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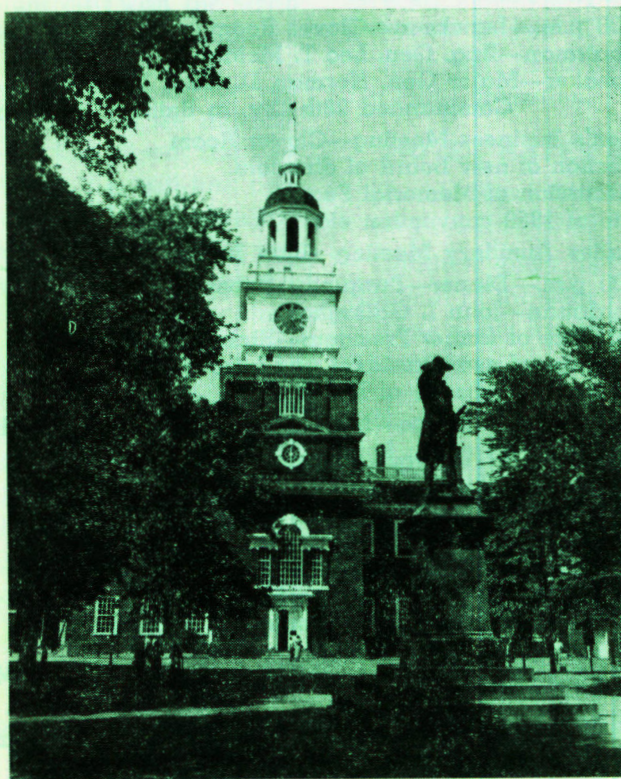
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HOTEL BELLEVUE-STRATFORD

PHILADELPHIA, PA.

July 25 - 27, 1958

THURSDAY, JULY 24

Early arrivals will be entertained by convention committee

FRIDAY, JULY 25

- 9:00 a.m.—Registration
10:00 a.m.—Board of Directors Meeting—Pink Room
1:30 p.m.—Tour of Historic Sites of Philadelphia
8:30 p.m.—12 Midnight—Host, Alan Dunbar—Crystal Room
Get-together party, refreshments, music, singing and lots of fellowship.

SATURDAY, JULY 26

- 8:30 a.m.—12 Noon—Bus Tour of Valley Forge Battlefield.
—Memorial Services in Chapel of Valley Forge Military Academy,
Wayne, Pa.
1:00 p.m.—2:30 p.m.—Luncheon—Clover Room
Chairman—Brig. Gen. Leo T. McMahon
Speaker—Major Gen. Norman D. Coia, USA, Ret.
Commanded 28th Div. in Battle of Ardennes.
2:30 p.m.—Men's Business Meeting—Clover Room
Election of new board of directors.
Discussion of Memorial Fund
Site of 1959 convention etc.
2:30 p.m.—Ladies Auxiliary Meeting—Blue Room
7:00 p.m.—9:00 p.m.—Dinner—Burgundy Room
Chairman—John I. Gallagher
Remarks of former President—Richard DeHeer
Remarks of new President and introduction of new
Officers and Board of Directors.
9:00 p.m.—12 Midnight—Dance—Music by Wayne Barrie Orchestra

SUNDAY, JULY 27

Church Service of your choice.
Goodbyes till next year.

REGISTRATION FEE—Men, \$20.00
Ladies, \$20.00
Children under 14, \$ 8.00

YOUR CONVENTION COMMITTEE

Brig. Gen. Leo T. McMahon
Lt. Col. Alan Dunbar
Clayton Rarick
John Gallagher

Welcome from Mayor

To the Members of the 106th Infantry
Division Association

Gentlemen:

On behalf of the City of Philadelphia, I should like to tell you how pleased we are to have the 106th Infantry Division Association reunion meet in Philadelphia, July 25-27, 1958.

I have been informed that the Association in its entire history has never met in Philadelphia, the nation's third city. Over the past few years, tremendous changes have taken place here to combine a new, exciting, and vibrant city with the warm traditional and historical Philadelphia.

We sincerely hope while you are here you will have an opportunity to see Independence Hall, the Betsy Ross House, and Carpenter's Hall. Perhaps you will find time to visit the historic homes in Fairmount Park; our wonderful Zoo; and the new Penn Center. Don't miss the concerts at Robin Hood Dell — see Valley Forge which is located close to Philadelphia.

Actually, conventions and reunions are not new to our city. As a matter of fact, the first in the country met here under the name of the Constitutional Convention in 1787. We shall welcome with the same enthusiasm the 106th Infantry Division Association to the City of Brotherly Love, Philadelphia.

