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The ARDENNES

Majestic firs, snow-laden,
in rank-and-file stand.
A man amid the pungent
boughs
in this ancient, subdued
land.

Needled boughs, star-laden,
Pressed by a grimy hand---
ice against an anguished
brow,
alone in a troubled land.



from Dale Carver's
(424/HQ 3Bn)



When Hell Froze Over
from Westinghouse MILESTONES vol. 13

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I am greatly honored and deeply appreciative of the opportunity to serve as President of the 106th Infantry Division Association for 1991-92. I sincerely thank the members of the Association for their support in electing me President.

I wish to particularly extend thanks to John O. Gilliland, immediate Past-President and host of the 45 Annual Reunion in Huntsville, Alabama. John and the committee did an outstanding job organizing and running the 45th Annual Reunion.

You will note from articles appearing elsewhere in this issue of The CUB, that the standing committees are hard at work. I particularly invite your attention to the Nominating Committee comments. Those

who are interested in serving on the Board of Directors should contact Ed Prewett. Those who are interested in submitting applications for scholarships should promptly contact Frank Trautman.

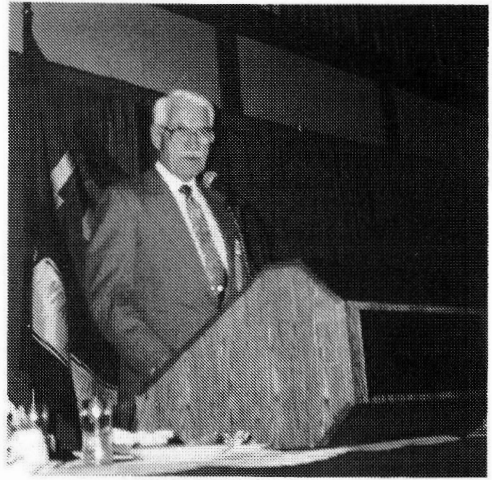
For those of you who were there, you may recall at the Reunion that there was a discussion of "The Camp Atterbury Veterans' Memorial Fund." The Board voted a contribution of \$2,500 to that memorial which has been delivered to the managers of that fund. Checks for donations should be made in the name of the fund and forwarded to our Memorial Committee Chairman, Dr. John G. Robb. Addresses for all the above mentioned persons are listed in The CUB inside front cover or in the new Association Roster that was included with this issue.

As you are aware, membership is the life blood of any organization. While the 45th Annual reunion was the largest with more than 670 in attendance, we need to get the word out that there is a 106th Infantry Division Association, and to encourage former members of the Division to join the Association.

I extend to each of you my heartiest greeting for the upcoming Holiday Season

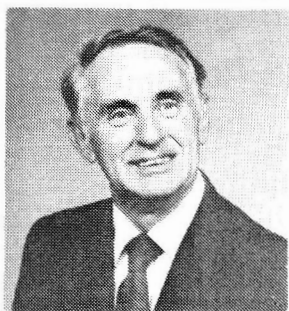
Michael N. Thome, President

106th Infantry Division Association



*106th Infantry Division Association President
Michael N. Thome - 1991-1992
Headquarters 422nd Regiment - 1st Battalion*

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Reverend Ewell C. Black Jr., Chaplain
106th Infantry Division Association
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So Great a Cloud of Witnesses

This is the Memorial Address delivered in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, by our Chaplain, the **Rev. Dr. Ronald Mosley**, in 1982. I thought it most fitting that we look at his words again, almost ten reunions later.

"We are here today at the Memorial Service of the 106th Infantry Division Association on what is holy ground. We hear the Voice of God saying to us, **"Put off your shoes from your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground."** This Honor Roll Reflecting Pool is a Memorial: it is holy ground, and while literally we do not take off our shoes, we show respect and honor.

"We are holding our Memorial Service this year at this beautiful War Memorial Center. We have a Memorial of our own. However, we cannot be there as an entire association. We have made pilgrimages to our 106th Memorial in St. Vith, Belgium. This has to be the "Second Best," and what a marvelous and glorious "Second Best" it is!

"Let us think about our 106th Infantry Division and part of its history. The 106th Division was the first unit penetrated in the Battle of the Ardennes by the Nazi hordes that hit us on December 16, 1944, on the Schnee Eifel with 250,000 elite assault troops accompanied by 1,000 tanks. The 106th held for three days as a division, and then for all practical purposes the division ceased to exist as a fighting force. Out of the 14,000 officers and men we lost about three-quarters in the first three days: killed, wounded and missing-in-action. Many were taken prisoner.

"Let us realize that "earth is crammed with heaven" and that the Will of God was in what we did back in December of 1944 and to the end of the war. We did God's work against a terrible enemy, and together we did not fail. "Put off your shoes from your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground." We "have an INHERITANCE which is IMPERISHABLE, UNDEFILED, and UNFADING kept in heaven for you." With pride and with honor. We will gather around with those of our comrades who were there in the fires of hell and came back and are still on this side of the "River of Life." We will remember those who are with us in the spirit "Since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses." (Hebrews 12:1) We will go on together showing forth our INHERITANCE. We are now part of that INHERITANCE, and we cherish and honor it by paying homage to our late comrades. We are on "Holy ground." We will not lower the quality of this "holy ground" by regrets or recriminations. AMEN"

In almost ten years which have passed since Chaplain Mosley delivered this address, many of those who were in Milwaukee have become a part of that "cloud of witnesses" who joins us now, in the spirit at our Annual Reunions. As we rejoice at this Season of Thanksgiving, let it be in the privilege which has been ours to know and enjoy the great members of our Association, both past and present.

NOTE !!!! NOTE !!!!!

New Mail Address — EDITOR

John P. Kline, CUB editor
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Apple Valley, MN 55124

I have closed the P.O. Box formerly listed on the inside cover of the CUB.

I am still getting mail through my Post Office Box address. Please make a note of the new address. It also appears on the inside cover of each CUB.

1991 Roster:

Normally we print a roster each July and include it with the August CUB. This year, because of time restraints caused by the production of *The CUB Passes in Review*, I had to put it off till this issue. We hope it is helpful in your quest for those you may be seeking.

Too Bad, but:

There are still nearly 70 of last year's members who have not paid their July 1, 1991 dues. They did not receive this CUB, nor the address roster. We are at a level of 1,503 members (as of 31 Oct, 1991) that are paid — that's on the good side.

Huntsville Reunion:

It was nice to meet all of you at the Huntsville Reunion.

For me, it was the highlight of my service to the Association. The award of *The Order of the Golden Lion, Officer's Class* was a total surprise. It was most humbling, since I am aware that only 15 of the awards have been presented (outside the Companion Class), since 1947 (see page 331, CUB Review).

I shall wear it with pride. I thank all of you, members, officers and Board for the confidence you have shown to me in my pursuit of my duties as editor of The CUB. I will always be at your service... Thanks!

The CUB Passes in Review

You all should have by now received your book, *The CUB of the Golden Lion Passes in Review*. Thanks all of you who have taken the time to write me.

It was a rewarding experience to me to have been able to compile these stories for you. I learned a lot about the Division, the Men of the Division and the Association. I have been told that this book makes a good reference for all. Importantly, it gives those of us that joined the Association late, a chance to get a glimpse of the past, and to fill in some voids in our knowledge of the past. I used material that came from the past CUBs from August 1946. If there was no mention of your unit, it is simply the fact that there was no material about it in past CUBs, at least that I found during my research of over 4,000 pages of information.

For those of you who made inquiries — I spent over 475 hours on the *CUB Passes in Review*, along with the 55-60 hours it takes to put the CUB in shape each quarter. Yes, I am still working 40 plus hours a week...

Extra Copies Available

The CUB Passes in Review is still available. An additional supply of books was printed. They are available for the price of \$15.00 until that supply is depleted. Additional orders have been coming in rapidly. A few are left at the fantastic price above.

Buy a couple and put them in your local library. Sign them and become a local contributor to history. Several have already done so, including a couple who had been invited to talk at local schools.

Get with it! PUSH the 106th!!!

Order of the Golden Lion

John P. Kline

Citation: Served in the 106th Infantry Division in World War II
M Company, 423rd Infantry.

Has been a member of the 106th Infantry Division Association since 1987 and served on the Board of Directors from September 1988 until September 1991.

He was appointed Editor of the Association's official Publication *THE CUB*, at Mobile, Alabama in September 1987 and immediately set out to familiarize himself with the current and past history of the Division and Association.

As Editor he used his charismatic talents to create a great deal of interest among the membership and has succeeded in projecting his expertise into making each issue of *THE CUB* a thing of literary value. Compliments on his work have been universal. His efforts have become a major factor in heightening and increasing cohesiveness among the members. As a by-product membership has soared.

In addition to the many hours he continues to spend in the producing *THE CUB* each calendar quarter, he has taken on the exacting task of producing a book called *THE CUB PASSES IN REVIEW* encompassing the material contained in all the statewide issues of *THE CUB* since August 1946, thus adding to his worth to the Association.

In grateful recognition of his zealous and dedicated service to the Association, the Board of Directors of the 106th Infantry Division Association awards him the

Order of The Golden Lion

Officer Class (OCGL)

Done at the City of Huntsville, Alabama this twenty-first day of September, in the year of our Lord, One Thousand, Nine Hundred Ninety-One.

For the Board of Directors signed: *John O. Gilliland*, president

Boyd A. Rutledge, adjutant

NOMINATING COMMITTEE SEEKS NAMES

We need nominations for members to be elected to The Board of Directors at the next Annual Meeting in Pittsburgh.

Hear This!. Members of the Association wishing to nominate an individual may do so by sending his name and qualifications, for consideration, to the Nominating Committee Chairman,

EDWARD PREWETT,

7831 Lone Tree Way

Brentwood, CA 94513

From the TREASURER, Sherod Collins

I want to thank the many members who paid their dues promptly by July 10, 1991, even if it was to receive a FREE book!! This allowed us to expeditiously handle the logistics of putting *The CUB Passes in Review* together and getting it printed in quantities that gave us a price break.

Thanks to those who also generously left advance payments in the treasury to contribute to the MEMORIAL FUND or to pay advance dues.

Speaking for myself and the other officers . . . you're a GREAT BUNCH.

National VFW honors Russell Villwock

Russell Villwock, a local resident of the northwest side of Chicago and Past Commander of Park Ridge V.F.W. Post 3579, was presented with a top honor by the Veterans of Foreign Wars at their recent national convention.

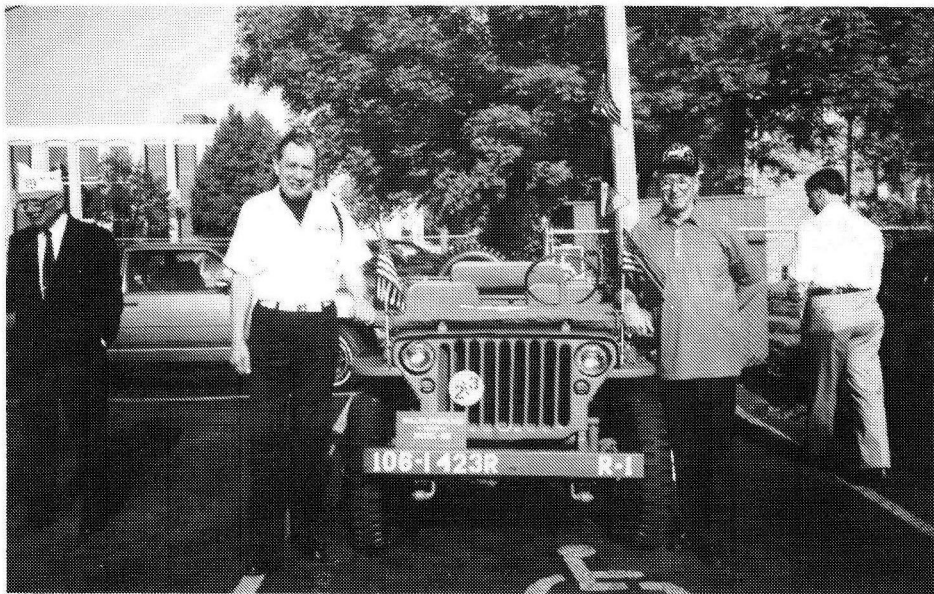
He was named an "All American District Commander, Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States." The organization which was founded in 1899, today is the oldest veterans group in the nation.

VFW Commander-in-Chief, James L. Kimery, in presenting the honor to Villwock said, "Commander Villwock is one of our 90 VFW District Commanders selected for All American status. This honor is based on his outstanding achievement in membership growth, youth activities, Buddy Poppy sales and community improvement programs. The title of All American Commander is one of the most prestigious honors given by our over 2-million member organization."

Villwock, Commander of District 4, Department of Illinois, was honored at a luncheon ceremony on Sunday, August 18, during the 92nd annual VFW Convention, held August 16 through 23rd in New Orleans.

Villwock also has been active through the past 38 years with the Chicago Area Council of the Boy Scouts of America. He has served as a volunteer in many capacities. At present he is on the training staff of the local Indian Boundary District that serves the northwest corner of Chicago.....

(Russell Villwock, formerly with the 106th SIGNAL COMPANY is also holder of a COMMANDERS CLASS — Order of the GOLDEN LION. He has held many offices in the Association, Adjutant 42-49, Chaplain 78-79, 2nd vice-president, 1st vice-president and as president in 1981-82. He has led many years, alternately, on the Board. He and his wife Jackie, holder of a COMPANION CLASS — Order of the GOLDEN LION, have hosted four 106th Infantry Division Association reunions, 1949, 1959, 1979 and 1989. Congratulations Russ... J. Kline, editor)



Russel Villwock (2nd from left, white shirt), Memorial Day, Park Ridge, Ill. May 1991
Look at that beautiful JEEP! On the bumper "106-1 423R."

