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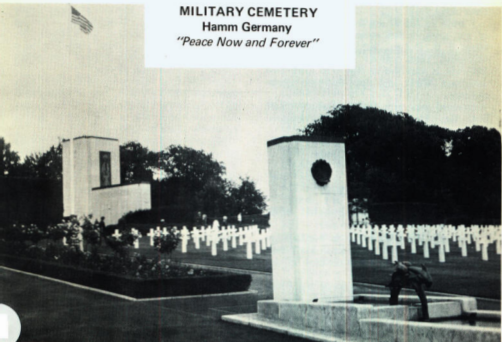
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Hamm Germany
"Peace Now and Forever"



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Bob reports this is highest membership since he is Adjutant. Lets keep it growing.

LAST REVIEW

Dear John;

I want to report another passing of one of my gang. I just received a letter that Howard B. Dollar, 5053 Welchshire Dr., Memphis, Tenn. passed away on October 26. He is survived by his wife Lois, two daughters Micki and Joy and two grandchildren.

Howard was with Service Battery 591st F.A. Bn., Howard died from a massive heart attack.

Sincerely
Jack

RECOVERING

Recently General McMahon fell while walking to Church.

Next day Wilda took him to hospital for x-rays and found he had fractured a vertebrae in his back. He spent six days in the hospital.

Best wishes, General from all your 106 friends.

CHAPLAIN'S MESSAGE

Man is, indeed, a creature of habit. It is easy to drift into certain patterns of behavior and, especially as we grow older, to become more set in our ways.

As for me, I felt that I never would become addicted to TV. And, in a sense, I have not. My viewing is limited to a very few programs which are of interest to me.

About two and a half years ago, I learned of plans for a long series of one-hour weekly programs to be produced by a British TV company for broadcast in Britain and, hopefully, to be seen in the Western Hemisphere. The overall subject was to be World War II. Included, of course, would be one or more telecasts dealing with The Bulge. Naturally, I was interested, as would any Golden Lion.

Beginning last September, a Baltimore station has scheduled weekly one-half hour broadcasts of "The World at War". It will be some weeks yet before The Bulge segments are shown. So far, I have missed seeing but two of the broadcasts. One almost might say I am "hooked".

To see and hear the events as they occurred from the rise of Hitler until, I assume, the capitulation of Japan are frightening. The destruction of cities, of man, his ideals, his intellect and his achievements over the years, the sufferings and cruelty practiced upon others - all the result of the depravity of a few evil men - are almost incredible. Yet, I suppose, we must know about these things. Most, if not all, of us Golden Lions saw some or all of similar occurrences. But to see them portrayed on a screen gives us a more complete view of the horrors and futilities of war.

We are told that in the last 3000 years less than 300 have been free of armed conflict in some part of the world. What a sorry record for man who is supposed to be the crowning glory of creation!

Somewhere along the line we have failed to live and let live, to give and to forgive, to love and be loved. Perhaps with a little extra effort we can develop the habit of considering and thinking of others just a bit more than of ourselves.

"The Lord loves those who hate evil; he protects the lives of his people, and rescues them from the wicked." - Psalm 97:10

John T. Loveless, Jr.
Chaplain
106 Infantry Division
Association, Inc.

13 February 1975

MEMBERSHIP

Lowell, Ind.

Dear John & Friends:

In my last letter to you I talked about the need for more and better "COMMUNICATION", the need to keep up the interest in the Association and I also told about the many letters I have received and those that I have sent out in the last four years. What I didn't tell was about the many times that I almost quit writing these "NEWS-LETTERS", yes I have had those moments, after sending out letter after letter and receiving no reply I have more than once said "why bother". Then I would receive a letter from one of my group with some good news, another with not so good news, or I would go to a reunion to find one of the fellows that I had been writing to had showed up, that made it worth while. One other thing that has made these letters worthwhile is that almost all the fellows that came to a reunion have continued to do so, but most important has been the re-kindling of a friendship formed years ago, one of my greatest rewards is the bringing together again these friends of old. I Quote these lines from James J. Metcalfe:—"TREASURE EACH FRIENDSHIP WHILE YOU CAN. YOU NEVER KNOW HOW LONG IT WILL LAST. SOME FRIENDS MOVE AWAY AND FORGET YOU, OTHERS GRADUALLY DISAPPEAR FROM YOUR DAILY CIRCLE. FRIENDS LINGER FOR YEARS OR JUST A DAY. THEY ARE NOT ALL FOR LIFE."

At the last reunion I asked for help in trying to find some of my old gang and last week I received a card and letter from Wm. Pettus of Shawnee Mission, Kansas, Bill tried to find a Wm. Hartley of Kansas City, Mo. for me and had no luck, I want to thank Bill for his efforts. I am still looking and for those that think they might be interested in finding old buddies here are some of the methods I have used; 1-Send a letter to the last known address, even if you've tried and failed before. 2-Write the postmaster (enclosing \$1) for any change of address the person may have left behind. I have found this to be very rewarding, one postmaster went out of his way for me to the extent of sending me the address of the postman that had been on the job thirty years ago. 3-Use your telephone book, or long-distance information, or out of town phone books at your public library. This is another method I have found very rewarding. 4-Check unions, clubs, churches, or associations to which the person may belong. 5-Libraries have books that cross-index phone numbers and addresses. 6-Salvation Army has a

missing persons service with contacts even private detective agencies don't have. These are some of the methods that I have used. I have also used the V.F.W. and Legion, I had one fellow send me an ad, --THE MILITARY SERVICES LOCATOR located in Mineral Point, Missouri, send a dollar, which I did and I am still waiting. I have received several letters from my ad's in the Legion and V.F.W., one was from a Major Robert A. Likins, Ret. formerly commander of "B" Btry., 591st F.A. BN., he referred me to a Sgt. Raymond Kurth, formerly of "B" Btry., 591st., most of the letters were from fellows looking for a 106th Patch. I have had very good luck, out of the original list of fifty-eight names there are only ten that have not been found, you have to keep trying, you can't give up just because one of your letters came back.

