

1949 MEMBERSHIP ELIGIBILITY 1954

PERMANENTLY ATTACHED

5th Infantry Regiment

19th Combat Inf. Bn. (Philippines)

1st Bn. 62nd ROKA Inf. Regt.

555th Field Artillery Bn.

955th F.A. Bn.

Three Btrys./ 155mm Howitzers

53rd Counter Fire Platoon

2nd Plat. C Btry. 26th, AAA, AW, Bn. (SP)

2nd Plat. D Btry. 145th, AAA, AW, Bn. 45th Div.

740th Ord. Co. 40th Inf. Div.

Heavy Mortar Co.

Hvy. Mtr. Co. 20th ROKA Div.

5th Tank Company

1st Plat. Co. D 6th Med. Tank Bn.

5th Medical Company

Co. D 3rd Plat. Ambulance Co.

25th Medical Bn.

1st Plat. 568th Ambulance Co.

52nd Ambulance Bn.

72nd Combat Engineers

Co. D 3rd Combat Engrs.

724th Ordinance Section

2nd Platoon 92nd Engineer Searchlight Co.

5th RCT Light Aviation Sec.

Tactical Air Controller "T.A.C."

TEMPORARILY ATTACHED

10-11 August 50-Bloody Gulch

A Btry. 90th F.A. Bn. 25th Div.

One Btry./ 155mm Howitzers

12-14 Aug B&C Btry 159th F.A. Bn

105mm Howitzers

Sept. 50 C. Co. 70th Tank Bn.

Jan. 51 A Co. 72nd Tank Bn.

B Co. 2nd Chemical Mtr. Bn.

52nd F.A. Bn.

25 April 1951 - Death Valley

955th F.A. Bn.

8th Ranger Co. 24th Div.

Co. D 6th Tank Bn.

14 October 51

1st & 2nd Bn. 21st Inf. Regt. 24th Div.

February 1952

3rd RCT Bn 27th Inf. Regt. 25th Div.

24 June-1 July 1952

4th Plt. 14th Tank Co.

1 July 1952

3rd Plt. D Co. 89th Tank Bn.

23 Jan 51-July-October 1952

42nd Scout Dog Platoon

26th Inf. Regt. 1st Div.

Spring 1953

Tank Co. 180th Reg. 45th Div.

11-14 June Outpost Harry 1953

14-15 June 53

3rd Recon. Co. 3rd Inf. Div.

14 July 53

Hvy. Mtr. Co. 179th Inf. 45th Div.

17-18 July 53

Co. A 14 Bn. Combat Team 45th Div.

18 July 53

2nd Bn. 180 Inf. Regt. 45th Div.

25-28 July 53

3rd Bn. 180th Inf. 45th Div.

KOREAN 25 June 50 ★★ Campaign Streamers ★★ 27 July 53 WAR

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The Queen's Fortification Builders

PHOTOS FROM SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS REUNION
SENT TO US BY AL MCADOO.



FROM L TO R 2013/2014 OFFICERS:
1-PAT BURKE, FRANK JENNINGS, JACK STINSON, OKIE FOSTER, LOU SARDINI,
RAY WARNER, JAY CRAIL, AL MCADOO, BILL COULSON.

Killed in Action 949

Wounded in Action 3,188

Taken as Prisoners of War 151

Missing in Action 86

2 Medal of Honor Recipients

34 Distinguished Service Cross

408 Silver Star w/Valor Device

7 Legion of Merit

1390 Bronze Star w/Valor Device

5 Soldiers Medal

Presidential Unit Citation (Army)

Streamer Embroidered Chin Ju

Distinguished Unit Citation

9-13 August 1950

3rd Battalion 5th Inf. & Attached Units

3rd Platoon Tank Co. 5th Inf.

3rd Platoon Medical Co. 5th Inf.

2nd Platoon 72nd Engineer Co. C

555 F.A. Liaison Party

25 May 51 - Captured 1,268

C.C.F. POWs

Distinguished Unit Citation

12-13 June 1953

Co. A 5th Inf. Regt. 5th RCT & Attached Units

1st Sec. Machine Gun Plat. Co D 5th RCT

2nd Sec. Machine Gun Plat. Co.D 5th R.C.T.

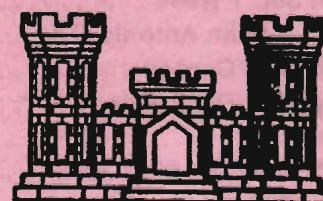
F.O. Team 555 F.A. Bn. 5th RCT

72nd Engineer Co. C 5th RCT

Republic of Korea Presidential

Unit Citations Streamer Embroidered

Korea 1950-52,-1950, 53,-1952-54



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Note From Chaplain

Hi Ruck,

Enclosed is a note for the Battle Stars.

Thanks for many years of Editor.

23 JULY 2013

A note of thanks to the members who send in obituaries. Without your help our members would not know of these passing of their comrades.

Some members have asked about the health of Chaplain Chas & Sonja DeSalvo. I called him & he said they were as good as can be expected for his age - 86 yrs young.

Some members respond to me & think I was a Chaplain in Korea. I was not a chaplain, I was in the 3rd Plt of G. Co 52-53. Came here with the rank of corporal.

As Chaplain now I will do the job to the best of my ability.

May God bless each and everyone for the rest of our day.

John Crail

Chaplain

John W. Crail

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William Coulson	June 2013-2014

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From The Sec/Treas



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RUCK,

I WOULD LIKE TO THANK YOU FOR THE MANY YEARS THAT YOU HAVE DEDICATED EACH MONTH FOR THE NEWSLETTER "BATTLE STARS".

I KNOW THAT ALL OF THE 5TH RCT MEMBERS REALLY APPRECIATE ALL THAT YOU HAVE DONE FOR THE ORGANIZATION.

MY WIFE, MAXINE, HAS BEEN ASKED BY PRESIDENT, BILL COULSON TO CONTINUE THE NEWSLETTER. I KNOW THAT SHE WILL BE FILING A PAIR OF BIG SHOES.

SHE WILL BE WORKING ON THE OCT, NOV, DEC ISSUE SO IF YOU HAVE ANY MATERIAL FOR THAT ISSUE, WOULD YOU PLEASE SEND IT TO HER?.

ALSO PLEASE MAKE SURE THAT OUR ADDRESS IS ON THE MAILING LIST FOR THE MEMBERS TO MAIL ARTICLES FOR THE NEWSLETTER.

ALSO ALL INFORMATION FOR THE 2014 REUNION IN FLORIDA WILL BE IN THAT ISSUE. SO LOOK FOR THAT DATE, TIME, ETC.

**MAIL ALL INFORMATION FOR THE NEWSLETTER TO:
FRANK JENNINGS, SEC/TREAS, 5TH RCT ASSOC.**

**P.O. BOX 410337
MELBOURNE FL 32941**

RUCK,

PLEASE PLACE THE DEADLINE FOR RECEIVING MATERIAL FOR THE OCTOBER, NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER ISSUE IN THE NEXT ISSUE AS **SEPTEMBER 1, 2013. SEND TO FRANK AND MAXINE JENNINGS, P.O. BOX 410337, MELBOURNE FL 32941.**

THANKS

Frank Jennings

FRANK JENNINGS
SEC/TREAS
5TH RCT ASSOC.

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CHANGE OF ADDRESS JUNE 1 TO JULY 1, 2013

6-24 KRAMER, WILLIAM R. 1BN 5MED 50 MOUNDS RD #214,
SAN MATEO CA 94402

6-25 GALATZ, ROBERT L. L5 503-492-1017, 1323 SOUTHWEST CHERRY PARK RD #313
TROUTDALE OR 97060

6-29 SWANSON, ALVIN K K5 651-257-5527 12987 EVERGREEN DR
LINDSTROM MN 55045

7-1 JOHNSON, JERRY HQ5 __??_ 3594 E SILVERCREEK
WASHINGTON UT 84780

PLEASE HELP ME LOCATE THESE MEN....I HAVE SENT OUT LETTERS FIRST-CLASS TO THESE MEN AND I HAVE NOT HAD A RESPONSE FROM ANY OF THEM..BUT I DID RECEIVE

MANY OF THOSE LETTERS BACK WITH NO FORWARDING ADDRESS. I AM DELETING THEM

FROM THE MAILING LIST IF NO ONE HAS ANY INFO ABOUT THEM. IF ANY OF YOU MEMBERS

HAS ANY IDEA OR ADDRESS FOR THESE MEN, PLEASE LET THEM KNOW THAT THEY SHOULD CONTACT ME WITH NEW INFO.

