

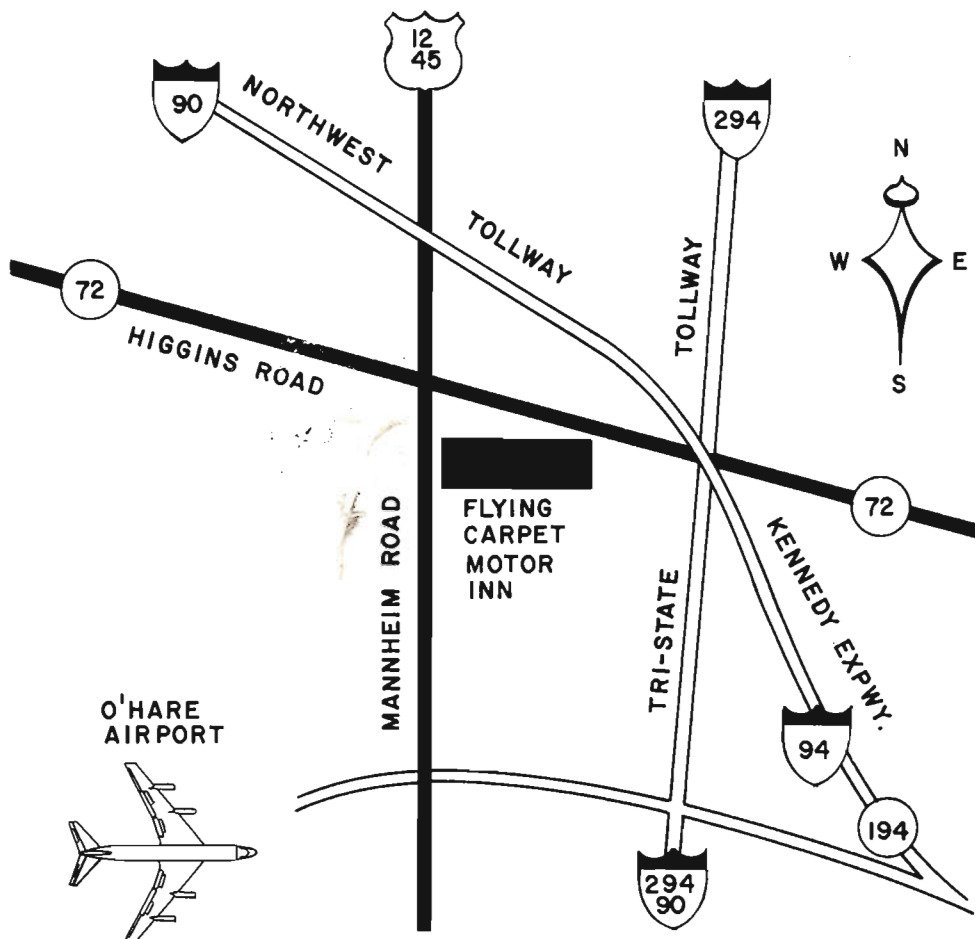
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To help VERN and Dottie SCHENKEL celebrate their silver anniversary last Feb. 28th, you were represented in a cable to these folks which went: "The 24th Association gladly salutes any couple who can make it for 25 years. Happy congratulations. But felicitations too, Vern, on becoming our latest Life Member, thanks of course to your good layd. All sincere warm wishes from all of us to both of you. Ken Ross - for the 24th". The Schenkels have moved. It's now Spanish-style 3215 Leisure Wood Court, Florissant, Missouri. Dottie reports: "See you in August. Healthwise, everything O.K." Wonderful news, Dot, - on both counts. Good wishes on the new house.



June 14th was a red letter day for Maj.Gen. ROSCOE B. WOODRUFF; it marked 61 years from the day he was commissioned - "and have never regretted it", he added. Expressing regrets that he can't Chicago it, said: "I'll be there in spirit anyway, with lots of thoughts going back along the Philippine trails with the rest of the crew". And we'll all drink a grateful toast to you, General "Woody".

AL MILLER reports that 2205 bike riders started the 210 mile trip from Columbus to Portsmouth, Ohio and return last May 13th. 1680 finished. Was our own Life Member one of the 1680? Indeed, we proudly signal. He did it in 26 hours with his new 10 speed bike.



Halcyon days for B.G. GEORGE W. DICKERSON, now retired from his last station, Europe, to Dickerwood, Poquoson, Va. George and Lois will be renovating their colonial home. Chuckles George, "Should be completed next summer". Don't rush it, George; you've got lots of time. Wish you'd make our "clam bake" next month.

Rough news from Fr. WILLIAM J. WALTER. He's at Xavier Hall, U. of 'Frisco, recovering from throat surgery, going through speech therapy, and talking about returning "to my people" (Ulithi, Yap, Guam). Wrote the good Father, "Your note of encouragement and offer of prayers brought comfort and hope when I faced a bleak future. Now I'm learning to speak all over again. Dr. says no reason I shouldn't return to the Islands after July". Can you imagine such courage?



Ron Ranke, Food and Beverage Manager of the Alladin's Lamp Restaurant in the Flying Carpet Motor Inn calls to tell us that he's looking forward to serving all of our group in August. Adds Ron, "We'll do our utmost to make your convention a successful one". We're depending on you Ron.

