

# 70th Troops Parade Before Awed Crowd

Crowds Awed as Troops March



Trailblazer Photo

A GRIMLY BUSINESS-LIKE battalion of Trailblazers marches up Portland's Sixth Avenue at noon, Monday, opening the city's Fifth War Loan Drive.

## Open Portland's War Loan Drive

Sober-Faced Citizens View 'Battle-Ready' Men; Few Cheers

Trailblazers, 2,500 strong, with 300 vehicles, marched through the streets of downtown Portland Monday in battle dress in a disciplined demonstration of armed preparedness which moved metropolitan reporters to speak of them as "battle-ready troops" and "finished soldiers."

### Mile-long Column

Marching as part of the opening of the Fifth War Loan Drive, the 70th soldiers formed a mile-long column, made up of the troops drawn from the 274th Infantry, 882nd Field Artillery and 70th Recon Troop, plus motor and mechanized equipment.

Said the Portland Oregonian reporter: "Thousands of sober-faced Portlanders lined downtown streets in silence Monday noon as 2,500 troops and 300 vehicles of the Trailblazer Division from Camp Adair paraded past Victory Center. "There were few light notes and none of the cheering that usually marks a parade. The battle-ready troops reminded too many on-lookers of others like them, now taking part in the Allied invasion of France and other engagements over the world."

### Three Infantry Battalions

"Three infantry battalions were accompanied by their complement of vehicles and equipment... M-8s, light armored cars used for scouting purposes—their existence a military secret until recently—were a highlight of the parade."

The Oregon Journal story said in part: "Downtown Portland stood in awed silence Monday while a grimly determined segment of the United States Army from Camp Adair swung along the parade route to Victory Center..."

### Where Bond Dollar Goes

"Finished soldiers they appeared, equipped with modern implements of destruction, furnishing a fitting demonstration of where the war-bond dollar goes. It was youth on the march, draped in the habiliments of warfare."

"... The parade was so business-like that few people thought to cheer. Sporadic handclapping followed in the wake of the national colors, carried beside the 274th Infantry regimental insignia. Motorized equipment, including deadly-appearing machine-gun units and reconnaissance cars, drew considerable attention."

Col. McCann in Noon Hour Address



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COL. JOHN R. McCANN of 274th Infantry, in battle-dress, speaks to crowds at Portland's Victory Center during noon hour, Monday, opening Fifth War Loan Drive.



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THE JEEPS COME DOWN the street. 70th Division quarter-ton, heavy machine-guns mounted, parade slowly along Sixth Avenue, Portland, Monday, before massed crowds.

## AGF Honors 'Backbone of the Army' In Infantry Day Services Yesterday

By Camp Newspaper Service

The U. S. Army Ground Forces observed Infantry Day yesterday—commemorating the 169th birthday of the Infantry, backbone of the Army since 1775.

The day officially marks the birthday of the Army itself as well as that of its Infantry complement, for it was on June 15, 1775, that Col. George Washington, of the Virginia militia, became Commander-in-Chief of the Continental Army, then comprised almost entirely of Infantry.

In observance of the anniversary, Lt. Gen. Leslie J. McNair, chief of the Ground Forces of the U. S. Army, called upon the American public to honor the Infantryman "as our foremost fighting man."

"So far as the United States is concerned, this war up to now has been marked by a long period of naval and air warfare, with relatively little serious ground action," Gen. McNair said.

"Nevertheless," he continued, "our ground actions in every theater have verified beyond doubt that the Infantry still is the decisive and indispensable arm. We must rule the sea and air, but land victories alone can bring peace, and only the Infantry can gain these victories."

"Modern weapons have made the Infantry's task harder, not easier. We must realize that the Infantry bears the brunt of war in both hardship and losses. If we think this thing through, we all—both at home and overseas—really are in the fight to back up the Infantryman. We want him to advance, and we want to save him losses. There is no other sound formula for victory."

"Infantry Day should honor the Infantryman as our foremost fighting man," the general concluded. "He is our symbol of victory—our greatest war hero."

## Infantrymen Cited for Service, Performance

The following 70th Division enlisted men were cited by name for meritorious service and outstanding performance at a Division Formation in Bradley Bowl yesterday, as part

(Note: Names of infantrymen cited were not available late yesterday and will be published in the Sentry next week.) of the Infantry-Trailblazer Day celebration.

