

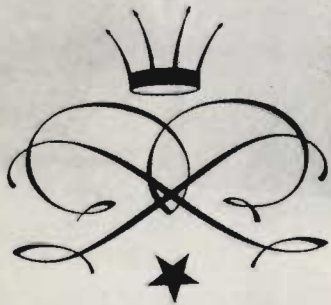
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That big smile on our cover is the smile of Albert "Chick" Felder who warms the heart of the visitor arriving at The Chase-Park Plaza. There's a friendly welcome awaiting you at this distinguished hotel and Chick may be the first one to prove it as he meets you at the door. He's been doing it for 35 years so he knows how.

DANIELS, Col. ROBERT J., (Div.Hq. '44-'46), of 450 Graham Rd., Ft.Sam Houston, Tex. 78234, tells us that Col. WILLIAM A. and Lynn HINTERHOFF are back at CONARC, Ft.Monroe, Va., after 2 yrs. in Spain. Robin and Dottie have Brook and David enrolled as juniors at Texas A & M. Robin informs us of the death of Gen. Zinovi Pechkoff, the French 4 star general who visited us in Kokura. His right arm was shot off in WWII. Pechkoff was the son of Russian novelist, Maxim Gorky.

SIMMONS, CLIFFORD W., (Hq. 19th '42-'45), of 25 Erial, Clementon, N.J. Clifford and Marion threw caveat emptor to the winds and joined. Taro Leafers, rejoice!!

CONNOR, CHARLES R., (3rd Eng. '44-'46), of 409 Cathedral, Baltimore, Md. Charley is on a pinup kick. He writes: "Though some Chaplains condemn them for instilling impure thoughts in the minds of the boys, pinups are bigger (statistically speaking) than ever. Somehow a photo of a delectable morsel of American womanhood puts new vigor, nerve and heart into soldiers and brings to mind joys to come home to. Tacked up in a wartime barracks, the message is loud and clear. WWI put the stress on doughnuts rather than bikinis for the boys. But in WWII, we each went off to battle with a bevy of lovelies in our duffle bags. Betty "Look at those gams!" Grable led the pack. Next in the cheesecake sweepstakes was Rita Hayworth or Dottie LaMour, or Lana Turner in a sweater, and Bosomy, sultry Jane Russell was the girl-next-door's archenemy. The undisputed darling of the Korean War was Mrs. Joe DiMaggio, especially on "That Calendar". And when Marilyn went to Korea, oh boy. But the Korean boys really went for a new type - revealing, sophisticated, with a Continental insouciance. Sophia Loren received male va-va-va-vooms and Elke Sommer, the broad with the alluring pout, were much in evidence in every Korean outpost, as was Bardot, sex kitten supreme. Now, in Vietnam, it's Raquel Welch who gets the exposure as ideal pinup, 1969 vintage". Good report, Charley.

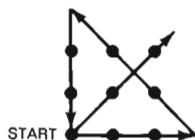
DABERKO, BILL, (24th Sig.), 929 Parrish St., Uhrichsville, Ohio. Bill and Lucy spent 2 weeks in Hawaii in Nov. They report that Schofield is much the same, sans slit trenches, that Waihiwa is the same, also Keemos. Daughter Susan graduated from Ohio U. last spring and is teaching in Delaware, Ohio. Judy also graduated from college and is working in Dover. Jim is a sophomore and Sally is in 8th grade. Lucy, when you were one and twenty, to paraphrase A.E. Housman a trifle, did you ever think that in 1969 you'd be writing that kind of a report?

GREGOIRE, ALBERT, (24th Sig.), of Heron Lake, Minn. New member, Al reports that he's farming in S.W. Minn. Married, 2 grown daughters, enjoys sports, loves fishing. Al, in telling us that he just heard of us, wants to know how long we've been going. 21 long years, Al.

FREESEMAN, JOHN, (24th Sig.), of Box 311, Clarksville, Iowa. Johnny is working "in a government factory in Waterloo for the boys overseas". Sounds rather secretive, John. Married 21 years, he and his wife love to fish and hunt.

STAHL, WILLIAM R. (B 13th F. '48-'51), of 473 Buena Vista, Alameda, Calif. Bill asks what medals the 13th F. got for action from 7/50 to 5/51. Anybody know?

McKENNA, WILLIAM J., (34), of 970 Neilson, Albany, Calif. Bill and Helen liked our connect the dots puzzle. Remember we asked you to connect them with four straight lines. The solution requires more thinking than logic. And above all, some imagination. Now that you've probably figured out the solution for yourself, here's how to show others how to do it.