ARNOLD, JAMES E	CO."C"	51/52	ID.# 1469-0956
BARKKUME, ALLEN	CO."C"	48/49	1034-1267
BARNES, EDWIN E	72ND ENGR	50/51	1676-1898
BERRY, JACK R. SR.	HQ, 1BN	48/51	1005-1631
CASTLE, WALTER G JR.	CO "I"	53/54	1056-2492
CISEK, LEONARD J	CO"F"	51	1256-2130
FELDHEIM, PAUL S	CO. "M"	51/52	1692-1782
FELTON, DANIEL E	555B	51/53	1554-0100
FISHER, JACK A SR.	72ND ENGR	49/51	1688-0417
FRANKLIN, WILLIAM V	CO."H"	49/51	1217-1056
GOERLICH, DONALD W	HQ, 2 BN		1266-1224
GOSSELIN, HENRY V	HQ 1 BN	49/51	1431-0874
GOULD, KEITH	CO. "L"	53/54	2139-2285
GRAHAM, ROBERT G.	555A	53	1555-0255
GRAHAM, WILLIAM J	HQ 1BN	53/54	1249-1426
GUIDETTI, CHARLES G	CO. "D"	51/54	1597-2290
HAGEN, WILLIAM C	CO."A"	52/53	1079-1691
HERSH, SIDNEY	CO."L"	53/54	2027-1440
HINDS, BERNARD P. JR	CO "F"	51	1252-1469
KEALOHA, SAMUEL L	CO."M"	49/51	2225-2622
KING, NORMAN R	HHC	51/52	1092-0137
KOWALSKI, EDGAR	CO."A"	53/54	1461-0089
LALIBERTE, WILLIAM	TANK	52/53	1669-2596
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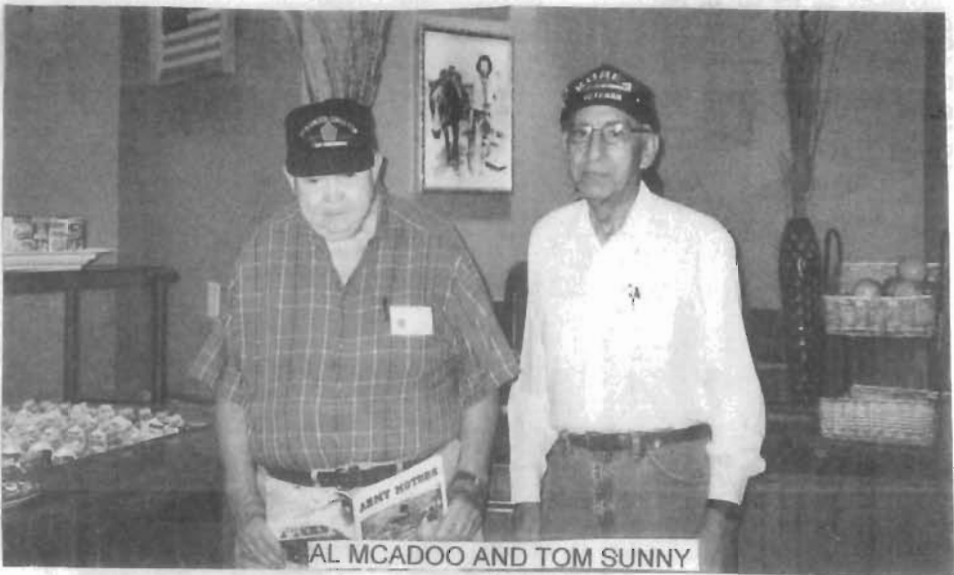
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LEE, JAE WON	CO "F"	49/51	1673-1456
LOUTZENHISER, RICHARD T	MED	52/53	1077-1951
MCCRIMMON, JOHN C	CO."K"	53/54	1049-1181
MCKILLOP, JOHN D	CO."D"	51	1543-2031
MERKL, ROGER G	SV	54	1237-1274
MILARSKI, RAYMOND A	CO "F"	51/52	1610-1625
MITCHELL, OLTIE R.B.	SV	51/52	1295-2555
MONK, KENNETH W	CO."F"	49/50	1544-1182
MOUNT, ROBERT C	72ND ENGN	49/51	1044-2292
MUELLER, RAYMOND L	CO."I"	53	1053-2232
PATTON, CHARLES H	CO."G"	53/54	1346-2578
PELLEGRINO, FRANK	CO."G"	51/52	1422-2273
PERRIN, JOHN T.	CO."F"	53	1701-2252
PLENSKOFSKI, JOHN J	CO. "C"	50/51	1662-1092
QUILLIGAN, CORNELIUS	CO."I"	54	1696-2530
ROHDE, BERNARD E SR.	CO. "A"	49/51	1020-0277
RYAN, ALLEN R	CO. "C"	50	1091-0869
RYDER, DONALD F	CO. "M"	49/53	1025-1352
SANDUSKY, DARRELL E	TANK	51/52	1248-2128
SHOPE, WILLIAM B	MED	50/51	1287-2348
SILVEIRA, ALBERT C	CO. "B"	51/52	1113-1256
STEINKAMP, VIRGIL J	CO. "D"	51/52	1063-0824
STROEHLEIN, FRANCIS S	CO."I"	52/53	1360-1687
THORNBURG, RAYMOND E	CO."F"	49/51	1045-0048
WITMER, KENNETH J	CO. "K"	52/53	1269-2618
ZAHRADNIK, PAUL P	CO. "F"	53/54	1135-2520

Frank Jennings SEC/TREAS



PASSED
PRESIDENTS ENJOYING THE SUN

LOU SARDINI, AL MCADOO AND JACK STINSON



From The Sec/Treas

REUNION UPDATE FROM SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS

MANY, MANY THANKS TO BILL COULSON AND COMMITTEE MEMBERS WHO GAVE US ANOTHER GREAT REUNION IN SAN ANTONIO TEXAS. BILL AND HIS WIFE CHUN HAD A WONDERFUL ENTERTAINING EVENING AT THE BANQUET OF KOREAN DANCERS AND MUSICIANS. PLUS WE HAD SOME VERY DISTINGUISHED GUESTS INCLUDING THE CONSUL GENERAL FROM SOUTH KOREA, AMBASSADOR SUK-BUM PARK WHO LIVES IN HOUSTON.

EVERYONE IN THE AUDIENCE RECEIVED A BEAUTIFUL EMBROIDERED BLANKET FROM THE KOREAN-AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF SAN ANTONIO. WE WISH TO THANK THEM FOR THIS GIFT.

WE ALSO HAD LT GENERAL WON PAE PAK AS A GUEST. SEVERAL MEMBERS OF THE 5TH RCT KNOW MR. PAK WHO HAS TAKEN MANY OF THEM ON TOURS TO SOUTH KOREA. HE DONATED A BEAUTIFUL SOUTH KOREAN FLAG TO THE ASSOCIATION. WE THANK LT GENERAL PAK FOR THIS GIFT ALSO.

WE HAD ERIC ROSS FROM NASA WHO GAVE AN INTERESTING UPDATE ON THE FUTURE OF NASA. HE ALSO HAD A TALE TO TELL REGARDING AN AMERICAN FLAG AND A STRANGER WHOM HE MET AT A REST AREA ON THE FREEWAY. THE STRANGER GAVE THIS FLAG TO ERIC AND NOW ERIC HAS DONATED IT TO THE ASSOCIATION. THANKS TO ERIC FOR THE FLAG.

AND THANKS TO THE THIELFOLDTS FROM NEBRASKA AND TEXAS, WHO BROUGHT A BEAUTIFUL QUILT TO BE RAFFLED OFF. IT WAS A BEAUTY!!! AND RETHA CRAIL SOLD A LOT OF TICKETS FOR THIS RAFFLE AND \$ 245.00 WAS THE AMOUNT TAKEN IN THIS QUILT WAS WON BY JACK STINSON. THANK YOU LYLE AND MONA FOR THIS QUILT.

THE 50/50 MONEY, WHICH WAS \$ 266.00, HALF OF WHICH WAS WON BY MALCOLM GETSEE BUT WAS GIVEN BACK TO FISHER HOUSE. PROCEEDS FROM THE AUCTION AND THE QUILT AND THE 50/50 TOTALED ALMOST \$2000.00. A CHECK FOR \$2000.00 WILL BE SENT TO BILL COULSON SO THAT HE CAN PRESENT IT TO THE FISHER HOUSE IN SAN ANTONIO.

AGAIN, THANKS TO BILL AND COMMITTEE FOR A DELIGHTFUL REUNION AND OUR 3RD FOR SAN ANTONIO. WE SURE DO APPRECIATE YOU AND YOUR COMMITTEE.

NEWS FROM THE SECRETARY/TREASURER

AS USUAL, WE STILL HAVE MANY MEMBERS WHO HAVE NOT PAID THEIR DUES FOR THE YEAR 2013...

PLEASE, PLEASE MAIL YOUR DUES, \$ 15.00 PER YEAR....EVERY YEAR... DUE ON JANUARY 1....

THE FIRST NUMBER ON YOUR LABEL ON THE NEWSLETTER AND THE CARD INDICATES THE YEAR THAT YOU ARE PAID UP TO.

IF YOU DO NOT UNDERSTAND, CALL OR WRITE TO ME.

ALSO IF YOU HAVE CHANGES IN YOUR ADDRESS OR PHONE NUMBERS OR ZIP CODES.....PLEASE LET ME KNOW SO THAT I CAN MAKE THE CHANGES IN THE ROSTER....

I'LL TRY SIR,

FRANK JENNINGS
SECRETARY/TREASURER
5TH RCT ASSOC

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5TH RCT GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

SAN ANTONIO TEXAS

MAY 18, 2013

**THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 9:05 A.M.
BY PRESIDENT JACK STINSON ASSISTED BY AL
MCADOO AND FRANK JENNINGS**

PLEDGE TO FLAG FOLLOWED BY A PRAYER BY JW CRAIL

**NO AGENDA WAS GIVEN OUT AND AL MCADOO OFFERED
TO HELP JACK STINSON. MINUTES FROM 2012 WERE READ
BY FRANK JENNINGS FOLLOWED BY THE TREASURERS
REPORT. MOTION BY LOU SARDINA AND SECONDED BY RAY WARNER
TO ACCEPT THE MINUTES AND ALSO THE TREASURERS REPORT.**

**TREASURER FRANK JENNINGS EXPLAINED THE CIRCUMSTANCES
REGARDING ASSOCIATION MONIES. HE EXPLAINED IF THE ASSOC
WAS DISSOLVED, ALL MONIES WOULD HAVE TO BE PASSED ON
TO VETERANS ASSOCIATIONS OR GROUPS AND NO REFUNDS OR
MONIES WOULD BE GIVEN TO ANY MEMBERS OF OUR ASSOCIATION.
THEREFORE FUTURE REUNIONS WILL BE USING OUR MONIES
FOR OUR MEMBERS.**

**FRANK JENNINGS, TREASURER, SUGGESTED THAT WE OFFER THE
BRANSON COMMITTEE MONEY FOR THERE MINI-REUNION. NO MOTION
WAS MADE. CONFUSION REIGNED!!**

**IT WAS NOTED THAT THE 2014 REUNION WOULD BE AT THE MAINSAIL
RESORT AT TAMPA, FLORIDA HOSTED BY FRANK JENNINGS. HE MADE A
PRESENTATION OF DATES AND RATES. ALL INFO FOR THE REUNION
WILL BE PUBLISHED IN THE NEWSLETTER SHORTLY. DATES ARE APRIL
30 THRU MAY 4TH, 2014.**

**DISCUSSION FOLLOWED REGARDING 2015 REUNION IN BRANSON,
MISSOURI. IN ORDER TO HAVE THE REUNION IN SEPTEMBER, THEIR
NORMAL TIME FOR THEIR MINI, A MOTION WAS MADE TO VOTE AT THE
NEXT MEMBERSHIP MEETING IN 2014 TO AMEND THE BY-LAWS TO**

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SCHEDULE A REUNION BETWEEN APRIL AND OCTOBER. WE MUST **NOT** SCHEDULE A REUNION AROUND THE HOLIDAYS, MEMORIAL DAY, MOTHERS DAY, FATHERS DAY, 4TH OF JULY, ETC. THIS MOTION HAS TO BE FINE-TUNED AT NEXT YEARS MEETING.

