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#### **106th CHAPLAIN**



JOHN T. LOVELESS, JR.

The release of the prisoners of war held by the Viet Cong, the cessation of hostilities and the pu l-out of the United States troops from Southeast Asia are all together great and suspicious occasions. With the coming of Spring, a most appropriate time, we can hope for a rebirth of national pride and the joining of all our people to achieve a greater gool of understanding and cooperation among us-

The problems we shall face are many, as we well know: poverty, ignorance, crime, drugs, prejudice, hate, immorality, lack of respect for others and for authority. In the past, these things have been encountered; many times they have been overcome only to rear their heads again and again in the wake of relaxation of our standards. But, in any event, our nation, not onl, in our eyes but also in the eyes of other peoples, remains parhaps the finset in the world, extainly in the blessings that have been henped upon us. Almost without exception, those who have returned from the prison camps in Asia have affirmed this, despite the shortcomings that we who have been at home know exist.

America, our part of it as conceived by the Founding Fathers, is indeed beautiful. A little more effort and dedication on the part of each of us can make it even more so.

"Yea, the Lord will give what is good, and our land will yield its increase." — Psalm 85:12

> John T. Loveless, Jr. Chaplain 106th Infantry Division Association

#### **BAG LUNCH**

(Memorial to Maj. Gen. Alan W. Jones) 1894 - 1969

Middletown, Pa.

14 March 1973

Our hard working Editor John Gallacber chose an appropriate caption for thy front page of the recent CUB (Jan. - Feb. March 1973) "FEACE WITH HONOR". We haven't got it yet, but we all pray that we are on the way three, after the longest war in our history. With the cease firs, or what passes for a cease fire, in effective of the passes of a cease fire, and effective of the passes of a cease fire, and effective of the passes of a cease fire, and effective of the passes of a cease fire, and effective of the passes of the passes of the ease first or the passes of the passes of the ease first or the passes of the passes of the passes of the latest contingent of 107 at Clark Field in the Phillipines.

The return of our POWs from Vietnam must bring poimant and perhaps aconiaing remembrances to many members of the 106th. Division Association who were themselves POWs of the Germans after the Battle of the Ardennes (Bulee) in World War II. In the last iesue of the CUB (Jan. - Feb. - Mar. 1973) our belowed Chaplini, John T. Loveless Jr.. Loved Chaplini, John T. Loveless Jr..

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COGL, Co. C 422 Inf., made appropriate comment in his column with a prayer. I take the liberty of quoting one paragraph from it:

"Almighty God and Father we beseech Thee to watch over, guard, guide and bless those who will be returning from the prison camps. Restore them to strength of mind and body and permit them in due time to embark upon lives of usoful endeavor."

We believe it is an appropriate time to pay tribute to the group of former POWs of 28 years ago of this Association. Thank God they did regain strength of mind and body and did embark upon lives of useful endeavor. Many of them are successful in business and the professions, and very active in the civic affairs of their respective communities. We recall what the forecast of the prophets of doom would be on the attitude our prisoners of war would adopt towards the Division and the Association because of the harrowing experiences the prisoners had undergone. The predictions of the attitude ranged from antipathy to open hostility. How wrong the prophets were! Members of the group have been active and prominent in the organization. building and maintenance of this Association. Many belong to the hard corps that has brought us to these happy days of our organization in which we take such pride. We toyed with the idea of naming names here: but we feared that in our senility we might omit even one. You all know who they are and we say with you GOD BLESS THEM ALL!

Leo T. McMahon

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#### SORROW

The 106 extends its deep sympathy to Henry Broth whose wife Eunice died April 29.

#### LETTERS TO EDITOR

Dear John:

Thank you for the "Cub" magazines

and the information on the 106th Association. I have spent much time going over the names and activities. I am surely disappointed in missing all of the good times and acquaintaines. I will try to make up for some of these.

I was pleased to see the name of Charles Smith of Fort Loudon, Pa. — we were fortunate in having one of the "Best mess-sergeants" in the 106th. Even a fair bag-lunch.