Good friend RUSS ARNOLD, (24th MP '44-'47), of Urbana, Ohio, is on his way to a Life Membership, sending in \$20.00, with the happy report that Zelpha and the 3 boys are in fine fettle. They have a new home and are planning to go to Japan in 1973. Besides working for the Defense Supply Agency, Russ sells real estate and also builds houses.

# Chicago is expecting you!

REUNION PROGRAM

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 9th

OPEN. The early birds will be around listening to the O'Hare planes come and go.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 10th

8:00 A.M. Registration - all day.

7:00 P.M. Early Bird Party, courtesy Convention Chairman TOM and Elise COMPERE.  
Try sunning at poolside while you await the arrival of him who you  
want especially to see.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 11th

5:00 A.M. Reveille - Roll over and go back to sleep. Luxuriate.

8:00 A.M. Registration - all day.

Cash bar never closes.

10:00 A.M. Coffee Hour - courtesy of Chicago's Own - Spike O'Donnell.

12:00 A.M. Luncheon - You're on your own.

1:00 P.M. Poolside Chit Chat. Unit CP's may well be set up.

6:00 P.M. Windy City Cocktails - Part of the Package Deal.

8:00 P.M. Hospitality Night - Music and buffet by the motel management.  
Part of the Package Deal. Cash bar.

Suggestion: Hit the sack in good time. Tomorrow is a busy one!  
Taps.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 12th

Reveille.

Breakfast - You're on your own.

8:00 A.M. Registration - all day.

Cash bar open 23 hours per day.

8:00 A.M. National Executive Committee Meeting.

10:00 A.M. National Business Meeting.

(Program for the ladies to be announced.)

12:30 P.M. Brunch - Part of the Package Deal.

1:30 P.M. An afternoon at poolside, under the umbrellas. Cash bar.

6:00 P.M. Cocktail Hour - Part of the Package Deal.

7:00 P.M. Memorial Service; Grand Banquet; Awards, and Brig.Gen. LESTER WHEELER.  
Part of the Package Deal.

9:00 P.M. Dancing Under the Stars. Cash bar.

Taps:

SUNDAY, AUGUST 13th

8:00 A.M. Last brunch; last call for drinks. Part of the Package Deal.

10:00 A.M. Farewells, Alohas  
See you next year!

Drive carefully!





JIM OWENS, (34th '46-'47), of Lake City, Iowa, reports illness in the family so he'll not be with us in Chicago.

JIM McGAFFIGAN says he's happy he's still on our list and sends a twenty. Catch Jimmy at 22 Emerson, Needham, Mass., and let him regale you with the story about when he landed on Wahoo. Anxious not to offend the natives, he said to one, "Excuse me, sir, but I wonder if you could tell me if it's pronounced Hawaii or Havaii?" "Havaii", responded the man. "Thank you very much", said grateful Jim. "You're welcome!" retorted the man.

Army is trying to put roadblocks in the path of major headquarters which hold onto messages announcing policy changes. Such commands sometimes also alter the policy and then send it out in a fashion DA never intended. Sound familiar? So now, Army is including this sentence in messages announcing significant changes: "Contents of this policy change will be passed to the lowest practicable echelon within 72 hours of receipt. It will not be delayed for local interpretation". There's likely not a reader who doesn't catch the significance of all of this.

Joined: GILBERT and Shirley BERNARD, (24th Recn. '42-'45), of 20565 Nisqually, Apple Valley, Calif. Parents of 5, they are Debbie (22), Gil Jr. (19), Drew (16), Connie (14) and John (7). Sounds great.

Chick JACK FINAN, now at U.S. Dept. of Agriculture, 1718 Peachtree, Atlanta, Ga. Son, Tim, is in the Air Force ROTC getting his summer training at Wright-Patterson. Jack and Mary will be with us in Chicago. Three weeks later they celebrate their 30th. Jack is happy that Gen. I. SEWELL MORRIS is in; says he was Co. H Captain back on Wahoo and Pineapple Jack adds: "Morris had a great Top Kick - JOE WHITE. Another great Top Kick was JOHN WETTERAU whom you wrote about".

A fiver for the kitty from good CARL WAGENFUEHRER, (3rd Eng. '42-'45), of 531 Eastern, Baltimore, Md.

Five gratefully received from RAYMOND and Sophia FIES; they're at 3714 Romig, Reiffton, Pa. By paying voluntarily as you wonderful people do, you spare us the work of sending out reminders. And that goes for you too, Col. CARL W. SCHAAD, 7116 Warbler Lane, McLean, Va. Love that name, "Warbler Lane".

Ten from VARIAN HOOVER within an unhappy memo, "Not up to par for several months; back on job again now. Warm regards to everyone". Postcard this loyal member at Hustontown, Pa. 17229. VH, a grocer himself, tells us that Zsa Zsa knows how to charge: she gets \$4000 for supermarket openings.

Rev. HERB EGGLESTON, is in Honolulu Hospital after 2 surgeries in 14 months, Genevieve wrote us, sending in a fiver which we promptly returned, you can bet. More on Herb's condition as we hear from Gen.