DOUGLASS, FREDERICK D., (H & S, 3rd Eng.), of Midland, Texas. We learn from JIM MIMS, of Box 592, Midland, Texas, that Fred took his life in November. Jim and Fred met occasionally, invariably recalling old friends, like HANK MOBRAY, and old times, like the time the P-38 blew up over Mindoro and fell near the Division CP. Jim represented us at and sent flowers to the funeral. Fred had been an independent oil operator after spending several years in Argentina and Colombia.

WAGENFUEHRER, CARL (3rd Eng.), of 531 Eastern, Baltimore, Md. Carl ordered a copy of "Decision at Leyte" from us (\$3.67 per copy), and brought in HAROLD THACKER, of 805 Ponce De Leon, Atlanta, Ga., as a new member. Hal couldn't make our '68 party at MB but threatens to join us at St. Louis next August.

ROBERTS, ARCH, of Box 986, Ft. Collins, Colo. Arch is active in the effort to stem the American rebellion. He is convinced that it is directed, not merely against imperfections in the social order, but against the social order itself. Write Arch if you want to share his views on the defeat of anarchy.

ROWLAND, CHARLES T., (724 Ord. '41-'45), of Bryant, Ark. Charley tells us of the young couple who weren't getting along well, and were trying to make up their minds as to whether to get a divorce or to take a two-week vacation in Hawaii to patch things up. They finally decided that a vacation would be over in two weeks, but a divorce is something they'd always have. Thanks, Charley.

ZIERATH, Maj.Gen. FRED R., (19th), of 7402 Coral, Tacoma, Wash. Fred, now in retirement, was never one to pass up a good story. So we print this one about the two old friends who ran into each other at Miami Beach:

"Why darling, you look marvelous! What are you doing with yourself?", asked one.

"I must confess...I'm having an affair!"

"Congratulations, darling! Who's the Caterer?"

BEST, CHARLES, (A 19th '44-'46), of Prescott, Kans. Charley tells about the old soldier who was telling his sons about his most glorious Korean adventure. "There we were", he fictionalized, "trapped, cornered like rats in an ambush, surrounded by 80 of the enemy...." "But Dad," interrupted the youngest, "Last year you told us you were surrounded by only 40 of the enemy". "Last year," the dutiful father continued, "You were too young to be told the whole truth".

BORZILLERI, JOHN G., of 106 Fairgate, Rochester, N.Y. Johnny's leaving Drum for Germany, but not before he spotted ANGEL L. RIOS, of 461-53rd, Brooklyn, N.Y. and recruited him. Angel, with D of the 21st in '50-'51, was an AD at Drum as a reservist when Johnny met him. Welcome to the parade, Angel. You're a wonder, Johnny.

LAPIO, CANIO, (21st), of Wyeth Ave., Oakville, Conn. Canio advises that for a hippie couple to be in style, his hair must be as long as her dress.

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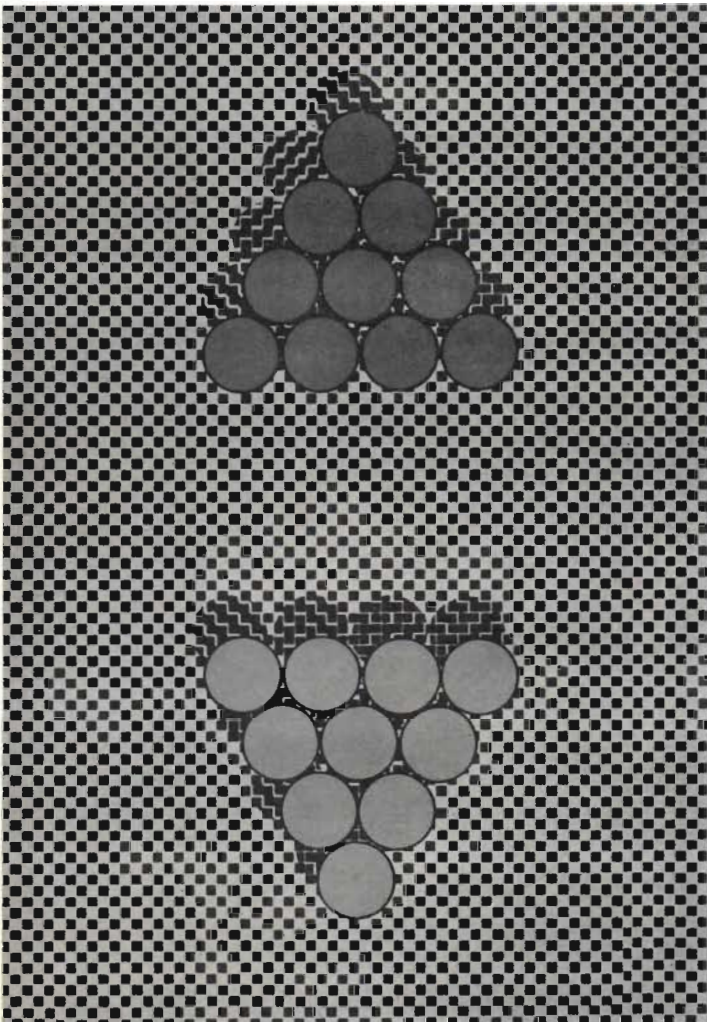
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THOMAS, ROSS H., (Hq. 13 F '42-'45), of RD 1, Box 200, N.Bloomfield, Ohio. Ross asks if any of you doughboys can make the top triangle look like the bottom one by moving only three circles. Solution in our next issue. Impossible? Look again - but we warn you, don't look at the bottom line as remaining constant. You'll never get it this way.