I am mailing my dues at the same time as this card. I will also try to contact as many people of the 106th as I am able. Many of us were in ASTP at Auburn so this may help.

> Sincerely, Frank S. Trautman

#### **UP-DATE**

JAMES P. FORD, Hq. 424, writes he was in hospital for three months. Jim has both logs removed, is presently taking therepy treatment to get back on his "feet". (We all wish Jim well. He is a good example of the drive and courage that is the spirit of the 106th.)

MICHAEL S. MOSHER, L 424 and F 423. New member: 1336 Hollywood, Jacksonville, Fia. 32205. Is interested in hearing from Mike Dura of Pa., and Jack Schendorf of N.Y.

COL. JOE MATTHEWS, advises his wife Anna is home after extensive hospitalization. It is his prayer she will be able to attend reunion in Grand Rapids. (The 106th adds its prayers.)

Joe expresses thanks to all for their expression of concern for Anna.

As for himself, his plans call for retirement from North Carolina State University.

Grand pa Joe and grand ma Anna proudly share news of their family. Major Joe Jr. is Chaplain in Air Force served in Vietnam where he and his wife Pat adopted an 18 month old Vietnam girl to join their other four children.

Son Bob is chief in U.S. Navy serving at Guantanamo Bay Cuba. He and wife Nita have three children.

Bruce is working on his masters program at NCSU in Engineering.

# THE CUB IS THE LIFELINE

You members of this Association who receive the CUB regularly probably noted on the front cover of the last issue Jan. -Feb. - March 1973 that it was Vol. 29, No. 2. It represents a longevity which the organizers of the 106th. Division Association scarcedy dared to hope for when they were laboring to getthe, Vociation off the ground in 1465 or the promeduring the active years of the 106th. Division from March 1943 to August 1945.

The longevity was assured through the uninterrupted publication of the CUB from Volume 3, Number 1 in August 1946 to the present Volume 29, Number 3 April - May - June 1973 you are now reading. It has not been easy. Some members have the mistaken idea that the Editor writes and publishes. He Does not write copy, except occasionally. The Editor depends on members for copy. We have had real dedicated Editors who have quit because they did not receive communications from Association members. We have published a CUB as small as four sheets (2 pages). Probably the largest CUB was Vol. 28, No. 1, Oct. -Nov. - Dec. 1971 of 32 pages. It contained a Picture Review of the 25th. Reunion Banquet at King of Prussia (Valley Forge), a beautiful and interesting issue but we can not afford it for each numher. The CUB is a necessity to get information to members. For example, the last issue contained the Revised By-Laws of the Association adopted on 22 July 1972 at Jacksonville Reunion.

For the Continuity of the CUB and hence the Association we are indeed indebted to the following Editors:

1946-1947-Lt. Col. Herbert B. Livesey, Div. Hq.

1947-1950—David A. Price, 331st Medical Bn.

1950-1952—Arvo Paananen, 592 FA Bn.

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1952-1955-Doug. Coffey, 590 FA Bn.

1955-1956—Co-Editors Doug Coffey, John Gallagher, 81 Engr. BN.

1956-1959—John Gallagher, 81st Engr. Bn.

1959-1960-Larry Walden, 424 Inf.

1960-1963—Wayne Black, 422 Inf.

1963-1967-Richard de Heer, 424 Inf.

1967-1968-Robert Holden

1968-1969-John R. Fritz, 424 Inf.

1969-to date—John Gallagher, 81 Engr Bn.

Remember to assure the continuation of this Association FEED the Cub of the Golden Lion. These CUBS ARE THE LIFELINE.

L. T. McM

#### VIVID RECOLLECTIONS OF 106TH DAYS

By: The Rev. Ronald A. Mosley, D.D. Chaplain, 424th (and previously DI-VARTY)

LTC "Timy" Hewett, Exce of the 424th had a pile of money from the O.C. to dispose of before the regiment embarked for overseas from Camp Attrebury, Indiana. To everyone who entered the 424th O C he'd state that the money had to be given away or otherwise legally used to buy non-GI equipment. Of course I had ideas, but they would be of use to me only as a Protestant padre, and I did have my Holy Communion kit provided by the General Commission on Chaplains.

