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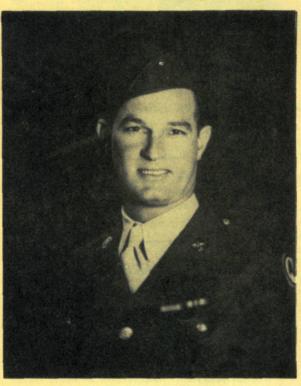
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SAMUEL F. BAXTER, KIA

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## SAMUEL F. BAXTER IN MEMORIAM

Technical Sergeant Samuel F. Baxter, platoon sergeant of 2d MG Platoon, Company H, 422d Infantry on 19 December 1944, gave his life in an inspiring example of combat leadership on the bloody hillside overlooking Schonberg, Belgium. This issue of the CUB is dedicated to Sgt. Baxter, whose picture appears on the front cover along with a photograph of his wife, Kathryn H. Baxter, and of his son, Samuel F., Jr.

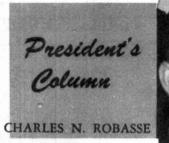
Samuel Junior is wearing his father's silver star medal, Belgian croix de guerre with palm, and purple heart which were presented to him in ceremonies at Waskom, Texas, in May of 1948.

Lt. Col. Joseph C. Matthews, Jr., regimental executive officer of the 422d, in writing of Sgt. Baxter and other leaders of Company H, states: "In a desperate counter-attack made after the regiment had been cut off and virtually surrounded for more than three days, these men led their units to deliver vital supporting fires on enemy positions, despite the absence of adequate cover, and while under intense enemy fires from several direc-Without apparent thought of their own safety, they observed and directed the fire of their weapons and were an inspiration to their men until ammunition was exhausted or the weapons knocked out. All were killed by enemy fire while leading and directing the fire of their units." In addition to Baxter, this citation applies to 1st Lt. Emmitt Harman, 2d Lt. George E. Hammond, S/Sgt. Raymond F. Jones and Sgt. Charles L. Rizzoli.

Lt. Lewis H. Walker's "Story of Company H" gives a vivid eye-witness picture of Sgt. Baxter's heroism. When a machine gun of his platoon jammed, the Sergeant manned it himself and although it was in the open with no cover, immediate-actioned it and remained at his chosen station until an enemy shell fired from close range destroyed the gun and killed him.

Sgt. Baxter's wife wrote us this month, saying, "It is a source of deep satisfaction to myself and our young son that the men of the 106th Infantry Division who came back have not forgotten those who were not so fortunate. I wish for your Association and your magazine continued success."

Major aims of the Association are to keep alive the memory of sacrifices made by valiant men like Sam Baxter, and to build a memorial fund which will help children like Samuel Junior when they are of college age. This cause is worthy! Help it along by sending a contribution to the Memorial Fund today.





On 16 December 1944, all hell broke loose. In December 1948, in every section of the nation, veterans of the 106th will gather to commemorate the history-making defensive fight in he Ardennes. The details of these local memorial reunions appear in other pages of this issue of the CUB.

I believe that it is squarely up to each and every Association member to take part in the observance of the fourth anniversary of the start of the Battle of the Bulge. If there is a reunion in your part of the country, support it! If nothing is planned yet in your area, write to Sam Blandford, 127 Harrison, Easton, Md. for a list of men who live near you—he'll send you suggestions on how to get them together for a local reunion.

With the proper organization and spirit, we can have several thousand men participating in these December memorials in 1948. We are assured of good newspaper and radio publicity, and a great many local organizers are working hard to put over good reunions in their cities.

But, in the last analysis, the success or failure of the December memorial reunions is going to be determined by the extent to which the individual members of the Association get behind the idea with active support. It's up to YOU.

MR. AND MRS. CHARLES N. ROBASSE announce the birth of a daughter, Josette Edith, on 11 Oct., '48 at the Augustana Hospital, Chicago. Weight 7 lbs.

#### DEFINITE DATE SET FOR DIVISION HISTORY

A letter of October 14 from the Infantry Journal states that the book-length history of the 106th Infantry Division, by Col. R. E. Dupuy, will be published before 28 FEBRUARY 1949.

All members will soon receive an order blank and sales promotion literature on this history. Take our word for it — it's a great story, well written. You'll want a copy.

### PLANS FOR DECEMBER REUNIONS

For the third consecutive year, veterans of the Golden Lion Division will gather in many different cities in local December reunions to commemorate the third anniversary of the start of the Battle of the Bulge. As this issue goes to press, we know of 14 chapters which have definite plans for local affairs on or about the 16th of December.

Each different locality has its own organizing committee in charge of the reunion, so the details of each will be different. Association members will receive full details about plans for the reunion in their area. Most of the memorial gatherings will include dinner and an evening of informal entertainment. Wives, sweethearts, parents and other guests will be welcome at most of the dinners, although some may be strictly stag affairs.

Sam Blandford, national Membership Promotion Chairman, representing the Association in

all contacts with chapter organizers, has done a great job in promoting these December 16th reunions. If there are no plans yet in your area for a memorial reunion, write to Sam at 127 Harrison, Easton, Maryland—he'll give you all the help you need to get started. It still isn't too late to plan something



BLANDFORD

for December. Sam was with G/424, organized their company chapter, is in the insurance business, and has been an Association member since the organization was started.

First chapter to announce details of its reunion is the Chicago group. They will feature a buffet supper and dance at Keymans Hall, Chicago. It will be free except for drinks, according to tentative plans.

#### METROPOLITAN REUNION

The METROPOLITAN CHAPTER will hold a dinner dance on Thursday, 16 December, 1948, at the Beekman Tower Hotel, 49th St. at First Ave., New York City. Everyone is invited, and guests are welcome. The affair will start promptly at 7:30 p. m.

The total cost of the dinner and dance, tips included, is five dollars per person. Reservations must be made in advance by sending an advance deposit of \$2.50 per person to Thomas F. Dowgin, Reunion Chairman, 7 Highland Drive, Milltown, N. J.

Please make your reservations promptly, by sending a check or money order payable to Thomas Dowgin.

#### COMING EVENTS — LOCAL DECEMBER MEMORIAL REUNIONS

December memorial reunions will be held in the following cities, and probably in some others where the local committee hasn't completed its plans as this issue goes to press. Details may be secured by sending a postcard to the local chairman in your region.