TAYLOR, CARL G. (860 Av.Bn. '43-'46), of 3720 Fortune, Las Vegas, Nev. Carl and Margaret invite us all to Las Vegas.

SCHOENE, CHARLES A. (724 Ord. '42-'45), of 2408 Woodcrest, Alton, Ill. Gus and Helen still remember us for our never-ending love of pancakes in the P.I. Son, Alan, is a H.S. senior, son, Steve, is a senior at U. of Wis. Gus is a school principal in Alton.

SNOW, ARTHUR T., (13F '40-'45), of 90 Sylvan, Melrose, Mass. Arthur and Madeline, with a son just back from 18 months in V. and now at Bragg, would like to hear from old buddies. Art was top kick of Baker Battery, a real, honest-to-goodness Pearl Harbor survivor.

THOMPSON, JAMES H., (21 '42-'45), of 14126 Pinerock, Houston, Tex. Gladys is keeping house while Tommy teaches history at Wharton County Jr. College, Wharton, Tex. They want to hear from old friends.

CAIN, PAUL J., (I-34th '43-'45), of Box 3171 Country Fair Sta., Champaign, Ill. Paul and Florence sent \$10 "to help the kitty" for which we are grateful. These folks are close by; surely we'll meet in St.Louis! They tell us that the Grey Line run daily tours of St.Louis from Union RR Station every morning and afternoon.

CRAMER, WILLIAM E., (63rd F), of 801 S. Monticello, Winamac, Ind. We take on a roseate glow in reporting that Bill and Mary Lou have now joined the Pineapple Kids Alumni Assoc. We are thrilled that they have plunged into the maelstrom and say "Welcome aboard, Bill and Mary Lou".

OLDS, LESLIE R., (19th), of 1504-10 St., Canton, Ohio. After a 9 year absence, we're happy to have Les back and it's all due to good wife, Carmel, who believes: "The cold still grips the garden plot, The snow still lies in every spot, But still the crocus knows it not."



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Convention Chairman HOWARD LUMSDEN announces the following tentative program for our Jubilee of the Pineapple Kids:

Thursday, August 14, 1969

10 AM - 5 PM	Registration	Lido Room
10 AM - 5 PM	Conviviality	Lido Room
10 AM -12 AM	Grant's Farm and Anheuser-Busch Brewery Tours	Depart Hotel at 9 AM
12 AM - 6 PM	Enjoy your stay in St.Louis	On-your-own
6 PM - 8 PM	Midwest hospi- tality - Hosted by St.Louis area members.	Regency Room
8 PM - ???	Enjoy nite life in St.Louis	On-your-own

Friday, August 15, 1969

10 AM - 5 PM	Registration	Lido Room
10 AM - 5 PM	Conviviality	Lido Room
10 AM -12 AM	Grant's Farm and Anheuser-Busch Brewery Tours	Depart Hotel at 9 AM
12 AM - 7 PM	See the sights of St.Louis	On-your own
7 PM -11 PM	Mississippi River Cruise	SS Huck Finn
11 PM - ???	Enjoy some more nite life in St.Louis	On-your-own

Saturday, August 16, 1969

10 AM - 5 PM	Registration	Lido Room
10 AM - 5 PM	Conviviality	Lido Room
10 AM -12 AM	Grant's Farm and Anheuser-Busch Brewery Tours	Last Call - Depart Hotel at 9 AM
2 PM - 4 PM	Annual General Meeting of Members	Regency Room
2 PM - 4 PM	Ladies Social	Zodiac Lounge
6:30 - 7:30 PM	Cocktails	Zodiac Lounge
7:30 - ?????	Banquet Dinner and Dance	Starlight Roof

Sunday, August 17, 1969

9 AM - 12 Noon	Coffee and Alohas	Lido Room
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"So that's how they do it!!"

O'DONNELL, JAMES, (G-21st) of 920 N. Harvey, Oak Park, Ill. Spike continues to share with us some of his "Advice" mail. We like to call it "verbal ping pong".

