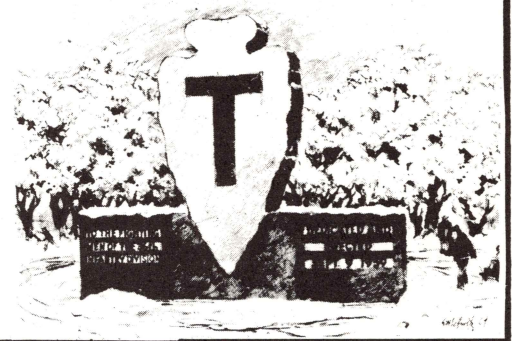


Gen. Walker's 85th Birthday To Be Observed

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All Historical Documents Now In Texas State Archives



TEXAS ARCHIVES AND LIBRARY BUILDING . . . a beautiful edifice to house the documents of the 36th Division. Located on the east side of the State Capitol grounds, this fabulous structure erected in 1961 has 93,000 sq. ft. of floor space. It is a final resting place for all the 36th Division's records, books, micro-film, photos, diaries and official documents. If you visit Austin, this is a must - for any T-Patcher.

☆☆☆☆☆☆ SPECIAL REPORT

Since the history of the 36th Division is so much a part of Texas history, it's only logical that our files of World War I and II should be in this building.

The Texas State Archives and Library building is where all of our "history" is now catalogued, and preserved for the ages.

Through the diligent work of our great historical committee chairman, Col. Oran Stovall, all materials from the Camp Mabry Trophy Room have now been moved to this building. Here is where historians and scholars of the future will go to find all the information on the "Fighting 36th Division".

With the help of JOHN M. KINNEY, director of the Archives Division, Texas State Library and Archives, he has worked closely with your historical committee, members of the Adj. Gen. Dept., in getting all this material assembled and classified.

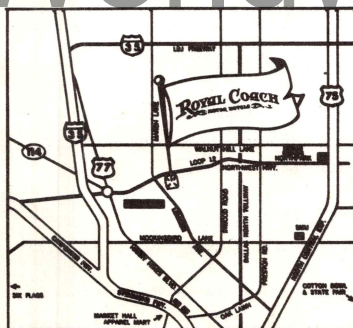
NOW, anyone who has some memorabilia to contribute can rest assured that it will be preserved, permanently. We have quite a lot of history on file there. We know there is much, much more in the hands of the troops, who someday may want it to have a 'home'.

CAMP MABRY TROPHY ROOM

In our last issue we disclosed that Building 11 of the Adj. Gen.'s Dept., would be moved, and no provisions were made for relocation of the Trophy Room. To date, many other sites have been suggested, and many have been explored by your historical committee. Latest report is that the move, scheduled for May 1972, has now been delayed til fall '72. Therefore, with this additional time, your committee will continue to seek a new place for all the "hardware" still on display at Camp Mabry. Three locations have been recommended: San Antonio, Waco and College Sta-

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DALLAS In '72 Labor Day Weekend ROYAL COACH MOTOR HOTEL



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A mailing to all members will reach you in a few weeks, complete with Hotel Registration card, rates etc. If you can't wait . . . send yours in now to ROYAL Coach Motor Hotel, 3800 W. Northwest Hwy., Dallas, 75222. And, start saving your money now for the big event . . . Fri. Sept. 1st thru Sunday 3rd.

There's a riding stable nearby for those who arrive by horseback.

New Portrait of Gen. Walker To Be Unveiled at Reunion

This JULY 1972 issue of the 36th Division Association T-Patcher is dedicated to the memory of our beloved World War II commander, Maj. Gen. FRED L. WALKER whose 85th birthday will be observed June 11th.

Many of you who attended the 1969 Reunion in Fort Worth will recall that Gen. Walker, though ill at the time, sat at a table for hours, talking and visiting with the T-Patchers and autographing his book (just off the press) FROM TEXAS TO ROME with a sincere personal message to each 36ther. This was to be his last reunion with his men. Only 6 weeks later on October 11, 1969 he died in the Walter Reed Hospital, Washington.

THIRTY-THREE MONTHS WITH THE 36th DIVISION

General Walker pridefully and gallantly led the 36th (Texas) Infantry Division from Louisiana maneuvers to the bloody beach at Salerno and into Rome from September 1941 to July 1944.

His 33 months as commander of the 36th was to be the longest term of leadership of any of the division's eleven commanders during war time. (see page 8).

He wore an oak leaf cluster on his WWI Distinguished Service Cross, the Distinguished Service Medal, and the Silver Star.

A TEXAS CONVERT

Fred L. Walker was a Texan tried and true - not by birth but by adoption of the state and the men whose faith in him has never wavered. Gen Walker was a native of Columbus, Ohio and graduated from the state university there in 1911. He was a member of the Ohio State Guard for four years, and then became a second lieutenant of infantry.

WORLD WAR I HERO

With the 3rd Division in World War I, Walker demonstrated the leadership that was to prove so valuable to the 36th Division. The Distinguished Service Cross, second highest United States medal for courage, was awarded him when his battalion inflicted great losses on the Germans as they crossed the Marne.

HE TOLD IT LIKE IT WAS

During WWII General Walker was to see this situation reverse at Rapido River, with the Germans inflicting great losses on the Americans. General Walker called it an impossible mission, with nothing in our favor, when he was ordered to cross the Rapido River at a stated time and place.

OAK LEAF FOR DSC

His award of the Distinguished Service Cross Oak Leaf Cluster in this war was for extraordinary heroism in the approach to and the capture of Rome. Moving with the forward echelons, the General issued orders and encouraged the men while incessant small arms, machine gun, mortar and artillery fire swept the area. Later he mounted a tank and led a charge which drove back the enemy.

The citation said that "during the entire period his contempt for personal safety, his intrepid leadership and unconquerable determination to defeat the enemy and achieve his objective, inspired every man of his combat units to follow his sterling example."

The D.S.M. was awarded General Walker for extraordinary meritorious service at Salerno. He landed on the beach with the leading elements of the 36th Division and personally directed regrouping of the forces which were under heavy stress. During the first thirty-six hours of battle, he commanded all American forces in the invasion and welded the hard-won beachhead.

SILVER STAR FOR GALLANTRY

Later in the Italian campaign he was awarded the Silver Star for gallantry in action when he posted himself at a forward battalion observation post and although it was subjected to continuous enemy fire which killed and wounded men in the vicinity, remained there directing fire and inspiring his men until the victory was won.

SAD FAREWELL

General Walker was transferred to the States in July, 1944, to assume command of the Infantry School at Fort Benning, Ga.