25th Inf. Div. Assoc. also meets in Chicago (Sheraton) two weeks ahead of us. That's the news from DON and Lola LUEDTKE, (34th '48-'50), of Arcadia, Nebr. Lola messages that 16 yr. old Alan, who helps operate their dairy farm, still finds time for letters in HS sports (football, basketball and track), and swimming, and hunting, and fishing, and boating, and the HS play, and American Legion Boy's State. Alan is undecided what he'll do after graduation. Maybe he should take a rest.

When you're having more than one, think of BILL HUGGINS, 1105 Park, Dillon, S.C., who is a Schafer distributor. We love the Schafer jingle, Billy, but the beer tastes like love in a conoe. Bill, you last were with us at Myrtle Beach in '68. How about Chicago in '72?

Mail returned from MIKE GAMBALE. This old 724 Ord. man was at 6807 Woodland, Philadelphia. No more says the little man in grey. We remember the last time we saw Mike; it was Myrtle Beach. The subject was love. Someone had said, "There's as much love in the world today as there was years back." Piped in Mike, "Yeah, maybe so, but there's another bunch doing it."

Current on his dues is JIM McGINTY, attorney at law, in Myrtle Creek, Ore. Bless your heart, Jim, and all the other vital organs. Jim's in the U.S. National Bank Bldg. there in case you need a lawyer fast, and even if you don't.

Retiring after 28½ years is SGM JOHN BAGLAMA. He'll then be at 1857 Riverbank, Lincoln Park, Mich., he reports, as he sends along 15. Johnny was in N.H. on a recruiting mission last winter when he ran into JOHN A. CRONIN with whom he served in the 24th Med. Bn. in Kokura (remember the Jono area?). Cronin's a retired major. Baglama also found HARRY TREVENA in Philadelphia who also served with him in Kokura, adding, "Harry looks great. He reminds us of the story of the old Irish miner who had died on the annual outing to Galway. They brought him home to his village and laid him out for the neighbors to pay their last respects. 'Doesn't he look well?' said one. 'Yes,' said another, 'that last trip to the sea-side did him a world of good.'" Precious story, Johnny. Hope Harry takes it as you mean it.

Talent is like good grammar - you've either got it or you ain't.

At the Longboat Key get-together last April, our Veep AUBREY S. NEWMAN, is seen as ready to carve. BILL SANDERSON is



standing by in Red's kitchen. Women's lib got taken over the coals at this clam-bake, you can bet. Some of the boys preached a philosophy that, if it got out, would be as popular with the Betty Friedan types as was Custer with the Sioux Indians.



Here comes de Judge. Here comes de Judge. Effort is being made to insure that ALVA "Judge" CARPENTER, (Div. JAG '42-'45), of Box 19167, Washington, D.C. will be with us at our August "Pow Wow". Judge has to stay close by Walter Reed where he's an outpatient undergoing treatment but we have hopes that he'll be able to steal away for this one. And should Judge favor us with his presence, be sure to step right up to him and mix it up with him. In fact try to make it a point to spend at least a few moments with each and every one present. By mixing it up, you'll enjoy yourself best. Be the aggressor on this one; don't sit back and wait for Charley to move first.



Bringing new members to Chicago with them will be LLOYD and Mary McCANDLISH, (21st '50-'52), of 8420 Marietta, Bremen, Ohio. Lloyd and Mary discovered the RICHARD E. KUNKLER family (E of 5th RCT '50-'52) of 520 W.Main, Lancaster, Ohio, joined them up, and now are bringing them to our Windy City bash on Fri. Aug. 11 and Sat. Aug. 12. You folks deserve a plaque.



Once upon a time out of Lawrence, Mass. (47 Berkeley St.) comes the message, "\$10.00 for the dues and extra for the time I've been in arrears". Nice going, SAM BARKER. The last 8 weeks have been full of pleasant surprises just like this. We haven't seen anything like it since the '67 Red Sox.

The propaedeutics with respect to the how and what of preparing for the little get-together at our caravansary "5 minutes from O'Hare" are few and simple:

1. Dress informally as you would dress for any August day or evening at poolside - that is, comfortably.
2. Throw a brightly colored Hawaiian shirt into your valise, as they seem best to identify us as one time "Pineapple Kids" - and gals, be sure to bring along a Muu Muu; you'll get away with it beautifully at this party.
3. None of us will likely wear a necktie until time for the Saturday evening Cocktail Hour and Banquet which is our one and only semi-formal affair. It's nothing fancy - typical summer evening "dress up" but not repeat not formal.
4. Bring swim suits and usual poolside regalia if you're an H<sub>2</sub>O buff.



What'll it cost? Good question. Rooms are \$18.00 per night for a double. \$14.00 per night for a single, if you do it the hard way.

The package deal - called the "Hadji" by the house, whatever that means - includes a room for 3 days (Friday, Saturday and Sunday) and 2 nights (Friday/Saturday and Saturday/Sunday). And it also includes the Windy City Buffet on Friday evening, a Brunch Saturday ayem when you're on your own and the Cocktail Hour and Banquet on Saturday peeyem, and the Last Breakfast on Sunday morn.

