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### COMMITTEE PLANNING GALA REUNION FOR 24th

24th  
DIVISION  
HEADQUARTERS



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AUGUST 13-16

GUEST SPEAKER

Word has been received from Lt. Gen. Blackshear Bryan accepting our invitation to be our principal speaker at the Banquet on Saturday evening the 15th.

Many of the more recent members of the Association served under General Bryan, who commanded the Division in Korea from January to December 1951. He later assumed command of I Corps in Korea.

To accommodate many of the 'Early Birds', the registration will open on Thursday again this year. Last year Muldoon and Duff tied for first in line-- who will start the roster out this year? There will be personnel at the desk again beginning at 0900 on Friday and throughout the day. One stop will do it. Registration for the Convention, banquet ticket, and a tour of the city for your little lady if she so desires.

Philadelphia is a great City and one with a great history. There is so much to see there that you should plan to stay a few days after the reunion.... BILL DAVIDSON and his committee will have all the information for you upon your arrival.

A program and further details of the Convention will be published in the issue following.

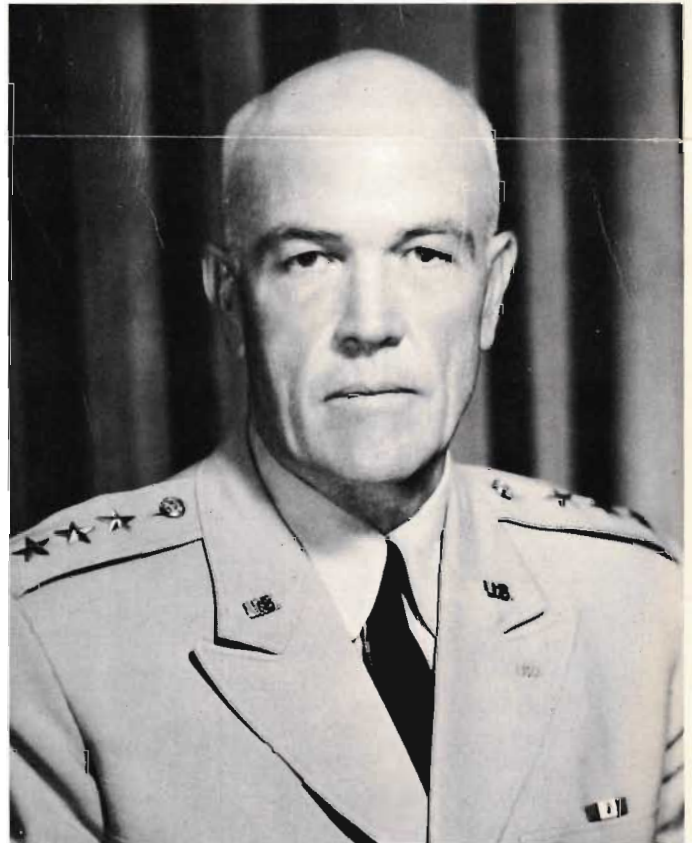
DO NOT FORGET TO FORWARD YOUR RESERVATION CARD to the Hotel BENJAMIN FRANKLIN ---Today. We must have some idea as to the number to prepare for.

It is easy to reach Philadelphia --- Plane, Train, Bus, Auto, or horseback.

SEE YOU THERE!!!



LT. GENERAL BLACKSHEAR  
GUEST OF HONOR



LIEUTENANT GENERAL  
BLACKSHEAR MORRISON BRYAN

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Robert J. Duff, Editor

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## LIEUTENANT GENERAL

### BLACKSHEAR MORRISON BRYAN, USA

Blackshear Morrison Bryan was born in Alexandria, Louisiana, February 8, 1900. He attended Virginia Military Institute and then entered the U. S. Military Academy in November 1918. He was graduated and commissioned a second lieutenant of Field Artillery on June 14, 1922. His first assignment was to the 15th Field Artillery at Fort Sam Houston, Texas.