Last week I received a letter from a George L. Seltzer of Lancaster, Pa., he was a ex S-Sgt. with Co. F 424, he didn't go over with the outfit but joined us after the "Bulge". He was told that the Division was from Indiana and since I had an Indiana address he wrote to me looking for the history of the 106th, I answered his letter the best I could and referred him to Sherod Collins, he said that he had written to you about the division and that you had sent him a copy of the "CUB", I will write him another letter.

Keep Looking Up
Jack Schlessler

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LIONS TALE

Sherod Collins advises he still has copies of Lions Tale (Story of 106). Available by contributing \$7.50 to memorial fund.

DEC. 16

The 28th Annual Chicago Area Dinner and Get Together to commemorate "The Battle of the Bulge" was held Saturday, December 14th at the Millionaires Club in Niles, Illinois.

Those present were PHYLLIS & OLLIE LIBMAN, KAY & JACK SCHLESSER, JULIA & JIM DAVIS, LUELLA & HERB MEAGHER, SOPHIE & AL MILLER, JAYNE & RAY SCHELDEL, BONNIE & RUSS ENLOW, JACKIE & RUSSELL VILLWOCK, CAROL BEAL, BERNIE INGERSOL, JIM TEASON, GLEN BRUTUS. FATHER BOYLE also took time from his busy schedule to spend the evening with friends from the 106th.

After a couple of hours of cocktails and wild stories of both military and civilian life, the group set down to a dinner ordered from the menu from grilled pork chops to lobster tail which was enjoyed by all.

The opening of the grabbag gifts brought a couple of surprises. LUELLA MEAGHER got a "his" gift and RAY SCHELDEL got a "her" gift - he sure looked cute in that blue-green scarf. BONNIE AND RUSS ENLOW received a bottle of wine as a gift for coming the farthest, RUSS said 375 miles. CAROL BEAL flew in from Iowa City but lost because it is under 300 miles by air.

After some long farewells with promises to meet in Atlanta for the National Convention in July of 1975. Some left for home while others departed for the dance floor to finish the evening with Waltzes and Fox Trots until one o'clock in the morning.

Sunday, CAROL, JACKIE AND RUSSELL drove to Lockport, Illinois to see JIM HENNING who is in the hospital in traction with a pinched nerve in his back. SOPHIE and AL MILLER also stopped by the hospital that afternoon to see JIM. JIM & CLARE were missed at the Get Together Saturday night as was DOROTHY & FRANK ANDERSON. FRANK was laid up with the flu bug.

Russell H. Villwock

Dear John

Ohio Chapter of the 106th wish all of our fellow members a very happy holiday and the best of wishes for the coming year. We held our December party on the 14th as did many of the group at our home in North Ridgeville with 17 present. The evening was spent first with social hour--do the 106th ever get to-gether with out the "Social Hour" then had a tureen supper with all bringing their specialties again and all eating too much--that compensates for the

EUROPEAN TOUR

Thinking back over the three weeks in Europe, it is difficult for one to pick out the highest moment of the trip. It was all so very exciting and thrilling that one soon runs out of adjectives in trying to describe it.

There were the receptions held in Bastogne and St. Vith for the 106th Division, which were indeed high moments. It was an emotional experience to study the statue in the City of Bastogne of the G. I. carrying his wounded buddy. It seemed to say, "He's not heavy, he's my buddy."

The visits to the two American Cemeteries at Luxembourg, where Patton was buried, and the Ardennes Cemetery at Nouville, where the name James S. Parsons, PFC, Missouri, a cousin, was listed as an unknown soldier, were certainly high moments.

The tours of the Battle of the Bulge area and the descriptions of personal experiences by the men who took part in it were very high moments. Most everyone felt as though he was reliving history.

One of the highest moments was when we crossed the border back into West Germany from Czechoslovakia. Everyone broke into song and "God Bless America" was like a prayer of Thanksgiving.

Our last night in Bonn, after the beautiful ride down the Rhine River, was a time to remember with everyone thanking everyone else for a wonderful time, especially the accolades given to our host guide, Jack, and our very efficient driver, Gilbert. The evening was topped with Walt Bandurak modeling his "Leithenhosen" or leather breeches, knee socks, and Tyrolean hat with all the medals on it.



Sherod and Doug
Hamm Germany

There were many high moments for everyone but the greatest of all was getting to know such a friendly and congenial group of people.

Lena Lasater



Rothenborg on the Tabor



Ed (Pappy) Prewett, Dr. Bestrich Melnick
and Freedom Fighters.

ATLANTA IN 1975 LENOX SQUARE

At the 1975 Reunion there will be lots of things to do. But we hope you will find time to visit the large, modernistic shopping center directly in front of the Rodeway Inn.

This is one of Atlanta's oldest and largest shopping centers but it has kept pace with the times, having recently been enclosed on the mall for air-conditioning and heating.