MUCH DISCUSSION FOLLOWED REGARDING THE SCHEDULING OF THE NEWSLETTER BY AL MCADOO. IT WAS SUGGESTED THAT THE EDITOR MUST ADHERE TO A SCHEDULE. ABOUT 750 TO 800 OF OUR MEMBERS NEVER ATTEND A REUNION, THEREFORE THEY MUST RELY ON THE NEWSLETTER FOR NEWS OF THE ASSOCIATION. MEMBERS SPOKE OF THE OBITUARIES AND SOMEHOW HOW TO CONDENSE THEM. ALSO MENTION WAS MADE THAT MEMBERS OF THE ASSOCIATION SHOULD SUBMIT ARTICLES AND PHOTOS TO EDITOR TO FILL THE PAGES.

AFTER A LENGTHY DISCUSSION, IT WAS NOTED THAT FRANK JENNINGS, SECRETARY/TREASURER TAKE THE RESPONSIBILITY TO FOLLOW UP ON THIS WITH THE EDITOR.

JW CRAIL, OUR CHAPLAIN, HAS AGREED TO GET CERTIFICATES MADE AND SENT TO FAMILIES OF DECEASED VETERANS.

FRANK JENNINGS, SEC/TREAS ASKED FOR ANY COMMENTS REGARDING THE ASSOCIATION. THERE WERE NONE

THERE WERE NOT AS MANY MOTIONS MADE, HOWEVER THERE WERE MANY LIVELY DISCUSSIONS ABOUT MANY SUBJECTS !

THE NEW OFFICERS FOR THE FOLLOWING YEAR ARE AS FOLLOWS:

PRESIDENT. WILLIAM COULSON

VICE-PRESIDENT-RAYMOND WARNER

SECRETARY/TREASURER-FRANK JENNINGS

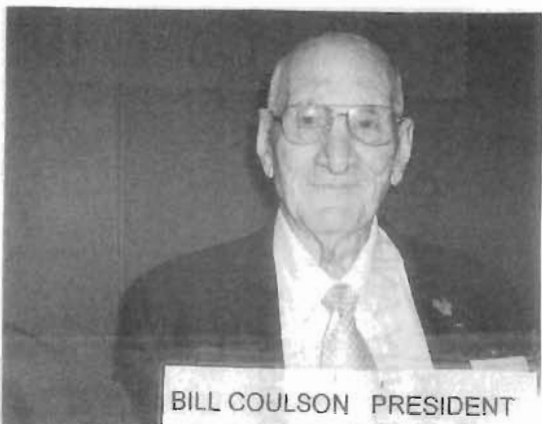
EXECUTIVE COUNCIL- PATRICK BURKE, ALBERT MCADOO,
LOUIS SARDINA , CHARLES FOSTER, TOM SUNNY AND PAST
PRESIDENT JACK STINSON.

MOTION MADE TO ADJOURN MEETING AT 10:05 A.M.

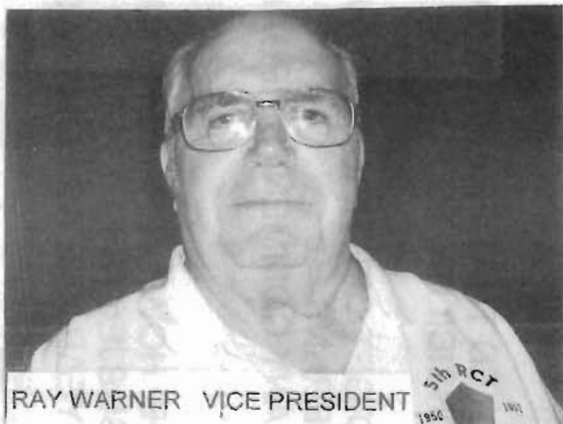
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FRANK JENNINGS

SECRETARY/TREASURER



BILL COULSON PRESIDENT



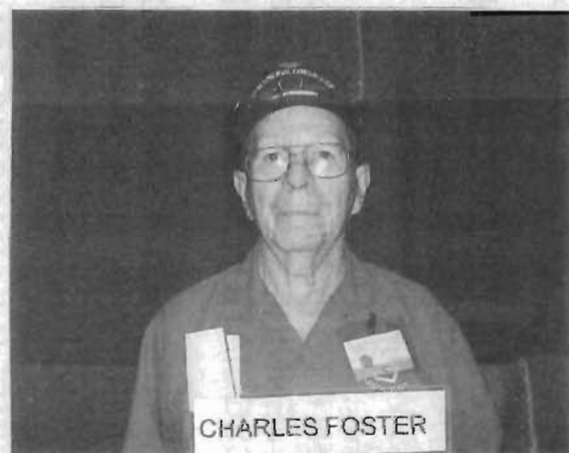
RAY WARNER VICE PRESIDENT



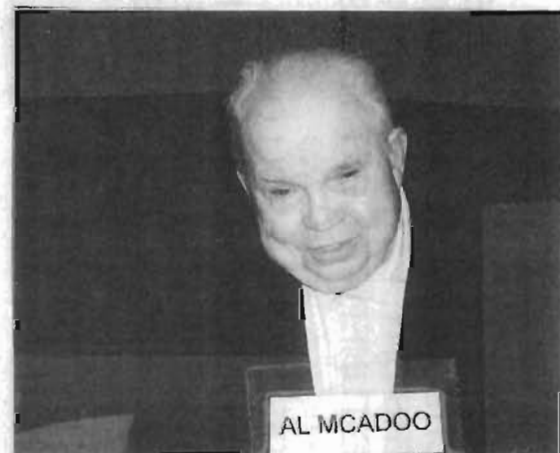
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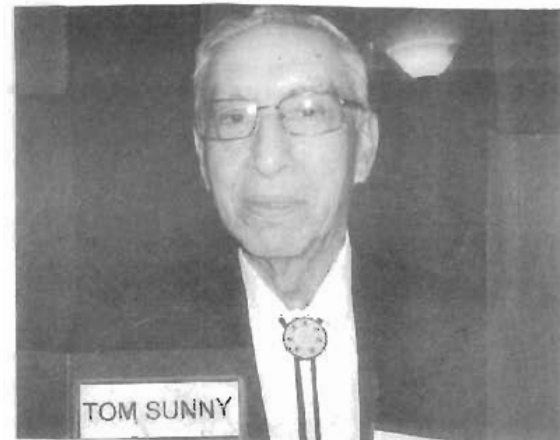
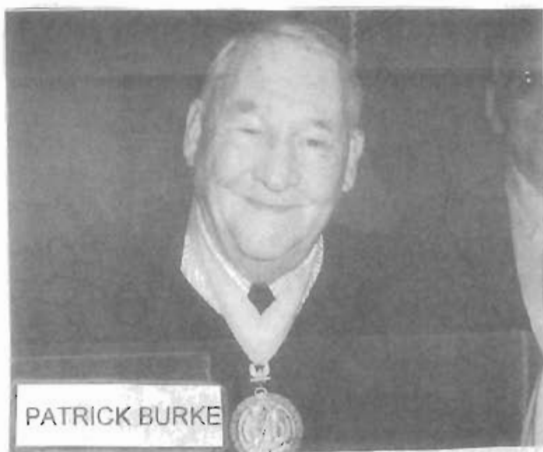
J.W. CRAIL CHAPLAIN



CHARLES FOSTER



AL MCADOO



RUCK, ATTACHED ARE PHOTOS FROM SAN ANTONIO REUNION.

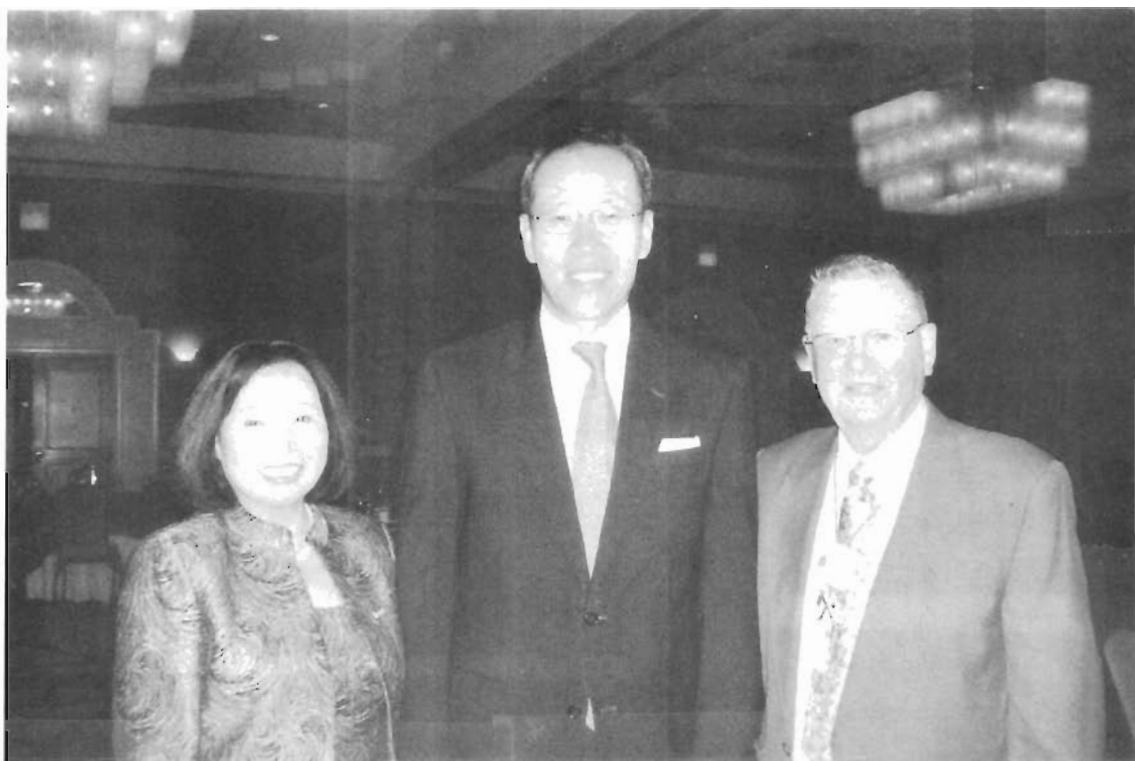


1. PHOTO OF NEW ASSOCIATION OFFICERS L TO R
PATRICK BURKE, CHARLES FOSTER, BILL COULSON, RAYMOND WARNER,
FRANK JENNINGS, LOU SARDINA, AL MCADOO AND TOM SUNNY



