

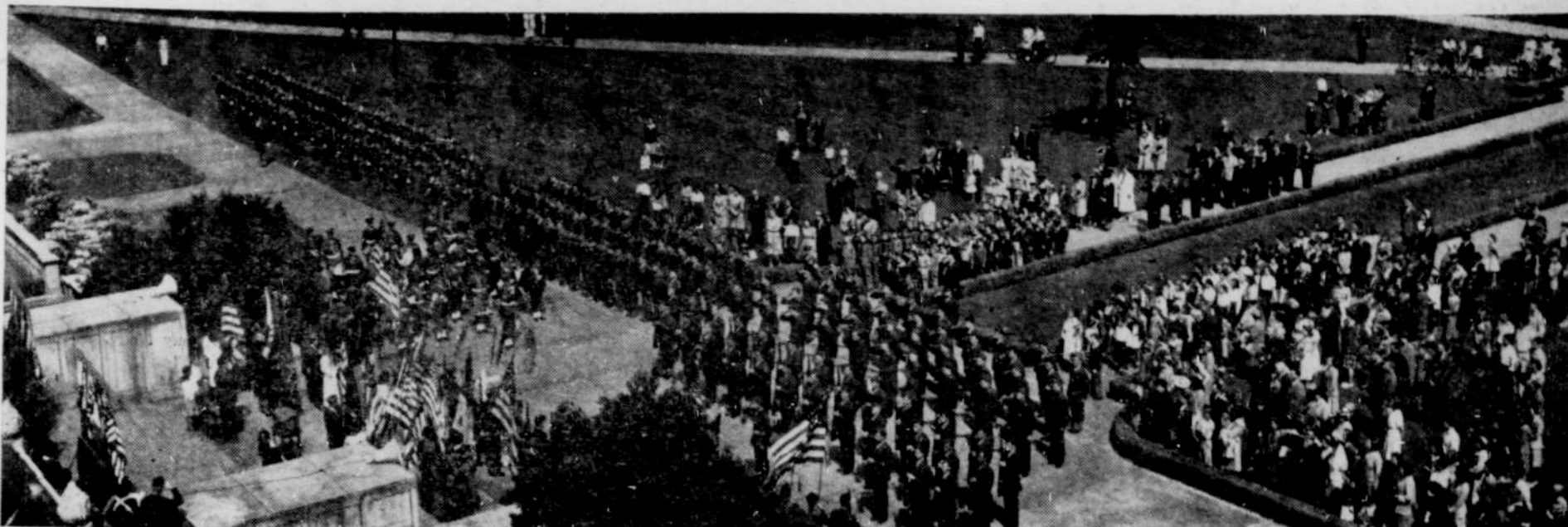
Post Units Participate



In Memorial Services



On OSC Campus



SOLDIERS OF HQ-QM Co. and the MP Detachment, together with the SCU military band, stand at salute during crux of Memorial Day service observed Tuesday in front of the Memorial Union building on the Oregon State College campus. Post and division units participated in Decoration Day observances at Salem, Albany and Corvallis.

Adair Joins Civilians In Memorial Services

Joining with Corvallis and Salem in their observance of Memorial Day, soldiers of Adair took part in services Tuesday.

The third battalion of the 274th Inf. regiment paraded in Salem (story elsewhere) while Hq-Qm Co troops and the MP detachment of SCU 1911 were present for ceremony in Corvallis, observed on the Oregon State College campus, before the Memorial Union building.

Music from the Post was furnished by the SCU Military Band, under the baton of Tec4 Robert Henry.

Address was delivered by Prof. E. W. Warrington, of the college.

Following the ceremony the troops, returned to the Post, marched past Post Hq.

A smart salute is the sign of a good soldier. Salute all officers on the Post and in town.

Ex-Adair Artist Now Paratrooper

M/Sgt. Mario Hidalgo, formerly of Co. F, 274th, and noted among Post artists, has just completed four weeks of parachute training at Ft. Benning, Ga., and has won the right to wear Wings and Boots of the United States Army Paratroopers.

Included in his training are five jumps from a plane in flight, the last a tactical jump at night involving a combat problem on landing.

Sgt. Hidalgo's home is in Langtry, Texas.

Gift of 70th Mag Pleases Educators

Letters Received By Gen. Dahlquist

Oregon educators were pleased and appreciative this week of the 70th Division's gift to high school and college libraries of the state of the first four numbers of the Trailblazer Magazine.

Typical was the letter of thanks to Major General John E. Dahlquist from the University of Oregon, which said in part:

"We wish to thank you for this courtesy. We should like to keep a complete file of the publications and request that you put the name of the (University) library on your mailing list to receive future issues as published."

Said Lewis and Clark College, Portland:

"The library of this college accepts gratefully the file of Trailblazer..."

Sister M. Gregory, dean of Mt. Angel Normal, wrote:

"... The pictures are excellent. We are placing the magazines where faculty and students will have access to them."

Harold A. York, principal of Portland's Lincoln High School, wrote: "The four copies of the Trailblazer... have attracted enthusiastic interest among our students. Our library is happy indeed to add this magazine to its files."

Copies of the current Trailblazer as well as back issues are on sale at Post Exchanges.

70th MPs M-Sgt. Died Here Monday

M/Sgt. Guy W. Bowles, 36, 70th Combat Military Police Platoon, died Monday night, it was announced by MP Platoon authorities. Death resulted from natural causes.