Now the "Hadji" deal is that something all-inclusive we've been hearing about. It goes for \$40.75 per person on a two to a room basis, \$60.00 per person on a one to a room basis.

The package deal is an arrangement set up by your Committee but reaches fruition on a personal basis between you and the house. You pay the house (The Flying Carpet) and not the Association for the package deal.



Going by freighter through the Mediterranean during July and August are Col. KERMIT and Irene BLANEY (21st '42-'45), of 4126 Olympic, Columbus, Ga. You'll be missed at our "Circus", folks; we'll all envy you. Kermit, the son of a gun, sends us \$15.00 to keep "your good newsy issues coming". Thanks. See you and Irene in New York in '73?



Our wanderers, BOB and Mavis PERE, are on the prowl again. From NYC to Wahoo to Lauderdale and now to 5808 N. 18, Phoenix, Ariz. Add they, "If we don't like it, we'll head back to 'the - - Rock'". Poor Bob; he's about as frustrated as a kleptomaniac in a piano store.

Good one liner: by Johnny Carson on hearing that Clay and Frazier each received 2½ million for their till - "For 2½ million dollars I'd wrestle Virginia Graham naked in Macy's window".

A ten spot from BILL and Florence WILLMOT, (21st '44-'46), of 1630 Venus, Merritt Island, Fla., with the clue, "This will cover dues and a little extra which I'm sure you can find good use for". As the guy says: "We were as mad as a bee on a paper flower". No, hardly that, Bill; we were and are grateful for the likes of you.

A fiver in from HERBERT and Ethel KINGSBURY, of 1368 Evergreen, Schenectady, N.Y. Remember, Herbie, if you wanna get along in this world, never fogget the 1st lesson in the art of self defense - keep your glasses on.

JOE and Mrs. Joe BERNA, of 1712 Andover, Oklahoma City, Okla., have their dues in for which our eternal thanks.

Eleanor HERRING fills us in on JIM along with 15 for dues. An old bean-counter (3/40 to 8/45), Pickles and Ellie were hoping to Chi it. Maybe they will yet. He's mgr. of the Peekskill, N.Y. "Monkey" Ward store and Ellie supervises obstetrics at Community Hosp. there. These two met at Tilton G.Hosp. (Dix, N.J.) when Pickles was goldbricking in the malaria ward and Ellie was his nurse. Their eldest, Cliff, is married; has 2. Pamela is out of the Waves and is doubling between bank telling and going to college. Bruce is sophmoring at College of the Finger Lakes. Ellie gives us a definition of bragging: it's the patter of little feats.



From BILL LOWDEN's file:  
Maj.Gen. ROSCOE B. WOODRUFF at the "Jock"  
CLIFFORD memorial service in Davao,  
Mindanao. Thanks Bill.



Out of sunny California - N.Hollywood - comes this one of the Co. A, 3rd Eng. Motor Pool, in Shikoku Dec. '45. It



was sent in by ED VASQUEZ of 4949 Denny Ave. That would have been Matsuyama, wouldn't it, Ed? No, as we recall it, the 3rd Eng. were at the airfield at Mitsuhama,

down along the shoreline. Right? Ed tips us to a new member - LLOYD MERRILL, of 33 Circle, Port Orange, Fla. Thanks Ed.