106th Infantry Division Association

Treasurer's Report

1990 -91

INCOME

Member's Dues	30,840.00
Auxiliary Dues	1,899.00
Interest Earned	3,714.41
Purchases- CUB Review	2,090.00
Surplus - 44th Reunion	3,143.03
Patches Sold	164.51
Postage, sale of patches	7.03
Misc. Donations	172.00
	<u>\$ 42,029.98</u>

EXPENSE

CUB Expense:

Printing	8,128.35
Layout	1,580.00
Covers	2,114.49
Postage	1,437.99
Envelopes	598.45
Photos	117.00
Cover design	100.00
	14,076.28
Postage	1,821.75
Printing & Supplies	2,423.07
CUB Review expense	859.20
Advance to 45th Reunion	1,000.00
Advance to 46th Reunion	1,000.00
Registration fees - 4 officers	340.00
Telephone	102.88
Patches bought	317.37
Insurance premiums	784.00
Medal and Citation	106.20
Annual Corporate fee, Ga.	15.00
Future CUB material	12.18
	<u>22,857.93</u>
Net Increase	<u>\$ 19,172.05</u>

FUNDS ACTIVITY

General Fund Recap

Brought Forward	48,455.30
Net Increase	19,172.05
FUND TOTALS	<u>67,627.35</u>

Memorial Fund Recap

Brought Forward	18,664.28
Contributions	4,386.00
Interest Earned	1,386.67
TOTAL	<u>\$ 24,436.95</u>

Banks of Deposit

Wachovia Bank	3,624.21
First Comm. Bank	88,440.09
	<u>\$ 92,064.30</u>

CHANGES IN CASH POSITION

	General Fund	Memorial Fund	TOTALS
This Year	67,627.35	24,436.95	92,064.30
Last Year	48,455.30	18,664.28	67,119.58
Increases	<u>19,172.05</u>	<u>5,772.67</u>	<u>24,944.72</u>

Adjutant's Report 1990—1991

Statistics reported as of July 1, 1991

Renewals Annual	1,009
LIFE	259
New Members Annual	134
LIFE	22
Reinstated Members Annual	15
LIFE	4
Associate Members—Renewal Annual	25
LIFE	7
New Annual	15
LIFE	1
TOTAL MEMBERSHIP	1,491
Auxiliary Members Annual	310
LIFE	125
TOTAL AUXILIARY	435
Memorial Fund Contributors	236
Members discontinued	.61
Membership Gains	.74
Auxiliary Membership (Loss)	.94

10 Year Membership Recapitulation

Year	Memberships	Associate	Auxiliary
90—91	1,443	48	435
89—90	1,417	41	505
88—89	1,128	39	348
87—88	928	30	359
86—87	745	20	300
85—86	641	16	239
84—85	555	13	195
83—84	481	19	160
82—83	470	14	155
81—82	443	22	139

Known Deaths — fiscal year 1990 – 1991

Clarence J. Bardendse	424/HQ 1BN	1990	Delbert L. Miller	589/HQ	06/19/91
Harry J. Bendick	424/HQ	05/27/90	Donald Nielsen	423/HQ 1BN	08/08/91
James E. Brackett	591/SV	01/16/91	Bernard L. Parsons	423/HQ 1BN	05/17/90
Charles A. Brown Jr.	423/CN	1990	Edward J. Roche	424/K	05/14/91
Allen T. Cohen	423/E	02/09/91	Aubrey W. Rogers	423/K	05/18/91
Fred Chinguist, Jr.	423/D	02/91	Arnold Rubin	81st ENG	1990
Francis J. Dobe	422/C	05/17/91	Jacob Rusthoven	424/SV	02/04/90
Raymond R. Embury	806 ORD	12/21/89	E. E. Schwarz	424/E	10/06/90
Jerome L. Frankel	423/HQ 3BN	09/04/90	Douglas E. Smith	422/I	12/16/90
Richard A. Frankini	424/HQ 2BN	03/27/91	Walter E. Smith	423/CN	04/11/91
Abner T. Harris	424/H	10/02/90	John W. Spurllock	423/AT	10/24/90
John H. Hoenemeyer	424/K	12/12/90	Petter S. Sutter	423/HQ	09/90
Montague H. Jacobs	422/H	03/16/90	Mrs. James Teel	Associate	05/89
Robert C. Jeter	424/C	03/10/91	Michael J. Valovcin	422/AT	11/05/90
Marvin L. Jose	589/HQ	11/26/90	Clarence E. Warren	81st ENG/A	1990
Harry E. Kingston	423/E	1991	Blan E. Williams	423/SV	04/04/91
Elmer F. Lange	422/H	1990	Al Winterfield	424/CN	04/24/91
Allan J. Loliet	81st Eng/B	04/90	Clarence L. Woosley	106 RECON	03/08/91
Joseph C. Miles	424/CN	03/07/90			

Scholarship Awards and Applications

1991 SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE ANNOUNCEMENT

The following announcement was made at the 45th Annual Reunion in Huntsville, Alabama. Three academic scholarship awards in the amount of \$1,000 each were made for the year of 1991.

The recipients were:

Kristi Mason, granddaughter of Russell Enlow, 423 D Co. who is attending the American University.

John P. Matthews, grandson of O. Paul Merz, 422 Service Co., attending Indiana University.

Bryce Thompson, grandson of John Barbeau, 422 Anti-Tank Co., attending Wittenberg University.

May we extend our congratulations to these fine young people and wish them much success in their academic endeavors.

IMPORTANT 1992 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS ANNOUNCEMENT

Application for the 1992 Scholarship Awards

Speaking for the Scholarship Committee, Frank Trautman, chairman, announces that substantial scholarships will again be given to the descendants of living and deceased members of the 106th Infantry Division Association for 1992.

Descendants have been defined by the Board of Directors to include the following:

Children and Grandchildren

Adopted and non-adopted children who are dependents of and lived in the members household as minors.

Nieces, nephews, grandnieces and grandnephews.

Applicants must be nominated by a member of the association or his widow if he was a member at death. Members letters of nomination must state their relationship to the applicant.

The Board of Directors has authorized three (3) scholarships with a maximum of \$1,000 for each award.

To be considered, all applicants must:

1. Have their high school or college mail directly to the Scholarship Committee the following:

Applicants GPA, noting whether this is a weighted GPA:

Students Class standing and a letter of recommendation along with a transcript. REPEAT: these must come to the scholarship committee DIRECTLY from the school.

2. Have their SAT scores mailed DIRECTLY from the testing agency to the scholarship committee.

3. Submit a letter of application to the chairman of the scholarship committee, Frank Trautman. This letter may be in any style and should contain the following items:

Who he or she is; what he or she has done, such as sports, hobbies, travels, interests, accomplishments, work experience etc; why he or she would like to pursue a particular course of study; why he or she is applying for this scholarship and what the applicant would like to do in life.

4. The letter must also state that the applicant originated, composed and wrote the entire letter. Letters prepared for the applicant by any outside person or organization violates the spirit of this requirement and would therefore be unacceptable.

Please NOTE: All application material must be received by 30 April 1992.

Address to: **Scholarship Committee**

106th Infantry Division Association

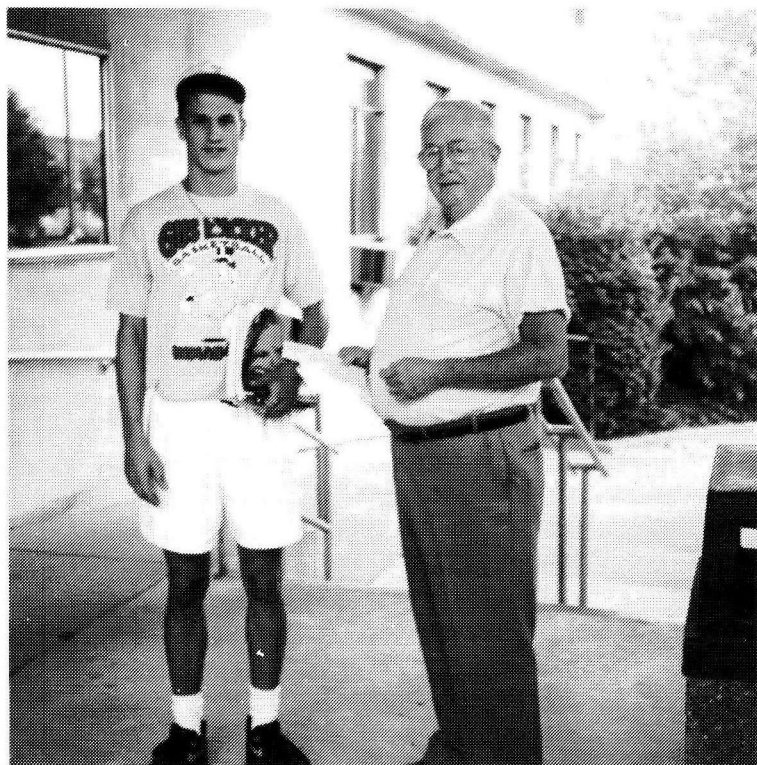
c/o Frank Trautman, chairman

80 East Summit Street, Chagrin Falls, OH 44022

All applications become the property of the 106th Infantry Division Association. The selected applicants will have the money deposited to their account at their chosen school. Thus it will not be given directly to the students.

Gene Saucerman,
422/D
presenting 1991
scholarship check
to
John P. Mathews,
grandson of O. Paul
Merz, 422 Service.

John is attending
Indiana University
at Terre Haute, In-
diana.





Fairford, England the Bull Hotel ... the Gulf War and other thoughts ...

by Dan Bied 422/A
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Those of you with photographic minds will recall the article I wrote about Fairford, a little town where 1st Battalion troops of the 422nd Regiment, and perhaps some others, spent a month late in 1944.

I told of what I remembered about the town, off the top of my head. My article also mentioned the B-52 bombers that used a base at Fairford to hit targets in the Persian Gulf War, and the old church some of us went to during our brief stay in England.

Bob Higgins, who was in Co. B of the 422nd, came to my rescue with some detailed recollections of Fairford, plus some photos of the church.

"It was like going back 100 years," he wrote, in regard to Fairford. "I know the manor house was for officers and around the grounds were the Quonset huts for the companies and their men. I know we had

to take showers in stalls in the manor house."

Bob's memories included a visit to Oxford, where he enjoyed a meal of sausage and toast, and "that nice little pub you wrote about." He remembered also, the Air Force hospital near our huts along with the bombers and gliders that droned overhead.

Fairford, according to a book I bought in England in 1978, is "an ancient market town on the south fringe of the Cotswolds in the Coln Valley."

The Bull Hotel, site of the pub, was built in the 17th or 18th century, the book says, and the town's "perpendicular" church was built between 1490 and 1500 by a man named John Tame and his son Edmund.

The church is famous for its 28 stained glass windows, which tell the "Bible Story," and for such "treasures" as its oak-beamed roof, with 69 stone angels, and choir stalls with "grotesque carvings."

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During the Gulf War a local reporter asked me to comment on the airmen who were captured by Iraq in the early days of the conflict.

The men had been on TV, you'll recall, making remarks that seemed to be confessions. I told the reporter it was obvious the pilots had been forced to speak by their captors. "These are career military men," I pointed out. "They don't change their philosophy of life in a couple of days."

I was correct, fortunately, in predicting that the POWs would be released immediately after the war. "They aren't likely to kill these men," I said, "because people around the world know they are alive. The world will expect them to be released."

The story in the Burlington Hawkeye also included a few of my recollections about World War II.

Being captured was "the last thing I expected to happen," I said. "I thought I might be killed or have a leg blown off. But I never thought of being captured in the infantry."

I went on to explain, as I have many times since the war, that I felt no particular stigma about being captured. I followed orders when I surrendered. I was in a rifle company because I volunteered for it, rather than go to advanced radio school at Fort Benning. I was where I wanted to be. I didn't run.

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This leads me up to the unsigned letter John Kline received from a person who figures those of us taken prisoner with the 106th were "Cowardly Lions."

Being a POW is nothing to brag about, in my opinion. But, as I said, we followed orders.

If that guy had any guts, John, he would have signed his name to the letter. I have never sent a letter to any person without signing my name.

Gleina (Kommando) Reminiscing...

by Rev. Ewell C. Black, Jr. 422/A
Chaplain, 106th Inf. Div.

This is some information which I thought might be of interest to the 106th Infantry Division Association, since most of the prisoners at Gleina, Germany were from the 106th Infantry Division.

Of the 95,000 American Service persons captured in the ETO only one (1) percent (950) died. Of the 3,570,999 Army person in the ETO between December 7, 1941 and September 2, 1945, there were 194,624 who died in Combat and other causes (this included the Air Corps). This was 5.5%. Of this number there were 177,549 who were actual Combat casualties, — 5%. This information from August 1991 VFW Magazine. At the Sharp End: WWII in Europe, Richard Kolb.

In the work Kommando at Gleina, Germany, which was made up mostly of men from the 106th, there were 120 Americans of which 10 died in the 80 days we were there. This amounts to 8.3%.

It was almost twice as dangerous to have been a POW in the Kommando at Gleina as to have been in Combat.



CUB Laughs
by George Levine
424/M

"My Grandpa must be VERY old. I heard him talking about ancient rifles called "GARANDS" and "OH-THREES!"

**A report by John Kline, editor - followed by a letter from John Gilliland
90-91 Association President and Reunion Chairman.**

There were 725 that registered for the 45th Annual Reunion in Huntsville, Alabama. The reunion days from September 18 - 22, 1991 will go down in 106th history as being one of the best ever, considering the numbers.

The reunion committee with John Gilliland, 1990-91 Association President and Reunion Chairman, helped by his wife Lee, and committee persons listed below did a remarkable job in all phases of reunion, from pre-registrations to the closing words at the Good-Bye Continental Breakfast on Sunday September 22, 1991.

The committee consisted of:

Lee & John Gilliland, chair-persons

Hazel & Joseph Massey

Faye Lambert, guest of the Massey's

Barbara & Walter Bridges

Huntsville Convention & Visitors Bureau

From the original 725 registrations 687 came to Huntsville, 384 men of the Division and 303 ladies. Notable were 15 or more guests during the functions. 656 persons enjoyed the official banquet on Saturday night, September 21, 1991. The banquet, because of its size was held in the beautiful Huntsville VON BRAUN CIVIC CENTER.

THE HUNTSVILLE MARRIOTT, served as the reunion center. All meetings and reunions meals were held there. Four hospitality rooms were available during regular hours during the reunion. They were the PATHFINDER, ENTERPRISE, CHALLENGER, COLUMBIA and ATLANTIS.

The HUNTSVILLE MARRIOTT was adjacent, within walking distance, of the HUNTSVILLE SPACE & ROCKET CENTER. If you have never visited this fantastic display, it is worth several days of your vacation or leisure time to take it in. We were fortunate during our stay, in that the RUSSIAN SPACE CRAFT exhibits were on display in the SPACE CENTER. There is so much to say about the SPACE CENTER that we could use this complete issue to describe it. I was awed by the SPACE CENTER THEATER. Sitting in comfortable tilt-back chairs, special projectors displayed an awesome, beautiful, overwhelming display of the earth and heavens as seen from several of the space rocket and shuttle expeditions. There in front of your eyes, as if you could reach out and touch it, in a panoramic 86 degree color display, were the sights and sounds of the universe and views of the earth and various continents around the world. FANTASTIC!! is the only way I can describe it.

