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A little nostalgia is always good for the soul, corny or not. With our cover this issue, the cup will runneth over. If it starts the heart to beating faster, get up to the attic, dig out that old hula skirt - or just plain old shirt or mu mu, and quicker than you can say "humuhumunukunukuapuaa", get your travel agent on the phone and make your plans to fly Lexington way next August 9 or 10. And are you ready for our wonderful surprise? Our guests of honor are to be - are you ready? - Maj.Gen. DONALD and Laura ROSENBLUM. Be seeing ya!



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Look What's Happening

Fred Rhoads, the cartoonist who for 24 years drew "Sad Sack," the comic-strip character who could do no right, either as a GI or as a civilian, has himself fallen on hard times. He is suing a publishing syndicate that he claims misled him about his employment status.

The suit said that Rhoads, 56, stopped drawing the strip earlier this year when Harvey Publications of New York stopped sending him work, and then applied for unemployment benefits. Rhoads then learned that the company had not paid the taxes that would have made him eligible to draw the benefits, the suit said.

Rhoads drew almost 100,000 panels for comic books and newspapers and was paid \$35.00 a page plus a bonus of from \$2 to \$5, and some of the panels have been used five times without additional compensation, the suit said.

Rhoads, who lives in Tuscon, began drawing the strip in 1954 when its originator, George Baker, wanted to turn to other work. Baker died in 1975.

Harvey denied misleading Rhoads in any way.

**You've got
a good reason To See An Old Buddy
to be there.**

Notes on People

The "hardship" tax break proposal now before the House, allowing a tax deduction for congressmen that could amount to \$13 - 14,000, annually, is a flagrant affront to every person in this country who is faced with the monstrous problem of inflation - an inflation that is attributable in no small part to those in positions of leadership and policy-making.

Congress' attention to and quick alleviation of their own financial distress is in sharp contrast to their inability to pass any legislation that realistically deals with inflation and the suffering it forces on the majority of the population. Three recent bills passed on their own behalf with little controversy; a \$12,000 raise voted to themselves, a vote (without roll call) to delay placing a ceiling on the outside income of senators, and the third measure now before Congress for, "swift subcommittee approval," of a tax-break to cover the high cost of living in Washington, are examples of the expediency shown in their own interest.

The contempt for those of us who must look to our congressmen for leadership demonstrates their ever-increasing polarization from those they propose to serve. This preoccupation with saving their own necks, the taxpayer be damned, is shortsighted, though historically preceded by men in power. History also teaches, however, that leaders who disdain public welfare and opinion while sitting righteously in power eventually find their seat an uneasy one.

This represents arrogance in its purist form!!

By their self-serving actions, our congressmen are hastening the time when Americans will decide such representation is worse than none.



GERRY STEVENSON says that the recent election of Jayne Byrne as Mayor of Chicago proves that the spirit of Richard J. Daley, like the ghost of Julius Caesar on the embattled plain at Philippi is still mighty.

orchids & onions

L E T T E R S



Life Member JIM CLOGHER, (724 Ord - 1945), of 48 S.Fairview, Roslindale, MA sends us these two - kind of a "before and after" series. One shows him in '45 when he served with us; the more recent shows him leading a parade - he's a post commander in the VFW -- in, of all places, Springfield, Ma., and he never even dropped in to say "Hello". Jim reminds us of the time - well read it in Jim's own words - understand please that he was working for us in the DOO at the time: "I think of the time on Mindanao when you decided to take a trip to Manila to see an old gal friend in the Red Cross and in so doing you took MIKE LEMBO along with you because Mike's brother was with the 25th Div. in Luzon. During your absence, we received a daily visit from the Chief of Staff THOMAS D. DRAKE asking us just when you would be back.

**All you need
for the perfect
vacation
is the perfect
place.**

**We've
got it!**

We know you had to pull rank to get Mike up and back and were delayed for a while. We kept telling the Colonel that you were looking for a new jeep for the General and would soon be back. Upon your eventual return JOE ROMANO greeted you with 'Good afternoon, Private Ross'. You knew what that meant and hot-footed right over to the Chief's tent, along with a bottle of fresh tuba-juice. You came back, all smiles, reassuring us that 'he's not mad, only jealous. Shortly after that, the Chief had us each cutting up our shirt tails to make neckties for the 'invasion of Japan'." We remember it all too well, Jim; thanks for the memory. And let us remind you that tuba was an elixer much esteemed in that part of the world, and at that particular time as promoting agility and fleetness of foot. It was considered far superior to any western tippie - or so we kept telling ourselves.

HILTON INN

“A great spot
for a
convention,
believe me.”

John Hancock

The Bulletin Board

Past Prexy and Life Member BILL SANDERSON (19th '40-'44), of 57 Peck, Attleboro, MA, will be recovering at home as you read this. Bothered with ulcers for several years, Bill finally underwent surgery. Lost half of his stomach in the process. Is recovering nicely; now getting ready for a fishing trip to Alaska in June - and Lexington in August.

Basic Facts

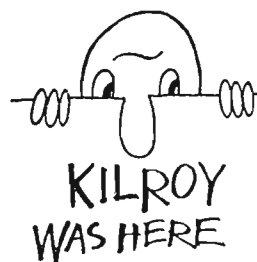
If you are a Life Member and haven't received your plate, you had better write the treasurer.

Cerebrations

The Supreme Court ruling in the Lt. Col. Anthony Hebert has the news people around the country bleeding profusely. Oh how they can bleed when the tables are turned.

Way last Oct. 16th, Jackie Jordan, Sales Rep of the Lexington Hilton Inn, wrote us as follows:

"I would like to confirm arrangements for your group arriving August 9, 1978 and departing August 12, 1978. We are holding 100 sleeping rooms with the rates of \$20.00 for a single and \$24.00 for a double. Reservations will need to be made at least 2 weeks in advance. We are also holding meeting room space on August 10 and 11, 1978. Your meeting and hospitality will be held in Keeneland North and South on August 10 and your banquet in Keeneland Hall, North and South on August 11, 1978. It will be a pleasure hosting your group."



HOMER PRICE, (21st), of Oak Harbor, Wash., writes: I was guest speaker at the formation of a new PHSA Chapter in Twin Falls, Idaho, on April 5th and ran across two former members of the Division. They are: David R. Roessler, 129 5th Ave., E., Gooding, Idaho 83330 and Tony Sabala, 608 10th St., Jerome, Idaho 83338. Tony was a member of D 21st Boxing team of the '40-'41 era. Proudly we present Homer on the left and Tony on the right, as taken at that April meeting.

SUMMER 1979

The Friday evening buffet at Lexington will go for \$11; the Saturday evening banquet will go for \$12.

AT LEISURE

Membership Chairman HOWARD and Gladys LUMSDEN did a bang-up job in hosting the Wood River party. Coming down all the way from Chicago were new members EDWARD J. JARMUSZKA, (C 6th Tk '53-'54), and THOMAS COSTAS, (I 21st '43-'46).



Wouldn't ya know? The Gimlets had the rest of us beat at Wood River by sheer numbers. In the back, it's LLOYD MCCANDLISH (in WW II uniform), FRANCIS MENNEMEYER, RAY HARDI, LEO CREAMER, CHARLEY MCCARTHY, ROBERT CHALUPA, JIM BELL, and Chairman LUM. In the front row, it's TOM COSTAS, Ruth Mennemeyer, Rita Chalupa, Glad Lumsden, Anna Hammon, and Katie Bell. Photography, for richer or poorer, in sickness and in health, by GEORGE RUTLEDGE.



19th and 34th group at the Mini-reunion in Wood River. Standing up, it's BERT LOWRY, O.D. FOSTER, CHARLEY HOGUE, and DON DOSSETT. Sitting down, it's Ginny, Wanda, Maxine and Estelle. Camerawork by GEORGE RUTLEDGE.

We've got it!

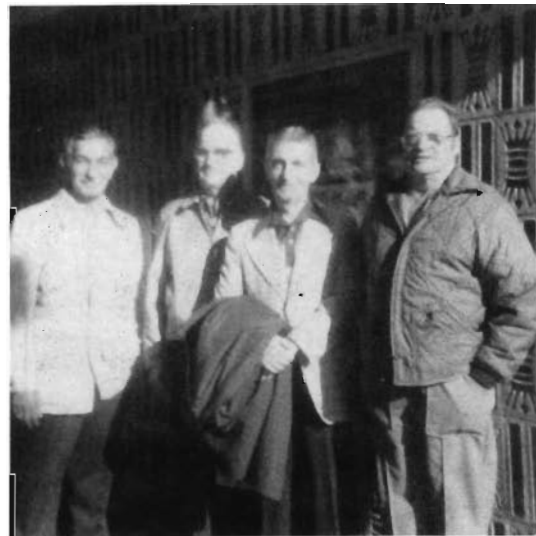
We interrupt our reporting to bring you this bulletin. Take it away, Harry -

We have just received a news flash from our sports correspondent in Bonn. Herr Herman Schmitz, the East Berlin pole vault champion is now the West Berlin pole vault champion.

And now back to you, Bob -



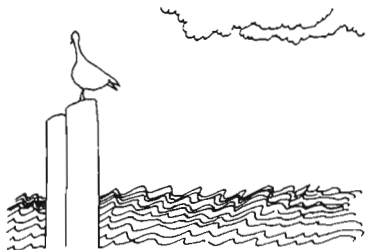
The Wood River gang representing Div. Hqs. and the Artillery: ED JARNUSZKA, JERRY SEYMOUR, PAUL MYERS, STAN GROSS, and ELLSWORTH MILLS - and in front of them it's Sandy Seymour Lucille Myers, Dottie Gross, and Pauline Mills. On the Polaroid: GEORGE RUTLEDGE.



Meet JOHNNIE DEMAIO, JOHN E. BROWN, ED VOSO and DOUG KEYSER, (Dog Company Gimlets all), at their Los Vegas gathering last December. Johnnie and Charlotte Brown followed up this visit with a delightful call on HOMER and Frances PRICE in Oak Harbor, Wash.



Grateful are we, exceedingly so, to PAUL and Lucille MYERS, (C13th F '42-'45), who met us at the St. Louis airport and drove us up to the Wood River rally.



STANLEY and Dorothy GROSS, A 63rd F, made the Wood River rally. Stan, who works for the Burlington R.R., broke his toe just before the party. He says he hears that Jack Lord is going to bid his aging series, "Hawaii-Five-O" aloha after next season.

Jack, who's not looking any younger himself, is thinking of making another series set in those golden islands.

But what's Jim MacArthur gonna do without McGarrett to tell him to: "Book'em, Danno?"



All the way from Yakima, Wash. to our Wood River gathering came smiling BEN and Betty WALLACE, (I 21st). Ben's definition of The Abominable Snowman: "The kid who charges you \$11. to shovel your walk".

Guest services at The Hilton Inn -
free parking
laundry/valet
swimming pool - right beside
our meeting place
lounge entertainment
coffee shop and dining room

Eye opener!

We picked up this story at the Wood River party. Some time ago, ORVILLE D. FOSTER, (Hq.Co. 2nd Bn 34th), of Kansas City, Mo., asked for some extra copies of Taro Leaf; he was going to interest a few friends into joining. When he found out what the postage involved, he "threw them away". Oh well, at least one member knows something of what's involved in mailing this poop sheet.



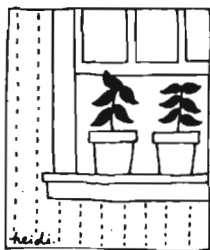
Modestly do we report that we had something of a reputation in the Philippines and in Japan for a bit of foolishness which we hoped would put a bit of momentary fun into the drag existence of a few people over there. We'd ask a newcomer if he liked pancakes. Of course he'd admit that he did (never met a man who didn't like pancakes). Then we'd ask him to come over to our tent; we've "got a footlocker full of 'em". It was a harmless bit of bufoonery and usually provoked a titter. Well we were at the Wood River affair the other day. We'd spotted CHARLES "Gus" SCHOENE who had worked for us in DOO during '44 and '45 - 34 years ago. Gus hadn't seen us, so we quietly walked up behind him. Still unobserved, we listened as he was telling O.D. FOSTER about his whacky CO who used to ask people if they liked pancakes and then tell them what they could do if they did. When he had finished his report, we sneakily came around in front of him with a "Hello Gus" and an outstretched hand of greeting. Gus was taken aback; he couldn't believe his eyes. Here he was telling a story that was 35 years old and all about a man who was - suddenly - standing there before him. Was great seeing you, Gus - and was fun having a good laugh all over again. We'll tell you that we tried the pancakes story a few times after we got back to "the continent" but it usually fell flat - so we dropped it from our series. The "footlocker" angle had suddenly lost its punch.



