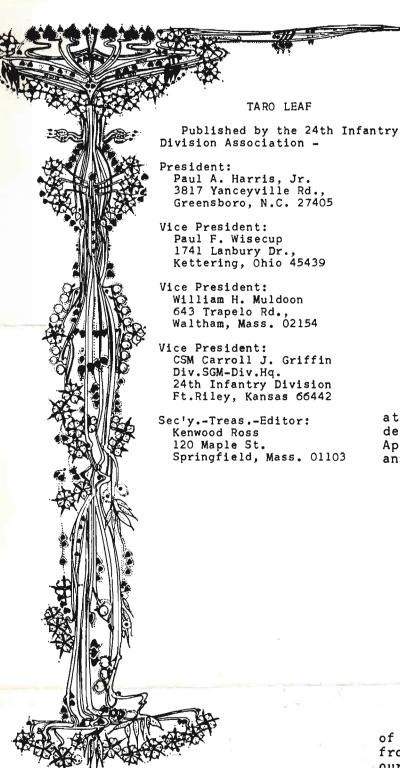


Interested in our Friday, August 14th sailing from Miami? 3 days at sea and in port at Nassau - back in Miami on Monday, August 17th.

Vice Prexy, Bill Muldoon, Vic Backer and Bob Duff are among the 12 who have now signed in - with reservations paid for. Money talks in this instance. Promises and good intentions will never do. The ship threatens to be a sell out!



Life Member BEN WALLACE, (I 21st '42-'45), an engineer with the Northern Pacific out of Yakima, Wash., impresses on us the difference between reality and make-believe, a distinction philosophers have been struggling to clarify for the last 1900 years. Ben sends in a \$10.00 contribution. That's reality! Kudos to you, Ben.

BILL and Virginia KEYES, (D 21st '39'44), of Wethersfield, Conn., were hoping it would be Hawaii in 1970. Greetings to Chip, Bonnie, Doug and Bob, folks!



Convention reservations must be made at the earliest possible moment. Our deadline on reservations held for us is April 30th. Thereafter Eastern sells to anyone else.

For reservations, write:

Eastern Steamship Lines, Inc. Miami, Florida 33101

or

Convention Chairman: Sam Gilner 290 N. Middletown Rd. Nanuet, N.Y. 10954

or

Editor: Kenwood Ross 120 Maple Street Springfield, Mass. 01103

MEL and Genevieve CREIGHTON, (724 Ord.), of Harrisonville, Mo., have been heard from. It seems that Mel has an eye on our job. Genevieve wants to know what training is required for it. We'll we'll tell you. They first give you a mouthful of marbles, see. Your job is to spit out one marble each day. Then, when you've lost all your marbles, you're qualified to be Editor of the Taro Leaf.

Dues in from JOSEPH BERNA (63F from 10/41 to 3/45), out of Oklahoma City,Okla. Joe, a ball player in younger days, was telling the boys how he led the Rocky Mountain League in stolen bases in '46; he was playing for Butte, Mont. at the time. Says he had four stolen bases, and a stolen catcher's mask.

MORE ON THAT REUNION OF REUNIONS

The ship boasts 8 decks: by name from top to bottom, Sports, Navigation, Lounge, Promenade, Main, Atlantic, Bermuda, and Caribbean.

The ship maintains a crew and staff of 260 - all experienced in handling groups - with plenty of people in constant attendance to see that our own special events and meetings are arranged to suit our own requirements.

Ladies' activities? Don't sweat. They'll keep the gals busy with bridge, and other game sessions, musicales, swimming parties, shuffleboard parties, sitting up exercises and more while aboard ship.

And for all of us, while ashore at Freeport, there'll be sight-seeing, shopping, beach parties, boat trips, fishing and night clubs.

Total costs per individual? You don't have to total it up. The costs are all included in the low all-expense fare which includes your stateroom and your meals and every other necessary expense except drinks, port taxes, gratuities and what you'd want to spend ashore for tours and shopping.

Is it a charter job? No. The ship can carry 750. But by registering way in advance, we could have 200, or 300, or 400, or 500, or all of the spaces, depending only on how many signed up. If 750 sign up, it would amount to a charter. If we fall short, well we fall short - but we still sail. So stop worrying about that charter.



Brig.Gen.HUGH and Millie CORT, (Div. Arty. '44-'45), recently cruised the Carribean in celebration of their 50th year of marital bliss. May you wonderful folks have 50 more.

MARVIN ELLWOOD, of Marion, Iowa, tips us to the fact that his bank has just thrown him out of its Christmas Club. Sez he wasn't coming to the meetings.

BILL BYRD is working on our Arkansas contingent to make our boat trip. Bill sez he hadn't been back from St.Louis a day when JOHN WILLIAMS and MIKE CULLEN made inquiries about his planning. We'll bet our bottom dollar, which is a quarter inch removed from our top one, that Bill brings a busload in August.