For the few meals you will be on your own--there is the Nantucket Tavern at the Inn, a famous seafood restaurant. In Lenox Square there is the S. & S. Cafeteria, the Magic Pan--a Provencal-style creperie, and a restaurant at Rich's--the famous Department Store. There are also restaurants at Phipps Plaza, just up the street. There are also snack bars all around.

Both the Square and the Plaza have world-famous stores and a multitude of small shops.

Join us, won't you?



FREDERICK REUNION, July 1974

Left to right: Frances Smyth, Betty Manahan, Wilda McMahon, Billie Cariano, Lester Smyth.

THE BELLS OF STONE MOUNTAIN SITE OF 1975 MEMORIAL SERVICE ABOUT THE CARILLON . . .

One of the most popular attractions at Georgia's Historic Stone Mountain is the Schulmerih - designed "Carillon Americana." The carillon was given to the Park by the Coca-Cola Company after its exhibition at the 1964-65 New York World's Fair. Since the installation of the 610-bell

instrument, 122 new bell tones have been added, making it the world's largest carillon. Each of the basic tonal colors has a chromatic range of 61 notes:

61 Flemish Bells	61 Bourdon Bells
61 Campana Bells	61 Celesta Bells
61 Quadra Bells	61 Baroque Bells
61 Celestial Bells	61 Angelica Bells
61 Harp Bells	
61 Aeolian Bells	
61 Minor Tierce Bells	
61 Gothic Bells	

Concerts may be heard daily. Resident carillonneur Mabel Sansing Sharp is an Atlanta native and a fourth generation Georgian. Her concert background includes piano, organ and the Irish concert harp.

The glass console house is surrounded by a beautifully landscaped stone amphitheater. A rustic roof shelters concert guests and allows full enjoyment of both scenery and music.

All the bell and recording equipment is installed under the console house in a room which is humidified, air conditioned, heated and dehumidified; so that the bells will not be subject to changes of weather. Each of the 732 bell tones is magnified more than one million times and sent out by cable to specifically designated speakers (stentors) in the tower - a 57 speaker giant stereo.

The picturesque tower, located on a slender peninsula in sparkling Stone Mountain Lake, is a favorite photographic subject for visitors in the Park. Thirteen stories tall, the tower is constructed of redwood and a steel alloy called Mayari; it will last for centuries without maintenance.

One of the most beautiful steel structures in America, the carillon tower was selected for the 1967 Architectural Award of Excellence by the American Institute of Steel Construction.

REUNION

THE CYCLORAMA

Painting In The Round To Be Seen
In Atlanta In 1975.

General William T. Sherman's blazing march through Georgia began at the north-west boundary when Federal forces defeated the Confederate Army of Tennessee at Lookout Mountain and Missionary Ridge. The Confederates withdrew to Dalton and Gen. Sherman, commanding three armies totaling 100,000 men, organized a campaign against them.

His movement against Dalton on May 7, 1864, was the beginning of the fall of

Atlanta. The decisive battle in the conquest of the Capital city was fought in East Atlanta, July 22, 1864. That conflict, known as the Battle of Atlanta, is depicted in the Cyclorama, an 18,000-pound painting, insured for more than one million dollars, and located in Atlanta's Grant Park. It is one of three known cycloramas in the world, one being at Gettysburg and the other in Belgium.

The huge painting was done by a group of German artists under the direction of William Wehner, in Milwaukee, Wisc., in the 1880's. It has quite a history and has been moved several times. It has also been refurbished several times and is due for another. It is now owned by the city. It is 400 feet long and 50 feet high, is suspended by its own weight from a steel ring around the ceiling.

The vast painting is chillingly three-dimensional: simulated soldier figures exchange volleys amid blasted tree stumps, shelltorn shrubbery and railroad tracks that extend into the background. It is a challenge to find places where three-dimensional objects leave off and the painting begins. Actor Victor Jory, when in Atlanta for the premier of "Gone With The Wind" offered to retape the narrative and his offer was accepted.

In the basement of the building one can see the famous locomotive "Texas", one of the two engines involved in the Great Locomotive Chase early in the War. This occurred when in 1862 a small group of Union soldiers tried to obstruct supply flow by kidnapping the General. The Texas was used to give chase, overtook the General in North Georgia and the raid came to naught.

FORT McPHERSON

Fort McPherson, long a vital part of Atlanta and Georgia life, has taken on a significant new role nationwide as headquarters of the U. S. Army Forces Command.

Known as FORSCOM it is the largest operational command in the entire United States defense establishment. It was activated in 1973 as part of the major reorganization of the army which took place after the end of our active participation in the Vietnam war.

It is responsible for the combat readiness of all forces of the Active Army, Army National Guard and Army Reserve in all of the continental United States, Alaska, Canal Zone, Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands. With the beginning of the new year Hawaii, Guam and the Trust Territories will also be under this command.

To show the size of the new command Col. James A. Fyock, information officer, said, "FORSCOM installations include roughly as much acreage as the state of New Jersey. The total office space would be equal to 80 Empire State buildings and the police force is second only to that of New York and Chicago. There are enough chaplains in FORSCOM to staff 2,000 churches and more airplanes than in the Air Force, although smaller ones.

Patton Hall, FORSCOM headquarters, at the grand old fort, is now termed the "Pentagon of the South". From there come decisions and commands to control an annual budget of \$3.5 billion, which will shortly be increased, and to have combat units ready for action in a matter of hours should the need arise. Cutting red tape to make this quick readiness possible is the whole idea behind the reorganization that led to the establishment of FORSCOM.

