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The MILTON SKELLEYS (Div.Hq.) send us good greetings from Tenran. Milton is with Section MAAG, A.P.O. 205, c/o P.M., C. there. Milton also sent along this N.Y.C. there. -- \$5.00 to the first man to send in a translation:

خانواده اسكلي

با كمال مسرت عالبترين شادباش هاي صميمانة خود را ممناست آغاز سال نو محضور محتر متان تقديم و سلامت و سعادت آن خانواده شريف

و ارجمند را از خداوند آرزو مینمایند .

Also enclosed was this picture of a Tehran mountain. Looks like nice country.



SAM UMPHREY, our one-time Chemical Offi-cer and now a civilian in the Engineer Section, Ho. Southwestern Command (that's

Japan) writes:
"The year of the Dragon has passed. Us
Orientals enter the year of the Shake with
reluctant tendencies because the year of the snake (in the 5th year of the 12th year of the 60 year cycle) always portends disaster in the form of jealousies, and personal aniin the form of jealousies, and personal animosities between the little brown brethren.
For I, the Maestro, it is forecast as just
another year -- a period of income taxes,
(my bit to shoulder the world burden), a bit
of golf under the spreading eucalyptic trees
on the banks of the Komogawa River in old
Kyoto, a smattering of the breeze in my sallboat on the rippling surface of beauti-ful Lake Biwa, long dreumy drives in the twilight of spring after old Sol has sunk into the China Sea to draw the soft velvety curtains of an Oriental Night over the curtains of an Oriental Might over the is-land of Honshu, and finally intoxicated with the romantic effervescent aroma of the cul-minating factors, to head homeward, stagger to the privacy of the room and fall into the arms of Morpheus to dream the dreams of the pure in heart until the shrill clarion call of the cock shall rouse me from my bed to of the souther endless day of drudgery in the salt mines. An ! What bliss -- what estacy!"
Better watch your step, Sam. You may get yourself the job of editing this poop

sheet.



Brig. Gen. CHARLES L. DASHER, JR., CG of

the Division, writes us as follows:
"My sincere thanks to you and to the other members of the 24th Infantry Division Association for your kindness in making me an honorary member of the Association. is an honor to command the 'Victory' I Divi-

sion and a rare pleasure to be a member of its fine Association.

"I have long been interested in division associations and feel they have much to offer former members. Through my own per-sonal experiences I have come to know that sonal experiences I have come to know that there is something lasting in those friendships fostered by the Service. Our division association renders its members an invaluable service when it makes possible the renewal and continuation of such relation-

ships.

"You may be assured of my interest and cooperation and that of the members of my general and special staffs."

Those are mighty nice words, General.





Sgt. Antonio D. Santos, Chief Mail Clerk with the 34th Regiment, is wearing a big smile on his face now for he will soon be reunited with his parents on Guam and with his brother, who is also in the service in the ZI. The sergeant, who is due for dis-charge next September, will soon be on the list of rotatees and expects to spend a furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Luis A. Santos, of Mongmong Village, Guam, bef returning to the ZI. While in the States he also hopes to hold a reunion with his before brother, Frank, who is stationed in New York.



The Sendai Christian Orphanage received a gift of 150 pounds of winter clothing last week from the Lancaster (Pa.) Gospel Center, thanks to a written appeal by a 24th Division medic. The samaritan is Cpl. Donald E. White, of Lancaster, who wrote his church about the clothing need for the 160 children at the Japanese orphanage who range from infants to 17-year-olds.

President DwIGHT D. EISENHOWER, upon graduating from the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, received his first assignment as a commissioned officer with Fox Company of

the 19th Infantry Regiment.
Ordered to report to the "Rock of Chickamauga" outfit at Galveston, Texas, Ike got there in the second week of September to there in the second week of September to find that the regiment had been flooded out of their barracks by one of the city's famous floods and had moved to Fort Sam Houston, only a few miles from the Alamo. It was here that romance, in the person of Mamie Geneva Doud, awaited him.

Lt. Eisenhower, on a Sunday evening in early October, was standing in front of the bachelor officer's quarters before supper. He was officer of the guard that day, and his uniform was freshly cleaned and pressed, brass shined and boots polished. He was

his uniform was freshly cleaned and pressed, brass shined and boots polished. He was conscious of a group of girls and officers sitting on the lawn in front of the officer's club. One of the girls, Mrs. Lulu Harris, an acquaintance, asked Ike to join their party, and he accepted the invitation. A few minutes later, he was introduced to a pretty, young girl, Mamie Doud. They immediately became infatuated with one another and later, on July 1, 1916 - the same day that Ike got his first promotion, they were married.

After a brief honeymoon in Abilene, Kans, the newlyweds returned to Fort Sam Houston

and set up housekeeping.

Eisenhower saw duty in Fox Company as
its executive officer. He was in charge of its executive officer. He was in charge of a military police detail which worked the dangerous streets of San Antonio's red light district. It was on this patrol that someone mysteriously fired a bullet at him as he walked up Matamoros St. and that a drunk buck private emptied a pistol at him pointblank but missed with remarkably bad aim.

With that conspicuous start at the 19th Infantry Regiment, Eisenhower began a career which saw him reach neights as Supreme Commander of SHAPE and now, as President of the United States.



Here's where your Japanese "upbringing" may pay off in a dividend. This was recently noticed in the "Reader's Digest":
"To beat tension and fatigue, some doc-

tors are currently prescribing the essist treatment a patient was ever asked to take: 'Take off your shoes whenever and wherever you have the chance.'

you have the chance.'
"The medical head of a large sanitarium says, 'I'm forever telling people to take off their shoes.'

off their shoes.

"An orthopedist says, 'There's a very true saying that when your feet nurt, you hurt all over. It's no joke to say that shoes are at the base of a lot of trouble.'

"A family doctor says, 'I prescribe it

for my patients. The beauty of it is that it comes so easy. You don't realize you're making an effort to relax, which is where

most methods fell down.'

"So if you feel the urge to take off
your shoes, obey it. It's nature politely
making a request, and nature's often got
more common sense than you have."



When Mal. Frank Y. Bowland, Jr., present-serving as S-2 of the 34th Regiment, rely serving as S-2 of the 34th Regiment, returned to Japan in 1951 he saw a pesceful nation undergoing a new phase of national existence and he saw it from a ventage potatotally different from the one he occupied in 1945.

in 1945.
During the last year of the war, when Japan was being blitzed by the clant air ermada that razed its factories and cities from one end of the country to the other, waj. Bowland was piloting a B-29 with the 20th Air Force. He harded his superfort on nine missions over Japan during the period from July to October 1945.

Prior to World War, II. Nai. Bowland save.

from July to October 1945. Prior to World War II, Maj. Bowland served with the 49th Division. He received his commission in July of 1941. He took his pre-flight training in the Air Force at Santa Ana, Calif., after serving in the Pacific until June 1944. After various phases of training, include a with the B-24, Maj. Bowl finally graduated to B-29's early in 1945. Then followed his transfer to the Pacific with the 20th Air Force and the bombing runs on Japan. Force and the bombing runs on Japan.



M/Sgt. Robert S. Cole, winner of the Dis-tinguished Service Cross and presently serv-ing as first sergeant of Hq. Co., 34th Inf. Regt., at Camp Fuji, reenlisted for a term of six years upon his discharge on December

The sergeant, who won the nation's highest medal before rotating from Korea in January of 1951, is currently spending a 15-

January of 1951, is currently spending a 15-day leave with his Japanese wife, the former Sachiko Miura, and their new-born son at the couple's home in Gotemba.

It was in the spring of 1946 when 3st.
Cole met and fell in love with Sachiko Miura and following three years of courtship, the couple decided to marry. But Cole's marriage plans were temporarily shattered when he was returned to the ZI for discharge. He reenlisted and volunteered for duty in the Far East to submit a second application for marriage and found himself assigned to the 29th riage and found himself assigned to the 29th Inf. Regt. on Okinawa.

He volunteered for combat duty in Korea He volunteered for compat duty in Korea when hostilities broke out. While passing through Japan on rotation, Cole asked for an 18-month tour of duty but policies prevented this. Reassigned in the States, ne agein requested Far East duty and was subsequently attached to the 34th Regt. His taird application was approved in Nov. 1951 and the couple was, at long last, married.

Ingenious money-saving ideas continue to mark the 21st Regiment's cost consciousness program at Camp Schimm.

The latest, developed by the Regimental Supply Office, is the utilization 3.5 rocket containers as stove pipes on field kitchen

containers as stove pipes on field kitchen emersion heaters.
Capt. PAUL W. JACKSON, Regt. 5-4 said,
"Frequent snipping damage to stove pipes sent from the States often bring the cost per pipe to over one dollar. Since all companies are issued 3.5 Rocket Launchers all that is needed to beat a 3.5 rocket container M241 into a usable stove pipe, is a nammer and a nard surface."

The Gulf, Mobile & Onio R.R. has very kindly sent us some rates to St. Louis as follows:



We're countin' on you southerners to make it this year. We're coming reasonably close to you all, this year. How about it? See you in August?



