

85 Soldiers Naturalized In Court Here

In a special ceremony, 85 soldiers, almost all from Camp Ritchie, Md., were naturalized yesterday in District Court before Justice James W. Morris.

Justice Morris, in a short address, said he envied the young men their opportunities now that they were citizens. He said it was always inspiring to see a group become citizens but especially in this case, where all the men were in uniform.

"I don't have to go on at length knowing that you know full well what citizenship means. You are in uniform. Godspeed and good fortune," he said.

Among the soldiers was William Plotnick, 22, a native of Latvia, who has been on three ships which were torpedoed. When the war began Plotnik went to England, hoping to enlist in the air force, but citizenship difficulties were in the way. Then he joined the merchant marine. Two ships he was on were sunk, and a third was damaged. Once he reached shore in the Caribbean via lifeboat, and another time was rescued by a Coast Guard cutter off Trinidad.

Louis Barth, 37, a native of Germany, was in France when the war began. He volunteered and served several months when France fell and he was evacuated with the British Expeditionary Forces to England. His parents are in Belgium.

The complete list of those naturalized follows: Jacob Fuld, Stefan V. Galfi, Herman Coquelin, Edmund Olenn, Pierre P. la Breche, Leo L. Haas, Richard Delumen, Andre Hakim, Jorgen Jarnes, Ernest Heller, Fritz G. Grimsehl, Jens Jensen, Joe H. Kirchberger, George F. Kreisler, Demetrius G. Stampados, Eric Walder, Wilbur C. Gamman, Ernest Binario, Hans A. Land, Enzo Pistelli, Harry G. Marx, Siegfried Mayer, Fernand N. Berck, Fritz Deutsch, Juan E. Metzger, Frederick W. Perietz, Frederick C. Patheiger, Ludwig Barth, Santo Livera, Leon Poteshman, Manfred Bergmann, Paul Rabinek, Kurt Schuele, John Rosch, Carl E. Blomkvist, Henry Bardack, Ralph H. Meyer, Hugo Einzeger, Theodore Sundheimer, Edward J. Fallgren, Walter Behr, Jacob Schulman, Montero J. Casci, John Rothman, Leonard C. Gmirkin, John Frank, Samuel Halber, Hans F. Voight, Curtis R. Sunner, Armelli Bax, Joseph Voehl, Werner F. Werth, Kurt E. Wallach, George R. Field, Saul F. Wind, William Ernst, Karel H. Strauss, Walter Stone, Ernst Steen, Fred D. Field, Philip A. Seragusa, Carl E. Bucky, Herman Gutman, Frank J. Kahn, Walter M. Hasenclever, Theobald During, Robert A. Sinzer, Walter F. Simon, Fred R. Zander, Jaques W. Kaswan, Eric J. Metzger, Herman Markovitz, Anthony De Blasis, Fred A. Weiss, Alvert Conti, Siegfried Bernstein, Franz J. Weisbarst, Emerico Bohrer, William Plotnik, Rudolph Palmer, Richard H. Stein and Henry Berner.