An impressive array of top ranking officers are now stationed here. A four-star general, Bernard W. Rogers, was recently appointed commander succeeding another four-star general, Walter T. Kerwin, Jr., who has now assumed duties as Vice Chief of Staff of the Army. The deputy commander, Lt. Gen. Donn R. Pepke, holds three-star rank. Maj. Gen J. G. Smith is Chief of Staff and there are three more two-star generals serving as Deputy Chiefs of Staff.

Gen. Rogers was deputy chief of staff for personnel in Washington before coming here. He is a 1943 graduate of West Point



FREDERICK REUNION, July 1974

Left to right: Martha Fritz, John Fritz, Alys W. Jones (Mrs. Alan W.), Nan Jones (Mrs. Alan W. Jones, Jr.), Emily Bryant, Jack Bryant.

and was a Rhodes Scholar, holding a B.A. and M.A. degree from Oxford University in England.

His military career has included commands in both the Korean and Vietnam wars, commander of West Point, commander of the 5th Infantry Division and chief of legislative liaison for the Secretary of the Army.

"Since most of the civilian and Army personnel here live off the post and commute to work just like other Atlantans the strength of the impact of the fort on Atlanta is little known," Col. Fyock said. "It is one of the largest employers in the city with just under 5,000 employees. FORSCOM spends \$100 million a year in Atlanta and \$172 million in the state as a whole. Since there are many army retirees and their dependents in the metropolitan area the commissary, medical facilities and other services at Fort McPherson are available to approximately 72,000 people."

The former Atlanta Army Depot, now called Fort Gillem, is affiliated with Fort McPherson under the new set-up. It is the support headquarters for the National Guard and Army Reserves of the Southeast.

With the all-volunteer army FORSCOM's total readiness program puts new emphasis on the importance of these citizen soldiers.

Secretary of the Army, Georgia's Howard (Bo) Callaway said, "Never before in the history of our army have we relied more heavily on our reserve components. Today's reserve forces must be ready more rapidly than ever before."

FORSCOM has developed a program of joint planning and training for Active Army and Army Reserves to assure a closer association between full time soldiers and their civilian counterparts in order to increase this total readiness.

Col. Fyock said of the all volunteer army (the last draftees were discharged November 28). "The army is being constantly upgraded by the kind of people taken. They have better pay and better jobs with more attention given to placement. Last year 35,000 re-enlisted and another 6,000 would have, but were barred because they did not live up to standards. The volunteer army is definitely a success and is getting over 100% of its authorized quota."

LETTERS TO EDITOR

Dear John

Just a few lines to add a little news from Ohio. Over the New Years Holiday Martha and I were fortunate enough to take a little trip to Dunoon, Scotland to see our youngest daughter Gretchen and her husband Lenny who is in the Navy. Dunoon is a resort town located quite near to Greenoch, which holds a few memories of the 106th members. We took quite a few pictures, but the one I really wanted couldn't be developed. It was of the inside of the train station at Glasgow. It hasn't changed a bit in 30 odd years except for the trains which are now electric instead of steam. We enjoyed our weeks stay very much but are grateful that we are Americans and live here in the U.S.A. Too often we all take our status in life for granted, until you find out how some of the rest of the world's population lives.

Our Ohio December 16th get together was a huge success. As usual our hosts, the Gilders' put on a fine show for all who can make it. The turnout this year was a little less than other years but good companionship and cheerfulness of those present made up for it.

We would like to add our congratulations to you and Stella on receiving the Golden Lion Awards in Frederick, and keep up the fine work on the CUB, it is a welcome reward when it arrives. We are looking forward to seeing all in Atlanta in July.

Sincerely,
Martha and John Fritz

Pt. Charlotte, Florida
January 26, 1975

Dear John:

The General will be sending you the translation and photos taken by the St. Vith paper on the occasion of our visit this past year.

The Board of Directors has approved my request for \$250.00 to be sent to the College at St. Vith for them to purchase a recording machine in use to teach English classes. We didn't have a project last year from the College and if you remember at the Convention I promised to ask when we visited for the Anniversary if there was anything they needed. This was then their request although as I have stated many times I have to pull teeth to get them to tell me they have

a need for anything. They are not the type who is ready and willing to grab anything from Americans. They have appreciated so much all that we in the 106th have done for them and the relations in St. Vith that they don't expect anything. I feel we should have at least one project per year and spend some money to help others.

I think our friend Sherod is getting a bit sweet on one of the girls who was unattached on our trip. I hear he has made a trip to Detroit to see her and she expects to come to Atlanta. Could we become marriage matchmakers in the 106th too? We'll see. (Ed. note: it happened)

We are getting a little more acclimated to Florida now. It was quite a change for us after all the years in the Metropolitan rat race. Have been busy putting in fruit trees and over 200 feet of hedges. I like the activity but would like to find more friends our own age. Not too many retired at 56 to join with but we'll keep trying.

Heard that Tom Bickford was laid off. I guess he will be just one of many due to our depression or whatever they care to call it.

There is going to be a Dedication of "The Battle of the Bulge Museum" near the Mardasson Memorial outside Bastogne on May 22, 1945. Belgium is seeking good representation from all units who participated in the Battle and are gathering souvenirs and mementos for display in the Museum. It is a rare day in History when the people who created a legend can be present to see themselves honored in a manner which will assure recognition of their deeds for generations to come. Any and all 106ers are invited to attend or send in any and all memorabilia to be placed in the Museum.