General Walker retired from the Army with the rank of major general in 1946 and almost immediately went to Austin to reorganize the Texas National Guard. He was promoted to lieutenant general and stayed with the Guard for about 14 months.

HISTORICAL DOCUMENTS

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tion, (Texas A&M).

Albert B. Crowther, former G-2 and San Antonio banker, with Charles Beacham have been working with R. Henderson Shuffler of the INSTITUTE OF TEXAS CULTURES for a location in their building (located on the Hemisfair grounds) in San Antonio. This fabulous \$5 million structure is visited annually by 750,000 visitors.

In conclusion, we can only say that the TROPHY ROOM is now on "hold".



Gen. Fred L. Walker, the Doughboy's General

The best photograph ever made of General Walker is the one shown above. This appeared in the Pictorial History, also his own book, FROM TEXAS TO ROME, and the general had also commented that it too was his favorite.

Now, this famous pose, probably made 25 years ago, will be made into an oil portrait. Through the efforts of Col. Oran Stovall, Mrs. D. V. Gleghorn has been commissioned to reproduce this painting. It is scheduled for unveiling at the Dallas Reunion. More on this in August issue.

OUR THANKS TO MARGARET WALKER

The widow of beloved general, Margaret Walker sent a copy of a story on CAMPANIA of the Salerno area. She is now 'by-line' travel writer for AAA, Washington, D. C. office. With her staff, they write, take pictures and prepare layouts for travel tours - which are published in their own publication: The American Motorist. Press run is 5 million for selling AAA travel tours to their membership.

One interesting photo was of the Basilica of PAESTUM where the 36th passed by, and also a site for a medical evacuation tent of the 111th Med. Bn.

Her address: AAA, 1712 G Street NW, Washington, D.C. 20006.

CALLING ALL TROOPS WE NEED YOUR HELP . . .

Since the next issue of the T-Patcher will be only 60 days away, we urge you to send in NOW your items, photos, wild tales, etc., for the big PRE-REUNION ISSUE . . . to be mailed to all members early August.

36th Reunion is in Dallas, Royal Coach Inn, Sept. 1-2-3, 1972

PROFILE



HIGGINBOTHAM
Exe-Vice President



'TEX' HIGGENBOTHAM, YOUR ASSOCIATION EXECUTIVE VICE-PRES.

EARL A. 'Tex' HIGGENBOTHAM, P.O. Box 91, Burnet, Texas 78611 (Burnet is about 40 miles as the crow flies from Austin) is our loyal and devoted Executive Vice-President of the Association.

Earl enlisted in Svc. Co., 141st way back in 1934 as a private. Later transferred to Hqs. 3rd Bn., 141st. Got his commission May 1941; 1st Lt. Feb. 1942. Attended a flock of schools: 3rd Army Junior officers, Special Svc. School, Camp Meade, Maryland and Motor Maintenance at Fort Benning. Did a hitch with "E" 143rd and then assigned to "F" 143rd. Then on to "G" 143rd in Jan. 1944 until wounded at Grossetti, Italy. Got a bunch of medals like Silver, Bronze star and Purple Heart with clusters and all the rest. Earl was promoted to Major Sept. 1947, retired on disability the next year.

Moved to Burnet in 1947 and opened a Boat and Motor business in 1952, and still at it, and lives in Ink's Lake, west of Burnet, with wife Rhylna. Earl always finds time to support any of the many activities during the year involving the Association. A great T-Patcher.

From the scrapbook of Yesteryear By Amil Kohutek:
There was this First Sgt that could not write a clear Report, along with poor hand writing, sloppy wording and so on, this came to the attention of the Col. who advised that this should be written in such a manner, that even the most ignorant can understand. YES SIR, replied the Top Kick, and now what part is it that you don't understand.

TEXANS 14 • NAZIS 0

German Prisoner Calls Texans Tough, Wild Men

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS, ALGIERS, Dec. 15 (P). A tribute to the fighting abilities of Texans in Italy came Wednesday from a German prisoner who, during questioning, complained that they are too tough.

This prisoner said the Germans fighting in the Mt. Maggiore sector were faced by "tough wild men from Texas with a knowledge of field craft."

He winced as he spoke of the Texans, and said his feelings were shared by other Germans.

Among the divisions in the 5th Army line is the 36th, composed largely of Texans, which was the first American division to land on the beaches of Salerno.

Right out of STARS AND STRIPES, Dec. 1943: Those Krauts called us "tough wild men from Texas with a knowledge of field craft" . . . an understatement to say the least. They should have read-up on the 36th before they started that war.

Rare Photographs



GERMAN PRISONERS REBURY FRENCH
CIVILIANS MURDERED AT DIJON

ZEB SUNDAY, our V.P. 143rd of Pasadena, Texas sends in these (never before revealed photos of German atrocities) from his personal file, all were made late August 1944 when the Division swept through Dijon in southern/central France.

Men digging in above 2 photos are captured Germans, who revealed the site of mass grave of murdered French civilians, slain by the Krauts, and hastily buried. All bodies of a dozen or more civilians were re-buried with formal funeral, shown in lower photo. War is hell.



Brevet Brigadier

PETE GREEN GETS HIS LONG OVERDUE STAR

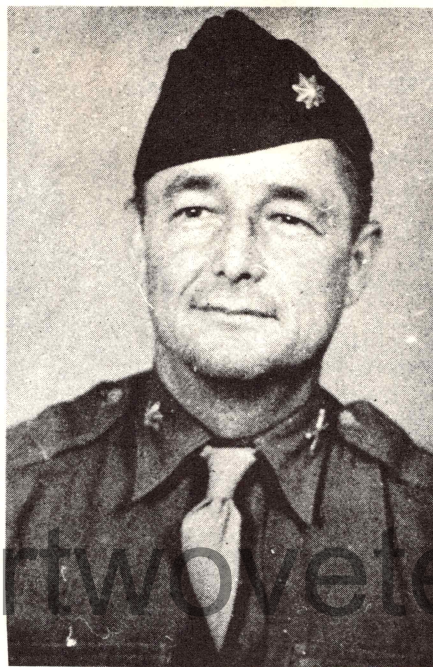
A veteran of more than 30 years of duty in the Army and National Guard, Col. JOHN NORVELL "Pete" GREEN received his star (Brevet General) in ceremonies held in Abilene on Feb. 26, 1972.

Maj. Gen. ROSS AYERS, Adj. Gen. of Texas made the presentation, . . . a mere 16 years after Green's retirement (July 31, 1956). Through an oversight, he did not receive the brevet promotion at retirement, although he was eligible.