Lexington, Ky. is the Horse Capitol of the World, therefore lending itself to that industry. Lexington and Central Kentucky have over thirty horse farms. A new Thoroughbred Horse State Park presents the horse industry to the public from racing to riding.

Reach out in friendship

CHARLEY MCCARTHY, (A 21st) made the Wood River clambake with friend Ann Hammon. It was good to see you both, Chuck.



CHARLEY and Maxine HOGUE (Sv 19th), old friends of JOE and Margaret PEYTON, made our Mid-West circus at Wood River. Charley wanted Joe's secret telephone number. It's 301-321-6448, Charley.

It's always fun to meet once again LEO CREAMER (G 21st) 2114 Fairhaven Dr., Jennings, MO 63136. He brought with him to Wood River his lovely friend, Evelyn Hartman. Evelyn said that next to surviving an earthquake, nothing is quite so satisfying as getting a refund on your income tax.

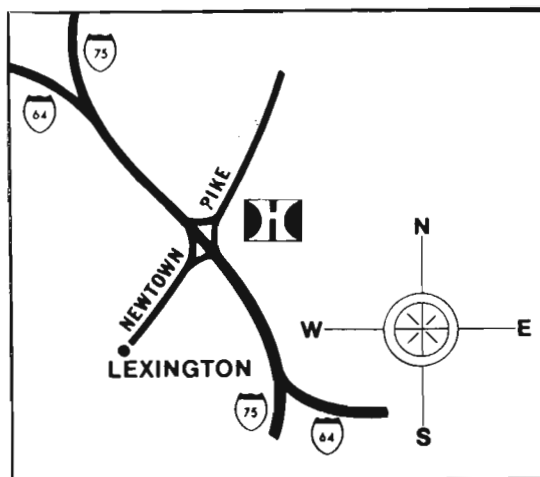
GERALD LIEBER came up to Wood River from his busy part in sandbagging the levee at St. Louis in a valiant effort to stop "Ole Miss". It was just about the time Gov. Jerry Brown was flying back from Africa after his 10-day safari with rockstar Linda Ronstadt. Speaking of Jerry's chances on the presidency, Lieber said pensively: "I think he just blew it." So do we, Jerry Lieber.

GEORGE and Kathy RUTLEDGE, (5th RCT), were on the Wood River scene. Kathy was passing out some sage advice for these troubled times: "Better buy all the land you can; they aren't making any more of it."

The address for the Lexington Hilton Inn is 1938 Stanton Way, Lexington, Ky. 40505, Tel. 606-259-1311. \$20 single and \$24 double. Make your reservations early.

FRANK and Louise KUBA, (3rd Eng.) and VERN and Dottie SCHENKEL, (34th), made the short trip over from Florissant, Mo. to Wood River, Ill. for the get-together. Frank and Louise delighted everyone as the "Old Smoothies" on the dance floor. How they love to dance. Dottie, who has had more than a fair share of medical problems over the years was a vision of loveliness in a Chinese red jacket and gabardine white pants. Don't give up the fight, Dottie.

Back on our rolls are CLARENCE and Ida LINDEKE, (24 Sig. '43-'49), of St. Paul, Minn. Glad to have these folks back.



Our August caravansarie is The Hilton Inn, at 1938 Stanton Way, Lexington, Ky. To call there, it's 606-259-1311. It is located on that section where I-75 and I-64 are "ONE". Exit at Newtown Pike which is Exit 115 on I-95. There we'll be - 7 minutes from downtown Lexington and 10 minutes from the Airport. Courtesy Car will bring you from the Airport to the Inn.

HILTON SAYS HOWDY!



Aberdeen, Md. heard from - home of the Proving Ground. JOHN T. GILBERT, (K 21st '42-'45), a new member, lives there.

New member, R. DOTY, (Sv., 13rd F '41-'44), of Pemberton, N.J., writes in. He writes with such a scrawl that we can't make the name out. It's Richard or Robert or Rodman - Lessee - Pemberton - wasn't that once the ferry point for crossing over to Annapolis? Bridge there now.



BERNIE LUSZCZ, (Div.Hq. & Hq.Co. '44-'45), of 3732 N.Olcott, Chicago, has a cousin in left field with the Phillies. Who else? It's "the Bull" - Greg Luzinski - a powerful hitter, mighty popular in Philadelphia, and from all reports, a wonderful guy. Bernie is proud, and so are we. By the way, Bernie, the Phillies just knocked off the Dodgers in 3-straight. Oh if it only were October.

beyond the call of duty.

Medals come to him who waits: BILL BYRD of Ft.Smith, Ark., finally received his Silver Star. He invited us down for the presentation ceremony - at Chaffee, just outside of Ft.Smith. Alas, we couldn't make it. Bill didn't understand that editing this little poop sheet is not our full time occupation. But enough. The ceremony came off. In Bill's own words, it went like this:

"Chaffee CO., Col. George Cross, made the presentation and spent over ten minutes orientating the visitors. I became rather nervous, but what really upset me was the lights of the three TV stations. Then, I was thinking about Lt.Wade Fourquearan and two others that were killed...my jaws wiggled and tear drops appeared. I turned to the side purposely. My daughter said to Margaret, 'get daddy out of here, he is going to have a seizure, and how true...almost, but I survived. A reception followed... then another one at the retired military club, and dinner. Two phenobarbital tablets had no effect on me.

"My Eastside Optimist Club gave me a surprise 'thanks' plaque at breakfast the next day. Even my banker wrote a beautiful letter. Telephone calls galore. Arkansans are devoted to patriotic causes, unlike some groups scattered over the country raising hell about the military."

Or maybe you'd rather see the way the Arkansas Gazette played it up with headlines that went "Arkansan To Be Honored for Bravery 35 Years Later". It read:

"William M. Byrd of Fort Smith, formerly of North Little Rock, will receive the Silver Star medal for gallantry in action April 23 and 24, 1944, at Sabron Village, Dutch New Guinea, at 2 p.m. today at the Fort Chaffee Officers Club.

"Byrd, who was a lieutenant at the time and who will retire in August as an infantry major in the Army Reserve, was overlooked for the award 35 years ago because of a mixup when the Army Far East Command was transferred back to Washington after World War II.

"The citation says that after an enemy shell hit a tree and burst directly over a first-aid station, killing and wounding several medical men and patients, Byrd, who was battalion communications officer, voluntarily left his foxhole in the middle of flying grenade fragments and rifle fire and assisted the battalion surgeon. 'With complete disregard for his own safety, he worked throughout the night, often using a flashlight although it revealed his position to the enemy,' the citation says.

"Byrd, who enlisted as a private, is past national president of his war-time outfit, the 24th Infantry Division Association. He is past commander of his local Veterans of Foreign Wars and Disabled American Veterans chapters. He is past president of the Fort Smith Jaycees and organized the first North Little Rock Jaycee chapter in 1955. He lived at North Little Rock from 1955 to 1965."

FS war hero to receive belated reward

By RANDY ELLIS

Bill Byrd of Fort Smith was only 24 years old when his heroic deeds helped several comrades survive a jungle nightmare. He will be nearly 60 Tuesday when he receives the silver star for his actions.

The 35-year delay in awarding the silver star was caused by a simple military oversight.

The story of how he earned that star is a tale of true American heroism.

It all started in April, 1944, when the 1st Battalion, 21st Infantry Regiment landed at Tan-nemarah Bay in Dutch New Guinea.

"Our by-pass mission was to follow a trail through the jungle, cut off the retreating Japanese and capture another airfield 300 miles closer to the Philippines," Byrd said. "Our map showed that there was a trail there, but when we landed, there was nothing but jungle."

Byrd was a first lieutenant and communications officer at the time.

"It was awful cutting our way through the jungle. It kept raining day and night. The jungle was so thick we couldn't see the sky. All we could see were the trees all around us and the mud at our feet," Byrd said.

The dreadful conditions also made communications difficult.

"The only way we had of communicating with our artillery support was to relay messages back from hilltop to hilltop," Byrd said.

When night fell on the evening of April 23, 1944, Col. John Clifford gave the order to establish close perimeters and dig in for the night. Soldiers were to use two-man foxholes, with one man keeping watch while the other slept.

"We were seven miles from our artillery support, and that's the maximum limit of their range. The colonel gave the order for them to fire over us. Ordinarily, procedure would have called for us to back off 200 yards, but there was nowhere for us to go. The Japanese were in a semi-circle in front of us and they were hitting us with sporadic gunfire. Another company was in back of us, so we couldn't go back. Your own men will shoot you in the jungle at night if you get out of your foxhole and start moving around," Byrd said.

At first the artillery shells were landing about a half block in front of the regiment and everything was okay. But the artillery pieces were set in sand, not on solid ground. They jumped when they were fired, and gradually the shells started landing shorter and shorter — until one of the shells burst directly overhead.

"I was in a foxhole about 20 feet away when I heard all the hollering. Communications were so bad it took about 6 minutes to relay the message back to stop shelling," Byrd said.

Byrd left his foxhole, against orders, and rushed toward the anguished cries for help.

"When I got there, I found all the wounded and killed scattered and crying for help," Byrd said.

Byrd and Sgt. Kamanski worked throughout the night, helping Battalion Surgeon Albert Braden Jr. care for the wounded.

"We just kept shooting them full of morphine," Byrd said. "I remember one man had shrapnel clear through his body. It entered his chest and went clear through his

back. I put one hand on each side and pressed against his body, but the wound was too bad. He died in minutes."

"There must have been seven or eight men killed and about 20 wounded that night," Byrd said. "What bothered me the most was all that hollering. I don't like to talk about it much. I've often wondered where everyone else was — they probably stayed in their foxholes and dug a foot deeper," he reflected.

Sgt. Kamanski was killed by shrapnel a couple days later. Doc Brad-



Bill Byrd

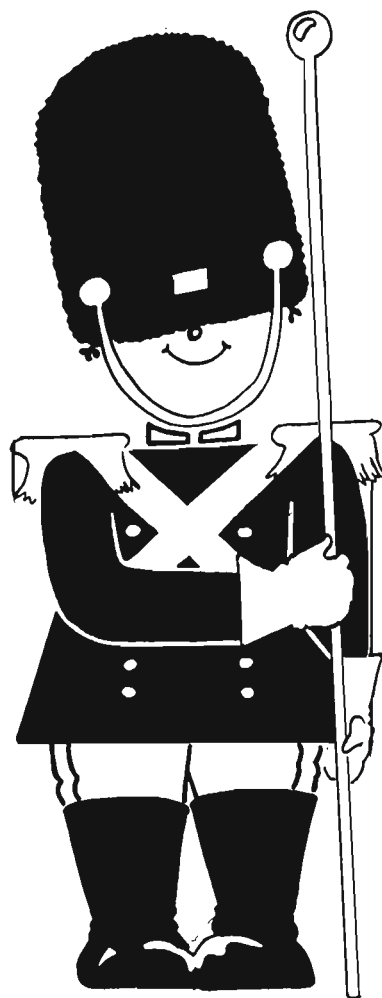
en is now a physician in Houston. For their actions, all three men were awarded the silver star.

Kamanski and Braden received their awards many years ago. Byrd's military records show that he should have received the award at that time, but somehow the paperwork got filed away and forgotten.

Talk at a recent convention prompted Byrd to write for his records and the oversight was discovered.

The military apologized for the blunder and an awards ceremony was scheduled for 2 p.m. Tuesday at the Fort Chaffee officers club.

"Doc Braden also had a mistake on his. He got it on time, but the date on the certificate was a month off," Byrd said.





