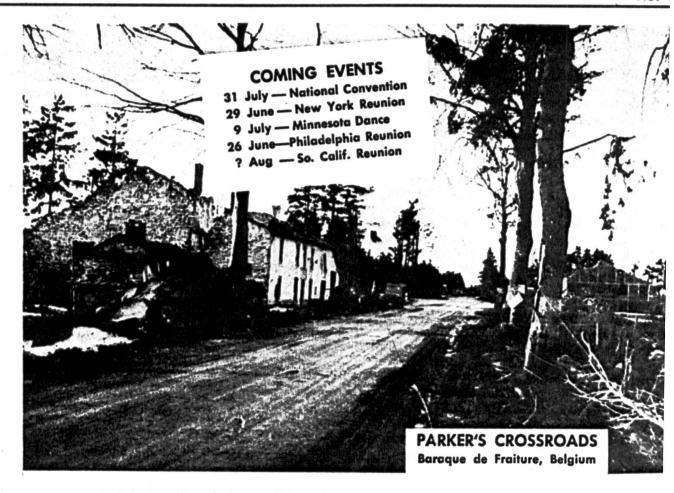


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If you plan to attend the convention, you must send us an advance registration fee of

five dollars per person.

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CHAPTER DUES SUMMARIZED

For your convenience, arrangements have been completed so that a single payment covers both chapter and national dues. To join your local or unit chapter, follow the instructions summarized in the table below:

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Boston, Mass.	4	V. A. Harrold, 40 Imrie Rd., Boston 34
Chicago, III.	5	R. H. Villwock, 1115 Patterson Ave., Chicago 13
G Co, 424th Inf	4	S. S. Blandford, Easton, Maryland
Metropolitan	4	J. A. Middleton 3rd, 60 Green Ave., Madison, N. J.
Minnesota	4	Glenn Schnizlein, 3114 4th St. S.E., Minneapolis
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() This is a new membership—I have never paid dues to the Association before.

IF YOU PLAN TO GO TO THE CONVENTION, FILL IN THE BOTTOM PART OF THIS FORM:

(National Hq, or.....Chapter Hq)

list the amounts of chapter dues).

1 have already paid my 1948-49 dues to.........

This is a renewal of a present membership, OR



DIVISION BAND

"A History of the 106th Infantry Division Band" by Ellis E. Leighty and Alan W. Walker presents an accurate and thoroughly readable story of the experiences of the Band and its members from activation to deactivation. The history is mimeographed, about 5,000 words, and contains many interesting personal items and anecdotes. The authors may well be proud of their work.

Limitations of space prevent us from publishing excerpts in this issue of the CUB, but we intend to reprint parts of the Band History in next winter's issues.

BAND HEADQUARTERS in Belgium in March 1945 was this rubble-filled and partially destroyed house where the bandsmen lived and held rehearsals in the forward echelon. Al Walker, a co-author of the Band History, is shown in the window of the house.

HISTORY, 589th FA Bn

A limited number of copies of the attractive history of the 589th are available, and may be ordered through the author, Francis H. Aspinwall, 1411 No. Madison St., Rome, N. Y., \$1 postpaid. This history is in pamphlet form, multilithed, with many fine photographs.

USE THIS SPACE TO GIVE US INFORMATION ABOUT YOURSELF SO WE CAN PRINT IT IN THE 'CUB'



From Chaplain ROBERT A. LUNDY, 423d

Inf, 1020 Novelly Drive, Reno, Nev.

I'll help in organizing a Nevada Chapter of the Golden Lion Division if you have any Nevada men in your files. I have seen one 106th shoulder patch here in Reno since arrival fifteen months ago from New York City . . . I nearly challenged your statement about Chaplain Day's being the chaplain with longest service in the 106th. I was the last of the original 15 chaplains to leave, on the eve of the embarkation of the 422d and 423d. My professional books were boxed up in the field desk. I never did see them again—hope some of the Krauts enjoyed reading some of my sermons. After leaving the 106th, my combat service was with the 66th Inf of the 71st Division. Best wishes for the success of all new Golden Lion Chapters."

MISSING PERSONS

Anyone with any information whatsoever about any of the following men is urged to write at once to national headquarters so that we may pass the information along to those who have requested this information. (On receiving a request for help in locating the address of a buddy, or in learning details of the death of a son or husband, the name of the subject of inquiry will appear in this column for one year after receipt of the request.)

RONALD WESTON, 1st Sgt, Co I, 422d Inf.

SGT. SCANNAPICO, Btry A, 589th FA Bn, KIA 14 Dec '44. The Association has a request for his first name, and the address of his next of kin.

CLIFFORD McDONALD, M Co, 3d Inf, and DHQ.

CONVENTION PHOTOGRAPHS

John Patrick, Speed Graphic Pictures, 1941 No. Delaware St., Indianapolis, will again be our official convention photographer.

WESLEY C. HIETT, formerly of Co C, 331st Med Bn, reenlisted and is with the 57th Recon Co at Fort Knox, Ky.

From GEORGE L. MOORE, 24 Hawthorne Blvd., Salem, Mass., a former Sgt with Co B, 422d Inf.

"Being captured sure was an ordeal that I think none of us will ever forget. One incident I will always remember is the night before Christmas, 1944. We were all cooped up in a boxcar, singing carols. We stopped at a railroad siding for some unknown reason. Then the planes came and bombed that siding and those boxcars just shook as though they had St. Vitus dance. My buddy, John H. Smith of Danbury, Conn. and I just held hands like two little kids and prayed and prayed. That night I'll never forget as long as I live."

From NORMAN L. LEE, Co H, 424th Inf, 3529 Columbus Ave., Anderson, Ind.