"I discovered this a few months ago," said Gen. Ayers. "I knew his name should have been on the list, but it wasn't. I had a mutual friend contact Pete to see if he would be willing to receive it." The rest is history.

Gen. Pete Green, a native of Runnels County joined the National Guard when it was organized after WWI in 1922. He entered WWII as Captain in 1940, was S3 of the 131st, then moved rapidly to Battalion Commander 132nd F.A. in Europe. Pete Green has many awards, but none can compare with the devotion he has from all the Artillerymen who served under him.

NEXT ISSUE of the T-Patcher will be the Pre-Reunion issue, in your hands early August. SEND IN now your news items.



JOHN N. PETE GREEN

Photo courtesy CWO Jack V. Hawkins, Sr., author of "132nd PASS IN REVIEW", published 1970, 150 pages, printed by Texian Press of Waco, Texas.

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Heard from

BARBARA DIVIDSON, the other half of VIC, sends in dues for JOE LoPRESTI, Rt. 1, Buxton Road, Saco, Maine 04072. Joe served with Co. B, 142nd.

JAMES IKE SANDERS sends in congrats for the last issue of the Patcher (12 pages) and kind words are always welcome. IKE was a foot-draggin' Engineer in Stovall's outfit, is now Asst. V-President of East Texas Motor Freight Line in Dallas, were he's been for 27 years (signs paychecks for 3000 employees weekly including ole Kohutek) and that ain't hay. Ike gets his mail at 3307 Ivandell, Dallas. Amil asked Ike if he knew anything good about Stovall, but the phone rang, and he had to leave. See you at the Royal Coach Inn, in September. KELLY McADAMS, 2607 Great Oaks Parkway, Austin, Texas 78756 of Div. Hqs., orders copy of "Company K of Yesterday", WWI book by Arch Hart.

BRIGADIER E. D. SMITH, DSO, MBE, Commander, The Brigade of Gurkas, Dharan, Nepal writes to Stovall: "I wish to congratulate the late Maj. Gen Fred L. Walker, author of TEXAS TO ROME, upon his portrail of the battles of Italy. His accounts rang true with clarity, dignity and accuracy."

RON ROSSON, 49 Dianas Trail, Roslyn Estates, N.Y. 11576 (Co. F, 143rd) drops a ten spot in the kitty. ZEB SUNDAY bags this one. Now, what was that you said about those Yankees. Hope you can make it to Dallas, Ron.

JOSEF C. DINE, 108 Wagner Ave., Mamaroneck, N. Y. 10543 of Co. F, 143rd, who if our memory serves us right was prime-mover in the New York Chapter of the ole 36th . . . his business card reads: Corp. of Public Broadcasting, 1345 Avenue of the Americas, N.Y. is the same address as the American Legion. JOE is the one we are looking for to give a plug for the DALLAS REUNION, Sept. 1-2-3rd.

H. F. FENTON, Box 313, Coleman, Texas, Co. B, 142nd drops a five, was the youngest Sheriff in Texas. How 'bout Dallas this time? COL. HAROLD GRIFFITH, 3211 44th St., Lubbock, Texas of 131st gets his dues paid by baby Brother. Do you suppose he would contribute to the pot to help pay for all those watermelons you stole in North Carolina maneuvers?

J. R. SOYKE, 289 Parker St., Newark, N.J. of Co. B, 143rd paid his dues as solicited by ZEB SUNDAY (Pasadena, Texas). Inquired if Zeb was same Sgt. Sunday he knew. Answer is yes. You won't believe it, but Zeb's lovely wife has taught him some good manners, and by reunion time come September, will be most respectable. J. R. look up a ROCCO D. SANTASIERI, 27 Ann St., same city, 07015 against your 07014.

JOSEPH E. TEDESCO, 921 A Village Drive W. New Brunswick, N.J. 08902 of Co. L, 141st sends in dues for GEORGE ZIRO, 160 Madison Ave., Perth Amboy, N.J. 08861, a 3rd Bn. Medic of 142nd. Good work, Joe.

GERALD B. PATE, 403 Patton Rd., Hinesville, Ga., 31313 writes in for info on Reunion. He got it. Was CWO with AG of Div. Hqs.



CAMP BOWIE, Brownwood, Texas, Spring 1941 all of Co. H, 141st Infantry: yardbirds Douglas R. Betsill, 6522 Sabrosa Ct. E., Fort Worth, Texas 76133; Douglas K. Hill, 2903 36th St., Snyder, Texas 79549; Lawrence "L.B." Easley, 8642 Shaerock Lane, Dallas, Texas 75238; Jack Stenner, (died 1945) and Alton C. French, Rt. 1, Box 538, Clint, Texas (last known address). Pixs sent in by L. B. Easley.

Heard from

HENRY W. "Hank" GOMEZ, 2907 Chisolm Trail, San Antonio, Texas 78217, the hottest thing going was first to send in to the sustaining fund, is one of our biggest boosters. Also sent in one for TOM LEWIS of Chicago. All we need is a bunch more guys like Hank, and we'd have it made. Still have the \$ he sent me when he was in Korea.

JAMES AMBROE, P. O. Box 193, Dunloe, Pa., 15930 of 141st Medics is looking for his buddy MORRIS FUQUA. Our book shows him AWOL, but then lived in Kingsbury, Texas. Maybe A. J. APPLING down Kingsbury way can help locate him.

NORMAN (Napoleon) and JOSEPHINE WILDE, Milwaukee, Wis., leaders in the Mid-West Chapter sent in donation to Sustaining Fund. Also sends invites to join them at their reunion, July 1 & 2 in Grand Rapids, Mich.

SAM O. DORAN, Red Rock, Texas 78662 served time with Co. F, 141st, sends in a flock of new members. Thanx Sam.

LUCIAN LEE, 1617 E. Shady Grove, Irving, Texas 75060 orders new 1972 membership roster from Amil. And if you don't have one - better get one now. Luc served with H Co., 142nd, and his outfit promises big doings at the Dallas reunion. With ROBT. RICHIE on the team, how can they miss?

JOEL W. WESTBROOK (143rd) 2701 Lindsey Hollow Rd., Waco, Texas 76708 sends in dues, best wishes. He's the busiest barrister on the Brazos.

Major JACK WEESE, 1011 Bailey Ave., San Antonio, Texas 78210 one of Stovall's Engineers missed the Houston reunion because of family illness, hopes to be in Dallas. Like many loyal engineers, Jack drops a contrib in the Sustaining Fund.