2. BILL AND CHUN COULSON WHO
WERE HOSTS OF THE 2013 REUNION

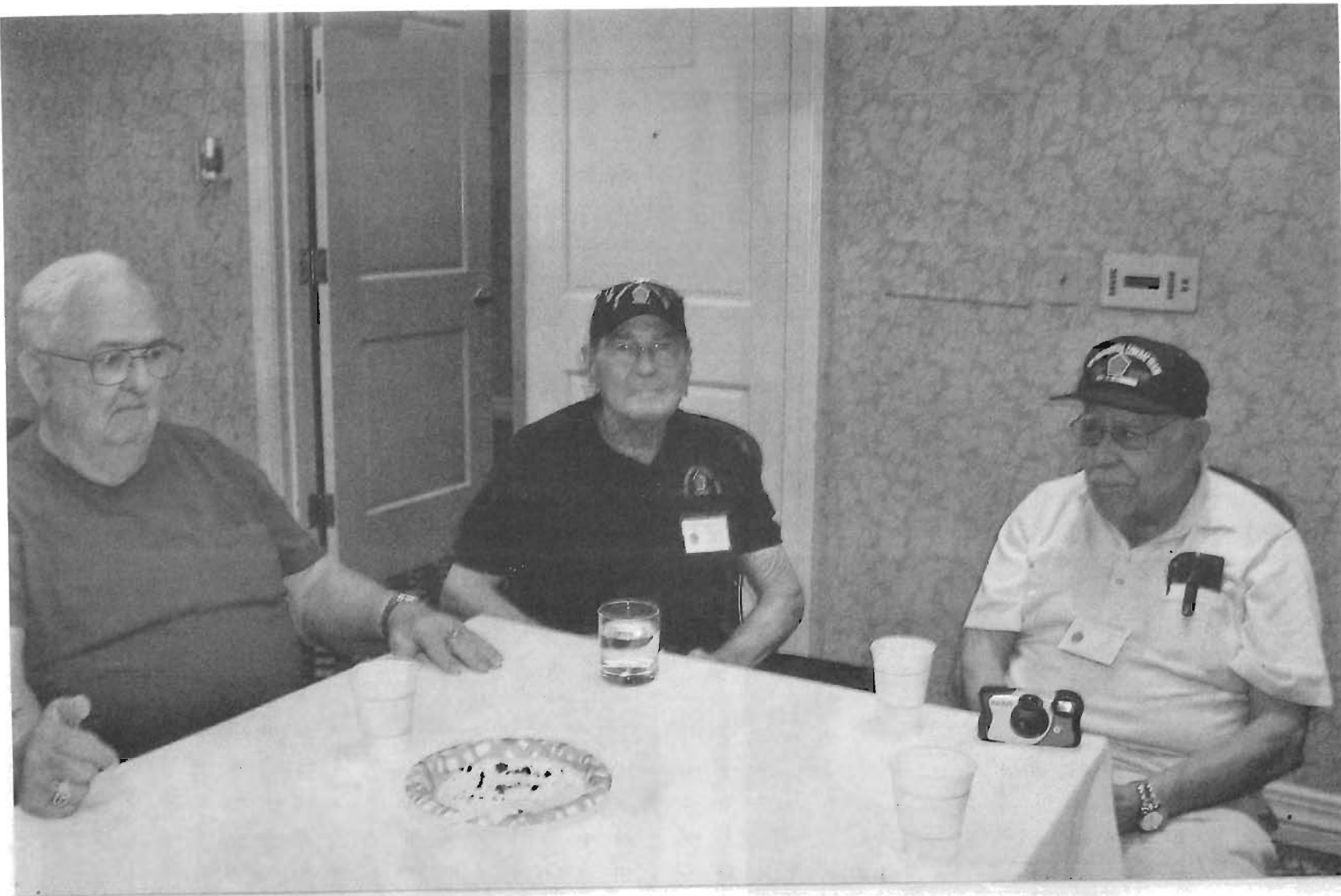
From The Sec/Treas - 2013 Reunion



3. AMBASSADOR SUK-BUM PARK AND WIFE WHO WERE GUESTS AT REUNION



4. CHUN COULSON, RITA BORBA, LAVERNE SCHRODER, MARY CROWELL
AT LADIES BRUNCH

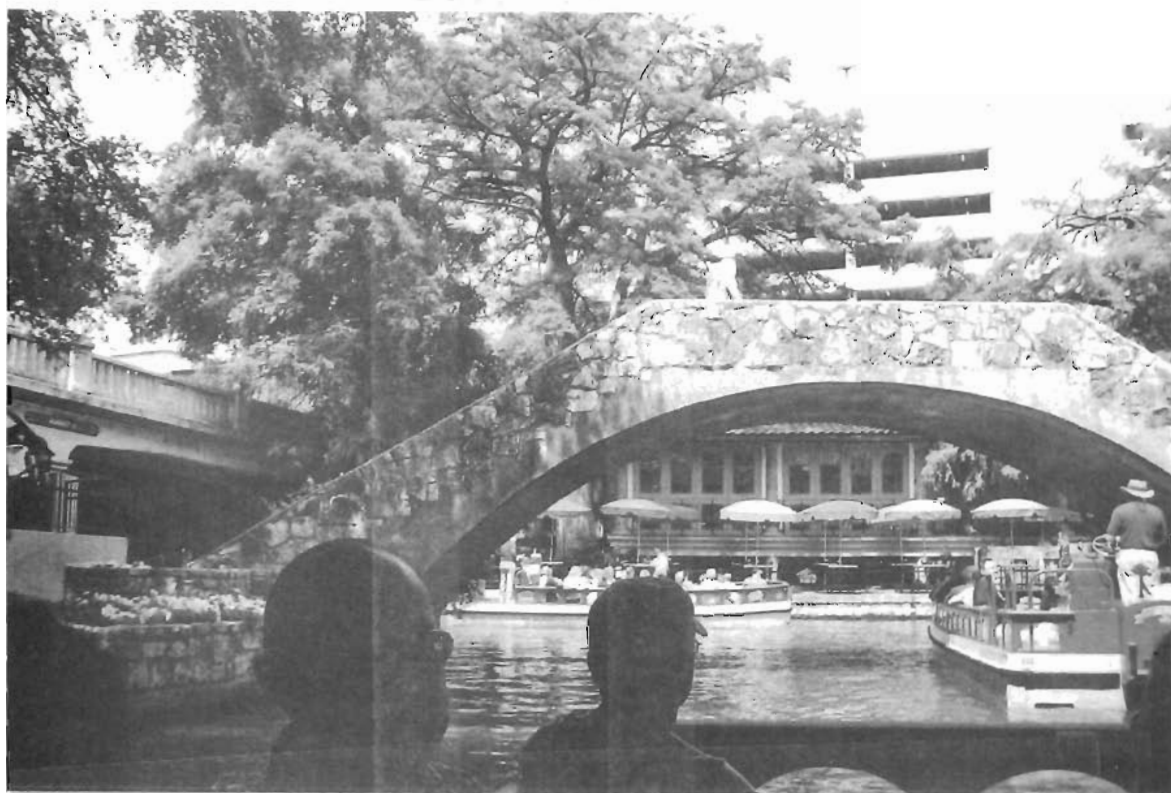


5. WAYNE PERRY, A NEW MEMBER OF THE 5TH RCT, MALCOLM GETSEE, LOUIE VELEZ ENJOYING THE HOSPITALITY ROOM

From The Sec/Treas - 2013 Reunion



6. DAVE & SHERRI LOMAX OF FLORIDA PLAYING MUSIC FOR THE VETERANS



7. A SCENE FROM A RIVER BOAT ON THE RIVER WALK AREA OF SAN ANTONIO

Letters To The Editor



A little thoughtfulness can be the greatest blessing of all

HI "RUCH
THANKS FOR YOUR
GOOD WORK FOR OUR
ASSOCIATION.
YOU ARE A CREDIT TO
THE 5TH RCT.

MANY BLESSINGS
TO YOU AND YOUR FAMILY
SINCERELY
YOUR COMRADE
JOHN STEINER
1st COMBAT 1952

JOHN H. STEINER
2269 S. UNIVERSITY DR. #228
FT. LAUDERDALE, FL 33324-5856

A wonderful surprise in my
mailbox. I thank you so much
for the extra issues of your 5th
RCT magazine. You went above
and beyond your call of duty
and our family wishes you
well as you retire as editor.

I will not be renewing
Lara's membership next year.
Thank you. Fran Tjelta
family

Ms. Frances Tjelta
914 Story St.
Story City, IA 50386-1540

Dear Hugh & Sue.
Hope this finds you all well.
We are OK.
First, Happy Birthday Hugh!
May you have many more.
Hugh, I know your fellow
5th RCT Veterans are so proud
of you for serving as Unit
Editor for so many years.
Well done!
I am so proud of our friendships
and serving with you in the
1st Infantry Division, 26th Inf.
Regt. Co B.
I am beholden to you for all the
"Battle Stairs" you have sent me.
I will miss them and my American
Legion Post will miss them too.
Good Luck in whatever you do.
Call and write 1/2 if you get a chance.
Come thru Centerville soon.
So long for now old friend.
We always.
Betty

903-536-7441

World »

Obama: Korea vets 'deserve better'

He calls for remembering them and a "forgotten victory" on 60th anniversary of the armistice.

