

Lots of Early Risers



Trailblazer Photo
FORTY PAIRS OF LUNGS with bugles attached. Buglers of the 70th Division are learning to play regulation bugle calls in regulation style at Division buglers' school, held daily at 1330 under direction of Chief Warrant Officer Norman Olson.

Infantrymen to Get Combat Pay Raises

Sixty-five per cent of Infantrymen will get pay raises of \$5 or \$10 a month, under the War Department "combat pay" plan recently approved by the Senate Military Affairs committee, according to official estimates.

Officials said the plan will provide an incentive to Infantrymen to prepare for combat and to "do well" when in combat.

In approving the 5-and-10 plan, the committee passed over a bill introduced by Senator Charles W. Tobey to give members of the armed forces 50 percent extra pay for combat time, but its sponsors hope to amend the final bill to include it.

The bill as approved in a War Department variation of Ernie Pyle's "fight pay" plan, proposing that soldiers in combat be given the same recognition as are flyers.

Maj. Mansfield of 70th G-2 Receives Majority; Illini

Now wearing the gold leaves of his majority is Major Richard D. Mansfield, who since April, 1943, has been assistant to the assistant chief of staff, G-2, of the 70th Division. He was promoted this week from captain.

Strictly Illini, Major Mansfield is not only a Chicagoan but is a graduate of the University of Illinois.

His active career, which climaxed on his transfer to his 70th Division post, includes ROTC, 1936; cavalry officer in reserve until August, 1940, when called to active duty at Ft. Meade, S. Dak.; transferred to Ft. Riley, Kan.; transferred to Ft. Meade, Md.; and general staff school at Ft. Leavenworth, Kan.

His home is Oak Park, Ill.

WACs Replace EM in 239 Essential Jobs

Members of the Women's Army Corps today are doing 239 essential Army jobs that formerly were performed by enlisted men.

A vital job being performed by Wacs is personnel classification work. At many Army posts and stations, specially trained WACs act as classification specialists. These WACs maintain and compile records of pertinent facts on the civilian background, military history, and the mechanical and mental aptitudes of enlisted personnel.

Enlistees in the WAC now may make three choices: Choice of Branch—Army Air Forces, Ground Forces, or Service Forces; choice of Army post or station at which they will perform their initial du-

New Army Record

Camp Polk, La.—(ALNS)—Pvt. Ruben Meyer, 31, of Chicago, hiked 25 miles in four hours, 34 minutes, 24 seconds, to set a new Army record. He carried full field equipment. Meyer has been a Marathon competitor.

Shattered Remnants of Original 'Dix 400 Cadre'



Signal Corps Photo
A MERE STURDY HANDFUL are left, as this picture plainly shows. The cadre had no party in celebration Wednesday as they did last year. They simply walked out to the old Tent City area and as Pvt. Joseph Cohen (left) points out the spot they embrace pleasant memories on the site of the first latrine.

And Call Me to Your Eager Arms—Buy 'em, Brothers!



Signal Corps Photo
BONDS, BONDS, BONDS—the kind of stuff that's vital to winning the war and the kind of stuff that means security in another 10 years. That's what GIs are calling for here, and they're appealing to the right girl, none other than Virginia Brown, one of the two War Bond lasses at Post Hqs. Now that the civilian drive is over the top and advancing into enemy territory, the military drive swings into high gear.

Portland Still Talks Of 274th's 'Grimness' During Recent Parades

The Trailblazers are "grim." That's the impression Portland got of the 274th Infantry, when it paraded as the main feature of the 5th War Loan inaugural two weeks ago.

The house bulletin of a grand-scale dairy lunch in downtown Portland this week carries the following:

"People are still talking about: The grimness of last week's Trailblazer Division parade, its solemnity relieved only by the hilarious GI names painted on the jeeps."

So it's the "Grim 274th," now!

H-M-M-M-M DEPT.

St. Paul, Minn. (CNS)—The police here are looking for a clever thief who keeps stealing gasoline from police patrol cars.

Stamp, PO Windows Closed 1300-1400

Effective beginning Monday, stamp and money order windows at the Camp Post Office will be closed from 1300 to 1400.

Adair Civilians Lead Camp White In Bond Campaign

Camp Adair is leading Camp White slightly in the "Battle of Bonds" campaign, according to a page 1 headline in our contemporary, the Camp White Grenade. This was particularly in reference to the civilian campaign, which was first conducted.

Only 53 out of 814 civilians on the Post were not buying bonds. On Monday Camp Adair hit the 100 percent mark, and yesterday reached the 15 percent payroll deduction mark.

A bond bought is \$\$ saved.

Folk of Albany Aid Army Convalescents

Albany has gone all out to abet the reconditioning program for convalescents returned from the theaters of war.

Announcement yesterday from Program Chairman Joseph M. Portal of the Albany USO revealed that through the city council of Albany, the city recorder and other civic agencies, some 20 GIs, convalescents from the Hospital, will be given farm and home hospitality for periods ranging from one day to a week.

In many other ways the community of Albany is sponsoring the reconditioning program in cooperation with Station Hospital. Swimming in the municipal pool, for example, will be offered to 40 enlisted men (Hospital convalescents only) four mornings weekly.

There will be tennis, softball, hardball and horseshoes.

Trailblazers Afield Still Get Their Letters



Trailblazer Photo
APO 461 MOVED into the field this week along with the rest of the 70th division, taking part in mimic warfare problems between the red and blue forces.