"I'm looking forward to another fine reunion this year and many more in the future. Certainly enjoyed Cedric Foster and Joe E. Brown last year, and anticipate whatever top notch entertainment you have in store for '48. Inclosed is a small donation for the Memorial Fund."

AGONY GRAPEVINE

"1ST LT CHARLES L. WEEKS was shot in the back while walking outside the barracks during an air raid while a POW at Oflag XIII-B, Hammelburg. Permission had been granted by the German camp commandant to allow prisoners to be outside for purposes of going to the latrine during air raids, since the POW fare made staying indoors uncomfortable. Apparently the orders to allow our men outdoors during the alerts were not sent down to all guards, for Lt. Weeks was killed instantly by a shot from close range, while strolling toward the latrine with his hands in his pockets. Father Paul W. Cavanaugh, chaplain, without hesitation ran outdoors to attend him. It was a sad blow to all who knew Lt. Weeks, and knowing him, loved him."

NOTE: The above information, supplementing our item about Lt. Weeks which appeared on page 75 of the April CUB, was submitted by Lt. Matthew J. Giuffre, Hq Co, 2d Bn, 423d Inf, of 75 St. Mark's Place, New York 3, N. Y.

QUARTERMASTER CHAPTER



Sixty men of the 106th Quartermaster Company met on 22 May in Hartford, Conn., for what is believed to be among the largest company reunions ever held by a non-national guard organization. The program started at noon with a buffet lunch, and continued through supper and far into the night. The turnout of sixty men from seven states was phenomenal, considering that the total mailing list numbered only 131 names.

Reunion arrangements and publicity were handled by Frank DeLuca and Jim Senatro, both of Hartford. As a result of the reunion, they now have a complete mimeographed mailing list of their company, and plan to hold similar events in future years. Informality highlighted the program, and the company enjoyed the facilities of the spacious private tap room of the Villanova-Empire Restaurant.

The Quartermaster Chapter is off to a splendid start, with most of those present at the reunion joining the national association and the chapter. DeLuca and Senatro were named co-chairmen of

the chapter for 1948-49.

HOOSIER GOLDEN LIONS

Our Indianapolis chapter, the Hoosier Golder. Lions, will be among the groups to be honored at the convention by presentation of an active chapter charter. Their activities for the past few months have centered around duties as "host chapter" for the Second Annual Convention.

Through our Auxiliary, arrangements are in process for baby-sitting through courtesy of the Indianapolis Red Cross, so don't let Junior keep you home from the convention.

AMENDMENTS.

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DECENTRALIZATION, and creation of new national officers.

Work now performed at Association headquarters must be divided - it is too much for any unpaid secretary-treasurer to handle alone, and we won't be able to afford a full-time paid employee. Therefore your President proposes that we create a number of new offices, whose holders would divide the time-consuming work now performed by the acting secretary. Here again, we can't be too definite and restrictive-our by-laws and charter should provide sufficient flexibility so that any division of duties can be modified if it doesn't work out. Therefore we will propose that the Board of Directors be authorized to elect from its members a Custodian of Records, a Post Exchange Officer, a Memorials Chairman, a Membership Chairman and such other officers as may in its opinion be needed.

MISSING PERSONS

Since the last issue of the CUB, national headquarters has been able to locate five of the men carried in "Missing Persons" columns, and has secured eye-witness information for the parents of three of our men who lost their lives in combat or in prison camp. We feel that this type of service is among the most valuable functions performed by the Association. Send your "missing person" problem to the Association—we can't always get results, but we can always try.

CHAPTER PROGRESS

This magazine has often stated that the Association must stand or fall on the success of its chapter promotion activities. We are happy to report that each week's mail brings more and more chapter news and new memberships.

Recent reunions have been held by our Chicago and Quartermaster Chapters. Reunions are scheduled for the near future for the Metropolitan, Philadelphia, Minnesota and Southern California Chapters. Two of our company chapters—G/424 and F/423—plan to hold organization meetings at the national convention. Memberships are coming in well for the Albany and Boston and Pittsburgh Chapters. This makes ten chapters which are now well established, with more than the required ten members to obtain chapter charters.

Since the last issue of the CUB, volunteers have come forward to start chapters in Detroit, Buffalo and the Miami Valley of Ohio. Plans for these chapters and for the Lehigh Valley (Pa.) and St. Louis-Southern Illinois groups will be well advanced by the time the next CUB goes to press.

We are still looking for volunteers to organize local chapters, particularly in Washington-Baltimore, Cleveland, Cincinnati, and Tennessee. We need more organizers in most of the areas where we now have chapters, because our local and regional units can succeed only if many fellows work on building interest and memberships. Please break that old army rule, and volunteer to help us now on this membership promotion problem.

Chapter dues are summarized on the back cover of this magazine.

MINNESOTA CHAPTER DANCE — 9 JULY

Our Minnesota Chapter has completed arrangements for a dinner dance to be held at 8:00 p. m. on Friday, 9 July, at the Fort Snelling Reserve Officers Club. The program will include a buffet supper, brief speeches and business session, and a full evening of dancing. Reservations may be made by sending \$1.50 per person cash in advance to Glenn Schnizlein, Treasurer, 3114 4th St. S. E., Minneapolis 14, Minn.—this payment covers complete cost of dinner and dance. He writes: "We are even going to make some arrangements for transportation to the dinner-dance, and hope to form some car pools for the trip to the national convention at Indianapolis."

CHARTER AMENDMENTS

At the 1948 convention, the following amendments to our corporate charter will be proposed. They are printed here so that members can give them some thought before the convention, and so that those unable to attend will have ample opportunity to write to national headquarters with suggestions, ideas or other amendments to introduce at our Indianapolis business sessions.

SUSTAINING MEMBERSHIP, ten dollars per year.