MRS. GRANT MABE, 612 Ector Dr., Euless, Texas kindly sends in diary of her late brother, DELMER J. REESE of 36th Recon. A native of Gainesville, Texas, Delmer kept a day-to-day diary from the day the 36th sailed from New York (S.S. Brazil) until a few days before his death on Dec. 26, 1943 in Italy. A fine document, which will be turned over to the 36th archives in Austin. Thanks Mrs. Mabe.

CHAS. E. SPANGLER, Mobile Village, Kingswood, West Va, 26537 wants to know when Co. L 143rd will have a reunion. Can anyone help us on this one? ? ? ?

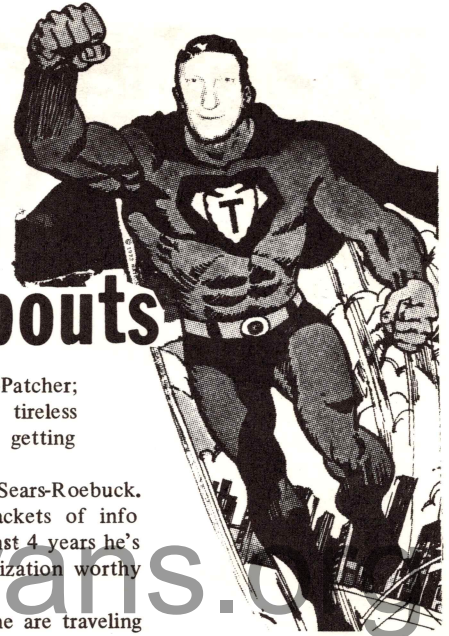
NEW 1972 MEMBERSHIP ROSTER READY FOR YOU

If you want to know "who's who and etc., you need the new issue of the 36th Division ROSTER. This is the handicraft of our membership chairman, AMIL KOHUTEK who does all this work himself, and it's the best buy for the money going today.

Send your check for \$2.25 which includes postage, to Amil for a copy. It's couple-spaced, contains over 50 pages of current addresses of your buddies in alphabetical order, and gives unit. Do it now: Check or MO for \$2.25: AMIL KOHUTEK, 2404 Lincoln Ct., Irving, Texas 75061.

ZOOO...MM...

Super-Trooper Amil, Rounds up Strays and Dropouts



Our fearless membership chairman, devoted T-Patcher; 3 million-miler trucking pilot; grandfather and tireless worker has set some new kind of records for getting association dues!

The only person who gets more mail is Sears-Roebuck. Amil spends every spare minute sending out packets of info about membership, sustaining fund etc. Over the past 4 years he's taken a sluggish outfit and built it into an organization worthy of proper recognition.

And, almost every week, he and wife Pauline are traveling around Texas and points east and west - visiting with the troops and many unit reunions. He knows more 36thers by name, than probably anyone else. His card file index, and cross-reference with "moved, left no address" are generally scouted down like the precision of the F.B.I.

He has the admiration of the entire 36th Division Association membership . . . and as your editor (we get most of our printed material from him) . . . we salute AMIL KOHUTEK . . . the "SUPER-TROOPER".

IF YOU HAVEN'T PAID YOUR DUES . . . DO IT NOW
 . . . you will be paid up until Sept. 1973, so send 'em in now.
\$3.00 is all there is to it. A bargain of the first water. Send check to: AMIL KOHUTEK, 2024 Lincoln Ct., Irving, Texas 75061 and rejoice.



36th SUSTAINING FUND

Contributions to our Sustaining Fund has been rewarding. Good, Yes, but far from expectations. Your Association needs this nest-egg to keep us going (the \$3.00 dues just will hardly cut the mustard).

Many are now sending in contribution "IN MEMORY OF" a departed comrade, bro-

ther, husband, son, or just a friend. The amount of these tax-free donations are in denominations of \$10, 15 and 25. DO IT NOW, send in your ten spot, so we can have a good showing at the Dallas reunion. All who contribute will be recognized at that tiem. USE COUPON BELOW, and hurry.

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Heard from

WILLIAM M. BAILEY, 3309 Moylan Dr., Bowie, Maryland 20715 orders copy of the new 1972 Roster from Amil. Hopes to be in Dallas for the biggie come Sept. 1-2-3rd. (note to Stovall: There is another Bowie, but how did it get in Maryland?)

STEPHEN J. KUJAWA, 8312 S. MacKinaw Avenue, Chicago, Ill. 60617 had lost contact with the Association, thought it had folded . . . but ole Yum Yum **GEORGE KERRIGAN**, same city came to the rescue and got it straight. Welcome back to the clan, Steve.

JAMES E. GARRISON, P. O. Box 244, Tye, Texas 79563 sends in for copy of COMAPNY K book to Amil.

ROBERT RITCHIE, VP 142nd picks up a new one: **W. E. LAHAIR**, 217 Nelson St., N. Grafton, Mass., of Company H, 142nd.

R. A. HEFFENSTEIN moved from Houston to Dallas (wanted to be near the reunion site) gets mail at 2531 Marueen, 75211 . . . was in WWI with 144th Inf. We missed you in Houston last year. **P. H. WYATT** pays dues for an ole buddy: **E. L. SCHMAFREID**, Route 1, Box 59A, Chico, Texas 76230 of Co. M., 141st. **ROBERT D. CAHLE**, 70 River St., Sidney, N.Y. 13838 of the 141st paid his dues twice. That's good. So did **A. C. MOSER**, 4325 Avondale, Dallas 75219, a 155th artilleryman deluxe.

RALPH DeSANTIS, 460 Carol Place, Pelham Manor, N.Y. a devoted T-Patcher and buddy of **SAMMY PETTY** sends in dues, plus an extra sweetening for the kitty, was in Co. K, 141st, also sent in dues for **HENRY WEIDAM**, % Postmaster, Skytop, Pa., same outfit. Good shootin' Ralph.

GEORGE HUNN, 255 74th St., Brooklyn, N.Y. 11209 of Co. I, 143rd joined the 36th at Blanding, checked out at Alta Villa Sept. 1943, was corraled by **ZEB SUNDAY**, sends in dues and extra stamp money for Amil. Thanks George, and Zeb.

CHARLES A. ANDERSON, 108 N. Boudary St., Weatherford, Texas is back in the fold. Chaz is the guy who did the illustrations of WWI and WWII soldiers that have been used by the Assn. on the cover of our reunion program. A truly great artist. He did a 'strip' for Scripps-Howard newspaper in 1946 illustrating the exploits of the 36th. Good to have Chas. back in the fold.