M/Sgt. Bowles lacked two months of completing 12 years of Army service. He joined the 70th Military Police in August, 1943, and was serving as acting 1st/Sgt. of the Platoon at the time of his passing.

Previous to joining the 70th Division, he served with the 123rd Cavalry and the 106th AAA of the Coast Artillery, and with the Camp Hulen, Texas, Military Police.

His home was Glasgow, Ky., where he had been employed as a member of the city police force, and with the Kentucky State Police.

He is survived by his wife and mother.

Speedy Discharges Planned for Vets

Washington-(CNS)—The War department has announced a new system of speeding up the machinery for discharging soldiers at special separation centers.

The plan operates with a minimum of red tape. Each soldier gets a brief and snappy orientation talk about his return to civilian life. Then he gets a complete medical examination, the first installment of his mustering out pay and travel pay to the place of his induction.

All told, only 48 hours will be lost from the time a GI arrives at the separation center until he boards a train for home. Previously this procedure took three weeks or more.

Fifth War Loan Drive Underway

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THE SOCK BUT DOLLARS BEHIND THE SOCK."

The campaign at Adair will be conducted with the following objectives:

1, Military — Those who do not have bond allotments are urged to take them out. Those who have are urged to increase them and to purchase at least one extra bond during the two-months' drive.

2, Civilians — the objective here is to obtain a 100 per cent participation plus 15 per cent of payroll. Additionally, the aim of civilian employees will be to purchase at least one extra bond during the period.

The Goal

The total goal of the national drive is two billion dollars more than that at the 4th War Loan Drive, which went substantially over the top.

It is pointed out that three million men and officers in overseas fighting forces have already invested their dollars in bonds.

The entire point of emphasis in the campaign revolves around one salient fact, viz.:

Every dollar placed in bonds is not only a patriotic and vital necessity to consummate the war, but it is the soundest form of saving.

In the Portland conference, war bond officers were on hand from Portland Air Base, Ft. Stevens, Vancouver Barracks, Camp White, Pendleton Field and from Camp Abbot, whose civilian employees received honorable mention for their part in the 4th War Loan Drive.

A minute man system to check up and carry on progress of the War Loan campaign will probably be in vogue on the Post.

If You Dig a Good Foxhole and Lose It, This Is a Sure-Fire Way to Recover It

Sgt. Leno Belarde of G Co. heard that a three-day pass would be the prize for the best foxhole and being active as well as handsome, decided the pass was worth trying for.

After some hard digging and excellent camouflaging, Leno went looking for the umpires. He found them, then—

The Umpires as well as Sgt. Be-

larde had to start looking for the foxhole. Tragedy—they couldn't find it. But they did when about ready to give up. Suddenly Leno disappeared as if swallowed up by "Mother Earth"—into the foxhole. Without a dissenting vote Leno was soon on his way with a three-day pass. Best of all Leno's wife telephoned him from Corvallis, on the day of the pass.

Wish Granted: Swaps Artillery for Infantry



HE WANTED TO BE A DOUGHBOY—even when he was in the artillery. So, under the provisions of a new War Department circular, he volunteered. This is Cpl. William Drake, Regt. Hq. Co., 274th Infantry. The new Trailblazer spent more than five years with Coast Artillery and Anti-Aircraft outfits. He's finding out about rifles, as you can see!

From Haan to Adair, Cpl. Drake's Choice: From AA to Infantry

When War Department Circular 132 was published on April 6, 1944, giving enlisted men in all organizations and branches of the service the privilege of transferring into the Infantry, "Section 8" gags jumped to first place in the local laugh parade.

But there's one man in the 274th Infantry who saw that circular two days after it was posted on his Company bulletin board at Camp Haan, California, and decided that this was really the time to get down to the serious part of helping win this war. Within two weeks after submitting his application Cpl. William Drake found himself at Camp Adair and assigned to Regimental Hqs. Co., 274th Infantry.

At first, some of the more dubious in his outfit believed that it might have been a nagging First Sgt. who drove him to it but Drake merely says that "it's about time I learned to be a doughboy."

More surprising is the fact that his service record shows that he has been in the Army over five years and that most of the time he acted as Company or Battery clerk and spent several years in Hawaii. On December 7, 1941, he laid aside his clerk's job to become an AA gunner and watched the beginning of the Japanese treachery from his perch on Diamond Head.

After five years in the Coast Artillery and Anti Aircraft Drake is more convinced than ever that he wants to be a rifleman. Only complaint he has about the Infantry so far is the fact that he was assigned to a Hqs. Company where he's liable to become a clerk or a truck driver.

Mail Clerk Cited For Aid to Morale

Calcutta-(CNS)—Cpl. Max Wendroff, of Passaic, N. J., has been decorated by Maj. Gen. Howard Davidson, Tenth AAF commander, for completing 100 missions — as a mail orderly.

Each day Cpl. Wendroff travels up and down dusty roads here carrying mail to his fighter-bomber group. So faithful has he been to his work that Gen. Davidson personally pinned on his tunic a medal designated as the "Mailbag Cluster," awarded for his aid to "the morale of his organization."

Camouflage blinds the enemy! When draping vehicles, prop net away from vehicle and make shape irregular.