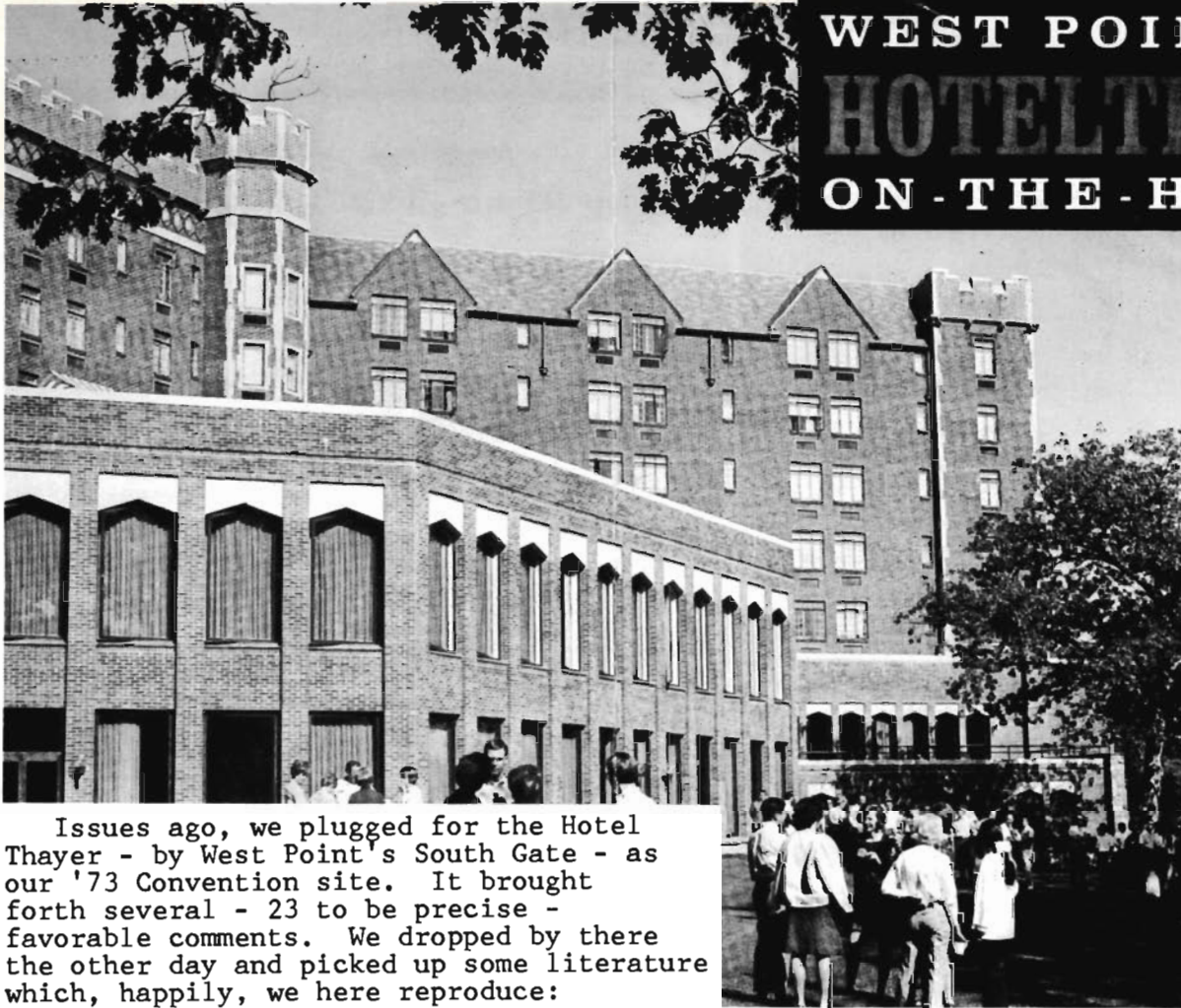
BILL BYRD and his gorgeous lady, Margaret, down there in Ft. Smith, Ark., signal that they'll be with us at our Windy City "Carnival". A thousand cheers. And too, they'll "try to get MIKE CULLEN and JOHNNY WILLIAMS to come". #2 daughter of Bill and Margaret just married (They have 3). Bill writes with a touch of verisimilitude that makes the fantastic real. See you Bill - and Margaret too, of course.

HENRY and June Lee BURGER, (21st '42-'45), of Home, Kans., say they'll make Chicago. Henry says that apparently what happens to little girls who don't eat their cereal is that they grow up to be fashion models.

**PAY YOUR DUES  
NOW!**



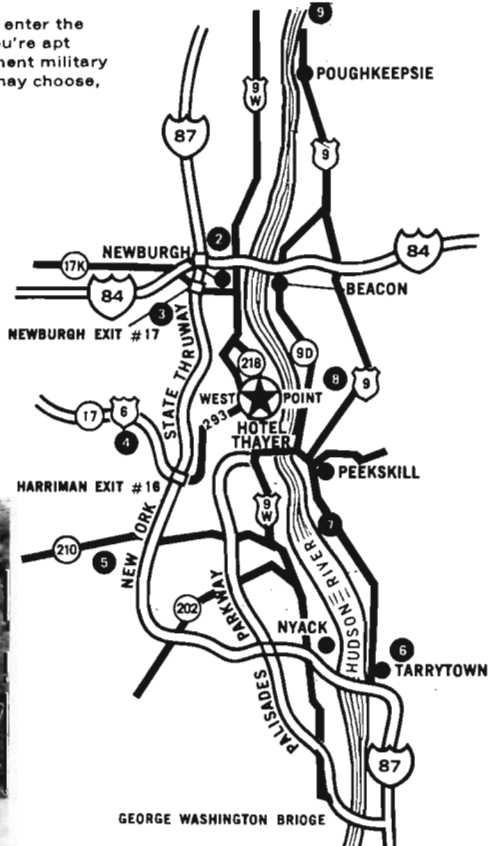
# WEST POINT, N.Y. HOTEL THAYER ON-THE-HUDSON



Issues ago, we plugged for the Hotel Thayer - by West Point's South Gate - as our '73 Convention site. It brought forth several - 23 to be precise - favorable comments. We dropped by there the other day and picked up some literature which, happily, we here reproduce:



Famous Thayer hospitality begins the moment you enter the historic lobby from the curving front drive. Here you're apt to see diplomats, government dignitaries or prominent military leaders. Enjoy all the traditional hotel service you may choose, or the do-it-yourself freedom and convenience of a fine motor lodge.



## Hotel Thayer . . . in the heart of the scenic Hudson Highlands

Just 45 miles from New York City via New York State Thruway and Palisades Interstate Parkway.

NEW YORK  
(45 MILES TO WEST POINT)

JOHNNY KERNODLE on the stationery of Kernodle Clinic, Burlington, N.C., sends ten with a memo about something that great philosopher, Maxie Rosenbloom, once said: "When things look blackest - send them to the laundry."