CHAPTER

Albany Baltimore Boston Buffalo Chicago Decatur Detroit Indianapolis Los Angeles Minneapolis Nashville New York Philadelphia Pittsburgh St. Louis Washington

CITY

Albany Balto-Washington Bay State Western New York Chicago Central Illinois Michigan Wolverines Hoosier Golden Lions Southern California Minnesota Tennessee Volunteers Metropolitan Eastern Pennsylvania Western Pennsylvania So. Ill. - St. Louis **Balto-Washington** 

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#### DAVE PRICE HONORED

By unanimous vote of the Board of Directors, David S. Price became the sixth person to win the coveted award of the Commander Class, Order of the Golden Lion, highest decoration bestowed by the 106th Infantry Division Association. Others so honored have included Cedric Foster, radio commentator, Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Frampton of Pittsburgh for establishing the agony grapevine service during the dark days of the Bulge, and Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Simpson of Indianapolis.

When William Perlman, first President of the Association, was transferred to Cuba shortly

after the formation of the Association at Camp Lucky Strike, Price was elected to the Association presidency, which he held for 2½ years until the election of Charles N. Robasse, Jr. at the 1948 convention. For the last year of this period, he also served as acting secretary and as CUB Editor. Now 29



years old, Dave resides at 237 So. Manning Blvd., Albany 3, N. Y. He was graduated from Brown University in 1940, where he was active in athletics and student activities. He is a member of Phi Beta Kappa, honorary scholastic society. He completed a year of graduate study at Harvard's Littauer School of Public Administration, and is now enrolled at Syracuse University, studying for a doctor's degree in government.

With the 106th, Dave was with Co. D, 331st Med. Bn., and with the public relations office of Division Headquarters. He was discharged with the rank of master sergeant, and returned to his pre-war job with the Classification Division of New York State's Civil Service Department.

"By unanimous vote of the Board of Directors of the 106th Infantry Division Association this first day of October, 1948, the COMMANDER CLASS of the ORDER OF THE GOLDEN LION is awarded to DAVID S. PRICE, ex-soldier, 331st Medical Battalion, 106th Division. In Infantry recognition of the invaluable services rendered by Price to the Association in 1946-47, and in 1947-48 when the association was upon its darkest days

and when it seemed that the life of the Association might end, he took over other duties in addition to the Presidency, kept the organization alive, and finished the year 1947-48 with the membership increased, with chapters started, with the CUB chapters flourishing, and with the treasury in improved condition. We, as members and officers of the Association, offer this award and citation in recognia tion of a difficult job well done."

#### **BATTLE HONORS**

The 3d platoon of Company F, 423d Infantry, has been awarded battle honors for combat action while attached to CC "B", 7th Armored Division, from 17 to 23 December 1944, at St. Vith, Belgium. Army General Orders 48, 12 July 1948, cite the platoon and other 7th Armored outfits "in the name of the President of the United States as public evidence of deserved honor and distinction".

The citation reads, in part, "The attacking enemy forces were repeatedly thrown back by the gallant troops who rose from their fox holes and fought in fierce hand-to-hand combat to stop the penetrations and inflict heavy losses on the numerically superior foe."

#### JOSEPH J. KIBELBEK

Joe, who was with the 423d's Item Company, made the headlines in the July 2 issue of the Cleveland Plain Dealer. He was captured in the Bulge, and became ill after four months of hardship in POW camp. After return to the U. S.A., he was confined to a hospital bed at the Brecksville V. A. Hospital, and resumed his high school studies which he had been forced to abandon in his 'teens in order to go to work. Joe compiled a fine academic record, and on July 1, received his high school diploma with his wife and two year old son looking on. We are proud of this achievement, and wish him the best of luck in the future.



WELCOMING the crowd at the opening event of the '48 convention is Capt. Simmons of Stout Field, with Governor Schricker, Al Harding and Vin Harrold around him at the speaker's table.

-Photo by Patrick

SIDNEY SILVERBERG, CWO with DHQ, 3131 W. Columbia St., Philadelphia, Pa., announces the birth of a son, Arnold Joel, on 10 May, '48.

#### CHAPTER NEWS

We can't print news about chapters unless the chapter organizers send it to us. We know that other chapters are doing things, but as this issue goes to press, we have news only about the recent activities of the Central Illinois, Chicago, Metropolitan and Southern Illinois Chapters.

We want photographs of all December 16 gatherings, for use in the CUB. Also we will be glad to print pictures of chapter organizing committees

and of other chapter activities.

#### **CHICAGO**

Plans have been made for a December memorial buffet supper and dance at Keymans Hall. Chapter members will be notified of date and time.

#### ST. LOUIS - SO. ILLINOIS

Harold Pax of Beckemeyer, Ill. really has things moving in his territory. Members of his organizing committee include Marion Ray, 1813 Main St., Alton, Ill.; George G. T. Hurley, 1101-A Central Ave., St. Louis 10, Mo.; Emil J. Grass, Jr., 435 Fillmore, St. Louis 11; Floyd Stewart, 8136 Washington, St. Louis 14. Stewart is handling arrangements for the chapter's planned December reunion.

The organizing committee met once in September and twice in October, and despite the handicap of starting without a complete mailing list, they have good plans. The list which was sent from Association headquarters never arrived, and the duplicate which had to be made up got to Pax late — don't know whether it was our fault in Albany or whether the post office misdirected the list.

#### CENTRAL ILLINOIS

Under the able leadership of Russell D. Kelly, 1905 No. 10th St., Springfield, Ill., our Central Illinois Chapter is moving along toward the date when it will receive its national charter. John H. Burns, 228 No. Westlawn, Decatur, and Robert E. Fryhoff, 451 W. Canedy St., Springfield are also active in the organizing committee work.

The Chapter has received a list of former 106th men in that part of Illinois lying between east-west lines drawn roughly through Galesburg on the north and Litchfield on the south. The roster numbers about 300 men. Men in this area who will help in organizing are urged

to write direct to Kelly.

First activity of the chapter will be a 16 December reunion, tentatively scheduled to be held in Decatur. Details of time and place will be announced to all on the chapter's mailing list.

#### THE LONG ARM OF COINCIDENCE

On 2 March '43, Pete House, William M. Lane and Jack D. Smith were inducted into the AUS. All arrived at Fort Jackson on the same train. Lane went to 423/A, Smith to 423/D, and House to 590/A in the same combat team. After going overseas together, and fighting together through the Bulge, they turned up in the same prison camp. After liberation, all ran in to each other again at Camp Lucky Strike where they were all returned to the U.S. on 28 Apr. '45. They saw each other on their 60 day leaves, were all sent to the 1448th SCU at Camp Blanding, and all received medical discharges on the same date. Pete, who came all the way from Florida to attend the '48 convention, reports that his present mail address is Gen. Delivery, Univ. Station, Gainseville, Fla.



HOOSIER HOSPITALITY was in evidence at the '48 reunion. Here Glenn Schnizlein inspects one of the many "Welcome" signs, this one on the Claypool Hotel.

