

Assignment of Divisions In Europe Made

Nine Divisions Given Occupational Roles—Status of 38 Still Unannounced, Report

Paris, June 21—(AP)—Assignments of twenty-three of the sixty-one American divisions under Gen. Eisenhower's command at the end of the war in Europe have been decided, leaving thirty-eight with their future status unannounced, supreme headquarters said today.

Nine divisions have been given occupational roles.

Eleven have been selected for return to the United States in the movement of combat forces for the Pacific war.

Three have drawn rear echelon chores.

Two other divisions, the 28th and 29th infantry, had at least temporary tasks in Europe. The 29th is staffing a German zone which may go to French control later and the 28th is on duty at port facilities of Bremen, in the British-occupied area, through which American supplies will pass.

The latest to be earmarked for occupation duty are the 42nd and 65th infantry divisions, which will take over northwestern Austria as long as military control there is necessary, it was learned at headquarters. The American zone in Austria presumably will come under Gen. Mark W. Clark.

In Germany the U. S. Third and Seventh armies, which ultimately will control the American zone of occupation, will have at least six divisions apportioned evenly between them.

Gen. Patton's Third army, under present plans, will have the First and Ninth infantry and Fourth armored divisions.

Lt. Gen. Wade H. Haislip's Seventh army will have the Third and 36th infantry and the First armored divisions.

To Garrison Zone.
The 82nd airborne division is expected to garrison the American zone in Berlin.

The 68th division has been assigned to operate the Marseille staging area from which some troops will be shipped directly to the Pacific.

The 75th division will operate an assembly area command where troops are processed for redeployment. The 106th division will guard German prisoners remaining in American hands.

Divisions being returned to the United States for transfer to the Pacific are the Second, Fifth, 44th, 86th, 87th, 88th, 97th and 104th infantry and the 13th armored.

The Fourth and Eighth infantry division also are returning home but whether they will go to the Pacific has not been announced.

The personnel of all divisions, regardless of their future assignments, is subject to change under the army's discharge point system.

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