Dear Spike -

My husband, Harry, was with the Div.Band in the P.I. and Japan. He doesn't drink, smoke, or chase other women. He's punctual, neat, considerate of me, good to the kids, and successful in his work. He's got just one habit that drives me out of my mind. Every time I date another fellow, all he does is nag, nag, nag. What can I do?

THELMA.

Dear Thelma -

Be tolerant. We all have our little faults.

SPIKE.

Dear Spike -

I'm with the Division at Ft.Riley. I won't tell you my unit as I'm scared. Here's my problem. A girl took me out and tried to kiss me on our first date. Do you think a boy should let a girl kiss him on the first date?

BILL.

Dear Bill -

In your case, yes! I don't think you are going to get a second date. Are you sure you belong in the 24th Division?

SPIKE.

SCHENKEL, VERNON, (34 '42-'45), of 550 Bardot, Florissant, Mo. Vern and Dottie will surely be part of the Welcoming Committee when we converge on their home town like a herd of carabao going for our annual wallow.

RICE, OLAN, (21st), of 54 Elm, Butler, Ohio. Olan and Eillian have joined ranks and we say "Welcome aboard". They might be attracted into making it to The Chase-Park Plaza next Aug. 14th-17th if they understood that we've got a few Gimlets working hard at insuring that this is the largest gathering of 21st men since leaving Division.

ROMANO, JOSEPH, (724 Ord. '42-'45), of 156 S. 2nd, Steelton, Pa. After 20 years, Joe is finally "in" and it's due to his lovely Frances who wrote us a glowing promise to make St. Louis. Joe and we shared miseries together during Leyte-Mindoro-Mindanao days and we're happy to have him with us. We remember many good laughs with Joe during days on Leyte-Mindoro-Mindanao. Joe used to say that the only man who ever got all his work done by Friday was Robinson Crusoe.

SABATINE, MATTHEW (21st '44-'45), of 616 Roseto, Roseto, Pa. Matt and Josephine are back in the swing of things with us. They have Matt, Jr., Kathleen, Beverly, David and Jeanne. Matt sez that now that he's got the shape for the job, the kids no longer believe in Santa Claus.

SWEM, LEON D. (AT 34th '43-'45), of Rt. 3, Carthage, N.Y. Alice does the writing for this family, despite illness. Leon is with St. Regis Paper and the folks recently celebrated their 26th Wedding Anniversary. They have 4: Dennis, 25, married, himself the father of 2, and an army career man - Larry, 22, married and the father of 1 and expecting another - Darlene, 20, married and the mother of Kandi Dee born last Nov. 7th - and Deanna Mae, 13, a lovely growing-up-fast 7th grader. Leon and Alice, we've missed you at our reunions. Load Deanna Mae in the Ford and try to make St. Louis, won't you please?



Troops unload from the C141 Starlift Jet which transported them from Forbes Air Force Base, Kansas to Rhein/Main Air Base, Germany for the NATO maneuvers in West Germany. Photo: Ft. Riley Information Office.

The Pueblo inquiry opened up a can of worms. The old chestnut, "Give only your name, rank and serial number" seems to us to be considerably outdated in this day of forced confession which the communists have polished into an art. Let's be realistic. Of course, Defense can't agree to one's confessing to anything put in front of him but it can take the nature of totalitarian terror into account and temper bureaucratic justice with historical equity. In the spring of 1955, we said the Army should not be tackling Joe McCarthy; we were right. Before the present mess started, we said the Navy should not be tackling Bucher; we are going to be proven to be right.

SCHMIDT, JOSEPH C. (21st '49-'51), of 19 Mary, Fords, N.J. Joe's good wife has made it possible for another Korean veteran to join our ranks and we do enjoy having the Korean boys in our club. The WWII boys are so old that we remember Howard Johnson when he only had 3 flavors. We want you younger men in the fold. Welcome aboard, Joe.

WESTON, ROBERT T. (5th Inf.), of 26 Park St., Portland, Mich., has been elected President of the Fifth U.S. Infantry Regiment Association. Congratulations, Bob.

MABRY, A. VERNE, (B19th '43-'45), of Rt. 2, Box 873, Collinsville, Ill. Verne and Mildred are being asked, as are all of our members, if they'd support the publication of "Autobiography of a Division, 1941-1969" our Division history, at somewhere between \$8 and \$10.00 per copy. Some of what Verne wrote back in '44-'45 when he was with PI10 is going to be used. We've got to know in advance how many copies we can sell, and that will determine how many we print, and that will determine the price. Drop a line to the Editor if you want a copy reserved.

NELSON, PAUL H., of Star RR, Houston, Mo. A striking number of Mo. folks are signing up as members. Paul is but one of about twelve who've responded in the last two weeks.