My assistant (chaplain's assistant) was really a remarkable man. Two degrees from the University of Pittsburg. but he couldn't be a commissioned officer because of poor eyes. For expenses, he had played in a "Big Name" band, Charlie Barnet's; he could also play the chapel and field organs, could type about 20 words a minutes, and held a G. I. driver's license. Ch (LTC) William D. Veazie, 106th Div Chaplain, recommended him to me for an assistant after I got transferred to the 424th from Divarty by BG Leo McMahon. I interviewed him. O. K'ed him, and he was transferred to Service Company, 424th, with whose CC I had a "running, but friendly feud" to keep him out off K P long enough to be of some help to me in camp.

Time came when we went through "dry run" after "dry run" for on-training for our staging area (Cp. Miles Standish, Mass.). There I could pick up needed equipment almost free which I really couldn't buy as I had educational debts I was trying to pay off. My assistant, T-5 Orov Lee Lee, Jr., brought out his beautiful trombone which he used in the 424th Band and other groups. "You're not taking that overseas!" I declared! The d... thing is ard?" "Gold-plated", he answered. "Send it home," I said. "I'll get you another one."

I "hot-footed it over to Hq and made my case with Col. Hewitt. "You got any money left, "Tiny?" I asked. "Yeh! A little, why?" I went into my song and dance about T/5 Ice's trombone, how he used it, almost free, for the morale of the troops at church and dances, and how he shouldn't take it overseas. He agreed and stated that I should get him a good one at a reasonable figure and did I know where he could get same? "Sure!" I said, "From the Butler School of Music in Indianapolis." Get it he said. "and had the adjutant get the proper papers processed. So we went to Indianapolis and got a second-hand, beat-up trombone (good tone, Ice told me) with new corks. We paid the stupendous sum of \$29.50 for it and "goof-offed" doing some pre-mature Christmas shopping and beer drinking all on gov't time and in a 424th "Jeep" (no. 23).

T'5 Ice plaved this trombone (or I though the did) all the way on the old converted troop-ship "Aquitania" on our seven day crossing and during the two days we spent in the Firth of Clvde before debarking for military trains. "He done well" as they say in Maine and all o "down east", as did the entire band.

When we finally got off by lighter and on the train (on a Sunday) I said to T/5 Ice ("Jay as I called him). Let's get the d... trombone out and do some plaving for our guvs. "Sure." He culled out the finose looking trombone I have ever seen. In amazement, I said: "That's not the instrument you got from Butler" "It isn't, is it?" I said: "What did you do?" "Well," he replied. "I must have substituted the trombone from the ship's instruments and left mine in its place." What could we do? He played; I led the "singing." I wonder to this day, especially when I visit the Maritime Museum at the Citadel at Halifax, Nova Scotia, and touch the original wheel of the long-broken up "Aquitania, what the h... ever happened to the trombone we bought from Butler School of Music.

(Editor's note: I swear on my ordination vows this is true. T'5 Ice, now Orla Lee Ice Ph. D. is teaching at the University of Michiran. Me? a has-been, is now a 100% VA service-connected vet living mostly in Nova S.)

#### CRIPPLED VET ASKS CARDS

A veteran of the BATTLE OF THE BULGE in World War II who save he was wounded in action three times and has since undergone 12 operations including amputation of his left leg in 1971, would like to receive cards and letters. He is ALBERT YUROSKY, 334 N. Mc Donald St., McDonald, Pa., 15057, and he writes "It would make me, a disabled veteran, very happy to receive cards. I have a lot of time in which to read. I hope your readers will help me." How about adding Albert to your list? If you have some magazines piling up around the house, why not hundle a few off to this spunky old soldier?

#### MEMORIAL DAY

Our nation in grateful gratitude sets aside this day each year to honor those who gave their all for our country.

Will we give due honor this Memorial Day to our comrades who fell in battle from Lexington. Gettvsburr. Flanders Field. Ardennes. Pork Chop Hill and the Jungle of Vietnam.

As we pay our honor may we also rededicate ourselves to ever strive to keen our nation free and peaceful.