-Photo by Patrick

#### **ABOUT THE CUB**

Your Editor is painfully aware that the August-September issue didn't reach its readers until October. The explanation of the delay is so complicated that nobody would believe it, so we won't print any alibi. However, we'll repeat that we try to get the magazine in the mail by he 15th of each odd-numbered monh. And, barring the unforeseen, all subscribers will get six issues in this fiscal year. REMEMBER TO REPORT ANY CHANGES OF ADDRESS TO US.

Back copies cost 25c each, as long as they last. Our problem used to be to get enough material to fill the pages. Now the problem is deciding what to leave out—so, if you don't see your item in this issue, it's because there wasn't room for everything. It'll be in later on.

# Secret Weapon of the 106th

By W. A. Kuespert

"The memorable first two weeks of training of the 106th introduced a new weapon", writes Art Kuespert of Fox Co., 423d Inf., "a weapon expressly designed for use during the various phases of training, a weapon which was used extensively by our Division — in short, the immortal BAG LUNCH." Art's yarn, published in full in the March 1948 issue of the COMPANY F GUIDON goes on to lay bare the closely held secrets concerning the production and tactical and strategic uses of the new weapon. Limitations of space prevent us from publishing the whole story, but we've picked some choice excerpts.

The bag lunch, official nomenclature was "Bag Lunch, M-1", was the decisive factor in the capture of Tennessee in eight short (?) weeks. It is the proud boast (or maybe sad confession) of our cooks that "our boys" never went hungry at times when the tactical sitauation demanded the use of bag lunches. The cooks always managed to make lunches for all who couldn't be fed on schedule in the company mess hall, even when the entire company spent several days in the field.

#### Ingredients

A basic element of the bag lunch is bread, sliced or otherwise. It is the stuff that the army issued as a substitute to the much-looked-forward-to C ration biscuits. It serves as an excellent shock absorber in packing and unloading trucks. Dirt that accumulates on bread can be washed off with soap and water.

The star feature of the bag lunch is the sandwich. When it was originated, components existed in variety and abundance—cold meats, spreads, and fruit which could be made into a tasty, appetizing lunch. But, with the passing of time, the variety became limited to bologna, jam, peanut butter, cheese and some kind of fruit such as oranges or oranges. War Department regulations have now been lifted so that we may disclose the ingredients of the deep purple peanut butter—its elements are grape jam mixed with peanut butter. Didn't taste too bad, did it? UGH!

At times, when plans changed or some GFU decided to have a problem at the last minute, the cooks had to improvise. For example, luxurious Sunday cuts of beef or pork might be boiled, whacked into chunks, and placed between bread. With about 150 men, each company needed at least 450 sandwiches, figuring to require 45 loaves of bread, 300 slices of meat, sandwich spread, and fruit. (Kuespert points out that 45 loaves of bread have 90 heels, but others have alleged that the 106th was provided with a special type of GI bread equipped with four heels per loaf).

#### **Production**

I might mention that the system employed in assembling these contrabands of war is rated by experts as one of the rarest forms of mass production. After the bread and meat were sliced according to the cook's mental attitude and ability to control a butcher knife, the assembly operation was launched. First, single slices of bread were placed on tables, stoves, floor space or any other large lateral plane. Irregular slices of meat went on each slice of bread. Step number three accelerated the operation as two - not one - slices of bread were placed neatly over the cherished and scrawny pieces of meat. Steps two and three were then repeated, adding one more slab of meat and two of bread, finding us with five slices of bread behind us. Alack and alas, something different was to be added now. After two meat sandwiches came a change of pace. The third, or "spread" sandwich was made of either peanut butter or jelly which was smeared over at least 25% of the surface of the bread. No matter how many sandwiches were needed from one spread container, a much-relied-on liquid known to mankind as "water" was added to increase the supply of spread to equal the demand.

The final step in sandwich preparation was to slap slice No. 6 on the stack to complete the three-sandwich unit. In the first stages of bag lunch making, individual sandwiches were wrapped separately in wax paper before being piled in a No. 5 paper sack. After we had become old soldiers, the stacks were handed to us unwrapped and the number of sandwiches dwindled to two per lunch. (Ed. note-There appears to be little truth to the persistent rumor that sandwiches were made on shelter halves and transported by the simple procedure of picking up the four corners of the tent and walking away. Likewise, we banish as unfounded the suggestion that completed sandwiches were placed tenderly in the back of six-

by-sixes and unloaded by shovel.)

The most drastic change was the introduction of the "choker" sandwich unit. The name is self-explantory. The sandwich provides the atmosphere of the Sahara desert in a paper bag,

being one dry ingredient sandwich (usually cheese) and one other, usually peanut butter, to be issued on a day when no water was available.

In explanation of the poor quality lunches and the shortages experienced during the final Tennessee testing of our intestinal fortitude, I join the defense to point out that lunches were made under the cover of darkness. It was all right for the few days that there was a moon, but for the remaining nights of maneuvers your guess is good as mine in describing the contents of the Bag Lunch, M-1.

The Last Bag Lunch

3 Dec. '44 saw the last assembly line in operation. The geographic location was Toddington, near Cheltenham and Gloucester in the South Midlands of England. Since this lunch was to be our meal on the rail trip to a port of embarkation, we treated it with care and consideration — just as if it were real food. The cooks deliberated for hours over what to enclose in this final monstrosity. Finally the grave decision was made. Only the Company F men who were on kitchen detail that day—18 days before we became prisoners of war - know that the sandwich was made of fried powdered eggs cut in square sheets and carefully placed between two crumbling slices of bread. We have an eyewitness report of an unidentified GI devouring the final crumbs of his sandwich while we were anchored in the breakwater of LeHavre.



PRISONERS IN THE BULGE—Under German guard, men of the 106th captured in Belgium start the long march back toward POW camps. December 1944. Believed to be a captured German photo.

LUTHER F. TROUTON, 422/E. Cpl, 66 Union St., Rockville, Conn., a wearer of the purple heart and a POW at Stalag IV-B, sent us a fine letter along with a nice check for the memorial fund and for sustaining membership. He is married, but doesn't say what he is doing now.