Sincerely,

RICHARDSON DILWORTH

Mayor, City of Philadelphia

Philadelphia

Philadelphia has much to offer for any visitor. In scheduling our convention activities, we were unable to take advantage of much our third largest city has to offer.

We suggest you spend a few days before or after the convention to visit in Phila., whatever your taste for education or entertainment maybe you can find it here.

Your convention committee will be glad to make arrangements for any who desire visiting the Phila. Navy Yard or those desiring tickets to any of the Theatres or Musical Festivals or TV Shows.

Philadelphia baseball schedule on July 22, 23 & 24, San Fransico Giants. On July 25, 26 & 27, Los Angles Dodgers. All night games except July 27th.

Make your plans now to be with us for *the Full Convention.*

HOTEL RATES AT BELLEVUE

Double Room \$10.00

Single Room \$7.00

Children under 14 years of age—no charge if in the same room with parents.

Rates apply for period before and after convention.

These are special rates for our group and apply only to those making reservations on enclosed resesrvation card!

All rooms are air-conditioned.

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Picture courtesy Phila. Convention and Visitor's Bureau. Mr. Eugene Hosmer, Manager.

Birth of the Golden Lions

It is noon of Monday, March 15, 1943. A limousine comes to a stop at the entrance to Outdoor Theatre #2 of Camp Jackson, South Carolina. From its radiator flies a blue flag with a white crescent in its upper flagstaff corner and a white Palmetto palm in its center. The rear door opens and the Honorable Olin D. Johnston, Governor of South Carolina, steps forth. He is greeted by the ruffles and flourishes of his rank and, to the music of a military march, escorted to the stage of the theatre. A truly notable and distinguished assemblage awaits him, for there, among others, are Major General Wm. H. Simpson, Commanding the XII Corps, with his General Staff; Brig. Gen. Royden E. Beebe, the Post Commander; Brig. Gen. Jas. C. Dozier, Adjutant General of South Carolina; the Hon. Edgar A. Brown, President Pro-Tempore of the State Senate; Major General Withers A. Burress, accompanied by Brig. Gens. Maurice E. Miller and Theodore E. Buechler, all of the 100th Infantry Division, now in the final stages of its training at Camp Jackson; and General Alan W. Jones, with his General Staff, of the Division which is soon to be brought into being.

In the body of the theatre, and facing the stage, are formed the massed units of the embryonic Division. At this moment they consist only of the cadres furnished by the parent organization—the 80th Infantry Division—amplified by such recruits as have arrived during the past three days.

As the Governor takes his place upon the stage the massed units are brought to "Present Arms" by the Commanding Officer of Troops and formally presented. When they return to the "Order" the Division Chaplain, Major John A. Dunn, steps to the lectern to pronounce the Invocation. He is followed by the Division Adjutant General, Lt. Co. Frank I. Agule, who reads the official birth certificate—the War Department order for the activation of the 106th Infantry Division.

As Col. Agule resumes his seat, an event occurs which, in its symbolism, stirs the emotions of all present. Coming to the

microphone, Master Sergeant Jay G. Bower—acting as the representative of the parent 80th Infantry Division—summons from the ranks of the 422nd Infantry Regiment, Private Francis A. Younkin, one of the youngest of the new recruits. To this fledgling soldier Sgt. Bower delivers the National Colors—formally entrusting their keeping to the personnel of the Division. When he has accepted the Colors and delivered them to the Color Guard, Private Younkin takes the seat which Sgt. Bower has vacated on the stage while the sergeant goes to the private's place in the ranks.

Presented to the troops by his Chief of Staff, General Jones introduces, in turn, Governor Johnston and General Simpson. The former extends a brief, but cordial greeting to the personnel of the Division from the citizens of South Carolina, while General Simpson officially welcomes the new Division to membership in the XII Corps. General Jones then delivers a brief message to his command concluding with the statement, "In your hands is held the opportunity to fashion an instrument which will demonstrate to the world that our way of life develops men superior to any other." With these words, followed by the Benediction, the ceremony comes to an end. The troops are dismissed and the Lion Division has assumed its place as an entity on the rolls of the Army of the United States.

As they watch the units defile from the theatre, to the music of the massed Field Artillery and 422nd Infantry Bands, the Commanding Officer of Troops turns to his Adjutant and paraphrases this verse of an unknown poet:

"I do not know beneath what sky,
Or on what field may be their fate:
I only know it will be fine,
I only know they will be great."

Such was the birth of the Golden Lions. And how prophetic was the verse of the Commanding Officer of Troops. Times without number did he, and the officer who that day accompanied him, witness its fulfillment by individuals and units of the Division; from Schonberg to Winterspelt; from Manhay to the Losheim Gap.