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• • • **IN MEMORY OF OUR DEPARTED COMRADES** • • •

The Great Seal of the United States on the new Veterans Memorial Building in Detroit formed the very appropriate background for the Memorial Service for our departed comrades during the 4th Annual Convention of the 106th Infantry Division Association.

In the photo, L to R: Rev. Father E. T. Boyle (424th), St. Bernard's Parish, Chicago; J. M. Gillespie (422/C), Detroit; Mrs. David Woodson, Sr., (mother of David, Jr. who was KIA with 424/D, Inkster, Mich.; Mrs. Bertha Stiles (1950 Auxiliary President), Chicago; and R. E. Kelly (423/Sv, AT), Detroit.

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President's Column

EDWARD L. LUZZIE

The two most essential duties of a member of any organization are condensed into two important words - Cooperation and Promotion.

An organization cannot survive without ultimate cooperation of each and every member of the Association. By cooperation, I stress that if your heart and soul is in your association, you'll respond to any assistance required of you to carry on and advance the work of it. This includes your help in Chapter Promotion. If the editorial office should request for any information or assistance for the CUB, you're cooperative duty would be to sit down and write your reply at once. A supply of voluntarily submitted news articles wouldn't make it necessary for the editor to hound the members for enough material to get an issue out each month. When I speak of Association Promotion, I expect every member to be an agent - agent of the 106th Infantry Division Association, acting especially for your organization by being on the lookout for new members and active Chapter workers. If you should know of a buddy who isn't a member, promote the Association by explaining it's purposes and have him join right then and there.

Let's all do a little more 'pitching' for the 106th. If we do, our national association will continue to grow in value to the children of our comrades who never returned.

The nineways to kill an organization.
(1) Don't come to the meeting - but if you do, come late. (2) If the weather doesn't suit you don't think of coming. (3) If you do not attend the meetings, find fault with the work of members and officers who do attend. (4) Nevertheless, get sore if you are not appointed on a committee, but if you are appointed, do not attend the meetings or do a thing to help. (5) If asked by the chairman to give your opinion on some important matter, tell him you have nothing to say. Then, after the meeting, tell everybody

how things should be run. (6) Never accept an office. It is easier to criticize than to do things. (7) Do nothing more than is absolutely necessary, but when other members roll up their sleeves and willingly and unselfishly use their ability to help matters along, howl loud and strong that the organization is 'being run by a 'CLIQUE.' (8) Don't bother about getting new members; 'Let George do it.' (9) Never pay your dues. You always get something for nothing.

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CHICAGO CHAPTER AUXILIARY

The President, Mrs. Herb Meagher, says the card party held at the St. Bernard's Parish Hall on September 29th could have been better attended but expresses her thanks to those who did come out and contributed to such a worthy cause - The Memorial Fund.

Mrs. Russ Villwock, Mrs. Jim Teason and Mrs. Wright, along with the President, have offered their services in the kitchen so that the Chicago Chapter's December 16th Reunion will get their superior luncheon service.

WITH APOLOGIES TO MR. BARTON

In the 'What They Are Doing' column of the last issue, the snapshot with the Post Exchange Depot sign in the background, is that of CHARLES H. BARTON (DHQ Blue Band), Box 143, Greenfield, Illinois, instead of Fred Burnham (DHQ) also from Greenfield, Illinois.

STAGE SET FOR PITTSBURGH NATIONAL CONVENTION

Pittsburgh, the 'Hearth of the World', began preparations with plans formulated at their first meeting, September 26th, for a royal welcome for the members of the Golden Lion Division when we gather at the magnificent Hotel William Penn for our 5th Annual Convention on FRIDAY, SATURDAY, AND SUNDAY, JULY 27, 28 and 29, 1951.

The Pittsburgh Chapter promises that this will be a memorable visit with a stimulating program, lavish entertainment, and all the attractions that America's 10th largest city can offer to visitors.

Almost six years have passed since the 106th Infantry Division Association met for the first time in Camp Lucky Strike, France, while we veterans of the Bulge were waiting for embarkation to our homeland. We were proud of the battles won to promote peace on earth and looked forward to living a peace-loving life back in the States.

But, once again, the young men of America are fighting on foreign soil and all of us hope and pray that history will not repeat itself; that the fire in Korea will not blaze forth into World War III. Yet, we would be most unrealistic if we did not recognize the danger which presently confronts us veterans of World War II and our families.

Our Association is well aware of the part which we must play in this post-war period. Many of our buddies were killed in action and left behind their wives and children. To help these widows and orphans, it is of ultimate importance for our association to meet at least once a year and discuss such pressing problems as the education of these orphans of 106th men KIA, through scholarship grants from our growing Memorial Fund.