HERB WINKLER (Div.Hq.) now signs nis Christmas cards as "Mr. & Mrs." so we'r going on the assumption that the old boy finally made it. It's funny, too, as we had an idea that the old "Judge" was a confirmed bachelor.



The 34th Inf. Association puts out an interesting little monthly bulletin. Taken from their last issue is the following "Do You Remember?" bit of business:

"Keeping guard over San Francisco and the march to the ship with our 'A' Bags in the pouring rain.... The mosquitos and that first Xmas dinner in Oahu (creamed chicken)..... Those signs 'Kapu', and the \$50 fine to anyone stealing pineapples.(How much do you owe?)..... Rockingham with its steak and eggs, served by toothless waitresses.... The samp on Goodenough with the waterfall in the Torrible Point and the boat landings... The samp on Goodenough with the waterfall in the background... Lake Sentini where no one saw any of the crocodiles it was supposed to have contained.... Biak, where we had to dynamite a slit trench... Leyte, where it rained and rained, etc., etc., etc... Mindoro with its sand and dust... Luzon where it didn't cost us a cent, until 'lo pesos' became the standard cry of the natives... and that foul-smelling, beautiful looking Tuba... Oh yes! Do YOU remember? Some of you may, but how could you forget the sound of the Kookuburra, laughing, whenever we were miserable. miserable.

The Medal of Honor has been awarded posthumously to MACK A. JORDAN (K-21) of Collins, Miss. Jordan was a squad leader when his platoon launched a night attack on Nov. 15, 1951 near Kumsong. In the cold, misty darkness, the men crept up the slope of Hill 533 until they encountered vicious enemy resistance that forced them to with-

enemy resistance that forced them to withdraw and reorganize.

Instead of withdrawing, Jordan crawled forward, knocked out an enemy machine gun, killed several enemy soldiers, and forced the others to flee. While trying to silence another machine gun he was trapped in a rain of explosives hurled down the steep hill, the ensuing blast severing both legs. Although mortally wounded, Jordan continued pouring deadly fire into the enemy until his platon returned to its advanced position.

Jordan is the 56th Army winner of the nation's supreme military decoration to be announced for the Korean conflict. Details of the presentation will be announced later.



CHARLIE AMY (19th) is now at 3031 S. Center Rd., Flint, Mich. Let's heer from you "Chas.".... HARRY SNAVELY (34th) has been assigned to Japan. He took Mary Ellen and the kids back to Lancaster, Pas., and then took off like a big bird. Harry has been at Ft. Campbell with the 188 A/B Inf.... GERRY MORGAN is now at 1415 14th Loop, Sandia A/B Albuquerque, N. Mex. They don't call them streets or avenues down there -- they're loops. Oh, this atomic era.... One day recently Sec'y. BILL SAVELL had to pay out \$2.32 in postage due to his postman because 116 members had moved and had failed to tell him about it. How's about dropping Bill a line when you shift residences, hun? Be a sport, please... RAY MORTON (B-19 from 8-50 to 4-51) has left the nospital at last and has gone back to 5148 Hardesty St., (ansas City, Mo. We're glad for you, Ray. CHARLIE AMY (19th) is now at 3031 S. CenA new rewinding device designed for quick recovery of communications wire is saving an estimated \$4000 per move for this division's 21st Inf.

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Designed by 1st Ltd. JACK W. KEENEY, Hq. Co., 2d Bn., the wire gadget can be used at company level, eliminating the need for resupply from higher echelons.

The officer hit upon the idea of the rewinding device several months ago after his Co, Lt.Col. GEORGE CULLISON, asked for a report on the number of empty dispensers on hand, requesting that they be refilled.

"I had never heard of this before, and checked with the division signal officer and TM's," Lt. Keeney said. "No suggestion could be offered on rewinding wire on the type of dispenser used at regimental level. So I had my sergeant build a new type wooden spool from an idea I worked out. It proved highly successful the first time, and we've been using them here in the division since."

The estimated \$4000-per-move saving does not include the cost of wire that is saved. Wire cost is \$110 per mile.

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Maj. JOHN E. FULLER (Div. Hq.) sends us word faithfully and regularly. He's in G-2 at Hq. XVI Corps in Japan. He sent us a couple of pictures which we reproduce in

couple of protein this issue.

The first is a picture of a typical ankevaki party. Same old stuff -- jus just new

John suggests that we take a 30-day TDY and head back to the "old country." Would that we could. John.





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So if your home is around Kansas, Nebraska, Colorado or Wyoming, we'll be expecting you in August via the Burlington.

CHARLIE CARTY (C-34th in Korea) writes us "Danger, this is Danger, Over -- I'm reading you loud and clear -- Keep it up -- God bless you all -- past -- present -- and those who will join us yet -- Roger and Out." Charlie is with Co. F of the 8th Inf. at APO 39, c/o P.M., N.Y.C. You're putting out a strong signal, Charlie... Mrs. Jonn C. McNeely, Jr., Sue to all of us who remember John, writes us that she's now teaching at Cross-nore School in Crossnore, N.C. Sue suggests that some of you folks may wish to send your kids there. They'll take ages 6-16. write Sue directly if you're curious.... MAX KIRKHAM (3rd Eng. from 9-41 to 3-45) is now at R#6, Connersville, Inc. CHARLIE CARTY (C-34th in Korea) writes us

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

"Worth Thinking About"



The member nations of the UN - many of them in the Christian tradition - are attempting to build their house without the direction of God. The familiar verse of Psalm 126 leaps to mind at once: "Unless the Lord build the house they labor in vain that build it!"

that build it!"

In the United Nations project of world peace and security, God is not so much challenged as ignored. And to ignore the extstence of God is perhaps more insulting than to deny his existence. To ignore God carries the implication that He is of no consequence in the management of the world.

The UN body has made a left-foot start. It has compromised with soviet and communistic atheism. At this moment it gives small evidence of unity and peace within its own membership. How can it bestow unity and peace upon the world? One cannot give what one does not have.

The best service the Christian people of

The best service the Christian people of The best service the Christian people of the United States can render to the UN membership is to ask God to bestow upon that body the mercy of vision to see Him and to call upon Him for the wisdom of direction to reestablish a world within which the lambs and the wolves shall live in a folding of unity and peace.

Chaplain Chris J. Berlo



we've sung the song about the "waoash Cannon Ball" but we never had the pleasure. The Wabash bids you to "follow the flag," but not until you've seen their rates:





NORM SWOPE (724 Ord. from 7-49 to 7-51) has a new address. It's 552 Inman St., Akron Onio.... JOHNNIE ALLEN (Hq.Co., 3rd Bn., 34th from 10-44 to 2-45) is now at 3304 Bn., 34th from 10-44 to 2-45) is now at 3304 Heathermeadows, Toledo, Onio. Thanks for the message, Johnnie.... If it's news about your pals that you want in this paper, how about sending some in. We print 110% of what we get so if this paper falls flat on its great big face because of lack of news, blame yourselves.... GEORGE WHITTE-MORE (34th) has left Bragg for overseas again. All we know about his new address is Prov. Co. SE 1985, APO 613, c/o P.M., Frisco. ... LEE DAHLUIST (21st from 7-50 to 7-51) can be reached at P.O. Box 55, Orcutt,

PETE BELAMIZA (I-21 Irom 8-49 to 1-51)has snipped to England. He's now a Sgt. with Dog Battery, 4th AAA En., APC 194, N.Y.C.... Can you arrange your summer schedule so as to meet with us in St. Louis this summer?... "Cnief" MARVIN HANCOCK (Div.Hq.) is now in Naples, Italy, with CINC South Box 7, c/o F.P.O., New York, N.Y. Chief had been in the I.G.O. at Hq. III Corps. You're not "going Navy" on us, are you, Chief?....... BOB HOLLOWAY (21st) moved to Cas. Mail Directory, APC 745, c/o F.M., N.Y.C. We haven't the faithest idea where that is, but we'll lay you 2-1 that G. Malenkov does... Capt. MACON HAGGARD has moved from Ft. Sill to 2610 Welch St., Little Rock, Ark. Sill to 2610 Welch St., Little Rock, Ark.



FRANK MAJESTIC (6th Tk.Bn. from 8-50 to 1-51) is at 3312 Harding, Lake Charles, La. hanks for the card, Frank. Now there's a man who let us know when he moves... J.R. KUTZER (63rd F) has shifted from Leesville, La. to 4011 W. Rosedale, Ft. Worth, Tex... OWEN W. ASHWORTH (34th and 19th from 2-47 to 3-51) is at 130 Rainbow Dr., Forest Glen, Pineville, La.

The Missouri-Pacific Lines (Mo-Pac to you) want your business come August. They have just sent us a rate table, and here it

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TexarkanaArk	12.35	22.25	17.28	26 60	
Wichita Kan	11.82	21.30	16.52	27.50	



Mrs. T. E. Woodnall, of 16108 Carse Ave., P. O. Box 252, Harvey, Ill., writes us about her son, WILLIAM WOODHALL (Z-19th) who has been MIA since Feb. 6, 1951. They are getting no news from you-know-where and you know wny. Is there anyone who can tell this lady anything more. Mrs. Woodhall wrote us on Bill's 22nd birthday. We'll do what we can for you. Mrs. W. can for you, Mrs. W.