Without a doubt, it's "on-the-job training" for the photographer who took this one - and he's got a long way to go - a couple of years at least. It's BILL BYRD and his lovely daughter, Brenda Robertson, from Kalamazoo, Mich. Bill's pose leaves something to be desired. As for Brenda, looking at her Dad's new medal, it's a shame. Sorry 'bout that, Brenda, but it's all the camera-clicker sent us. If your Dad will send us a better one of your sweet self, we'll use it in an effort to make amends. You deserve better than this.

Dollars & Sense:

Associated Press out of Paris tells us, as we put this issue to bed that - oh here's part of the report as it goes:

Tribes in southern Chad, aided in some cases by mutinous troops and police, have killed at least 10,000 persons in the last month, according to reports from missionaries in N'Diamena.

Details from Jesuit mission stations said 4000 to 5000 persons were murdered in Moya-Chari province and 5000 to 6000 in West-Logone province in the first two weeks of March.

If the missionary reports reaching Paris yesterday, are correct, it would be the worst tribal slaughter in Africa since 100,000 members of Burundi's Hutu tribe were massacred in 1972 by the Tutsi tribe, their traditional rivals.

The religious violence follows civil war in Chad between forces loyal to former president Felix Malloum and Moslem factions. Malloum, a southern Christian, was replaced by Goukouni Oueddei, tribal chief of the strict Islamic toubou tribe of northern Chad, as part of a peace plan negotiated last month in Kano, Nigeria.

It was the first time since the end of French colonial rule in 1960 that there has been a non-Christian head of state in Chad, a landlocked Sahara nation of 4.2 million people in north-central Africa, nearly twice the size of Texas.

10,000 in the month of March? Not bad as months go, is it?

do's and don'ts

If an enemy ever invades the United States, it had better be below the Mason-Dixon line. The U.S. Army apparently doesn't believe in fighting north of that boundary.

That's the only conclusion to be drawn from the Pentagon's reported plan to close so many northern posts.

Economy is the purported reason. But why is it always northeastern, and never southeastern, bases that are the target of the budget ax? Wouldn't it make more sense to train soldiers here - where the climate and geography are so similar to Europe's - rather than in the subtropics?

NOW!

Old vaudevillian who had two heads. Well I bumped into him one day and he looked kind of sad. I asked him what was the trouble. He said: "I don't know. Things are not going good for me. I just ran into my agent in the street and he didn't even say hellow." I said, "Maybe he didn't recognize you."

Our 283rd Life Member is JAMES "Tommy" THOMPSON (E & 2nd & 3rd Bn Hqs, 21st 9/42-11/45), of 511 Helms, Wharton, Tex. Tommy says he's "70". Tommy - we refuse to believe it. Says he was all set for Savannah last year when Gladys developed an ear problem "which upset the applecart". Tommy has retired from teaching and is now ready for his "4th career - but I'm not looking too hard". Tommy, it was grand hearing from you.



Army C/S Gen. BERNARD W. ROGERS (19th '61-'62), consistently cuts a hell of a fine figure wherever he appears. And he's delightfully photogenic. Here he is with the Sixth Army Commander, Lt.Gen. Eugene P. Forrester.

vital statistic



BILL WELLOCK, (I 34th '41-'45), sends this one of BOB PERE, (I 34th '41-'45), now of Wahoo, and himself, on the left, taken at you-know-where. Bill says he and Bob crossed the "pass" by auto this time. Better than hoofin' it, eh Bill?

From the **CROW'S NEST**



IRA DEFOUR, (B 21st '42-'44), of 1407 Kendolph, Denton, Tex., reminds us of the schedule for our Lexington, Ky. party come August:

Thursday, August 9th

Registration. Welcome Wagon.
Start of Kentucky maneuvers.

Friday, August 10th

Tours; Lunch Lexington Coca Cola post. More tours, shopping etc.
Buffet and music.

Saturday, August 11th

9:00 a.m. - Board meeting
10:00 a.m. - Membership meeting

Tour of Blue Grass
Horse Park and lunch.

7:00 p.m. - Banquet.
Music and dancing.

Sunday, August 12th

Aloha's, farewell.
Kentucky ham brunch.



Times past. Times remembered.

HOWARD BRUNO, (Hq. 1st Bn 19th '48-'51), of 2501 E. 20th, Tucson, Ariz., carries the division decal on his windshield. It brought an inquiry from MARSHALL BUTCHER who runs an upholstery shop there. Howie had brought in his mobile home for a new seat job. Result - Marsh is now in. Howie has just retired; hopes he and "Momma" will be at Lexington.

The Army has admitted wrongdoing in the case of James R. Thornwell, a veteran who says his 1961 experience with LSD - administered to him by Army officers during a criminal investigation - has led to a nightmarish life.

Thornwell's story was told by CBS in its "60 Minutes" show on March 25. The CBS report said Thornwell, accused by the Army of stealing classified documents while stationed in Orleans, France, was given LSD because Army investigators thought the drug might be a "truth serum." Thornwell attributes his LSD "trip" 18 years ago to his inability to hold a job, two divorces and strange behavior, according to "60 Minutes."

Army Secretary Clifford L. Alexander Jr., in a letter to "60 Minutes" producer Don Hewitt, said the Army would support special legislation to grant financial relief to Thornwell.

But an aide to Rep. Ronald Dellums (D-Calif.), said the Army will support such legislation only if Thornwell drops his \$10 million suit against the service. Dellums, who represents the district where Thornwell lives, would sponsor that legislation if requested by Thornwell to do so, the aide said.

Strange is it that in all of this reporting about this scandal, we've never seen the names of any Army personnel responsible for the deed. Weird, isn't it.

On a 1-to-8 rating scale, BILL SHOWEN, (21st '41-'43 and 24th Recon '43-'44), of 1911 Francis, Waukesha, Wis., rates a 9. He has sent us our first fish story of '79. Here, you read it just as Bill wrote it: "A friend who does a lot of fishing in some of the northern Wisconsin lakes told me of one lake where people had dumped a few junked cars but which apparently had no effect on the fishing. While fishing from a boat one day his line became taut so that he at first thought he had a four foot muskie on his line. Looking under his boat he could see the line was in through the window of a submerged car. Reaching down through the window he could feel the gill of a large fish and tried to pull it out. But the "b-----" closed the window on him." You tell 'em, Bill Showen, and we'll print 'em.

Ted Sizemore, the Cubs' 2nd baseman, has a recorded message for phone callers when he's not at home. Sizemore says, on the recording: "It's the bottom of the 9th, the bases are loaded, there are 2 outs, and I'm up. Here's the pitch; it's a grounder to 3rd. The throw is to 1st. And I'm out. That's right, I'm out!!!"

Government thinks the best way to preserve Amtrak is to cut service by something close to 50% in order to save federal subsidies of some \$300 million a year. That's like the old Vietnam story of destroying an enemy village in order to save it. But we can't afford to let rail passenger service - or freight service - go out of existence, considering the growing uncertainty about oil supplies - S/Transportation Brock sees a reduction in reliance on the private auto. If that happens, what of the choo choos? Will they by then have become extinct?

BG CHARLES B. LYMAN, (21st '42-'44), of Maui Meadows, Rt. 5, West Chester, Pa., 19380, was reported to be a "famer" specializing in show and race horses. His son is really running the horse business now.

For splendid diversity and friendly people - make it Lexington. BOB and Madget ROGERS, of 3824 Wawonaissa, Ft. Wayne, Ind., will.

\$1 Billion

We're not very bright - for which apologies - but we don't quite get this news item.

About 608,000 service members went "over the hill" or jumped ship during the first four years of the all-volunteer force at an estimated cost of \$1 billion, a new government study saws.

And, the General Accounting Office says "the problem is likely to get worse" as the available number of quality recruits declines.

A 125-page study, AWOL in the Military: A Serious and Costly Problem, blames the high number of awols between 1973 and 1977 on inconsistent punishment for the offense among the services and individual commands.

Where we draw the blank is in the reason for the \$1 billion expense. Anybody wanna zero us in?



Good friend STAN NELSON writes after an absence of too many years (he's 724 Ord '42-'45 and hangs his hat in San Luis Obispo - is in real estate and insurance). He recalls his first night on Leyte: "Bivouaced between road and beach, in a hammock slung over a slit trench, hung between a wood pill box and stump palm tree, when a weapons carrier commandiered by Jap soldiers came down the road spraying a 50 calibre machine gun over the area and my hammock. Perilous times. Next morning Jap Betty came over the area and was shot down. Pilot parachuted to his death.

DISCOVERIES

MARVIN ELLWOOD hosted a gang of 724th men in Marion, Iowa, last summer. Those attending were RAY STEWART (Clinton, Iowa), DELMAR BABB (Louisville, Ky.), W.L. LOGENBYHL (Phoenix, Ariz.), BEN THOMAS (Wakeny, Kans.) and ED KRAUSER (Elkhart, Ind.)

velvet touch

West Point professor, Lt.Col. Walter P.Lang, Jr., recently had his letter on the volunteer Army inserted by a lawmaker into the Congressional Record. Lang was contending that many of his colleagues oppose the volunteer force idea "from a deep-seated personal conservatism (as opposed to political conservatism). The AVF is new. It is therefore bad."

Lang wrote that there also is a confusion of ideology in which volunteer soldiers have somehow become 'mercenaries.' "This ignores the fact that their officers are logically branding themselves also as 'mercenaries' since they, like all other U.S. peacetime officers, are of course volunteers. Was Marshall a mercenary? Eisenhower, Bradley etc.?"

Officers also somehow have forgotten, said Lang, who is scheduled to become Defense Attache in Yemen, what the pre-Vietnam War draft Army was like. "Our junior officers have constructed a myth in which the draftees of the pre-Vietnam era were a sturdy brand of yeoman farmers and small tradesmen who served their country selflessly in an Army devoid of disciplinary problems," he said.

Kindly note that Col. Lang has been assigned to Yemen.



"Does the name 'Michiko' ring a bell with you, dear?"

EDUCATION

Man goes to friend's house to play cards. Men already around table playing. There's also a dog at the table and he's playing too.

Man: "Is that your dog?"

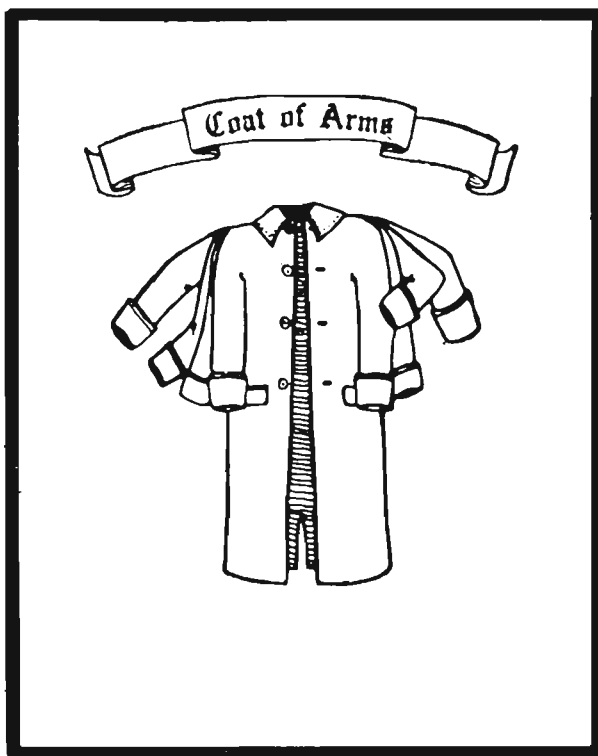
Friend: "Yes"

Man: "Can he really play cards?"

Friend: "Yes"

Man: "Is he any good?"

Friend: "Naw, every time he gets a good hand, he wags his tail."



New Life Member TOM GRUBBS, (Hqs. 6th Tk. '51-'53), of Box 169, Orlando, Fla., is so bold as to suggest that what this organization needs is a "snappy coat of arms". Not being much on heraldry, we shot back to Tom a request that he sketch out what he had in mind. The printer was going out the door ready to put this issue to bed when the mailman walked in with Tom's offering - which we reproduce herewith without comment. Tom, you're putting us on - and we love it.

BEFORE YOU KNOW IT,



Berta ROBERTS, good wife of GEORGE, (21st 4/51-1/52), of Box 216A, McMinnville, Tenn., tells us that George has heard from no one over the 25 plus years except BOB NICHOLSON, Box 214, McArthur, Ohio. Bet he'll hear now, Berta.

The CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

Springtime always brings us renewed hope and faith. As we witness the awakening of life in the fields and valleys, as we begin thinking about the planting of seeds and the promise of another harvest we become alert to the wonder of God's creation and life takes on a fresh outlook.

The more we study the growing process in nature, the more we are impressed with the reality of a power and influence beyond ourselves. The truth is constantly before us that it is God who gives the increase. We can share in the process but when it comes to the forming of the kernels, the unfolding of the petals, we have little control or little to offer. Only in God's good time and through his way can the fruit mature or the full beauty of the flower be revealed. Only when we work with nature as God intended are we able to produce and increase the harvest.

There are many things we can do by ourselves, but there is much more that can be accomplished and enjoyed when we work in cooperation with our Creator. Thus from the planting of seeds to the fulfillment of life, we succeed in proportion to the degree in which we share as His co-workers.

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Weekend

Rodney Dangerfield gets no respect from his dog. If his wife throws the ball, the dog waits for Rodney to bring it back.

SINE QUA NON

With the conversion of active-Army personnel record files to microfiche, the original paper files are now available to the soldiers concerned, after which they will be destroyed.

The Army has already begun destroying the original paper files of general officers, colonels, warrant officers and sergeants major and will start in on the captains' and master sergeants' folders on the first of next month. Files of enlisted soldiers in the pay grade E7 will follow on 1 June, those of lieutenant colonels on 1 July and those for majors and lieutenants on 1 September. Files for E6s will be destroyed beginning 1 January, 1980, completing the disposal of original paper records for officers and enlisted soldiers in grades where promotions are centralized or semicentralized.

Soldiers who desire to keep their original paper records can request them in writing, with a small fee for handling and postage. Enlisted soldiers should write to: Commander, EREC, ATTN: PCRE-FP-M, Ft. Benjamin Harrison, Ind. 46216. Officers' requests should go to: Commander, MILPERCEN, ATTN: DAPC-PSR-SR, 200 Stovall St., Alexandria, Va. 22332.

Officers may pick up records in person by making an appointment (Autovon: 221-9618/9 or commercial (202) 325-9618/9) and paying a \$2 fee. Enlisted soldiers who are able to do so can pick up their records in person at Building 1, Room 104P, Ft. Harrison, by paying the same fee. No appointment is necessary.

Fees for mailing paper records are on the following scale, according to pay grade: O5, \$4.75; O4, \$4.50; O3, \$4.25; O2, \$4; O1, \$3; E8, \$4; E7, \$3.75 and E6, \$3.50. Checks or money orders should be made payable to the Treasurer of the United States.



PRESENTING

JAMES "Spike" O'DONNELL, (G 21st '42-'45), of 414 Clinton Place-Apt. 501, River Forest, IL 60305, sometimes referred to as the Colonel Klink of the 24th Division - with apologies to Werner Klemperer, of course! - is in hospital - arthritis. He'll be out, likely, as of the moment you read this.

EXTRAORDINARY

Air Force Col. Fred V. Cherry was a POW in 'Nam for nearly 7 years. He says he was wronged by his wife and the Air Force during that time, by his wife for being unfaithful to him and by the government for allowing her to squander his pay check. The \$ were nearly gone when he was freed. So to court went the colonel.

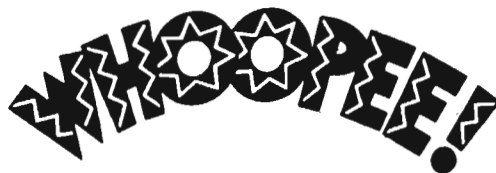
The Air Force "is not required to police the fidelity" of the colonel's wife but should "disburse his pay account with some regard to what his wishes would probably be, were he in a position to state them," the court said.

For instance, the court ruled when Mrs. Cherry despite the fact she was entitled to free care at military hospitals in the area, a routine inquiry "might have discovered this evidence of marital misconduct" - that the "operation in the private hospital was for delivery of an illegitimate child."

The court ruled that Cherry "is entitled to recover any amounts owed him" by the Air Force through its violation of duty with the amount to be decided at another trial. Cherry claims he is entitled to \$122,098, and charged that the Air Force had failed to protect his interests. The court agreed.

Special Report

We were setting this issue up when we received a cheery telephone call from Maj. Gen. DONALD ROSENBLUM, deep in the bowels of the Pentagon, telling us that he was off to Europe on a quickie tour of some training sites, that his study on military training terminates as of June 30th, that he has yet to learn his next assignment, and that he and Laura are looking forward to being with us at Lexington.



Some day scientists may be able to explain why a child can't walk around a puddle.

by
the
way



Dear Mr. Ross,

Thank you for your complimentary membership in the "exclusive fraternity" of the 24th Infantry Division Association. It is indeed an honor to be included with this group.

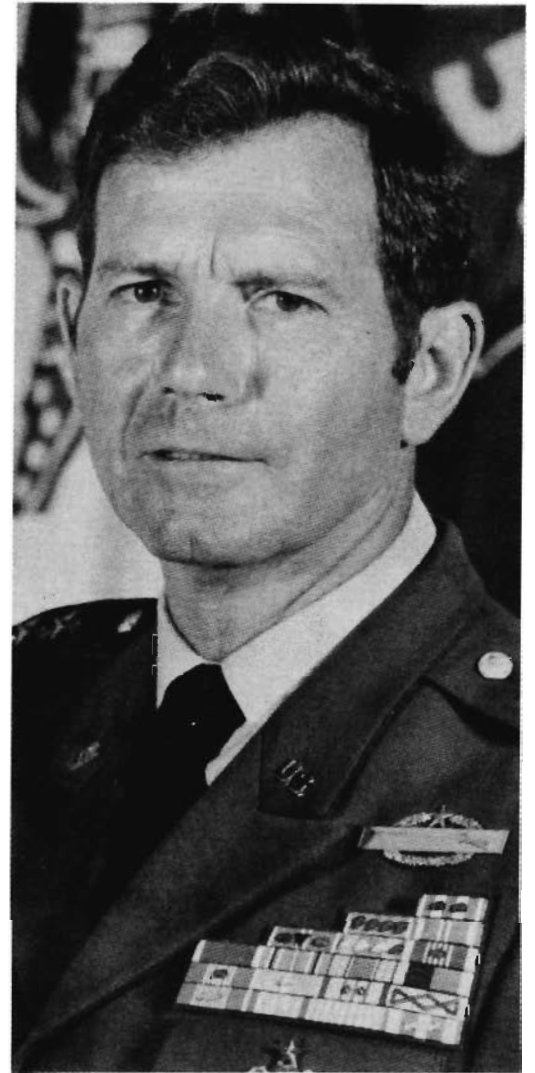
I served with Co C and Co A of the 34th Regiment in Sasebo, Japan in 1949 and 1950. In July 1950 I was a platoon leader in Co A as the 1st Battalion of the 34th was committed to combat in Korea. From July 1950 to July 1951 I served as a platoon leader, company commander and battalion executive officer. PVT Shadwick, the first soldier killed in action in Korea, was on patrol with me at the time of his death.

I am presently in the process of moving to Fort Sam Houston, Texas where I shall assume command of Fifth US Army. When my official photographs are completed I will have my Aide send you one.

Thanks again and best wishes to you and the fellow "Taro Leafs" of the 24th Division.

Sincerely,

Bill Caldwell
WILLIAM B. CALDWELL III
Lieutenant General, USA



Lt.Gen. WILLIAM B. CALDWELL III, (C & A 34th '49-'51), Fifth Army Commander, keeps appearing in the news. Army commanders seem to speak at some dinner or luncheon about every other day. Here's his latest letter, just as he wrote it.

Don't call me

We've another copper in the club - a Sgt. no less so if you're ever in trouble in Jersey City, try ED McCARTHY, (G 19th '53-'55), of 81 McAdoo, Jersey City. If it's an emergency, dial 201-433-0991 and hope Ed's home. He called us the other day, having spotted one of our ads. Presto: he was a member.

The Latest Line

In 'Frisco, they say that of the 600-plus people who have plunged to their deaths from the Golden Gate Bridge, only 2 have jumped facing away from the city. Guess the 598-plus wanted one last look.

A GREAT CHANCE

Rep. Ron Paul, R-Texas, wants to junk congressional junkets.

Paul introduced a bill Thursday to require a three-fourths vote of the House or Senate to approve each proposed trip.

He said the "embarrassment" of having to publicly ask for money for a foreign trip would discourage most lawmakers from traveling.

Paul estimated members of Congress spend about \$3 million each year "to finance lush foreign trips for themselves and their staffs, and I believe the American people are sick of it."

Right on, Congressman; you're not always right, but this time you hit it on the nose.



Here's a shot of bustling downtown Seoul today. Look at those skyscrapers. See that tree lined boulevard. And only 29 years ago, this town was leveled. Puts us to shame, doesn't it?

HALLELUJAH

JAMES B. SMITH, (34th Art. '58-'60), of 2233 North 3rd, Harrisburg, Pa., called us by phone just as we were setting this up. The nuclear scare was calming down. Jim said he and his family "got out of town" during the worst of it. He's trying to locate these 34th Art. men:

Capt. ? MAHAR
Sgt. LEON THERY
Sgt. LEO COLLINS (New York)
HERBERT FANNEY (Knoxville, Tenn.)
HERBERT MANNING (Texas)
QUITILIA HOLLOWAY (a boxer from East St. Louis, Ill.)
RON CHANEY (Chicago - no relative to Lon)

ROOSEVELT WALKER
HERBERT GLADNEY - (Wash.D.C. - lots of "Herbert"s in this gang)

JAMES JOHN HOLMES (Austin, Tex.)

If you know of any of these characters, Jim would appreciate the information.

PROUDLY PRESENTS

Greatest bore of the spring season: Margaret Trudeau's titillating tidbits on life with and without Pierre.

Why is autumn like a Japanese tumbling act? 'Cuz there's always a little Nip in the air.

AS EASY AS UN, DEUX, TROIS.

HOWARD LUMSDEN sends in names of 3 new members and then goes to Intensive Care at the Alton, Ill. hospital. Suspected heart attack. We'll keep you posted. His new ones were:

1. EDWARD J. JARMUSZKA, Wife Joan. 11034 Greenbay Av., Chicago, IL Co.I, 21st Inf. 1943-46 (WW II)
2. THOMAS COSTAS, Wife Helen 613 West 43rd Pl., Chicago, IL Co.I 21st Inf. 1943-46 (WW II)
3. CHARLES A. SCHOENE, Wife Helen 2408 Woodcrest Dr., Alton, IL 724th Ord Co. 1943-45 (WW II)

FLASH—FLASH—FLASH

Just a thought: 38 years ago our scientific minds devised synthetic rubber and kept the wheels going. Not long ago, we put men on the moon. Can't similar minds concoct a petrol substitute and ease the gas crunch? Mr. Schlesinger, lay down that pipe, and let's get going.

JUST ANNOUNCED SPECIAL!!!

As we go to press, a 17-year old Cumberland (R.I.) High School boy, Paul Gilbert, has requested to take a male date to his junior prom. School officials have denied Paul's request. Stay tuned. This is gonna be good.

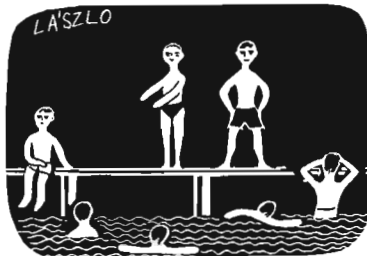
WE'VE GOT IT ALL!



Col. RICHARD and Ruth LAWSON made a return to Wahoo in Feb.-Mar. and were beautifully hosted for a part of their stay by RICHARD LUM, the master host.

AT EASE

Memo to WILBERT "Shorty" ESTABROOK (B 19th 48-50), of Pinecrest, Portland, Maine. Yes, Shorty, we got your pictures for the History. We are grateful. We won't lose 'em and we will return 'em.