Washington Post

WASHINGTON — President Barack Obama praised veterans of the Korean War at a ceremony Saturday marking the anniversary of the armistice, using their return to an apathetic America decades ago as a promise to better care for the generation returning from distant battlefields today.

After three and an half years of fighting on the Korean peninsula, a "forgotten war" quickly following the end of World War II, "among many Americans tired of war, there was, it seemed, a desire to forget," Obama said.

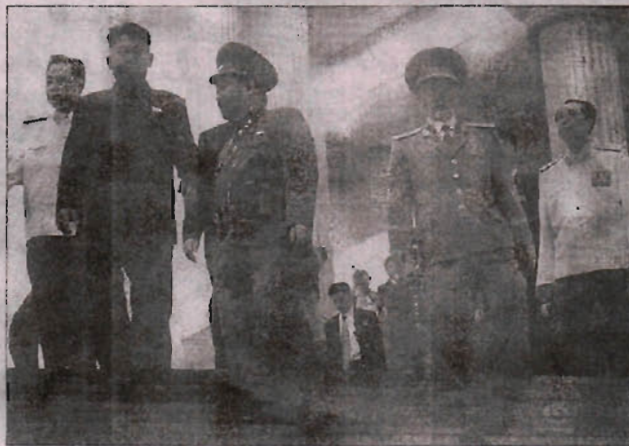
"You, our veterans of Korean War, deserve better," he said. "Because here in America, no war should ever be forgotten and no veteran should ever be overlooked."

Obama spoke at the Korean War Veterans Memorial to commemorate the 60th anniversary of the agreement that stopped the fighting but did not bring peace to a still-divided peninsula.

He reminded the nation that 36,574 Americans were killed in the conflict, which he described as the first Cold War commitment by the United States to forcefully oppose communism.

About 1.7 million Americans fought in Korea, and more than 2 million Koreans died in the conflict. Nearly 8,000 Americans who fought there are still missing.

Obama's appearance is the first



Associated Press

NORTH KOREA CELEBRATES: North Korean leader Kim Jong Un, second from left, tours the newly opened Victorious Fatherland Liberation War Museum in Pyongyang to celebrate the 60th anniversary of the Korean War armistice. Kim was flanked by Vice Marshal Choe Ryong Hae, parliament Presidium Vice President Yang Hyong Sop and his uncle Jang Song Thaek.

time a U.S. president has participated in such a formal ceremony marking the armistice. An estimated 5,000 people attended the morning event, many of them veterans of that war.

Obama noted that some veterans wore their old uniforms — and that "they still fit." He then asked "those who are still able to stand" to do so, prompting sustained applause.

The backdrop for the somber event was the unresolved dispute between communist North Korea and U.S.-allied South Korea

— almost 30,000 American troops still standing between them.

Tension between the countries has run high this year, and just months ago Kim Jong Un, the North's 30-year-old leader, suggested he would no longer abide by the 1953 armistice agreement.

Obama pledged not to repeat the mistake he said was made after World War II, when a fiscally strained nation scaled back the military too quickly. He promised the United States would remain the world's strongest military power, even as his

administration seeks to end more than a decade of war in the Middle East.

Obama cited a headline from the run-up to the Korean War to remind the country of its history with seemingly relentless conflict: "Veterans of World War II recalled for duty."

"We will make it our mission to give them the respect and the care and the opportunities that they have earned," Obama said.

He described Korea's harsh winter weather, the life-saving decisions made by troops protecting each other and the mementoes of family some soldiers carried, including a pair of baby booties that dangled from a young lieutenant's rifle barrel.

That lieutenant survived the war. Richard Shank, now 84, lives in Gainesville; the son those baby booties represented is a father now, too.

Obama urged the country to no longer view Korea as the "forgotten war," but as the "forgotten victory," a term his Cabinet secretaries used. Obama argued that "die for a tie," an expression that emerged from the war's bitter aftermath, is inaccurate.

"Here today we can say with confidence that war was no tie," Obama said, contrasting the North's poverty and repression to the South's economic dynamism and democracy.

"That is a victory," he said. "And that is your legacy."

just look at their vision out
Dream! "Side the box" — on!

Chaplains Corner

Donald Eugene Cooper

Don Cooper, 82, from Portland, Or. died May 17th in a nursing room from pneumonia. They lived in the same home for 54 years.

He was an active member of the Catholic Church, attended St. Ignatius Grade School and Central Catholic High School and served in the U.S. Army 1951-1953 as Wire Chief with HQHQ company for 18 months in Korea with the 5th R.C.T., worked for R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Co., owned his own hardware store and was head of the Summer Employment for Teens program out of the Mayor's office that put 1800 teenagers to work each summer, many of whom were the first in their family in 3 generations to be off welfare. The program was highly successful.

Don was a committed husband, dad, grandpa and friend. He started and was President of The Rose City Aquarium Society which flourished under his leadership and it was strongly allied with the Oregon Museum of Science & Industry.

He is survived by his wife, Sharon, his brother Leonard, his children Laura (DuBois) in Burlington, Ct., David in Portland, Or., Annette (Pacarro) in Honolulu, Hi., and Steven in Milwaukie, Or. Grandchildren include Jackie, Philip Jr. & Kayla DuBois in Connecticut and Brittany, Andrew & Alissa Pacarro in Hawaii.

A memorial was held on July 6th, 2013 at St. Mary Magdalene Catholic parish in the Fireside Room at 2:00 pm.

*Ruck - Can I still receive newsletters? Yes,
It would be most appreciated There ARE
Sharon Cooper 148 Widows Now Receiving the
Sec./TRS. Will Place You ON the list Ruck*

RUCK,

ENCLOSED IS AN OBITUARY WHICH WAS RELAYED TO ME
FROM JAY CRAIL AND GEORGE ERESH AT THE SAN
ANTONIO REUNION,

WYNA TOMPKINS, PASSED AWAY, 31, AUGUST, 2012,
SURVIVED BY WIFE, HAZEL AND 3 DAUGHTERS.
ADDRESS IS 200 BROWN RD, STOCKBRIDGE GA 30281-3818.
SERVED SV 5 49-51.

I'LL TRY SIR,

Frank Jennings
FRANK JENNINGS
SEC/TREAS
5TH RCT ASSOC.

RUCK,
THIS OBITUARY WAS SENT TO ME TO BE
PLACED IN THE NEWSLETTER BY MRS. HELEN
TASSEFF.

Frank Jennings
FRANK JENNINGS

In Loving Memory



Anastas Tasseff
Apr 11, 1931 - Jun 28, 2012

*With the Saints give rest, O
Christ, to the soul of Thy
servant, where sickness and
sorrow are no more, neither
sighing, but life everlasting.
Whither we mortals all shall
go making our funeral dirge
the hymn: Alleluia.*

Memory Eternal.

Anthony Funeral Homes
Akron, Cuyahoga Falls, Green
anthonyfh.com

July 2 2013

To:
Hugh Rockdashed



Dear Sir,

Have truly enjoyed
"Our Battle Stars" issues!

Please keep up your *just a note...*

good work - Every year our letters grow
thinner. Would love to make a reunion
but health (my wife had serious stroke)
has not allowed it.

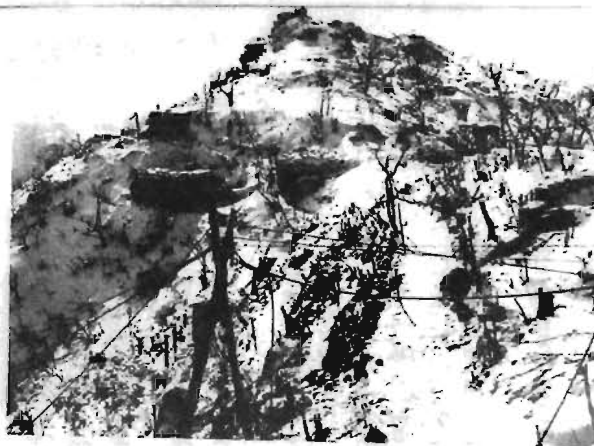
Had the great pleasure to meet with
John "Jack" Stinson of Hammon, N.H.
+ hope to visit again soon

Came home 18 Aug 52 after
out post Harry with 36 points + 9
months behind me - one of the lucky ones

My sincere best to all

Roger J. Currier "Co B"

Photos + Notes For Battle Stars



Near "Old Baldy"



Xmas 1952

Letters to the Editor

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Ruck,

Just arrived home from a great reunion in San Antonio. Congrats to Bill Coulson. I've attended the 5th RCT reunions since Orlando and have made many great friends. As I look back over the years I realize I have not made many contributions just sat back and enjoyed.

Men like Al McAdoo, Elvie Heiney, Dick Lewis, Arlen Russell, Ray Warner & let's not forget Martin Pestana who helped keep the 5th alive in Hawaii and many others made the 5th the group that it is. Thanks to Frank Jennings & John Crail who are working hard to keep it going.

Today I would like to make contribution and mention 4 men who have never been to a reunion. They are M/Sgt Fox, M/Sgt Abrams, Lt Hopper & Staff Sgt McGriff.

When I arrived at C Btry 555 in mid April 1952 knowing nothing the 1st night we had incoming. Everybody jumped in a foxhole, being the last to find out I got the smallest. Then came the cries "medic" I immediately pulled my helmet down to my knees. After this Sgt Abrams pulled me aside and told me that this is what it is and that I needed to shape up and do my job. Sgt Fox was 1st sgt, a big man with a bald head and a big red handle bar moustache. These Two Sgt's were leaders. Thanks to them I always did my job to the best of my ability. The sad thing is when Col. Knowles became bataillion Comdr. he allowed no facial hair so Sgt Fox had to shave off that big handlebar moustache. Both these men went home shortly after I arrived but I will never forget them.