In his service as a Lieutenant up to 1935, General Bryan's assignments alternated between Fort Sill, Oklahoma, and the U. S. Military Academy. During the football seasons of 1925 and 1926, he was on temporary duty as assistant football coach at the U. S. Military Academy, and in July 1927, was appointed an instructor there. In August 1932, he entered the Field Artillery School at Fort Sill and upon graduation in May 1933, returned to an instructor post at the U. S. Military Academy. In September 1933, General Bryan joined the First Field Artillery at Fort Sill, and in March 1934, returned to the U. S. Military Academy as an instructor and assistant football coach.

General Bryan was ordered to the Command and General Staff School at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, in August 1935. He was graduated in June 1936 and became an instructor at the Field Artillery School at Fort Sill. In the Fall of 1939, he entered the Army War College and was graduated in June 1940. He then was assigned to the G-3 Section of the War Department General Staff.

In July 1942, General Bryan was appointed Chief of the Allons Division of the Provost Marshal General's Office and in December of the same year, became Assistant Provost Marshal General in charge of Military Police activities and prisoners of war. In December 1945, he became the Provost Marshal General, United States Army.

General Bryan was assigned to the Panama Canal Zone in June 1948 for duty as Chief of Staff of the Caribbean Command at Quarry Heights. In January 1951, during the Korean Conflict, he was assigned to command the 24th Infantry Division in Korea, and led that famous fighting unit until December 1951, when he was named Deputy Chief of Staff of the Far East Command at Tokyo, Japan. He was appointed Commanding General of the XVI Corps in Japan in November 1952, and served in that capacity until August 1953, when he became Senior Member of the Military Armistice Commission, United Nations Command component in Korea. The following October, he assumed command of the I Corps in Korea.

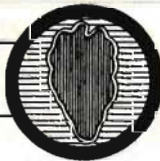
In September 1954, General Bryan was appointed Superintendent of the U. S. Military Academy at West Point, New York, where he served in that capacity for two years. In July 1956, General Bryan left West Point to take command of the United States Army, Pacific, located in Hawaii. In that assignment, General Bryan assisted the Commander-in-Chief, Pacific in planning the integration of the Far East Command with the new command structure of the United States Forces in the Pacific area.

On August 1, 1957, General Bryan assumed command of the First U. S. Army, at Governors Island, N. Y., and was appointed Chairman, U. S. Military Delegation, Military Staff Committee, United Nations, and Senior U. S. Army Representative of the Military Staff Committee of the United Nations.

General Bryan has been awarded the Distinguished Service Medal with First Oak Leaf Cluster, Army Commendation Ribbon, the Order of the British Empire, the French Legion of Honor in the grade of Chevalier, the Colombian Order de Boyaca (Grand Officer) and the Korean Order of Military Merit, Taiguk. While serving in Korea, he earned six campaign stars and was awarded the Air Medal. He married Catherine De Armond on June 12, 1926. Their four children are Blakeshear Morrison III, Robert Edward, James Edward, and Catherine Marinda.

General Bryan was promoted to First Lieutenant July 18, 1927; to Captain August 1, 1935; to Major July 1, 1940; to Lieutenant Colonel December 24, 1941; to Colonel February 1, 1942; to Brigadier General December 4, 1942; to Major General February 13, 1951; and to Lieutenant General January 26, 1954.

## Convention Committees



### BILL DAVIDSON'S CONVENTION COMMITTEE ---

Registration	: SAM GILNER
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Speakers	: TOM COMPERE, ED HENRY
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These men were present at the Big push-off meeting at the Ben Franklin:

WM. V. DAVIDSON	SWEDESBORO, N. J.
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	24 Rose Lane
	Rosemont, Pa.
	1417 Butler Pike
	Conshohocken Pa.
	528 "A" Midvale Ave.
	Phila 44, Pa.
	1337 S. 32nd. St.
	Phila, Pa.
	Attleboro, Mass.

Of this group four are Korean Veterans which we were very happy to see. Hope to see more of them there in August.

There will be tours, and as you know Philadelphia is a city with volumes of history behind it. There are many interesting places to visit and one can get an education along with the pleasure he derives from visiting Philadelphia. Take a day or two either before or after the Reunion to enjoy Philadelphia's Hospitality.