This all-important matter alone will justify Golden Lion men traveling to Pittsburgh to attend the 1951 convention. However, the convention program embraces numerous other worthwhile features such as tours through Pittsburgh's main industrial plants. Looking around Pittsburgh you'll find that it is the second largest city in the state - a site which George Washington selected. During an expedition to western Pennsylvania in 1753, Major Washington wrote in his journal: 'I spent some time in reviewing the rivers and the land at the fork (junction of the Allegheny, Monongahela

and Ohio Rivers) which I think extremely well situated for a fort, as it has absolute command of both rivers.' It was during this expedition that Washington nearly lost his life fording the Allegheny River one cold December night. Today the Washington Crossing Bridge at 40th Street spans the Allegheny at this historic spot.

With the opening of the Spring of 1754, a small party of English under Captain Trent, a British Officer, commenced the erection of a stockade on the ground that Washington selected. Before the work was finished, a French expedition from Venango, came down the Allegheny and overwhelmed the few English soldiers. Captain Trent capitulated and the French erected the famous fortification which they named Fort Duquesne. The garrison was reinforced and they firmly established themselves in possession.

For a year the French remained unmolested. General Braddock's army, numbering about 2,000 men left Alexandria, Va., April 20, 1755, with Fort Duquesne as their objective. After a tedious journey and many hardships on July 9th, they reached a point just a few miles from the fort, but were ambushed by the French and Indians near the mouth of Turtle Creek (near where the Westinghouse Electric Plant now stands) and put to rout.

In the summer of 1759, General John Forbes was placed in command of a second expedition against Fort Duquesne. Forbes army of 2,000 was joined by the Virginia troops under Washington and reached Fort Ligonier (50 miles southeast of Pittsburgh) early in September. A reconnoitering party of 800 men under Major James Grant was attacked and captured on Grant's Hill, almost the identical site of the William Penn Hotel. However, when General Forbes with the main body was within a days march of the fort, the French evacuated after blowing up the magazines and setting fire to the ramparts, and retreated down the Ohio River.

The fort was renamed Fort Pitt in honor of William Pitt, England's Prime Minister. The fort was rebuilt and the settlement which rapidly grew up around it was called Pittsburgh. Because of Indian attacks in 1763, Colonel Bouquet built a brick redoubt of block house outside the ramparts of the fort and today this structure is all that remains of the elaborate fortification that is said to have cost Great Britain \$300,000.

(Continued on inside back cover)

"FISH CHEESE" IN STALAG VIII

(An incident which occurred in Stalag VIII located near Gorkitz, Germany, sometime around January 20, 1945.)

'A group of American P. W.'s were assigned into their respective barracks upon their arrival to Stalag VIII and as was the custom of the Germans, the Ranking Non-Com was placed in charge of the barrack he occupied. Being in charge of this barrack, it was the Non-Com's duty to go to the German Community Kitchen to draw rations for all of the men in his barrack, therefore, coming in contact with Germans working in the kitchen, the Non-Com's were in a position (by one means or another) to obtain extra food. On this particular occasion, the barrack leader who was a 1st Sgt. returned from the kitchen with a box of 'fish cheese'. We called it such because of its decided fish odor, related Nathan M. Roth (592d FA Bn/B), now a Counselor at Law in New York City. Ordinarily, I can assure you I nor any other American would not look at this stuff but being in a continuous state of hunger, it was indeed a very appealing morsel. This sergeant was not inclined to share his gains with anyone but instead offered to sell other American prisoners a piece of cheese for two cigarettes. Those of us that had the cigarettes bought the cheese.

At this time, I, Nathan M. Roth, was buddied-up with Vincent J. Grennis (592d FA Bn/B) and Eredenko (592d FA Bn/B & Sp Sv). We three had no cigarettes or any other media of exchange with which to acquire this cheese.

So, in this barrack, the Germans provided boards approximately 20 feet long and 6 feet wide for sleeping purpose. Ten men slept in this area. These were built in three tiers so that ten men slept in the bottom, ten in the middle tier and ten on top. The space between tiers was about 2½ feet, making the top tier about 5½ feet from the ground.

At 'lights out' that night, I went to sleep but sometime during the middle of the night, I was awakened by Grennis and Eredenko who gave me two pieces of cheese which without any question, I proceeded to eat at once. This was no time for conversation, however, the next morning an awful uproar occurred. The 1st Sgt. who slept above us on the third tier was raising the devil. We slept on the first tier. It seems that he went to sleep using the box of cheese as a pillow and while his head rested upon box during the night, someone had slit

the side of the box open with a razor and removed the cheese.

