

You'd Think It Was a 3-Day Pass!



ARMS, LEGS AND players are all tangled up on this jump-ball play in the game last week between the Trailblazer Division and University of Oregon ASTU teams at the Field House. Allen, (13) of the Trailblazers, jumps, with Mel (9) right foreground. ASTU won game, 30-17.

## It's ASTU 30-17 As 70th Slumps

Show Lack of Practice In Field House Game; Return Tilt Feb. 12

Playing ragged ball, the Trailblazer basketball team bowed to the University of Oregon ASTU squad, 30-17, Saturday evening at the Field House. The Eugene visitors took an early lead and were never headed during the evening.

A sharp slump in the form of the 70th aggregation was in contrast to the speed and skill displayed by the same men in their two previous scheduled tilts.

Inquiry elicited the interesting fact that the men have only averaged about two hours of practice together per week recently, due to training schedules of their combat units.

### Visitors Speedy, Smooth

The smoothness and speed of the ASTU squad were a positive factor in the contest, however. Brilliant ball-handling, long, accurate passes and extreme virtuosity in caging off-balance shots from all angles, all played their part in victory.

The ASTU team is coached by versatile, burly, smiling John A. Warren, in normal times coach of the U. of Oregon varsity football squad.

Esposito was outstanding on the home team, showing a dead eye for the basket from far out on the court. The two teams will play a return game February 12. It should be a grudge battle.

In a preliminary game between the 70th QM Co. and 363rd Inf. team, a tight battle wound up in whisker-thin edge for the infantrymen, 32-30, in the last minute of play.

## Recons Take 70th Div. Football Championship

The touch football championship of the 70th Division, long undecided, became the property of the 70th Recon Co., as the result of a game played Saturday. The Recons defeated the 884th FA eleven, 13 to 0.

It was the third game played to decide the championship. Two previous games had ended in 0-0 ties.

Recon made its two touchdowns on the first seven plays of the

### RALLY LAST 10 SECONDS, C CO. WINS, 31-29

Staging a rally in the last ten seconds of play, Co. C, 363rd Inf. stepped out with a 31-29 victory over Co. A in an inter-company basketball match played last week. On the same day Hq. Co., 3rd Bn., 363rd, defeated Co. D, 13-0.

### 3 Field House Games Tonight for Spec. Trps. Of 91st; Hq. Over Ord.

In two games of the 91st Div. Special Troops Round Robin played last week Hq. Co. defeated the 791st Ord. in a 41-37 battle and the MP unit dumped Recon Troop 45-19.

Games set for this Friday as follows: Hq. Co. will play Sig. at 0800, 794 Ord. will meet Recon. at 0900 with the MPs playing QM at 1300. All games will be played at the Field House.

### 70th Keglers Out Of Cellar Place

Although handicapped by the loss of one of their veteran keglers, Lt. Tom Coleman, now on leave, the Trailblazer bowling team during the past two weeks has won five out of six games in the Albany bowling league. The victories ended a Christmas holiday slump and brought the team up out of the cellar place.

Lt. Col. B. V. Merrick, team captain, scoring a total of 562, with a high single of 209, led the squad to three straight last week.

In the series Wednesday, which netted the Trailblazers two out of three, Captain George H. Godfrey hit 604, with a high game of 221. Other team members are Lt. Walter Roos, Lt. Andy Andrews, and Lt. B. J. Dyer.

game, the 884th stalwarts never advancing beyond the Recon 50-yard line.

The team which won for Recon was a "pick-up" group, since the majority of the varsity were on furlough.

A suitable trophy will be awarded the winners in the near future, according to division special service office.



## Camp Adair SPORTS



## 91st Cagemen in Try-outs

### First Game on Post Jan. 30; vs. ASTU

'Big Job? Shuffling Stars,' Say Coaches

By Pvt. Michael C'Neill  
Tryouts for the 91st Division all-star basketball team were underway this week as top cagers, representing every unit, began pitching for a spot on the quintet. The lucky five who finally get the bid will represent the division in inter-division and off-post games.

First big bout for the all stars has been billed for January 30 when they are scheduled to meet the ASTP from University of Oregon at 1500 in the Field House. Other games with the Corvallis Air Base, the 96th Division and the 70th Division are also in the wind, though definite dates have not been set.

Appointment of Lts. Herbert Clark and Charles Flynn as the coaching combination was announced by the division athletic and recreation officer.

"Our biggest job seems to be," they said in their first official statement as co-coaches, "will be to shuffle so many stars into a five-man team. We're going to have the hottest outfit the division has ever had. Half of the colleges of the Midwest and the West are represented on the team."

### Plenty of Stars

In practice last Thursday at Field House, some of the headliners to put in appearance were Sgt. Jack Mayne, the same lad that turned a consistent average of 14 points a game for Hq. Co. and is expected to do the altitude work for the all-stars. There was also Sgt. Art Kielbock and Cliff Hurley also of the championship Headquarters quintet.