# Aloha

DON'T FORGET ---- BRING YOUR HAWAIIAN SHIRT TO PHILA.



DATE: 13 AUGUST 1959  
PLACE: HOTEL BENJAMIN FRANKLIN, PHILADELPHIA, PA.  
UNIFORM: HAWAIIAN SHIRT, and TARO LEAF TIE for Evening.

## DOES YOUR SUBSCRIPTION EXPIRES THIS MONTH

Renew Early

# CHICAGO News....

We have had nine meetings of the Chicago Chapter since the 1958 National Convention. The most interesting thing about these meetings is that at each of the last six, new members attended who had not been present at any previous meeting. The growing interest in the Chicago Chapter is most encouraging and clearly indicates that the once proud wearers of the TARO LEAF are still just as proud of the old outfit and want to share a part in perpetuating its distinguished record.

Meetings are held the third Tuesday of every month, usually at the Wagon Wheel, 400 N. Wells. However, cards are mailed each month before the meeting telling exactly the time and place.

We are looking forward to greeting more old friends at our next meeting. If you are having dinner downtown, you will probably find some of us at the Wagon Wheel.

Tom Compere  
Secy, Chgo Chapter

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SCHILLER WOODS, North Area 7 - - SCHILLER WOODS, North Area 7  
19 July 1959 19 July 1959 19 July 1959

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19 July 1959

For full information contact: Tom Compere  
MO 4-5030

Richard T. Ligman  
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SCHILLER WOODS, North Area 7, ALL DAY, 19 July 1959

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## CHICAGO —

ATTENTION !

Remember that familiar order ?

Well, I would like to use it again to call your attention to our monthly meetings of the 24th. Infantry Division Veterans Association ( Chicago Chapter )

No, we don't ask you to fall out for inspection in raincoats and overshoes, or ask you if you took your Atabrine today.

But we do ask you to attend a meeting with the gang from the 24th. And talk about the rain in New Guinea or those troop ship "cruises" with dice games.

We also have coffee ( not G.I. ) served along with sandwiches. ( no peanut butter and jelly)

After the meeting you may partake of more stimulating refreshments. ( No home-made "jungle juice" is served) - only stateside whiskey and no ration on the beer.

Coffee and sandwiches free. Dutch treat on the booze and beer.

Meetings are held on the third Tuesday of every month. Time and place announced monthly by postcard.

Richard T. Ligman  
President  
Chicago Chapter  
24th. Inf. Div. Vet. Ass'n.

3333 W. Fullerton Ave.  
HU-6-7161

A Large TARO LEAF Flag in full color was presented to the Chicago Chapter by Dr. Richard T. Ligman. It is of white flannel, with the Taro Leaf in full color and in 4 inch letters, "Chicago Chapter, 24th Infantry Division Association" This flag stands in the room during each meeting together with our National Flag.

SEND IN CONTRIBUTIONS OR  
PHOTOS ANYTIME.

# HERE IT IS!

# RAIN or SHINE PHILADELPHIA IN '59

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Them TODAY!

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TROPHY(S)  
to the  
CONVENTION

Trophy Room will be Guarded



# Play Safe

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for 24TH DIVISION ASSN. MEN

# JOIN NOW!

**NEXT YEAR** it will be necessary for us to limit our Membership to 5000 men, since our organization is not set up to handle more at this time. Send in your Dues now... Membership fee is **ONLY \$5.00** annually including the **TARO LEAF**. Forward your \$5.00 to **ED HENRY**, First National Bank Building, Attleboro, Mass.

## new friends

**DR. RICHARD T. LIGMAN** had a manufacturer make up a beautiful **TARO LEAF** Ash Tray in four colors. It really is a beauty. **BILL DAVIDSON** now has it for inspection. We hope to have them available in quantity by Convention time. Save back a buck and take one home.

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### STAMPING GROUND, KENTUCKY..... KENTUCKY CHAPTER NEWS . . . .

