

30th Infantry Division Arrives At Camp Atterbury for Training



The 30th Infantry Division was welcomed to Camp Atterbury by Col. Welton M. Modisette (center), post commander. Shown with him are Maj. Gen. Leland S. Hobbs (left), commanding general of the 90th Division, and Lieut. Col. Richard W. Stephens (right), the 30th's chief of staff. (United States Signal Corps Photo.)

Camp Atterbury, Indiana, Nov. 16.—(Special)—The 30th Infantry Division, commanded by Maj. Gen. Leland S. Hobbs, has arrived here for further training.

The division also has two other generals, Brig. Gen. John E. Lewis, serving as artillery officer and commanding general of the 30th Division artillery, and Brig. Gen. William K. Harrison Jr., assistant division commander.

Created In 1917.

The 30th was originally created in July, 1917, three months after the outbreak of World War I. It was known as the "Old Hickory Division," in honor of Andrew Jackson, and was composed of troops from Tennessee and North and South Carolina. Some of its

units were old in history, having participated in every war from the battle of Kings mountain in the Revolutionary War to San Juan Hill and Santiago in the Spanish-American War.

During World War I the division received more than half of all of the decorations awarded American troops by the British and 12 of the 78 congressional medals of honor.

The fighting of the 30th Division was outstanding in the Ypres-Lys operation, the Somme offensive and the smashing of the Hindenburg line, which was Germany's greatest defensive rampart.

After World War I, the division was disbanded, but the War Department ordered its reactivation as a National Guard Division in 1925, adding troops from the state of Georgia. It was called to full-time duty in 1940, one of the first four National Guard divisions to be called, and went into training at Fort Jackson, South Carolina. Other stations have been Camp Blanding, Florida, and Camp Forrest, Tennessee.

Staff Officers Named.

The three generals with the division all are graduates of the United States Military Academy. Lieutenant Colonel Richard W. Stephens is chief of staff. Other staff officers are Lieutenant Colonels John W. Dandridge, personnel; Walter L. Frankland, supply; James W. Perkins, adjutant general; Lawrence C. Case, judge advocate general; Alfred J. Treherne, division surgeon; William H. Nicolas, chaplain; James C. Dempsey, inspector general; Thomas P. Van Noppen, quartermaster; Lowry R. Harris, finance; Frank D. Pinckney, ordnance; Carroll H. Dunn, engineers.

Majors Stewart L. Hall, intelligence; Harold E. Hassenfelt, operations and training; Earl M. Stevens, signal; John W. Blount, special service; George D. Patterson, commanding officer of special troops, and Captains George E. Motz, chemical warfare, and John W. Craig, provost marshal.

County Ready To Buy Annex

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the Council will approve the bond ordinance today.

Judge Urges Purchase.

Judge Mark W. Rhoads of Juvenile Court, who attended the hearing, declared that "if a building is not purchased immediately to enable the moving of the Juvenile Court from the Courthouse basement, I will rent quarters for the court."

"I have that power and I will not stay in the basement hole longer than Jan. 1, 1944," he added.

C. R. Benjamin, a representative of the Indianapolis Taxpayers' Association and of the Marion County Farm Bureau, opposed the purchase and proposed that the county rent whatever additional space is needed to house the departments. C. B. Camp, who represented the governmental research bureau of the Chamber of Commerce, told the Council directors of the chamber have gone on record as being opposed to purchase of a building.

Castle Hall Building Mentioned.

"The county is proposing to spend \$25,000 in remodeling the

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