"King Able 2 Aunt Susie, King Able 2 Aunt Susie... calling any CQ-20 station which can handle one piece of stateside traffic."
The above phrase came from a "ham" radio station at Camp Fuji, one of 75 in Japan.
"The Voice of Fuji" is typical of 90 per cent of these stations. It is a 500-watt set-up that can reach out to almost any place in the world, easily contacting such distant apots as Australia, Guam, Wake Island, Hawaii, and the United States.
The licensee of the Fuji station, Capt. Arthur F. Schiff, regimental surgeon, 34th

Arthur F. Schiff, regimental surgeon, 34th Infantry Regiment, has offered free message service to members of 24th Div. units in the Camp Fuji area. The service enables a person to receive or send messages to any part of the world in a matter of hours.

The procedure outlined by Capt. Schiff for relaying a message to someone at home for relaying a message to someone at home is simple. All a sender needs to do is provide the message, which should be limited to 25 words or less, and the complete address and/or telephone number of the party for whom the message is intended. The message is then relayed to the ham station closest to the person's hometown and the operator to the person's hometown and the operator who receives the call will either mail an "International Ham Station" postcard to the party or contact him by telephone. A personto-person conversational exchange, or as the ham operators term it, a direct contact message, can also be arranged by notifying the party beforehand and informing him of the approximate time of contact with his hometown station so he will be able to stand by

town station so he will be able to stand by

for the message.

MILO TESAR (13th F from 5-42 to 11-45) gives us the good word from East Lansing, Mich. He's now on the staff at Michigan State College after doing graduate work in Wisconsin. Milo had polio in his legs, arm and back in '51 and had 5 months to think about life as he lay flat in his sack. Now ne's walking again and able to carry his full work load in research in farm crops. He says "I may never to able to run again but muscle transplanting is nelping the but muscle transplanting is nelping the situation some. We never know how wonderful it is to walk until you can't." Milo has seen TONY SIGILIANO (13th F), PAUL MARION (13th F), GEORGE IWEN (13th F) during the last two years. Tony is a lewyer in Washington, reports Milo. He says RAY SILL (13th F) is now an MD in N.Y.C. and SAM DAVIS (13th F) is in a school in Ill. That's a mouthful Milo. Figury good wish to you as

a mouthful, Milo. Every good wish to you as you complete your recovery.

IVO OTEY (Div.Hq.) writes us from 2616 N.W. 25, Oklahoma City. Ivo will be fondly remembered as one-time I.G. during our Okayama and Kokura days in Japan. we'd like nothing more at this moment than to be seated on a tatami listening to Ivo tell us about the "little green men." It's been a long, long time, Ivo.



LEW RICHTIGER (Hq. 3rd Bn. 54th from '44-'45) lets us near from aim at 5720 N.
Spaulding, Cnicago. JAMIE G. (for Gibson)
ESPY (Hq. Btrw., Div. Arty. and Service Btry.
63F), the old battery clerk is now principal
of the Seale High School in Seale 412 of the Seale High School in Seale, Ala.
Jamie writes that he'd like us more if we'
pass out more news about the "wahoo", Australia and Goodenough boys. Trying to get the dope is like trying to put toothpaste back in the tube, Jamie. We print everything we have, fella. What more can we do? Hit 'em over the head with shovels?

Two members of Baker Co., 724tn Ord. Bn., got the same idea recently -- tnat is, to marry a local Japanese girl. Luckily for tne peace and harmony of Daker Co., the apple of tneir respective eyes was not the same girl. Cpl. ALVIN E. FISCHER, a mecnanic, married Miss Tokiyo Arai of Yamagata City, and Cpl. FRANKLIN G. STITLEY, a cook, was wed to Miss Masako Nakayama of Sendai.

ED ESPLIN (21st) was with Charlie Smith's Battalion when they flew into Korea in July of '50. He returned to the States Smith's backward of '50. He returned to the States in July of '50. He returned to the States in Sept. '51 and reenlisted for six years. A week later he was back with Fox Company of the 19th. Good luck, Ed.

Maj.Gen. GEORGE W. SMYTHE, of Norristown, Pa., former commander of the Div. in Japan, assumed command of the 3rd Inf. Div. in Korea recently.

Gen. Smythe, who served as a private in 1918, led the 47th Inf. Regt. 9th Div., through the European campaigns of WWII. It was under his command that the regiment won the Distinguished Unit Citation for crossing the Rhine river and establishing the Remagen Bridgehead.

Gen, Smythe has two sons in the service. George W. Smythe, Jr., is a jet-fighter pilot in the European Command and Cadet

John W. Smythe is a member of the Class of '53 at West Point.
During the battles through France and Germany, Gen. Smythe's 47th was at the fore. The first unit to cut the Cherbourg Peninsula from St. Sauver to LaHay du Puits in June, 1944, later that year the regiment was called to block and hold the northern shoulder in the Battle of the Bulge in Dec. 1944. They opened one of the first spearhead thrusts into the German "fatherland"; and for its "determination to advance and never give up ground," the Presidential Unit Citation was awarded to Gen. Smytne's regiment. ment.

For his military service during the war, he was awarded the Distinguished Service Cross, the Silver Star medal with Oak Leaf Cluster, Legion of Merit, Bronze Star medal, Purple Heart medal, and the Combat Infantryman's Badge.

His foreign decorations include: His foreign decorations include: French, Legion of Honor (Chevaller) and Croix de Guerre; British, Most Excellent Order of the British Empire: Belgian, Officer of the Order of Leopold with Palm, Croix de Guerre with Palm and Fourragere with two citations. Gen. Smythe was appointed Major General on March 9, 1952.

He was accompanied to his new command by the Light Robert D. Tradell of Maxton N.C.

lst Lieut. Robert D. Tyndall of Maxton, N.C. his Aide-de-Camp in the 24th Division at Sendai, Japan.

Best wishes are in order for WILLIAM and MARTHA WEISSERT (19th). The stork found McKeesport, Pa. a good resting place last February 5. For the happy couple it was a little girl weighing 6 pounds 10 ounces. The girl makes a pair for the Weisserts, the other child being Danny, age 2 years. Good luck, folks. Incidently, the new baby was named Debra Ann.

LT. COL. JAMES H. DAVITT is the new Div. Sig. O. and LT. COL. GEORGE B. CULLISON is the new Div. G-l according to the latest poop from the "Old Division."

with the reorganization of the 34th Regiment on September 10, 1951, and the subsequent transfer of the unit from Camp Zama to its present station at the base of majestic Fuji-san, 1952 was a hectic year for the Dragon outfit, which underwent rigid training cycles as fresh replacements poured into Camp Fuji to rebuild the regiment.

Camp Fuji to rebuild the regiment.
The past year saw a change in command when Col. Farris, commanding officer of the regiment since its reorganization, departed for the ZI for reassignment. Col. Hardin L. Olson, the present CO officially assumed command on September 16.

A regimental Combat Team test, which also included air transportability and amphibious training topped the ver's training topped the ver's training topped.

included air transportability and amphilous training, topped the year's training program as new troops arrived from the ZI to increase the regiment's strength.

The top news event of 1952 took place on April 22 when a 25-man party from the 1st Battalion, led by 2nd Lt. Harold A. McVey, recovered the bodies of two mountain climbers who had fallen to their deaths on the icy slopes of Mount Fuji two days prior. what was described as "almost difficult what was described as "almost difficult descent over icy and treacherous trails" in an exclusive news coverage of the tragedy by Sgt. Merle L. Carte, of the 34th PIO section, the bodies were removed to safe grounds where an ambulance was waiting.

The 1st Battalion figured in another res-

cue operation when men of Co. D rescued a young Japanese girl from a ravine into which she had fallen near Station 8 and administered first aid treatment before safely

tered first aid treatment before safely transporting her to an awaiting jeep. The company, then commanded by Capt. Lewis Goad, was returning from one of the battalion's "routine" training marches to the top of Mount Fuji when they came across the girl. People of Atami will remember PFC Kenneth A. Snyder, of the 63rd FA Bn. who, with complete disregard for his own safety, went into a burning hotel to rescue terrified children and women. Knocked unconscious by a fallen beam, Snyder was treated for first degree burns and lacerations.

degree burns and lacerations.
Friendly relations between Americans and
Japanese were greatly heightened through
various contributions by the soldiers stationed here to local churches, schools and
orphans. Among the recipients of these generous offers were the Japanese Christian
Church in Numazu, Matsuda Covenant Church,
the Kanami Village Kindergarten Sunday school, Elizabeth Saunders Home for Child-ren, Bright Star Orphanage for children of destitute tubercular parents, and the Resur-rection Hospital Leper Colony, located near South Camp.