It usually isn't the practice of one American stealing from another, but in the prison camps it was a question of 'dog eat dog', therefore, the accomplishment of Eredenko assisted by Grennis in acquiring the fish cheese in pitch darkness was another episode in the life of a P. W.'

(Editor's Note) Thanks to Nathan M. Roth of 11 W. 42nd St., NYC, for the interesting story. Vincent J. Grennis lives at 1297 W. 15th Ave., Gary, Ind., and Eredenko was from NYC; address not available. All three forward observers were ambushed on their way to the O. P. at dawn in December 1944.

CHICAGO CHAPTER NEWS

The monthly publication of the Chicago Chapter, edited by Vincent Stiles (424/1st Bn Hq), Lawrence Walden (424/H), and James Teason, has done wonders in keeping the chapter together. The new editors are doing a great job. From the November issue, we were informed that all plans for a big December 16th Reunion are on the way. The 16" Motorola TV set for which tickets have been sold during the past three months, will be awarded to the holder of the lucky number at the Reunion.

The Chapter membership met November 28th at the U. S. Army Recruiting Office on Chicago's south side at which Frank B. Powell, National President of the 3rd Armored Division Association and Aide-de-camp to National President of the Military Order of the Purple Heart gave an interesting lecture pertaining to problems of organization and holding together such organizations as the 106th Infantry Division Association. Following this, M/Sgt. Amos Wright (424/Sv) showed films to the group. M/Sgt. Wright is a recruiter in Chicago and his new offices were officially opened a few weeks ago with almost as much fanfare as a Hollywood Premier.

BACK IN THE SERVICE

PFC RICHARD H. DILL (422/Hq Co 2d Bn), Prov. Co. 171, APO 613, c/o Postmaster, San Francisco, California, was called to active duty with ERC on October 12th and reported to Camp Stoneman, California, from where he writes and says the army isn't like the good old 106th days. Hessends his regards to all buddies who were in Stalag IX B with him. Richard is married and has a daughter living at his home address, Box 32, West Southport, Maine.

WILLIAM C. ALBERS, JR., (424/I), 1306 S. 8th St., Brainerd, Minnesota, writes a nice letter from the beautiful resort country through which your CUB Editor drove this summer on his vacation. Bill joined the 106th at Camp Atterbury and was transferred from the Air Cadets. He was wounded at Henumont, Belgium on January 13, 1945 and spent six months in hospitals in France and England. The VA supplies him with a prosthetic appliance each year which he is unable to do without. He has eleven of his thirty years completed at the local Post-office and has a family of two boys and one girl - a result of eight years of married life.

THOMAS BICKFORD, 3 Sunnyside Terrace, E. Orange, New Jersey, writes a congratulatory note to the new editor of the CUB. Tom and his wife attended all four conventions and haven't missed a December 16th Reunion in New York.

GEORGE CALL, (424/B), 91 Manchester Pl., Newark 4, New Jersey, known to members of the 424th as George Calathopulos and later also known as George Calathos, would like to hear from 424th buddies.

JUNIOR M. CARTER, (423), 1314 Cassopolis Street, Elkhart, Indiana, writes that he expects to graduate with the degree of Doctor of Veterinary Medicine from Michigan State in June 1951.

MILIO C. CERIBELLA, (422/A), 1003, 39th Street, Brooklyn 19, New York, has just completed his machinist's training, started three years ago, under the GI Bill. Milio studied at the Brooklyn Technical School. We are sorry to hear that his wife passed away recently. Milio has a daughter, 1 1/2 years of age.



HOWARD R. CLEMENT, (DHQ Sp Trps), 13 Webster Park, Needham 92, Massachusetts, has recently moved. Dr. Clement used to live in West Roxbury, Mass.

M/SGT. GEORGE H. DASH, (423/K&L), 7007 at Air Intelligence, Sv Sq, APO 633, c/o PM, New York, N. Y., writes from somewhere in Europe and hopes to visit some of the areas he visited with the 106th. He is happy to have his family including a new born son along on his travels this time.

HERMES DIAZ, JR. (423/C), 2605, 21st St., Tampa 5, Florida, says he is sorry

to have missed the convention but couldn't make it because he had taken his vacation before that time. Blackie (his nickname) would like to hear from some of his army buddies.

CLIFTON O. FOCHT, (590/Sv), Box 597, Los Alamos, New Mexico, is selling automobiles in the atomic city where he moved recently from Longmont, Colo. Clifton would like to hear from 106th men in his new locality.

CARL E. FOX, (423/C), Apt. 108F, Huskerville, Lincoln, Nebraska, works for the Soil Conservation Service but is also studying Agronomy at the University in Lincoln. His red-headed daughter will be in school next year.