### 70TH DIVISION ARTILLERY

Headquarters and Headquarters Battery:

Sgt. Carl R. Frei, Tech. K. S. Hranieks

Pvt. F. K. Kinnus

### 882ND FIELD ARTILLERY

Hq. Battery "B" Battery

Tech. D. A. Ross Cpl. F. A. Dewing

Pfc. L. T. Leach Pfc. G. T. Serwon

"A" Battery "C" Battery

Col. W. A. Clark S/Sgt. D. L. Henry

Cpl. E. B. Shapiro 1st Sgt. H. M. Jones

Sgt. D. C. Nagmiller Sgt. J. J. Johnson

### 883RD FIELD ARTILLERY

Hq. Battery "C" Battery

Sgt. O. P. Murphy Tech. M. A. Phinney

Tech. B. Chavez Tech. M. O. Hall

Pfc. R. F. McIntosh Pst. W. E. Johnson

"A" Battery Service Battery

1st Sgt. B. B. Hill Sgt. T. B. Will

Sgt. D. C. Nagmiller Sgt. O. M. Hughes

1st Sgt. S. A. Andrews Tech. L. H. Miller

Sgt. O. N. Cagle

### 884TH FIELD ARTILLERY

Hq. Battery "B" Battery

Sgt. J. R. Ford Tech. F. E. Lindsey

Tech. C. E. Gilmont Pfc. R. M. Barnes

Tech. F. H. Luzzarini "C" Battery

Sgt. C. C. Childs Tech. G. A. Severson

Tech. L. Sordok Service Battery

Sgt. K. H. Oldenburg Tech. G. A. Kabis

Tech. R. B. Richards Tech. J. J. Johnson

### 725TH FIELD ARTILLERY

Hq. Battery "C" Battery

Tech. M. Kaminski Cpl. M. Ishitsky

Tech. R. P. Sauter Pfc. J. P. Wilson

Sgt. C. P. Johnson Service Battery

Sgt. J. B. Hoffman Cpl. R. E. Lonsdale

### 70TH COMBAT ENGR. BN.

Co. "B"

Pfc. W. I. Garland Tech. J. I. Martin

Pfc. M. H. Murphy Sgt. L. E. Sway

Tech. C. A. Vandever Co. "C"

Co. "A"

Cpl. A. G. Goodman Cpl. A. F. Harndt

Cpl. G. P. Hall Tech. J. H. M. Cown

Tech. M. P. Huff Tech. H. Williams

Tech. T. K. Watson

### 370TH MEDICAL BN.

Co. "A"

Sgt. L. A. Mallikin Pfc. J. H. Preston

Tech. E. Peltzer S/Sgt. O. J. Anderson

Pvt. F. C. Duthason S/Sgt. R. M. Edgall

Co. "B"

Sgt. K. V. Brewer 1st Sgt. B. T. Gandy

Pfc. C. H. Albright Pfc. P. A. Miller

Pvt. R. F. Sims Pfc. D. F. Scur

### Hq. Detachment

T/Sgt. D. E. Mills T/Sgt. L. D. Moore, Jr.

Sgt. L. E. Malstrom

### 570th Signal Co.

Pvt. L. L. Dunn Pst. L. E. Franklin

Pvt. R. D. Sewell

### 70th Recon. Troop

Tech. K. F. Byham Pfc. A. J. Nottingham

Pfc. F. C. Fitzman

### 70th Div. Hq. Co.

Sgt. R. F. Smith Tech. J. G. Pappan

### 770th Ordnance Co.

Sgt. G. W. Wilson Tech. D. F. Freeman

Tech. J. M. Purcell

### 70th QM. Co.

Sgt. R. E. Farmer Sgt. V. J. Land

Tech. G. F. Sedgman

### 70th MP Platoon

Pvt. H. R. Silvers, Jr. Pst. G. T. Tietakis

Tech. D. E. Walters

### 70th Div. Band

T/Sgt. Van M. Hendricks

### 70th Div. Finance Off.

Tech. H. E. Esterbrook

### 70th Div. Hq. Det.

Tech. L. J. Bottaina

## General Dahlquist' Address As New Ship Consigned to Destiny

"To me, this ship, carrying the insignia and name of an Infantry Division, symbolizes in a unique way the strength and power of our people."

Thus Major General John E. Dahlquist, commanding general of the 70th Infantry Division, key-noted an address before shipyard workers, dignitaries of Oregon and soldiers of the Division at Swan Island shipyard Saturday at launching of the S. S. Trailblazer, the first ship in America to fare the seaways carrying the name of an Infantry Division.

In excerpts General Dahlquist continued as follows:

"When Hitler and his gang, in

Regular Army gave much thought to preparedness.

"Today, we have assembled, equipped, trained and deployed for combat the largest navy, air force, one of the largest armies."

"This ship is material proof of our ability to transform our industry, from peace purposes to war purposes. Its name, 'Trailblazer,' representing one of our many Infantry Divisions, which have been born from that small nucleus of five regular divisions of 1940, honors the citizen who has become a soldier."

1939, began their attempt to enslave the world, this nation was virtually unarmed. Industrially we were great. But that industry was engaged in the task of raising our standard of living.

"On the military side we were virtually disarmed. Five small divisions, only two of which had ever been completely assembled, represented the total strength of our available mobile ground forces then mobilized. Few people outside the