In sports, the 34th Regiment football team went through a very successful season by completing the regular schedule with six wins against only one defeat. The Dragons' lone setback was to the championship Naval Beach Group eleven. Two members of the team were named to the Central Command's Tokyo Conference mythical eleven and they were end Stepnen Bosick and center Ed Breitwieser. Fullback John Jarrett and linebacker Bill Wehby were voted the most valuable offensive

Wenby were voted the most valuable offensive and defensive players by teammates.

Bosick also figured prominently in the baseball picture as the 34th's leading nurler, chalking up a no-hitter in leading his team to most of their victories.

PFC Karl E. Voight, of Hq. & Hq. Co. copped a berth on the 24th Div. swim team which finished runner-up in the XVI Corps Meet held in August by virtue of his 200-meter breaststroke triumph in the divisional competition at Camp Schimm.

competition at Camp Schimm.
Camp Fuji's sharpshooting rifle team also
won recognition for the 34th Regiment by
copping the M-l rifle firing tournament over teams representing the different 24th Div. units at Camp Schimm recently. M-Sgt.Rafael Mead, Cpl. Andrew Delucchi, and FFC Dugene J. Twardesky were Fuji's top scorers. The .45 caliber pistol team finished runner-up.



The Baltimore & Onio R.R. solicits your business too at these moderate rates:



(Ed Note: In our February issue, we reproduced the Constitution of our Association as it was originally written and approved. Much water has gone over the dam since the days of 1945 when that earlier written law was conceived. We submit herewith a proposed Constitution and By-Laws which will be presented for consideration at the next annual Convention in St. Louis. It appears to be a far simpler matter to rewrite the Constitution in its entirety than to attempt to revise the existing one by way of amendment. What is your pleasure?)

24TH INFANTRY DIVISION ASSOCIATION

CONSTITUTION

Article I

NAME

The name of this organization shall be "The 24th Infantry Division Association" and snall hereinafter in this instrument be referred to as the "Association."

Article II

OSJECT

The purposes of the Association shall be as follows:

- a) to electrify and unify the invisible current of fellowship moulded in the threes of war and preserve the comradeship common to the veterans of the Division;
- b) to forward and promote the interests and general welfare of the members of the Association;
- to honor and perpetuate the memory of the men who distinguished themselves by their services and sacrifices while with the Division;
- d) to memorialize the valiant acts and patriotic deeds of the Division;
- e) to encourage and aid nistorical research in relation to the activities of the Division;
- f) to acquire and preserve records of the Division and the personnel thereof;
- g) to mark the scenes of the activities of the Division with appropriate memorials;
- h) to celebrate with appropriate ceremonies the anniversaries of events in the history of the Division;
- i) to assist in the relief of families of men of the Division;
- to promote the National Defense and to nelp to maintain and extend the institutions of American freedom;
- k) to defend and uphold the Constitution of the United States of America.

Article III

MEMBERSHIP

Section 1: There shall be four (4) classes of membership in the Association: (a) Active; (b) Associate; (c) Honorary; and (d) Affiliate.

- (a) Active Membership: Any person who served or is serving with the Division small be eligible for Active Membership.
- (b) Associate Membership: Any person who is related to any deceased person who served with the Division shall be eligible for Associate Membership.
- (c) Honorary Membership: Any person who by act or deed has indicated a special devotion to the Division and who has been approved by the Executive Board shall be eligible for Honorary Membership.
- (d) Affiliate Membership: Any employee of the American Red Cross or other agencies officially recognized by the Department of the Army who has been assigned at any time to the Division shall be eligible for Affiliate Membership.

Article IV

ORGANIZATION

Section 1: The Association small be organized into State Chapters in each of the forty eight (48) states and in Hawaii.

 $\underline{\tt Section\ 2:}$ Other local chapters may be formed wherever there is a nucleus of interested personnel to warrant the formation of the same.

Article V

CONVENTION

Section 1: The legislative body of the Association shall be the Association Convention. Such Convention shall be neld annually during the period between August 15th to November 15th at such place and date as shall be determined by the preceding Association Convention.

Section 2: Each State Chapter and Local Chapter shall be entitled to the same number of delegates at any Association Convention as it is entitled to votes as hereinafter provided.

Section 3: In Convention voting, each State and Chapter shall be entitled to have one vote and one additional vote for each twenty-five (25) members, or major fraction thereof. For the purpose of this article, the Association membership figures as of the first day of August immediately preceding the Convention as determined by the National Secretary shall apply.



Section 4: A quorum of an Association Convention shall exist whenever ten (10) percent or more of the total votes entitled to be cast in the Convention are represented by accredited delegates. A Chapter delegation shall be considered as present in full strength if one or more of its accredited delegates are present.

Article VI

POLICY

The general policies of this Association shall be established by the Executive Board. Any action after a policy has been determined concerning either a majority or a minority viewpoint shall be co-ordinated through the Executive Board to the end that a fair expression of both majority and minority views may be presented to the Association.

Article VII

OFFICERS

Section 1: The officers of the Association snall consist of the following: a National President, forty-eight National Vice Presidents (one for each state), a National Secretary, a National Treasurer, a National Chaplain, a National Historian, and the immediate past National President.

Section 2: The Association Convention in general session shall each year elect all of the officers authorized by the preceding section (with the exception of the immediate past National President) to hold office for one year, or until their successors have been duly elected and qualified.

Section 3: The nominations of the Association officers snall be upon the recommendations of the Nominating Committee. Additional nominations may be made, if desired, from the floor at the Convention.

Section 4: In the event of the death, inability to serve, or resignation of any elected officer of the Association, the vacancy thus created shall be filed for the unexpired term by the Executive Board.

 $\underline{\tt Section\ 5} ;$ All commanding generals of the 24th Infantry Division shall be designated as Honorary Presidents of the Association.

Article VIII

EXECUTIVE BOARD

Section 1: The affairs of the Association between Association Conventions shall be administered as hereinafter provided by an Executive Board.

Section 2: The Executive Board shall be composed of the Association Officers as provided by Section 1, Article VII.

Section 3: The Executive Board snall have full power and authority to act for the Association between Association Conventions on all matters pertaining to the Association. Actions taken by the Executive Board snall not be inconsistent with the provisions of this Constitution or of action taken by Conventions of the Association.

Section 4: The Executive Board shall hold meetings from time to time and at such place as may be designated by the President at the call of the President, or upon petition addressed to the President signed by not less than two members of the Executive Board. The President shall preside at all meetings of the Executive Board.

 $\underline{\text{Section 5}};$ Each member of the Executive Board shall be entitled to one vote at unassembled meeting of the Executive Board.

Article IX

COMMITTEES

Section 1: The President shall appoint the following Committees and such other Committees as he deems necessary:

Nominating Committee Time and Place Committee Resolutions Committee Constitution and By-Laws Auditing Committee Publications Committee Memorials Committee Committee on Relief

Section 2: The President shall be an ex-officio member of each of the Committees.



Article X

EMERGENCY GOVERNING BODY

In the event of a National emergency whereby such large numbers of the Members of the Association are called to military duty and as a result thereof are unable to attend a Convention in sufficient numbers to make said Convention practicable, the Executive Board by a two-thirds affirmative vote of its members present may declare that an emergency exists within the Association and may thereupon appoint a Board of Trustees composed of all members of the Executive Board and of the Fast Precidents of the Association who shall become the exclusive governing body of the Association. The Trustees small endeavor, if economically possible, to continue the functions of the Association. The Trustees shall continue to be the sole governing body of the Association with all the rights, powers and duties of the Executive Board until the occurrence of either or both of the following contingencies:

- (a) The Trustees by their vote determine that the trusteeship shall terminate;
- (b) A Convention shall determine that the trusteeship shall terminate.

Upon the trustesship being terminated, it shall be the duty of the Trustees to give a full report or accounting of their official conduct and acts during the trusteeship to the members of the Association through the President first elected thereafter.

Article XI

FINANCE

Section 1: The fiscal year of the Association shall begin on the first day of September each year. There shall be an audit of the books of the Association by an auditing committee appointed by the Association President, with the approval of the Executive Board, the report of which shall be submitted to the Association Convention.

Section 2: The revenue of the Association shall be derived from the annual dues paid to the Association in the amount of \$3.00 per member per annum.

Article XII

EY-LAWS

Appropriate By-Laws to carry out the provisions of this Constitution may be adopted or amended by any Association Convention.

Article XIII

AMENDMENTS

This Constitution may be amended by any Convention by a Twothirds affirmative vote, provided that the proposed amendment shall have been submitted in writing to the assembled Convention before the calendar date upon which it is adopted.

Article XIV

RATIFICATION

All acts performed and charters heretofore granted by the Association under any former Constitution are hereby ratified and confirmed.

Article XV

REVOCATION

All prior Constitutions of this Association and amendments thereto are hereby revoked and shall become null and void immediately upon the adoption of this Constitution.