THE HUNTSVILLE CONVENTION & VISITORS BUREAU played a great part in the success of the 45th annual reunion. They are to be thanked and congratulated for the part they played.

Registration, conducted by the committee, in the hotel lobby as we entered was well organized. Daily the committee, manned a display table and information center for the reunion participants. This year they had available many items of interest. Nearly \$6,000 of memorabilia, books, clock raffle and glass bowl raffle money was taken in by the committee at the display tables.

In his REUNION REPORT to the Board of Directors, John GILLILAND, chairman said, "The savings and surplus created in the 45th Annual Reunion came from: Management of income and expenses; Comparison pricing of items and service; Closely monitoring meal guarantees and numbers served; Establishing good relations with the support activities, to insure fair and equitable prices for food and services; Shopping for best interest and charges on monies deposited; Sale of prepaid memorabilia and consignment sales; Comparison pricing of tours and our buses; Raffle of donated items solicited by the committee and the support of the officers and the Board of Directors and attendees of the 45th Annual Reunion."

The records show that this reunion was well organized, profitable, well attended and one in which a record number of FIRST-TIMERS attended. We shall savor the thoughts of the 45th ANNUAL REUNION for a long time.

I add my thanks and appreciation to the many letters that the committee have received.

John Kline, editor

JOHN GILLILAND, 45th Annual Reunion Chairman Reports...

I am getting back to a normal, retired routine, but I will never forget the 45th Annual reunion.

It was a lot of work, but our committee enjoyed having our members join us in Huntsville, Alabama in September. I think everyone enjoyed themselves as I heard nothing but praise!

We want to thank everyone for their support and cooperation.

All of our support activities had nothing but good things to say about our group. They indicated that we were easy to please and that they appreciated our friendliness and cooperation.

We saved money through our close control of guaranteed meals etc. We also made some money through the sales of memorabilia and all this surplus will go into the 106th Infantry Division Association's account. You might say that this reunion paid for the donation to the Camp Atterbury Project and the ultimate cost of the book ***The CUB Passes in Review***, which was given to every member that had his/her membership dues paid by July 10, 1991. Each reunion is run on its own merits. We are happy that the 45th Annual Reunion was such a success. It made all the work worth while.

Lee and I are leaving on a 10 day vacation to the Ozarks to relax and unwind. We will spend most of our time at Branston, Missouri seeing Country and Western shows. Then back through Mobile, Alabama to attend another reunion, can you believe it? We are looking forward to attend the Camp Atterbury Dedication next year. Then on to PITTSBURGH! SEE YOU ALL THERE!

John Gilliland

Past President, Reunion Host

45th Annual Reunion Unit Count -- Huntsville

PLEASE NOTE !!! Possibly some persons were not included in the Unit Count figures below, or in the Reunion Attendance records on the following pages. In lieu of not listing any figures or names of attendance, I decided to go with what I had. Differences in numbers is due to some registration notes that I did not get. Let me know if your name is missing - I will include it in the next CUB... J. Kline

DIV/HQ	4	423/HQ 2BN	2	589/HQ	1
106 MP	1	423/E	3	589/A	8
106 QM	1	423/F	3	589/B	2
106 SIG	7	423/G	3	590/HQ	6
422/HQ	5	423/H	15	590/A	8
422/AT	2	423/HQ 3BN	0	590/C	1
422/CN	4	423/I	4	590/MED	1
422/SV	1	423/K	3	591/HQ	5
422/HQ 1BN	1	423/L	1	591/C	6
422/A	1	423/M	8	591/SV	11
422/B	1	423/MED	13	592/HQ	2
422/C	9	424/HQ	4	592/A	3
422/D	12	424/AT	1	592/B	1
422/HQ 2BN	5	424/CN	7	592/C	1
422/E	2	424/HQ 1BN	2	592/SV	1
422/F	3	424/A	3	Others	
422/G	4	424/B	8	Unit Unknown	2
422/H	12	424/D	3	Associate	5
422/HQ 3BN	3	424/HQ 2BN	1	Div/HQs&units	13
422/L	1	424/E	2	422nd	86
422/I	6	424/F	5	423rd	102
422/K	4	424/G	3	424th	66
422/L	3	424/H	9	81st Eng	35
422/M	7	424/HQ 3BN	3	589th FAB	11
423/HQ	16	424/I	3	590th FAB	16
423/AT	2	424/K	3	591st FAB	22
423/SV	4	424/L	4	592nd FAB	10
423/HQ 1BN	4	424/M	3	Attached Medics counted with organic units	
423/A	4	424/MED	2	Members	368
423/B	5	81st ENG/HQ	3	Guests and/or	
423/C	5	81st ENG/A	12	Wives	295
423/D	7	81st ENG/B	9	Total	663
		81st ENG/C	11		

45th Annual Reunion Attendance --Sep 18-22, 1991

DIV/HQ

Samuel P. Cariano *Billie*
 Fred J. Farris *Willie*
 Vollie L. McCollum *Virginia*
 Raymond Potter

106 MP

Kenneth B. Facey (Col Ret)

106 QM

Morris R. Piha *Sara*

106 SIG

Douglas D. Brown *Ola*
 Dean F. Childs *Eleanor*
 Peter L. DiRenzo *Sylvia*
 Dr. Vance S. Jennings
 Stanislaus Kups *Lenore*
 Charles H. Stammer *Shirley*
 Russell H. Villwock *Jackie*

422/HQ

Robert E. Rutt *Lucille*
 Jack Bryant *Emily*
 Robert R. Hanna *Marilyn*
 Dr. Geo. W. Herring *Dawn*
 Col. Joe Matthews Jr.

422/AT

Walter S. Pawluk *Barbara*
 George T. Vance *Norma*

422/CN

Ralph Bowles *Elizabeth*
 John S. Calhoun
 Monroe C. Duke
 Jack L. Gaither *Phronie*

422/SV

O. Paul Merz *Carlene*

422/HQ 1BN

Michael Thorne

422/A

Rev. Ewell C. Black Jr. *Dorothy*

422/B

L. Willard Nelson

422/C

Thomas D. Boyd
 Dr. William P. Dohoney *Josephine*
 Carl E. Edwards *Elizabeth*
 Byron A. Jones *Gladys*
 Carl S. Kwaczek *Lillian*
 Futrell H. Lee *Frances*
 Joseph Massey
Hazel/Faye Lambert
 Josh L. Smith *Millie Brown*
 Robert R. Wessels *Jerry*

422/D

Fred B. Chase *Agnes*
 Rev. Roy M. Hilliard *Shirley*
 Edward J. Olecki *Arlene*
 Dr. John G. Robb *Marilyn*
 Boyd A. Rutledge
 Joseph T. Sanders *Marlene*
 Eugene L. Saucerman *Sally*
 Will S. Temple, Jr.
 Frank S. Trautman
 Lawrence R. Williams
 Robert E. York *Thelma*
 Gerald P. Zimand *Rhoda*

422/HQ 2BN

Weyman Jobe *Edith*
 John Lomonaco *Frances*
 Frank Nausin Jr. *Clara*
 Norman Rasmussen *Anna*
 William Rickard *Margaret*

422/E

Donald R. Britt *Mary Ann*
 Carroll Rahm *Mary*

422/F

H.D. Crook *Lillian*
 Charley S. Henderson *Helen*
 Martin V. Lawlor *Rita*

422/G

Lonas L. Chesney *Louis*
 Keith Ginther
 Herbert M. Sheaner, Jr. *Gloria*
 Manuel C. Silvia *Elizabeth*

422/H

Harry E. Albertson *Gladys P.*
 Edward W. Dorn *Margaret*
 Robert J. Fox *Janice*
 Albert Hundt *Eileen*
 William F. Ivy *Pat*
 William D. Jenkins *Sandra*
 William B. Jones
 Anders N. Madsen Jr.
 William R. Phelan
 Charles F. Rieck *Doris*
 Casimer Turek *Leona*
 Col. Levene Weigel (US Ret) *Clara*

422/HQ 3BN

James J. Dickerson
 Milton G. Haas
 James W. Henning *Clare*

422/L

Frank Del Vecchio *Barbara*

422/I

Victor W. Breite *Avis*
 Carl Falch *Elsie*
 Ross E. Gillikin *Jeanette*
 Eugene B. Kelch *Dorothy*

Fletcher D. Patterson *Annie Ruth*
 Edward Rydzinski *Sylvia*

422/K

Winford R. Boatright *Virginia*
 Hampton J. Dailey *Shirley*
Richard/Rosemary
 William W. Hilliard *Ruth*
 Lyman C. Maples *Ann*

422/L

Elmer A. Brice *Janet*
 James F. Karth *Margaret*
 Rocco J. Sergi *LaVerne*

422/M

Maynard Adolphson *Joan*
 Russell Hoff *Joan*
 Alfred E. Kopatz *Ida*
 Gilbert Larson *Dorothy*
 Joseph H. Leitch *Meda*
 Herbert F. Meagher *Luella*
 Paul A. Tranchita *Mary*

423/HQ

Roy Bigger *Jean*
 John W. Califf, Jr. *Sarah*
 Robert D. Casenhiser
 Sam E. Davis Jr. *Myra*
 Robert Grimes *Birdie*
 Robert G. Hirst
 John C. Johnson, Jr. *Dorothy*
 Charlie (Clint) McClure *Peggy*
 Alfred S. Nusbaum

Jeanne Marie Hare

Marion (Doug) Prater *Barbara*
 Charles Sartori *Stella*
 John P. Sheehan *Vivian*
 Ted Slaby
 Richard D. Sparks
 Joseph C. Tarantino *Connie*
 Gordon B. Zicker

423/AT

Joseph J. Ansel *Mary*
 Walter Hiltbrand *Arlene*

423/SV

Sherod Collins *Dot Waldrop*
 Salvatore V. Grasso *Mary*
 John L. Hall
 John T. Stewart *Arletia*

423/HQ 1BN

Kenneth V. Bryan *Margie*
 C. Wesley Caldwell *Marian*
 Col. Alan W. Jones Jr.
 Glynn G. Raby, Jr. *Mona*

423/A

W.G. Bainbridge *Hazel*
 John E. Ezelle *Edna*
 William M. Lane *Marian*
 Pete Yancik *Diana*

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423/B

William Lucsay *Florence*
William Malone *Margie*
Richard L. Rigatti *Pat*
George Southam *Meurice*
Arthur L. Van Moorlehem *Lucille*

423/C

William E. Davis *Rosemary*
Maurice A. Halladay *Bunny*
Joseph B. Kleven *Marge*
John Rosalia *Rose*
Julius A. Spence

423/D

Edward P. Billinghamurst
Roy Browning *Olivia*
Robert H. Marsh *Mary Lou*
Fred Williams *Inez*
William J. Yingst *Ruth*
Damon F. Young
Mike Zenn *Elaine*

423/HQ 2BN

Ray J. Fawley
Col. Joseph Puett *Ida May*

423/E

William G. Alexander *Carolyn*
Howard Edwards *Mary Katherine*
Walter E. Johannes *Lucille*

423/F

George Rinkema *Dorothy*
Jack A. Sulser *Helen*
Eric J. Vonderhorst *Frieda*

423/G

Joseph W. Gresham *Ernestine*
Walter H. Jewell
J. H. Watters *Dorothy*

423/H

Robert F. Bennett *Verna*
Reme D. Bottcher *Dorothy*
C.L. Cooper *Sarah*
Lloyd J. Diehl *Lillian*
Rev. Isham A. Harris Jr.
Ray A. Johnston *Mary Ann*
Michael Kurzeja
William J. Lawson
Walter A. Petersen *Frances*
Emor C. Pretty
Kenneth M. Smith
John A. Swett *Virginia*
John W. Taylor *Ernestine*
Paul M.L. Trost *Joanne*
George G. White, Sr. *Martha*

423/I

James A. Bard *Mary*
George Bloomingburg *Juanita*
James M. Mills *Janice*
Howard J. Terrio *Luvelle*

423/K

Richard J. Brax *Rosalie*
Clifton Capshaw *Frances*
Fred DePoyster

423/L

Joel Corman *Edith*

423/M

Julian B. Burnside
Floyd E. Friend *Flurine*
Reuben Hay *David/Roger*
Gilbert Helwig *Lucille*
John J. Hohenstein *Iona*
John P. Kline
Paul Kotlarich
Vincent J. Venegoni *Mary*

423/MED

Antone Costa
Lawrence B. Costa
Kenneth Hunt *Betty*
Newton Johnson *Leda*
William R. Kocks *Leona Zeitler*
Robert E. Love, Jr.
Hugh T. McManamon *Margaret*
Louis R. Piazza *Mildred*
William T. Reyenga
Richard R. Ritchie *Carol*
Robert S. Robson *Doris*
James L. Ulrich
William A. Zewe

424/HQ

Robert A. Burkes *Frankie*
Robert N. Lyons *Julia*
Joseph P. Maloney *Vivian*
Rev. Ronald A Mosley

424/AT

James A. Cooper *Thelma*

424/CN

Darrel R. Bayles *Viola*
Robert G. Clower *Stephanna*
Robert DeSt Aubin
Oliver E. Libnan *Phyllis*
Henry W. Mackowiak *Theresa*
George C. Moyer *Ginnie*
Donald A. O'Farrell *Delphine*

424/HQ 1BN

Stanley J. Kucholick *Dana*
Joseph C. Odom *Jo*

424/A

Donald W. Beseler *Marcia*
Devon C. Thorsen *Lois*
H. Van De Bogart *Helen*

424/B

Lloyd R. Crosby *Ouida*
Major H. Hill *Evelyn*
George S. Kelly *Emily*
Bud& Evelyn
Edward A. Prewett *Reddie*
Roger M. Rutland *Mattie*
Marshall P. Streib *Mary Ann*
C.V. Varnadore *Ruth*
Jack P. Williams

424/D

Raymond Ellis *Mildred*
Walter G. Bridges *Barbara*
Robert J. Landis *Mary Jane*

424/HQ 2BN

Robert F. Howell *Louise*

424/E

Benjamin B. Britton *Avis*
Gilbert M. Fitzgerald

424/F

Edwin C. Huminski *Elizabeth*
Malcolm E. Lord
Russell J. Mayotte *Bart*
John S. Nesbit *Winnell*
Milton J. Schober *Arline*