#### MISSING PERSONS

During the past year, mail addressed to the following paid members of the Association has been returned by the post-office marked "moved, left no address". We have been unable to locate the fellows since they moved, and ask that all of our readers check through this list to see if they can help us to find the men so we can send them the CUBs they have missed. Write to national headquarters if you have an address for any of the following:

PAUL C. ABBOTT. 424/C. Parsonburg. Md. THOMAS ALMOND, Pfc, 589/C, Rossville, Ga. DONALD BAUMBACH, T/5, 422/M, Syracuse, N. Y. ARTHUR BLANCHARD, Pfc, 159/MD, Los Angeles,

LEONARD BUTTERBAUGH, 423/AT, Shelby, Iowa JOHN CAMERON, S/Sgt, 423/2d Bn, Charlotte,

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RICHARD CARR, T/4, 331/D, Denver, Colo.
TILLER E. CARTER, Lt Col, 424th, Geo. West. Tex.
MARVIN O. CLARK, Pvt, 589/Hq, Bronson, Mich.
JAMES COLLIER, S/Sgt, 422/A, Memphis, Tenn.
KENNETH COOK, Pfyc, Chicago, III.
LOUIS DICICCO, Pfc, 424/2d Bn, Chicago, III.
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ROBERT KIMBLE, Sgt, 331/A, Hamburg, N. J.
ARNOLD LAMBERT, Pfc, 422/K, Syracuse, N. Y.
HYMAN LASS, Pfc, 424/I, Dorchester, Mass.
RICHARD LEBLANC, Pfc, 589, Lowell, Mass.
PERRY LEWIS, T/5, East Moline, Ill.
MAHLON McKAY, Pfc, 424/A, Los Angeles, Cal.
STEVEN MICHEL, Pfc, DHQ, New York City
JOSEPH ODOM, Cpl, 424/1st Bn, Jackson, Miss.
BATISTE OGLIETTI, S/Sgt, 424/E, Chicago
WILLIAM PERLMAN, Maj, 424th, Brooklyn, N. Y.
EDWARD PODWORNY, Maj, Divarty, Taunton,

DELBERT RASMUSSEN, T/4, 590th, Harlan, Ia. CRESTON ROSENBERRY, 422/I, Milwaukee, Wsic. WM. B. SCHAEFFER, 424/E, Pitman, N. J. HALSEY F. SMITH, S/Sgt, 590, 591, Montclair, N. J. PETER SOTO, Pfc, 423/Cn, New York, N. Y. STEWART STERN, S/Sgt, 424/K, Beverly Hills, Cal. RALPH STRATTON, S/Sgt, 424/K, Fayetteville, Ark. HENRY SULLIVAN, 806th Ord, Indianapolis, Ind. PETER THORNLEY, S/Sgt, 424/G, Helen, W. Va. ROLAND TWOMBLY, 2d Lt, 423/B, Springfield, Mass.

DANIEL ZIMMERMAN, Pvt, 424/A, Pittsburgh, Pa.

## COMPANY H, 422d INF.

by Lewis H. Walker

This is the third and final installment of the combat story of Company H in the Battle of the Bulge. The second part ended with darkness closing in around the perimeter defense of the gallant band of survivors of the violence on that hillside overlooking Schonberg. Lt. Walker, commanding the remnants of the company, had called his sergeants to the log shelter which served as his command post.

It was here that I learned of the heroism of S/Sgt. Richard A. Thomas, 39 000 006, in leading patrols that had brought the area a truck and trailer load of food, saved the remnants of the 81st Engr. Company at Auw, scouted out cross-country routes to St. Vith, and attempted to save a captured American officer. For these and later deeds, Sgt. Thomas has been awarded the Distinguished Service Cross, second only to the Congressional Medal of Honor.

For participation in these actions, Silver Stars were awarded to Tec 5 Ernest C. Gerry of F Co., and, from Co H, Cpl. Herman W. Pace, Cpl. Lawrence J. Doerr, Sgt. Roy J. Jensen, and Cpl. Clyde McDaniel. If I can learn the full name and ASN of Pfc. Potter of Co H, he too will be a Silver Star wearer.

While in this log shelter, we heard an enemy sound truck open up from a hill across the valley. It demanded our surrender, played popular American songs, and told us how nice it would be to be playing baseball in a prison camp. S/Sgt. Thomas rounded up a few volunteers, took out a patrol, and one of his men erased the sound truck with a single well thrown grenade.

All was still well on the morning of the 20th. Increased enemy activity was observed. S/Sgt. Russell's heavy MG Sec was brought to the top of the hill and crossing fields of fire were set up to command the sky line road which we were astride.

Shortly after noon, Sgt. Thomas went out to a German recon car which approached under a white flag, coming from Schonberg down the Andler-Lauderfeld Road. He brought a German medic and a captured 423d medic to Maj. Ouellette for a meeting. The German non-com requested permission to use the roadnet which we controlled for his ambulances, to evacuate wounded Germans and Americans. Majors Ouellette and Moon decided to send Lt. Houghton, Co D, 422d, along to make sure the enemy didn't use the ambulances (mostly our captured ones) to transfer tactical troops and weapons.

A hold fire order was issued to the men in all sectors of our 1000 yard oval defense until Lt. Houghton returned at 1830. Houghton brought back a German surrender demand, with an ultimatum of surrender before 2100 hours. He told of artillery trained on our area and of troops poised for instant attack. We heard nothing from Division or higher headquarters during this time, except for radio messages that bad weather made it impossible to fly in food, ammunition or medical supplies.

Maj. Ouellette called a conference of Company Commanders, and recommended surrender because of the uselessness of rifles against tanks and artillery, because of the lack of ammunition reserve and food and medical supplies. Capt. Kielmeyer and I were the only ones who suggested that we continue to resist for another two days in the hopes of planes and help coming to us. The consensus of the meeting was that additional loss of life would be frightfully large and of no help to the general tactical situation.



MAIN STREET, ST. VITH, BELGIUM. This photo by Francis Aspinwall shows how the center of our defensive area looked in the summer of 1945.

At 2100 a German officer hostage appeared to extend the hold fire order and to continue dickering. Maj. Ouellette held out to full surrender at 0800 the 21st, requesting a truce until then. The German argued against this, because he could not guarantee us against attacks from another division bearing down from the north. We took a chance to give our men time to get some sleep, gather what food they could, scrounge extra clothing from all the bags in the area, and for those who felt they could — a chance to escape. Many attempted, as evidenced by small arms fire all night long everywhere but

on the east. We were not supposed to damage our weapons, but I think that most were rendered useless, and ammunition was buried in the mud. At 0800 21 Dec. 44 several hundred disillusioned men and about four dozen officers assembled in the gulley and were marched to Schonberg through the valley road and woods where the 423d was so badly shot up.

Here Walker's story ends. The editor takes the liberty of quoting from several of Walker's letters, to fill in a few more details. All of the following paragraphs are from Walker, mostly in reply to questions asked by various persons.

Many boys left the motor park that night in the direction of Meyerode. I have no doubts that they are the guerrilla fighters (described in "The Incredible Valor of Eric Wood", Saturday Evening Post article of Dec. 20, 1947, by Col. R. E. Dupuy).