ARTICLE I - MEMBERSHIP

Section 1 - MEMBERSHIP AFFILIATION -

- (a) An applicant for membership in the National Association, upon payment to National Headquarters of the annual dues, shall become a member of the Chapter specified in the application for membership. If the applicant expresses no choice of Chapter, he shall be assigned by National Headquarters as a member of the Chapter embracing the state in which he resides. An applicant not residing within the territorial limits of any duly constituted Chapter shall become a member at large of the Association.
- (b) Any member upon moving from one locality to another may transfer to the appropriate Chapter without payment of any additional dues for the remainder of his membership year.
- (c) For the purpose of published reports of National and Chapter membership, and for the purpose of computing percentage of membership quotas achieved, all classes of membership shall be included.

Section 2 - APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP Each Chapter shall forward promptly to National Headquarters all applications for membership and shall notify the Association Secretary thereof. Such application shall be on forms furnished or prescribed by National Headquarters and shall be accompanied by the initial annual dues for each applicant.

Section 3 - MEMBERSHIP ROLL
The records of the National Headquarters shall constitute the official membership rolls of the Chapters and shall be the final and controlling authority on all questions pertaining to the computation of membership.

Amiable Joe Nee (Div Hq) has gone commercial. Shortly you'll be seeing this Imperial Whiskey ad in, as Marion Nee says, "all the best magazines". Marion, incidentally, came through with this advance copy of the picture after we got down on bended knee (no pun intended) and pleaded for the loan. Joe will be readily recognized as the one with the fish pole in one hand. That much just isn't right; we have it on good authority that Joe has never fished in his life. As for that glass in the left hand, Joe, that's natural.



ARTICLE II - ORGANIZATION

 $\frac{Section\ l}{The\ Association\ small}$ be known as "The Twenty Fourth Infantry Division Association." The Chapters small bear such names as the members thereof may designate, subject to the approval of the Association.

Section 2 - AMENDMENTS TO CHAPTER CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS Amendments to, or revisions of, the Constitution and By-Laws of Chapters shall be submitted to National Headquarters for approval before their adoption. In the event that any portion of a proposed amendment or revision to the Constitution and Ey-Laws snall be determined by the Association to be in conflict with, or not to be in conformity with the provisions of the National Constitution and By-Laws, such portion thereof shall become invalidated without affecting the validity of the remaining portions of such Constitution and By-Laws.

Section 3 - ORGANIZATION OF CHAPTERS Each Chapter shall be operated under a charter issued by The National Association.

Section 4 - CHAPTER CHARTERS Charters for all newly-formed Chapters shall be issued by the National President. Upon written petition, signed by not less than ten (1) persons eligible to be active members, addressed to the Association, and accompanied by a copy of the proposed Constitution and By-Laws, the Chapter President will forward the petition and copy of the proposed Constitution and By-Laws to National Headquarters. Such petition shall be accompanied by the applications for membership in the Association of those signing the petition who are not already active members of the Association. Upon approval of the proposed Constitution and By-Laws by the National President, the National President shall be authorized by proper National authority to issue a charter to the Chapter. The charter of a Chapter shall be suspended automatically when the number of members is less than ten (10) and be reinstated upon request when its membership again reaches a minimum of ten (10).

Section 5 - AMENDMENTS TO CHAPTER CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS Amendments to, or revisions of, the Constitution and By-Laws of Chapters shall be submitted to the Association. In the event that any portion of the Chapter Constitution and By-Laws a amended or revised shall be determined by the Association to be in conflict with, or not confirming to the provisions of the Association Constitution and By-Laws, such portion thereof shall become invalidated without affecting the validity of the remaining portions of such Constitution and By-Laws.

Section 6 - SUSPENSION AND REVOCATION OF CHARTERS

(a) Any Chapter charter may be suspended by order of the National Executive Board for the violation of the National Constitution and By-Laws of the Association, or for the violation of any provision of the charter granted to the Department or Chapter or for any failure to function properly, provided, however, that before the suspension of any Charter due notice in writing setting forth clearly the alleged violation shall be sent to the Secretary of the offending Chapter at least thirty days prior to the proposed suspension. Such notice shall provide an opportunity for the offending Chapter to be heard by the National Executive Board.

(b) A suspended Chapter may be reinstated by the National Executive Board when the cause for such suspension has been removed. A Chapter shall have the right to appeal to the succeeding National Convention, but in the event no appeal is filed within thirty (3) days of the effective date of such suspension, the cnarter may be revoked by order of the National Executive Board. In the event that an appeal is filed within thirty (30) days of the effective date of such suspension, the matter will be referred automatically to the next National Convention, which shall have the power to revoke or reinstate the charter.

Section 7 - RESTRICTIONS
No Chapter shall take any action in violation of the National
Constitution or By-Laws, nor take any public action inconsistent
with the announced policy of the Association as determined by the
National Convention, or the National Executive Soard.

ARTICLE III - DUTIES OF OFFICERS

Section 1 - The Association PRESIDENT The Association President shall be the Chief Executive Officer
of the Association with authority to contract obligations within
the approved budget and to represent the Association in all matters
pertaining to its affairs. He shall preside at the general sessions of the Association Convention, and at meetings of the Executive Board, enforce the provisions of the Association Constitution
and By-Laws and execute the mandates of the Association Convention. He shall appoint all necessary committees, subject to ratification of the Executive Board, and shall perform such other duties as are usually incident to the office.

Section 2 - The Association VICE PRESIDENTS The Association Vice Presidents shall act as representatives of
the Association President on all matters referred to them by him
and at his request shall preside over meetings of the Association
Convention and Executive Board, and shall perform such other duties as are usually incident to the office. In addition, each
Vice President shall preside over meetings of their respective
Chapters and shall advise the Association President on matters of policy and procedure concerning their respective Chapters.

Section 3 - The Association SECRETARY The Association Secretary shall keep the Minutes of Association
Conventions and of meetings of the Association Executive Board and
shall handle such other secretarial duties as may be assigned to
him by the Association President.

Section 4 - The Association TREASURER The Association Treasurer snall supervise the administration of all funds and securities of the Association and snall cause regular accounts to be made thereof. He shall coordinate all matters of finance between the Association President and the Executive Board and snall cause to be made periodic reports on the condition of the Association Treasury to the Association President and the Executive Board. He snall perform such advisory functions as are usually incident to the office. He snall be required to furnish bond during his period of office in an amount to be determined and approved by the Executive Board, the premium for which shall be paid by the Association Treasury.

Section 5 - The Association HISTORIAN -The Association Historian small cause to be compiled annually from the archives of the Association and from other authentic sources a narrative history of the Association, its activities and accomplishments.

ection 6 - The Association CHAPLAIN -The Association Chaplain shall perform divine and non-sectariar services at any meeting of the Association and shall conduct such ceremonies as may be required by the Association President.

ARTICLE IV - ASSOCIATIONS AND CHAPTERS

Section 1 - Annual Association Convention - The Association shall hold an annual Convention between the fifteenth day of August and the fifteenth day of November of each year for the election of Association Officers.

Section 2 - Notice of Change in Chapter Officers. Each Chapter shall report to National Headquarters within ten (10) days the results of each election, or change of its president or secretary with the post-office addresses of the new Chapter President and Each Chapter Secretary.

Section 3 - Chapter Dues. Chapters may levy and collect dues from members apart from and in addition to the official annual dues as provided in the National Constitution.

ARTICLE V - RULES OF PROCEDURE

The proceedings and deliberations of the Association, including the Association Convention and the Executive Board, snall be according to the Rules of Parliamentary Practices established by Robert's Revised Rules of Order. Voting by proxy shall not be authorized.

ARTICLE VI - ORDER OF BUSINESS

The order of business at Annual Association Conventions shall be, insofar as may be practicable, as follows:

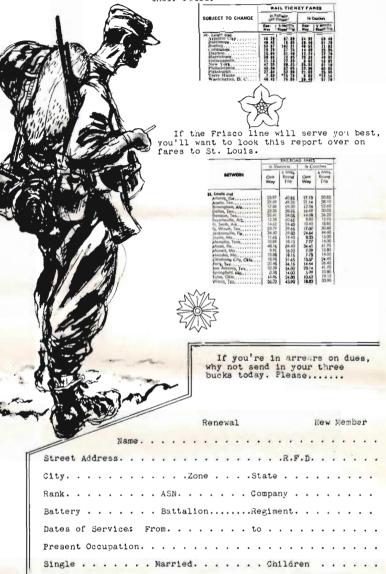
- 2. Roll call of Chapters
 3. Reading of Minutes of Previous Convention
 4. Reports of Officers
- Reports of Committees
 Addresses
- Announcement of General Convention Committees Committee Conferences

- 9. Section Meetings 10. Reports of General Convention Committees 11. Unfinished Business
- New Eusiness
- 13. Election of Officers
- 14. Installation of Officers
- 15. Adjournment.





We can't guarantee that the engine won't plow into the St. Louis station should you come to the convention via the Pennsylvania R.R. In case of any doubts, we surgest that you jump off at East St. Louis and finish the trip via taxl. At any rate, the Pennsyls one line that pretty well connects the Northeest and St.Louis. Here's the dope on their rates:





News for Taro Leaf.....