ARNOLD GOLDBERG, (331st/Hq), Rear 87 Kensington Ave., Uniontown, Pennsylvania, is now the editor of the Evening Standard in Uniontown.

HENRY V. HAYDEN, (81st/C), 1320 1/2 Pearl Street, Columbus, Indiana, owns and operates the Hayden Electric Co. in his hometown. Having two employees, he is out selling and servicing industrial motors. Henry has a daughter, Jane Brooks, now 2 1/2 years old.

FORREST W. HEMMING, (806 Ord), 168 Overlook Avenue, Wadsworth, Ohio, is a compositor at the Ohio Match Company in Wadsworth.

R. F. HOWELL, JR. has moved in his hometown and now lives at 122 Hassell Place, Charlotte 7, North Carolina.

JOHN B. HURSEY, (Hq Btry Div Arty), 33 Washington Square, W., New York 11, N.Y., sent us this snapshot taken at the Wellington Hotel, 55th St., & 7th Ave., NYC, of members of the 106th Div Arty who met there for a unit Reunion recently. John is manager of the Wellington.



Present at the get-together were Polino, Sherer, Blake, Szaitti, Meyer, Hursey and Iacona. The wives attended also. Another Reunion was held at Meyer's home in Paramus, New Jersey, at which Doc. Malpin and Libera were present. The next meeting will be held on February 10th at the Wellington. Anyone desiring to attend, contact John.

KENNETH F. JOHNSON, (592/B), c/o Vassar Studios, Two Rivers, Wisconsin, followed up the photography business after his discharge from the Army. Kenneth's hometown is Iron River, Michigan.

JOSEPH KRAFCHIK, (Hq Det 331st Med), 165 Rutgers St., New Brunswick, New Jersey, is now a practicing accountant in his home town.

HERBERT B. LIVESEY, JR., (DHQ), 141 Beach Ave., Mamaroneck, N. Y., informs us he now is Executive Secretary of the National Association of Printing Ink Makers, 1440 Broadway, NYC, - one block from Times Square. He also is Chemical Officer of the 77th Inf Div (Reserves) NYC, and is anxiously awaiting the arrival of another event - boy or girl due in February.

REV. ROBERT A. LUNDY, (423), Methodist Church Winnemucca, Nevada, was a Chaplain with the 106th from activation to October 1944. He is now minister of the Community Methodist Church of Winnemucca and Chaplain (Major) of the Nevada National Guard.

BENHARDT T. MAKI, (592/B), 12646 Sussex, Detroit 27, Michigan, sends a congratulatory letter to the new editor. Ben got married immediately upon his discharge from the army and now has a cute girl, four years of age. He says, 'many an evening while watching television, my mind drifts back over the years and I recall the good times along with the hardships we fellows shared in the 106th. I sure think a lot of the 106th Inf. Div. Association.'

ROBERT W. MILLS, (423/A), Box 246, La Fontaine, Indiana, operates his own barber shop in his home town.

ROBERT B. MORRISON, (424/G), 630 N. Aiken Avenue, Pittsburgh 6, Pa., is an employee of the Pittsburgh Limestone Corporation, and is very actively working on plans for the 1951 convention.

FLOYD W. POWELL, (422/G), 5590 Radnor, Detroit 24, Michigan, has a nice business selling Hunting Lodges and other types of shelter for people who like to 'rough it'.

HARRY PULLEN, (424/F), 3963 Myers Road, Memphis 14, Tenn., is a Post Office Clerk in his home town and works with JOE ALFORD (423rd Regt) who is a mail carrier. Joe was one of the unfortunates who got captured during the Bulge. Harry would like to hear from Co. F men.

JOHN J. REYNOLDS, JR., (424/H), 220 Adelphi St., Brooklyn 5, N. Y., is taking a course in Accounting and General Business. He would like to hear what happened to Company H after he was wounded on February 17, 1945. Two of John's buddies, Thompson and Van Dyke were killed right alongside of him.

JOHN L. RINCK, (331st Med), 967 Cherry Street, San Carlos, California, is a Pharmacist. While attending a reserve officers meeting recently, John saw Captain Ralph Towne from Fort Ord, Cal.

ROMEO J. ROSSI, (422/C), 3813 Cadieux Road, Detroit, Michigan, announces the birth of a new baby, Pamela Lynn Rossi, born June 30, 1950.

WILLIAM L. ROUB, (106th RCN), 1244 Grant Denver, Colorado, and formerly from Monroe, Wisconsin, is a senior at the University of Denver, majoring in General Business.

ROBERT E. RUTT, (422/Hq), 14447 Young Avenue, Detroit 5, Michigan, is now the father of five. Mr. and Mrs. Rutt were blessed with a daughter born on October 18, 1950. This makes a family of four girls and one boy.