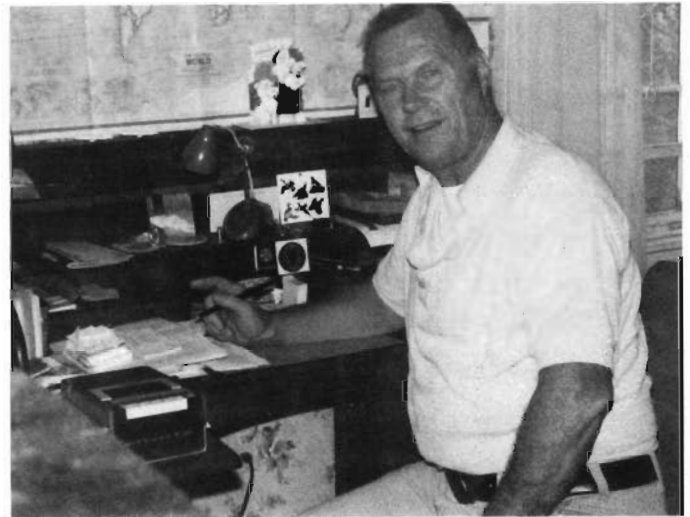
There are 18,000 people in the Energy Dept. Will someone please tell us just what they're doing? 18,000 and we're worse off than ever.



PAUL and Lou MYERS, (13th F 2/43-12/45), of 1102 Cardinal, Alton, Ill., have travelitis. They'll be with us at Lexington. Paul is Jr. Vice Commander of the 12th Dist., Dept. of Ill. and he's busy. Bravo, Paul!!!!



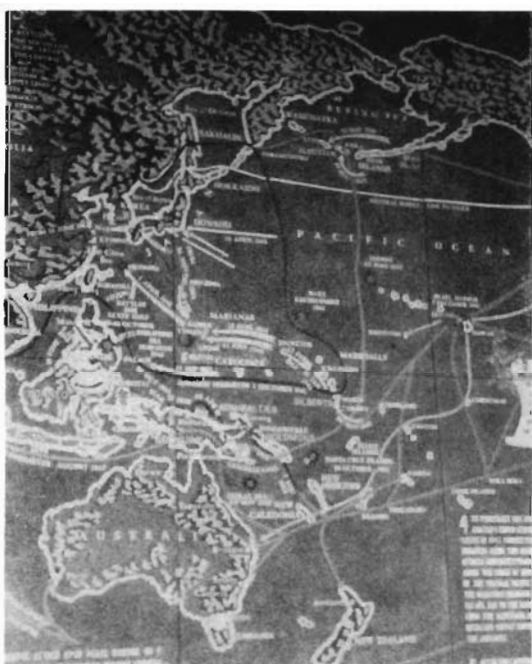
LEO N. ZIEGLER, (19th '44-'45), of 105 N. 10th, Bozeman, Mont., is now one of us we're proud to say.



BOB GROGAN, of Cape Road, Mendon, MA., whom we proudly show here, will be pleased to see that we're also showing off his granddaughter, Bridget, whose father is Bob's son, Herb, whose brother is Steve Grogan. Bridget's mother is the brother of Mark Fidrych.

Rodney Dangerfield's way to look thin: hang around with a lot of fat people.

* SPECIAL



Col. RICHARD LAWSON sends us these photos showing the handsome mosaics in the Punch Bowl National Cemetery on Wahoo. They outline the Pacific operations including ours. Of his lovely bride Ruth, who toured Wahoo with him, Dick reminds us that "Ruth was among the Schofield evacuees on the night of Dec. 7th. From her bus as she went into town, she looked down upon the ships burning in the harbor - a never-to-be-forgotten picture."

The Bulletin Board

HOWARD LUMSDEN, our indefatigable membership chairman has recruited AUTRY T. MEEKS, (M & D 19th '47-'50), of Box 907, Bynum, Al. Autry and Lum are old friends from Beppu days. They hadn't seen each other since Korea.

"Great results!"

In Paris, a group of American tourists entered a large cathedral. Seeing a wedding in progress, one of the Americans whispered to a Frenchman nearby, "Who's the groom?"

The native shrugged and said "Je ne sais pas."

As the group continued through the cathedral, they came upon a funeral service. The American whispered to another Frenchman, "Who died?"

The man replied, "Je ne sais pas."

"Wow," the American said. "He didn't last long, did he?"

A PERFECT COUPLE

Wife to husband: What would you say if I told you I'm in love with your best friend? I'd say you were a lesbian.

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LACY BARNETT sent in this article from a recent issue of the Indianapolis Star. It appeared under a headline reading "Heroic Army Chaplain Retires After Stellar Service in 3 Wars".

"A man who could have chosen to avoid World War II - but instead won the Silver Star for gallantry behind the Japanese lines and then acted as a chaplain in the Korean and Vietnam Wars - retired at Fort Sam Houston April 30.

"Col. Duncan C. Stewart, staff chaplain of the Fifth Army, spent more than 30 years in the Army, 28 of them in the chaplaincy, and will be presented the Legion of Merit, first Oak Leaf Cluster, during the retirement ceremony.

"Born in Glasgow, Scotland, Stewart came to the United States at age 9 and was a junior at Wheaton College in Illinois, studying for the ministry when World War II broke out.

"He held a 4-D draft exemption, but volunteered for the Army anyway.

"I couldn't stay in the security of a college atmosphere when the people I hoped to minister to were fighting and dying that I might have security," Stewart said.

Stewart entered the regular Army and saw his first action at Hollandia, New Guinea, as an antitankman with the 34th Regiment, 24th Infantry Division. His unit was in the battle for Biak, an island off New Guinea.

"So many medics were lost in the Biak fight that an appeal was made for medic volunteers," he recalled. "Along with two of my friends, I volunteered and was given two weeks training by the regimental surgeon before becoming an aidman."

"As a medic, Stewart landed at Leyte in the Philippines with the 34th Regiment, participated in the retaking of Bataan and Corregidor, and then helped in the mopping up at Mindoro and Mindanao.



"It was at the battle of Ormoc Corridor that Stewart earned the Silver Star for pulling six wounded men to safety from machine-gun fire on Kilay Ridge, behind the Japanese lines.

"While carrying out the last man, Stewart was shot, the bullet piercing his back and coming out through his right shoulder. He was hospitalized more than two months before returning to the United States.

"Later he earned a bachelor's degree in education from Wheaton College and a master's degree from Indiana University, and he also holds a bachelor's, master's and doctorate in theology from the Princeton and Boston theological seminaries.

"Stewart said his ambition was to become a missionary, but he was not accepted because of World War II wounds. He served as a pastor until 1951 when he heard of the need for Army chaplains in the Korean war.

"Waiving a 50 percent disability compensation, Stewart said he re-joined the Army. "I began to realize that the mission field God had for me was the Army."

But those days are gone for good.



Wonderful letter from "A True 24th'er" - that's how he signed it. It was from JIM FREDERICK, (E 34th 3/44-12/45), of Arlington, Tex. (home of the Rangers". The picture, is of Jim on the right, and DAVE BIBY, on the left - natch. Writes Jim:

"Have written letters to 3 former 24th Div. buddies and sent applications in hope they will join, and can make the reunion in Lexington. Am looking forward to Lexington. It has been a long time since Baltimore and New York, the first two reunions.

"Directory was great. Know it took a lot of effort to put something like this together. First think I did was call John Klump. Anytime I see an address of someone from 'E' 34th, I try to get in contact.

"Enclosed is a picture of myself and Dave Biby. This was taken on Leyte after seventy eight days of sleeping in fox holes. Guess we both had a lot to smile about. He was a great guy. Would like to know if he is still located in Orange, New Jersey.

"After Leyte, we made the landing on Bataan. 'E' Co. had the point, and we moved inland nineteen miles that first day. I carried the radio and remember that it weighed as much as I did. We moved into Olangapo and Subic Bay area and from here elements of the 38th pushed through us.

After a day or two along the beach, I was walking near a road, when a jeep pulled up beside me, and right away I noticed it was a General. He asked,

Notes on People

MARION BABER, (A 34th '41-'44), of Winchester, Ky. has retired, following 32 years of civil service. He says there are 3 others in Winchester who were with the Dragons and he's trying to recruit them for our little club. Great going, Marion.

General of the Army Omar N. Bradley, at 86, retains his wit. He was being interviewed on Eisenhower. "How do you think future historians will assess the Eisenhower presidency?" he was asked. His answer: "That's hard to say, but I'd like to wait around and see".

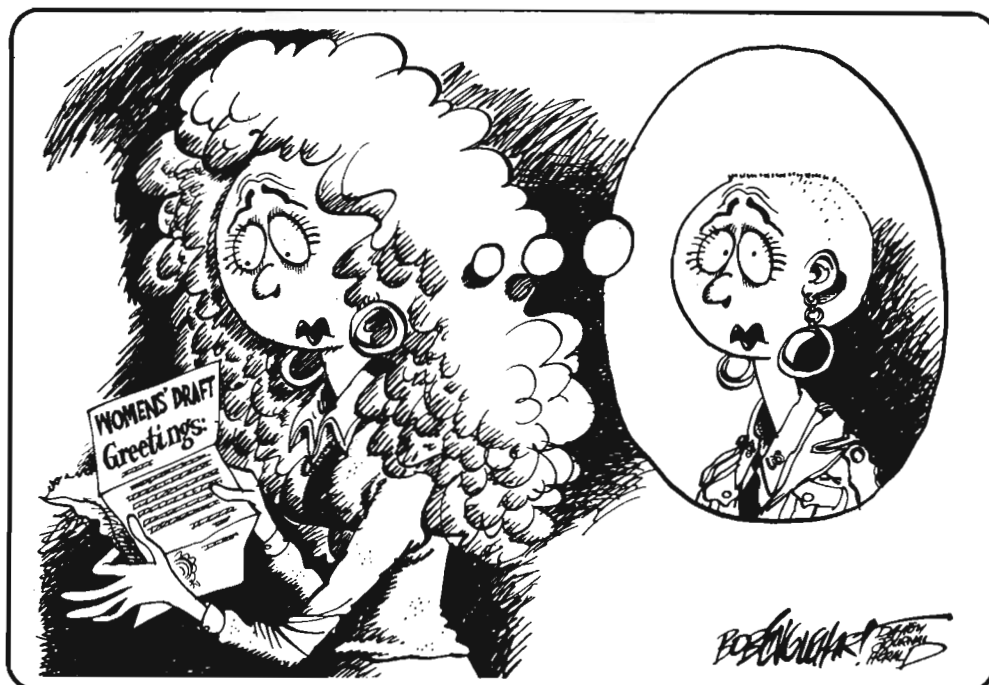
'What company is this, and where is your company commander?' I answered, 'E Co., Sir, and I will find Capt. Pullam,' which I did. Later I found out this was General Hall, XI Corp. Commander. I should have known something was about to happen. We received seventy five new men and three new officers. The next day we moved back through the 38th and on to Zig Zag Pass. After a day in the pass, E Co. had the point again. One morning I was trying to get up to A Co. who had been cut off. I took over the radio and was up front with Capt. Pullan (Tuffy) and Sgt. Biby. I took a bullet through the radio; and into the back of my left shoulder. The radio was out of commission, but I was still communicating. A medic by the name of Nirron got to me, and bandaged me up. By this time, Sgt. Tate from Anniston, Ala. saw the Jap who shot me, and hollered to me that he got him. The Japs had cut down a large tree about three quarters of a mile back down the road and no jeeps or ambulance could get up to the wounded, so I had to work my way down. Had no sooner got to the ambulance, when medic Nirron comes up. He got shot through the arm. Cols. Daley and Olgbey were also wounded and the four of us rode the ambulance down to the portable surgical hospital. Was evacuated to Hollandia and spent a couple of months in the hospital. Spent eighteen wonderful days on the hospital ship, 'Hope'.

"Later joined the 34th on Mindanao and went to Japan. After 28 years, I had to return to the hospital here in Arlington, Tex. and have some more of that radio removed from my shoulder. I thought when I left that radio in Zig Zag Pass, I was through carrying it, but guess I wasn't after all."

Great story, Jim. Thanks.

Talk

With all the talk these days about restoring the draft laws taken together with the talk about gals in combat, we hope that the new law provides that every man and every woman within an age group, be it 18-19, or 17-21, or whatever, are included - with no exceptions. Being married wouldn't get them by. Being key people in industry would be a definite No! No! Right on, brothers- and sisters!