By creating a class of sustaining member at \$10 per year, we will propose a formal method of receiving larger annual contributions from those who feel able to freely contribute toward our program. This is frankly and openly proposed as a means of raising money, and sustaining membership will carry no extra rights or privileges beyond those enjoyed by our three dollar members.

2. BOARD OF DIRECTORS, to provide representation for chapters.

We will propose that chartered chapters be entitled to elect one delegate to the national Board of Directors for each 100 members or fraction thereof.

3. FINANCIAL AID TO CHAPTERS.

This is perhaps our most difficult problem for decision at the convention. Our present charter provides that national dues shall be \$3. When a chapter does membership promotion work, often involving considerable expense, it seems only fair that they be allowed to retain some portion of the \$3 to meet their expenses for work which they are taking off the national association's hands. Until the convention and the 1948-49 membership drive are completed, we will not know how much of a reduction we can afford. The matter will depend on current finances, which will change from time to time, and on particular problems and programs of individual chapters, which also will change. Therefore, rather than fix a flat rate for all chapters, your President will propose that the general membership meeting set limits of say \$2.25 to \$2.75, authorizing the Board of Directors to fix and annually change the specific rate for each chapter, depending on the share of the work being done by that chapter. This would appear to be a fair solution. It would help our chapters to get on their feet financially, and we are convinced that the organization can remain active only through the development of strong local and unit chapters.

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TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE CONVENTION

Since the scheduling of the 1948 convention at Indianapolis on 31 July and 1 August, Association Hq has been busy making special arrangements for group and individual travel to the reunion. This article summarizes information now available.

We are keeping an up-to-date record of reservations from all parts of the country, and will try to arrange special railroad cars or buses in any locality where the number of persons attending appears to justify such a plan. Members who will attend the convention are invited to pass their transportation troubles along to us.

No one should drive to the convention with an empty car. Please let us know at once if you plan to drive and will have room to take others from your section of the country, on a share-the-cost

basis.

By Air

Many delegates will travel by air, and for their benefit we have secured information on air service and costs from major cities to Indianapolis. Reservations must be made by members in their own home cities. The table which follows shows a few of the centers of population served by the major airlines, and lists one way fare including federal tax, to the nearest dollar. Round trip fares are double the one way fare.

American Ai	rlines	Chicago and					
Boston	\$52	Southern Air Lines					
Chicago	10	(tax not inclu	ded)				
Dallas	55	Detroit	\$15				
Los Angeles	122	Evansville, Ind	-				
New York	43	Ft. Wayne, Inc					
Washington	34	Houston, Tex.					
Eastern Air Lines		Jackson, Miss.					
Atlanta	\$31	Little Rock, A					
Birmingham	28	Memphis, Ten					
Chicago	10						
Miami	72	*Northwest Ai					
Nashville	17	Duluth	\$39				
Washington	34	Fargo	48				
United Air Lines Connections at Cleve-		Madison	19				
		Minneapolis	32				
land or Ch		Seattle	139				
from any poi		Trans World A	Airline				
United's system		Boston	\$52				
*Round trip	fares	Cleveland	19				
offer a savin	g of	Kansas City	30				
about 10% on		Los Angeles	122				
west Airlines		New York	43				
This carrier al		Philadelphia	38				
fers service	from	Pittsburgh	22				
points in the		St. Louis	15				
East.		Washington	34				
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The cost of air transportation is higher than rail or bus fare, but the price of your airplane ticket includes meals en route. Considering the time saving and the saving in over-night stopovers, you'll do well to give some thought to the advantages of going to the convention by air.

By Bus

One bus has already been chartered, to leave from Reading, Penna. Those who wish to make the round trip this way are invited to write direct to Clayton P. Rarick, Box 25, Blandon, Penna. for further information.

By Rail

Special railway cars from any section of the country can be arranged where the demand warrants. Information can be obtained by individuals or chapter officers from passenger agents at local depots.

BAD ORB, Cont'd from page 85

"This office has prepared a case against the heads of the German Prisoner of War Administration, based upon violations of the Hague and Geneva Conventions. General Herman Reinecke shall be a defendant, and SS General Gottleib Berger, who replaced Reinecke toward the end of the war, has been indicted for these violations, together with other crimes . . . The prosecution feels that we have very strong cases against both these men for atrocities committed against prisoners of war."

To Mr. Kessler, General Taylor writes, "I sympathize with you and your wife on the loss of your son, and trust that the expose of prisoner of war conditions which should take place in the trials against Reinecke and Berger will in some small way relieve and console you and the families of hundreds of thousands of other prisoners of war who were in German hands.

THIS MONTH'S COVER

The photograph of Parker's Crossroads which appears as the cover of this issue is one of many fine shots taken by George R. Hayslip, 589th FA Bn.

S/SGT HARRY B. WILSON, Co B, 331st Medics, is back in service and living at Apt. 8-56B, Ft. Leslie J. McNair, Washington 25, D. C. He is married, has a six months old son, and is working at the Army War College dispensary. Harry was a POW at XII-A, II-D and Luft I.

ALVA V. PHIL-LIPS, 308 Clay St., Chillicothe, Mo. was with Co A, 424th, and was one of the first to renew his membership for 1948-49.



LEONARD UMANOFF, Lt Col, 424th Inf, who wears the bronze star and the purple heart with cluster, recently attended the Command & General Staff College for three months. He lives at 177-34 Leslie Road, Springfield Gardens 13, N. Y.

ROBERT VENABLE, Sv Co, 422d Inf, has moved from Idaho to 714 Emerson Ave., Salt Lake City, Utah, and hopes to make the long trip to the 1948 convention.

JOHN P. WHITE, who left the public relations office of DHQ to attend OCS from Atterbury, is advertising manager of Lincoln National Life Insurance Co., Fort Wayne, Ind.

