

Double Names Snafu Army

FORT KNOX (Ky.). — The confusion started at this Army post when two recruits showed up from Pittsburgh. One is Joseph Joseph; the other James James.

Everywhere they went from the supply rooms to the medical examinations points, the lines of questions to the ditto named soldiers sounded like a comedy routine.

"The typist couldn't believe my name is James James," said James James. "They'd ask my name and I'd answer 'James.' Then they'd ask, 'Well, what's your last name, James?'" And I'd repeat 'James' or 'James James' and the typist would look up and glare.

"And then, right behind me in line, comes Joseph Joseph. Before they got through with him, they were ready to issue us medical discharges."