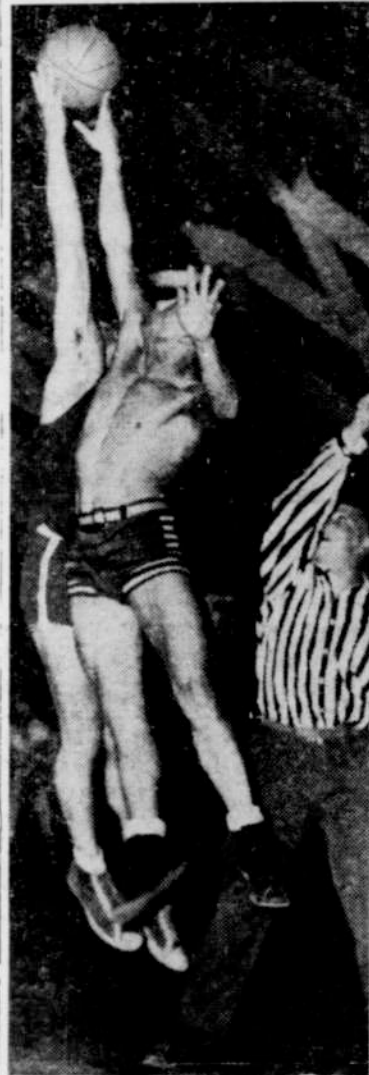
Anti-tank Co., down 361st way runners-up in the division championship tourney, are sending Sgt. William Teshera and Cpl. Albert Giovanetti. Giovanetti will long be remembered for the some 21 points he rolled up for himself and his team in the semi-finals of the division series. Teshera is one of the most dangerous men in the division. Only Headquarters Company was able to handle his brand of ball.

Tom O'Malley, the Irish corporal who caused so much trouble for the opposition and did so much good for the 362nd Inf., is pitching for the guard position. Sgt. Jimmy Estrada and Pfc. William Culp, also from 362nd are also out for the all-stars.

Last, but by no means least, in the line of stars who will bid for the greatest distinction of them all, are the representatives from the Division Artillery and the 318th Medics. The ball-tossers from the Medics are Sgts. Marve Flinton and Luther Hilterbrand. The caisson representatives are Sgt. John Plutten and Pvt. Morris Young.

Rex Mays, twice winner of the famed Indianapolis auto speed race, has taken to the air. He is now Lt. Mays of the Air Transport Command.

### Damn High, Huh?



A BIT OF torrid action in Saturday night's game, as the 363rd Inf. cagers took a hammer and tongs, 32-30 battle from 70th QM Co. at the Field House. QM forward (wearing jersey) jumps with infantryman in this photo.

### Matanich Tosses 363rd to Triumph

Led by the 14-point ball-tossing of Pfc. Joe Matanich, the 363rd Inf. all-star basketball club eked a 32-30 win over the 70th Division QM quintet in the first game played between the two teams, Saturday.

The score was knotted at 5-5 to close the initial quarter, but the 70th QM pulled out to a 16-11 lead at halftime and led 25-19 at the end of the third quarter.

In the last stanza Pfc. Matanich and Pvt. Earl Cheyne of 363rd collaborated in beginning a 13 point winning rally.

Tec5 Rudolph Giovanetti of the 70th scored 15 points. Cheyne, with 12, was high for the 91st.

## 274th Cage Tourney Will Start Saturday

The 274th Inf. basketball champions will be determined by an elimination tournament between January 17 and February 13. The winner will play in the Division Tournament scheduled for the weeks of February 14 and 21, it was announced by 274th Inf. Special Service Officer Lt. Arthur J. Watson.

## Ping Pong Up! 362nd Tourney

Several Seeded Entries Ready for Matches; to Be Started This Week

First phases of a regimental-wide ping pong tournament are underway in the 362nd Inf. this week, with paddle-pushers anxiously awaiting the opening gun. The tournament marks the first official league play yet scheduled in the unit for enthusiasts of the bouncing ball.

Several entries already have been made in a still-incomplete schedule. In the second battalion, the following players will be entered: Sgt. H. Archer, Sgt. C. Coleman, Cpl. L. Johnston, S/Sgt. T. Willingham, Pvt. J. Barnett, and Pvt. S. Proffitt, all of 2nd Bn. Hq. Co.

First Sgt. Guy DeMarco and Sgt. R. Morris will represent Co. F, and Sgt. R. Holcomb, Sgt. L. Peel and Cpl. R. Brennan will go to bat for Co. H.

Third battalion so far include Pfc. D. Grisham, of Hq. Co., who stands alone from his outfit in singles competition and teams up with Pfc. Edwyn Leyman in doubles.

Competition calls for wins in two out of three games, 21 points per game. When all scores in the elimination rounds have been compiled and entered, regimental playoffs will be scheduled, a battle-site selected for the finals and prizes announced.

### 8 Remarkable Men in Ford Coupe Travel to Play, Win Cage Game

Proving they can do something besides crank truck steering-gears around hillsides, Serv. Co., 275th Inf. stepped onto the Field House basketball court last week and stepped off again with a nip-and-tuck opening game victory over Co. I of the same regiment. Score, 15-14.

The game seesawed until the final 30 seconds, when a coffin-corner shot by Sgt. Voorhees of Service Co. decided matters.

According to company reporters, one of the most remarkable features of the Serv. Co. win was the fact that the team, eight men in all, drove to and from the game in a single Ford coupe.

—Cpl. Benton F. Speece.