjects.—Pvt. Ed Mitchell.

Two-Ton Tony Galento, the cheerful little beerful from East Orange, N. J., has passed his pre-induction screen test physical and now is awaiting the main event—induction into the Army. "I'll molder dem bums," he told friends recently, referring to Germans and Japs.

Promoted to sergeant in the 276th—Roger L. Mealy and John A. Greich of Co. C and Raymond E. Kiser of Co. B.

De-Icer



EVEN THE SNOWMAN will melt if Marjorie Riordan stands there very long. Marjorie was signed up recently and will soon be seen in Warner Bros. "The Desert Song."