VINCENT A. HAR-ROLD, national treasurer of the Association, formerly of A and L Cos, 423d, lives at 40 Imrie Rd., Boston 34, Mass.



CALVIN WHITLOW, Co E, 422d Inf., is a patient at O'Reilly Gen Hosp, Ward A-4, Springfield, Mo. He is suffering from tuberculosis as the result of POW hardship and exposure. How about writing to him today if you knew him?

LAWRENCE LOUDON, Btry C, 592d FA Bn, of Delavan Lake, Wisc., is shown at his wedding last fall. Larry was wounded the first day of the Battle of the Bulge.



Mr. and Mrs. Loudon

ALAN W. WALKER and ELLIS LEIGHTY of the 106th Band have been room-mates at the U. of Ill. for two years, will both be graduated this month with bachelor's degrees in agriculture. Leighty writes that he plans to complete a law degree and then enter the field of agricultural law. Walker, a national director of the Association, lives at 827 E. Calhoun St., Macomb, Ill. Leighty's college address is 1221 Third—4, Parade Ground Units, Champaign, Ill.

ATTENTION READERS! MOST SUBSCRIPTIONS EXPIRE WITH THIS ISSUE YOU MUST RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP TO CONTINUE RECEIVING THE CUB

See application blank on back cover

JOHN C. KAUFMAN, Hq 589th FA Bn & Hq Divarty, writes that he plans to attend the '48 convention and that he's moved to a new address—3296 No. 12th St., Milwaukee 6, Wisc.

JACK J. KERSCH, Co G, 424th Inf, lives at 3729 No. Kenmore Ave., Chicago 13, Ill. He is in the building construction business, has a baby girl, and writes that another blessed event is scheduled before very long.

DORAN W. KYLE, 209 W. Chestnut St., Santa Ana, Calif., a former member of 422d's King Co, is now working with the telephone company.

LT COL MILTON
S. GLATTERER, former G-4 of the 106th
and winner of the
bronze star medal, reports a new address at
3223 Martha Custis
Dr., Parkfairfax, Alexandria, Va.



JOHN T. LOVELESS, JR., Cpl, Hq 422d Inf, and a POW at IX-B, announces the birth of his second daughter on Christmas Eve 1947. John is an attorney, lives at 2549 Pickwick Rd., Dickeyville, Baltimore 7, Md., and is now finishing his thesis for the degree of master of laws.

EMERSON A. MAYNARD, 23 Howe St., Orange, Mass. is a new member. He was with Co L, 423d Inf, and was captured at Schonberg.

PHILIP M. McNEES, personnel officer of the 591st FA Bn, is in service as a WOJG, Enl Pers Branch, Ft. Monmouth, N. J., and expects transfer to the Far East soon. He got back in touch with the Association through TEC 5 LEE E. ALLEN, formerly Hq Btry, 592d FA, who is also stationed at Monmouth.

JOSEPH C. MILES, Pfc. Cn Co, 424th Inf is employed as a civilian guard with the foreign service. He is stationed at the American Embassy, APO 209, New York. He writes that its kind of lonely over in Yugoslavia now, and he'd like to hear from his Cannon Co buddies.

JOSEPH S. NEGYESI, Pfc, Hq Co, 424th Inf, has moved to 85 Avery St., Stamford, Conn. He is in business as a tree expert.

EDWARD J. NEWMAN, Linden Houses, 4-D 2nd Walk, Brooklyn 7, N. Y. writes that he'd like to hear from some of the fellows in Mike Co, 423d. Ed was a POW, is 100% disabled, and will be unable to work for another six months by doctor's orders.

ARTHUR C. PARKER, leader of the famed band of artillerymen who held "Parker's Crossroads" in the Bulge, is living at 1308 So. 17th St., Birmingham, Ala., and is an engineer. Lt Col Parker won the silver star, purple heart and croix de guerre. The full story of Parker's Crossroads will be told by Major George Huxel at our 1948 national convention.

JOSHUA B. RICHMOND, 106th QM Co, 273 Adams St., Milton 86, Mass. writes that he has been traveling the southeastern states selling textiles for the past year and a half, but expects to return to New England for a business school course in July.

CHARLES R. WETHERBEE, 297 Park Lane Dr., Galesburg, Ill., 106th Sig Co, is at Knox

College in Galesburg.

THOMAS M. ROBERTS, 50 Maplewood Ave., Bridgeport 4, Conn., who was with APO Sec, DHQ, is now a postal inspector. After attending the convention, Tom plans to leave for a two months trip through Europe.

WALTER M. SNYDER, Tec 3, 589th FA Bn, writes from 357 Orchard St., Springdale, Pa. that he is completing his college education at the Univ. of Pittsburgh.

NORMAN S. SPAYD, H Co, 423d Inf, lives at 1518 Schuylkill Ave., Reading, Pa., and is employed in the hosiery knitting business.

WARREN L. STROBBE, Pfc, Hq Co & Item Co, 3d Bn, 424th Inf, has moved from Oregon to 1113 "C" East 56th Ave., McLaughlin Heights, Vancouver, Wash. He works for Safeway Stores.

RICHARD A. FRANKINI, Hq Co, 2d Bn, 424th Inf, lives at 1692 Darien Ct., Willow Run Village, Mich., writes that he'd like to start a Detroit Chapter. You Detroit fellows will be hearing from him.



ARTHUR J. TRIBOUT, 1447 No. 42nd St., East St. Louis, Ill., is another of our many recent new members from Co G, 424th. Art was a S/Sgt, won the purple heart.

G. ROY TROIDL, Dog Co, 424th has moved from Buffalo to 1015 Maryvale Drive (Apt. 4-3), Cheektowaga 21, N. Y. Roy hopes to get things started on a Buffalo chapter.

PAUL TROST, 206 East Clark St., Jefferson, Iowa is finishing his last year at Iowa State Teachers College. He was with Co H, 423d, and was at Bad Orb.



