

Goldbranson Named Staff Chief of 34th Division

Appointment of Carl E. Goldbranson, 46, Council Bluffs, as chief of staff with the rank of colonel of the National Guard's 34th division was announced Wednesday by Maj.-Gen. Ray C. Fountain of Des Moines, division commander.



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Colonel Goldbranson, associated with the Union Pacific

General Fountain also announced the appointment of Roger M. Minkel, 39, Fort Dodge physician, as commander of the 109th medical battalion of the 34th division with the rank of lieutenant colonel.

railway, is a World War II veteran who served in both the Pacific and European theaters of war. When separated from the army last January he held the rank of lieutenant colonel.

Enlisting in the Iowa National Guard in 1927 as a private, he rose to a captaincy and adjutant of the 168th infantry service company before he went into active duty in world war II with the Iowa National Guard.

Minkel, also a world war II veteran, was commissioned in the National Guard in 1940. He was captain and commander of the 136th medical regiment of the guard when he went into service in world war II. He served in North Africa and Italy and was separated last January while holding the rank of lieutenant colonel.

The 34th division is made up of troops from Iowa and Nebraska.

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