Doug.

Mr. Jack Perry
Charge d'Affaires
U.S. Embassy, Prague
A.P.O. New York 09757
Dear Mr. Perry:

Those of us who have talked since our trip to Europe have continued to stress the good time we had at the reception or "party" that you and your staff and families so graciously held in honor of our Association tour group on September 23 last.

I am writing in behalf of the tour group as well as the Association as a whole to formerly express our appreciation.

This was a real "fun" thing, a bit of home away from home, and all our people enjoyed themselves, as anyone would agree

who listened to the bright chatter and laughter of the hour. It was generally agreed that no one wanted to leave.

After going back into Germany and Luxemburg, we emplaned and everyone arrived back home with many pleasant memories of the three-week trip.

May I say that I went by and spoke to your brother-in-law, Gerald Adams, about seeing you. He was quite pleasantly surprised and pleased thus to hear from you.

Again please accept our thanks.

Sincerely,
Sherod Collins
V-Pres. & Treas.

EMBASSY OF THE
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
Prague, Czechoslovakia

December 2, 1974

Mr. Sherod Collins
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Dear Mr. Collins:

Thank you very much for your kind letter of November 21. I appreciated your thoughtful words, and I assure you that the pleasure was ours in having you all out to the house. Yours was a lively bunch and it was enjoyable to have you in Prague. Thanks also for saying hello to Gerald for me.

With very best wishes,

Sincerely,
Jack Perry
Charge d'Affaires a. i.

UP-DATE

LARRY WALDEN, 4808 N. 28th Ave.,
Phoenix, Ariz. 85017

Larry got a warm phone call from Emil "Sam Grass (F Co. 424 Medic) in St. Louis, Missouri on Dec. 16th, Bulge Anniversary, and we marveled at the passage of time. The comfort we both felt in being here to talk about it 30 years later was heart-warming. The poignancy of the moment remains a personal thing, but it served to remind me that you, too, were there.

JAMES V. BURRELL, 1187 Southridge Drive, Salem, Ohio 44460. Co. D 423 INF. Please note -- We have moved from St. Clair Shores, Mich. to Salem, Ohio.

MRS. MARY L. SENN,
I joined the 106th for their tour of Europe in 1974 and enjoyed every minute of it. One of the nicest group of people I have ever met. I was invited by Jim and Maydean Wells of Augusta, Ga. I would like to become an associate member.

ALLEN LOWITH, Canon Co. 423 1062 So. Mansfield Ave., Los Angeles 19, Calif. Raymond Reed, his wife and two children (also from Canon Co. 423) visited my wife and I and talked over old times as P.O.W. in Stalag 12. We wonder about all of our buddies from Canon Co. also those who remembered Raymond and Allen how we kept busy scrounging to keep alive and get extra food -- also how I stole all of the records names, etc. of our camp the day the Germans left fearing the Russians -- came back the next day and couldn't find them -- I had them -- were they mad.

ROBERT A. LIKINS, B Btry 591 F. A. BN. 6246 No. Lydell, Whitefish Bay, Wisconsin, 53217

Army retired--Major--Disability retired Manager--Nelson Bros. Furniture Co. Milwaukee

Son--Robert Jr. Cpt. Inf. Fort Benning
Son--Bruce 1 Lt. Inf. Fort Benning
Daughter--Dorothy (David) Frederick S/Sgt AF McClellan AFB

Daughter--Libby Senior High School
DR. HANS WACHTEL, Div. Hq. 1 Med. Bn. 5000 East End, Chicago, Ill. 60615
One son in Medical school. Two daughters married. Six Grandchildren. Still doing Gyn-OB Like tennis and skiing.

JAMES N. ADKINS, Co. C 423 reg. 5232 Commonwealth Ave., Jacksonville, Fla. 32205

My first wife passed away June 1, 1971. Remarried to Mary. Have four children-James is in his second year at Jacksonville University, Virginia is a junior in high school, Bobby is in tenth grade and Marsha in fourth grade.

I shipped out of 106th at Camp Atterbury and fought with the 90th (Tough Ombres) Was wounded in Belgium. Would like any information on anyone from Co. C. 423.

JACK ZUCKERMAN, Co. C. 423 Inf. 71-23 167 St. Flushing, N. Y.
Executive Vice-President, School Supervisors Union, New York City. Son attends Tufts Medical School, daughter at Harper College. Wife teaches school.

DOMINICK A. SPINA, SR. M.P. Platoon 388 Highland Ave., Newark, N.J.
Retired from reserves as a Major. At present I am a deputy chief in the Newark, N.J. police dept.

B. Gen. FRANCIS A. WOOLFLEY, Headquarters. 932 Solomon Place, New Orleans, La. 70119

Still enjoying life in New Orleans. Hope to attend the 1975 reunion.

GORDON B. PINNEY, R. R. 1 Box 35 Whitney, Neb. 69367 B. Co. 423 Inf. Daughter Nancy and husband live close by. Son Ralph still in Navy. Youngest son, Sidney is still at home.

MRS. MARGARET R. BULLARD, widow of Geo. Bullard, Mebane, N.C.
Thinks of all her 106th friends often and reads the CUB from cover to cover each issue.

WANOLD D. OLMAN, 422 Service Co. 912 Cokesbury Dr., Columbia, S.C. 29203
I am still in R. V. sales for Lark - travel trailers. Wife is terminal mgr. for Morgan Drive Away. Daughter is in Lancaster, Pa. for ITT. Hope to make it to convention this year.