BEN R. BRILES, Co G, 423d Inf, lives at Arvada, Wyo. on his father's ranch, and now owns a few cows of his own. Ben was a POW, having been captured while on DS with the 423d MPs.

LINCOLN A. BROWN, Anti-tank Co, 423d, and a former POW, reports that he is living at RFD No. 2, Canajoharie, N. Y. with his wife and three children. He is a power shovel operator for Beechnut Packing Co., and would like to hear from his buddies in AT/423.

CAPT SAMUEL P. CARIANO, formerly AG Sec, DHQ, has been transferred to AG Sec, Hq IX Corps, APO 309, San Francisco. He had been stationed in Detroit, Mich.

DR. HOWARD R. CLEMENT, Major, DHQ, is medical eligibility officer at the VA Hospital near his home at 16 Moville St., West Roxbury 32, Mass.

M/SGT M. N. CRANK, formerly of DHQ, has been transferred from the Presidio of San Francisco to a new assignment with the faculty of the Dept. of Military Science & Tactics, Arizona State College, Tempe, Ariz.

DONALD D. AL-LEN, 106th Sig Co, is repairman a station with the telephone company. He is shown bere with his wife Norma-we dug in our files and found a picture of him receiving the bronze star medal, but take our word for it, this is a better picture! Don lives in Pittsburgh, but plans to move to Florida soon.



RINARD C. DAVIS, Hq Co, 3d Bn, 422d Inf, whose present address is 3944 Forest St., Kansas City 4, Mo. tells us that he is now employed as a shop foreman with National Steel Products Co. He has some fine kodachrome slides of the 1947 convention which we hope to show at the '48 reunion.

MILTON FINKLE, Cpl, Btry B, 589th FA Bn, is a biology teacher at New Utrecht H.S. in Brooklyn. His home address is 704 Beverly Rd., Brooklyn 18. Milt is working on his Ph.D. in science education at New York Univ.

PAUL R. FISHER, 1023 N. Olive St., Santa Ana, Calif. is in the jewelry business. He was with Btry A, 590th FA Bn.

ROBERT J. CLARK, Med Det & Co A, 423d, was just discharged from Cushing VA Hosp after treatment for war disabilities. Bob, a POW, wears the purple heart. His home address is 1446 E. Fifth St., Connorsville, Ind. He will return to Harvard in the fall to finish his college education.



EMIL J. GRASS, JR., Tec 3, Med Det & Fox Co, 424th, lives at 435 Fillmore St., St. Louis 11, Mo., and is in the express business. A winner of the bronze star medal, he is married and has a young son, Richard.

THOMAS E. GRILLO, Cpl, B Btry of the 591st, is office manager for the New England Supply Co. in New Haven. His home address is 61 Richards St., West Haven 16, Conn. Tom is married, has two fine boys.

JAMES L. HIERS, S/Sgt, Co M, 424th Inf, lives at Estill, S. C. and is working at the VA Hospital in Columbia, S. C.

ROBERT HOROWITZ, Tec 5, AT Co, 423d Inf, has legally changed his name to Robert Harrison. Bob lives at 245 Lenox Rd., Brooklyn, and is completing the business administration course at N. Y. Univ's school of commerce.

GEORGE H. KAUFMAN, 33 Monument Sq., Urbana, Ohio, now owns and operates Kaufman's Food Market in Urbana. He'd like to hear from his friends of the 423d's Co H or Med Det.

KENNETH LONDO, H Co, 424th, is employed with Radio Station KSIW in Woodward, Okla.

ed in a small patch of woods about 2,000 yards northeast of Oberlascheid and were aroused at 0530 19 Dec. My enthusiasm was low due to a painful infection on my leg where the shoe and

leggings pinched.

We moved out from the woods at 0615. For the first time, the men openly grumbled about "all the running and no fighting". They of course realized we were withdrawing toward St. Vith. The majority of them had a few D rations, although a few had K rations. All had the same ammunition they had brought out with them the 17th.

At 1000 hours, tanks were rumored to be mauling the 1st Bn. The 2d Bn was advancing with E on the left, G on the right, and Hq Co as rear guard, with Co H pretty well in the center prepared to offer heavy weapons support in any direction. We were without Co F and 1st MG Plat of H Co, both of which had been lost the night before.

Enemy riflemen or snipers started firing on us as we advanced over turnip and sugar beet fields. One piece of lead ricocheted off the base plate of a mortar I happened to be helping mortar squad S/Sgt Willis Smythe carry for his squad's relief.

About this time, everyone realized we were well cut off with little hope of immediate supply of ammunition. I am sure that most of us had enough D and K rations to get along several more days without starving. Also about this time the rumor came back to me that E and G Companies did not have forward patrols out and that the Bn was not maintaining good contact with the 3d and 1st Bus. These rumors have never been confirmed—I have them on hearsay only.

At 1030 the 19th my platoon leader told me that Lt. Col. Scales had said to "throw away" one section of mortars, and my section was selected because it was lowest in strength. I refused to do this, and was advised to see Col. Scales myself. He was scarcely 50 yards distant. He agreed that they should be destroyed but had said "throw away" because that would be noiseless. So we pulled pins, crushed sights, and buried the base plates, tubes and pods in a stream which would soon corrode them beyond use.

At this point everyone was milling around. Enemy small arms fire broke up our bunched concentration. T/Sgt Archer of 2d Bn Hq was seriously wounded in the right hip, and two exceptionally brave medics carried him to safety up the bare face of a hill. Major Albert A. Ouellette, 2d Bn Exec O, was wounded freakishly—a bullet glanced off his collar insignia and creased his neck for an inch or so. He carried on effectively, and helped Capt. Kielmeyer and Lt Orton guide Co G and Hq Co over the hill.



