Local Soldier Wants Action; Gets Moved To Infantry 2 1944 Among the first to take advantage

Among the first to take advantage of the Army's offer for enlisted men of the other branches of the service to transfer to the infantry voluntarily, was Private First Class Karl J. Weiskopf, son of Mr. and Mrs. Francis Weiskopf, 735 First Avenue.

His transfer from a field artillery unit at Camp Chaffee, Ark., to the 16th Armored Division became effective June 2, 1944.

Pfc. Weiskopf was inducted into the Army December 16, 1942, and was assigned to the Regimental Medical Detachment, of the Second Coast Artillery of Fort Monroe, Va. He remained there until March 1944 when he was transferred to the Field Artillery at Camp Chaffee, Ark. He holds the Army award as a marksman on the M1 rifle, sharpshooter on the carbine.

He stated as his reason for transferring to the infantry to meet the enemy at close quarters so that he can feel an intimate participation in the victory.