OSCAR A. TROEHLER, Co. C 111th Engineers of RR1, Circleville, O-H ten, 43113 drops a ten spot on Kohutek for dues and stamps. Thanx Oscar, see you in Dallas.

WALT KERR, 122 King Ave., New Castle, Pa., 16101 sends in dues and pixs (see elsewhere in this issue) and reminds us that it was not all Texas at Salerno. One of his buddies, **BUD EMERY** was wounded in Italy. Says Bud was quite a character who stuttered. After getting hit, he was flown to North Africa for surgery. When he was on the operating table and came too, said w-w-whats going on. The Doc said "We're opening your head to put in a plate". Bud said: "While you're at it, see if you can put in some brains".

OLD BUDDIES MEET AFTER 25 YEARS

If there is anything more 'touching' than a reunion with an old buddy, we don't know what could match it.

FRANK R. VONDRA, 5209 S. 2nd St., Omaha, Neb. 68107 sends in this happy but sad letter to comrade Amil Kohutek. When the war broke out, Vondra and **PETE LARSON** were both in the Nebraska Natl. Guard, with the 35th Division. Both eventually were re-assigned to the Fighting 36th.

Larson ended up in Co. B, 143rd, Vondra called Cannon Co., 143rd home. Their trails crossed occasionally, but it wasn't until the invasion of Southern France that the two met on a LST and split a fifth of Larson's American booze. They did not see each other for 25 years.

Then last year, Frank stopped in **BOHEMIAN Cafe** in Omaha and spotted Pete Larson. "I walked over to him and he didn't immediately recognize me," said Frank. "However when I mentioned the drinks on the invasion, he immediately responded, "You Bohunk, You S.O.B.". And, thus began an 8 hour endurance session with a jug, and according to Frank: "My wife had supper waiting and all I got was Cold Shoulder and Hot Tongue" he continued. When he explained, she-understood.

Now, Vondra sends us a Taps notice: Major **PETE LARSON**, age 57 died Jan. 31, 1972 Omaha, Neb., survived by wife, 3 sons and 3 grandchildren.

Vondra concluded: "Every once in a while I'll hoist one to my old buddy Pete Larson, and in doing so, I know I'll have to wipe away a few tears".

BECKETT BAGS TEN NEW T-PATCHERS

GLENN BECKETT, 515 Walnut, New Richmond, Ohio (M 142nd) sent in names and dues for 10 buddies . . . and our congratulations, good huntin! Guys like this we need more of, says Amil Kohutek. Here they are:

Homer A Klayer, 3978 Carrie Ave., Cincinnati, Ohio 45211, F 143; Alfred A Dailey, 1448 West North Ben Rd, Cincinnati, Ohio 45224, Hqs. 3rd Bn. 143; Earl E. Nance, 4724 Wilmer Cts, Cincinnati, Ohio 45226, 3rd Bn Hqs 143; George W. Clemons, 9 Rockwood Dr., Amelia, Ohio 45102, A 155th; Charles E. Labanz 3766 Edwards Rd, Cincinnati, Ohio, A 155th; Jack P Feichtner 4279 Redwood Terr. St Bernard, Cincinnati, Ohio 45217, B 155; James J. O Hara, 1503 Montegor Ave, Mt. Washington, Ohio 45230, A 111 Eng.; Paul M. Berndhart, 3437 Camelia, Cincinnati, Ohio 45211, C 133; Lynn Gooney 5049 Mt Alvrno Delhi Hills Cincinnati, Ohio 45238, M 142nd; W.M. Bundy, Rt. 4 Box 618 Silsbee, Texas 77656, M142.

Paste it in your hat: The next
36th Reunion is in Dallas,
Royal Coach Inn, Sept. 1-2-3,
1972

Unit Reunions



MID WEST CHAPTER of the 36th Division will meet July 8-9 in Grand Rapids, Michigan, Mr. President Motor Inn, according to **ED NORTHOUSE**, president. The format this year will, be same as before: jovial friendship, entertainment and a nip or two of the bubbly stuff . . . which spells a good time for all. Midwest has members from 6 midwest states, and of course, all are invited. If you live within a couple of hundred miles, you ought to plan to attend. Write: **ED NORTHOUSE**, 1456 Emerson, N.W. Grand Rapids, Mich. 49504

COMPANY B, 143rd will hold their 30th annual reunion in **MEXIA**, Texas, National Guard Armory, June 30, July 1 and 2. **Riley Tidwell**, former 36th Division Association president sends in this notice. He reports last's year's meeting had a big turn-out, including Gen. Frazier.

RAY PURCELL is president; **ARTHUR WADLE**, Vice-Pres.; **TIDWELL** is Secty-Treas.; and entertainment chairmen include: James McClintic, James Rose, Calvin Praytor and Zeb Sunday.

144th Infantry Regiment will hold its annual reunion at the State Fair of Texas in Dallas, October 14th. Approximately 200 members are expected. Those who want more info, write to: **W. J. HEFNER**, 1221 West Drew St., Fort Worth, Texas 76110. Generals **GASTON HOWARD** of Longview, Texas and **KELLY ARNOLD** of Atlanta, Texas are expected to attend. Gen. Howard was the last to command the 144th.

Company L, 142nd Reunion Association will meet in Breckenridge, Texas Aug. 11-13th, 1972, according to report from **BUCK SHEPPARD**, president. The Burch Hotel where previous reunions were held is no more. The C.P. will be the new 1st National Bank, and reservations should be made now to: **H. L. BUNKLEY**, Secty. The treasurer is **H. L. GUNLOCK**.

James W. "Buck" SHEPPARD, who heads up this group was called the "two-gun" cowboy in early press clippings. Shep holds the Silver Star, Purple Heart, Bronze Star Medal and is one of the best known T-Patchers of West Texas.

COMPANY B, 142nd will get together Aug. 4-6 in **NITRO**, West Virginia for another reunion. This is an active group, headed by **DEMPSEY ALBRITTON**, P. O. Box 186, Bowling Green, Florida 33834. Send your reservations to him, and then plan to be in Dallas on Sept. 1-3rd.



A lot of old WWII T-Patchers are probably not aware that the great T-PATCH insignia is now Airborne.

Chaplain (CPT) HENRY J. DROZD, Dallas, sent in a booklet about this new unit, the 71st Infantry Brigade (Airborne), activated Jan. 15, 1968 as a major unit of the Texas National Guard. It is the only airborne brigade in the reserve components of the U.S. Army. A very elite unit, using a proud name and insignia.