WINDOW SEAT

Two brigades of Division have traded battalions preparatory to the upcoming shift to a mechanized division. The 1st Brigade has given up one infantry battalion (2d Bn 19th) and has received, in exchange, one of the 2nd Brigade's tank battalions (2d Bn 70th Armor). Now each brigade has 2 infantry and one tank battalion.

When you can't sleep at night

LES and Carmel OLDS (19th '44-'46), are now at 2555 Mt. Pleasant St. N.W., N. Canton, Ohio, 5 minutes from the Akron airport and Football Hall of Fame. Invites one and all to drop by.

Putting out the smoking lamp

Good thinking! David Mahoney, Chairman of Norton Simon, Inc. proposes a plan. His company will hire 250 youths from the "structurally unemployed, the hard-core jobless". 250 is 1% of his work force. He proposes that 1000 of the largest industrial firms, 50 of the largest banks, and 50 of the largest retailers do the same. That'll take 200,000 "street corner lives" off the street, he says. We'll see! Great idea though.

Rodney Dangerfield says he gets no respect from his wife: told her he'd hurt his little pinkie - she said "That's all right; I had a headache anyway."

EASY DOES IT

Several issues ago, we wrote of the TV show "Pearl" which was screened last fall. ED THOMPSON (A 21st 9/40-11/44), of 1640 Quincy, Piscataway, N.J. wrote us concerning our comments, and said: "I read your article on the TV program 'Pearl' with great interest. You stated that no Division or Unit was mentioned by name, which is true. But did you notice the Regimental Insignia that kept appearing in the background of the Colonel's office? On the second evening I dug out the 21st Inf. 'Gimlet' Insignia I have, and the one shown was accurate to the last detail. My opinion on why he was mad at 'Company A' is because he was jealous of a good outfit - mine".

TABLE FOR ONE

GENE SHEA, of 16 Burleigh St., Belmont, MA (never heard of the place - always thought Belmont was the name of a track) is trying to locate HARRY LABELLE. They both served in G of the 21st during '50.

You can't beat the system.

The First Lady came to our hometown recently - driving up in a sleek Air Force C-9 airplane - ?? miles per gal. and offered her own formula for coping with gasoline shortages. "Let's try walking for a change" she suggested, giggling softly. That's brass.

For the first time, D/A is failing to enlist enough women to meet its recruiting objective. It's also falling short again in recruiting male volunteers.

WHO, WHERE & WHEN?

LOUIS BROWN of 205 W. Delaware, Vinita, Okla., is reminded of Mauldin's famous cartoon where Joe - or was it Willie - stands in front of his jeep, with tears in his eyes, and his hand on the hammer of his cocked .45. He says when the 34th loaded at Hollandia for Biak, there was a small empty space in the bow so they took aboard a brand new Jeep some careless MP had left unattended by the roadside. Says Lou: "When we returned to Hollandia a few weeks later, we brought the Jeep with us - with head lamp missing, shattered windshield, two broken springs, one flat - in truth, a mess. The MP marking still showed through the mud on the bumper. We drove it down the road a piece, left it, and then sent word to the MP's as to where they could find it. I've often wondered if they nursed it back to health and made it stand at attention as it did before or if they too just put another Jeep out of its misery....B of the 34th makes this challenge to the rest of the Division. We'll have more members at Lexington than any other two companies - no, make that more than any battalion in the Division". We're going to call you on that at Lexington, Lou. It's going to be a grand fun party. See you.

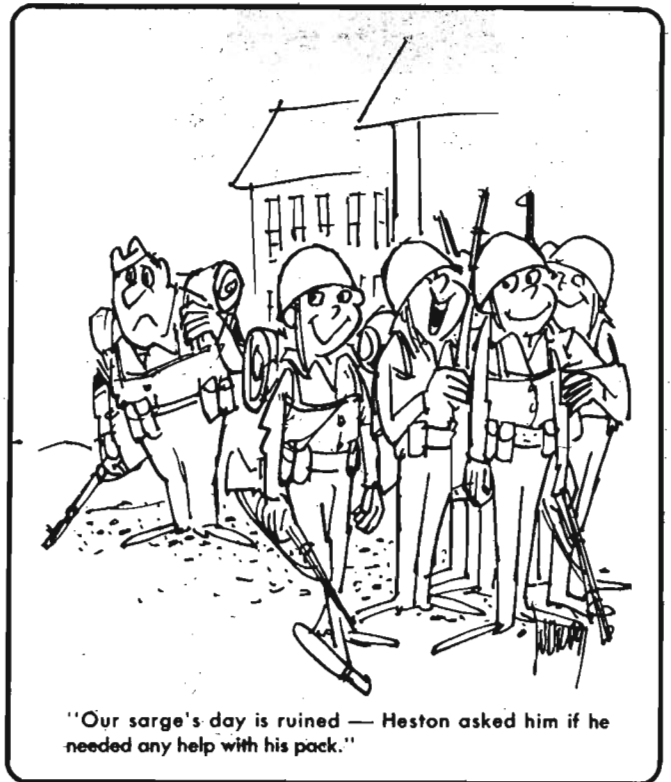


One of the first to get our new membership card is FRANK TITLOW of 1105 Youngsford Rd., Gladwyne, Pa. We've gone to the 10¢ government postcard and it includes a membership card which can be cut therefrom. Costs us 10¢ postage whereas to enclose the card in an envelope means a 15¢ stamp. Saves a nickel. Multiply that by 1200 members - that's \$60 saved. We're trying.



Mahatma Gandhi once wrote that there were seven sins in the world. Wealth without work, pleasure without conscience, knowledge without character, commerce without morality, science without humanity, worship without sacrifice and politics without principle.

BOB WILSON, (A 24 Med. 7/42-12/45), of Rt. 3, Catlettsburg, Ky., has rejoined after a long absence. Happy to have you with us again, Bob. He remembers our now defunct Springfield Armory as one of his duty stations. Believe he was here when McNamara put the padlock on it for the last time. Let's see now - wasn't old Mr. Stacom one of those fellows who kept us diddling for about 6 or 7 years with that Vietnam problem? Mr. Whiz Kid himself.



J.M. FEIN, a retired CWO, who now lives at 50-40 213th, Bayside, N.Y., has joined.



Lt.Gen. GARRISON H. DAVIDSON, (Div. CG '50-'51), is in retirement at 5730 Margarido Dr., Oakland, Calif. 94618. Gen. Davidson, some will recall, was a classmate (WP '27), of beloved Maj. Gen. WILLIAM J. VERBECK, of the wonderful Gen. GUY STANLEY MELOY, JR., of the warm hearted Maj. Gen. RALPH W. ZWICKER (Div CG '57), of 6131 Beachway Dr., Falls Church, Va. 22041. Great class, '27, for the 24th.

the message

It has become a classic success story. Imprisoned as a 10-year-old along with his family in a World War II detention camp for Japanese-Americans, Norman Y. Mineta went on to become mayor of San Jose, Calif., and the first Japanese-American elected to Congress outside Hawaii.

Today, Mineta and three other Japanese-American members of Congress are quietly laying the groundwork for a plan to provide legal and financial redress to 110,000 others who spent the war years behind barbed wire at US internment camps.

This plan to seek redress from Congress - 32 years after the last family left the last camp at Tule Lake, Calif. - has stirred a quiet but profound dispute in the Japanese-American community and provoked a bitter split with one of its most visible members of Congress.

Many Japanese-Americans are perplexed and angry at Sen. S. I. Hayakawa (R-Calif.) who describes the campaign for redress as "ridiculous" and says the forced evacuations of 1942 were "perfectly understandable" in a time of national crisis.

Hayakawa, who grew up in Canada and spent the war years teaching in Chicago, said recently that the mass incarcerations were justified "partly for the safety of the Japanese people themselves..."

"It was not just - no one claims it was just - but it seemed at the time that it was an understandable wartime necessity," Hayakawa said. He suggested that redress efforts would only "rekindle old resentment and racism that no longer exists."

Hayakawa has vowed to fight any plan for financial reparations, particularly a well-publicized proposal to pay each victim of the prison camps \$25,000.

As long as Hayakawa remains an outspoken critic of redress for Japanese-Americans, it will be difficult if not impossible to win approval in Congress, according to a number of Capitol Hill sources.

"Hayakawa is hurting us, reducing his own credibility and creating a great deal of animosity among Japanese-Americans," says Dr. Clifford Uyeda, president of the 30,000-member Japanese-American Citizens League, based in San Francisco.

"When Hayakawa came to San Francisco, many in the Japanese-American community were proud of him," said Uyeda, who has known Hayakawa for 37 years. "But he doesn't speak for us now."

We say "Hurrah" for Hayakawa.

These folks sat in California (granted, in detention) while we had the experience of having their cousins fire lead at us. We can't see paying each one of them \$25,000. today. If they've got bucks to pass out, why not us?

Chamber Music:

Step right up, citizens of Kentucky. Pull that lever for John Y. Brown. Elect him your governor, if you will. He's personable, glib and handsome, a handshaker and a backslapper, with a grin on his face and Miss America by his side. But if he is elected - and runs the state the way he ran the Boston Celtics in his one, fun-filled season, look out. John and Phyllis will be living in Lexington. Possibly we'll see them come August. Love her. Can't stand him - or hadn't you noticed?

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Our pages are fairly well set up - but we still have some blanks for squeezing in those personal stories we hope this entreaty inspires.

Our blank pages are just waiting for your visit, your contribution. If you act NOW.

AND, OF COURSE, IT FOLLOWS AS DAY FOLLOWS NIGHT THAT WE WANT PICTURES (black and white glossies preferably - of 3 x 3 size or larger) - of your days in the Division. The pix will be returned, should you request.

And incidentally, have no fear about writing ability - do what you can and we'll pick it up from there -

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Jot down the notes and dig out your pictures, all relating to your contribution today, won't you? And send them in to the Editor, Ken Ross, 120 Maple St., Springfield, Mass. 01103, won't you? So that you can become a living part of this grand memorial edition. Oh yes - send along a ten spot too, won't you? You don't publish books on promises, promises.

Thanx for listening!!

DON'T BE THE LAST TO FIND OUT

Try these games if you have a few minutes. Solutions in this issue:

Solve this problem in addition by substituting digits. Make sure letters appearing more than once are given the same digital substitute each time. For starters, D = 5, and that's all the help you're going to get:

DONALD
+ GERALD
ROBERT

Personnel at the Hoomdyoo Trust State Bank are Mr. Smith, Mr. Jones, Mrs. Brown, Miss Stack, Mr. Green and Miss Honeywell. The positions they hold (but not necessarily in this order) are: clerk, teller, stenographer, cashier, manager and assistant manager.

The assistant manager is the manager's grandson. The cashier is the stenographer's son-in-law. Mr. Smith is not married. Mr. Jones is 20 years old. Miss Stack is the teller's step-sister. Mr. Green is the manager's neighbor. Can you figure out the position held by each of the bank personnel?

"Spike" O'DONNELL, leaves the Loop for O'Hare, and calculates he will catch his plane if he maintains an average speed of 45 miles an hour. But he gets caught in heavy traffic and finds that his average speed for the first half of the journey is only 30 mph. At what speed must he travel for the rest of his trip in order to catch his plane?

(a) $52\frac{1}{2}$ (b) 60
(c) 75 or (d) 90

miles an hour?

Here's a quicky multiple-choice quiz based on the meaning of words. These nouns seldom creep into everyday conversation, so don't feel bad if you're left in the dark.

1. A shoebill has (a) hallmarks, (b) spindlelegs, (c) wormholes.
2. If you owned a kit-cat, you would (a) hang it, (b) pet it, (c) read it.
3. A Gladstone would be (a) used by travelers, (b) wished upon, (c) used as a magnet.

Ah, the things you can do when you Rendez-Vous!

Many military terms, now idiomatic, originally described actual experiences a fighting man might face. Ever wonder whence they came?

For instance:

Keeping-Your-Powder-Dry

A must for any soldier or hunter who aimed to secure his full quota of victims feathered or otherwise. Well waxed cartridges for the military and a well made, air-tight powder flask for the hunter being the order of the day.