424/G

George Geib *Muriel*
Delbert G. Rediger *Marion*
Van S. Wyatt *Bobbie*

424/H

Donald R. Armington *Maxine*
Nolan Ashburn *Jean*
Harold M. Bailey *Bernard Bailey*
Robert G. Brown *Harriet*
Sr., James E. Collier *Mary Lou*
George Murray Jr. *Betty*
George W. Stephens *Sheba*
Lawrence Walden *Jeanne*
Guy Wright *Marley*

424/HQ 3BN

Dale R. Carver *Ruth*
W. Leo Gregory
Albert R. March *Delores*

424/I

Roland Martin
Curtis P. Maynard *Margaret*
Lawrence W. Smith *Bertha*

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424/K

Bert Caplan
John H. Johnson *Evelyn*
William K. Rowan *Inez*

424/L

Sr., Kenneth L. Coss *Bea*
Donald F. Herndon *Stanaleen*
Theodore Lada *Lois*
Elmer J. Shudarek

424/M

Howard O. Bagby *Nancy*
Frank Borbely *Phyllis*
William H. Mueller *Irmi*

424/MED

Douglas Brooks
John Manfredi *Jane*

81st ENG/HQ

Casimir T Prokorym *Pauline*
Col. Thomas J. Riggs
N. Duke Ward *Martha*

81st ENG/A

Orfeo E. Agostini
Norman Benefiel
Charles Bright *Doris*
Andrew Chura *Elizabeth*
Ron P. Collins *Anita H.*
Robert T. Fitzgerald
Dave Lacey *Frances*
Carl Messina *Alice*
George Nester *Lucille*
Louis Praznik
Robert E. Sandberg *Pat*
Cebert V. Turner *Mary Jane*

81st ENG/B

Edgar R. Carpenter *Martha*
Rev. Valentine Derr *Mary Emma*
Edward S. Krezminski
Edward J. Nagle *Eloise*
Armondo A. Ricci *Mary*
James E. Tetzlaff *Mary Ellen*
Earl L. Todd *Mary Jane*
Col Earle L. Valenstein *Susan*
Edward C. Wojahn *Irene*

81st ENG/C

Don M. Hinrichs *Patricia*
Fred A. Carr *Betty*
Roger J. Ehrhardt *Lea*
John I. Gallagher *Stella*

George J. Hammond *Livona*
Bert E. Hartzell *Adalene*
Henry V. Hayden *Barbara*
B. F. Killian *Bea*
Adolph J. Maier Jr. *Barbara*
Frank V. Sziber *Muriel*
James E. Wells *Maydean*

589/HQ

John W. Thurlow *Joyce*

589/A

John Gatens
Donald B. Humphrey *Mary*
Charles F. Jaccelon *Helen*
Charles J. Roy *Pearl*
John R. Schaffner *Lillian*
Walter M. Snyder
William R. Streeter *M. Jane*
Marshall B. Wenslow *Patricia*

589/B

Harold Kuizema *Jessica*
Bernard C. Strohmiere *Virginia*

590/HQ

Robert R. Stolp *Elizabeth*
Paul Boschert *Emma*
Clifford E. Kincannon *Sarah*
James C. Morrissey *Jan*
Robert A. Powell *Betty*
Jack Woodward *Hildreth*

590/A

Russell L. Gunvalson *Idelle*
Harry Hicks
Sr., Arthur E. Hinson *Julia*
Pete House *Joanne*
Hugh H. Kingery
George Peros *Georgia*
Gordon H. Sather *Lucille*
Edward E. Young

590/C

Douglas S. Coffey

590/MED

George R. Pina *Ella*

591/HQ

Merrill E. Bookheimer *Mary Lou*
Harry M. Ephraim *Betty*
Raymond H. Panice
Andrew & Jackie Halusek
Ted Swier *Rose*
Oliver G. Williams

591/C

William C. Black *Doris*
Walter H. Bowers *Beatrice*
Col. Perry R. Ellsworth *Julie*
Joseph Gross *Dolores*
Eugene Morell *Angie*
E.C. White Jr. *Zada*

591/SV

Kenneth Bradfield *June*
Walter C. Clarke *Lillian*
Charles K. Corrigan Jr. *Betty*
Charles T. Datte
Florian R. Frank *Dorothy A.*
John W. Howard *Virginia*
Newton L. Mosley
Robert C. Ringer
L. Orvis Samples *Agnes*
John P. Schlessler *Karin*
George C. Welton, PH.D. *Marion*

592/HQ

Adams E. Elliott *Muriel*
Clarence (Pete) Lauman *Dorothy*

592/A

Willard G. Hartman
Thomas J. Maw
Irvin G. Minor *Betty*

592/B

Donald B. Dexter *Alice*

592/C

John M. Roberts

592/SV

John O. Gilliland *Lee*
Glenn O. Hartlieb *Nadine*
Gilbert W. Justice *Marilyn*

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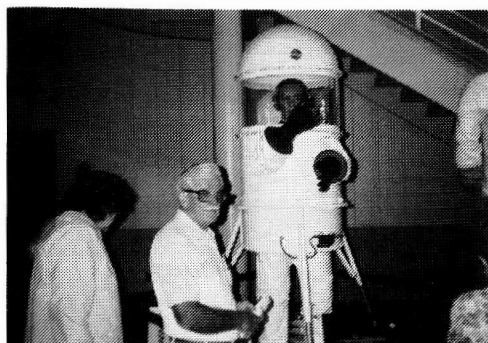
E. V. Creel
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ASSOCIATE

Mrs. Marjorie DeHeer
Robert F. Matthews
Majorie M. Pierce
Mrs Jean Schutte
Dan E. Walters *Nancy*

PLEASE NOTE !!! If you or one of your guests were missed, please notify me and I will make corrections in the next CUB.... John Kline, editor)

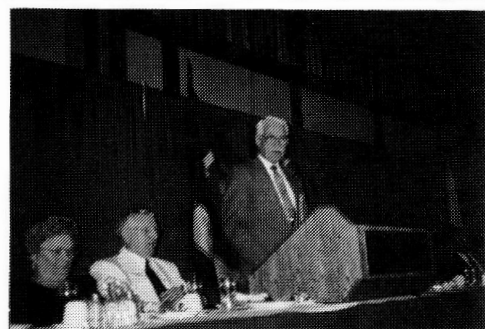
Scenes from the 45th annual reunion -- Huntsville...



Doug Coffey in The Von Braun Space Center.



Mr. Stella Gallagher; Frank Szeiber; Bea Hinrichs
Don Hinrichs, Muriel Szeiber at Depot Station.



Michael Thome, incoming president at podium
Lee and John Gilliland. John was presiding over the
reunion as the '91-'92 president.



A view of the Saturday night banquet crowd
in the beautiful Huntsville Von Braun Civic Center.



President John Gilliland placing the Memorial Wreath
Rev. Ewell Black, Jr, chaplain at podium
Rev. Isham Harris, Jr. in front of podium.



Some of the troops awaiting buses to the
Von Braun Civic Center for the
Saturday night banquet.

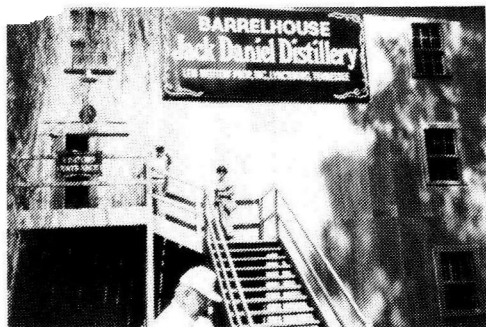


June and Bill Streeter, winners of the clock.



Virginia and Vollie McCollum won the crystal bowl.

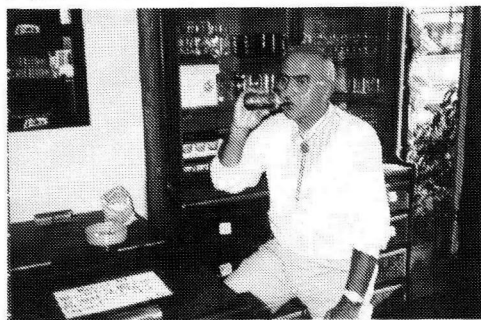
Scenes from the Jack Daniels Tour, Lynchburg, Tenn.



Starting the Jack Daniels tour. John Gilliland and Faye Lambert at the top of the stairs.



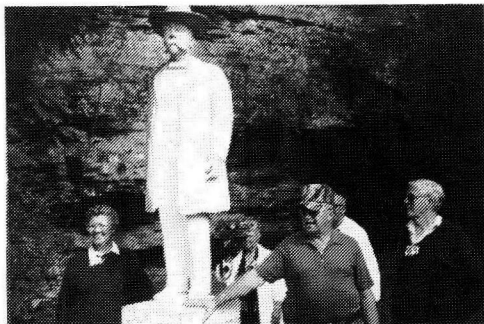
Touring downtown Lynchburg for souvenirs.



Cub editor, John Kline in the Lynchburg Gen Store sipping a real old fashioned Coke - 10 cents. You can't carry the bottle out.



81st Engeer, Jim Wells at the Jack Daniels "Lister Bag."



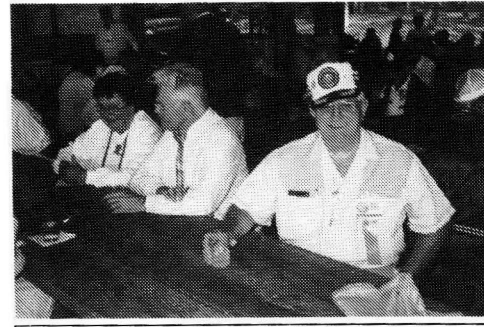
A group around the statue of ole Jack. Story goes, he died from an infected toe caused by him kicking a money safe that wouldn't open.



Gil Helwig, 423/M and Lucille in the General Store checking out the Lynchburg Lemonade.



A view of the Jack Daniels picnic area and kitchen. Roast pig, fried catfish and good ole Jack Daniels Tennessee Whiskey.



President Gilliland with his sipping glass. Don Beseler, 424/A and wife Marcia in the picnic building.

106th Infantry Division — Campaigns awarded

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
CENTER OF MILITARY HISTORY
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20315

in reply refer to: DAMH-HSO

10 MAY 1974

Mr. Sherod Collins
Historian
106th Infantry Division Association

Dear Mr. Collins

This is in reply to your request for historical information concerning the 106th Infantry Division during World War II.

The following War Department and Department of the Army General Orders announced campaign participation and credits for Headquarters, 106th Infantry Division, for service during World War II.

Rhineland WD GO 118, 1945

Ardennes-Alsace DA GO 63, 1948

Central Europe WD GO 116, 1948

WD GO 103 1945, did include the 106th in the Northern France campaign which took place between 25 July and 14 September 1944. However, DA GO 41, 1958, deleted the division from this campaign since the unit had not arrived in France until December 1944.

Headquarters, 106th Infantry Division, was activated on 15 March 1943. War Department policy for activating new divisions during World War II authorized the naming of the division commander and other key personnel several weeks prior to activation. Therefore, Brigadier General Alan W. Jones was named commander prior to the activation of the division headquarters.

I regret that we do not have photographic documentation showing General Jones receiving the divisional colors, but the US Army Audio-Visual Agency may possibly have photographs of this ceremony. Inquiries should be addressed to DA Still Photographic Library, US Army Audio-Visual Agency, ATTN: CEPA-POS-R, The Pentagon, Room 5A518, Washington, D.C. 20310 (This is an old address..editor)

Sincerely yours

signed.....

WALTER L. MCMAHON

Colonel, Infantry
Chief, Historical
Services Division

For those of you who had **NORTHERN FRANCE** credited to your discharge:
CONGRATULATIONS! It meant an extra 5 points towards discharge.

Benefiel, Norman 81st ENG/A

R#6 Box 120
Newton, IL 62448

After entering the Service in March, 1943 I was assigned to the 106th Infantry Division until November 18, 1943. I was reassigned to Aviation Cadets along with 58 other Engineers.

Bing, Ben 106 QM

4123 Hernando Beach
Spring Hill, FL 34601

I recently heard about the Association from **Jim Senatrot, Morris Pika** and **Wm. Wiggy** when they were at a company reunion. Please sign me up for a membership.

(editor's note - Welcome back to the 106th, Ben.. J. Kline)

Bricker, James H. 423/K

1800 SE St. Lucie Blvd
Stuart, FL 34996

I surrendered as ordered by the Regimental Commander on 19 Dec 1944. POW at Stalag 9-B, Bad Orb then off to Hammelburg, 13-B until March of 1945 when Patton's Tank Force tried to free us. I was recaptured and marched toward South Bavaria. I escaped on May 1.

I was recalled to active duty during the Korean War and served 17 months in the U.S.A.

I worked in Business and Real Estate Planning until 1972 when I became totally disabled by "depressive neurosis." The V.A approved my application in 1990 for 10% rating for Post Traumatic Stress Disorder - (PTSD).

I retired in 1985. My wife and I have two daughters who are grown and independent.

(In another letter to me..editor) John thanks for the printouts of Company's 423/K and L. It was kind of you to endorse a copy of your most interesting and informative diary. I shall keep it with my "me-

mentos" of those terrible times.

We are leaving today for a week in Wyoming. When I get back I will get to work on the story Colonel Cavender asked that I send to the CUB.

Brown, Douglas D. 106 SIG

1803 Kelly Lane
Owensboro, KY 42303

Bryan, Virgil W. 424/SV

229 Betty Jo Ln
Memphis, TN 38117

I joined my 106th unit in March 1943 at Fort Jackson, S.C. and served with them as Regimental Clerk from the activation of the Division until deactivation at the end of World War II. I was discharged at Camp Atterbury, Indiana on Nov. 26, 1945.

I am happy to be applying for membership.

Calhoun, John S. 422/CN

Box 194
Grove Hill, AL 36451

Caudill, George W. 590/C

5183 Trabue Rd
Columbus, OH 43228

Clements, Lawrence C. 424/A

Rte 5 Box 855
Appomattox, VA 24522

Dear Gil, Please reinstate me - I failed to get my membership dues in and am not getting **The CUB**. I enjoyed the publication. Please continue to send **The CUB**. Send any back issues. I am enclosing enough to cover the period that I was not paid. Thank you.