The Brigade commander is Brig. Gen. THOMAS D. BLACKWELL who served with the 36th Division, 111th QM. Left the 36th after Pearl Harbour. Rejoined the 36th TNG after the war.

Our thanks to Father Drozd for this interesting item.

Taps



Col ANDREW F. PRICE, Fort Worth Insurance Executive who served in WWI and WWII, died April 22, Age 71. Col Price was a devoted worker for the 36th. Headed up a campaign for funds for a Salerno monument back in 1945-46, supported many projects for the division, gave generously to many charitable enterprises in Fort Worth. A great soldier and civilian, served in 141st.

ROBERT J. MEYERS, died Feb. 1972, San Antonio, Texas. Joined TNG 1936 served with 133rd F.A., discharged M/Sgt. 1945. Sent in by GEORGE E. ECKOLS. 609 Gulf St., San Antonio 78202.

B. H. EDWARDS, Teague, Texas, served in B 143rd, spent 28 years in the TNG, was uncle of Riley Tidwell, Houston.

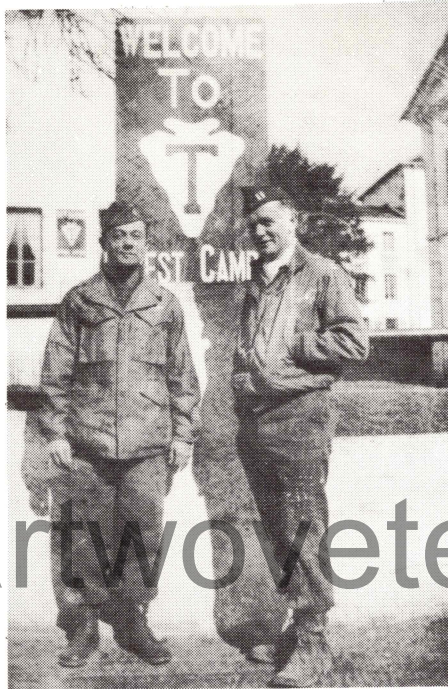
THOMAS C. PICKENS, Houston, Texas died March 3, 1972, served with 144th Inf.

Capt. LEE WILEY TUCKER, born 1910, died Jan 27, 1972 in Bowie, Texas. Was one of Stovall's Engineers, Co. B. Was mayor of Bowie at time of his death.

GEORGE J. MILLER, 15308 S. Brentwood, Houston, died Jan 1972. Notice sent in by Zeb Sunday. Miller was a rigger with Armco Steel for 25 years, was 61 years old.

VIRGIL C. LYNCH of Wichita Falls, was WWI veteran, served with 143rd Company E.

RANDALL J. BONNETTE, Port Arthur died April 18, 1972, was with 111th Engineers. Worked for Gulf Oil Co.



JOSEPH WRIGHT, 14440 38th St., Flushing, N.Y. 11354 shown here at left with Father Fenton at 36th Rest Camp at Bain Les Bain, France, winter of 1944-45. Joe served with 142nd, and is a hard-working T-Patcher. Made up a bunch of plaques in map-form showing the route of the division in WWII. Sent' em to Amil to sell with proceeds to the Assn., Amil flipped and gave most of them to the current officers and directors. Maybe some will pitch in. Thanks Joe for your efforts.



JACK SMITH, 81 Maple Ave., Blairsville, Pa., 15717 sends in this photo of the B4 BAG, just like WWII, that was a Xmas gift from his wife, complete with T-Patch. Jack served with E Co., 143rd and 3rd Bn. Hqs. (Rangers) who were disbanded after the Vosges, then he joined I & R.

GEORGE KERRIGAN, 8008 S. Talman, Chicago, Ill. 60652 took the bull by the horns and sent in a notice to the VFW magazine to use an item about our reunion in Dallas. A very thoughtful gesture, Geo., and it has brought in some inquiries from a bunch of strays. Thanks.

Heard from

JOSEPH F. SWARNER, 241 N. High St., Baltimore, Ohio sends in dues, played in the 36th Division Band, 1942-45.

JOHN R. POTTS, P. O. Box 1110, Lockhart, Texas drops a five to keep the Assn. going, thanx John. You didn't give unit, old file shows 141st, so let us know . . . see you in Dallas. MITCHELL LANIER, Rt. 1, Box 26, Thebas, Illinois did time with H Co., 141st chaims he didn't know about us till ROBERT RITCHIE put him in the know. Mitch sends in 10 to pay for WILLIAM D LILLY, Rt. 8, Box 707, Yakima, Wash. 98902 of same unit. Good work Bob and Ruth Ritchie.

MARVIN L. SCHRAFORTH, Sr., 6009 Bellaire Blvd., Apt. 150 Houston, Texas of Co. M, 141st reports he was reassigned to 159th Combat Team out of Camp Swift in time to blunt the Bulge. Amil located Marv from an old file, tried old address - it was forwarded and he came in with dues . . . good work Amil, good sleuthing.

HARRY BIRNBAUM, down in, or up in the BRONX sends dues for 2nd time, first for EARL HIGGENBOTHAM, then ZEB SUNDAY. Card file now reads, "expires" Sept. 1973, how 'bout that?

CHESTER VIRDEN, the best gunner in C 132nd drops a 5 spot. Hasn't made a reunion, but we never give up. Still single, Chester gets his fan mail: Box 363, Lockney, Texas.

MILBURN DERRYBERRY, P. O. Box 123, Wellington, Texas 79095 of Co. D, 142nd inquires about reunion of his company. Haven't heard a rumor.

FRANK KOVAR, 3329 Half Moon Drive, Fort Worth, Texas 76111 of F. Co., 143rd sends in whereabouts of HARRY MOORE, and his dues are irhand. Thanx Frank and Harry.

CHARLES E. SPANGLER, Mobile Village, Kingswood, W. Va., 26537 writes in for info on Co. L, 143rd and a reunion they may have. We don't know any thing on this, so can someone help?

MANUEL AVILA sends in \$6 and change of address, reach him now at: 11 Wueen Anne Lane, Malvern, Pa., 19355. Manuel tip-toed thru the snow covered mine fields with K, 141st.

REV. HENRY J. DROZD, 3030 Gus Thomasson Rd., Dallas, Texas 75228 sends in new member: COL. LOYD B. SLIMP, 3732 Bluff Court, Weatherford, Texas 76086 (3rd Bn. 143rd). Good work, Father, and do it again soon.

GREELY ASTON, 1824 Lincoln Dr., Abilene, Texas 79601 promised Birddog AMIL KOHUTEK that he would be in Dallas. Did time with 133rd FA.