EDMOND D. KELLY, D-423rd 22 Loch Lomond Lane, Scotswood, Middletown, New York, 10940

Back in New York City as head of trust dept. of Atlantic Bank, affiliate of National Bank of Greece. Two children out of college. Only 4 more to go.

CLIFFORD E. PERRAS, SR., 424 INF. Box 45 Carney, Mich. 49812
We are semi retired after 28 years in the Bar and restaurant business. Raise Christmas trees as a hobby. Am still with the Michigan Dept. of Agriculture, state fair Div. as Manager of the Upper Peninsula State Fair.

DR. J. RODRIGUEZ, C 422 1550 Beacon Hill Rd. Lexington, Ky. 40504
Spent the month of August traveling around France, Germany and Austria with my wife whose Mother was born in the Alsace-Lorraine region.

MYLES BRAZILL, M. P. Platoon P.O. Box 6 Landisburg, Pa. 17040
I have been retired over 12 years, being able to retire at age 50. Still living on my tract of woodland adjoining the State forest in central Penna.

MERVIN S. SMITH, Co. A 424 Reg. 111 Winnetka Rd., San Antonio, Texas, 78229
I am personnel Director for Gary Aircraft Corp. in San Antonio, Texas.

DR. RONALD A. MOSLEY S.T.M. Chaplain, Ret. USA Box 25, Petite Riviere, Lunenburg Co., Nova Scotia, Canada DIV. ARTY AND 424th INF. REGT (Chaplain)
Was elected 1st Vice-Chairman of the Nova Scotia UNICEF Committee and member for 3rd year of the Canadian UNICEF

committee. Also I am chairman of the South Shore (Nova Scotia) branch of the Monarchy League of Canada.

ELLIS G. HENSON, "H" 424 Inf. 9917 Echo Valley Court, Little Rock, Arkansas, 72207.

Am currently a Clinic Administrator and quite active in the U.S. Army Reserve. Was graduated from the Army War College this past July, a goal I am very happy to achieve. I also received my promotion to Colonel. Am married and have one daughter who is completing requirements for a degree in Elementary Education. Have been trying to make the last three reunions, will try again his year.

FRANK H. DAGOSTIN, 424 615 So Edgewood Drive, Dathan, Ala. 36301

Had a real nice visit with an old buddy recently (Don Armington, Des Moines, Iowa).

We plan to attend the convention in 1975.

RICHARD B. JOCHEMS, Adj. Gen.-Div. Hdq. 2940 Okemas S. E., Grand Rapids, Mi. 49506

Active Realtor - Pres.-Downtown Kiwanis Son—Pottsville, Pa. Daughter in Huntington Woods, Mich.

GERALD J. ANDERSON, 423 M Co. 17 Eton Place, Glen Rock, N.J. 07452

My wife and I are both retired.

JOSEPH T. SALERNO, Co. B 423 124 Florence Place, So. Plainfield, N.J. 07080

Am still working for the Veterans Administration and active with Junior baseball and Pop Warner football activities.

FRANCIS J. DOBE, Co. C 422 264 Belmont St., Manchester, New Hamp. 03103

Was unable to make the flight in Sept. My wife, Gabrielle did get to make it and I would like to thank you all for making such an enjoyable trip for her.

JOSEPH LITVIN, CO. D 423 INF. 1959 W. 185 St. Torrance, Calif., 90504

Am still working part time. Looking forward to my annual fishing trip to Canada.

COL. GEORGE L. DESCHENEUX JR. (USA Ret) 422 INF. 1625 Concord Drive, Charlottesville, Va. 22901

Battling old age and emphysema. Had the great pleasure of visiting with Mrs. Alan Jones, Sr. recently in Washington and it was a treat.

JOSEPH KRAFCHIK, HQ DET 331 MED BN. 349 Livingston Ave., New Brunswick, N.J. 08902

Am a CPA practicing in my home town of New Brunswick.

CHARLES R. LEWIS, DAO 806th Ord. Co. 16 Court St., Brooklyn, N.Y. 11241

Practicing law in Brooklyn with my wife, Gladys. Son Michael attends law school, our daughter, Gail is a teacher and daughter, Davida is the mother of two.

MICHAEL MOSHER, L Co. 424 & F. Co. 423 147 Sunset Dr. Gallatin, Tenn. 37066 Age 61, retired with Internal Rev. Service as a tax auditor. Have married son and two grandchildren. Have office filling out income tax returns from Jan. 1 thru April 15.

REV. EDWARD T. BOYLE, HQ 424 46 No. Wolf Rd. Northlake, Ill. 60164

Next August I will be 70 years old, God willing. Then I must retire as "Pastor Emeritus". I hope then to do some traveling and follow the sun.

WILLIAM R. STREETER, A Btry. 589 FA Bn. 2222 W 6th Ave., Sault Ste. Marie, Mi. 49783

Married. Wife - Margaret June. Four children, 2 boys and 2 girls. Six Grandsons. Employed as a clerk, U.S. Post office.

EMIL GRASS, Aid man Co. F 424 Reg. 2823 Flintwood Drive, St. Louis, Mo. 63129 Married twenty-nine years in May 75. Nine children. President of the Emil Grass Moving Co. It is in its 87th year. (third generation).

Twice a year I go to Phoenix, Ariz. to visit Larry Walden who was with the 424 Reg. H. Co.