ARTICLE VII - GENERAL CONVENTION COMMITTEES

Make checks payable to: Treasurer, 24th Inf. Div. Association Mail to: P. O. Box 268, Blountstown, Fla.

Section 1 - There shall be the following General Convention Committees appointed by the Association President:

a. Nominating Committee

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b. Resolutions Committee

c. Auditing Committee

d. Time and Place Committee

and such other committees as may from time to time be deemed necessary by the Association Convention or by the Executive Board. Each Convention Committee shall consist of six (6) members.

ARTICLE VIII - AMENDMENTS

The By-Laws may be amended at any Association Convention by a majority vote, provided that the proposed amendment has been submitted to the Convention prior to the day on which it is adopted.

ARTICLE IX - REVOCATION OF PRIOR BY-LAWS

All prior By-Laws and amendments thereto are hereby revoked and shall be null and void immediately upon the adoption of these By-



Guest Editorial

In the light of the investigation which followed General Van Fleet's statement that "there has been a serious shortage of ammu-nition since I have been in Korea," we are up a tree.
We lean toward Van Fleet even though the

Senate Armed Services Committee seemed to us to avoid meeting the issue head-on.

That Committee agreed that there had been deficiencies in certain calibers but apparently chose to look at the picture through rose-colored glasses. It was as if they didn't care to consider yesterday. They seemed to stop as soon as they were assured (by the Pentagon) that things are O.K. to-

The investigation fizzled out just as did the MacArthur investigation some many months

The Committee went into session roaring mad but apparently came out completely pacified after listening to the testimony of Sec/Def Wilson, C/S Collins, Sec/D/A

Stevens and D/A/Under Sec'y Johnson.
The emphasis before the session was on
"Who allowed it to happen?" and "Why?" Things apparently got twisted in session be-cause the statements following the meeting seemed to be directed toward a better today tomorrow.

we're still wondering about last week and surmise that so is General Van Fleet. The MacArthur and Van Fleet episodes seem

The MacArthur and Van Fleet episodes seem to indicate one of two things: either we're leaving our field commanders too long in the field, wherefore their senses of proportion are allowed to get out of kilter (in which case they, the field commanders, are in error) or the powers-that-be in Washington (not only in the Pentagon but on Capitol Hill as well) are too busy feathering their own masts to become too concerned over the own nests to become too concerned over the actual acute situations the field commanders

actual acute situations the field commanders find themselves in (in which case, they, the Washington brass, are in error).

As members of a Division which has never set foot within the forty-eight states, we are inclined to the belief that the man in the field comes pretty close to knowing what-is-what and if he doesn't, then he never should be decorated with a DSM a few hours or a few months before he sounds off.

In a few words, we believed General Van Fleet before the investigation and we believe him now. We call especial attention

lieve him now. We call especial attention to the reports that while before the committee, Van Fleet didn't backwater. We like the man.

Until we got into this little study, we had no idea that so many railroad lines served St. Louis. If you get into any kind of trouble, you ought to be able to make a getaway in some direction without too much effort. Here's now the Nickel Plate breaks the sad news about traveling expenses:



The Louisville and Nasaville R.R. drops into St. Louis. You may have a special interest in what they'll be able to do for you, so here it is:

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Veterans Administration gears have begun to mesh producing the first sizeable flow of checks to National Service Life Insurance

Policyholders eligible for the 1953 dividend.
All five VA District Offices reported

All five VA District Offices reported that check-writing machinery is now grinding out dividend checks to ex-GIs whose policy anniversary date carries a January dateline.

Veterans will receive their checks -- \$60 will be the maximum payment in most cases -- about 40 days after the anniversary date of their policy -- the date taken out.

Eligible for the \$180 million payment are five million NSLI policyholders whose policies were in force a minimum of three months between the anniversary date of their policy in 1952 and a similar period this year.

in 1952 and a similar period this year.
Service personnel who waived NSLI premiums under the so-called "free GI insurance" law are eligible if they paid at least one month's premium preceding the waiver during

Only policyholders who request payment in cash will receive a 1953 check. Unless requested in writing the dividend is applied toward payment of future premiums or put on deposit at VA, with interest.

Payments are computed at the rate of 50% per month for each thousand dollars of in-

per month for each thousand dollars of insurance held. Except for some permanenttype policies, maximum payment will be \$60.

About five million veterans are eligible
for the 1952 dividend which totals \$200 million. Eligible are NoII policyholders whose
policies were in force a minimum of three
months between the anniversary dates of
their nollow in 1851 and a sixtlen period in their policy in 1951 and a similar period in

February 12th merked the 43rd week of February 12th marked the 43rd week of payment. Since only about 55 percent of the \$200 million earmarked for the payment had actually been paid on that date, indications are that a sizeable number of veterans either (1) requested that the dividend be held by VA or (2) neglected to apply.

In the latter instance, VA will apply the dividend toward payment of future premiums or place it on deposit with interest.

or place it on deposit with interest.



TOUGH ALL OVER" "THINGS DEPARTMENT

We mustn't mince words, gang, things are really fouled up.

May we put the cards on the table and give it to you straight?

IF your dues are paid up, stop right here and hop over into the next column.

IF you're one of the 500 odd members whose dues are in arrears, stay with us, brother. We've just thrown the crying towel in.

My cash on hand at the moment is \$406.55. I've got to pay for five issues of the Taro Leaf (April - May - June - July - August) at approximately \$165.00 per issue. Now my mother didn't have any silly children; I know I can't swing it - UNLESS you 500 who owe me \$3.00 each will HUBBA-HUBBA and give my little ole treasury a badly needed shot in the arm.

I'm one step removed from being on bended knee. As a gentleman, I say PLFASE once again. What more do you want? Blood?

Bill Savell, Treasurer Box 268 Blountstown, Florida



Brig. Gen. S.L.A. MARSHALL, rated among the world's top analysts of U.S. Army combat operations and a staff member of the Detroit News recently wrote the lead article in an issue of Collier's titled "Do the Real Heroes Get the Medal of Honor?" Believing you'd like to read parts of it,

Believing you'd like to read parts of it, we quote below:
"After careful study I have come to the reluctant conclusion that the Medal of Monor and our other high decorations aren't being used as they were intended and have lost a great part of their value among our troops.
"Many men earn their medals the hard way.

"Many wen surn their medals the hard way. But others sometimes get them without truly rating them. The decorations are awarded by weards of officers who often lose sight of the main idea in a sharl of red tape. Under our present system, not only does it take so long for medals to be awarded that they lose their good morale effect, but -- for more serious -- morale is undermined because too many outstanding acts of heroism go unrewarded.
"How can such injustices occur in the

world's most scientifically run military organization? If you had analyzed combat operations during two wars, as I nave, you would find little science in our cumbersome

would find little science in our cumbersome method of awarding decorations. Injustices occur constantly."

After citing specific case mistories and after explaining how the system works, Gen. Marshall gets down to some concrete ideas.

"How can we correct such abuses? The answer is fairly simple:

"First the permettive enough he seem!"

"First, the narrative should be short; decorations should not be a competition in prose. Any heroic act can be described in

prose. Any heroic act can be described an alf-dozen paragraphs.

"Second, the operations officer, or 8-3, of each regiment should be charged with systematizing awards, with a full-time decorations specialist under him to collect the necessary information. That would take the burden off inexperienced, narassed junior officers. The unit leader would simply make a recommendation to the specialist, who would then interview the witnesses and write the citation.

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"Besides scouting out deserving men,
the specialist would bring about standardization, identify cases which are now missed,
and protect men who might otherwise lose
out because of prejudice.

"The third major corrective should be the
virtual elimination of the board system.
The Bronze Star and the bilver Star should
be swarded in the field by the regimental
commander on the advice of his 8-5, and the
division commander should sward the D.S.C.
on the advice of his operations officer.

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"Responsibility for the Congressional Medal should go no higher than the army commander, who should have a full-time officer to investigate Medal of Honor cases.

Awards boards could be convened to consider marginal and complicated cases, pass upon recommendations from small and operationally

marginal and complicated cases, pass upport recommendations from small and operationally independent units and consider all decorations for nonbattle service.

"There is really nothing radical about these ideas. In world war II, Sen. Berge S. Fatton, Jr., rushed to Bastone after the relief of that stronghold and pinned the D.S.C. on Erig. Sen. Anthony C. Healliffe, who certainly earned it thrice over. If it can be done for a general, why not for deserving enlisted men and junior officers?

"One reason is the prejudice of some of our leaders against awarding 'too many medals' -- no matter now richly deserved. They say they don't want to cheapen the award. To my mind, you can't cheapen the award except by awarding it to the wrong non. The present system is not free of cheapness and hypocrisy, as is proved by the quota method of distribution. Under the quota method of distribution. Under the command may either use up the decorations by rewarding in the reliam. command may either use up the decorations by rewarding minor acts, or ensat true heroism by husbanding the swards too carefully because there are so few.