A Captain Rowland of 422d Sv Co took off northeast immediately after the conference. He had fought the Hun in World War I and in North Africa with the 34th Div. We have

never heard of him since.

Sgt. Claud E Brown and Pfc. Raymond Obert died of disease and malnutrition in POW Camps. Tec 4 Claud V. Bolding and Pfcs. Joe Benedetto and Chrispin L. Miranda died in a bombing raid on Christmas Eve while POWs

"Cpl. Thurman Jenkins of Co H smashed his jeep directly into a German machine gun nest, put the gun out of action, was not wounded, but was captured by the gun's crew. He should be cited for bravery, but I can't find anyone who

saw it first hand for affidavits."

Two medics have not been mentioned for their bravery—Pfc. Wayne Menteir, attached to Co G, has been mentioned by many of my men, but I haven't been able to get affidavits from those who saw his feats. Tec. 4 Marly Hall, attached to 2d Plat, Co H, has received the Belgian Croix de Guerre and has been recommended for the Silver Star for heroic acts on the hill on the 19th and for later acts on the long prisoner march. S/Sgt. Richard A. Thomas has also received the palm for the Croix de Guerre, and T/Sgt. Samuel Baxter also received this coveted decoration, but posthumously.

In closing the stark tale told by Walker, we are inserting two other quotes from a pencilled note he wrote to Herb Livesey more than a year

ago.

"Thomas was the real hero of Co H, though many men of our company do not realize it.

But all the men were magnificent.

"No doubt your records show that the writer was awarded the Silver Star for the work his men did for him. I only wish I could have deserved it more.

## MINUTES OF ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING

The meeting was called to order in the Riley Room of the Claypool Hotel, Indianapolis, Indiana at 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, 31 July 1948, by David S. Price, President.

Vincent A. Harrold, Treasurer, presented the financial report for the fiscal year ended 30 June 1948. After audit by an auditing committee to be appointed by the President, this report will be made a part of the minutes of this meeting, and will be printed in the CUB. (In summary, the report shows that operating expenses have been drastically reduced, while income is mounting to a level which will permit continued Association activities. In fiscal 1947-48, expenses exceeded income by more than \$3,200. There is a small cash balance on hand at present.)

Mr. Harrold presented a tentative budget for 1948-49, calling for expense and income of about \$4,500. This budget was referred to the Board of Directors for approval or necessary amendment.

Kenneth W. Perry, Vice President and Convention Chairman, presented a report of convention planning and finances. This report will be made a part of these minutes. (Briefly, the report shows that convention plans have been made with utmost attention to finances, based on estimated attendance of 200. Since about 300 persons attended, the convention operated at a small financial profit.)

Charles N. Robasse invited the Association to plan its 1949 convention for the city of Chicago, Illinois. His invitation was unanimously accepted, and he was instructed to make arrangements for dates and hotel location in time for release in the December CUB.

J. Glenn Schnizlein, Sergeant at Arms and Secretary-Treasurer of the Minnesota Chapter, presided over a discussion of chapter plans and finances. The President of the Association outlined the problem, stating the opinion that chapter promotion offered the best chance of building membership essential to continued existence of the Association, and proposed that the national Association afford a rebate of a certain portion of three dollar national dues to chapters. After discussion in which many members spoke from the floor, the motion that no rebate be given to chapters but that the Board of Directors be authorized to give direct financial aid to chapters for membership promotion expenses was made by John Gillespie, President of the Michigan Chapter, and seconded by Robert de St. Aubin, President of the Chicago Chapter. The motion was passed unanimously. Under this proposal, chapters requesting financial aid are to submit the request in writing, with reasons therefor, to the national Board of Directors. (cont'd on page 26)

MINUTES (cont'd from page 25)

Duward B. Frampton, Jr., Chairman of the Nominating Committee, took the chair to lead a discussion of chapter representation on the Board of Directors and to present the report of the nominating committee. It was moved and seconded that the charter be amended to provide that each chapter be entitled to one representative on the National Board of Directors, with full power to vote and to hold national office, upon the granting of its chapter charter, and that in addition chapters be given further representation according to their size by provision for an additional chapter delegate to the Board for the 101st, 201st, 301st and 401st paid chapter member, provided that no chapter shall send more than 5 delegates to the Board of Directors regardless of size. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Frampton then read the list of names under consideration by the nominating committee, and accepted additional nominations from the floor.

The meeting was then declared open for new business. It was unanimously carried that the charter be amended to provide for the class of Sustaining Member, at \$10 per year, for those who wished and felt freely able to contribute more than the \$3 regular dues to the Association.

At 4:30 p. m. it was duly moved, seconded and carried that the annual meeting recess until 2:00 p. m. on Sunday, 1 August. At that time, the session re-convened, and discussion of new business was resumed.

The President proposed that the charter be amended to decentralize the work of national headquarters by eliminating the position of Secretary-Treasurer and instead providing that the work of national headquarters shall be performed in such manner and by such officers as the Board of Directors shall from time to time determine necessary. This charter amendment was duly moved, seconded and carried.

The question of chapter activities was raised from the floor, and after discussion, it was decided that the Board of Directors should encourage as many December 16 memorial reunions as possible in 1948 in various sections of the country.

There being no further new business, the final report of the nominating committee was presented by Mr. Frampton. Upon the reading of the slate of nominees listed below, it was moved and seconded that nominations be closed. The motion carrying unanimously, the secretary was instructed to cast a unanimous ballot for the following:



J. R. GIBSON, 423/M, is now in a veteran's hospital as the result of his service as a POW at Bad Orb. Mail will reach him at his home address, 218½ Taylor St., Apt. 4, Amarillo, Tex.

T/SGT PETER GALLO, 423/D, killed in action. We are anxious to secure information

about his death or last days.

EDWARD B. HJERPÉ, M/Sgt, 422/L, killed on 31 Mar. '45 in an air raid while at the Halle POW hospital. If you have information about his capture, prisoner life or last days, please send it to us.

IAN ALASTAIR MORRISON, Pvt, 422/1st Bn Hq, believed to be killed or missing in action. Please send us any information you have on this man. He was at one time a resident of

Newark, N. J.

LOWELL WHITTEMORE, Pvt, 423/A, died at Stalag IV-A in March 1945, formerly a resident of Framingham, Mass. Please send us any information about this man's death or prisoner of war life.

JAMES B. MOOL, 1st Lt, Special Service Officer of Hq Divarty, killed at Frankfurt-am-Main, Germany, 5 May '45, will be interred at the Arlington National Cemetery in Washington, according to information we have received from his wife, Mrs. Nita S. Mool, 116 Wilson St., Beckley, W. Va.