(editor's note - I'll look in my files for any extras - there was a large increase in membership between March '89 and now. Nice to see you back... J. Kline)

Dobe, Gabrielle J. ASSOCIATE

877 Howe St
Manchester, NH 03103

New Members

Duhamel, Laurence C. 106 QM

19 Main St
E. Douglas, MA 01516

Fava, Roy 81st ENG/C

45 Doherty Dr
Clifton, NJ 07013

Fawley, Ray J. 423/HQ 2BN

PO Box 6146
Mesa, AZ 85216

Fisher, Leland R. 81st ENG/A

321 Pleasant Ave
McMurray, PA 15317

Fitzgerald, Robert T. 81st ENG/A

118 Warham St.
Syracuse, NY 13208

(editor's note - To you and all the others who did not include personal information, we do welcome you and if you care to write something about yourself (see the articles in this column for examples) then feel free to do so.. J. Kline)

Graham, Richard B. 423/AT

259 E. Dominion Blvd
Columbus, OH 43214-2706

You sent me a copy of **The CUB** plus some enclosures which I did not read until after the July 10, 1991 deadline. Please send me a copy of *The CUB Passes in Review*. I have enclosed payment.

I belonged to the Association, but due to one thing or another I dropped out — my problem was that there was almost no-one in 423/Anti-Tank Company. I had been transferred from 423 I&R about the time we left the States. That group and the AT Cos. were the only companies of the Infantry Regiment of WWII that had a place in the T/O for topographic draftsmen. I had surveyor training and this also included 076 top draftsmen. I was excess in grade for that unit.

I don't know what **The CUB** has had in regarding the emasculation of the 106th for replacements and then re-manning it with A.F. Cadets and ASTP people. I don't

suppose that many infantry units would have personnel of Corporal down with higher average IQ's or more education. Or — unfortunately, less infantry training.

I am looking forward to seeing *The CUB Passes in Review*. I don't expect to see many familiar names, mostly because of the way I bounced around while in the 106th.

With regards to the request that **The CUB** be permitted to reprint my **LINN'S STAMP NEWS** column on the 106th's mails, I will write to the editor on this. Is this a good idea to run the article? It deals with a hobby area that your readers may not understand. I am sure Linn's will approve it.

(editor's note - First, thanks for the Cedric Foster letter. I do have several copies and it does appear in *The CUB Passes in Review*.

I could not determine from your letter whether you were one of those that replaced the men that had been shipped to POE. Your probably right about the above average IQ replacements, but in their defense, and with no antagonism intended — they did not request to be shipped back to the Infantry. I was one of those ASTP students, 19 years of age. Drove a 423/M jeep for one month, was transferred to a squad and was one of those 19 year ol "Buck Sergeants" when I stepped on the boat. My Infantry Basic in Camp Wheeler, Georgia was tough and good (in my estimation) and the training I received with 423/M was good. I don't think another year's training would have prepared us for what happened in the Ardennes. There were, realistically, no experienced combat divisions that shipped straight from the states that I know about. Where do you get the experience? By being on the line. Who assures you that you will not be attacked, while on the line, until you are "seasoned?"

(Thirdly, Your article interested me, therefore I thought it would interest others.

When you get permission for reprint of all or parts of the article, let me know. I am sure there are a few stamp collectors in the Association, and because you are talking about "the 106th mail" it will probably be read. Have you ever read **Norman Gruenzner's** *Postal History of American POW's, World War II, Korea, Vietnam* [State College, Penn; American Philatelic Society, 1979]? It deals with the mail and locations of camps where Americans were held prisoner. I also found it interesting and have contributed several pieces of mail for his reprint, which seems to be late coming... J. Kline)

Hale, William M. 81st ENG/C

12844 Big Bend Blvd
St. Louis, MO 63122

Henry, Patrick F. 424/CN

409 Auburn Dr
Little Rock, AR 72205-2770

Native of Chicago. Wife Alice and two sons, Jim and Mike. I am retired as State Manager, Pabst Brewing Co. Now residing in Little Rock, Arkansas.

Hersey, Jr., Harry B. 590/HQ

415 Schooner Ave
Edgewater, FL 32141

Joined the Division at Atterbury in June '44 and stayed with it until the war was over. Returned home, St Augustine, Florida. Married Marie Creech in 1947 and have lived a happy marriage. We have two grown sons.

Recalled to active duty, Air Force in 1950 for service in the Far East. Remained in the Air Force until February 1968, retiring as Air Division Sergeant Major (Chief Master Sergeant). Three tours in the Orient and Europe.

Went back to college after retirement getting a degree in business and economics from Rollins College, Winter Park, Florida. Spent the next 20 years as a Veteran's Benefit Counselor for the V.A., State of Florida and a Community College. Completely retired now.

We now live in a small community on

the Indian River on Florida's East Coast, near Orlando and Daytona beach, but far enough away to enjoy it. We fish a lot, travel both here and abroad, visiting friends frequently — a rewarding life!!

(editor's note - Congrats on all your accomplishments Harry. I have not yet retired. Cant seem to get caught up enough to make the plunge... J. Kline)

Hirst, Robert G. 423/HQ

5916 Strickland Pl
Pensacola, FL 32506

Dear Mr. Collins — I was with the I&R Platoon in the "Bulge." Came through the German lines to join the 7th Armored Division at St. Vith.

I received a Ph.D. in Chemistry from Syracuse University in 1953 and worked for General Electric Co. in Pittsfield, Massachusetts until retirement in 1985.

Thanks for getting me into the 45th Annual Reunion at Huntsville. It was my first and I really enjoyed it. It was a rewarding experience to see, for the first time in 46 years, nine of my old platoon buddies, as well as several others in the Company, including Captain Sam Davis, our CO.

Hopbell, John E. 422/G

631 Mercer St
Turtle Creek, PA 15145

Hurman, John J. 423/M

100 12th Ave
Baltimore, MD 21225

(editor's note - Nice to see another 423/M man, since I am one. If I received a letter from you I must have misplaced it. I know **Tyler** has contacted you. I hope others have also. try to get to the Pittsburgh Reunion.

Kellett, Paul E. 423/D

RR #1 #9995
Waterbury Center, VT 05677

John, glad to receive your letter and a copy of The CUB. I didn't know about the Association, even though I came through

New Members

Camp Lucky Strike. It was September of 1945 - arriving stateside on the 28th of September. Discharged November 22, 1945.

When I went into the service March of '43 I was with the 776 AAA A.W. Battalion, C Battery. We shipped overseas 28 Feb 44 for England. Arrived in France via the Normandy Beachhead, the first week of July '44. From there I left the 776 AAA just west of Metz near Verdon. I then joined the 106th Division, 423/D in February of '45 at Remms, France.

Married to Marilyn in Oct. of '45, two children, bought a home and until 1951 had my own trucking business. I then went to work for Merrill Transport Co. out of Burlington, Vermont for 36 and one-half years driving a trac/trailer. Retired in April '88. Since then have worked part time. In October of this year we will have been married 46 years.

John, as I see it, most of the men were in the original outfit. I don't recognize one of them. (I did find one that I recognized.. **Paul Johnson** from Vermont. he was in 423/K.) I am looking forward to receiving *The CUB Passes in Review*.

Now back to Capt Ted Karhulas... Originally he was in the 422nd in the Bulge. He transferred to the 423rd as CO of Co. "D." he chose me for his jeep driver and I stayed with him through France and Germany and we came home on the same boat. Sorry I cannot make the Huntsville Reunion.

(editor's note - Nice letter Paul — it was interesting that you found us through an ad in the V.F.W. magazine. I wish we could get a blurb in all the National magazines from time to time. There are a lot of 106ers out there that don't know we exist... J. Kline)

Kosow, Albert C. 590/C

90 Gold St. 18L
New York, NY 10038-1833

Massey, William R. DIV/HQ

14901 N. Penn. #155
Oklahoma City, OK 73134

Joined the Division at Atterbury. I came from the ASTP Program at the University of Alabama.

My initial assignment was to the AG section of Division Headquarters and was later assigned as clerk to **General Perrin**. I went to England with the Division advance party which was quartered near Morton in Marsh. We went from there to St. Vith and I remained with the Division until we returned to the states and was discharged at Camp Chaffee, Arkansas. I am now retired.

McMahon, Jr., Col. Leo T.

ASSOCIATE

PO Box 160
Middletown, PA 17057-0160

Sherod, Here is my check for a LIFE MEMBERSHIP.

As you are well aware, my father, the late Brig. Gen. Leo T. McMahon, commanded the 106th Division Artillery from December 1943 to August 1945. You also know he was a loyal and faithful supporter of the 106th Infantry Division Association. He was very proud of his service with the Division. It is only appropriate that we keep the name on the roster. I have been meaning to since dad's death in Sept of '87. So now I Have!

I enjoy reading **The CUB** and think John Kline has done a wonderful job as editor. This Fall I am going to Hawaii for my own 25th Infantry Division Association reunion which will commemorate the 50th year of the Division's activation on 1 Oct '41 at Schofields Barracks where the active Division is now stationed. It should be a great trip.

Colonel Roy U. Clay, USA (Ret)
lives nearby in Carlisle, PA and I see him frequently at various military related functions, like The Retired Officers Assn. He commanded the 275th Armored Field Artillery Bn which supported the 14th Cavalry Group at the beginning of the Bulge and during the defense of St. Vith.

(editor's note - Colonel McMahon also delivered a copy of *The CUB Passes in Review* to the Carlisle Barracks Museum and Military Center. Thanks Colonel. It is nice to once again see the name "Leo T. McMahon" on the roster... J. Kline)

Miller, Murray 423/HQ

12895 SW 75th Ave
Miami, FL 33156

Captured with the Regiment on 19 December 1944 was a prisoner until the end of April '45. Received my discharge November 1945 and returned to college in January of '46. Graduated from Southern College of Optometry — married in 1948 — Practiced Optometry until June 1990, in Miami.

Have three children and five grandchildren. One daughter is a teacher, another an attorney and my son is a medical doctor. My wife (also retired) taught Social Studies and we have enjoyed trips to Europe, Latin America and the Orient. I returned to Brussels, Belgium in October 1988 and visited the St. Vith memorial during my stay.

Morton, Ulynn 424/H

1336 Elm Street SE
Cullman, AL 35055

Hope to make the Huntsville Reunion. We should, we are only 45 miles away. It was nice to hear from another member that the Association existed.

Mulvey, John 422/HQ

308 High St.
Wakefield, RI 02879

Captured and held prisoner at Stalag 4B, Bad Orb. Liberated April 2, 1945.

Retired now after many years with the A&P Company. Have three grandsons that me and my wife thoroughly enjoy. We had two children, a son and a daughter.

Nielsen, Mrs. Lillian ASSOCIATE

532 Lincoln Ave
West Dundee, IL 60118

Nosser, Johnnie UNIT UNKNOWN

115 McAuley Dr.
Vicksburg, MS 39180

I was with the Division when it was activated in March of 1943. I just came back from a meeting with other POWs at Clearwater, Florida. We hadn't seen each other since 1944. I didn't know of the Association until they told me about it.

Peters, Lewis M. 422/HQ

126 Galewood Cr
San Francisco, CA 94131

Prim, Archie C. 422/A

5820 Hwy 77
Graceville, FL 32440

Medic; Ex-POW; German Field Hospital, Schönberg; Limburg. Forced march 6-7 days Frankfurt am Main; Bad Orb Stalag 9-B; Freed by the 45th Inf. "Screaming Eagles;" transported by aircraft to hospital in Vittel, France for one month; Camp Lucky Strike; Home; Camp Lee, Virginia; discharged Oct '45; married' retired now.

(editor's note - by golly, Lewis, you don't waste any words. Nice to see you back with the 106th... J. Kline)

He later wrote — I am a new LIFE MEMBER. I was in the same unit as Reverend Ewell Black and Dan Bied who had articles about their 2nd reunion and Camp Atterbury in *The CUB*.

Rasmussen, Delbert 591/B

Box 86
Elk Horn, IA 51531

Sawyers, Tom 422/H

3540 Flowers Dr
Montgomery, AL 36109

(editor's note - Tom, thanks so much for

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the American Legion magazine with the article *Death of a Division*. I had a copy, but it was rather tattered and torn. It appeared in the magazine on March 1983 and is about 4 pages in length. I wrote the American Legion about 10 months ago and ask for permission to reprint parts or all of the story. They answered that I could as long as I credited their magazine, which is usual. As I remember, I talked to some person that said the author, Don Underwood, had passed away. Thanks Tom... J. Kline

Sheaner, Jr., Herbert M. 422/G

7151 Greenbrook Lane
Dallas, TX 75214

I was "G" Company's sniper, Battalion Scout and Company Runner.

Captured December 21, 1944, the fifth day after being surrounded. I was company runner for Captain Kielmeyer, Company G, 422nd Regiment. I escaped and reunited with American soldiers on April 25th, 1945.

After the war received degrees from the University of Texas, University of Michigan, B.B.A.—M.B.A. Established the Herbert M. Sheaner, Jr. Insurance Agency in Dallas Texas in 1952. married and have three grown children.

I was active in high school track coaching. Ran track at the Univ. of Texas. Coached at Dallas Jesuit, winning several State Championships. The Jesuit Relays were renamed the Jesuit-Sheaner Relays after my coaching retirement in 1975. This is one of the biggest high school track meets held in Texas each year.

Served as president of the Texas Tech, Dad's Association. Served on YMCA and church boards as chairman. Enjoy trips with my family.

Son, Mike graduated with a B.B.A. degree from Texas Tech Univ and manages the Sheaner Agency. Daughter, Kelly Secker graduated from Texas University with a B.B.A. Degree and is in sales with

KRLD radio, Dallas, Texas. Both are married. Daughter Pattie Sheaner attended Texas Tech U. and Louisiana Tech and is working in Virginia Beach, Virginia, single. Gloria my wife has served in the insurance agency and cared for the family since 1956. Any and all credit for all the good things that transpired over the years, go to her.

(editor's note - Not bad for a sniper Herbert. I hope you don't mind that remark. You have lived a fruitful life and I could see it when I read your letter. It's so interesting to hear what happened to various 106ers after the war. Thanks... J. Kline)

Spiegel, Jack J. 424/M

14622 Rouvre Dr.
Florissant, MO 63034

(editor's note - Nice to see your letter with dues for the membership. Thanks Jack.. J. Kline)

Swier, Ted 591/HQ

228 So. Wing
Schaumburg, IL 60193

Thanks for letting me know about my dues. I was in Hqs Battery under **Cpt Chateneau** and **Cpt Lockridge**. I drove the communications supply truck and was a T/5. While in Europe I had the forward switchboard.