Hoist-With-His-Own-Petard

A petard being a vase or urn shaped vessel which loaded with all manner of explosives was affixed to a castle door or drawbridge. Lighting the short fuse the sapper would try to make a quick dash for safety. However, the mixture being so unstable the chances were that the poor chap went up with his own petard.... hence the old saying!

Flash-in-the-Pan

All too common event when using a flintlock, when powder in the pan only is ignited leaving the main charge intact. Usually brought about through a blocked vent, damp powder or high wind dispersing the priming powder.

Shot-My-Bolt

Another reference to the crossbow; meaning that I've just fired my last arrow.

4. Handle a snickersnee with care, because it (a) might fall apart, (b) might cut you, (c) can tear easily.

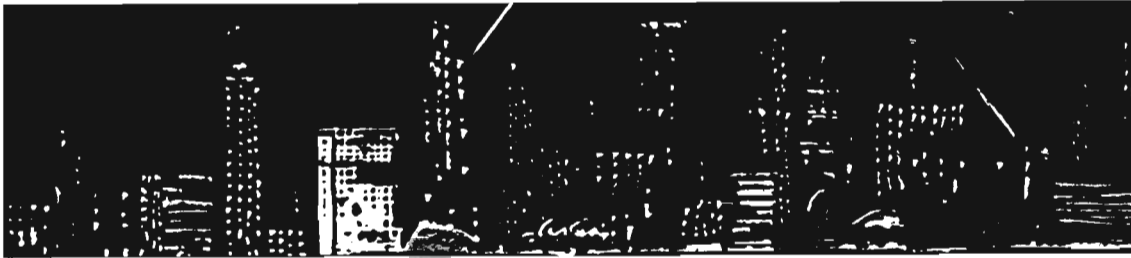
5. A phylactery was something the ancient Jews (a) wore, (b) ate, (c) built.

6. You'd keep a Percheron in (a) an aquarium, (b) the chicken coop, (c) the pasture.

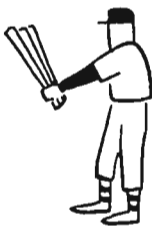
Complete this verse by inserting a single letter of the alphabet in each blank. Pronounce the letters in combination with the given letters.

There was a farmer who was ___s
Enough to take his ___s
And study nature with his ___s
And think of what he ___s.
He hears the chatter of the ___s
As they each other ___s,
And notices when a tree de ___s
It makes a home for ___s.
A team of oxen he will ___s,
With many haws and ___s,
And their mistakes he will ex ___s
When plowing through his ___s.
He little buys, but much he se ___s,
And, therefore, little ___s.

THERE'S NO PLACE LIKE HILTON.



EDDIE VASQUEZ, (A 3rd Eng. '44-'46), is right proud. Son Rene was a member of the Burbank (Calif) ice hockey team (13-14 yrs.) which captured the Calif. Amateur Hockey Assn. championship title in San Diego this year. Other son Marcel managed the team for the 15-17 age group, which team came in second in its class. Adds Eddie, "Hockey is great for the boys - and me too."



LLOYD WALBURN, of Morristown, Minn., has joined. He was with us in Japan in '45-'46. What unit, Lloyd?



CHESTER W. BLUE HORSE, (F 34th '43-'46) of Parmelee, S.Dak. asks if we have "Children of Yesterday". We have one last copy and we're using this to include in the forthcoming History. Can you wait until then, Chet?

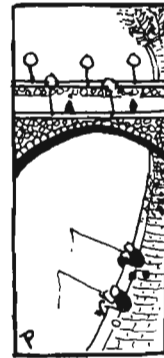


TOM KILFOYLE, (24 Recn. 6/48-6/51) of 4506 W. Claremont, Glendale, Ariz. writes, "If I were to set down on paper the story of my 3 years in Division, it would be a book in itself". We are asking him for a few of his best stories for our History.



Among things enlisted men can do in what is now called "The NEW Army" is sue the Army. That's what happened after the names of 5 members of the United States Army Band were posted in 1977 on a bulletin board at Fort Myer, Va., branding them as noncontributors to the Combined Federal Campaign, the Washington area's united charity drive. Charging their privacy had been violated, Sgt. Benjamin T. Riddle and two men with the rank of Specialist 6, Michael Dudley and Raymond N. Miller, filed suit.

In United States District Court in Washington, the Army has agreed to pay the three men damages totaling \$27,500, in the first such damages recovery under the Privacy Act of 1975. The three soldier-musicians had maintained that pressure was commonly applied on Army personnel to contribute to the charities campaign, with officers making it clear that failure to contribute would be harmful to an individual's career prospects.



OLE CHRISTENSEN, (19th 2/42-6/45), of Osnabrock, N.D., writes to ask if he's eligible for membership. No problem Ole - and by the time you all read this, he'll be "in".



HERMAN HARP, (M 34 10/44-3/45; C 24 Med 3/45-11/45), of Lamoni, Iowa, has now joined and to him we say welcome.

Be Sure To Attend The Convention



"A TRIUMPH"

Still at Lincoln Bk. (Chicago) is its Executive V.P., LEW RICHTIGER (I 34th and 3rd Bn S-2 '44-'46). The bank's at 3959 N. Lincoln. Tel. 549-7100. Advises Lew; "JACKIE SCHALLER, formerly a morterman in my platoon is with Schaller's Pub, a watering spa in the Chicago stockyards area."

Save Energy!

JOHNNY SMITH, (63rd Field '44-'46), of 101 Lancaster, Dayton, Ohio, tells us about the 55 year old bachelor who woke up one morning feeling like a 21-year old. To his dismay, he couldn't find one that early in the day.

FLOYD J. BALES, (K 34th '43-'45), of 3234 N. Madison, Tulsa, Okla., heard about us somewhere, and has joined up.

Quiet Wisdom

Solutions to those games:

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+ 197485


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Personnel: Miss Stack, clerk; Miss Honeywell, teller; Mr. Smith, assistant manager; Mr. Green, stenographer; Mr. Jones, cashier; Mrs. Brown, manager. Key clues are the fact that Stack and Honeywell are misses (presumably unmarried).

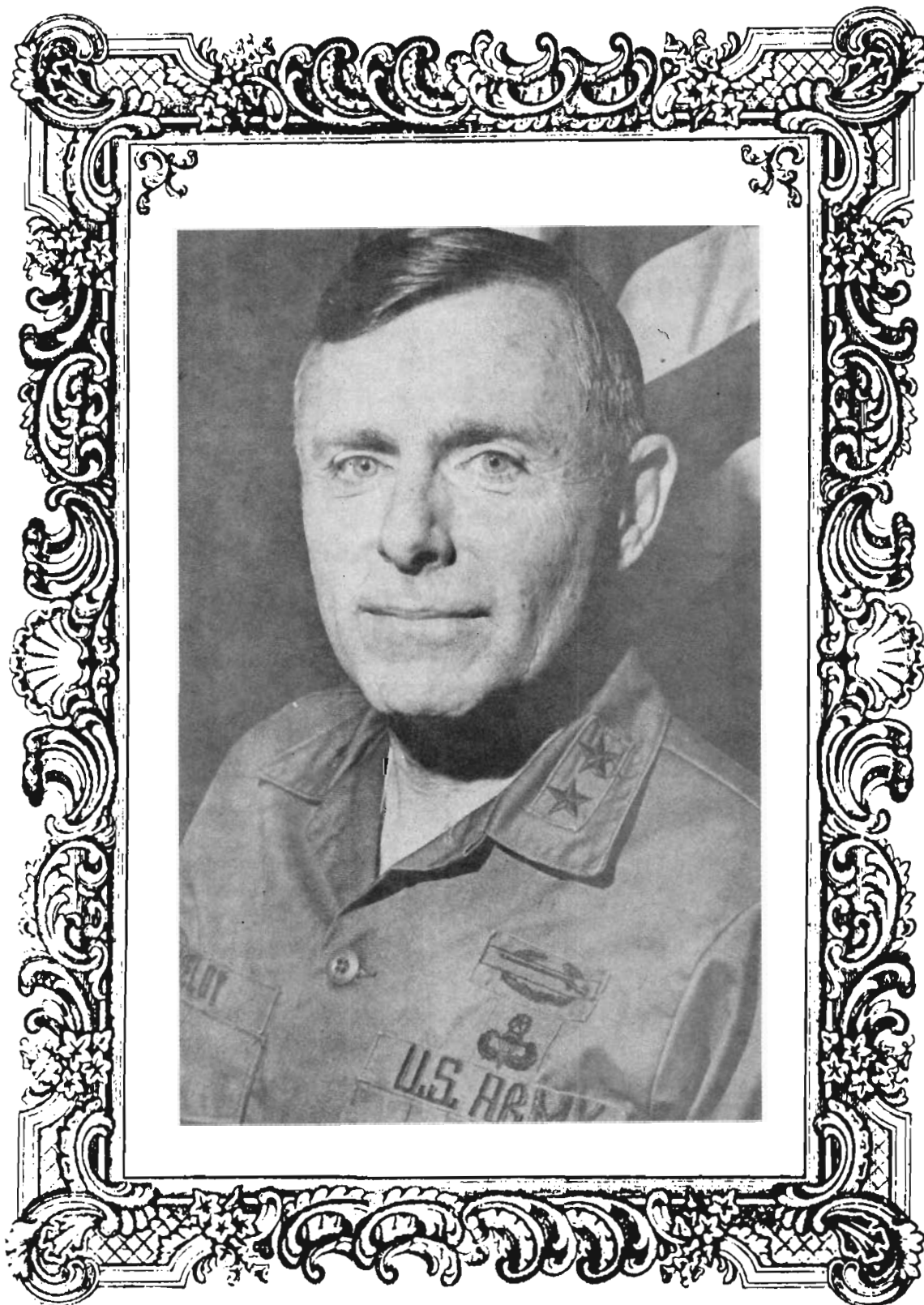
Spike:(d) 90 mph. At an average speed of 30 mph, he would have gone half the distance in three-fourths of the time, leaving only one-fourth of the time to go the other half, and requiring him to go twice the planned average speed of 45 mph.

Word Quiz: 1(b), shoebill is a wading bird; 2(a) kit-cat is a small portrait; 3(a) Gladstone is a carriage or a kind of luggage; 4(b), snickersnee is a knife; 5(a), phylactery is a small box containing quotations from the Hebrew Scriptures; 6(c), Percheron is a large breed of horse.

Verse: In order, from the beginning - Y, E, I, C, J, T, K, B, U, G, Q, P, L, O.



Can You Identify?



It's MG GUY STANLEY MELOY, present CG of the 82nd A/B Div. No!! It's not our Stan; it's Stan's son which is almost as good. Can't see Stan in that strong face; can you?



Meet good friend BACIL STEED when he was a 2nd Louey at Camp Crouch, Yamaguchi City, Japan in '49. Bacil was 24th Rec'n. He's now in Darwin, Australia. Bacil tells the gag about CBS that's been making the rounds. It goes like this: "I know that the C stands for comedy but what does the BS stand for?"



Someone asked Rodney Dangerfield if he had any sexual fantasies. "No", he replied, "only a few pleasant memories."



Be sure to see Kentucky Horse Park when you're in Lexington. The 1032-acre park, dedicated last November, is only a stone's throw from the Hilton.

They call it Kentucky Horse Park, and it probably couldn't have happened anywhere else. What other state would have spent \$27 million constructing a park devoted to the glorification of the horse? If you count the access roads, the price is \$35 million. But nobody is counting. In Kentucky, where horses mean money in the bank, the concept was as natural as a mint julep at Derby time.

The 1,032-acre park, formally dedicated Nov.30, occupies rolling countryside that once formed Walnut Hall Stud on Iron Works Pike in Lexington. It has 23 new buildings, including a museum, 14 renovated barns and other buildings from the old farm, 27 miles of white fences, a one-mile steeplechase course, a half-mile training track, an equestrian course, a polo field, miles of trails for pleasure riding and a number of campsites. There is nothing else like it in the world.

Measure for Measure



Meet in the usual l. to r. manner, 2nd Lt. HAMES of Hot Springs, Ark. and 1st Lt. GEORGE SMITH (later wounded in Korea), taken at Fukuoka, Kyushu circa October '49. BACIL STEED of 79 Henbury, Darwin, Australia, has been looking for Smithy. Any ideas?