We heard from our Stamping Ground Chapter, Roscoe Claxon, Esq., our Freindly farmer, friend, and former Senator. Roscoe is President V.P., Secy-Treas. of the Blue Grass Chapter. (Who wants to bet that the State of Kentucky will not be mentioned for the '60 Conclave?)

### O H I O . . . . .

**ALLYN MILLER**, our faithful member from Columbus, Ohio, tells us that he has a New Guinea Scrap Book with famous battle scenes. Bring this with you to Philly, Al, and place in the Trophy Room. **ALLYN'S** address: 737 E. Livingston Ave., Columbus, Ohio.

### I N D I A N A . . . . .

**C. G. ATTENDS CONVENTION MEET IN PHILLY.** Our V. P., C. G. Hanlin of Elwood, Indiana recently flew to Philadelphia to attend a meeting of the Convention Committee. The monthly meetings are being held at the Hotel BENJAMIN FRANKLIN, Chesnut at ninth Street. **BILL DAVIDSON** is chairman of the 1959 Convention.

### MRS. BURTON CLAXON

Mrs. Burton Claxon, Mother of our **ROSCOE**, is correspondent the Georgetown News and Times, Georgetown, Kentucky. She lives in Stamping Ground. We received the following verse from her, dedicated to the men of the 24th Division:

Bless the 24th Infantry Division Association,  
First in War, First in Peace, United Nations.  
Dear Service personnel:  
Join the Association - read the Taro Leaf today.  
Son Roscoe Claxon says, 'be happy, be gay  
In the City of Brotherly Love - Philadelphia!

Happy greetings to you, on land, sea, air, today;  
Accept sweet Jesus to guide you always.  
Meet loved ones in Heaven, God's beautiful Home  
Thru Faith, by God's grace, Never be Alone.

God bless each Service on always,  
Visit glorious Kentucky, sing God's praise;  
Sweet song of Victory to the end of the Way.  
In glorious Home Above  
All is Joy, Peace, and Love.

---Mrs. Burton Claxon

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## LIFE MEMBERSHIP . . . .

**NOLAN**, Robert D. -- Bob is another **LIFE MEMBER** of the Assovian. Bob lives at 205 S. Bethany, Kansas City 2, Kansas.

**GREEK**, Elvin E. -- 2804 Emblem Drive, Richmond 34, Va. Elv has again renewed his membership with the Association, and being one of the older members -- as far as Assn. membership-- we expect to see him in Philly.

**KUSHINA**, William J. -- We asked about **KUSHINA'S** address in a recent issue of the **TARO LEAF**, and here it is: 528 "A" Midvale Ave., Philadelphia 44, Pa. Bill has been attending the Phila meetings and no doubt will be a member in good standing by Convention time. When with the Division, Bill was in the 19th., Cannon Co.

### Index to Chicago advertisers in this issue:

Diok Ligman, 3333 W. Fullerton Ave., Chicago, Ill.  
T. H. Compere, 67 W. Division St., Chicago  
Andrejak Auto Sales, 2036 N. Cicero, Chicago  
Paul Hartley, 209 S. State St., Chicago

Thanks to these members..... These ads help us to finance the **TARO LEAF**.

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DON'T FORGET AUGUST - DON'T BE AWOL



**JOHNNY JOHNSON** - Kankakee, Illinois  
"H" Co, 34th

Recently, in order to give business a spurt and perk up the town so to speak, the general slogan around Kankakee was "Let's get rid of 'Mr. Gloom'". The sponsors of the idea picked 24th Division Johnny Johnson, then working at a local retail store, for Mr. Gloom himself.

During the ceremonies "Mr. Gloom" was paraded thru the streets and later 'Hanged' - and Mr. Gloom was no more.

Johnny received national publicity on this feat and had a 2 page spread in April 14 Life magazine.

Johnny now tends bar at the Log Cabin Tap Room, Kankakee.

## PERSON TO PERSON

**LEON SWEM** and his wife **ALICE**, and Children **DENNIS**, age 15, **LARRY** 12, **DARLENE** 10, and **DEANNA** 5, reside on Route #3, Carthage, N. Y. Leon was formerly a Cpl in AT Co. 34th., from April '43 until Sep. '45. We believe he has an occupation that no other in the Assn. has - - he is a Paper Maker for the St. Regis Paper Company. He likes to hunt and loves to travel, especially each August. Leon and Alice write that they are making plans to be present in Philadelphia. They have written to several friends around the country to arouse interest in the Association.