Will the United States be ever worthy of the sacrifice of its heros.

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# 27th Annual Reunion July 12, 13, 14, 1973 Mr. President Motor Inn Grand Rapids, Michigan

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Thursday, July 12

7:00 p.m. Social Hour Board of Directors Meeting

Friday, July 13

- 9:00 a.m. Tour of Amway Plant
- 12:30 p.m. Bus tour to furniture museum Dinner on board Keewatin Back to Motor Inn 9:30 p.m.

Saturday, July 14

- 9:30 a.m. Tour of Gypsum Mine
- 1:30 p.m. General Meeting
- 3:00 p.m. Memorial Service
- 7:00 p.m. Cocktail Party
- 8:00 p.m. Banquet, Speaker, Entertainment

# **REUNION FEE**

At last years business meeting, it was voted the 1973 Reunion Fee to be set at \$15.00 for members. The Association to pay reunion expenses not covers by registration fees.

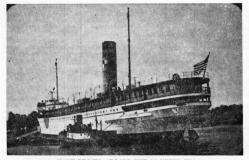
# **Registration** Fee

Members — \$15.00 Wife — \$15.00 Children (under 12) — \$15.00 Guests — \$30.00

Approximate Room Rates Single \$14.00 — \$16.00 Doubles \$19.00 — \$24.00 Extra occupant over 12 yr. — \$3.00



Ride the Dunes of Lake Michigan



HAVE DINNER ABOARD THE SS KEEWATIN

#### **1973 REUNION**

Your committee thought the front was secured for site and time of the 1973 July Reunion, but a confusion in strategy at general headquarters clarified to reveal that another force had been moved into our anticipated position and the 106th was ordered to advance earlier to another sector. So the 1973 Reunion date is now July 12, 15, 14th and the site is the Mr. President Motor Im just off the Grand Rapids, the Plainfield Ave. Exit, north. We regret any serious inconvenience this may cause any of you in plans already made.

Michigan, known as the Wat--Winter Wonderland State, is ideal for a summer vacation. Grand Rapids, a popular convention city, long fancus as a furniturer manufacturing center and style setter in that field, has twice been cited nationally for its civic improvements, and it is within easy driving distance of Lack Michigan with its sandy beaches and popular summer resort areas.

The activities planned for you at the convention include a social evening on

Thursday to share pictures, in reminiscing, and good fun. If any of you have slides to show, please send a note with your reservation or contact Dr. James I. Clark, RR 1, Fennville, Michigan 49408. On Friday, a trip is planned that will include a picnic lunch: a tour of the Baker Furniture Museum, a company long noted for its craftsmanship in the furniture manufacturing field: a drive through the State forest and fruit growing areas where, if the weather and cherries cooperate, we will be able to watch the recently developed mechanical harvesting methods: then on to Saugatuck, popular center for artists, with time to browse through its antique shops, boutiques, side-walk cafes, and marinalined river, with an alternate choice of a dune schooner ride over the wild and desolate shifting dunes that smothered the once thriving port of Singapore which 100 years ago yied with Chicago to dominate Lake Michigan commerce; ending with a supper party aboard the SS Keewatin, the last steamship to travel the Great Lakes, now a marine museum anchored in Kalamazoo Lake at Douglas. For those of you who do not want to take this trip, visits to attractions within the city will be available. Also scheduled for Friday is a tour of the Amway Manufacturing Plant. This company makes home, car, and personal care products, and tours of the plant have been a popular attraction.

For those interested, an underground tour of a gypsum mine is planned on Saturday.

The traditional Memorial Service will be held on Saturday and the convention will terminate Saturday night after a banquet and entertainment.

Convention Comm\*ttee

# **GRAND RAPIDS**

A formerly blighted area has given way to forty acres of new office structures, parking ramps, and municipal buildings. And the best goes on. Current planning calls for additional riverbankdowntown redevelopment which would add river access, play and pienic areas, hich rise apartments and many beautifully landscaped, open succes. A new Civic Theater, Music Hall and expanded convention-exhibition facilities are also part of the plan.