JOSEPH L. RYALS, (424/Hq), 1121 1/2 Pulaski, Lansing, Michigan, is a load dispatcher with the Board of Water and Electric Light Commissioners in Lansing.

JOSEPH P. SALBER, (423 & 424), 350 Ross Way, Sacramento 19, California, moved to California from Dayton, Ohio in 1949 and is working for the Simpson Logging Co. as a salesman of insulation board covering Northern California and Nevada. Joe's wife, and two sons, Jimmy 8, and Tommy 4, are enjoying the climate. Joe wants to hear from all 106th members in his new territory.

PERRY H. SCHUSTER, Rt. 3, Slayton, Minnesota, is a former Chicago Chapter member but having moved to his hometown, he says, he misses the get-togethers he used to attend. Perry and his family like the country very well. His family consists of three children - Douglas 5, Cheryl 4, and Craig 10 months. Perry is a cream buyer for the Worthington Produce Co. and invites any 106th buddy traveling through to stop in. (Editor's Note) Wish I would have known of this invitation when I spent a night at Edgewater Beach Cabins on Lake Shetek, just on the outskirts of Slayton, on my vacation trip to South Dakota this August.

RALPH W. SHIPPY, (589/Hq), 530 Church Street, Stevens Point, Wisconsin, joined the 106th in October '44 and after discharge in 1945 he joined his brother as a partner in the retail shoe business. He is married and has two children.

PANZERS STRUCK -

106th STUCK IT OUT

'During the night of December 15, 1944, front line units of the 106th noticed increased activity in the German Panzer positions. At 0540 the enemy began to lay down a thunderous artillery barrage.

At first, fire was directed mainly against the northern flank sector of the 14th Cavalry Group which held the northern flank and attached to the 106th. Slowly the barrage crept southward, smashing strongpoints along the whole division front. Treetops snapped like toothpicks under murderous shell bursts. Doughs burrowed into their foxholes and fortifications, waited tensely for the attack which would follow.

At 0700 the barrage lifted in the forward areas, although St. Vith remained under fire. Now came the attack. Waves of Volksgrenadiers, spearheaded by panzer units, smashed against the division's lines in a desperate try for a decisive, early breakthrough. They were stopped. A second attack was thrown against the division. Nazis threw in wave after wave of fresh troops, replacing their losses. There were no replacements for the 106th.

Finally, the 14th Cav. Gp. was forced to withdraw on the north flank, giving the Germans their first wedge in the division front. Enemy tanks and infantry hacked at the slowly widening gap in an effort to surround the 422nd.

In the meantime, a second tank-led assault, supported by infantry and other panzers, hammered relentlessly at the 423rd and 424th. Early next morning a wedge was driven between the two regiments. This southern German column then swung north to join the one that had broken through in the 14th's sector. The 422nd and 423rd were surrounded. The 424th pulled back to St. Vith. Surrounded, the 422nd and 423rd fought on. Ammunition and food ran low. Appeals were radioed to HQ to have supplies flown in, but the soupy fog which covered the

frozen countryside made air transportation impossible. The two encircled regiments regrouped early December 18th for a counter-attack aimed at breaking out of the steel trap. This bold thrust was blocked by sheer weight of German numbers.

Low on ammunition, food gone, ranks depleted by three days and nights of ceaseless in-fighting, the 422nd and 423rd battled on from their foxholes and old Siegfried Line bunkers. They fought the ever-growing horde of panzers with bazookas, rifles and machine guns. One of their last radio messages was, 'Can you get some ammunition through?'

Then, no more was heard from the two encircled regiments except what news was brought back by small groups and individuals who escaped the trap. Many were known to have been killed. Many were missing. Many turned up later in German prison camps.

Among those daring doughs from Anti-Tank Co., 423rd Inf. Regt., who were found in German prison camps and now members of the Association who get together at each convention are seen in this photo sent to the editorial office by Richard W. Nethers, 131 Poland Ave., Struthers, Ohio. From L to R you'll see Ralph J. Tyree, 512 E. Parish St., Sandusky, Ohio; Ralph G. Steed, Robins, N. C.; Richard W. Nethers, 131 Poland Ave., Struthers, Ohio; Glenn N. Kennedy, 212 E. Bloomington, Iowa City, Iowa; and Walter Hiltbrand, 455 Eighth St., Salem, Ohio. Other members of Anti-Tank Co., 423rd Rgt. not in the photo are Sigfred J. Johnson, 7156 S. Aberdeen, Chicago; and Bernard Waldow, Jr., 163 N. Small Drive, Beverly Hills, California.



ANTI-TANK COMPANY
423RD REGT. Prisoners of War.