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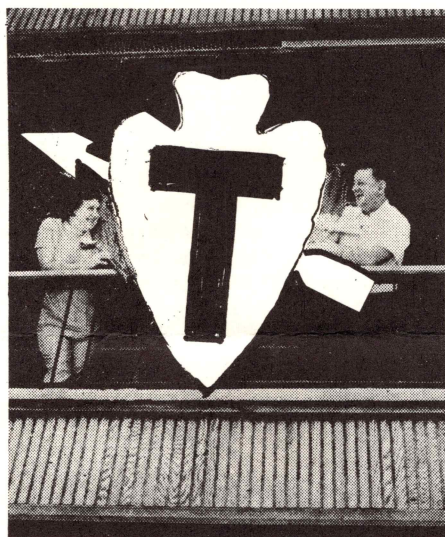
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P.O. Box 1816

FORT WORTH, TEXAS 76101



PAYNE RUCKER and wife Liz drove over to Fort Worth from DALLAS for a session at ARMAND "The Godfather" JONES' Italian Inn where an enjoyable gathering was held in March. Payne is an active worker for the 36th, will lend a hand at the Dallas Reunion and always comes thru in a pinch. He served with Can. Co., 143rd and gets mail at 6337 Tulip Lane, Dallas, Texas 75230



LYLE & LUCILE LUNDBERG of Pontiac, Mich., sent this in for a Valentine day greeting (slightly delayed) to show their thoughts are really "Deep In The Heart of Texas". Lyle who lives at 410 Old Oak Ct., Pontiac, Michigan was a member of Stovall's 111th Engineers - and is a loyal T-Patcher. Above photo appeared in the Pontiac Press. How 'bout that.

DON'T BE BASHFUL. If you have a story or photo worthy of our T-Patcher . . . send it in. We need your help to keep this rag going. We'll send it back.

CLASSIFIED ADS? ? ? ?

Yes, starting with the Aug. 1972 issue, which is our Pre-Reunion edition, your T-Patcher will accept classified ads for any T-Patcher who has something of value to sell or trade. There will be no charge for this, however - a check made out to the 36th Division Sustaining Fund will be appreciated.

So, if you have something you want to swap or sell, send it to: T-Patcher, P. O. Box 1816, Fort Worth Texas 76101. (Keep under 50 words please).

ELEVEN LEADERS SPAN FIFTY YEARS OF 36th INFANTRY DIVISION HISTORY

- 1917-1918 Maj. Gen. E. St. John Grebble
- 1918-1919 Maj. Gen. William R. Smith
- 1923-1935 Maj. Gen. John A. Hulen
- 1935-1940 Maj. Gen. George P. Raines
- 1940-1941 Maj. Gen. Claude V. Birkhead
- 1941-1944 Maj. Gen. Fred L. Walker
- 1944-1945 Maj. Gen. John E. Dahlquist
- 1946-1948 Maj. Gen. Preston A. Weatherred
- 1948-1953 Maj. Gen. H. Miller Ainsworth
- 1953-1961 Maj. Gen. Carl L. Phinney
- 1961-1968 Maj. Gen. Everett S. Simpson

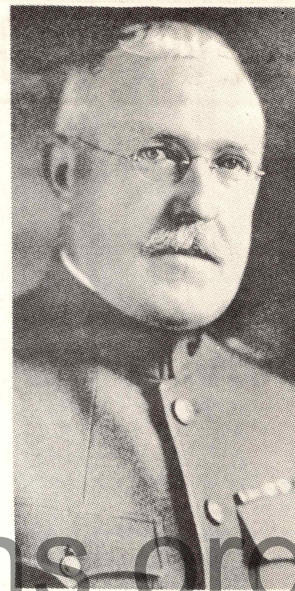
In the past 50 years, the 36th Division has had 11 commanders. John A. Hulen had the longest service with 12 post WWI years; Carl Phinney was next with 8 post WWII years. John E. Dahlquist had the shortest term, but could probably be called the 'toughest' (France and Germany).

Gen Hulen collected and donated to our historical files, the largest collection of materials covering 100 years. Here's list which has been turned over to the TEXAS STATE ARCHIVES in Austin:

John A. Hulen Papers.

1857 - 1956

- Correspondence, 1857-1955
 - Personal, 1857-1955
 - Clifford Jones, 1938-1941
 - Military, 1945-1946
- Newspaper Clippings, 1890-1941
- Printed Material, 1928-1940
 - Texas Centennial, 1936
 - Military, 1928-1940
 - Miscellaneous, 1915-1936
- Maps, 1845-1950
- Railroads, 1925-1940
- Military Affairs, 1898-1955
 - Philippine Insurrection, 1898-1935
 - Texas National Guard, 1906-1917
- Orders, financial documents, memorandums
- 36th Division Association, 1934-1939
 - Correspondence
 - Adjutant General's Department, 1945-1947
 - Orders
 - 33rd U.S. Voluntary Infantry Association, 1930-1955
 - Correspondence, "Jaw Bone" bulletin
- Photographs, 1898-1956
 - Military, 1899-1932
 - Personal, 1898-1956
- Scrapbook Material, 1901-1953



MAJ. GEN.
WILLIAM R. SMITH
1918 - 1919



Heard from

ZEB SUNDAY rounds up 2 more: EARL THOMPSON, 1702 Palmwood, Pasadena, Texas 77502, who served with Co. A, 143rd; and RIPLEY E. WOODARD, 5451 Kuldell, Houston, Texas 77035 also 143rd.

DON HAVERN, 924 Westwind Dr., No. Palm Beach, Fla., 33408 saw our notice in the VFW Magazine about our Reunion, and wants more info. He's got it. Don served with 143rd Co. F, then to Co. G, was knocked out of action in late '44 with severe wounds and leg amputation, has not made a reunion but hope to be in Dallas. We'll be lookin' for you.

ALVIN J. MYERS, 244 Kittredge Bldg., Denver, Colo., 80202 sends in dues, served with Co. H, 142nd, scouted by Antoine Pellerio. GLENN KENLEY, 324 Highland Dr., Sulphur Springs, Tex. 75482 did time with 1st Bn., 143rd, was scouted and rounded up for dues by Margin Stovall Latham (daughter of Col. Oran) . . . an ex-officio member if we ever saw one.

GEORGE D. GOLDMAN, M.D., 75 Birchwood Drive, Jericho, N.Y. 11753 comes in with dues; served with Hqs. 2nd Bn. 143rd; H. Co. same, and B Co. 111th Medical Bn. Zeb Sunday is credited for this one. Sunday must work 7 days a week.