BOB DE ST. AU-BIN, Chicago Chapter president, calls the crowd to order before speeches at the chapter's recent dance.

CHICAGO HOLDS DANCE

Our Chicago Chapter held a dance on 29 May at Keyman's Hall, with over 200 persons present. Details arrived too late for this issue of the CUB, but will be covered next month.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

Our Southern California Chapter will soon announce the date for its first reunion, tentatively set for late this summer. Men in this region who are interested can write to Claude S. Webb, 814 "C" Ave., Coronado, Cal. Other members of the organizing committee are Marshall Lipkin of Los Angeles and Roy Wentzel of Santa Ana.

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The 1948 Reunion of the Society of the First Division will be at the Bellevue-Stratford in Philadelphia on the 4th, 5th and 6th of September. Further information may be obtained from Robert J. Riekse, Box 13, Sta. C, Grand Rapid 6, Mich.

COMPANY H, 422D INFANTRY By LEWIS R. WALKER, 2d Lt

This is a story of desperate men fighting with fierce valor—a story of sacrifice, of teamwork, of devotion to duty. This issue, which tells of the Company in the opening days of the Battle of the Bulge, will be followed next month with a second installment describing the life and death action on the hillside overlooking Schonberg, Belgium, and later by a third installment about the last two days before the remnants of Co H were captured on 21 Dec. 44. The author explains that one of his main purposes in writing the history of his company is to refute the aspersions cast on the 422d Inf in Robert Merriam's "Dark December".

Our first engagement was about 0500 16 Dec. when a strong enemy combat patrol contacted the Co G outpost. The squad held off the enemy until reinforcements arrived from company, but not before S/Sgt Arnold W. Almond, H Co's mortar observer, had called for fire on his own outpost. I know that Sgt Almond called for mortar fire on his own position because I confirmed it with him over the sound power phone, and helped the instrument corporal compute the fire data. Almond's action retired the enemy but they reappeared later in the morning far stronger in numbers.

At 0700 I took my turn as mortar observer at Co F outpost. Ten minutes later the CP squad engaged a German patrol—the enemy was forced to withdraw a half hour later, after wounding two men of our outpost squad. At 1000 I was relieved from OP duty, returned to company area, and took over 2d MG Plat while its regular leader, 1st Lt Emmitt F. Harman, led a 50 man combat reconnaissance patrol for Col Descheneaux. About 1100, Co G OP engaged in a serious attack, killing a German officer and several EM, and bringing in a number of prisoners. The enemy patrol was estimated as 200 men. Capt. Kielmeyer of Co G had eagerly entered the fray and supervised the return of the wounded enemy and prisoners. Curiously, the enemy dead were seen to be wearing light and flimsy clothing, even the officer.

In the April issue's advance notice of this story, the editor mistakenly asserted that Lt. Walker was the only surviving officer of Company H. He immediately wrote to correct the statement—Capt Jacobs, CO, 1st Lt Mather, Exec, 1st Lt Albertson, and 2d Lt Lange were captured by the enemy on 19 December. 1st Lt Weigel was captured with Co F on 18 Dec. We should have stated that Lt Walker was the only officer who survived the action on the Schonberg hillside and continued to fight on for two days thereafter.

I can throw no light on what happened to the left of the 422d that day, though I knew at the time that there was an 1800 yard unguarded gap

to the 14th Cav Gp.

Exactly at midnight we were routed out, outposts drawn in, battle packs fixed, extra rations handed out and all ammunition that could be found was carried by hand. At 0300 of the 17th we moved toward Schlaussenbach. As mortar observer for Co G, I went right to the outskirts of Schlaussenbach, where G Co was protecting 422d HQ and the regiment's north flank. I have two main memories of that day and night. Every time I tried to use the little hand radio to contact my mortar section, several rounds of enemy artillery would fire at our location: no one was hurt. That night 1st Lt Robert E. Davis (G's Exec) and I tried to sleep in a shelter dug by the Germans and every hour all night we had to bail out the seeping water.

About 1600 the 18th an H Co runner recalled me to Bn Hq to help supervise a move from the Schlaussenbach vicinity. Upon return, I learned that 2d Lt Elmer F. Lange and a jeep driver had returned to the company's old area, secured some mortar ammunition, all portable food in the kitchen, and some luggage. Up to that time on the 18th the Germans had not occupied the original 2d Bn area. At that moment I can recall Lt Col William Scales bitterly wishing the battalion had been allowed to fight it out from the old well-dispersed and dug-in positions. We pulled out of Schlaussenbach and marched about 6 or

7 miles toward Schonberg.

It was dark when we heard rifle and MG fire ahead in the direction taken by Capt Stewart and his Co F along with the 1st MG Plat of Co H, I believe toward Radscheid. We never saw those men again. 30 minutes later we learned that all our motor transport, with 18 enemy prisoners, was bogged down somewhere in the mud.

At twilight on the 18th we were surprised and pleased to make contact with Col. Descheneaux and his staff—it had been rumored that we were out of contact with Regt Hq. We learned that we were to counterattack Schonberg in the morning to free elements of the 331st Med Bn and wounded Americans. The regiment moved ahead, pretty much in single file, for several hours in total darkness. My recollection is that 2d Bn was on the right, 3d Bn about 800 yards to the left, and 1st Bn to the rear right.

The first realization that I had that we were out of contact with Division was personally hearing Col. Descheneaux ask Lt Col Scales and his S-3 "where in the hell are we?" We finally locat-

BAD ORD ATROCITIES

Information for the following article comes from David Kessler, Commander of Post 363, Jewish War Veterans, Pottstown, Pa., whose son, Robert E. Kessler, 422d Inf, died while a prisoner at Stalag IX-B, Bad Orb. For much of the detail in the article, we are indebted to Brig. Gen. Telford Taylor, Chief of Counsel for War Crimes, who has sent material and letters special to the CUB in this matter. We have also quoted freely from a newspaper article by Howard Byrne, an overseas staff correspondent.