We've got one for AL and Lillian DUBREUIL, (F 21st '41-'45), of New Bedford, Mass. It's the one about the 2 cannibals who are eating. Sez #1: "You know something? I don't like my mother-in-law". Replies #2: "That's O.K.; just eat the noodles".

Signed in: ROBERT D. BALL, (13 F '48-'51). Bob, now retired as a Major, is head of the Biology Dept. at Charles Wright Academy, Tacoma, Wash.

BOB SCHLATTER, of G of the 21st, is planning matrimony with an ex-Wave. Keep us posted on Susan McAllister, Bob. Get married early in the A.M., Bob. That way, if it doesn't work out, you haven't wasted the whole day.

We repeat the per person rates for our 3 day cruise - Friday, August 14th to Monday, August 17th.

Consider please that the rate includes not only a stateroom but also 8 meals including the Association banquet plus all the extras which only a cruise ship can provide.

Cruises to Nassau rates per person Navigation Deck 3-DAY Outside-SUITES-living room and bedroom, 2 lowers, 1 sofa bed, 1 pullman upper B, C, D, G, H, L, M, Q, R, S, T 2 lowers, 1 double sofa bed, 1 puliman upper E, F, J, K, N, P Promenade Deck Outside, two lowers 3-berth-1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 10, 11, 14, 15, 17, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 41, 43, 44, 46, 47, 49, 50, 52, 53, 54, 58 Outside, lower/upper, 2, 55, 57, 59, 60, 61, 62, 64, 65, 66, 70, 73, 75, 78, 79, 80, 81, 83, 84,86..... Inside, two lowers, 3-berth, 9, 12, 16, 18, 40, 42, 45, 48, 51, 56..... Inside, lower/upper, 7, 8, 63, 68, 69, 74, 77, Main Deck Outside, two lowers, 3-berth, 110, 120, 121, 122, 123, 124, 125, 142, 144, 145, 146, 147, 148, 150, 153. 4-berth-116, 117, 126, 127, 128, 129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 134, 136, 137, 138, 139, 140, 149, 151...... 140 Outside, lower/upper, 101, 102, 105, 106, 109, 111, 112, 141, 143, 154, 155, 160, 162, 163, 165, 170, 173..... Inside, lower/upper, 135, 152, 156, 157, 158, 159, 161, 164, 166, 167, 168, 169, 171...... 110 Atlantic Deck Outside, two lowers, 4-berth, 203, 207, 209, 215, 217, 219, 221, 223, 225, 227, 231, 233, 239, 241, 247, 249, 259, 261, 267, 274, 280, 292, 294, 296, 299..... Outside, lower/upper, 272, 273, 275, 282, Inside, two lowers, 4-berth, 298...... 115 Inside, lower/upper, 211, 229, 235, 237, 243, 245, 251, 257, 263, 265, 268, 269, 270, 271, 276, 277, 278, 279, 281, 286, 287, 288, 290, Bermuda Deck Outside, two lowers, 4-berth, 305, 306, 307.

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Sports Deck

Anyone got an address on Sgt. LEO R. KILGORE who was A of the 3rd Eng. in Augsburg? ROBERT J. KOCH of 4018 Keene St., Martinez, Ga. is anxious to locate him.

CONSTANTINE "Gus" COVOTSOS, (34th & Div. Hq.), of Sarasota, Fla., likes that quote from Joe E. Lewis: "I never met a bartender I didn't like".

Plenty of ordnance men in this gang. Nice to have around in case the Edsel konks out. One is JACK HALLENGREEN of Peoria, Ill.

"The finest organization in the world" is what we are according to BILL WILLMOT, of the 21st, out of Merritt Island, Fla. Bill's at the Kennedy Space Center and working toward a Master's at Fla.Instit. of Tech. Asks Bill, "Do you know how long cows should be milked?" Answers Bill, "Same as the short ones!"

Maj. BOB GREENE is with Hq.Mil.Dist. Wash. DCSINT.

Maj.Gen. FRED R. ZIERATH, (19th), enjoying retirement at Tacoma, Wash., tells the one about the gorilla who walked into a drugstore, ordered a 50¢ sundae, and put down a ten dollar bill.

The clerk thought, "Gorillas don't know much about money", so he handed the animal a one dollar bill in change. The clerk's curiosity then got the better of him, and he said, "We don't get many gorillas in here".

The gorilla replied: "No wonder, at nine dollars a sundae!"

Don't bother with trying to reserve staterooms F, 9, 24, 101, 156, 160, 173, 272, 279 and 315. They are already spoken for.

SAM GILNER Has A Word:

Write me or call me if you have any questions. (290 N.Middletown Rd., Nanuet, N.Y. 10954 - Tel.1-914-623-5244). Planning is well underway. We're serious. You must plan NOW, if at all. That's

You must plan NOW, if at all. That's the way it is in the shipping business. No deciding in August to go to the convention this year.

April 30th is the line's cut off date on us.

Sincerely,

Sam Gilner