**WALTER E. SCHERER** -- Better known as **SHORTY SCHERER**, he lives with his wife **RUTH** at Onon Blvd. corner of Alexander, in Syracuse, N. Y. When with the Division Shorty had the Officers Mess at Division Hq. (Oct. '41 to Oct. '45). T/Sgt. He is a Chef and has his Restaurant in Syracuse. Shorty says his hobby is carpentering. Also, he would like to know the address of **EDWIN ANDISON**, former cook with 24th Division Hq.

**BAKER**, Laverne E. - M Co. 19th and K Co. 21st. for over 4 years, May 1941 to July 1945, a S/Sgt. Laverne resides at 121 N. Foley, Freeport Illinois, with wife **CAROL M.**, and their four children, **MIKE** 12, **PAT** 10, **PEGGY** 5, and **Little STEVE** age 2. Laverne is Office Manager for the Oak Brand Ice Cream Co. Inc.

**MINNELLA**, Thomas -- Tom lives with his wife Margerot at 3464 Watson Road, St. Louis, Mo. He was formerly with Service Company 34th from 1943 to 1945, with rank of Cpl. Tom is Maintenance man at the St. Louis Municipal Airport. He would welcome any traveler his way to look him up... even if just having a layover between planes. Just inquire for **TOM** at the Boiler and Maintenance Shop at the Airport.

**BADAR.CCO**, Joseph L. - - and **VALERIA** have a family of four children, **JOSEPH L. Jr.**, 10, **JAMES A.** 7, **CARLA** 5, and little **LAURA** age 1. Joe was with the 24th from 1943 until 1945, reaching the rank of Captain in Division Hq. His most exciting moment was on the day that he reached the top of the rotation list! Joe is now an Attorney with offices at 319 N. Fourth St., St. Louis, Mo. He says he is sending his dues to Ed. Henry -- and we hope to see him in this year's Convention City -- Philadelphia. Joe's home address is: 6640 Sutherland, St. Louis 9, Mo.

**SONNERGREN**, Ronald - - Ronald and **VIRGINIA** are expecting their first child as this paper goes to press. They live at 1303 Crestview Drive, Endicott, N. Y. Formerly Co. A, 21st Inf. Regt. from 1951 - 1952. (During the period Gen. Blackshear Bryan was commanding the 24th). Ronald was a Cpl in Co. "A". He knows that the 'old timers' of the Division knew their 'stuff' as Ron writes, "My first day in combat was an exciting one, as I would have been killed were it not for the old timers who taught me a lot! I would also like to hear from my buddies who served with me in **KOREA**." Ronald is a Technical Publisher with **IBM**, Owego, N. Y. His hobbies are golf and bowling.

Come on, you **KOREAN** Men, and get your letters floating around among yourselves, -- and to some of the 'old timers' of New Guinea, P.I. and Japan!! --Editor

**McCANN**, Bernard J. -- an inquiry came to Ed Henry from Bernard McCann, 2002 Spring Garden Street, Philadelphia 30, Pa. regarding the Convention. He planned to attend some of the Committee meetings at the Ben Franklin and hope he can round up more new members. Bernard is a Korean veteran.

## Names that make the news

Scott, Virgil W. - Sv. Co. 21st Inf. - May 1945 to Sept. 1946 - promises to see us in Phila. He is in the wholesale produce business and lives with his wife Delores and sons, Jack, 17 and Mark 9, at 2911 Clayton Ave, Beaver Falls, Pa.

EMERSON, Richard D. - Btry B, 13th F.A. - received a nice card from the Emerson's, R. R. #1, Sturgis, Mississippi Dick, Elenora, Martha May, and Andy Sue.

GREEK, ELVIN E. - K Co. 21st (June '42 - Nov. '45) carries the mail in Richmond, Virginia - address 2804 Emblem Drive (note change) is one of our long time and faithful members.