At the present time I am retired for 4 yrs, I get called back whenever my company has problems, because I repair "automatic screw machines." My wife and I enjoyed the Huntsville Reunion. The hospitality was the greatest and we are looking forward to Pittsburgh. My wife and I will be celebrating our 50th Anniversary Nove 15, 1991.

(editor's note - Congratulations to the two love birds. Sorry I mis-spelled your name in my return mail, Ted. Got it all O.K. now... J. Kline)

Taylor, John W. 423/H

#3 Creek View Ct
North Augusta, SC 29841

I was an infantry replacement, 423/H and participated in the "mopping up" of approx. 50,000 Germans at St. Nazaire and Lorient in the Spring of 1945.

Retired from Prudential Insurance Co. in 1981. Married to Ernestine Proctor Taylor January 14 1949. Four children, six grandchildren. Fishing, Travelling and Golfing are my hobbies.

Walker, Jr., Neff 423/M

Rte #3, Box 594
Shermans Dale, PA 17090

I just found out about the 106th Infantry Division Association through a DAV magazine after 45 years. I wrote to Mr. Massey and got a nice reply. I couldn't make the Huntsville reunion but plan on being at the Pittsburgh reunion.

My next door neighbor is a 106th man. I went to the 30th Division and I went to the 1st Division, but we still have roots in the 106th. We were sorry to hear about all the losses the 106th was taking in the Bulge. I was there, I talked to my 106th Platoon Sergeant near Leige, Belgium on a Saturday and we, the 1st Div. moved toward the front on Saturday night and Sunday. We got there Sunday and it was one hell of a mess. We got the word then that the 106th had taken a lot of losses. I really felt bad about it, because I had close friends still with the 106th. So now, once again, I am a member of the 106th Division.

I was on a three day pass when I saw my Platoon Sergeant. He was **Sergeant Walters**. I don't know if he made it through, or not. At least I hope he was a prisoner.

I landed on D-Day with the 1st and stayed until the end of May and was discharged on Oct 19th '45 from the 26th reg,

1st Division, Co. H.

It is sure good to get in touch with somebody from the 106th.

(editor's note - Neff, I came late to 423/M, in March of 44. Ended up a squad leader 2nd squad, first platoon. Found the Association in 1987 and volunteered that fall at the Mobile Reunion to be CUB editor.

Joe Walters made it back. He died in 1981. Clyde Ellis, 1st Sgt died in 1955. Lt. Wiegers, Ex Officer, died about three years ago. Captain Hardy, who I don't think you knew was killed in the first barrage on Linschied Hill just outside of Schönberg on the 19th of December 1944. I found 37 former M Company guys after I joined in '87. I will have to get out another news letter to M Company and fill in the details. I have copies of the conversations (original contacts) with the men as I made telephone calls in 1987. It was a real thrill. Paul Kotlarick and Vince Venigoni, mortars, was with me and several other M Company men at the Huntsville reunion. We have currently 27 M Company men as members. In 1987 there were 7. When I put this CUB to bed I will write you a letter and give you copies of past correspondence. Oh yes, George Mentzer, your neighbor hasn't joined yet.. J. Kline)

Wiggers, W.W. "Bill" 424/C

PO Box 417
Tabernash, CO 80478

Here is my LIFE MEMBERSHIP fees. I just learned of the Association.

Wode, Robert B. 81st ENG/A

1512 W. Main St.
Collinsville, OK 74021

Zabinski, Conrad 422/D

300 South 10th St.
Reading, PA 19601

(editor's note - Your "Welcome Letter" was returned because we did not know about the "South" in the address. Got it right after Sherod Collins called you. Lots of 422/D members in the Association. Take a look at the roster included with this CUB.. J. Kline)

December 16th Commemoration get-to-gethers

Mesa, Arizona

Host: Dean Childs (602-985-3687)
245 So. 56th #57
Mesa, AZ 85206
Date: 16 December 1991, 6:30 p.m.
Freutlich Test.
5020 No. Black Canyon Dr.
Phoenix, AZ

Northern California

Host: Jerry Eisenman (415-756-8330)
227 Buena Vista Ave
Daly City, CA 94015
Call for Date, Time and Place

Southern California

Host: Milton Weiner (714-521-1705)
6440 Knott Ave #41
Buena Park, California 90620
Date: 1 December 1991 Time: 1:00pm
Place: Szechwan Chinese Restaurant—\$15.00
14320 Valley View Ave (opposite McDonalds)
La Mirada, CA 638

Melbourne, Florida

Host: Samuel P. Cariano (404-777-2876)
305 Parkside Pl.
Indian Harbour Beach, FL 32937

Date: Dec 14, 1991 — Place to be announced

Atlanta, Georgia

Date: 15 December, 1991—4:00pm dinner 6:00pm
Dobbins Air Force Base, Open Mess
Marietta, Georgia
Host: Sherod Collins (404-928-3207)
448 Monroe Trace
Kennesaw, Georgia 30144

Chicago, Illinois

Date:— 7 December, 1991 Time:—6:30pm
Place: Park Ridge V.F.W. Post 3579
Higgins and Canfield
Park Ridge, Illinois
\$15.00 per person
Host: Russell Villwock (312-631-2027)
6908 West Higgin
Chicago 60656.

Mt. Vernon, Illinois

Date 14 December, 1991 5:00pm
Place: Holiday Inn at Mt. Vernon, Illinois
Host: John L. Mikalauski (618-439-3867)
Box 31, 306 West Blake
Benton, Illinois 62812

Linden, New Jersey

Host: Carl Messina (908-486-2927)
926 Seymour Ave.
Linden, NJ 07036
Date: 16 November 1991, 5:00 p.m.
Coachman— Days Inn off Exit 136
Cranford, New Jersey

Minneapolis, Minnesota

Host: Russell Gunvalson (507-282-9367)
4 Elton Hills
Rochester, MN 551
or — John Kline (612-423-4837)
Date: December 7, 1991
Place: The Black Stallion, Hampton, MN
South of Minneapolis on Route 52.

Cincinnati, Ohio

Contact : Robert & June Walker (513-941-1888)
3607 Shady Lane Rd.
North Bend, Ohio 45052
Date: ?? December, 1991 — Noon on ... Please
call for details and to confirm your coming

Detroit, Ohio

Host John Shalhoub (313-644-4453)
Date: December 15, 1991
LAFFREY'S, 24201 W. 7 Mile Road just
west of Telegraph

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Date: 15 December 1991, 3:00pm . . till ??
Place: Charlie & Nancy Datte (215-626-1866)
231 Davis Ave
Clifton Heights, PA

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

Host George Vance (412-653-1724)
283 Dutch Lane
Pittsburgh, PA 15236
Date: 17 December, 1991, 1:00 p.m.
Yorkshire, Inn

Reading, Pennsylvania

Host: John Gallagher (215-929-2887)
4003 Francis Street
Temple, PA 19560
Date: 6 December 1991, 6:30 p.m.
Dutch Colony Motor Inn, Route 422
East-Exeter Township

Madison, Wisconsin

Host Charles Rieck (608-831-6110)
7316 Voss Parkway
Middleton, WI 53562
Date: 14 December, 1991 Call or write for details

***Please submit a maximum of two
photographs along with a resume'
of your December 16th
get-to-gether by Jan 1, 1992.***

***The February CUB will be the only
issue that will be used for the
1991 get-to-gether photos.***

Asher, Albert L. 423/K

508 Robin Rd
Seminole, OK 74868

John, so that my kids and grandkids will have something to look at could you please tell me which ribbons, unit citations, if any, are authorized for former members of the 423rd Regiment.

My discharge shows "not available" under both the "Battles" and the "Campaign" sections. It does show "Combat Infantryman" under Military Qualification, but the best of my knowledge I never received the badge.

The only medals, etc, that I am sure of are the Purple Heart, which I do have, The AX-POW Medal, which I don't have and the Good Conduct Medal, which I did have at one time. If you could find time would you list these and return in the SASE. I would appreciate it.

Also, this 106er is another of many that greatly appreciate The CUB and the great job you are doing.

(editor's note — Al, if I have room I intend to reprint an article I had in a past CUB. But, in the meantime, in case I forget it, let me tell you what I know.

I will relate my own schedule of awards as an example. Since I was in the 423rd, wounded and a prisoner, it will probably fit the profile for most of the members.

The packing list that came with my medals in August 1988 from "Department of the Army, ARPERCEN, St. Louis MO 63132-5200" reads as follows:

Award code and descriptions are:
#9 - Bronze Star Medal (based on the award of the Combat Infantry Badge); #14 - Purple Heart; #15 - Good Conduct Medal; #21 - American Campaign Medal; #23 - European-African-Middle Eastern Campaign Medal with three bronze stars for the Ardennes, Rhineland and Central Europe Campaigns

(While the Northern France medal was awarded to the division under WD GO 103, 1945 — it was deleted under DA GO 41, in 1958, because the unit did not arrive in France until December 1944. The official datelines for the Northern France Medal are from July 25 through September 14, 1944. I intend to recite a letter, in this CUB, from the Center for Military History dated May 10, 1974 and addressed to our historian Sherod Collins. Many of our men have that campaign listed on their discharges, but it is not recorded in history because of the 1958 Department of the Army General Order 41.)

— TO CONTINUE WITH MY LIST —
award code #24 - WW II Victory Medal; #34 - Combat Infantryman Badge; 35 — Expert Infantryman Badge; and the Honorable Service Lapel Button WWII. Since 1988 when I received these medals from St. Louis, the AX-POW Medal has been added to the list of 49 medals which appear on DA Form 1577 (1 Nov 75). The number in parenthesis is the print date of the forms. There is probably a new version of that form by now.

I also had the Bronze Star Medal and the fact that I was a prisoner of war from 19 Dec 1944 to April 13 1945 added to my discharge papers by a DA Form 215 (1 Jul 79).

Most of these requests are triggered by using STANDARD FORM 180 (Rev 86). Since there are 14 addresses on the backside of this form, it would be wise for any person that wants to order medals, or have his discharge updated, to contact a National Service Officer of one of the National Organizations like DAV, Order of the Purple Heart, etc, or the County Service Officer or one of the kind people in the Veterans Administration Centers. I chose to use the DAV and they were very helpful, as I am sure others would be. It appears that all of our Military Records are located at the National Personnel Records Center, (Military Personnel Records), 9700 Page Boulevard, St. Louis, MO 63132.

Al, excuse the long dissertation, but I

thought it would be helpful to some of the others so, in case they had missed the point, that they can replace all their lost, strayed or stolen medals. For myself, I never received the actual medals in connection with the ribbons I had listed on my discharge (with the exception of the Purple Heart which was handed to me in the lobby of Wakeman General Hospital, Fort Benjamin Harrison, Indianapolis on May 8, 1945 — one day after I arrived there from Paris, France), until I ordered new medals in 1988.
... J. Kline)

Beaver, Johnnie R. 423/H

Rte 1 Box 44
Muscadine, AL 36269

Just received The CUB of the Golden Lion Passes in Review. With my 40 years (plus) in printing, I can only say that you have put out a triple A+ book. The cover design and color makeup are superb. The book is informative and reflects many hours of work and thought. It will be used as a reference by me and my family for many years.

Thanks for the book and the good job on The CUB.

(editor's note — Johnnie, the above remarks coming from you, a person who has had editing and printing experience, means a lot — thanks... J. Kline)

Bied, Dan 422/A

151 Holiday Ter
West Burlington, IA 52655

It's raining here this afternoon and I am spending some time reading your wonderful book, The CUB of the Golden Lion Passes in Review. I know, more than most people, that a TON of work went into the CUB Review book. I want to thank you for what you did John, on behalf of myself, my wife and all the guys who won't get around to sending you a thank you note.

(editor's note — I will let this "THANKS"

to you suffice for the rest of this column, or I will fill it up with "editor's notes."

— Dan, thanks to you, who extends himself to the Association members through a quarterly column in The CUB and who in your own right as a self-publisher has far more experience.... J. Kline)

Boyd, Thomas D. 422/C

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John, I was surprised and delighted to receive a telephone call from Dale Carver about a week ago. Apparently you had sent him a copy of the bit of verse I sent to you earlier. Thank you for getting us in touch. He sent me a book of his poetry, which arrived a couple hours ago. I have read it once and will do so again and again.

Here is another, which was inspired by your publishing works (in The CUB) of Dale Carver, the apparent 106th poet laureate, with whom I shared the joys of (●) 333 at Benning.

SchneeEiffelGebirge, Dec 16, 1944

Look, what bright light lights the night
Lancing, sweeping, probing beams
Cloud bellies shining silver white
The forest filled with furtive gleams
Quick-shifting shadows teasing eyes
And in once-hushed woods below
Beneath the ghostly flickering skies
We hear the panzer beast and know
His growling gut, his clanking tread
And know our little idyll in the snow
Our Christmas scene, is over, and instead

We'll do the work of war and name the dead.

Tom Boyd, Charlie Company, 422d

(editor's note — Thanks Tom, I am sure you and Dale Carver got together in Huntsville. The publication of his poems from his book of poems, "Before the Veterans Die" has been an inspiration for others. Keep

coming, there's a lot of room in the pool... J. Kline)

Braaten, Carl H. 422/L

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SIDE by SIDE

I was with you in the battle
We fought there side by side,
We gave each other courage
And our fears we tried to hide.
I was with you when they captured us
That night in the cold and snow,
With the enemy all around us
There was no way to go.
I was with you when they marched us
Across their German land,
On frozen, bloody feet
We helped each other stand.
I was with you locked in the train
With frost thick on the walls,
As the days and nights went slowly by
We prayed, GOD hear our feeble calls.
I was with you in the prison camp
We worked on the railroad tracks,
When one got too tired to walk
The other helped him back.
I was with you when you got to weak to
work
Your bunk was by my side,
And the worry I had for you
I tried so hard to hide.
I held you in my arms that night
When GOD came to take you home,
I didn't want to let you go
For I would be alone.
I made it back, only GOD knows why
In your memory I write this poem,
We'll be side by side again my friend
When HE comes to take me home.
Carl Braaten ex-POW
Stalag 4A, Zetttau, Germany

Brankin, William J. 422/D

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Just received my copy of *The CUB Passes in Review*. What a fantastic job you did. The book will be an attractive addition to any library. I was so elated that I am ordering three more to give to my three children and their families. I am sure after reading it that they will better understand and appreciate the great courage and sacrifices of the 106th Infantry Division, and the part that they played in helping break the back of the German Army.