CAPT. AUSTIN (BUD) TURNER, Company D and Hq Co, 1st Bn, 422d Inf, died on 5 Sep., '48 from wounds suffered in the bombing at Nuremburg where many other 106th POWs were killed. His spleen was ruptured as a result of concussion, and operative treatment by a German surgeon prolonged his life for three years. Bud was managing a filling station in Pine Bluff, Ark. He was a splendid officer, and his popularity and ability are attested to by no less than five Association members who wrote the CUB in September to tell us of his passing.

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CAPT. CARL W. KELLSTROM, 6841 ASU ROTC, Box 367, San Diego, Calif., K/424, sends best regards to those who remember "King One" and "Stupo". He recently sent us the biggest check we have received in 1948, for sustaining membership, memorial fund, and So. Calif. chapter membership.

WALTER M. SNYDER, (Pittsburgh), 357 Orchard St., Springdale, Pa., 589th FA Bn, is a student at the Univ. of Pittsburgh. He is in the ROTC, Air Corps.

ORVILLE T. SWISHER, 106th Sig Co., Phila-

delphia, Mo., is in the farming business.

HARRY G. WILKERS, (Metro), 423/I, 2221 39th St., Pensauken, N. J., a former POW, is now married, has a baby daughter, has won a commission in the New Jersey Nat'l Guard.

FREDERICK L. WILKERSON, 422/M, still has some foot trouble as a result of the march between Bad Orb and Limberg while a POW. He is married, has a year-old son, and lives at 412 Grove St., Washington Grove, Md.

#### **CONVENTION PHOTOGRAPHS**

John Patrick, Speed Graphic Pictures, 1941 North Delaware St., Indianapolis, offers many fine photos of the 1947 and 1948 conventions to men of the Division at the special prices of \$1.50 for the 14 x 11 group photo, 75c for 5 x 7 photos, or an assortment of 10 5 x 7 shots for \$5.00. Among the subjects offered are:

#25, 1948 Board of Directors; #7, Governor Schricker, Dave Price and Vin Harrold; #8, Registration; #12, Al Harding and Mrs. Yarling; #2, Speakers Table, showing Huxel, Roberts, Schnizlein, and Fathers Day and Cavanaugh; #1, Hackler, Huxel, Harrold & Price balancing the books; #16, 21 and 23, different views of Memorial Service; #9, "Welcome 106th" sign on Claypool, Schnizlein; #3, Speakers Table, with Father Boyle, Gen. McMahon and guest, Col. Stout; #15, same group as #3; Chicago Chapter Officers, taken in May, '48; Front cover, August, '48 CUB; Convention Committee, p. 3, August CUB; and many photos of '47 convention which appeared in past issues of the CUB.

ELDER S. WOLFE, JR., 424/K, Rt. 1, Elyria, Ohio, is entering his junior year in the College of Agriculture at Cornell Univ., Ithaca, N. Y.



We have secured a line of merchandise bearing the division emblem. Any item described below can be ordered through Association Headquarters, 1115 Patterson, Chicago 13, Ill.

#### Military Frat Pin, \$2.50

Same as lapel button, but with a "guard", attached by a thin chain, to show what unit you were in. Built like a college fraternity pin with guard. Available for all regiments, artillery battalions, and for ordnance, signal, quartermaster, chemical warfare, finance and medical.

#### Back Issues of the CUB, 25c each

Available only as long as the supply lasts. We have a large supply of the February 1948 issue, fairly good stocks of the June-July 1948, August-September 1948, and August 1946 issues. Our supply of all other issues is either gone or nearly gone.

Stars & Stripes Booklet, "The 106th", 10c

Wristwatch Strap, \$5.00

Handsome gold-plated expansion-type watch band, with division insignia, will fit any man's wristwatch.

Stormliter, \$3.00

Cigarette lighter, with patented wind-proof action, division insignia on front. Good for pipes.

Lapel Pin, \$1.00

The emblem of the Association, all members should have at least one. Rust-proof three-color enamel, will last indefinitely without tarnishing. Auto Emblem, \$1.75

A true-color replica of the shoulder-patch, metal, built to attach to your automobile license plate.

Tie Pin, \$3.00

Fastest-selling item at the '48 convention. Clasps on your shirt, with a strong but thin chain to hold your tie. In the center of the chain, mounted on a colonel's eagle, is the shoulder patch in color.



COL. GEORGE L. DESCHENEAUX, JR., Yarmouth, Maine, CO of the 422d: "Sorry I can't make the convention. I'm still waiting for the medics to give me the green light to go back to work—it'll be some time yet. Regards to all at Indianapolis."

COL. CHARLES C. CAVENDER, AAG-CSD, APO 909, San Francisco, CO of the 423d: "Your June-July issue reached me in Nanking, China. I regret exceedingly that I will be unable to attend the convention. I hope that you will extend to all members of the 106th my sincere wishes for a successful reunion. To you and yours, and especially to the members of the 423d Inf and their families, the best of luck, continued good health, and let's all get in and do our share to enroll that 2,000 membership which our directors have stated is the minimum required to keep the Association financially sound."

LT. COL. FRANK AGULE, Hq 2d Inf Div, Ft. Lewis, Wash., our Division AG: "I am sure you will all have a good time, renew old acquaintances, do a great deal of reminiscing, and generally have a successful convention. Much as I would love to be with you, I am sorry that my present duty status as Adjutant General of the 2d Division does not permit me to do so. On 15 July I had a visit here from COL. LEON KOTZEBUE, CO of the 159th Inf when that regiment was with the 106th. I wish you would remember me to all members of the 106th."

CLIFFORD E. PERRAS, Co H, 424th Inf: "I have moved to the town of Nadeau in the upper peninsula of Michigan where I purchased the Blue Front Hotel and tavern. There are quite a few boys from the 106th in this area. Business is booming. I invite all members to stop and visit me. They are welcome to a drink on the house."

MAJ. LEROY STRONG, 424th and DHQ, now overseas at Hq EUCOM, Intelligence Div, APO 757, New York: (A very long and interesting letter—regret that space prevents printing it all) "When I return to the U. S. I shall make

the first convention a prime objective. Since leaving the 106th I have seen very few of the old group. In the 28th Div I worked for COL. LOU GIBNEY, formerly CO of the 424th. In Europe I met CAPT. ALAN W. JONES who is assigned to the Secretary to the General Staff: LT. TROSS, former CO of a Military Intelligence Detachment with the Division; and a lieutenant who formerly was driver for LT. COL. LYLE "Sheriff" MOWLDS. My present assignment is in the operations branch of the Intelligence Division, an interesting but nervewracking means of making a living. Before returning to Germany I was assigned in Italy and Greece, and for the moment my wife and I live in Heidelberg."