OEDER, CARL H., (724th Ord. '43-'46), of Box 6054, Guayaquil, Ecuador. Carl's with United Fruit. His first wife Doris passed away in '67 and recently he became wedded to one of the executive secretaries in the "home office". Our best wishes go to Carl and Helen. Carl's son, Ricky, is in army flight training.



Division troops seated aboard a C141 Starlift aircraft out of Forbes Air Force Base, Topeka, arrive at Rhein/Main Air Base in Germany for Reforger I maneuvers. Photo: Ft. Riley Information office.

DAVIDSON, WILLIAM V., (Div.Hq. '41-'45), of 540 Park, Swedesboro, N.J. Meet Barbara, Bill and Lorna's lovely. We heard from the folks by card as they were "Marching Through Georgia" recently, having called on the JULIAN MASON's and DICK LAWSON's and on their way to free load lunches on the AUBREY NEWMAN's and HARRY SNAVELY's. Sounds like a wonderful trip, Bill and Lorna. Lorna, who's that in the picture behind Barbara?



WIGGLESWORTH, MARTIN, (C19 '43-'40), of Rt. 2, Cynthiana, Ky. Martin and Louise are close enough to St.Louis that they might easily make it there in August. Martin tips us to the fact that Maj.Gen. GINES PEREZ retired on Dec. 14th after 14½ years as CG of Ft.Jackson.

WILLM, CARL L., (L 34th), of 115 Richard, Festus, Mo. Thanks to Allene, Carl has rejoined our tohubohu. It's good to have those folks back with us. We're getting back into our heyday.



VAN ZANT, ELMER L., (24 MP '45-'48), of 2102 Sibley, Augusta, Ga. Van's cheeks are aflame with anticipation. St.Louis! Visions of Dionysiac revels dance in his head, bachelor supports whereat naked actresses erupt from pies as we reel around quaffing jeroooms of champagne. The prospect is dizzying. Meet me in St.Louis, Van, for our 4-day bivouac.

TAPS

CAHILL, MARTIN J., (13th F '44-'45), of 1611 S. Mass., Mason City, Iowa. Sadly, Sue Gilner has reported as follows: "Between Christmas and New Year's a phone call. It was Kay Cahill, Martin's wife, reporting that Martin was killed Sept. 25th. He was putting antifreeze in a car and a blade flew off the fan and hit him in the head, killing him instantly. The story took the wind out of me and Sam. When we first met Martin in Chicago, we liked him instantly. He called one night last spring and we told him where he could leave his huge truck while he visited. I got out the scrap book I made for Sam from the things he sent home and the articles I cut from the Herald Tribune every day (Bill Verbeck had many of the same items in his book I once noticed), and they sat eating cheese and crackers and drinking coffee for hours as they commented on pictures and recalled personal experiences brought to mind from the news clippings." Thank you for the tragic news, Sue. Many of us will remember Martin when he made our '67 Chicago get-together.

LEMEROND, LAUERANCE F., (C 21 '49-'50), of 708 Walt Whitman, Huntington Sta., L.I. N.Y. Larry asks if we're keeping abreast (no pun intended) of the comings and goings of Elizabeth Taylor Hilton Wilding Todd Fisher Burton. We answer that we are, but giving her little space in our issues.

LORIO, ANGELO, (724th Ord), of 161 Bleecker, Brooklyn, N.Y. Angelo, a long-time friend, called on us recently. The subject got around to women, of course, and Sophia Loren, in particular. Ooh'ed Angelo: "Her feet are too big. Her nose is too long. Her teeth are uneven. She has the neck of a Neapolitan giraffe. Her waist begins in the middle of her thighs, and she has big, half-bushel hips. She runs like a full back. Her hands are huge. Her forehead is low. Her mouth is too large. And mamma mia, she is absolutely gorgeous!" With Angelo, we concurred.



"Are you the recruit they call 'Slowpoke Simpson?'"

HANLIN, CLIFFORD G., of Ellwood, Ind. Life Member and one time Assoc. Pres. is seeing to it that this one makes the rounds. It seems there is a man living next door to him in his Dunedin, Fla. home. The fellow is without arms. By profession, he's a sculptor - the only armless sculptor in the world. Quiz C.G. on just how a guy with no arms can be a sculptor and he will rally with this: "It's easy. He puts the chisel in his mouth, and his wife hits him on the back of the head with a mallet." Better get back up to Elwood, Ind., C.G.

CRIGHTON, MELVILLE, (724 Ord. '43-'46) of 1801 Wren, Harrisonville, Mo. Genevieve sent us a color Kodachrome of Mel's little 3½ year old hunters. We don't know that they will reproduce too well but we're giving it a go. They're just too wonderful not to make the attempt.