I became wire team chief and towards the end of my stay I was in charge of communications. Lt Hopper was my third Battery CO. First was Capt Lattimore we called him highpockets, next was Capt Griffth I won't tell you what we called him. Then Lt Charles Hopper, we did not exactly see eye to eye but he was a good guy. The Mess Sgt and I had a disagreement over fresh eggs one morning in April 1953, seeing he was a M/Sgt and I was a Sgt he didn't appreciate where I told him to stick his eggs. Needless to say Lt Hopper didn't see my side, so one day he had me drive up to Item Company, along the way he told me how not to antagonize a M/Sgt. He said something very interesting on that trip, he remarked how beautiful Korea was and he wanted to come back someday. I thought my only wish for this country with an awful smell was get out alive and never come back. Well two things happened I got out alive and went back and it is a beautiful country. On the overrun of July 1953 Lt Hopper was killed his body is still there.

In March of 1953 a Staff Sgt by the name of Grover McGriff came to C Btry he was the new Detail Sgt. He was from South Carolina and had 2 daughters. He was a mild mannnered man, just a great guy to be around. Grover was at Pearl Harbor stationed at Scofield Barracks on Dec 7 1941. He told me about being on the roof with the old Springfield Rifle shooting at the Japanese airplanes. Being Detail Sgt he was in charge of security and I went home on May 4th 1953 so I was with him only a short time but he made a lasting impression on me. In July of 1953 in the overrun he was killed and his body is still there.

Every time I go to church I pray that Charles & Grover along with all the brave souls who gave their all in Korea rest in peace.

Bob Schroder 109 CASTAWAY RD MANAHAWKIN, N.J. 08050

July 2 2013

To:
Hugh Ruckdashel



Dear Sir,
Have truly enjoyed
our "Battle Stars" issues!
Please keep up your
good work - Every year our numbers grow
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John "Jack" Stinson of Hanover, N.H.
+ hope to visit again soon

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My sincere best to all
Rogers, Currier "Co B"

Photos + Notes for Battle Stars



Near "Old Beldy"



Xmas 1952

Letters to the Editor



1952



All From

Punch Bowl

Fella winter ON Rim of Punch Bowl



ROGER I CURRIER
62 MCCUSKER PL
CLAREMONT NH 03743-4242

Punch Bowl

Parade time Presentation of
Another Unit to him!

Left to Rth
Sgt. Currier Sec. Sgt. ST RTR
1st Lt. McMillan
Sgt. Lopez
Cpl. Bombar Sec. Sgt. 60 M M

Hear & break Ridge in Back
+ Lucas castle & sandbag castle

Letters to the Editor

Letters to the Editor

July 19, 2013

Ruck;

First of all – Thanks for your efforts as editor of the Battle Stars – Job well done.

Enclosed is a copy of a memo that I sent to Al McAdoo. You may include it in the next issue of the Battle Stars – if you so wish to.

In the last issue, you mentioned that you spent your 20th birthday on the north rim of the Punch Bowl. The 555 FA arrived in the Punch Bowl on the 19th of July, 1952 – just in time to celebrate your birthday - - trust that we gave you a birthday welcome on the 20th.


Dale Moes



Dale E Moes
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July 19, 2013

Re: Your request in the April – June issue of the Battle Stars regarding personal experiences with personal experiences with personnel of troops from other countries.


Al McAdoo;

The early part of March 1953, the Charlie battery of the 555 FA received 25 South Korean soldiers. I was given the responsibility of splitting these soldiers into two eleven men gun sections and the remaining three went to the service battery. Gun #6 was turned over to one of these sections (picture enclosed) and I do not remember where the other 11 men landed up. My Mother saved all my letters while I was in the military and I didn't disclosed where they might have gone in one of those letters either. I and a Cpl was then assigned to gun #6 as advisers. I would think the Cpl was a truck driver. The end of March of 53, I rotated home.

A few months back, I had a telephone conversation with Dennis Povlik and he indicated that gun sections 1 & 2 were maned by South Koreans when the unit was run over by the Chinese. This means that the other 11 men did returned to Charlie battery sometime after I left.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

I am sending a copy of this memo to "Ruck" in case he would like to include it in the next Battle Stars.


Dale Moes
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Zeeland, MI 49464
e-mail; dem@sirus.com

Dear Ruck,

July 22, 2013

Much appreciation for the outstanding job you did as the Editor of the Battle Stars for the past 17 years. I am sorry to learn that you are stepping down but, as you wrote in your farewell letter, your mission as Editor was achieved. And so I wish you the best with all your future endeavors.

I was also pleasantly surprised to find out that you had included in the June issue all the material I had sent to you pertaining to Sgt Otte. I had not mentioned in my letter that Sgt Otte had died some years ago. However, I have been in contact with his family and I thought that they would enjoy having a copy of this latest issue. Please let me know if I can purchase 2 copies and how much it will cost.

Sincerely,
Simon Jeruchim

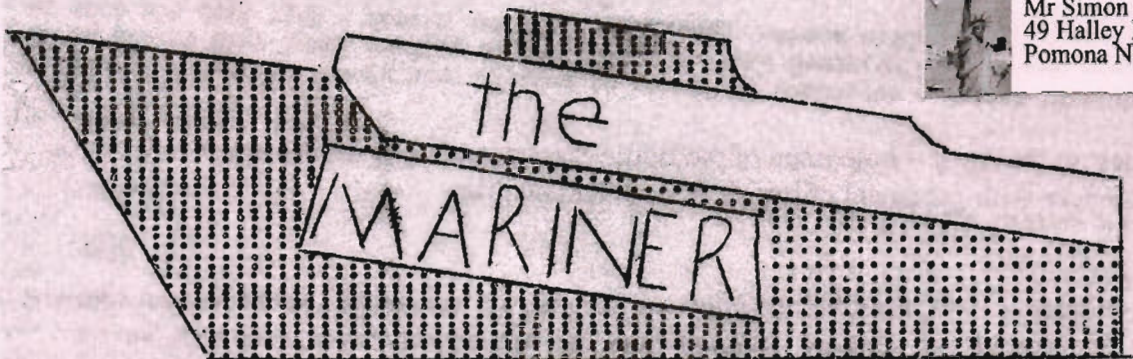


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LATE WORLD NEWS

KOREAN TRUCE NEGOTIATIONS

Communist truce negotiators, believed to have received new orders from Red Policy makers, promised to shed more light on plans for the exchange of Korean War Prisoners Monday. The War Prisoner and Armistice supervision committees reported no progress in the Panmunjon talks Sunday. But the delegates left off the ugly name calling of recent days, and the gloom eased slightly. For the first time lately, the Reds seemed sincerely interested in the Allied arguments and asked intelligent questions. In both tents, the Reds abandoned their tactics of pretended misunderstandings of Allied Proposals.

UN JETS BATTLE REDS

TOKYO - Fighting odds greater than two to one destroyed five Russian made MIG-5's and damaged ten others Sunday in the biggest air battle in Korea this year. At least 196 very aggressive Communist Fighters swarmed down on 79 American Planes in a series of snarling dog fights over Northwest Korea. The U.S. Fifth Air Force did not say whether any American Planes were Downed. On the ground, heavy fighting was reported at two points on the Western Front, The Little Bulge, recaptured by the Allies Friday, and four peaked little Gibralters farther to the East.

RED CHINESE THREATEN INDO-CHINA

HONG KONG CHINA - Persistent but unconfirmed reports circulating here say that Communist China will invade Indo China as soon as an Armistice or a stalemate eliminates the need of strong Red Forces in Korea. Some Hong Kong Newspapers say that a Force of 100,000 to 300,000 men already is being assembled by the Communists in Kwangsi Province near the Indo China Border.

DISABLED BRITISH FREIGHTER IN TOW

FALMOUTH ENGLAND - Captain Henrik Kurt Carlsen and his disabled Flying Enterprise rolled gently in tow through calm seas toward a heroes welcome in this coastal haven of Southwest England. The U. S. Watchdog destroyer Willard Keith reported that the sea was slight with moderate swells, visibility was four miles and the Enterprise was riding easily.

An unnamed film company it is learned is planning to capitalize on the exploit of Capt Carlsen in his epic of the sea of saving the ship abandoned by crew, and listing at a dangerous 63 degrees, before a tug put out from Falmouth, England, managed to put a line aboard. The tug and stricken vessel reported that they were making satisfactory progress in their tow to England.

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HIGH COST OF FREEDOM

ROCQUEMOURT FRANCE - General Dwight D Eisenhower said that "Many Advances were made last year in the campaign to defend Western Europe against Soviet Agression, despite the adverse effect of Anti Communist Wars in the Far East. In a year end statement to an American Television Network, the Supreme Commander conceded that National Economies have been seriously stretched by the defense drive, but added that peace and freedom are not to be bought cheaply.

NAVY PATROL BOMBER CRASHES

BURTONWOOD ENGLAND - Six American Airmen were killed, 18 were injured and one is missing in the ground collision of a U. S. Navy Neptune Bomber and a twin engined Air Force Transport. The Air Force announced none of the 25 men aboard the two planes escaped injury.

BIG LEAGUE PITCHER SHOT

MEXICO CITY - U. S. Ambassador William O'Dwyer ordered his staff to do everything possible to speed the investigation of the slaying of former big league pitcher Hiram Bithorn, who was shot by a Mexican Policeman at El Mante.

EISENHOWER TO ACCEPT NOMINATION

WASHINGTON, D. C. - Senator Henry Cabot Lodge Jr, said he had assurances that General Dwight D Eisenhower would accept the Republican Presidential nomination and announced he has ordered the general's name entered in the New Hampshire Primary March eleventh. Lodge, Manager of the Eisenhower for President Movement, told a news conference that Eisenhower personally assured me while serving as President of Columbia University that he was a Republican. He added that the Allied Supreme Commander in Europe has assured many people he would accept the nomination. The Massachusetts Republican said he was certain Eisenhower would not repudiate the declaration and welcomed reporters to Eisenhower's Headquarters in Paris for confirmation. In Paris, Eisenhower refused to comment but a high official close to him said the general's reticence could be interpreted as a confirmation.

CHURCHILL ARRIVES IN WASHINGTON

Winston Churchill flew here for talks with President Truman from which he said should emerge "Peace and Hope and Salvation on Earth for Struggling Mankind". The 77 year old "Warrior Statesman" arrived at National Airport after a 61 minute flight from New York where he had disembarked a few hours earlier from the liner Queen Mary. He was warmly greeted by a smiling President Truman who told him it was a great pleasure to welcome him to the Capitol. Standing together bareheaded under a thin overcast, the two Chiefs of State pledged their nations to friendship and cooperation in the struggle for peace.