COL. ALEXANDER D. REID, c/o U. S. Embassy, Caracas, Venezuela, CO of the 424th: "I have been on duty as Chief of the U. S. Army Mission to Venezuela. The climate—nearly perfect the year-round—contrasts sharply with what we experienced near St. Vith, Burg Richlen, Comanster, Manhay and Trois Ponts. Some time during 1949, I expect to return to the States for at least a few months—might even catch the 1949 convention! Until then, please help me transmit to all former members of the 424th the kindest regards and best wishes of (that old S.O.B.) or (the Old Man)—take your

choice!"

#### MEMBERSHIP CARDS

By now, every member who has renewed his or her membership for our fiscal year ending 30 June 1949 should have a new light blue-gray membership card. If you have paid your '48-49 dues, let us know right away if you didn't get a membership card. And, if you haven't paid your dues yet, send three dollars to national headquarters right away please.

To become a sustaining member, send us your check for seven dollars, enclosing a slip of paper with your name and address and the statement that the money is for sustaining membership. If you have not already paid your '48-49 dues, send ten dollars if you wish to become a sustaining member.



JOHN C. ADAIR, 81/C, is living at Route 3, Colchester, Ill., and works at Macomb Steel Pro-

ducts Co.

FRANCIS E. ANDERSON, treasurer of the Chicago Chapter, Tec 4, 106th Sig Co., works for the Litsinger Motor Co., (Ford), is married, and has a young daughter. Frank lives at 2517

No. Halsted St., Chicago, Ill.

CLYDE E. BARRINGER, T/Sgt., 424/C and 423/A, is attending jet propulsion mechanic's school, having re-enlisted in April, '48. Mail should be sent to his home address, 329 So. Lee St., Salisbury, N. C.



JAMES A. BARD, 423/I, has just received his B.S. degree in metallurgy from Penn. State, and is now with Bethlehem Steel Co. His present address is 309 Cherokee St., Bethlehem. Pa.

JOHN E. BLAIR, S/Sgt, 590/Hq, POW and Purple Heart, now lives at 12 Bala Ave., Bala-Cynwyd, Pa. He is in the plastics business.

WARREN C. BOSSEN, (Chicago), 815 No. Laramie Ave., Chicago 51, Cpl. 592/A, is now

a decorator.

BRIG. GEN. W. RONALD C. BROCK, former Divarty CG, was recently appointed commander of the 27th Inf. Div, N. Y. National Guard.

CHRIS CARAWAN, JR., 424/F, Box 116, Bath, N. C., announces the birth of daughter Cindy Lee, 17 Aug. '48, weight 8½ lbs.

THADDEUS CELMAR, (Chicago), Cpl. 424/M, owns and operates a grocery store. He

lives at 1958 Dickens Ave., Chicago.

RAY E. COTTINGHAM, 424/K, 449 E. Mohave Rd., Tucson, Ariz., says, "I'd still like to hear from some of those reprobates who were going to write to me, especially Bill Craig".

NORMAN W. DUVALL, 423d, has been transferred to Norwich, Conn., as manager of the Morse Shoe Store. Mail reaches him at the Nor-

wich YMCA.

RUSSELL A. BENIGNO, (Metro), 7 Bender Pl., Cilffside Park, N. J., POW, purple Heart, 422/2d Bn Hq, received his B. A. in geography from Clark Univ. in Worcester, Mass, in 1947, got married that summer, and since then has been with the Hagstrom Map Co. as a cartologist.



D O N A L D R. CANDY, (Metro), 423/MD, is entering bis second year at Union Theological Seminary. His present address is 600 W. 122nd St., New York 27, N.

ROBERT D. ELDRIDGE, 422/G, 449 Maple St., PO Box 12, Mansfield, Mass., writes that he is working in the Cushing V. A. Hospital, Framington, Mass., and asks that any of the boys in that hospital or passing through the vicinity look him up.

ROBERT B. ESTES, 81/A, is living in Ripley, Miss. He was a POW at Stalag XIII-C, Hammelburg. In renewing his membership he writes, "Wouldn't be without the CUB. It's like a letter

from home."

DR. MARTIN M. FISCHBEIN, Div. Psychiatrist, lives at 976 Sanford Ave., Irvington, N. J. He announces the birth of a son, Lewis Conrad, on 10 July '48.

JOHN J. FISCHER, JR., 422/Svc, 6519 Crest Ridge Cir., Cincinnati 13, O., is a stock broker with Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Beane.

RODMAN H. FISCHER, (Metro), 423/B & G, is selling for Winfield Dress Co., and attends Long Island Univ. at night. He lives at 723 E. 27th St., Brooklyn.



FRANK A. HOHE-NADEL, JR., (Chicago), Capt. 424th, is a field representative with Aetna Casualty & Surety Co., lives at 1252 Catalpa Ave., Chicago 40, Ill. EDWARD L. LUZZIE, (Chicago), Major, 590th FA, Purple Heart with cluster and a POW is now an attorney at 6724 Stony Island Ave., Chicago 49.

DONALD R. MARTINSON, (Boston), 423/B, 86 Union St., Apt. 42, East Lynn, Mass., is a stock inventory clerk with Western Auto

Supply Co.

LESTER L. McCOOL, T/Sgt, 422/2nd Bn Hq, writes that an expected blessed event kept him from the '48 convention, but that he'll be there in '49. Les is a milkman, lives at 1515 Fourth Ave., Altoona, Pa.



MERLIN D. VIN-ING, (Metro), 423/ AT, is a student at Drew Theological Seminary. Mail reaches him at 33 Maple Ave., Madison, N. J. Since his discharge, he has acquired a wife and degree from Ohio Wesleyan.

ROBERT J. MITROS, 1st Sgt., 424/1st Bn Hq, is still in the army and is now stationed in Japan. His home address is 1020 Fifth St., N. W.,

Grand Rapids 4, Mich.

EDWARD P. NEIWEEM, (Chicago), 592/A, 1136 Hill Rd., Winnetka, Ill., is a salesman with the Sylvania Div. of Amer. Viscose Corp. He travels Wisc., Minn., the Dakotas and upper Mich. He was in an auto accident the day before our convention, got a fractured knee, but writes that he is now getting along fine.

EDWARD NELSON, 590/C, has moved from Illinois to 323 S. Coral Ave., Compton, Calif. He is employed by the Tuxedo Candy Co. of Los

Angeles as a planning clerk.

GEORGE F. PHILLIPS, Red Cross, is executive director of the Fayette County Chapter of the ARC in Uniontown, Pa.