With Sgt. Mike



"Look — you pack your pack an' I'll pack mine."

In April, the Proxmire Golden Fleece of the Month Award went to the Air Force "for conducting a six-month \$3000 test at the Pentagon on the use of umbrellas by male personnel in uniform."

No test or survey was needed, Proxmire said, just a simple decision "one way or the other" by the Air Force Uniform Board. That makes sense!

I hate to throw cold water on this exercise," Proxmire said, "but the taxpayers are the ones getting soaked."

A Pentagon spokesman said "the Air Force declined to comment" on the Proxmire award.

Did this really happen or is Proxmire putting us on? On second thought, Proxmire has been pulling this Award stunt monthly for about 10 years. Has any good ever come of it?

changing scene

JOE CLOHER, (724 Ord. '45), of 48 S. Fairview, Roslindale, MA, says he hasn't received his Life Membership plate. You've received it as of the time you read this, haven't you Joe?

JUST FOR OPENERS

Zip codes were first assigned in 1963. Historically significant 01775 didn't go to Concord, Mass., from whence was fired the "Shot Heard 'Round the World". 01775 went to the Town of Stow. Proves that postmen are lousy historians.

TACK SÅ MYCKET

(THAT'S SWEDISH FOR THANKS A MILLION.)

It's what BILL FARVER, (Hq.Co., Div.), of 4711 N. Caseville, Caseville, Mich., will say if he can locate PERRY L. JONES, last known to be in Spartanburg, S.C. Perry was also in Hq.Co. of Div. Can anyone help?

COMME CI COMME CA



1932: Dwight Beach CG 82 Abn Div tosses the first ball to open the Babe Ruth Little League, 1960.

Assembly, the WP alumni magazine carried this picture of our own Gen. DWIGHT BEACH, (Div.Arty. '45-'46), of 11350 Jackson Rd., Dexter, Mich. 48130. It's of Dwight, WP '32, in a 1960 shot - well, let the caption tell the story.

Front & Center

ED KERKHOFF of 1822 Madison Village, Indianapolis, writes to tell us that we listed him as I 19th '51-'52. Make that Hq.Co., 2nd Bn. 19th '51-'52. Sorry about that Ed.

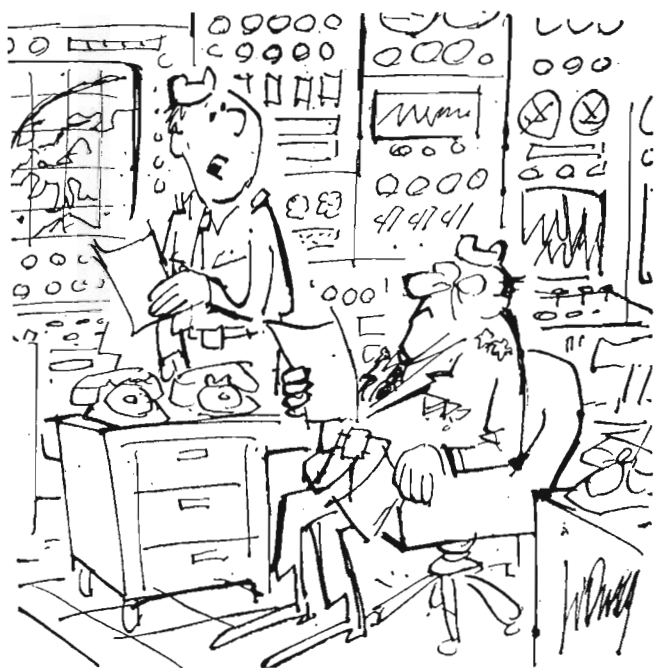
Rodney Dangerfield got no respect, even as a young child: had to share his sandbox with the cat.



The Census Bureau has announced that, in 1977, 25 million Americans were officially classified as poor. They also report that the total expenditure (federal, state and local) for social welfare in that same year was \$453 billion. Now that's almost \$20,000 a year for each poor man, woman and child. A pity that we pay all that dough for the poor and the poor never get it. You explain it.

NOSTALGIA ISN'T WHAT IT USED TO BE

We repeat a story appearing in our last issue because we goofed in our last issue. BOB JOHNSON of 24 Whipple, Somerville, MA., wrote us about ED MILLIMAN from LeRoy, N.Y. Bob sent in \$20 to cover Ed's copy of the History. We had Ed's address wrong, ergo this repeat of the story. Good deed there, Bob. By the by, Bob is still looking for JOHN TOTH, (C 19th 1/51-9/51) from Utah or Idaho; he's not sure which. Where are you, Johnny?



"Sir, what was hand-to-hand combat like?"



If you don't send in news, you don't get into print in this outfit. If you don't see your name in print, tell it to the Mormon Tabernacle Choir. Then there'll be plenty of cause for a few verses of the Hallelujah Chorus. So write!! Please. The Mormon Tabernacle Choir couldn't have done it any better.

WINDOW SEAT



Meet Lt.Col. PAUL and Ethel KEATING, (Hq.Btry,Div.Arty. 10/41-12/45). Now retired, Paul toured in Korea, Ft.Sill, Germany with V Corps Arty, Sill again and finally Washington with the National Security Agency. Glad you and Kit are with us Paul. Our thanks too to FRANCIS HELLER for bringing them in.

LOOK

Look indeed! New member BOB ERHARDT, (C&D 34th), of Reid St., Fort Plain, N.Y., says he'd like a copy of the History when it's ready. You didn't mention \$, Bob. It's going for \$20.



In the tradition of famous sporting combinations, like Tinker to Evers, Unitas to Berry, Beliveau to Geoffrion, we have in our little club the passing of the Baby Life Member from #280, VALENTINE SCHAAF (H 21st '41-'45) to #281, ED POMEROY (A 21st '51-'52). We say "Thank you" to each for joining our little inner circle. \$100 does it fellows; pay now and dues are paid forevermore.

AT EASE



ART DWIGHT SMITH (K 34th 1/45 to 2/46), of Dallas Center, Iowa, liked Manchester's "American Caesar" so much that he gave a copy to his local library. Good deed, Art. Just for that you get your picture included in this issue. Incidentally he has written a wonderful story for the History.

Wish everyone would send in a story.



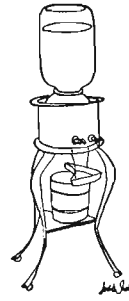
Now Hear This! Maj.Gen. AUBREY S. NEWMAN is now writing class notes (Class of '25) for Assembly, the W.P. alumni magazine.



Marshall McLuhan on honesty in politics: "If Richard Nixon had been captain of the Titanic, he'd have told the passengers they were stopping to take on water."



Get my running shoes ready, Mama. Elizabeth Ray, the gal who got Wayne Hays in all that trouble a few years back. You remember her! Well, she's writing a book on typing techniques for secretaries. Now, that's one for Ripley.



BOB SCHLATTER, (G 21st), of 1660 Farmington, Unionville, CT., says that if you hang in there and grit your teeth hard enough, your orthodontist's bill will go up.



"A-TEN-SHUN!!"

EASY COME...

FRANK R. LOPEZ, (24 Med. 2/43-3/45), of 1000 E.Birch, Independence, Kans., spent his post-WWII years working for the VA and then the Kans. Nat.Guard and then the postal service. Married in '48-6 children 29 to 15. Would welcome a note from anyone who would care to write. He works for the U.S. Postal Service "and we need the business".



In Memoriam

In grateful memory we offer our deepest sympathy
to the families and friends of our departed Brothers and Sisters.



JOHN HAROLD DALY

Died 7 April 1977 in Ventura, Calif. at age 61: JOHN H. DALY was born May 22, 1915 at Ft. Sam Houston, the son of West Point All-America back and football coach, Charley Daly. Like his brothers Dan and Bob, Jack entered West Point as a preparation for a military career. Commissioned in Cavalry following graduation in 1936, he transferred to the Field Artillery in 1938. At war's outset, he was assigned to the War Department General Staff and served there until 1943, when he became S3 of the 42d Division Artillery. Promoted to colonel in 1944, his combat assignment was G2 of X Corps during Leyte and Mindanao.

Following occupation service in Japan, Jack commanded the 555th Field Artillery Battalion assigned to the 5th Regimental Combat Team in Hawaii. The "Triple Nickel" went to war under his command in late July 1950. While engaged in combat as part of Task Force Kean during 10-11 August 1950, Jack distinguished himself by exemplary heroism. Throughout the fighting he was constantly forward of his firing batteries coordinating fire support for the Regiment's battalions. Jack personally evacuated a number of infantry casualties during one action; and later while leading an infantry element to relieve one of his batteries which had become cut off, he was wounded by machinegun fire. Refusing to be evacuated, he temporarily assumed command of the Regiment's 1st Battalion, whose commander had also been wounded.

Ludell WEST called us recently from St. Mary's, Ohio, with the sad news on the death of her husband, LISLE, (A 21st '41-'45). Lisle suffered a heart attack last Feb. 2nd. Ludell paid us the great honor of asking to be kept on the mailing list and all be assured that she will be.

LAFE COCHRAN called us on Jan. 21st to advise us of the death of VINCENT BULLER, (24th QM), of Maple Park, Ill.

Some time ago, BOB SILVERS met JOE BRADY, a Chicago boy, at some meeting in Palm Springs, Cal. Bob gave us the address and we dispatched JAMES "Spike" O'Donnell to the scene to see if we could enlist him. Spike learned that Joe, a Div. Arty. man in Korea, passed away a few months ago.

ED HENRY reports the death of JOHN P. McMURRAY with whom he served in Hollandia, Leyte, Mindoro and Mindanao. John had been a District Attorney and a Superior Court Judge in Calif.

The next day he was wounded again attempting to restart movement for a column that had been halted by enemy machine gun fire. He was subsequently returned to the United States to recover from his wounds. His aware of the Distinguished Service Cross was one of the first made during the Korean War.

Jack returned to West Point in 1951, first serving in the Tactical Department and then as the Special Regiment's commander. Peacetime saw him as the Director of Material for the Field Artillery School, 3d Missile Command Commander, and G1, United States Army, Pacific. Promoted to Brigadier General in 1960, he commanded the 52d Artillery Brigade and the 1st Guided Missile Brigade, served at North American Air Defense Headquarters, and then became the Assistant Commandant of the Air Defense School in 1963. By his retirement for disability in 1964, he had been awarded the Distinguished Service Cross, Distinguished Service Medal, Legion of Merit, Bronze Star, Air Medal, Army Commendation Medal, and the Purple Heart with Oak Leaf Cluster.



HARRY ELLERY MCKINNEY

Died, Dec. 26, 1977, age 73.

HARRY E. MCKINNEY was born in Tennessee, Oct. 31, 1904, and graduated WP in the class of '27. Then followed stations in Benning, Canal Zone and West Point and the 1st and 80th Divisions in WW II. He returned to West Point in 1948 to command the 1802d Special Regiment until 1951, when he went to Korea for a combat assignment in the 24th Division where his 19th Infantry Regiment took every objective. He then joined the Korean Military Advisory Group during which assignment he set up the Korean Military Academy, patterned after West Point. He supervised the erection of the buildings to house the cadets, assembled a faculty from displaced university professors (young Korean officers taught military tactics), established a curriculum, had West Point texts translated, and even set up the West Point type honor system. In 1952 he opened the academy with 200 cadets and served as Superintendent and Senior Advisor. For this very successful and out-standing project he was awarded his second Legion of Merit, the citation reading: "Colonel McKinney displayed professional acumen, exceptional organizational ability and rare initiative, rendered sound advice and assistance in the activation and operation of the Korean Military Academy." He also received the Korean Ulchi Medal with Silver Star for this great service to Korea.

Reassigned from Korea in 1953, Harry joined Third Army, Fort McPherson, Georgia, and was assigned as Deputy Commander, Camp Stewart, Ga., until 1954 when he was appointed Professor of Military Science and Tactics, Indiana University, and there served until his retirement on 1 January 1956.

We are advised by Rita of the death of her husband, ROBERT A. ERICKSON, (724 Ord '42-'45) on Oct. 28, 1978.