JOHN I. HUNGERFORD, 5742 Penfield Ave., Woodland Hills, Calif. 91364

Was awarded Ed. D. by Brigham Young University in June of 1972.

FRED SCHIEFERSTEIN, 431 Madison Hill Rd., Clark, New Jersey, 07066

Summer sells vegetables and fruits, have small cider mill for pressing cider. In winter collect stamps and sell some.

COL. ERIC R. MILLS, Hq. Co. 1 Bn. 422 Inf. USA Ret. 5007 Dian Wood Dr., E. Jacksonville, Fla. 32210

Still Dean, career and adult education at Florida Junior College at Jacksonville. Daughter, Judy Ann is a senior and captain of cheerleaders at Stetson University.

DAVID B. SLAYTON, "A" 422nd Inf. Funeral Director Long Beach, Calif.

WILLIAM H. JEFFERIES, Hq. Co. 3rd Bn. 422 Inf. 155 Greene Ave., Totowa, New Jersey 07512

Works as a machinist and plays in small and large orchestras as a clarinet and saxophone player, just for a hobby. Have two grown children. Daughter is a nurse and the boy works for U.S. Post Office, and is a part time college student.

NATHAN D. WARD, 81st Eng. Bn. 3027 Mission Ridge Court, Atlanta, Georgia, 30339

Still working at Ft. McPherson. Greg is in Law School and has one more year to go. Martha is doing fine.

ROBERT E. KELLY, Serv. Co. 423. 4388 Barchaster, Bloomfield Hills, Mi. 48013

Still engaged in the practice of law but 7 years ago moved my office out of Downtown Detroit to Birmingham which is only 3 miles from my residence. Larry Gubow's home is only a half-mile away and we see each other frequently.

Since 1970, Libby and I have been to Europe 4 times and once to Australia and New Zealand. The trip during the fall of 1974 concentrated upon England and Scotland but we did go to Belgium for 3 days. We had a car and investigated rather thoroughly the Northern section of the Bulge area.

GEORGE F. PHILLIPS, DIV HQ, 37 Linden Place, Uniontown, Pa. 15401

Still working in Administration, North Fayette A.V.T.S., Connellsville, Pa. My wife and I enjoy our mountain home Stoney Haven less than one mile from Fort Necessity. After about a years work have completely restored a 1936 Packard that has been in my wife's family since 1936. Attend various antique shows with the Packard.

H.M. JIM HATCH, 422 & Div HQ., 5609 15 Ave., Minneapolis, Minn. 55417

Thanks for all the work you do for the association. We appreciate it.

JOHN B. NASH, 806 ORD. Co., 247 Van Duzer St., Staten Island, N.Y. 10304

My wife, Gertrude, has been president of her American Legion Aux., James J. Tappan Post 125 for three years.

JACK JOHN MONROE, 423 A Co., Box 199 RD 1, Titusville, N.J. 08560

Continue to wear the uniform with HHD, New Jersey Army National Guard. Golden Lion patch proudly worn on right shoulder now.

CHARLES B. REID, Capt. 423 AT Co. P.O. Box 98, Richburg, S.C. 29729

Still cattle farming--District director ASCS-USDA.

DR. FREDERICK G. WEISSER, JR., 2 Bn. Hq Co. 422 INF., 141 Park Ave., Manhasset, N.Y. 11030

We still have four Norwegian elkhounds (all A.K.C. champions) and this makes distant reunions difficult to attend and impossible in the hot South.

WALDO B. PIERCE, F 422, 530 East St., New Britain, Conn. 06051

My two sons are married, but no grandchildren yet. Still with Stanley Tools, but by this time next year I may be retired. I am still in good health, never have had any disability as a result of my vacation in stalag 9B.

STEVE T. ADAMOWICZ, G CO. 422. 208½ Maverick, Gordon, Nebr. 69343

I was at camp Luckey Strike but knew nothing of the association. Recently met Earl Gallafar in Charter Oak, Iowa who informed me of the active group we have.

THEODORE LADA, Co. L, 424. 1044 Liberty, Lincoln Park, Michigan 48146

I managed to persuade Murphy and Mueller to join -- Now I'm working on Mitchell and DeMarco, both living on Long Island, N.Y.

WILLIAM LUCSAY, Co. B, 423 INF. 12612 S. Moody Ave., Palos Heights, Illinois 60463

We became the proud grandparents of a beautiful baby girl on April 21, named Amber Day Lucsay.

PHILLIP LESWING, B Btry, 592 FA. 309 Redbarn Rd., Willow Grove, Pa. 19090

Disappointed that we didn't stick to our original plan and have the 1976 convention at the birthplace of our nation -- Philadelphia the centennial center.

PHILIP WALZ, Div Arty, 62-52 80 Rd., Glendale, N.Y. 11227

I am retired on Social Security now. My wife is still working, she has two years to go for pension and Social Security. I expect to make the next reunion with Bill Donovan.

RICHARD A. FRANKINI, 424 & Bn. Hdqts. 36124 Paddleford Rd., Farmington, Mich. 48024

Still in the plating business -- owner of Jackson Plating Co., Jackson, Mich.

LARRY GUBOW, 4397 Sunningdale Drive, Bloomfield Hills, Mich. 48013

Best Regards. Keep up the good work.

DAVID GISH, Hq Btry, 589 FA BN. 23673 W. Grove, So. Bend, Ind. 46628

I own a hunting and fishing camp in Ontario, Canada. For information write to Flindt Landing Camp, P.O. Box 3052, South Bend, Ind. 46619.