AS THE EDITOR SEES IT.

Which are You?



Arvo O.
Paananen,
Editor

The 106th Infantry Division Association is almost six years old now. The steadily growing Memorial Fund is being built up to help pay for the education of the children of those who didn't come back. By holding National and local reunions, and through publication of our Division History, we believe that we've partially paid the debt we owe to our buddies KIA during World War II.

For an association which has made such considerable progress since it's organization six years ago, there are altogether too many changes made in the files of the membership. Is it necessary that we wait for that bill for the 1950-51 dues? When we know our membership is lapsing, a minute in the memory of those who died for us, is all that's required to forward our dues to the Adjutant, Robert E. Kelly, 2034 National Bank Building, Detroit 26, Michigan. It seems so unnecessary to shuffle the membership cards and addressograph plates continually from the current to the expired and vice versa files.

From the brief experience with the association files, I have found that all association members fall into a certain category, therefore, I have classed them zoologically. Which are you?

THE WHEEL HORSE - knows the value of teamwork and realizes that cooperative effort gets the load to the top of the hill.

THE FLEA - Jumps on the membership roll one year, jumps off the next.

THE POUTER PIGEON - The same spoiled child who picked up his marbles and went home when the game didn't suit him.

THE SLOTH - Accepts favors but never reciprocates.

THE NIGHTINGALE - Belongs just so he gets a chance to warble 'Sweet Adeline'.

THE CHAMELEON - Attends meetings more to find out what others are doing than to offer cooperative service.

THE OSTRICH - Never joins up, but continues to hide his head in the sand under the false assumption that the Big, Bad Wolf of business efficiency won't dig in after him.

Chaplain's Column



REV. EDWARD

T. BOYLE

Less than one percent of humanity have caused the most of the world's major trouble. Less than one percent living in the United States are undermining the government. This handful - regardless of labels - share a militant hatred of the basic truth upon which this nation is founded (and without which it cannot endure) every human being is a child of God, deriving his rights *from God, not the state.*

Anyone driven by such hatred seldom keeps it to himself. He becomes a missionary of evil striving to reach the many - not the few. He has gotten into one of the four fields that touch the lives of most people the world over: (1) Education, (2) Government, (3) Trade Unions. (4) Writing end of newspapers, magazines, books, radio, motion picture, and television.

If only one percent go as zealous workers in these fields, and strive as hard to restore the fundamental truth, the other one percent are working so furiously to eliminate, they can counteract the evil of those who would destroy our American Way of Life. This is the objective of the Christopher Movement.

Each veteran has given years of his life - his sweat and blood to preserve this Way of Life. He should not, must not permit the worms to burrow within and rot the core of our great nation.

You men paid a great price for this America. You want to keep it great and free and happy. Be alert, therefore, and permit not the forces of evil who without moral or scruple would enslave this great and free nation to salvage materialistic, atheistic, totalitarian State. America has given humanity the finest living yet acquired by mankind. Let's keep that standard of living rising. Permit not that it be destroyed.

VISIT YOUR BUDDIES

IN HOSPITALS

'The care and treatment accorded servicemen in our army hospitals is the best in the world. The attention of the Red Cross and their benevolent Grey Ladies is superb.

Overseas in most major hospitals such USO units as the one now being conducted by Bob Hope and other topflight entertainers bring unforgettable moments of pleasure to these men.

But there is still a vast vacancy and unforgivable neglect that only the people themselves can remedy. That is the neglect to visit the boys in the hospitals near them or to phone them (in many hospitals portable phones can be taken right to their beds) or even to write them cheery, newsy, homey, personal letters.

You do not have to actually know these men personally to either visit or write them. They didn't know you personally when they, in many cases, fought and bled to preserve your peace and liberty.

Many veterans have entered hospitals, who hope against hope every time the mail is distributed that they will receive some letter or package, only to sink deep into despondency when they are again forgotten.'

ROBERT E. DODGE (423/Cannon), Veterans Hospital, Roseburg, Oregon, has been a patient for the past year. Bob is formerly from Salem, Oregon.

Memorial Fund

Thank you and God Bless you for remembering the Memorial Fund. This year, more than ever, contributions have been steadily flowing in to the treasurer. Your kindness and generosity have been an inspiration to the Association, of which this fund for the scholarship grants to the children of our battle casualties is the prime objective.

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Balance in the fund as of December 1, 1950; \$1,396.55.

1950 - 1951

NATIONAL AUXILIARY PRESIDENT

'It is with great honor and respect that I accept the office of President of the Auxiliary of the 106th Infantry Division.