ALLEN, S.P. (Sv.21) of Box 684, Magee, Miss. S.P., faithful member since '51, wonders why we don't have more items on people he knows. We print every bit of news we can get, S.P. Send in your items, folks, and we'll use 'em.

ADAMS, Lt.Col. STANLEY T., MEDAL of HONR, (A 19th '50-'51), of Pebble Beach, Calif. We are proud to report that Col. Adams is deputy Chief of Staff for logistics, Ft.Ord, Calif. We need hardly remind you of his heroic action near Sesim-ni, Korea on Feb. 4, 1951, while a M/Sgt. with Able of the Chicks during that terrible first Korean winter. We're proud of you, Col. Adams.

EVANS, THOMAS M. (H19th) of 613 Idaho, Farrell, Pa. That's a new address for Tom and Betty; they were in Sharon, Pa.

HENDERSON, ARTHUR H., (21st '45-'46), of 4029 Old Hickory, Fairfax, Va. The old Gimlet Exec. and Marie never forget us.

PAYNE, CHARLES E., of 109 W. North, Neosho, Mo. Charley and good wife, Lela, are surely close enough by as to make our St.Louis phantasmagoria. In this age of TV dinners, crowded subways, canned laughter and smog, let us show you what luxury is. We'll meet you at The Chase Park.

POWER, DICK R., of 215 W. 43rd, Kansas City, Mo. Dick, we're counting on you to be with us in person when our Chowder and Marching Society hits your state come August.

TEWELL, CHARLES (L 21 '42-'45), of 3915 Henderson, Hannibal, Mo. Charley and Betty, we hope you'll make our August bazaar.

SCANAVINO, JOSEPH O. (3rd Eng.), of Box 213, Kincaid, Ill. Joe says that our Assoc. holds the patent on having fun. Try us in August, Joe.

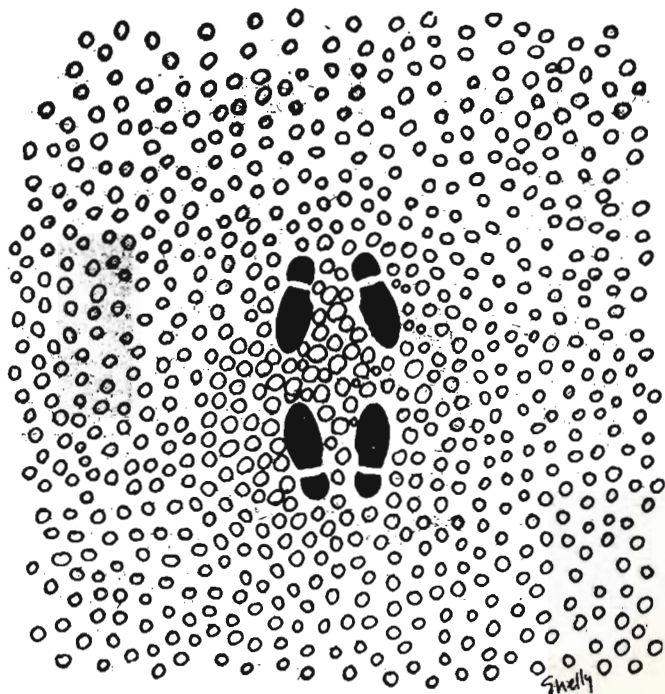
FULTON, FRANK, (K 21 '40-'44), of 50 Hancock, N.Dartmouth, Mass. Frank and Margaret sent in a little item on that mosquito that once caused us so much trouble. Thought you'd like to see the little devil once more. World Health Organization estimates he still bites 100 million persons per year.



ANDRUS, Maj.Gen. CLIFT. Gen. Andrus died at Walter Reed last Sept. 29th. Known as "Mr. Chips", the General had a small mustache, graying sandy hair, and smoked a pipe, played chess and read Dickens and Mark Twain in the field. Division Art. Commander at the time of P.H., his units were credited with being the first to roll, being emplaced and ready to defend the beaches within 35 minutes after the first bomb. From us, he went to 1st Div. Artillery and finally became Big One CG, seeing action in North Africa, Sicily, France, Belgium and Germany. An Army "brat", he attended Cornell, then joined the Army in 1911. Gen Andrus was 77 when he died.

ALLO, FRANK, (I 21st '41-'44), of 360 County Center, White Plains, N.Y. Head of Allo Sales, air conditioners, in White Plains, Frank asks for reunion information.

Footsies



"Wow! When your mom sends you cookies she really sends cookies!"

BELMONTE, ALBERT J. (L 21st '53-'54), of 264 Shrewsbury, Worcester, Mass. Al sends us this photo of himself (on the right) and 3 men of Love of the Gimlets taken while they were guarding POW's at Kojedo in '53.