"I think we ought to eliminate the

cynicism and bureaucratic nonsense from the cynicism and bureaucratic nonsense from the system and get back to the original purpose for which awards were created — to stimulate pride of unit and morale in the men who do our figating. And I wouldn't worry about how medals are given away just so lost as they're deserved. I also want to return the prerogative of awarding medals to the commanders in the field, where it belows." **Insurance Queries Indicate Need For More Info**

I indemnity and insurance pro-tection apparently is much mis-understood by members of the

armed forces.

That fact is indicated by con-tinuing inquiries from servicemen and women, who mistakenly believe that they will be better off by revoking the waiver of term or permanent premiums and once again operating on a pay-as-you-go basis.

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After Public Law 23 was enacted
April 25, 1951, a serviceman who
carried NSLI had three choices:
(1) to continue his NSLI premiums, (2) apply for premium
waiver, or (3) comes under the
indemnity. Those without government insurance on and after
April 25, 1951, had no choice, since
that law prohibited issuance of
new War II NSLI after that date.

INDEMNITY is a gratuity
granted service people by the government as a financial protection
in event of death. It is not insurance, since there is no contract
between the government and the
serviceman.

By contrast, National Service

By contrast, National Service Life Insurance is mutual insurance and a contract (policy) is issued by the government.

of the government.
Service personnel who waive
their NSLI term premiums are
still afforded insurance protection:
that is, they are covered—at no
coet whatever to themselves—
against death in active service
and for 120 days thereafter.

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and for 120 days thereafter. Further, al, rights under NSLI contracts are continued while the policy is in force, including the right of conversion to a permanent pian. However, during the waiver period, no dividends will be carned as waiver makes the policy "non-participating." That in itself may not be such a big deal as is generally supposed because, ou paying for term NSLI, an individual would still be losing money, since the dividend is never equal to the monthly premium.

IN ADDITION to free coverage, NSLI policyholders are protected against loss of insurance if, while their policies are under the premium waier, the NSLI term period expires.

period expires.
Public Law 23 provides that
term NSLI expiring while on waiver will be automatically renewed
for an additional five-year period.
Thus, the insured need not take
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However, those paying premiums must take individual action to resorted in the property of the

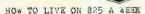
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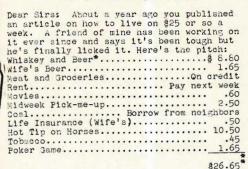
PERMANENT-PLAN policy-holders may likewise apply for walver of premiums, but the walver affects only hard the walver affects only that are the walver affects only that are the walver period, they are accumulating reserve values—cash surrender, loan paid-up and extended insurance Because of actuarial difficulties, the VA has requested such veterans to continue "full" premium paymount of present a such a continue that the walver are the walved portion (plus indirects) will be refunded by VA at least once a year upon application, or at the time of discharge.

Permanent NSLI which was surrendered for cash alter April 25, 1951, may be replaced within 120 days after separation-from active service under the following conditions:

The property of the property of the surrendered for cash alter application and pay the required premium at the attained age for permanent insurrendered for cash.

(2) Request reinstatement of the surrendered insurance, at the original age and effective date, by paying the required neserve and In either case, replacement may be accombished withst medical paying the required neserve and In either case, replacement may be accombished without medical.





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This means going in debt, so cut out wife's beer.



Brig. Gen. Wilbur E. Dunkleberg of Rock-Brig. Gen. Wilbur E. Dunkleberg of Rock-ford, Iowa, has assumed duties as assistant division commander of the 3d Infantry Div. in Korea. Prior to his new assignment, Gen. Dunkelberg was assistant division commander of the 24th. After graduating from the U.S. Military Academy, West Point, he served with the 15th Infantry Regiment in China and the Philippines. During WWII ne served as chief of mobilization branch, Headquarters, Army of mobilization branch, Headquarters, army Ground Forces; assistant division commander of the 95th Inf. Div. and from 1944-45 he was commander of U.S. troops in Attu, Alaska. After the war he served with the perka. After the war he served with the personnel division, Army Ground Forces. His wife, Lella, and their daughter, Judith, recently left Japan for Pipe Creek, Texas, where they will reside. Their son, Eugene, is now attending the University of Kentucky. Our good wishes go forward to you, Gener-

DAVE DOUGET (D-19th) M/Sgt. Retired recently joined the ranks. He's at 41 Edgerly Rd., Boston, Mass. Glad to have you aboard, Dave..... Also "recently joined" aboard, Dave.... Also "recently joined" is GENE COYLE (F-21st from 3-51 to 1-52). Gene hangs his hat in Hartford, S.D..... Lt. Col. R. C. BI33S, of Okahumpka, Fla. writes that he is commanding the Port of Kunean after having spent a walle as Exec. officer of the Port of Pusan. It sounds like work, Bigsie.... The 724th Crd. Co. is now the 724th Ord. Bn....

Chaplain (Lt.Col.) EDWARD J. SAUNDERS was Chairman of the Division's March of Dimes drive this year. The boys contributed \$17,829.11. That will make JOE NEE (Div.Hq.) nappy. Joe is with the National Headquarters of the fund in N.Y.C.

The 26th AAA Bn. added new honors to their impressive combat record recently when Lt. Col. Ernest A.H. woodman, Div. Arty. exec., presented four battle streamers and two unit citations to the unit. The 26th received the streamers for action in Normandy, Northern France, the Rhineland, and Central Europe during World War II. Col. Woodman also presented streamers and colors of the Belgian Croix de Guerre embroidered "Liege" and the Belgian Croix de Guerre "Liege" and the Belgian Croix de Guerre em-broidered "Meuse."

Also receiving honors were Maj. Thomas E.

Kavenaugh, who received the Bronze Star Medal for meritorious service in Korea, and

dal for meritorious service in Aorea, and M/Sgt. Soloman Bonhert, who received a Commendation Ribbon with Medal Pendant.
Redesignated and activated in Japan on Maron 20, 1949, Battery A of the 26th was the only triple A outfit in the early days of the Korean conflict.

An "Army travels on its storach" is an oft-repeated saving, but SFC Wilbur Treene (2nd Br., 19th) has provided a different twist to the old adaze.

SFC Greene, a mess steward in Hq. Co. developed a system to heat and prepare food for serving while actually on the move.

SFC Greene's "moving" kitnen consists of a homemede sled, a weasel, and a field stove. The novel kitchen was born out of necessity. In December, the 2nd Bn. made a 17-mile skittrip to Misawa Air Base. While camping on the beach in an overnight bivouac, SFC

trip to Misawa Air Base. While camping on the beach in an overnight bivouse, SFC Greene, hailing from Brooklyn, N.Y., discovered that some men were going to bed before the evening meal. He decided the only way to remedy this was to prepare the food while still on the move. Each at the base camp, he securely mounted the four by two-feet field stove with gas supply on a sled built by the P&A Platoon.

For the trial run, a weasel towed the

For the trial run, a weasel towed the kitchen on the roughest roads possible to a company in the field. SFC Greene had promised the men not coffee and cookies when he arrived. That the company placed little stock in Greene's promise was shown when ne arrived. Steaming coffee was ready as pro-mised, but the company hedn't brought their cups.

The real test for the sled kitchen came on the return trip of the 2nd Bn from the Sekine maneuver area. The battalion made the 80-mile trip on skis, completing the trip in 31 hours. Each of the four companies had its own sled kitchen traveling with the had its own sled kitchen traveling with the unit. While the chugging weasels pulled the sleds over the hillsides, a cook placed a bake pan containing water on the top of the stove and heated C-rations. At the same time, coffee was being made in the bottom of the stove. When the men stopped for rest, not coffee and food was immediately available



Lt. Col. Robert E. Reilly, 3rd En. Commander, 19th Inf. was married Saturday, Feb. 14th, to Mary Ellen Nelson in a military ceremony at the Camp Haugen enapel. The two first met at Ft. Jackson, S.C. in 1951. Mrs. Reilly at present is working in the Osaka Army Hospital as a Red Cross representative. Col. Reilly is from Columbus, Ohio, and his bride was formerly a Tampe, Florida resident.

This will be of interest to all who were aware of the complicated maintenance prob-lems with vehicles in WWII. In WWII, ther were 18 different engines in the various types of wheeled vehicles in the Army. Today there are 7. There were 19 different transmissions; today there are 7. There were 21 different front axles; today there are 7. There used to be 13 different sizes of tires today there are 7. today there are 7. So those people in the Pentagon are working after all.

In wwil there were 17 different "basic vehicles" in the Army's wheeled vehicle fleet. Today there are 7.



Lt. Col. DAVID DILLARD (Div.Hq.) writes us from USAREUR where he is G-2 at Heidel-burg. In August, he goes to the Army War College. It was great to hear from you, o boy. Have you written your mother lately?



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Before 1800 Hours daily (including Before 1800 Hours daily (including Sunday). Any type SPORT SHIERT (except Tee shirts) may be worn. All shirts must be tucked in at the waist, It long sleeve sport shirts are worn, the cuffs must be buttoned at all times.