Most of the Americans confined in Stalag IX-B at Bad Orb were from the 106th and 28th Infantry Divisions. Quoting from a newspaper article by Byrne, "Most of the Americans had no cots and were forced to sleep on the floor of their extremely cold barracks with only a single thin strip of blanket for cover. The prison diet was vile. The men were given coffee with sugar and nothing else for breakfast.

"Lunch consisted of one litre of soup. At supper, each man received one-seventh of a loaf of black bread with a cup of tea. Occasional treats were margarine and marmelade, and once in a great while a piece of meat the size of a man's thumb. One hundred and forty men were crowded into barracks 100 feet long and 20 feet wide. Barracks were infested with bedbugs and lice." With no soap, it was impossible to keep clean.

On Cleanliness

Quoting a Chicago soldier, nameless in our source material, "They jammed us into boxcars, 87 to a car. There was a thick layer of manure on the floor, and a little straw. That was what we had to sleep on for four days without food or water."

Again from Byrne, "The guards did not allow prisoners to leave cars to relieve themselves, and they were forced to use helmets for this purpose, throwing the contents out of the small windows at the top of the cars. When they were finally released and given food, no mess kits were provided. The men were forced to use the same helmets to eat from—and they were given no water to wash them."

Jews Segregated

A New Yorker, also nameless, is quoted as saying, "When the boys came in they were told to register, giving their civilian occupations and religion. 72 fellows said they were Jews. One day we were told the Jews would have to be segregated, living by themselves in Jewish barracks. We protested that we were all Americans and wanted to be treated equally, but we were told it was a direct order from the high command.

"When the Jewish boys were marched out a lot of other fellows joined them who had not said anything before about being Jews. They said that whatever was coming they wanted to share it. Later all the Jews were moved out of camp on what the Germans said was a labor battalion." After liberation, Byrne quotes an American medical officer as saying, in part, when asked if deaths were due to natural causes, "Yes, but in my opinion malnutrition and exposure were contributing factors. These men were healthy when they came here. Now they are skin and bones."

Morale Good

Bad Orb was a camp for privates and privates first class. All officers and non-coms were shipped out shortly after arrival. It is a tribute to American men that they were able to develop excellent leadership among themselves. Byrne says, "In spite of the abominable conditions, the morale of the Americans was high . . . An excellent orientation program was developed by a New York newspaperman who gave a series of 21 lectures on American History from memory. From 50 to 500 men attended. He also organized a weekly quiz show. His audience reached 1,000 at times. All apparently agreed that guards were not generally brutal or sadistic toward American prisoners, but that Russian prisoners were treated cruelly and murdered.

This month's "Agony Grapevine" department of the CUB gives an eye-witness account of the death of an American officer, shot in the back at a prison camp because a guard had apparently not been informed that prisoners could go to latrines during air alerts.

Trials of POW Commandants

The quotations which follow are from letters of 3 Nov. '47 and 16 Apr. '48, from the Office of Chief of Counsel for War Crimes, APO 696-A.

"I checked with our sources of information to ascertain whether the Commandant at Stalag IX-B had been apprehended as a war crimes offender. There had been at least two commanders during the last months of the war, one of whom has not been located. However, a German Col. Sieber has been listed as Commander at Stalag IX-B, and our records indicate that a Col. Kurt Sieber was tried and executed by the Yugoslav War Crimes Group. We shall attempt to ascertain whether this is the same man who served at Stalag IX-B."

From the later letter, "I regret to advise you that we have been unable to ascertain whether the Col. Sieber who was executed after trial by Yugoslavia is the same man who commanded Stalag IX-B."

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SIGNAL STATUS BOARD shows, on the left, the telephone extensions at DHQ, and on the right, the trunk lines and code names for all the major elements of the 106th. (That's the explanation of the name of this DECATUR ALBUM department of the CUB—Decatur was the code name of the 106th in the combat theater.) May 1945.

Photo by US Army Signal Corps.



CLUBMOBILE IN THE COMBAT ZONE remember those Red Cross gals? Here Pfc. Hays Copeland, Co D, 424th Inf (catcher on our 106th baseball team) gratefully accepts coffee and doughnuts from Miss Kay McKay of Long Beach, Cal. 3 March '45, Losheim, Belgium.

Photo by US Army Signal Corps.

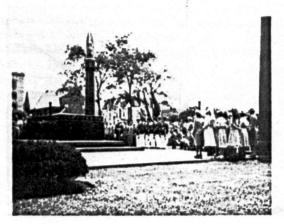
FRONT LINE SHOWER DE LUXE, built from scrap lumber and a patched sprinkling can, was crude but efficient. This one built by Morrell and Bermudez of the 591st FA Bn, was in operation inside Germany during the Rhineland Campaign. February 1945.

Photo by US Army Signal Corps.



1947 MEMORIAL SERVICE at Indianapolis, showing a part of the large crowd which participated in stirring ceremonies in honor of our war dead.

Photo by Bob Morrison, Ço G, 424th Inf



CONVENTION QUEEN

At Indianapolis, you'll have a chance to vote for the 1948 Queen of the 106th. The lovely lady—maybe your wife, sweetheart or sister—will be crowned at the banquet on Saturday night, and will receive many lovely gifts from Indianapolis merchants.

The Queen will be selected by popular vote from among women present at the convention. Eligibles are limited to wives, sweethearts or sisters present at the convention. The selection will be along the lines of a contest, except that we want no box tops, no jingles, no puzzles to solve.