BERKELEY CLARKE, of 1627 E, Lakeland, Fla., sent in a fiver for a copy of BOBBY DEWS' "The Successful Failure" and received it pronto. Our best to you and Ruth, Berk.

Dues in from EDWARD and Mary POMEROY, of 72 Cook, Lawrenceburg, Ind. To them we say "Thank you" and ask Ed, "Do you remember the days when barbershops were crowded?"

Change address on WILLIAM S. BROWN; now at Qtrs. 7425A Winter, El Paso, Tex. Bill was in Huntersville, N.C. He tells us that they used to say a fool and his money are soon parted. "Now it happens to everybody", he adds.

20 in from Life Member FRANK and Laura MOYER, of RD 1, Reinholds, Pa. Frank drily reminds us: "Mud packs may be O.K., but they've never done much for pigs".

DICK LUM, of 209 Puuhue, Honolulu, can't make C., is vacationing on Maui this year. We'll miss you, Dick. That was \$10.00 you sent us, not \$5, but your wonderful ps. proves that you know it. Thanks. Say Dick, hear about the guy who went to see a psychiatrist with a strip of bacon over each ear, an 8' snake around his neck and a TV antenna strapped to his back? He said: "Doc, I wanna talk to you about my brother".

ED FITZGERALD, (B21st and 21st MP '46-'51), of 52 Osceola, Deer Park, N.Y., a Detective Sergeant with Suffolk County DA, remembers RUSS ARNOLD (spotted name in a recent issue) and his impressive one arm push ups in the Recon. day-room in Kokura.

Let's hear it for EDWARD and Helen VOSO, (D 21st '39-'42), of 543 Springdale, New Windsor, Md. Did you get that date - '39? He's not only our newest member; he may be our oldest. We're happy to have you with us, Ed and Helen.

## **DON'T FORGET YOUR DUES ARE NEEDED**

Sweaters are for two kinds of girls: girls who knit 'em, and girls who fit 'em.

"I'm just a busy farmer, so can't make C." writes MORRIS H. BERGAN, (34th), of Rt. 2, Ridgeway, Iowa. But Mo did send us a \$10.00 bill to help keep us going. Watta guy!

SAM UMPHREY, the poor man's Ricardo Montalban, (Div. Chem O. 3/46-11/47), of 24 California, San Francisco, Calif., writes. We're pleased as Sam is one of our best friends. He and Elspeth are running Vistapac Corp., exporting and importing. "Tough sledding" reports Sam, with difficulties stemming from lousy economic conditions and striking long-shoremen making it tough to operate. But Sam's chin is up, as always.

BILL LIVINGSTON, (34th '44-'46), of 11 Kent, Brookline, Mass., sends us \$15 for "a labor of love and we appreciate it." We're happy for the nice words coming from the Veep of the Cambridgeport Savings Bank.

Out of St. Ann's Monastery, Scranton, Pa., comes 5 for dues "plus a fiver for the kitty" from Fr. CHRISTOPHER J. BERLO. See you next month, Father Chris.

Like the midget moonshiner who fell into the mash, we got a little behind in our work. We're trying to get caught up with our paper-work; your checks have been arriving fast and furious from all directions. But some of you are still in arrears.

Here's how ever faithful Past Prexy and Life Member DON WILLIAMS got the tragic message out to his Detroit Taro Leafers last May 24th. We'll set it up just as Don messaged it:

"This is a sequel to the Chapter letter written last month. You will remember, it was planned that we would meet last Thursday evening, May 18th....and so it was.

"Those of us fortunate enough to attend spent a happy four hours with JOHN HORVATH who died of a heart attack alone in his home the following morning, Friday, May 19th.

"John, 'The Jolly Grocer', was a friend to all and bore no ill-will toward any fellow man. His enthusiasm was inspirational; his interest in 24th People was infinite.

"Appearing to be in his usual good health and humor, he was very interested Thursday night in telling that the latest Taro Leaf mentioned the name 'Willard F. (Bud) Poe'. With that lead, John called Bud at his home in Bannock, Ohio, to renew a friendship of some 30 years ago. This was so typical of the John we knew.

"We say Goodby, John - your friendship was a privilege to enjoy.....we will miss you! Words are inadequate..... What more can one say? Sincerely, Don Williams".



Change of address for BERT LOWRY, (Cn. 19th '42-'45). It's simply Lomax, Ill. Change too for "Spike" O'DONNELL. It's 800 Washington Blvd., Oak Park, Ill. They move fast in Illinois.

For Maj.Gen. CHESTER A. DAHLEN, It's still San Antonio, but now it's 322 Fenwick, Hi Chet.



Chick FRED OLSEN labels himself a "latecomer"; was with us in '51-'54. Says "The cloest I came to you in WW II was as a member of the 108th RCT, 40th Div., when we made contact with the 31st Div. at Malaybalay along the Sayre Hwy." What a memory you have, Fred. All recall Malaybalay; was always a delight to pronounce it. The town was a flat bust, as we recall; same for its women. Will we have the pleasure of your and Wilma's company at Chicago? Latecomers are certainly welcome, Fred.

Hope to see W.G. and Annamae HOFFER of the 52nd Field at our festival next month. St.Charles, Ill. is close by. Incidentally, it's a new address for these fine folks. Try Rt. 3, Box 479.

