

## Hobbs Commander Of 30th Division

### Massachusetts Man In Charge Of Old National Guard Outfit

FORT JACKSON, Sept. 12.—(AP)—  
Brig. Gen. Leland S. Hobbs of  
Gloucester, Mass., today assumed  
command of the 30th infantry di-  
vision here, succeeding Maj. Gen.  
William H. Simpson, who is the  
commanding general of the newly  
activated 12th army corps.

Hobbs was born in Gloucester  
February 24, 1892. He graduated  
from the U. S. Military academy at  
West Point in 1915. While at the  
academy, Hobbs played on the foot-  
ball, baseball, basketball and track  
teams.

General Eisenhower, now in com-  
mand of the American ground  
forces in Europe, and Maj. Gen.  
Paul Woodruff, commander of the  
77th division here, were members  
of the same teams on which Hobbs  
played.

The 30th's new commander served  
overseas during the last war.

He is a graduate of the com-  
mand and general staff school of  
1934 and the Army war college in  
1935. He was on the general staff  
corps 1935-39. He also graduated  
from the Naval War college in 1940.

The division, composed of Na-  
tional guard units from Tennessee,  
Georgia and the Carolinas, was called  
into federal service in Septem-  
ber 1940. At that time the Old  
Hickory division was commanded  
by Maj. Gen. Henry D. Russell of  
Macon, Ga. Russell was succeeded  
by Simpson.

1942-09-13 Gen. Hobbs commands the 30th

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