Linking the growing new heart of the city with all points of the compass is one of the finest freeway and street systems in the nation. Freeways run north-south and east-west, intersecting at the center of the downtown business district. Drive just ten miles from the city center and you can be "up, up and away" in minutes from Grand Rapids' ultra-modern jetport.

Like to golf? There are 32 courses serving golfers in the Grand Rapids area. All but 8 of these are open, "public" courses.

Beautiful Reed's Lake is within the metropolitan area, just ten minutes from downtown. Less than an hour's drive in any direction and you're enjoying some of the finest swimming, fishing, and boating available anywhere. More than 250 seenic lakes, streams and the dunes and surf of the Lake Michigan shoreline are within a fifty mile radius of Grand Rapids. The Public Muscum lets you step back into the 1890's as you walk the streets of "Gas Light Village". Tour the extensive natural history and history of furniture exhibits. Visit the Planetarium.

The Art Museum itself is a historical landmark of architectural excellence and houses a permanent collection noted for its fine prints and German Expressionist paintings.

In Grand Rapids it's truly possible to worship at the church of your choics. Choose from among the area's 523 congregations representing all major denominations. Liberal and conservative, modern and traditional, Grand Rapids churches help foster spiritual and human values that make the city a better place in which to live.

Altitude: 784 ft. above sea level.

Grand Rapids Urban Area: 100 sq. miles.

Average Temperatures: Summer, 69 degrees Winter, 29 degrees.

Average annual precipitation: 33 inches. Average annual snowfall: 72 inches. Population: In Grand Rapids, 197,000. In Kent County, 415,000.

Location: Conveniently located between Chicago (172 miles) and Detroit (147 miles).

#### MEMBERSHIP

1967-68 Year-268 Total

1968-69 Year-259 Members, 31 Aux.,

6 Assoc.

1969-70 Year-267 Members, 56 Aux.,

6 Assoc.

1970-71 Year-256 Members, 72 Aux., 7 Assoc

1971-72 Year-267 Members, 75 Aux., 7 Assoc.

1972-73 Year-? Members, ? Aux., ? Assoc.

Will you be included in the final 1972-73 figures? How about your wife, your buddie? Remember we are all members of the membership committee.

#### ATTENDANCE LAST YEAR REUNION

- \* Star denotes dues only. Did not attend the Convention.
- Adkins, Jim & Mary C 423 5232 Commonwealth Ave. Jacksonville, Florida 32205 Alexander, Bill (Wm. G.) E 423 1120 South Ave., Apt. Bl. Atlanta, Georgia 30050 Altieri, Tony & Dottie Ha. 590 214 Myrtle St. Neptune Beach, Florida 32233 Bartz, Richard E. Div. Hg. (AG) 216 Rustic Ave. Pittsburgh, Pa. 15210 Beals, Carol (John D.) (Assoc, Mbr.) 217 E. Davenport St. Iowa City, Iowa 52240 Beville, John G. & June 424 2511 Provost Rd. E. Jacksonville, Florida 32216 Bickford, Thomas & Florence Div. Hg. 66 Quinby Pl. West Orange, N.J. 07052 Black, T. Wavne Hg. 422 425 Allen St., Apt. 301 Waterloo, Iowa 50701 Bradfield, Kenneth & June Sv. Btv. 591 Rt. 8, Box 140 Evansville, Indiana 47711 Britton, Benjamin & Avis & JoAnn E 424 36 Warren Rd. Auburn, Mass. 01501 Bullard, George & Margaret (Susie, Marcella, Ann) 590 Med. Mebane, N.C. 27302 Burkes, Robert A. & Thelma Hg. 424 2227 Plantation Dr. Eastpoint, Georgia 30344 Cariano, Sam & Frances Div. Ha. 7445 Hallcrest Dr. McLean, Virginia 22101 Chase, Fred B. & Agnes D 422 RFD No. 1 Morris Lane Rexford, N.Y. 12148 Coffey, Douglas & Isabel C 590 41 Lowell Ave. West Orange, N.J. 07052 Collins, Sherod & Cora Ser. Co. 423 625 Channing Dr., N.W.