**MAJOR GENERAL W. J. VERBECK KEEPS IN CONTACT WITH MANY 21st. INFANTRY MEN . . . Here are most of them...**

From General Verbeck's file come the following names. Perhaps you will know a few of them. Drop them a line, keep in touch, tell them that you will be in Philly . . . . Thanks, Bill Verbeck, glad to know that you keep in touch such as your time will permit!

Note change of address: Maj. Gen. W. J. Verbeck  
Army Council of Review Boards  
Room 1E470, The Pentagon  
Washington 25, D. C.

CORT, HUGH - Brig. Gen. (Ret) is now Foundation Executive and lives at 7224 Kingwood Road, Little Rock, Ark. We all remember Gen. Cort as C.G. of Div. Arty.

MANLOVE, COL. A. W. - is now Ordnance Officer Hq CONARC. Ft. Monroe, Va. Whitey was an Ordnance Officer in CO of 724th Ord. Co. from March 1942 to December 1944

WATSON, RICHARD C., served from Oahu through P.I. 2nd Bn. of 19th. VIP C.G. Hanlin has just signed him up. He is a fellow Hoosier and lives in Elwood, Indiana at 801 N. 13th Street, with his wife, Phyllis.

Smith, James O., D 21st from Apr. '40 to Dec. '44. A real solid Gimlet. He carries the mail (Rural carrier) in Broxton, Ga., to provide groceries for a wife, Lurlyne, a son, J'On (10), daughter, Paula (5) and Sparky (2)

LEMEROND, LAUERANCE F. - 21st Inf. - has a new address

147 Magnolia Avenue, Apr. #3, Jersey City, New Jersey.

He reports that while chauffeuring as a volunteer for the American Red Cross, working out of the VA Hospital at the Bronx, New York, he had an accident at 51st Street and 2nd Avenue, in May.

Karwoski, Ted - 214 Franklin Ave, Chic. Ill. has just joined the Assn - served in Hq 3rd Eng (C) Bn '42-45

Verbeck, Maj. Gen. Wm. J. - sent a beautiful Christmas card from Rio, with a note saying:

'This is the last time you will hear from me from this address in Brazil. In May 1959 I expect to be re-assigned. I do not know yet where I will be stationed. Therefore, until you hear from me next Christmas, my address will be:

Care of the Adjutant General, U. S. Army  
Washington 25, D. C.'

Sue McNeeley writes to us from Crossnore, North Carolina:

'I depict that you have sent me the Taro Leaf! N'est pa? Yes, I have a house at 1720 Truman Rd., Charlotte, N. C., but I just keep it for vacations and weekends when I can get to Charlotte.

But-----  
It's more interesting at Crossnore, where I'm in charge of Belk Dormitory for 24 little girls ages 9, 10, 11 & 12 years old. The little girls live there from mid August till last of May. Then I have the whole place to myself. It's delightfully cool in summer. I also teach 1st grade for N. C. public schools -- So I'm extending an invitation to you and the 24ers to "Come to Carolina Mountains in the summer time!". As I've said before Crossnore School is one of the most important social inventions of our times. You see we room and board 235 underprivileged children and send them to the N. C. Public Schools.

Well, these greetings go to all the Victory Division Veterans Association Members.  
Glad to hear from you.'

Emerson, Richard - Btry B, 13th FA Bn - sends a lovely Christmas card from RR #1, Sturgis, Mich., signed by Dick, Elenora, Martha May and Cindy Sue.

Woodruff, Maj. Gen. R. B. - 208 Elizabeth Road, San Antonio 9, Texas - writes that this is the hunting season in the second biggest State of the U.S.A. Wonder if he uses an M-1!

Llewellyn, Wm. T. 34th Inf. from 5-44 to 1-46 - a purchasing agent, lives at 550 Pleasant View Street, Wauwatosa 13, Wis., with his wife Sherry and son Kent. Bill is one of the original members of the Assn. and has always maintained his membership.