Can't make it to Huntsville, but hope to get to Pittsburgh in 1992. best regards.

Cram, James V. 422/E

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John, you used to live in Viroqua, Wisconsin, right? Do you remember John's Grocery store there? I worked for Gamble Robinson Co. out of Winona, Minnesota and was dealer serviceman for the company. I went around and showed Produce Department personnel how to make up displays. I also built displays in the stores. I built a massive apple display in John's store one time. It had an electric train running on top of the big display. Do you remember this store?

I have included an article that appeared in the Times. We had a Reunion of Co. E, 422nd Regiment here in Clearwater. The news article tells it all.

(editor's note — Jim, I will relate parts from the article. It is over 25 inches of print, about 3.5 to 4 pages for *The CUB*. There are two pictures, one showing Cliff Gamble, Jim Cram, Miron Rudnick and Don Britt, all of 422/E. The other picture shows Gamble and Cram setting in front of a coffee table looking at a copy of the *Division Picture Book* (pictures taken at Atterbury).....

Sacrificial Outfit reunited

by Bob Henderson of the Times

Four men sat around a dining room table in a Clearwater home Wednesday telling war stories — harrowing, incredible stories.

They were all casualties of the battle of the Bulge in December 1944 - January 1945 that probably hastened the end of the World War II, but at a great cost in American lives. These four were all captured by the Germans. Three were wounded during the battle; the fourth was wounded after he was captured.

They were members of Company E, 2nd Battalion, 422nd Infantry Regiment of the 106th Infantry Division.

They call it the "first division of teenagers," which was activated in March of 1943 at Fort Jackson, South Carolina, when the government began drafting 18 and 19-year-olds.

They also call it the "sacrificial outfit" because they still firmly believe, it was spread out along the front line, massively undermanned and under-equipped, only to lure German forces across the line so they could be caught in a squeeze play. Historians write about the "inexperienced 106th Division."

The men smoked and swore, laughed and reminisced with some bitterness as they sat around the table. The three former teen-age troopers, all 67 now, were Jim Cram and Cliff Gamble of Clearwater and Don Britt of Temple Terrace. The fourth person was Miron Rudnick who just came down from Howell, New Jersey for the first Company E reunion this weekend. He's 77 and had been the company cook....

They discussed how the 422nd suffered 87 percent casualties, that the fighting was all over in four days. The fighting began December 16, 1944 when "70,000 Jerries came at us in waves," Don said. Their

regimental commander gave the order to surrender Dec 19, 1944.

"We're still searching for answers," Cliff said. "Why were we sacrificed? Make us understand it."

The men remembered the good times during training, they remembered the sailing from Hoboken, New Jersey to Glasgow Scotland, and in November crossing the channel, and then moving into Belgium where "all hell broke loose" December 16.

Their regiment was "spread thin" along the front in the mountains, their artillery and tanks had been pulled back. They only had enough food and ammunition for two and one-half days and were never resupplied during the four day battle.

Jim spent 106 days in a prisoner-of-war camp before escaping. Weighing only 83 pounds and covered with lice because he had not bathed for months. Americans suspected he was a Nazi until the FBI checked his fingerprints in a British hospital.

Cliff was captured along with a critically wounded buddy he carried on his back during the three month Death march to a POW camp.

Miron was also part of that march but ended up in a different camp. The cook had not been wounded during the battle, but was wounded on Christmas Eve when planes hit a railroad boxcar in which he was being held.

Don also ended up in a POW camp. He, Cliff and Miron were liberated after about four and one-half months when the war ended in Europe.

"We thought each other was dead," the four men said of one another and all their comrades. They thought that for 45 years. A year ago they began to find one another, and this week-end eight of them will come together in Clearwater.

(editor's note — The second column-)

this article appeared later... It told of how each of the men found each other... Jim, thanks for the story. Also for the Combat Infantry badge order that you copied, the one that belonged to Cliff gamble. It tells the same story that I have been hearing. The 422nd men all received their Combat Infantry Badges through "Letter Orders #140." I guess we will never see a complete list of all the 422nd men that received the CIB, like we have for the 423rd and 424th Regiments, who issued theirs under a General Order, which listed all men involved in one order.

Sorry Jim that I don't have room for all the story, but it is nice to know that you four got together and thrashed out the details and relived part of your life. It does help to talk about it, I have seen it happen so many times. The main thing is "we are here" and we survived.. Keep up the meetings, there is nothing, positively nothing that parallels the experience of meeting with those that shared those experiences of '44 and '45. If anybody says "who says so" tell them an ex-kriegie from Stalag 8-A, Gorlitz, Germany said so... J. Kline}

Fonda, James R. 590/B

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A word of thanks for your mighty job of researching and compiling for print "The CUB Passes in Review."

It is a beautiful book and so well arranged that you can find what you want easily.

I was Battery Commander of "B" Battery of the 590th Field Artillery Battalion. I have been a member of the Association off and on since it started, but I never knew the write up of the 590th had been composed or printed.

I have just finished making copies of the article for all the present non-members I know. Hopefully they will be moved to join the Association, but in any event, they

will be glad to have the article.

I thank you for your outstanding efforts and the results they produced... Jim Fonda

Freedman, Henry E. 422/HQ

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John, I will be 70 on the 21st (September) and the family will all be together for the big event. We are a close family, Thank God, and it would be tough to be away.

Betty and I wish that the reunion will be the best ever, and that the event will find all in good health.

Please extend our warmest regards to all, particularly the men of Headquarters Company 422nd Infantry.

Looking forward to receiving the CUB Passes in Review... Hank

Gallagher, John I. 81st ENG/C

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John, thanks again for the terrific job you are doing. Your efforts are doing much to keep the 106th an active group.

We are fortunate to have an Association. So many vets that I talk to would love to see old buddies. Enclosed are some pictures from the Huntsville Reunion for The CUB.

It was so glad to see so many 81st Engineers. Some I haven't seen since the war..

(editor's note — Did I count right John?

Six tables of 81st Engineers at the Saturday Night banquet? Wow! Some of your pictures should be near-by in the CUB... J. Kline)

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Send me two more books, here's my thirty dollars. I want you to know "The

CUB of the Golden Lion Passes in Review" is a quality book...

Greve, Walter C. 423/HQ IBN

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A while ago I ran across a fellow 106er. I was at a shopping mall. I sat down to rest my weary knees while my wife continued shopping. Started talking to a fellow sitting on the same bench and learned that he was from the 424th Regiment. He wasn't captured. He fought at Manhay on Christmas of '44. His name is Dallas Brentnoll who lives in Prescott, Iowa 50589. His phone is (515) 335-2415. he was visiting his son in Denver. I invited him over to the house where we swapped experiences. That was a pleasant surprise...

Gunvalson, Russell L. 590/A

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Sherod I ordered three more books from John Kline. He mailed them to me and said I should send you the money. I have known John for a number of years through the association and ex-POW.

I am looking forward to the Huntsville Reunion. Will meet a bunk-mate buddy from Stalag 9-A, for the first time since April 1945.. Should be a great reunion...

(editor's note — I think you met your buddy Russ. It was nice seeing you there. It was a great reunion. The food was good, the committee did a great job. There was 680 people signed up altogether - one of the largest reunions. Everybody I have talked to thought it was a very good reunion. Now we can look forward to Pittsburgh, but in the meantime relish all the thoughts about those that we met at Huntsville... J. Kline)

Hatch, H.M. DIV/HQ

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John, I am overwhelmed by the book, The CUB Passes in Review. I marvel at your generous contribution of time, talent and equipment in producing such a product. We 106ers will be forever obligated to you.

At age 32 I wasn't a soldier when I was drafted and at age 34 I still wasn't a soldier - maybe a civilian soldier - when I was discharged. The book is a prized possession and will be a part of my estate that will be appreciated by my son, my grandson and my great grandson as they, in the distant future, research their family history.

John, you have done much in the recent past to re-establish our belief in the Division and its contribution to the war.

(editor's note — If you look in the CUB Review, page 323, you will see H.M. (John) Hatch listed as president of the Association for the year 1960-61. He and his wife Helen were a real part of the 106th scene for many years. Helen recently passed away. I know Jim, you said not to say anything, but you still have friends out there. They realize that you and Helen have not participated in recent reunions for health reasons, but you are still a part of the 106th Infantry Division Association and I would be amiss if I did not convey this message.

Thanks for the loan of the 1953 "Lion's Tale" which was a compilation of stories from The CUB. In fact, I used several of those from that book because they were easier to read and re-type. That reminds me that I should return your copy.. J. Kline

Hines, Roy A. 424/I

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John, this is to request help in regards to the Combat Infantry Badges.

I served in Co. I, 424th Infantry from September 1944 until Dec 25, 1944 when I ended up in a hospital. After three months in the hospital I was relegated to "limited duty" and subsequently transferred to the 8th Air Force in England.

I was never awarded the CIB, so I assume that I had not spent enough time in combat to qualify — however I note that men in the 422nd and 423rd were awarded the badge if they were in combat up until December 19, 1944. Could you check your records and see if I am listed? In addition, could you check your records for Pfc Vince Wertz, 423rd (Co, unknown). Thanks for your help.

(editor's note — Roy, I reprinted your letter, because I receive several of these each year. I could not find your name listed in the 424th Combat Infantry Badge listings from General Order #2 issued 4 January 1945.

Could be that you were overlooked, because at that time you were in the hospital. I know for a fact that Colonel Cavender and some of his men put the 423rd Regiment CIB order #51 together while he was in the hospital after he was liberated. They admit that they missed some men, because of lack of records.

My understanding is, that if you were with your unit and they were engaged in combat that you would be eligible for the CIB, because they were awarded the CIB. What I would do, if I were you, is to go to one of the National Service Officers in the DAV, or the Order of the Purple Heart, or the VFW etc and tell them your story. I think all you have to do is prove that you were with the 424th during the time slots you mentioned and you could have your records upgraded to receive the CIB. Mention the 424th Regiment, General Order #2 dated 4 January 1945.

I could not find your friend Wertz in the 423rd, but as I remember it, there was a ~~W~~Wertz, who could have been him - did I pick

the right name? Hope I helped... J. Kline)

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John — Many, many thanks for the work you did in putting together "The CUB of the Golden Lion Passes in Review."

I didn't join Item Company, 424th Regiment until June 26, 1944. We left Boston on December 8 to Liverpool, Southampton and LeHavre. Got to Giney, France in one of Charlemagne's Castles on Dec 22nd. From that time things are a little hazy.

"Passes in Review" gives me an insight to what really happened prior to Dec 26th, 1944...Regards, Hugh

Kultzow, John 81st ENG/MED

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Hi Sherod, I will get around to a donation for the St. Vith Memorial Fund and the Atterbury Memorial later. I intend want to go to the Atterbury dedication in 1992. Sorry I haven't been to any of the reunions, but hope to get to the next one.

I was with 422/A Company in September '44 then was transferred to the 81st Engineers medical Detachment.

Lapato, Frank 422/HQ

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What a job you did on the CUB Review, John. My hat is off to you. I'm so excited about the book that I can't put it down. It is a good cross section of our Division and best of all the stories are right from the division members.

Am I proud of this Division? You bet I am. I used to walk around with my head hanging. I thought we hadn't done what

we were supposed to do. After reading book I tell everyone and anyone that we did one hell of a job, despite what some people wrote, or what it may have appeared like at the time. We did what we could and we did what we were told to do.

(editor's note — Thanks Frank. You have been very helpful to me in the past. Your thoughts have been stated by others as they learn through the writings of others what the division did. It is quit obvious that each of us as individuals only had a small part of the picture, that is the unit or squad directly around us. That's no different than any other division. There wasn't much in the way of news and no person I know expected to be updated each day on the overall battle condition. What difference would it have made? Had we been in the line a little longer, able to go back for a rest, then we could have probably brought more of the picture together. But that isn't the way it was. And again, if we knew we still couldn't do a thing about it as an individual. We were nailed and nailed fast. We'll have to leave it to the wizards that seem to be analyzing and re-analyzing the battle to let us know what it was all about. I suspect that even they will never get the full story. Even if they do, what will it serve? ... J. Kline)

Lawson, Bill 423/H

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First of all let me congratulate you on receiving *The Order of the Golden Lion - Officer Class* at the Huntsville reunion. It was greatly deserved.

I enjoyed the reunion, my first, and seeing the guys I hadn't seen since 1945. Obviously it was four days of laughs, stories, experiences and lot of catching up.

As I mentioned to you as we were left the airport, I am enclosing a newspaper spread from a 1945 New York Daily News, showing the location of prison camps and hospitals at that time. I found it

in some old papers that my mother and father kept after they were informed I was a prisoner. Please feel free to do with it what you want.

(editor's note - Thanks, Bill. It is better than some of the others, because it is in color. I forgot they had color print in 1945, or am I just getting old. I will keep it in the archives for information... J. Kline)

McCammon, James A. 423/G

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John, Thanks for your help with the document concerning the Combat Infantry Badge. The one McCammon listed was me. I have four names, James Allen Candler McCammon. My mother named me Allen Candler after my great grandpa, who was Governor of Georgia right after the Civil War. My dad named me James after his dad. I went by Allen Candler McCammon up until I went into the Army, but I was discharged under the name James Allen McCammon. Everyone in my hometown of Montgomery, Alabama calls me "Allen" and everyone in Arkansas calls me "Jim" or "James."

Although I was stationed at Camp Aterbury before I went overseas the only two people I know on the CIB list are **Edward C. Noullet** who I think was from Sharpsburg, PA. I would like his address if any person knows it. The other was **Sgt Joseph H. Cheek**, but I thought he was killed in combat. Thanks again.

(editor's note — Jim, I hope somebody comes up with some addresses. I cannot find Sgt **Cheek** listed as Killed in Action (KIA) on a list of "Deaths" I have from the National Archives that was updated as of 30 June 1947. It shows one hundred thirty nine 423rd Regiment men that died in action or as a result of wounds.

As long as we are on the subject — As of 30 June 1947 there were 523 men fr

the 106th Infantry Division listed in this Casualty listing.