ROUX, RAYMOND W. of 6 Barry Rd.- Apt.2A, Providence, R.I. Ray is a busy man with K of C, American Legion, and VFW. As Ray sez, "My heart is still with the military; guess I should have stayed in." He wants to hear from any of his old buddies.

SALA, CHARLES G., of 235 Sylvania, Folsom, Pa. We learned of Charley through RALPH CARTER. This is how we meet most of our new people.

PINSON, PAUL (F 34 '44-'45), of 2844 Comanche, Dayton, Ohio. JERRY VON MOHR sent in Paul's name as well as the name of CARL HALL of 4724 Fawnwood, Kettering, Ohio.

DAVIS, WINSTON W., of Box 125, Stittville, N.Y. Win intercepted the fact of our existence and wrote in.

PEGORCH, MELVIN G. (19th) of 876 Woodsdale, Toledo, Ohio. No word from Mel but his good wife writes a chatty note which goes in part: "Mel would love to go or at least hear from some of his one time buddies. He was in the 19th and served in Luyon, Leyte and Mindanao. Do you have any of the addresses of any of these fellows? My husband would sure be surprised to know that I had written to find out. Everytime he gets together with anyone who was in WWII, its the battles repeated over and over again. He was over there 18 months. Maybe you, yourself remember him. I am curious because when he went into the service, I was only 11 years old. I now have 6 boys, two of them have already been in. We are very proud. Let me know about this, but don't put yourself out. There's no big hurry. Thanks." Nice note, Mrs. P.

HARBERTS, LOREN, of Little Rock, Iowa. Loren was looking for dope on our August Clambake. Our issues are telling the story, Loren, as it develops.

CONOYER, JOSEPH J., (C 3rd Eng. '42-'45) of 912 N. Main, O'Fallon, Mo. man so we look forward to meeting Joe and Kathleen in St.Louis. Bring Jeanette, Mike, Lou Ann and Jacqueline too. It's a fabulous family affair. It'll put the cool on summer.

TURNOUGH, OCIE, (724 Ord.), of 333 Lawn, St.Louis, Mo. Ocie, we'll be in your backyard in August.

SHOOPMAN, GRANVILLE C. (C 34 '41-'45), of 180 Midway, New Castle, Ind. G.C. and Edna advised us early that they want to make our August gathering. They know that there's an opulence in the world that has little to do with computers, or chrome, or instant coffee. They know that it's the great adventure that can come from being a part of a congenial group.



"He's mean, but fair . . . he's mean to everybody . . . !!"

PROCTOR, JOHN G., (Div.Arty), of 26 Cottage, Rockville, Conn. At long last, Johnny heard from again. He dropped from sight after Boston '64. Eleanor has brought about the rebirth. Johnny's an inspector with the State Highway Dept. Hi Johnny, and hi to you Ellie, too.

PUTZ, FRED, of Rt. 2, Lacona, Iowa. Fred and his Mrs. write: "Glad to hear the next event will be in St.Louis as it isn't far for us". Fred thinks skiing is best when you have lots of white snow and plenty of Blue Cross.

ESTELA, ENRIQUE E., of 524 Rockaway, West Islip, N.Y. Hank is looking for a copy of the Division History in Korea. Sorry, Hank, but it's out of print. Wish we had about 1000 copies; we could get rid of them. We're considering a reprint, but it takes \$\$\$.

RIOS, ANGEL L., of 461-53rd, Brooklyn, N.Y. Angel is now with us. He was Delta of the 21st in the '50-'51 mess. Angel, how about participating in our Great Adventure in August?

ELLSBERRY, N.L., of 4754 Marietta, Houston, Tex. N.L. is looking for a copy of "Children of Yesterday". The book is out of print, but we're hunting through some 30 or 35 stores in the country who specialize in out-of-print books. We can Xerox our copy but it's expensive.

WERKHEISER, HERBERT G., (13th F. '50-'52), of RD2, Bath, Pa. Herb is interested in making our summer week's fun in August. He was Sv.Btry. of the 13th.

SILVER, RALPH E. of 203 Regency, Agawam, Mass. Ralph spotted an item on our August party in the American Legion magazine. Try us Ralph. You'll like the people you meet. Married or single, your age or any age, they all know how to enjoy, and they'd enjoy this week of vacation more than anything else in the world.

HENEY, FRED, of 131 Westwood, Brentwood, N.Y. BILL KUSHINA gave us Fred's name. Now to convince Fred that our fabled St.Louis bazaar will be worth the effort if he can squeeze it in.