THEY PASSED THIS WAY ---

This monument was erected by the people of Queensland in grateful memory of the contribution made by the people of the U.S.A. to the defense of Australia during 1939-45 war.

Long may it stand as a symbol of unity of English speaking peoples in the cause of freedom.

(The above is the inscription on the monument. Photo courtesy of Wm. V. Davidson).

The Australian-American Association initiated and implemented the erection of this memorial. The funds were raised by public appeal, launched by the Lord Mayor of Brisbane on 3 March 1950. The first sod was turned by the President of the Association on 3 May 1951 in the presence of the Premier of Queensland and the Ambassador Extraordinary and Prime Minister Plenipotentiary of the U. S. A.

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Pictured above is BILL DAVIDSON at the Rock in April '59.

Photo courtesy of Lt. Col. JOEL T. WALKER and his Battle Group Photographer.

THE ROCK OF CHICKAMAUGA  
SYMBOL OF THE 19TH U. S. INFANTRY

In memory of those valiant soldiers of the 19th U. S. Infantry who in the course of four wars have given their lives in the defense of their Country.

Dedicated by the  
2nd Battle Group 19th Inf.  
25th Infantry Division  
1 May 1957

LT. COL. JOEL T. WALKER -- Hq. 2nd. Battle Group, 21st Inf. was kind enough to have his Battle Group Photographer take pictures of "The Rock" for BILL DAVIDSON when Bill visited Schofield. A photo of the Rock will be found in this issue.

RAIN or SHINE PHILADELPHIA IN '59

.....FLORIDA

FLORIDA.....

THOMAS ZALEWSKI, 3186 N. W. 78th. St., Miami, Florida

Tom writes, "It has just recently come to my attention that the Association is as active as it is, and I would like very much to join.... I was assigned to the Division in April 1941 and served as an enlisted man both in Company C and Cannon Company, 19th Infantry Regt. I left the Division in 1945 and returned to the States for discharge.

I then entered College and upon graduation I also received a commission as 2nd Lt. Infantry. In July 1950 I was recalled to active duty and sent to Korea, and where do you think I wound up?---Co. 'C' 19th Inf. Regt, as Platoon leader, and eventually as Company Commander.

I now live in Miami Florida, am married and have a four year old son.

Larry Kahn, former CO of Cannon Co. also lives here and we get together quite often.....oh yes, I am contacting as many former members of the Division that are in this area, and possibly we can form a Chapter."

Nice hearing from You Tom, and all of us are pleased to get such encouraging news. Sure hope your Miami Chapter works out in good order. The National Officers will help in any way they can, just let us hear.

TOM also stated that he recently ran across BILL KOSHINA and SAM ROTH. He also has some good photos for future issues of the TARO LEAF. Send 'em on, we can use.

TOM also plans to attend the Convention in Philadelphia.



*The* **WAGON WHEEL**

Home of the World Renown Livingston Steak

is located at 400 N. Wells Street, Chicago. We've met Chris Panagos, one of the owners. They have a private room for Chicago Chapter meetings, and serve both food and refreshments.

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**AT HOME AND ABROAD**

**EDMUND F. HENRY**  
 On 10 April, Ed returned home from a trip to Europe. He had a wonderful cruise on the Uss Yosemite sailing from Newport R. I., leaving 17 March 59. He arrived in Gibraltar on 27th March, later visiting Spain, and Morocco, then went back on board ship and arrived in Naples on 3 April. He visited in Capri, Sorrento, Pompeii and then to Rome, ...finally to Paris, and on to London, Ireland and then back to the U.S.A. We'll hear all the details at the Reunion.

**WILLIAM V. DAVIDSON**  
 Bill, Lorna and Barbara departed in March for "Down Under", and a visit with Lorna's family in Brisbane Australia. They visited both in Queensland and New South Wales. From looking at photos sent back by the Davidsons, the scenery down there is as beautiful as ever.

On their return trip they stopped off in Hawaii for a few days. While in Honolulu Bill visited with AH KEE LEONG, owner of Leon's Florists, and also visited with Dick Goetas. Bill visited Schofield and looked over the old quadrangles. (Photos will be found in this issue).

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