LESTER W. CROSSMAN, 424 Inf. & Bat H. Co., 1313 Clay St., Woodstock, Illinois 60098

Had a football weekend at Madison, Wisc. with the John Scallissis, called another ex-H Co. man, Clarence Splitstone, Vienna, Ohio. He is very sick. Looking forward to a weekend in Chicago with A. T. Harris soon.

JOSEPH A. KERSTEN, CO. G 423 INF. 162 Duenstein St., Buffalo, N.Y. 14210
My family is increasing. Son, Joseph is in the Air Force has 1 son. Son, James has a daughter. Have three sons at home, and one daughter.

JEROME L. FRANKEL, HQ. CO. 3 BN 423 INF. 584 Junard Blvd. West Hempstead, N.Y. 11552

Vice-President of American Interstab LTD.
WILLIAM G. ALEXANDER, CO. E, 423 INF. 507 Georgia Ave., Apt. H3, Forest Park, Ga. 30050

Am in the construction business for myself and have had a good year. Would sure like to have gone to Europe with the group in Sept. but work prevented.

LT. COL. HERBERT B. LIVESEY, JR. CML O DHQ, Teatown Road, Groton on Hudson, N.Y. 10520

Everything going swimmingly in fifth year of retirement. Exciting trip length of the

Inner and Outer Hebrides including visits to the British missile sites in Benbecula, and the Black Watch Museum in Balhousie Castle, Perth, Culzean Castle near Ayr (where Eisenhower had his lifetime apartment) Scone Castle where the ancient Scottish kings were crowned, Doune Castle. I drooled over the arms display at Culzean, and at a dinner at the Manor House of Sir Iain Moncreiffe of that Ilk over all the ancient Scottish weapons.

Can't say I would relish the task of taking Stirling Castle or Edinburgh Castle even with modern equipment.

Visited Ayr, and looked up my ancestors there, particularly Lt. Col. William Goldie, Horse Art. Army of the Potomac for three years, and from whom I inherit membership in the Military Order of the Loyal Legion. The trail had grown faint, but did discover that Bobbie Burns (also of Ayr) had written two poems about these ancestors, both same name but one legitimate, the other a bastard. Now I'm afraid to look any further for fear of what I might find.

The year brought a sad blow in the death of my closest Army friend, Col. Bob Stout, G-2, DHQ.



MEMORIAL SERVICE

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Heading: AMERICAN VETERANS IN ST. VITH.

Monument of 2d. US Infantry Division Dedicated. Commemoration at Memorial of 106th Infantry Division.

Page 4—Photograph showing the delegation from the Association assembled at the Memorial. - (see below).

Caption—Director Pankert says prayer at the Memorial of the 106th. Division.

A visit to St. Vith has already become a tradition for veterans of the 106th Division with years of close friendship. That was plainly evident during the commemoration at the Memorial in Kloster Street at 11 AM and the assembly which followed at EVEN-KNOTT. (Hall)

At the Memorial Mr. Russell Villwock recalled briefly the difficult days of 1944-45; it is difficult in this beautiful fall weather to visualize as it was then when so many so far from home offered their lives for freedom and peace. Director Pankert of the Bishop's School offered a short prayer after which the American delegation under President Collins and Magistrate Kreins, representing Burgomeister of St. Vith, laid a wreath at the Memorial.

Later in the Hall Magistrate Kreins said that the 106th. Division in the war history had indeed withstood the first onslaught of the Rundstedt offensive and had apparently influenced the miscarriage of the offensive. Kreins indicated the special relations of the veterans of this Division to St. Vith and referred to the transfer of the Memorial in the Kloster Street to the city on the occasion of the great holiday in the presence of Brigadier General Bruce C. Clark and other high allied officers in 1962. "We manifested our gratitude to you. The 106th will not be forgotten in St. Vith in later generations."

In an exchange the Americans were given the Coat of Arms of St. Vith and the book—"Kriegschicksale" and Magistrate Kreins received a remembrance from the Veterans, whose President greeted the St. Vith people in the French language. President Collins said: "We all love this city and we drink to good friendship." After signing the Golden Book the Americans invited the St. Vith officials to dinner so that suddenly the hosts became the guests. In spite of language difficulties in the beginning the gay groups at the tables applauded their understanding smoothed by some broken school English and the goodwill of all. The Americans wanted all of St. Vith to know that photographs were taken of the smiling group and friendships cemented.

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THURSDAY, July 17th

-7:00 p.m. Warm-up party—Peachtree Room #1. Free beer, soft drinks, 7 snacks. Board of Directors—same hour. Cash bar for Corn Squeezins.

FRIDAY, July 18th

-8:30 a.m. Bus trip to Stone Mountain Park (sightseeing, rides and a meal)
-7:00 p.m. Bus trip to Underground Atlanta. Meal on your own at Motel or Underground. Return at 10:30.

SATURDAY, July 19th

-8:30 a.m. Bus trip to Cyclorama. (Huge painting of Battle of Atlanta) (2 hours)
-12:00 Ladies entertainment
-7:00 p.m. Cocktail hour (cash bar)
-8:00 p.m. Banquet, speaker, dancing (Limelight Room)

SUNDAY, July 20th

-8:00 to 8:30 Buffet farewell breakfast on us.

Limousine service from the airport is \$5.00 each. Ask at airport for Rodeway-Lenox. We will help you make arrangements for return pick-up since the motel is not a scheduled stop. Please join us. We want you in Atlanta. You will like the city.

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