Div Hqs-3; 106 Sig-5; 422nd-63; 423rd-139; 424th-236; Div Arty-1; 589th-27; 590th-11; 591st-4; 592nd-9; 106 Recon-6; 81st Eng-15; 331 Med-4.

Gil Helwig, 423/M is retyping this list at the present time. Many of the names are unclear on the copies we have. After he is done I will attempt to list them all in one of the future CUBs. They will be by base units. eg: 422nd, 423rd etc, but not by individual companies... J. Kline)

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John, here is a copy of "The Harrisburg Patriot" of Jan 31 1991 which contains the story of two 106ers **Tony Verano** and **Leonard Czarnecki** meeting by chance. In the "Cheers and Jeers" section in the Feb 2nd issue where it quoted parts of that story, "CHEERS— for Leonard Czarnecki of Camp Hill and Tony Varano of Palmyra, brought together for the first time since 1945 by the American Flag. Czarnecki struck up a conversation with salesman Verano at Tyndale Flag Service in West Hanover Twp. the other day and discovered that, while they had never met, they served time as POWs in Stalag 9-B, Bad Orb, Germany during the final months of World War II. Aside from some horrible memories, the two vets say they empathize with and share concern over the treatment of current POWs in Iraq."

(editor's note — Sorry Leonard, your letter got stuffed in a folder of "things to do" and got caught in the backwash of me producing The CUB Passes in Review... J. Kline)

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(editor's note — John, thanks for your several comments about The CUB Passes in Review. Glad you enjoyed it and hope your two sons enjoy their copies as much as you. We have had a lot of reorders since it was released, mostly because it was realized that this book would make a good addition to the libraries of the whole family... J. Kline)

Mellinger, John D. 423/HQ IBN

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(editor's note — John, thanks for the two cassette tapes of you and your buddy **Kenneth Newton** transcribed about your experiences. I will get a chance to review them after I get this CUB out. I am sure that they are interesting.. J. Kline)

Miedema, Eldon L. 589/A

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I was in 589/A from the time it was activated at Fort Jackson until Parker's Crossroads. **John Gatens** was in the same section (4th Section) until we got to England when he was transferred to the 1st Section. I see he has been active going back to Parker's Crossroads. I received a letter from a G.I. from Ohio, Don Holtzmuller (Don is an association member..editor) who was in Sgt Scaninpico's section which is the only section that didn't get through Schönberg. Don enclosed a story about Lt. Eric Wood. He had also been in touch with Captain Menske, our Battery Commander, who was captured on outpost while directing artillery fire.

I was a T/5 driver of the 4th section, Sgt Johnnie B. Jordans section. I have a copy of "The CUB" which was printed at Camp Lucky Strike 16 September 45. How I

happen to have it is a mystery. Maybe I brought it back from England where I was hospitalized in Hospital #4128 for two months. I flew back to the States in an ambulance plane, where I was in hospitals until February 1946 when I was discharged from Percy Jones Hospital at Battle Creek, Mich.

I wonder if anybody knows what happened to **William Cody** nicknamed **Wild Bill**. We escaped together on the first night they marched us out of Stalag 12-A, Limburg, Germany. The Germans put the dogs on us, so we walked a creek all night, to throw the dogs off. We then took to the hills. We both had high fevers and Cody said he had to go get a drink and he was recaptured by the Germans. I stayed put for three days then got with some Russian slave laborers and stayed with them until the Americans crossed the Rhine. I stopped a jeep that was driven by a Staff Sergeant of the 2nd Division and got back into American hands. Hospital from then until February 1946.

(editor's note — Eldon, thanks for the very interesting story. I have a friend here who needs one of the picture books. Please send it to me and I will see that he gets it. I will have him write you after I give it to him. I used to live in Viroqua, Wisconsin and spent a lot of time in the LaCrosse area. It is beautiful country — house boated on the Mississippi River with my family for years, out of Lansing, Iowa. Good Luck, send the book and I will reimburse the postage... J. Kline)

Rauch, Victor C. 592/C

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You should get high marks for the excellent job in putting together the CUB Passes in Review.

Sometime ago I sent the 592d After Action Report to Sherod, not realizing at

the time that it would eventually end up in a bound book. It certainly looks good in print.

Last month I received a Military catalog from a Hoover Mfg Co, Peru, Illinois. I noticed on one of the pages a listing for **Combat Badges for the Artillery, Armor and Cavalry**. Similar in design to the CIB but with crossed cannons or swords, instead of the rifle. Assuming that this has been authorized, it looks like the Army has finally recognized the other combat components. If you have any information when those badges were authorized, I would appreciate it. It's probably too late for us Artillerymen, but who knows?

(editor's note - Vic, I don't have an answer. Maybe some other person out there has some information on this. How about it guys. We all (of us infantrymen) have wondered why the Artillery and the Combat Engineers were not awarded a Badge. With the Ardennes battle, it seems that everyone was an infantryman. Maybe someone can rationalize that and give us an answer... J. Kline)

Reynolds, John J. 424/H

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John, thanks for the book I heard from **Sgt Lukashok**, he knew **Louis van Dyke**, and from what he told me, he must have been killed when I was wounded on the Siegfried Line. I knew him only about 10 days. I was in a lot of the places mentioned in the CUB Review, but my memory is not as good as it used to be. Thanks for the CUB and all your help.

(editor's note — John, a **Sgt Louis A. Van Dyk** is listed among the 236 men killed that were members of the 424th Regiment. Lukashok, of course, is one of our current Association members.

Rollings, Mrs. Viola R.**ASSOCIATE**309 Cedar St
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John, Thank you for "The CUB Passes in Review." I really enjoy it.

I hope one day to find someone who was with J.S. when he was captured. I know James Donaldson was, but he died in camp. On page 237 I notice that the "top brass" was unaware of the pending disaster. J.S. was a scout and he told me that he had reported several times to his superiors that the Germans were moving large equipment up. Evidently the information never got any further up.


I think that it is good that so many of the 106th men have written about their experiences. I wish J.S. had done this. One day I am going to write all I know and send a copy to you. My daughter wants a copy of  also.

We, J.S. and I went to Camp Atterbury from Memphis (in 1944) with a couple and a child. I think their name was Kowalski, but I am not sure. We were in Indiana a few weeks then J.S. went to Camp Myles Standish.

Thanks again for your good work with the CUB.

(editor's note — I want to thank you again Viola. Like I said in my letter answering yours — if you write any memoirs, please send me a copy. Good Luck and Good Health... J. Kline)

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Sherod, sorry we cannot get to Huntsville. I did get to Jacksonville, Florida for the 9-A, 9-B, 9-C Reunion in April. It was the fourth annual event. Pete House of the 106th sponsored it. Had over 80 guys there  it was a great reunion. I met Boyd

Rutledge at there. He sure is a nice guy.

Thanks so much for the extra CUBs you sent. I saw in vol 47, No. 2 in the picture of your Dec 1990 Atlanta get-together. There was **James Dickerson** seated beside you. We ate every "meal" together in Stalag 9-B. I slept across the aisle from him. We both attended our first 9-A-B-C Reunion in Muskogee, OK in April '89, to be re-introduced after 44 yrs! Thanks Sherod...

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John, The CUB finally arrived (Chris had called in that his CUB was not received..editor). I returned from a day trip to the Jersey Shore and found both The CUB and your letter answering my call. I guess third-class mail is unpredictable and slow. I guess I should be more patient.

I look forward to receiving The CUB Passes in Review. I have at least five other hard cover books on the "BULGE" I also look forward to each CUB. I often wonder why there are not more 424/D Company men in the Association.. Chris

(editor's note - The only good thing about third-class mail Chris, is that it is the most economical way to mail The CUB. If we had to do it "first-class" we would have to probably triple our dues or greatly reduce the size of The CUB... J. Kline)

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Received the "Book" yesterday and dropped everything to read it. Please add my compliments for an admirable job. Our heartfelt thanks will go to you for the creation of what will be the family heirloom of future generations.

Whitner, Donald R. 422/F

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Sorry I missed this year's reunion. Spent some time in the V.A. Hospital plus several trips as an out-patient.

I know you all had a good time. I hope to make it to Pittsburgh next year.

Please send me two more copies of *The CUB Passes in Review*. I gave one to Bloomsburg U. of PA; one to Millville High School Library; one to Bloomsburg High School and one to the Bloomsburg Public Library. Had some good words and talks on it from Professor and students. You should be honored and proud of the book. Pictures will be coming to you on the programs when they were given to the schools.

(editor's note - Don, that's a great idea.

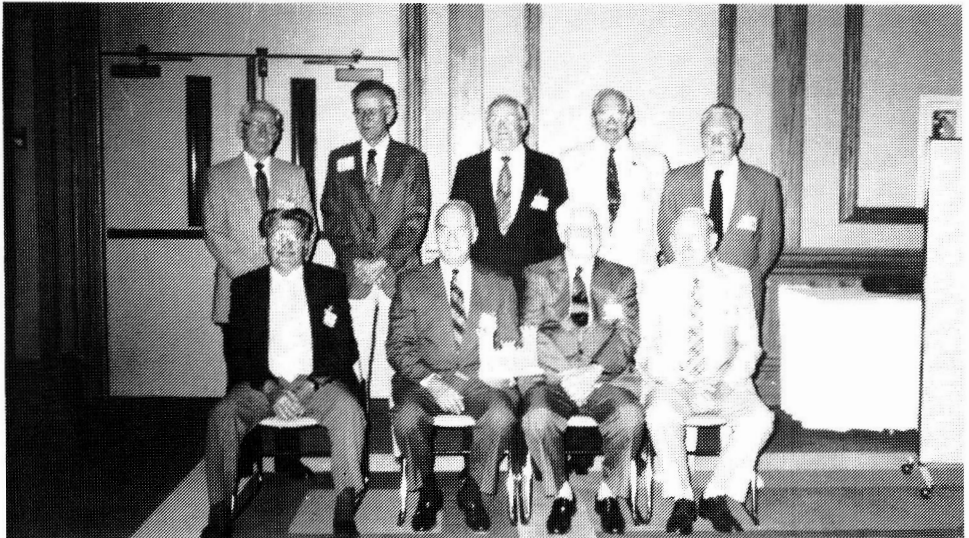
A nice contribution to local libraries and schools. At only \$15.00 each it makes a nice contribution to the institutions and makes history live longer for the 106th. That would make a nice Christmas gift idea for each of our communities... J. Kline)

Wischmeier, Donald B. 423/SV

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A personal note to tell you how much I enjoyed the *CUB Passes in Review*. What you do, of course, is cement the relationship of all us thrown together years ago in probably the greatest adventure of our lives. I also thank you for including my story (from an earlier CUB) of returning to AUW. (page 419, CUB Review).

Since then, our German friends, Herr Werner and his wife, visited us for two weeks during last September (90). This was their first plane ride. This September (91) Eileen and I are flying to Germany where we will be met in Frankfurt by the Werners. We will spend a week with them in AUW and then, with them, we will drive to Berlin, Dresden and "my" Stalag 4-A which is 20 miles south of Dresden. I find all this to be incredible and someday hope to write you again about our trip. Thanks again.



Co. B, 81st Engineers: front l/r - Armondo Ricci, Earl Valenstein, Valentine Derr, Earl Todd
back l/r - Edward Krezminski, Edgar Carpenter, Edward Nagle, Edward Wojahn, James Tetzlaff
First time for Tod, Carpenter and Tetzlaff - Nice to see them after 47 years
Picture submitted by Ed Wojahn 45th Annual Reunion - Huntsville

Breckford, Thomas, DIV/HQ — Cranford, New Jersey

Date of death September 1, 1991 at the age of 83. His wife was Florence (Turner). He was a carpenter for Monroe, a division of Litton Business Systems, before retiring 13 years ago. Born in Scilly Isles, England he lived in West Orange before moving to Cranford

Britton, James, 423/SV — Bulls Gap, Tennessee

Former 1st Sergeant of 423rd Service Co. and loved by all of the men. James passed away just prior to the 45th Annual Reunion, in September. He had met with the Service Co. men and a gathering earlier in the year, see page 11 of the August 1991 CUB. He had planned on attending the reunion.

Brown, Arthur, 589/B, — Charlotte, North Carolina

Arthur, former commander of 589th, B Battery, died June 7, 1991 at the age of 73. Ted Kiendl, a 106th Association member living in France, was his Exec Officer. Arthur a Yonkers, N.Y. native, was a Certified Public Accountant and secretary-treasurer for the Pneumafil Corp. A graduate of Duke Univ. 1939, with a degree in business administration. A POW, awarded the Purple Heart and Silver Star. He wrote the book "My Longest Week."

DeHeer, Majorie, ASSOCIATE — Palm Coast, Florida

Majorie, the widow of our late Richard DeHeer, passed away suddenly on October 12, 1991. She had attended the 45th Annual Reunion at Huntsville in September. She told me, as we departed the Huntsville Airport, that she thoroughly enjoyed meeting with her old friends. Richard, her deceased husband, was a staunch supporter of the 106th Association. He had in years past held various offices. At the time of his death, in 1987, he was the CUB Editor. After his death Majorie continued publishing The CUB so that there would not be a break in the communications to the 106th Association.

Dobe, Francis, 422/C — Manchester, New Hampshire

Date of death May 17, 1991. His death at age 77, was reported by Gabrielle, his wife of 56 years. Francis was interred in Stag IV-B, Muhlberg, then later at Stalag IV-F. He was past-commander and life member of both the DAV and Purple Heart, a life member of the AX-POW, as well as a member of the VFW and American Legion.

Hocutt, O. Malcolm, 589/A — Meridian, Mississippi

Date of death January 1, 1991. No other details available.

Hoenenmeyer, John, 422/K — Cincinnati, Ohio

Date of death December 12, 1990. No other detail known.

Kingston, Donald, 423/E — Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Date of death not known. mail returned marked "Deceased."

Nielsen, Donald, 423/HQ 1Bn — Carpentersville, Illinois

Lillian, his wife, reported that Donald died on August 8, 1991 at the age of 67. Donald was a life member and past Kane County commander of the VFW Post 5915, as well as a life member of the Ax-POW. Lillian, who has joined as an ASSOCIATE member says that she and Donald enjoyed the reunions and the friends that they met there.

Pftonenhauer, Thomas, 422/D — Gladstone, Michigan

Date of death September 30, 1991. No other detail available.

Wilson, Robert, 424/CN — Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

Date of death unknown. Mail returned marked "Deceased."

Seasons Greetings

and

Good Health

to all