LOUIS G. PIERIE, 6912 Sherman St., Philadelphia 19, Pa., 424/D, is technical director of

the Galbar Paint & Varnish Co.

ALAN W. WALKER, Tec 4, 106th Div Band, was graduated from the Univ. of Illinois in June, spent the summer in Europe. His home address is 827 E. Calboun St., Macomb, Ill.



1ST LT. DELBERT VAN EDGETTE, 424th, is on his way to the Phillipines, can be addressed at Casual Personnel Sec, 22d Base PO, APO 900, San Francisco.

ROBERT P. STOUT, Lt Col, Division G-2, is the Association's new vice president. He is an attorney, resides at 248 Monterery Ave., Pelham 65, N. Y., and has been a committee worker in the formation of the Metropolitan Chapter.



CHARLES W. RICHARDS, (Metro), 423/Svc, a POW at Stalag IV-B, is with the executive offices of the Singer Mfg. Co. He recently bought a home on Everett Ave., Wyckoff, N. J.

ROBERT RINGER, 284 E. Royal Forest Blvd., Columbus, is an accountant in the business office of Ohio State Univ. He was with the 591st FA

Bn.

ALDEN F. RUSSELL, RFD, Alexandria Bay, N. Y. is in the dairy farming business. He was with the 424th, Companies M, L and D.



DR. HANS WACHTIL, surgeon with DHQ and Co. D, 331st Medics, is shown with children Rickey and Susan. A member of our Chicago Chapter, he lives at 7926 So. Chappel, Chicago.

JOHN SHAMA, (Boston), 423/H, 9 Cheever St., Danvers, Mass., recently graduated from Salem Commercial School, and is in the national guard with Btry. A, 102d FA Bn 26th Div. He'd like to hear from his buddies.

ROBERT M. SHAVER, 102 Andrew Pl., W. Lafayette, Ind., is completing his education at Purdue. He was with the 424th's Hq and G Companies, would like to get photos from the TWCA

Center at Grenoble, France.

EDWARD L. SHUTE, RR No. 2, Waynetown, Ind., is a sophomore at Purdue, studying electrical engineering. He was with 423/A and Co. G, 159th Inf.



ALFRED E. MEYER, 422/G, 2222 Fairmont Ave., New Albany, Ind. now works as a truck driver in Louisville, Ky.



WILBERT V. RU-ONA, (Mich.), 589th, is studying auto mechanics, managing the local theater, has a young son and baby daughter, and owns his own home at Route 1, Wakefield, Mich.

RICHARD T. FOX, 423/B, 912 E. 2nd St., Oil City, Pa., is studying civil engineering at Tri-State College. He was a POW at IX-B, Bad Orb. HENRY E, FREEDMAN, 422/Hq and a POW, now lives at 827 Argonne Ave., N. E., Atlanta,

Ga.

DANIEL N. GARRITANO, 424/AT, 535 E. Judson Ave., Youngstown 5, Ohio, was married in June, '48.

FRANK R. GLOVER, (Chicago), 422/3d

Bn Hq, lives at Ohio, Ill., is a carpenter.

RICHARD A. HARTMAN, 218 Woodlawn Rd., Baltimore 10, Md., Bn Survey Sgt. of the 590th, recently graduated from Loyola College, where he majored in English, was president of the veteran's club, and directed sports publicity. Dick is now with the Automobile Club of Maryland as Director of Public Relations. He is working on a combat history of the 590th FA Bn for publication in the CUB.



KENNETH T. DICK and JIM KOENEN, 106th Sig Co., at St. Quentin, France in March, 1945. Dick now attends Marquette Univ., and lives at 2942 No. 54th St., Milwaukee, Wisc.

CHARLES L. HEALEY, JR., 422/F, works in Wall Street, lives at 3608 Park Ave., Weehawken, N. J. He is still single.

JOHN H. HURLEY, JR., 106th Sig Co., 80 Hunnewell Ave., Bhighton, Mass., is entering his senior year at Suffolk Univ. in Boston.

ARTHUR B. JEBENS, 2700 So. 16th St., Apt. 654, Arlington, Va., is with the Reclamation Bureau of the Dept. of the Interior. He was with

422d's Fox Co.



ALBERT H. WIL-SON, 422/Cn, 3 Garfield St., Saco, Maine, now operates a Tydol station. He'd like to bear from fellows who were in Stalag IV-B with bim.



WILLIAM L. ROUB, Tec 4, 106th Recon and DHQ/G-2, is at college in Denver. His home address is 901 17th Ave., Monroe, Wisc.

SIGFRED J. JOHNSON, (Chicago), Pfc, 423/AT, Purple Heart, is married, is an engineer in the metallic door business, and lives at 7156 So. Aberdeen St., Chicago 21, Ill.

JOSEPH A. KOPAČZ, (Chicago), 1114 No. Richmond St., Chicago 22, cannoneer and truck driver with 592/B, is now a machine operator.

WILLIAM J. LAWSON, 423/H, is a chemist with Merck & Co., in Rahway, N. J. Mail should be sent to his home at 15 McDougall Ave., Hornell, N. Y.

VANCE S. JEN-NINGS, 106th Sig Co, is entering his junior year at the Eastman School of Music, Rochester, N. Y. His home address is 1919 N. W. 15th St., Oklahoma City, Okla.



REUBEN E. LEBEAUX, 424/F, was graduated from Stockbridge School of Agriculture at the Univ. of Mass., and now works for a nursery and landscape firm in Hartford. His address is 274 Walnut St., Shrewsbury, Mass.

OLIVER A. LOTHROP, JR., (Boston), 91 Neshobe Rd., Waban 68, Mass., 423/B, won his degree in chemistry from Williams College in

1948.



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#### FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Year ending 30 June 1948

announcement to 42,000 men.

EXPENSES:		INCOME:	
CUB	\$2,601.48	1947-48 dues	\$3,385.00
Wages, to 9-30-47	527.60	Sales and fees	184.51
Wages, from 10-1-47	105.30	Miscellaneous	104.80
Printing and supplies	338.42		
Postage	198.42	TOTAL OPERATING INCOME	\$3,674.31
Travel (moving Hq)	114.35	OPERATING DEFICIT, 1947-48	\$559.96
Telephone & telegraph	50.36	*1947 Convention Expenses	\$4,490.85
Chapter promotion	110.70	1947 Convention Income	1,804.00
Cost of goods sold	80.50	1717 Convention Income	
Corporate service	50.00	Loss on 1947 convention	\$2,686.85
Depreciation	35.50		\$2,000.07
Miscellaneous	21.64	*Convention expense includes the cost of printing, addressing and mailing a general publicity	

\$4,234.27