I am eligible to membership in the Auxiliary through my husband Merle J. Allen, who served with the 589th FA Bn from activation of the 106th until his capture at 'Parker's Crossroads' on December 23, 1944.

I will do my best to fulfill the responsibility which you have bestowed upon me.

I would like to ask the cooperation of all our members to make this another successful year.'



Mrs. Mary Allen,
President, National
Auxiliary, 106th Infantry
Division Association

Born in Detroit on June 8, 1921, John was reared in the usual American fashion - big family, share of broken limbs, met, challenged, won and lost the fistic engagements with the neighboring kids; eventually entered the learned halls of education, achieving the various levels of knowledge, and upon managing to connive his way out of University of Detroit Prep, he talked himself into trying the University itself.

As was the case with many other young chaps back in '42, schooling lost its interest with the pending call to service.

Early November chills swept the plains of Fort Custer, especially that day of days when the Army finally had its way (with John). Swished, classed, checked, herded, heralded, fitted, pushed, trained, delivered in 52 hours to General Patton's Bastion, Fort Benning Sand Hill, under the colors of the 10th Armored Division. Two years tour with the mechanized giants saw me ranked to Sgt, sent to Fort Knox training school and returned in faster order. Not feeling the Armored forces appreciated his abilities John cast his fate with the boys of the wild blue yonder. This adventure as a cadet to the wings of the Army was short, but oh what a life! Air Corps life was pure and simple Utopia.

Along about May of '44, the AGF suddenly remembered John's long forgotten abilities with one of 'then thar' personal invites to go over and get reacquainted with them through the media of the 106th Inf Division. The rest is history - attached to 422nd Regiment, Company C - overseas - Bulge fatality - released in May '45 - returned home, etc.

Eventually, after training in the lumbering field, John entered the T. W. Hager Lumber Co., as their Eastern Michigan Wholesale Representative.

In September 1948, John picked himself a wonderful wife, the former Shirley Rees; bought a little home, and made one addition to date, a son who's pushing his 15th month. That's John Martin, Jr.

All in all, the years have been eventful, but most enjoyable have been those days at all four 106th Reunions. It is John's hope that he can continue to sign the Convention Register for years to come.

John resides at 19807 Murray Hill, Detroit, 35, Michigan.

BALTIMORE, Maryland-Twenty-three attended the December 16th Reunion held at Thompson's, 5919 York Road, Baltimore, Maryland, at which the after-dinner guest speaker was Colonel Arthur L. Shreve, Chief, Maryland Military District, who spoke on his experiences as a Japanese Prisoner of War. A brief business session followed with John T. Loveless, Jr., presiding, and a movie, 'The Arizona Story' was shown after the meeting. Directors elected for the coming year are Jacques Bloch (422/K), Henry M. Broth (422/I), Austin L. Byrd, Jr., Vernon S. Jenkins and John T. Loveless, Jr. The Toastmaster for the evening was Richard A. Hartman (590th FA Bn). The Pittsburgh Convention was boosted by the President with several indicating their intentions to attend and Sam Blandford (424/G) stressed the KIA project.

CALIFORNIA, Compton-Among the eighteen persons attending the California Reunion on December 16th were Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Lipkin, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Wentzel (422/E), Mr. and Mrs. Allen Loweith (423/Cn), Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Schodt, Mr. and Mrs. Rex Roberts, Mr. and Mrs. Doran Kyle, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Nelson, and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Knox. The guest of honor at the Reunion was Colonel C. C. Cavender (C. O. 423rd), 6513 ASU HQ, California Sub District, Fort MacArthur, San Pedro, California. Col. Cavender is Senior Officer of the Reserve Corps of the area. A short business meeting was held at which time the installation of the President, Harold Knox, 1131 E. 144 Street, Compton California, took place. Because the Auxiliary voted that each wife take the corresponding office to which their husband is installed, Mrs. Alta Knox became the President of the Chapter Auxiliary.

CHICAGO-Saturday evening, December 16th, was the commemoration of the 6th Anniversary of the Battle of the Bulge for the Chicago Chapter veterans, their families, and friends. The weather was brisk but over 30 attended the successful get-together at the Rocket Club, 1122 Milwaukee Ave., Chicago. Mesdames Herb Meagher, Jim Teason, Amos Wright, and Ed Marx were hostesses for the lunch furnished by the Chicago Chapter Auxiliary. Dancing was enjoyed by everyone and a good five piece band occupied the bandstand. The 16" Motorola TV Set was raffled off at 11 P. M.; the winner being a lady from the hometown of the Chicago Chapter Treasurer, Robert Frische, from Glenview, Illinois.