JAPANESE PEACE TREATY

LONDON - Britain has ratified the Japanese Peace Treaty, the Foreign Office announced.

SECURITY COUNCIL MEETING

PARIS - The Western Powers have decided to accept in substance a Soviet proposal for a prompt high level meeting of the United Nations Security Council as long as it does not deal with a Korean Armistice, informed sources said.

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LAUGHTER CORNER - - WE HOPE

One of the troops was bending over the rail as the 1st Sgt passed by, "What's the matter soldier, weak stomach?" queried the Sarge.

"Heck no," was the reply, "I'm tossing it as far as the rest of them."

A medical student found the first question in an examination: "Name five reasons why mother's milk is better for babies than cow's milk." He answered, "First because it is fresher; second, it is cleaner; third, the oats can't get it; fourth, it is easier to take to movies and picnics." Then he thought for a moment and added, "Fifth, it comes in such a cute little container." He passed.

A smart merchant on 1st Avenue put a display of new evening dresses in the window, along with the following sign: "These dresses are built like a wire fence. They protect the property, but do not obstruct the view."

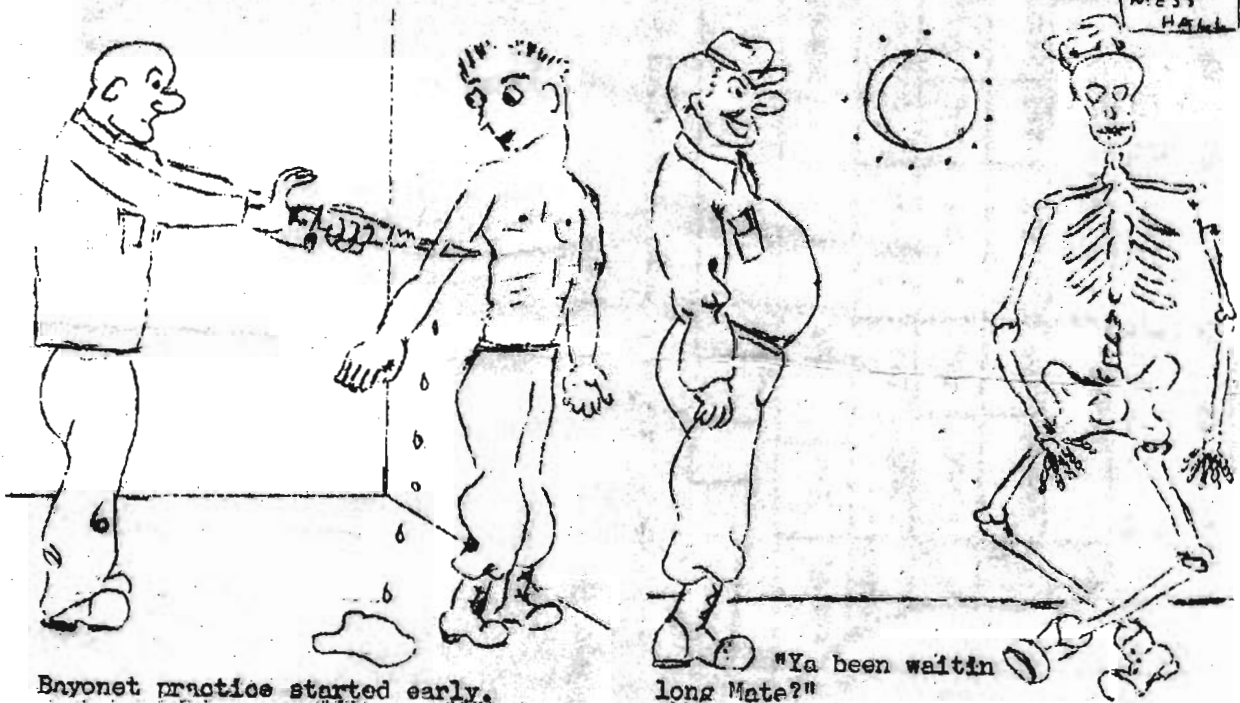
A Southern Pacific express train sped along the edge of one of the biggest cattle ranches in Texas. A passenger gazed intently at the huge herds grazing near the right of way. When the boundary line of the ranch was finally reached, he turned to the man who occupied the seat next to him and said, "Quite a herd of cattle on that ranch. I counted 11,422 head."

The man next to him gazed in astonishment. "That beats the Dutch," he announced. "I happen to be the owner of that ranch and I know for a certainty that I own exactly 11,422 head of cattle. How on earth did you manage to count them from a train that was going sixty miles an hour?"

"Oh, it's easy enough, if you know the system," said the mathematician. "I just count their legs and divide by four."

He: "This new book says that bathing alone won't keep you healthy."

She: "I don't care what that book says. I'm going to keep on bathing alone."



Bayonet practice started early.

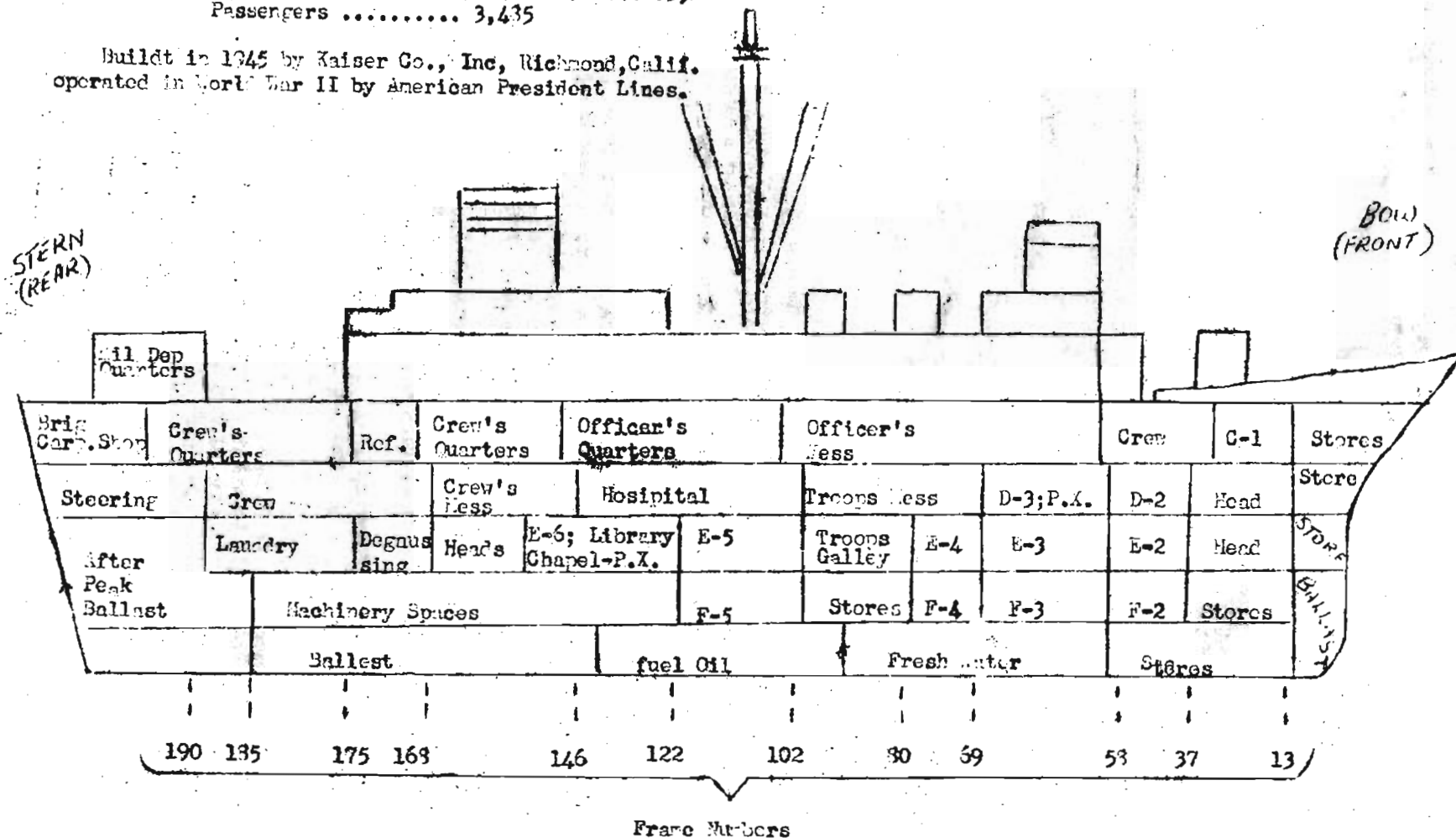
"Ya been waitin long Mate?"

USNS MARINE ADDER

MARINE ADDER VITAL STATISTICS

Length, overall ... 523'0"
 Beam 72' 0"
 Radius (miles) 12,000
 Draft 29'0"
 Passengers 3,435
 Gross tons 12,410
 Speed (knots) 17
 Propulsion Turbine
 Cargo (cu ft) 53,000

Built in 1945 by Kaiser Co., Inc, Richmond, Calif.
 operated in World War II by American President Lines.



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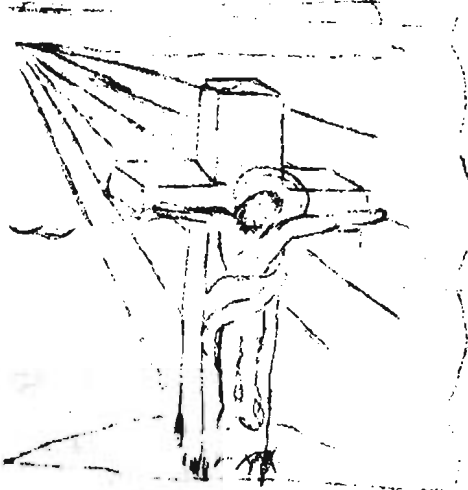
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THE CHAPLAINS CORNER

GOD WALKED IN



On a bombing raid over Germany during the last war, one plane had a piece of unscheduled cargo in the person of an Army Chaplain who had gone aboard "for the ride". Anti-aircraft fire and enemy fighter planes were all around and, thinking he would try to calm the men, the Chaplain got on the "intercom" and said quietly: "It's all right, men. Have no fear. God is with you."