Hail to our newest member, GILBERT A. BERNARD, (24th Recn. 12/42 - 12/45. Gil - and Shirley - post us from 20565 Nisqually, Apple Valley, Calif. and report that they have Debbie, 22, Gil Jr. 19, Drew 16, Connie 14, and John 7. Welcome aboard, folks. We'll tell you, Gil, that every member of the family is welcome at our Fiesta; it's not for Taro Leafers only.

Additional to the Flying Carpet Package Deal, anticipate a \$5.00 registration fee (for the Association member only and NOT for each member of his family). This money is used to help defray the 101 expenses incidental to a successful convention.



Lots of construction for Life Member BOB DUFF who, with Ann, natch, has moved from Danville, Ill. to 940 E. Old Willow Rd., Prospect Hts., Wheeling. You folks are just next door to our Chicago Clambake. See you there.

Coming to our Chicago "Fiesta": ROSS and Ruth PENNER, from 1075 McKinley, Johnstown, Pa. Sez Ross, "I hope to see some of the boys I served with in Korea." We hope you do, Ross, although we'll warn you in advance that WW II boys seem to support us better than do the Korean boys. Come anyway, Ross and Ruthie; you're going to be most welcome. Married 11 years, they have no children, but they do have a parakeet, "Charley". We welcome parakeets at our get-togethers.

Check in time for the Flying Carpet Package Deal is anytime on from 10:00 A.M. Friday.

If you plan to stay at the Flying Carpet additional nights (that is, other than Fri./Sat. and Sat./Sun., the rates will be: \$18.00 for a double \$14.00 for a single \$ 4.00 for each additional cot.



To Chicago will come Life Member CLEMENT L. and Jean HARRIS, (F 5th RCT & 24 Sig. 4/51-10/51) with daughters Belinda and Carol. Clem advises that "advance contact has been made at the grass roots level around O'Hare; last summer I was picked up there for driving a truck without state permits and with year old Oregon license plates". Adds Clem, "The cops there sure made good coffee". Clem, your driving habits are suspect but your sense of humor is tops. See ya!

If you don't like the Flying Carpet Package Deal (that is \$40.75 per person on a 2 to a room basis; \$60.00 per person on a 1 to a room basis), and if you want to come only for certain of our events then it'll be according to this schedule.

For the Friday evening cocktail hour - \$2.50 per person + 15%

For the Friday evening buffet - \$5.50 per person + 15%

For the Saturday noon brunch - \$3.50 per person + 15%

For the Saturday evening banquet - \$6.50 per person + 15%

For the Sunday morning brunch - \$3.50 per person + 15%

Fresh from the pen of Life Member LEO CREAMER, (G 21st), of 2114 Fairhaven, Jennings, Mo., along with a ten spot, is this bit of doggerel:

Now's the time to sally forth -  
There's no better year than this  
To rally 'round the Twenty-Fourth -  
This is one we shouldn't miss!

Take advantage of the chance -  
Let them know we really care  
With reservations in advance -  
And just five minutes from O'Hare.

You can go 'by way of' jet -  
Or drive along the finest road  
Perhaps a 'Flying Carpet' yet?  
Whatever route - let's share the load.

Chicago - and the August sun -  
Things we never will forget  
Happy hearts and healthy fun -  
Leave us little to regret!



Quality Motel Flying Carpet rooms have special sound-proofing . . . extra long beds . . . regular as well as closed-circuit TV . . . hi-fi radio . . . individually controlled heating and air-conditioning . . . message lights . . . and most rooms have individual balconies or patios. Throughout you'll find many thoughtful extras. Every bath, for example, has twin lavettes, a magnifying mirror and a heat lamp; most have extension telephones. And for the purest luxury, Deluxe Suites have rheostat lighting and remote-control door knobs. All rooms have remote control color television.





Dues in from WALT SAS. He and Elaine now call 6780 E. Cedar, Denver, Colo., home. Walt says he made his first trip to Paris recently. He told a friend he wished he'd seen it forty years ago. "You mean when Paris was really Paris?", queried his friend. "No," said Walt, "when Sas was really Sas."

A tenner in from LOUIS and Lillian PETTEY, (Div.Hq. 7/42-9/45), of 1111 S.Washington, Alexandria, Va.



Elsewhere we provided you with a mail-in reservation card for the Flying Carpet. If you want to call direct, telephone 312-297-2100. To TWX, go 910-233-4591. For addresses on the place, we've already seen 3. Take your pick:

Flying Carpet Motor Inn  
O'Hare Airport  
Chicago, Ill.

Flying Carpet Motor Inn  
6465 N.Mannheim Rd. (US 12-45)  
at Higgins Rd. (Ill. 72)  
Rosemont, Ill.

Flying Carpet Motor Inn  
6465 North Mannheim Rd.  
Des Plaines, Ill. 60018

In trying to get the address straight, we've been flip flopped around like a bottle of Irish whiskey at a wake.



BEN WALLACE, (I 21st '42-'45), of 1204 S. 21st, Yakima, Wash. can't Chicago it but he's good for 5 for "The Successful Failure" and 15 for the kitty. Ben asks if we heard about the young man who moved to Greenwich Village and turned prematurely gay.