DETROIT-The Wolverine Chapter under the chairmanship of Peter Chiti held their Memorial Dinner at the Canadian Legion Club, 6515 Chene, Detroit, on December 16th. The good turnout enjoyed an evening of fun. All the cooking for the excellent dinner was done by Pete Chiti assisted by Nick Zerilli. Prior to the Memorial Reunion, the Wolverine Chapter held an election of officers for the coming year at their October 18th meeting. The following were elected: President, Robert Rowe; Vice-president, William French (424/D); Secretary, Merle J. Allen (589); Treasurer, Emlyn Jones; and Sgt-at-Arms, Peter Chiti.

MINNESOTA-The Minnesota Chapter had a gala time at their Memorial Dinner this year. Everyone enjoyed delicious thick steaks at the 'Nineteenth Hole' in Saint Paul. Despite the pleasant free flow of beverages considerable plans were made for the coming year. The date for their Pre-Convention Party will be June 16, 1951. Bob Sandberg (81st Engr) was elected President for the coming year and Phil Gerlach is Vice-President and Howard Schuneman as Secretary-Treasurer and Jim Hatch (422 & DHQ) retained his appointment as Membership Promoter.

PITTSBURGH-The December 16th Reunion consisted of a dinner at the Dutch Henry's Restaurant in downtown Pittsburgh. Dinner was served at 7:15 P. M. with the invocation said by David Trim-bath (422/Cn). After the dining, dancing and singing were enjoyed until the wee hours. Those attending were Mr. and Mrs. Paul Muehlman (422/Cn), William McCullin (591/A), Miss Lynn Uhlinger, Mr. and Mrs. John Hoppbell (422/G), Walter Bandurak (81st Engr), Miss Betty Zlody, Peter Pajach (423/B), Miss Lucille Carrara, Eldridge L. Marsh (423/H), Miss Anne Dorencamp, Dick Wolfe, Miss Agnes Jones, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Hoppbell, Miss Peggy Hoppbell, John R. Wchweinsberd (591/Med), Bert Hartzel (81st /C), Gerald Cessna (81st/Med), and Bob Morrison, (424/G). A beautiful photo was taken at the dinner by Paul Rebstock which will appear in the next CUB.

ST. LOUIS, Missouri - Mr. and Mrs. George Hurley (424/D), Dr. and Mrs. Charles A. Dial (331st Med), Mr. and Mrs. Milton Underwood (592/C), Mr. and Mrs. Art Schilli (591/Hq), Mr. and Mrs. Marion Ray (424/D), Victor Bielik (424/Reg Hq), and Floyd D. Stewart (590/Hq) gathered at Van Horn's in St. Louis for their annual Memorial Dinner and Dancing. A terrific time was had by all and plans were made to get together again on New Years Eve.

It was not many years before the inhabitants of the village outnumbered the garrison. By 1770 it boasted of an inn which won the praise of General Washington. In 1784 the first sale of lots was held, embracing the streets constituting the present downtown business section of the city. The early settlers were mostly English descent from Virginia, but were soon outnumbered by the Scotch-Irish. Energy, thrift, and political activity, three dominant qualities of the Scotch-Irish were exemplified by the manner in which the settlers took up the task of building a city. In 1788 Pittsburgh became the county seat of the County of Allegheny and the first newspaper and postoffice were then established. Elementary schools were opened in 1787 and an academy was founded which afterwards became the Western University of Pennsylvania, which name was changed a few years ago to the University of Pittsburgh or Pitt as it is more familiarly known.

Yes, all roads lead to Pittsburgh, so arrange your vacations in order that you won't have to miss this 1951 Convention. Hotel William Penn has for the first time in convention history, offered such special rates for the convention of the 106th Infantry Division Association. The hotel covers a city block, and is located in the heart of Pittsburgh's famous 'Golden Triangle'.

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EXPLANATION: (Picture on Back)

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1. Robert Stout, Marvin Rusch, Dr. and Mrs. J. E. Ketterer.
2. Rev. Fathers Hurley, Boyle and Cavanaugh.
3. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Kelly.
4. Rev. Father Paul Cavanaugh.
5. One of our lovely ladies at the Saturday night dance.
6. Jim Hatch at Greenfield Tour.
7. Father Cavanaugh, J. Glenn Schnizlein, Col. Matthews, Mrs. Bertha Stiles.
8. Jack Middleton, Bob Rutt, Jim Hatch, and Jack Gillespie.
9. Mrs. Bertha Stiles, Jack Gillespie, Bob Kelly, and Bob Rutt.
10. Jack telling Leo how it should be done. Shirley isn't too interested.
11. Jack Gillespie, Bob Rutt, Dave Price, and Bob Vorpapel.
12. J. Glenn Schnizlein and Rosemary at Saturday nite dance.
13. Leo to McMahon (Div Arty).

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