FENTNER, KENNETH W., of 1251 Smith, E.Amherst, N.Y. Ken asks if our reunion will include space for anyone who served in Japan in '52-'53. We'll include anyone and everyone who ever spent a day in the Division. Our sun-splashed excitement knows no particular time period.

LUNDBERG, ROY W., (21st), of 1717 Abraham, McKeesport, Pa. Roy wrote in for poop about our treasure filled St.Louis vacation. We're putting it out in these pages, Roy - as it develops.

ROUX, RAYMOND W., (G 19th '50-'51), of 6 Barry, Providence, R.I. Glad to hear from you, Ray - another Korean man with questions about St.Louis in August. We will eat. We will drink. We will laugh. We will cry and love and fight and sing - even ride by in floats and parade by torchlight if enough insist.

GAYNOR, GEORGE E. (Div.Hq. '46-'48) of 5703 Ravenwood, Columbia, S.C. It's good to welcome back our old IG into the fold. George, give yourself and Eleanor a couple of midsummer pick-me-ups - and meet us in St.Louis.

LOWERY, VOYNE E. of 4 Clarke, Berryville, Va. Voyne is one of about 150 who wrote in January asking for information about our pageant this summer. This one is for anyone who ever served in Division - regardless of when.



"You GIs are all alike!!"

BREWER, CHARLES (G 21st), of 2925 Kencave, St.John, Mo. Here is an old friend of RAY HARDI. As they're both from Missouri, we'll SHOW THEM in August at our fun-in.

ATKINS, LEROY E. (21st), of 9 Johnson, Provincetown, Mass. Roy is looking for division or regimental histories.

PLAGER, NATHAN (13th F Btry. B and D), of 148 Carey Cir., Stoughton, Mass. Nate's wife, Ida, has sent in this old Schofield Barracks photo of Nate. These folks would like to hear from old friends. Nate, by the way, is a stamp collector so come on you philatelists, start swapping. We've sent him a few.



Word has been received that Mildred Purcell, widow of JAMES N. PURCELL, passed away after a short illness on Feb. 6th. She will be sadly missed by her loved ones, friends, school, community and church, each of whom she served so well.

We have received too many requests for more of our "Dear Spike" column to ignore them any longer. JAMES "Spike" O'DONNELL has again graciously consented to our reaching into his files and sharing with you some of what we found. Spike is a unique combination of pungent wit and sympathetic understanding. Here are a few of his sparkling gems:

"Dear Spike -

"Joe was in the 13th Field. He says that I should write to you about my problem which is this - Married women are expected to wear wedding rings. I think all married men should wear something to show that they are married. What is your opinion?"

WILMA"

"Dear Wilma -

"Isn't a 5-year old suit and a worried look sufficient? My regards to Joe.

SPIKE"

"Dear Spike -

"Daddy says he knew you when you were once a "Technical Sergeant in G of the 21st". We don't know what that means but he always adds, "And I knew him when he was busted back to private, too." Then he doubles up from laughing. At any rate, I have a problem and I know you give good advice. I'm 12 and flat. I'd like to have a padded bra but I'm afraid to ask my mother for one. Please don't tell me that I have plenty of time to get a good figure. I want it now. Answer soon as I am desperate.

FLATTY"

"Dear Flatty -

"A 12 year old girl's figure is usually adequate for her age. However, later on, if you've clearly been cheated, 'What Nature's forgotten, stuff with cotton.' And you might remind your Daddy that I was only busted 3 times. Regards, SPIKE"

"Dear Spike -

"Remember me? I was in the 3rd Eng. The day you came over to moonlight requisition that 300 feet of copper tubing. Did you ever finish building it? I'm really writing to keep my wife quiet. You advised us against buying a boat with another couple. If the other couple were relatives, would your advice be the same? PAUL B."

"Hi Paul -

"Where relatives are involved, I advise positively do not buy the boat. Clam up on that still business, you fool. That still is still being investigated, so be still.

SPIKE"

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"When I asked if you were a regular officer, I was inquiring about your military status, not as to whether or not you're constipated!!"

HANDEL, DAVID, (21st '49-'51), of 4769 N. Long, Chicago, Ill. Lydia has seen to it that Dave sign up again as a member. Dave dropped us in '58. He reminds us of our uncle who changed his will 16 times. We called him a fresh heir fiend.

HERRON, GEORGE C. (21st), of 2210 Grove, Castro Valley, Calif. George is Community Improvement Administrator for the City of Hayward; tried retirement; went 2 days and quit quitting. Alice has a cardiac condition, we're sorry to report.

KAWA, FRANK, (Cn. 21st '42-'44), of 66 East Greenwich, West Warwick, R.I. Frank and Helen sent in some money for Taro Leaf decals. We still have some left, in case you're interested. They go for 50¢ each. Size is about 3" x 3". Good for car windshields.

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