AH KEE LEONG sends \$10.00 from his Honolulu Flower Shop, probably for the last time; selling out after 21 years. Says work was too much and adds, "Had a checkup at Scuggs Clinic (California) and they found too much". We don't know what that means; don't like the sound of it. We'll follow up on this wonderful guy and report. Or write him yourself at 430 Kaiolu Ave., Apt. 306, Honolulu. He'd be grateful.

YOUR CONVENIENT RESERVATION CARD			
NAME		Arrival Date A.M. P.M.	
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<p>The above rates apply only for the dates designated by the sponsor. Reservations are subject to assignment by Reservation Department.</p> <p>If remaining longer than planned originally, accommodation becomes available subject to subsequent priority. Arrangements will be offered to assist anyone whose visit might be extended.</p> <p>ROOMS WILL NOT BE HELD AFTER 6 P.M. UNLESS ARRIVAL IS GUARANTEED</p>			

We've just read the 1969 book, "Philippine Diary 1939-1945" by Brig. Gen. Steve Mellnik (Van Nostrand Reinhold). It starts with his MacArthur-staff days as a Captain, the invasion, the Corregidor Stand, imprisonment, escape from the Davao penal colony, wandering over Mindanao, rendezvous with a submarine off Zamboanga, Australia and then back to Leyte, Luzon and Corregidor. The book is jumpy, sketchy, bouncy; and it appears that the author remembers only what he wants to recall. Sadly missing is a satisfactory version of what he or anyone else was doing on Luzon after the Nips hit Pearl. That story still begs for a reasonable analysis of who didn't do what to whom. He learns that Pearl has been hit and takes off on a 75 mile ride south of Manila to watch some cement pouring. While there, he learns that Clark Field is under heavy attack. He drives back to Manila and goes to his quarters for drinks. As we said, it's a disjointed report of what one man did; hardly worth \$6.95. Miss it if you can.



Especially proud are we to report the elevation of JOE NEE, (Div.Hq. '44-'46), to the presidency of The National Foundation, the March of Dimes organization. Joe and Marion married off lovely Leslie to Samuel R. Mathes, Jr. last May 13th in Westport, Conn. Young folks are settling down in Fla.



ERNIE STANOVIL, of 511 Nan Linn, Willoughby, Ohio, memos us as: "Will be attending my first reunion after many years and hope to see some of my old friends again". We're looking forward to it Ernie. Reservations are not essential but they are desirable for planning purposes. As to program, we're covering it in this issue.



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Maj.Gen. AUBREY and Dorothy NEWMAN had callers in late April at their Sarasota, Fla. pad. Those who visited this precious family included ED HENRY, BILL SANDERSON, James "SPIKE" O'DONNELL, TOM COMPERE, DON WILLIAMS, MIKE RAFTER, CLIFFORD HANLIN, GERRY STEVENSON and PAUL "Junior" HARRIS. And if you don't think that's a roomful, try it sometime. Of the experience, we happen to know that, after it was all over, Red wrote a memo, with copy to each of the offenders, which said in part, ".... To each and every one of you let me express my deep appreciation for your visit. It will always be the high point in my retirement, a memory to cherish, shared with the best friends I have in the world. I have many acquaintances from active duty days, including my West Point classmates, but there has been a special rapport for me with members of our Taro Leaf Division - cemented at reunions and personal visits into close personal friendships like no other. As I once heard a veteran of World War I express it: 'We fought, bled and got scared together.'"



SAM MAY, (13th F '42-'45), President of China Grove Cotton Mills Co., China Grove, N.C., asks for a copy of "Children of Yesterday". We're all out, Sam, but we'll Xerox ours for you. Say the word. We've been out of copies for several years; each time we get another order for one, we feel about as triumphant as a one-legged midget in the Boston Marathon.



Our usufruct sojourn at the Flying Carpet promises to be exciting, nostalgic, and we trust restful in the sense that you'll have a chance to relax with old friends.



Going to make our Flying Carpet "Festival" is GENE HORODYSKY, (3rd Bn. 34th), of 5155 W.Diversey, Chicago, Ill. Asks Gene: "Can the whole family attend?" And we answer: "By all means, yes".



If you live in Peoria, you "can almost walk to the Flying Carpet", so says JACK HALLENGREN, (724 Ord. '42-'45). So we fully expect that Jack and Norma will make it. Jack paid his dues with a promise to try to be there.



Now that we're back to that once-every-four-years time, we are reminded of the chap who said of the occasion 8 years ago: "They told me that if I voted for Goldwater, there'd be half a million troops in Vietnam within a year. I voted for him. And, by God, they were right".



They call the Flying Carpet "The exotic motor inn with the minaret, opposite Chicago's O'Hare Airport". "1-312-299-4422 will get them on the other end of the line for you", advises Old Faithful ERNIE SPAKE down there at 210 Sixth, Conover, N.C. By the way, thanks for the dues, Ernie. And say, didja hear about the chap who lost his false teeth in Burma, and has been looking for his bridge on the River Kwai? Look! They can't all be gems.