To enter the contest, simply follow the rules below:

1. Send a photograph of your wife, sister or sweetheart to Kenneth W. Perry, 106th Division Convention, Claypool Hotel, Indianapolis. The photo must be 4x6 inches or larger, must have been taken within the past two years, and must be postmarked not later than midnight July 13, 1948. Print your name and address clearly on the back of the photograph.

2. Along with the picture, in 200 words or less, tell why your entry would like to be the Convention Queen. (This may be written by the candidate or by her bushand, sweetheart or bro-

ther).

Entries will be judged by an impartial board of Gold Star Mothers, who will select the best entries for final voting. Photographs of the finalists will be posted on the bulletin board near the registration desk, identified by number only. All members may cast one vote for the Queen at the time when they register. Pictures may be reclaimed at the registration desk on Sunday.

Follow the rules carefully. Sincerity and content of the statement will count as much as beauty. The prizes and the honor of being Queen of the Division are well worthwhile—have your wife send in her entry today.

REQUIEM MASS

In memory of those of the 106th Infantry Division who paid the supreme sacrifice, our chaplains will conduct a special Requiem Masss at SS. Peter and Paul Cathedral in Indianapolis at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, 31 July 1948. Officers of the Mass will be Rev. Paul Cavanaugh, SJ; Rev. Edward T. Boyle; Rev. Edward J. Hurley; and Rev. John B. Day, National Chaplain of the Association. Paul Dalton and Ed Ryan will serve as Acolytes. Men of all faiths will be welcome at the Mass.

CONVENTION SPEAKER

The story of Parker's Crossroads is one of the epics of the 106th in combat. Major George Huxel, S-3 of the 589th FA Bn, will be a fea-



tured speaker at the Sunday session of the 1948 convention. He will present an eyewitness account of the gallant stand at Baraque de Fraiture, Belgium, where the small band of determined artillerymen under the leadership of Major Arthur C. Parker turned back repeated assaults by the enemy.

MAJOR HUXEL

Major Huxel was graduated from Miami University, Ohio, with a bachelor's degree in education, taught for two years, was drafted in 1941, and won an appointment to OCS after nine months of enlisted service. He was assigned to the 589th FA Bn in June, 1944 at Camp Atterbury. At present he is teaching mathematics and coaching football in East Cleveland, Ohio. His home address is 18016 Olympia Road, Cleveland 12, where he lives with his wife, three sons and a daughter.

From a long list of suggested speakers and topics, the convention committee chose to bring you this feature as one of the key talks at the convention. Several other talks are tentatively scheduled for the Sunday session, and will be announced in the convention program which will be published shortly before we are to meet in

Indianapolis.



MEETING AT INDIANAPOLIS to make arrangements for the 31 July convention are, front row, left to right, Mrs. Earl Yarling, Mrs. Lou Milanese, Mrs. Al Harding, Mrs. Kenneth Perry, and Mrs. John Patrick. Rear row, Charles Hackler, Milanese, Harding, Perry, Yarling.

CONVENTION PROGRAM

INDIANAPOLIS, 31 JULY AND 1 AUGUST

FRIDAY 30 JULY

2:00 p.m. Meeting of Board of Directors and chapter delegates

6:00-7:00 Registration desk open for early arrivals

7:00 p.m. Early bird sessions—informal company, chapter and general get-togethers

SATURDAY 31 JULY

Registration desk opens for day 9:00 a.m.

REQUIEM MASS for men of Catholic faith, with all veterans and friends of the 10:00 a.m. 106th invited

OPENING LUNCHEON, WELCOME PROGRAM 12:30 p.m.

BUSINESS SESSION: discussion of charter amendments, scholarship fund, member-2:30 p.m. ship promotion, finances, publications, nomination of officers.

3:00 p.m. TEA AND FASHION SHOW for Ladies

7:00 p.m. BANQUET: presentation of chapter charters and awards

DANCE: crowning of convention queen, air conditioned ballroom, orchestra, dress 9:00 p.m. optional

SUNDAY 1 AUGUST

11:00 a.m. MEMORIAL SERVICES

12:00 a.m. Group photographs

DINNER, with SPEAKERS 12:30 p.m.

ELECTION of Directors for 1948-49 3:00 p.m.

Room 1: showing of slides of 1947 convention 3:30 p.m. Room 2: Meeting of new directors to elect officers

4:00 p.m. Installation of officers for 1948-49

ALL EVENTS EXCEPT THE MEMORIAL SERVICE AND THE REQUIEM MASS WILL BE HELD IN THE CLAYPOOL HOTEL.

PHILADELPHIA 26 JUNE

Plans are complete for a gala reunion of 106th Infantry Division veterans in Philadelphia and vicinity at 7:00 p.m. on Saturday, 26 June, at the Jolly Post Restaurant, corner of Frankford Avenue and Orthodox Street. The program will feature a dinner, a short business meeting to organize a Philadelphia Chapter, and a full evening of informal entertainment with music and with beer available at 75c a pitcher. A featured guest speaker has been invited, but since this isn't definite on June 1 as the CUB goes to press, we can't give details.

Tickets will be three dollars per person, in-cluding the meal. Reservations must be made in advance, through William Miner, 3017 "D" St., Philadelphia. Within a week of sending out his first postcard announcement of the plans, Bill Miner had received 44 acceptances, so there

should be a big turnout.

REUNION 29 JUNE NEW YORK CITY

The first big reunion of the Metropolitan Chapter is all set for men living within range of New York City. To give you a small idea of the program, there will be free beer and professional entertainers.

> June 29 7:00 p.m.

71st Regiment Armory Park Ave. at 34th St. **New York City**

This reunion is FREE to chapter members. Non-members may join at the door for four dollars which includes chapter and national association membership, and a one year subscription to the CUB.

This party is for men only, but there'll be later reunions where the wife or sweetheart will be welcome.