A dress shirt (one intended for wear with coat and tie) is never acceptable without a coat and tie. When a shirt is worn alone it must be of a sport type.

After 1800 Hours daily. Sport shirts may be worn in the Club, they may be either long or short sleeve, they must be solid color, and they must be tucked in at the waist. (Multi-colored sport shirts of any type are not permissable after 1800 daily.)

For Informal Dances, a coat must be worn. If a dress shirt is worn with a coat there must be a tie worn also. However, a sport shirt with collar buttoned, and without a tie, is acceptable with a coat. If your dress does not conform to the above, please do not embarrass yourself by entering the Club.

The Club Annex, Bldg. 2900, is available to you in any type dress, at any time. The Club Annex, bigg 2200, is a ran-able to you in any type dress, at any time. The only restriction is that some type of shirt is required. 0

THE NEW ARMY
(WHAT THE WELL-DRESSED SOLDIER
WILL WEAR) [Bulletin of Officers' Mess, Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio] UNIFORM INFORMATION

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Dress standards in the club have been substantially altered in the face of a long standing tradition which has dictated a more formal mode of dress. This step was taken in the interest of your comfort and convenience. However, it is intended that the decorum of the Club will not be prejudiced by any change in its standards. The incidence of improper dress is becoming increasingly noticeable, and in numerous instances a flagrant disregard of propriety has resulted. To climinate any confusion in the minds of the members as to the type of dress acceptable in the club, a schedule of dress regulations follows:

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MILITARY UNIPORM
Before 1800 Hours, Monday thru Sat.
Class B (without tie) summer uniform.
After 1800 Hours daily Monday thru
Sat., a tie must be wore with this uniform.
On Sundays and Holidays (all day), a
tie must be worn with the uniform.
For Informal Dances, a summer uniform, with tie, is acceptable.

CIVILIAN DRESS

paid-up and extended insurance
Becsuse of actuarial difficulties.
He VA has requested such veterans to continue "full" premium payment while in active service.
An amount representing the service and insurance for those waived portion (plus interest) will be refunded by VA at least once a year upon application, or at the time of discharge.

Permanent NSLI which was surrendered for eash atter April 251, may be replaced within 125 days after separation from active service under the following conditions.

Make written application and the attained age for permanent insurance on the same plan which cannot be in excess of the surrendered insurance at the original age and effective date, by paying the required reserve and current premium.

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THE TARO LEAF 24th Infantry Division Association J.Peyton, Membership Chairman 131 North Culver St., Baltimore, Md.

FORM 3547 REQUESTED



One of the smartest birth announcements we've ever seen came in the other day from RAY and HELEN DENDE (724 Ord). Mark Dende was born to this wonderful couple last Dec. Congratulations, kids !

DOC JIM WALLER (24 Med.) of 250 N. Water DOC JIM WALLER (24 Med.) of 250 N.Water St., Decatur, Ill., who won fame throughout the Division with his standard prescription "Soak it in water" is still pusning out the pills. The nice thing about Doc's remedy was that you could use "hot or cold water" - it made no difference.

General R. (for ROSCOE) WOODRUFF'S new address is 208 Elizabeth Rd., San antonio, Tex. Does anyone know where Seneral LESTER is living?



Col. BILL JENNA (34th) is C/S to Maj.Gen. Col. BILL JENNA (54th) is C/5 to Maj.Get Chase at Headquarters, Military Assistance Advisory Group, Formosa. That's APO 63, c/o P.M., 'Frisco, in case you're writing nim. Bill put a nice plug for us in his DB out there recently. Thanks very kindly for the thought, Bill.

BILL PRICE (5th RCT from 7-50 to 5-51) is back overseas with Hq. 1st Cav. Div. It was good to hear from you, Bill. write often.

MEL GRIFFITH (3rd Bn. 21st) who was at Ft. Ben Harrison, writes us from his new address which apparently is just plain APO 55, c/o P.M., New York. Mel, where in ---- are you?

The New York Central happens to be our favorite line, not because we like it the best but because it serves us the most frequently. Like everyone else, it's not in business for its health, but its prices are, at the school girl says, out of this world:

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DAVE GRAY (19th) now in Columbia DAVE GRAY (19th) now in Columbia, 3.C. writes about running into Sgt. NICKGRSON (M-19) the other day. The two of them went out to Ft. Jackson to see Sgt. HOMER ADKINS (M-19). Nick runs the post billeting office at Jackson and is a M/Sgt. Homer Adkins is 1st Sgt. of K Co. of the 28th Inf. By the way, Nick has been to Korea with the 2nd Div. No wounds this time.

There's a mighty happy man on his way back to the 52nd FA En. He's SFC Darref A. Seaman, a career soldier who recently re-upped with the express nope of returning to his old outfit, the 24th Div. Sgt. Seaman, a private in the days, witnessed the birth of the 24th in October of 1941 and has sealed the divider well parts of the 24th in October of 1941 and has

birth of the 24th in October of 1941 and has nelped the division main history from the wars and they years. Instory from in between Enlisting at the age of of for his first nitch in the Regular Army, he was assigned to the 11th FA at Schoffeld. Amen his unit was selected to be a part of the newlyforming 24th, Seaman found nimself in a division which in many ways was similar to nimself; young, and unproven in battle. But this was not to last for long. Sgt. Seaman was in the thick of it, and it was the fighting hearts and fierce tenacity of his comrades in battle that made him decide that there was one outfit, and only one for that there was one outfit, and only one for

Recumatic fever struck the sergeant in 1946, and he was returned to the States for recuperation and convalescence. Within a few months he had signed a walver and was on the way back to "his division," which by

the way back to "his division," which by then was stationed on Kyushu. Here he joined the 52nd FA Bn. July 1950, and the 24th was the first called upon to stem the Communist tide in Korea. Sgt. Seaman was there. Such names as Poynang, Taejon, the Maktong River, Won-ju, and the Kum River will never again be strange to nim.

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Returning Stateside for discharge, he reemlisted and volunteered for FECOM in order to get back to his old unit.
The rest of his story is brief. A few days ago, Sgt. Seaman passed through the Division Replacement Company on his way to the 52nd. "It's good to be back in my old outfit," he said. "Like coming nome. I served with this division a long time and I can tell you there's no better fighting outfit in the whole army."



The Missouri-Kansas-Texas Railroad apany, affectionately known as "the Katy Company, affectionately known as "the Katy R.R.", admits that they occasionally get a train into St. Louis. Who knows, your's may be one. Here's the poop on fares:

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VIC FRITSOH (34th) is the kind of a letter writer an editor likes. Play this one

over on your plano:

"I was a gember of the 34th from Milne
Bay clear on into Japan. I was first
assigned to 3rd Bn. Message Center, then
transferred to Reglmental Meadquarters. A
ter we were naif-way through the Leyte Intransferred to Regimental Headquarters. Arter we were half-way through the Leyte Invasion I took the job as Chaplain Assistant To Fr. James J. Woran. I continued with this job all the way through and carried on when Fr. McLaughlin took Pappy Moran's job. Insofar as Fr. Moran is concerned, when I took that job with nime I got so far up front I even shook hands with the Japs (well that is, darn hear). Fr. Moran is now back in the service in the Air Force; I think somewhere it lasks.

"I goes a out my likes and dislikes but the Torman is now back in the Taro Lesf about some of your old army buddies, such as George Stanley, old Muld or and Ed Henry, but it's very self-it might be thee fault of fellow.

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it might be the fault of fellow who don't keep you posted on the old timers. I notice that most of your paper is devoted to the Korean situation and fellows who are now part of the 24th. I suppose these fellows demand news of the Korean situation because they have lived it and I don't blame them a bit. Maybe your organization consists of members mostly from this group. I'm just wondering if you can't shoot some more information about some of our old-time buddles and some of the activities that took place during World War II activities. It might be me; maybe I don't read the darn thing right. "I might be able to help you with some information about some of the boys who

"I might be able to help you with some information about some of the boys who served during this time. Such information as Bud Fritzler who was with 3.1 of the 34th. He runs a Sonio Service Station in Cody, Wyo. He's looking for buddles to come out that way and see him as they go through Yellowstone. Connie Conrad also with 3-1 section is now married and a proud pappy. Geuido Proto runs a linoleum business in the Fronx. Charlie Jansen who was with the Westronx. Charlie Jansen who was with the Westronx. Bronx. Charlie Jansen who was with the Mes-sage Center of Regimental is in the landscap-ing business in Saginaw, Mich. Jim Straus-ser with S-1 of 34th is in some sort of drug business in Davenport, Ia. As for me, I'm. still in the manufacturing business making good old Eagle Mop Wringers, in Hamilton, Onio."

We can't quarrel with you on your likes and dislikes. All we can say is that we print every single news item that we can lay our hands on. These boys are just too modest they won't tell us where they are and what they're doing. Thanks for your good report anyway.

Jane's Fighting Snips new edition pro-vides interesting information on U. S. Navy compared to production results of Soviet Union.

New Jane's gives Russia a minimum of 370 subs and building 120 more.

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