Immediately the tail gunner shouted back: "He may be with you guys up front, but He's not back here!"

Seconds later a shell burst through the bottom of the tail turret and passed out the top without exploding. There was a moment of stunned silence, and then the tail gunner hastily added: "Correction, please, God just walked in!"

Many people feel that unless there is some immediate physical manifestation of God's presence He is not there. Yet, whether we realize it or not, God is always watching over mankind. Wars, bloodshed, the enslavement of millions of human beings and numerous other ills all add up to the fact that the world has failed God, not that God has failed the world.

Fortunately, however, this trend can be changed once those who are for God show as much daring and enterprise as those against Him.

"The Lord is the protector of my life: of whom shall I be afraid?" (Psalm 26:1)

CHURCH NOTICES

Catholic Holy Mass every weekday at 1500 in the Chapel (Compartment E-6) with confessions heard before and after Mass.

Every evening at 1900 hours there will be a Protestant song/bible service in the ship's Chapel (E-6).

* * * * *

MOVIE SCHEDULE

7th & 8th January 1952

TITLE: "THE MOB".

TIME: Twilight and twice thereafter.

PLACE: "A" deck aft.

The following schedule for attendance will be in effect on the 7th and 8th. All men will be required to show their Mess Cards in order to be admitted.

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8 January 1952

Show	Compartment	Show	Compartment
1st Show	F-2 and F-4	1st Show	D-2 and F-3
2nd Show	E-3 and E-4	2nd Show	F-5
3rd Show	D-3 and E-2	3rd Show	E-5

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ATTENTION ALL ON BOARD

The P.X. store in compartment D-3 will be closed until approximately Wednesday of this week. The store in compartment E-6 will be open, however, for the sale of candy & cigarettes only. Hours are as previously announced:

Ship's Crew 1000 to 1030
Troop Officers 1030 to 1115
Troops 1230 to 1300

* Those men wishing to make purchases *
* from the P.A. in compartment E-6 must *
* form on the foreward ladder (stairs) *
* leading into E-6. Any men not on *
* this ladder are not in the P.X. line *
* and will not be served! The area in *
* E-6 within the lines (ropes) must be *
* kept clear at all times. *

The barber shop, located on C Deck foreward Port side, is now operating daily from 0800 to 2000. There are two barbers on duty at all times. It is recommended that anyone wishing to get a haircut do so during the early part of the voyage when the shop will not be too busy. Prices in effect are:

Troops \$0.35
Officers & Ship's Crew \$0.75

It is requested that Officers and members of the ship's crew use the Barber Shop after 1800 in the evenings as an extra barber will be in attendance at that time.

SHIP'S LIBRARY (E-6)

The library will be open from 1400 to 1600 hours daily except Sunday.

ATTENTION ALL TROOPS

We are looking for contributions to the ship's paper. Instead of criticizing it, let's have those ideas and articles which will make it better.

NOTICES

ATTENTION ALL ON BOARD

LOST AND FOUND

All articles lost aboard ship should be reported to the Troop Office. Also anyone finding articles should leave them in the Troop Office. There will be no space available for individual listings of lost and found articles.

ATTENTION TROOPS

1. Troops will not bring pillows or blankets on deck at any time. Life jackets will be brought on deck only during fire and boat drill.
2. You are again warned to remove your boots before lying on your bunk.
3. Prior to the 1000 inspection all men will vacate their compartments, hatch covers and ladders so they can be policed properly. Guards will insure that men stay out on deck.

SICK CALL

Those hours are posted in your compartments but are reported for general information.

EN Troops 0800 to 0930
Ship's Officers and Crew 1300 to 1330
Troop Officers 1330 to 1400
Emergencies anytime.

BINGO

There will be a bingo game for all troops at 2000 each evening in the troop mess. A price of one dollar is charged for the whole evening of play. Proceeds will be used to purchase prizes, such as watches, cameras, and other luxury items. Cash prizes will also be awarded.

MASTER'S REPORT

According to the Master's Report - the Marine Adder was 652 miles from Port of Embarkation at noon Sunday, 6 January 1952.

Of Interest

Miles, Iowa
July 25, 2013

Dear Buck,

Just a short note to send along a much deserved Thank you for the wonderful job you have done in the long past on the Battle Stars newsletter.

I don't expect you to remember me as I only had the occasion to meet you one time which I think was the reunion in Springfield, Ill.

When I arrived in Korea, I was assigned to C Company of the RCT. I was later transferred to H Company and was Major George Boucher's personal driver.

Many years after being discharged, I hunted for him and located him in Anderson, South Carolina. We stayed in regular contact after that.

I don't know if you heard it or not, but in April of this year they had a 100 yr. surprise birthday party for George. His daughter sent me an invitation which my wife and I attended. A wonderful thing.

I'm hoping this finds you and yours in the very best of health. I'll say again

A Big Thank you Marvin W Johnson

God bless you on this special birthday with a day that you'll love to recall -

a day filled with sunshine and laughter - your very best birthday of all!

and we are wishing you many more,

Mr. & Mrs Marvin Johnson

Salutations All The Way Sir Buck

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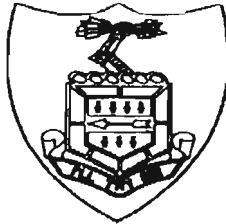
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KOREA - UNITS ATTACHED TO
8th Army 25th Inf. Div
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Feb. - Mar. 51 Operation Killer
24th Infantry Division (17 mo.)
IXth Corps
40th Infantry Division
IXth Corps
Late Feb-Late April 1952 - 555 FA
I Corps
2nd Logistical Command
Late Feb-Aug 1952 - 72nd Engineers
MP Group 8137 (ASU) Koje-Do
Late Feb (60 days)-Late April 1952
5th Inf., 1st & 2nd Bn., HQ & HQ Co.,
Hvy
Mortar, Med. Co., Service Co., Tank Co.
Mid Feb.-May 52 - 3rd BN, Tungstine
Mine
Xth Corps
May-June 52 - 5th Reassembled Inje
25th, 40th and 45th Infantry Division
June 52 - Apr 53 Defence Northern Rim
Punchbowl
IX Corps
3rd Infantry Division
June 53 Outpost Harry
8th Army KComz
X Corps - IX Corps
45th Infantry Division
X Corps
SPEARHEADS
Aug 1950 Pusan Perimeter Breakout
1st Marine Brigade - 5th RCT
3/5th Distinguished Unit Citation
Sept 1950 Capture of Waegwan and
Naktong River Crossing
1st Cavalry Division - 5th RCT
1950 Capture of Taejon
19th Regiment 24th Division - TK. Co. 5th RCT
Nov. 50 5 R.C.T. 30 miles so. of Yaiu
River
Jan. 51 27th British Commonwealth
Brigade
2nd Battalion 5th R.C.T.
Feb-March 51-8th Army- Operation Killer
5th R.C.T. Allied F.E.B.A.
Oct.-Nov. 51 7th Inf. Div. (Regt
Unknown).
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555 Field Artillery
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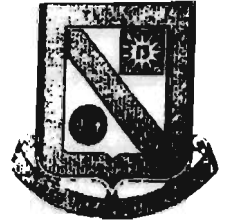


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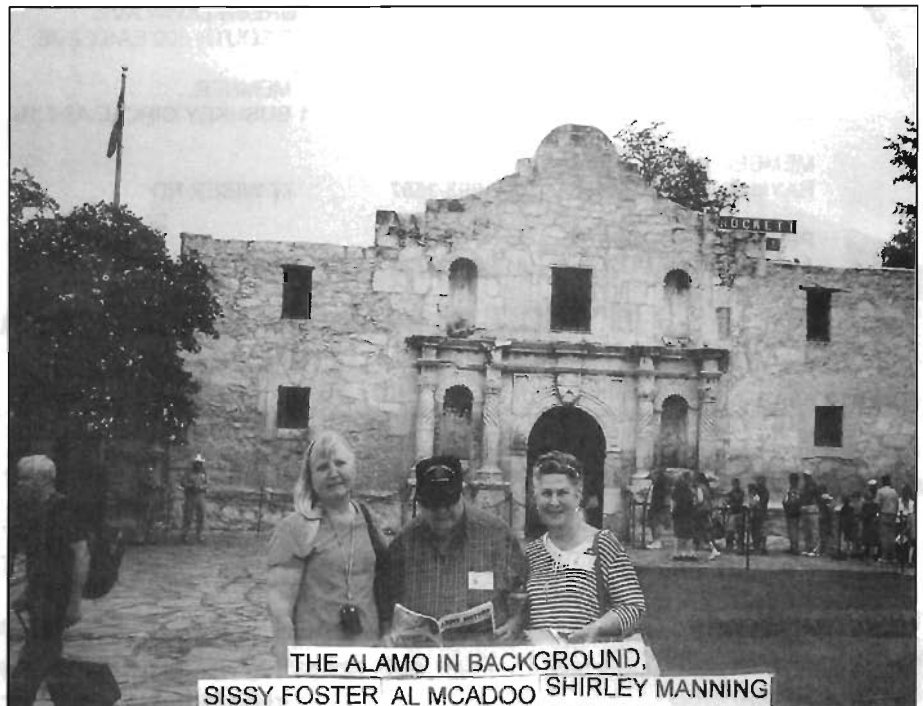
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Command Reports, Letters of Commendation from all Commanders of units attached to and far more historical material than can be stated in this space, proves beyond any doubt, the 5th Regimental Combat Team and it's attached units, were the most superb fighting unit of the Korean War! In the length of time in battle (35 months) to guarding POWs (two months), a battle itself! Yes, you are truly the stars of the Korean War! Receiving great respect from the United States Marines! And even the enemy from the beginning, when you broke out of the Pusan Perimeter and destroyed the crack 3rd Division of the NKPA, to Outpost Harry and the war's end! Need more be said?

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Korea 1 in 9

91 percent – Enemy Fire

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Majority – Enemy Fire