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# ORGANIZATIONS REPRESENTED AT REUNION

422 — 11 Members 423 — 4 Members 424 — 16 Members 589 — 1 Members 589 — 1 Members 591 — 6 Members 592 — 2 Members 5154 — 3 Members Signals — 2 Members Assoc. — 4 Members Total persons attending — 127

## THE WHITE HOUSE

#### STATEMENT BY THE PRESIDENT

Fifty years ago a soldier known to God alone was returned to America from the foreign land where he fell in defense of freedom. He was buried in Arlington National Cemetery on Armistice Day, Nowember 11, 1921, and his memory consecrated for all time to those who have died that this Nation might live.

That first Unknown was selected by an Army sergeant named Edward F. Younger. Three times Younger circled the caskets, on one of which he would lay a single white rose, and suddenly he stopped in front of one of those caskets. As he is reported to have told it later, "A voice seemed to say: This is a pal of yours." He laid the rose on that coffin.

Today, Americans come here from all over to stand near one of these Unknowns, and in their hearts a voice says: This is a friend of yours — or, here is your brother, or your father or your son.

Though only God can know the names of those who sleep here, we all can know what is most important to the soul of this Nation. We know that these were Americans who answered freedom's call and paid freedom's price.

Their skins may be black or white, or red or yellow; they may have been young with their lives before them, or they may have had full lives already; their religions we do not know; the homelands from which their ancestors came we cannot hnow. In the American ideal, none of their states we associate to the quality the states we associate to the quality here are equal in the scriftice they made, equal in the honor we bear them.

Thirteen years are President Eisenhower came to Arlington to bury Unknowns from the Second World War and Korea. By that time, America knew that the idea of a war to end all wars was in vain. It was clear that what we really need is a peace to end all wars. Such a peace would require as much power and as much perseverance and as much patience and as much courage as any war. We have such power and such a peace.

Soon, another Unknown may come to rest on this hallowed hill. We pray he will be the last. But we will be mindful of what St. Augustine is reputed to have said: "I shall work as if everything depended on me. I shall pray as if everything depended on God."

This Nation intends to do both.

# HOME COMING

Welcome home to our P. O. W.'s and all other troops from Vietnam. Do you remember the joy of the day you returned to our shores after our war?

# THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

From The Red Skelton Hour, January 14, 1969.

I remember this one teacher. To me, he was the greatest teacher, a real sage of my time. He had such wisdom. We were all reciting the Pledge of Allegiance, and he walked over. Mr. Lasswell was his name. He said:

"Twe been listening to you boys and girls recite the Pledge of Allegiance all semester and it seems as though it is becoming monotonous to you. If I may, may I recite it and try to explain to you the menning of each word:

I-me, an individual, a committee of one.

PLEDGE-dedicate all of my worldly goods to give without self-pity.

ALLEGIANCE-my love and my devotion.

TO THE FLAG—our standard, Old Glory, a symbol of freedom. Wherever she waves, there is respect because your loyalty has given her a dignity that shouts freedom is everybody's job.

OF THE UNITED—that means that we have come together.

STATES—individual communities that have united into 50 great states. 50 individual communities with pride and dignity and purpose, all divided with imaginary boundaries, yet united to a common purpose, and that's love for country.

#### OF AMERICA.

AND TO THE REPUBLIC—a state in which sovereign power is invested in representatives chosen by the people to govern. And government is the people and it's from the people to the leaders, not from the leaders to the people.

FOR WHICH IT STANDS.

ONE NATION—meaning, so blessed by God.

INDIVISIBLE-incapable of being divided.

WITH LIBERTY—which is freedom and the right of power to live one's own life without threats or fear or some sort of retaliation.

AND JUSTICE—The principle or quality of dealing fairly with others.

FOR ALL—which means it's as much your country as it is mine."

Since I was a small boy, two states have been added to our country and two words have been added to the Pledge of Allegiance—"under God."

Wouldn't it be a pity if someone said, "That's a prayer" and that would be eliminated from schools, too?

Red Skelton

# DUES

If you neglected paying your 1972-73 dues, will you please forward now to Robert Scranton.

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