Wick Fowler's Famous

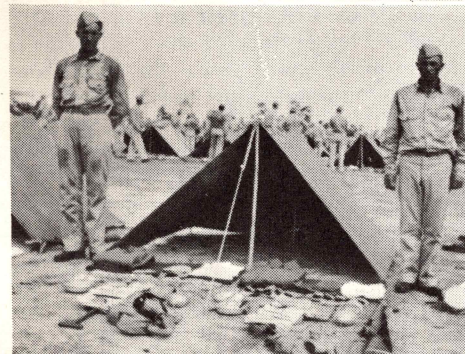
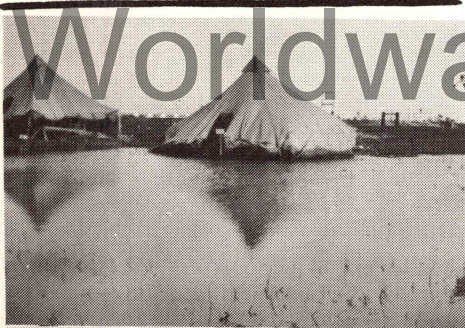


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NEW BOOKS

TIME CAPSULE, History of the War Years 1939-1945 . . . a fabulous book for war buffs, condensed from pages of Time magazine, with 600 illustrations and maps, 7 volumes in one, a total of 1600 pages, reprinted this year by Bonanza Books, N.Y., price \$6.95. This fascinating compact history of the war years is not only an absorbing narrative, but also a reliable reference book on events that shook the world and changed radically the course of our lives. Includes just about anything you need to be reminded of that happened while we were in khakis. Get this!



WALTER KERR, 122 King Ave., New Castle Pa., 16101 sent in the above photos: top 2 were made on Martha's Vineyard; standing at attention for inspection in North Africa, Walter is on the right, the other unidentified. Walter served with Co. E, 143rd. Bottom pix is typical chow line wash-up. A widower, Walter claims 3 children with 7 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

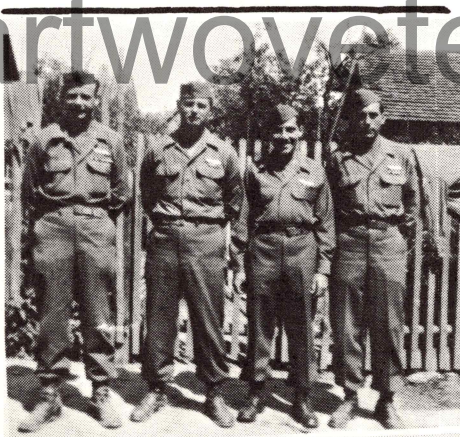
155th Artilleryman

MOSEER ELECTED CHAIRMAN OF CHARITY HOSPITAL BOARD

A. C. Moser, Jr., partner in Moser Realty Co. of Dallas has been elected the first lay chairman of the St. Paul Hospital Board of Trustees.



A. C. Moser Jr.



BUCKLOE, GERMANY May 1945; left to right: Irving W. Greenwood, Alan A. Burke, Dominick J. Delio and Robert J. Faught. This rare photo was sent in by Col. Faught who lives 1731 Cheshire Lane, Houston, Texas 77018 of Co. G. 141st.

OLD WWII PICTURES are wanted. So if you have a good one, send it in to your T-Patcher and we'll use it next issue. Do it now!

ITALIAN AUTHOR NEEDS HELP ON CASSINO STORY

Dr. **WALTHER NARDINI**, Via Soderini 47, Milano, Italy 20146 has written to your T-Patch editor seeking "personal memories" of that event January 1944. Seems Dr. Nardini has gathered a mother lode of info. He has General Walker's **FROM TEXAS TO ROME**; Official history by the U. S. Army and much more.

He has talked with survivors of the battle: British, Germans, Polish, French and New Zealanders, now needs some T-Patchers to tell of their personal experiences, particularly the Rapido River crossing and **MASSA ALBANTE**, point 593 etc.

So, here is a chance to be heard. We would appreciate any help you may give Dr. Nardini. Be sure and keep a carbon copy of your story. He will be most grateful for your help, and - who knows, it might just be a best seller.

Heard from

WILLIAM D. HUTCHINS, 11667 Saxon, Dallas, 36th Div. Hqs., inquires if paying dues the last time (Mar. '71) was used up. Answer: Yup it was, sorry 'bout that.

BUD MYERS, 2618 32nd St., Lubbock, Texas 79410, of C Btry. 131st F.A. sends in dues for his buddy: **Melton Stapp**, Star Route 2, Spur, Texas 78370 who was in Co. B, 636th T.D. Bn. **FRANK ANDAMSON**, 3542 Embassy, San Antonio, Texas 78228 sends in membership for 2 new members: **Ralph W. Wright**, Rt. 1, Box 2, Von Onomy, Texas 78073, 141st, and **JOHN F. ARMSCOST**, 438 Tulane Drive, San Antonio, Tex., 78228 of the 36th Signal.

HERMAN FERGUSON sends in dues and change of address: 222 Holiday Lake Drive W., Tarpon Springs, Fla., 33589 of 141st, formerly lived in Ashland, Ky., next to San Kibbey. **RAY WELLS**, did a stretch behind barbed wire in Poland with Pete Walters now lives in Denver, Colo., displayed his T-Patch decal, attracted **ALLEN J. CRABTREE**, 2927 S. Eaton St., Denver, 80227, of B Co., 141st. **SAM DURAN**, Red Rock, Texas 78662, F Co., 141st (Sam Petty's outfit made the Houston reunion for the 1st time, has since hit the trail looking for the whereabouts of the rest of Company F, already picked up 2 and dues are in hand: **DOYLE M. CLAWSON**, Rt. 3, Box 134, Georgetown, Texas 78626; **MARCUS W. ALLEN** P.O. Box 789, Staples, Texas 78670. Good work, Sam.

RICHARD DICK BASS, missed the 1970 blast in Dallas but came on strong in Houston. Dick is past president of the Assn., 1957 was in D Co., 143rd, picks up his mail at Box 177, Santa Anna, Texas 76878. Good to see you again, Richard and Rose.

ZEB SUNDAY, hard-working V.P. of 143rd, has been scouting the drop-outs and sends in dues, and Sustaining Funds by the dozen . . . our thanks to a devoted T-Patcher.

BERNARD L. LARKIN, 28 Ironwood Road, Levittown, Pa., 19057 writes in for info on the Dallas Reunion . . . he got it, but failed to give his unit.

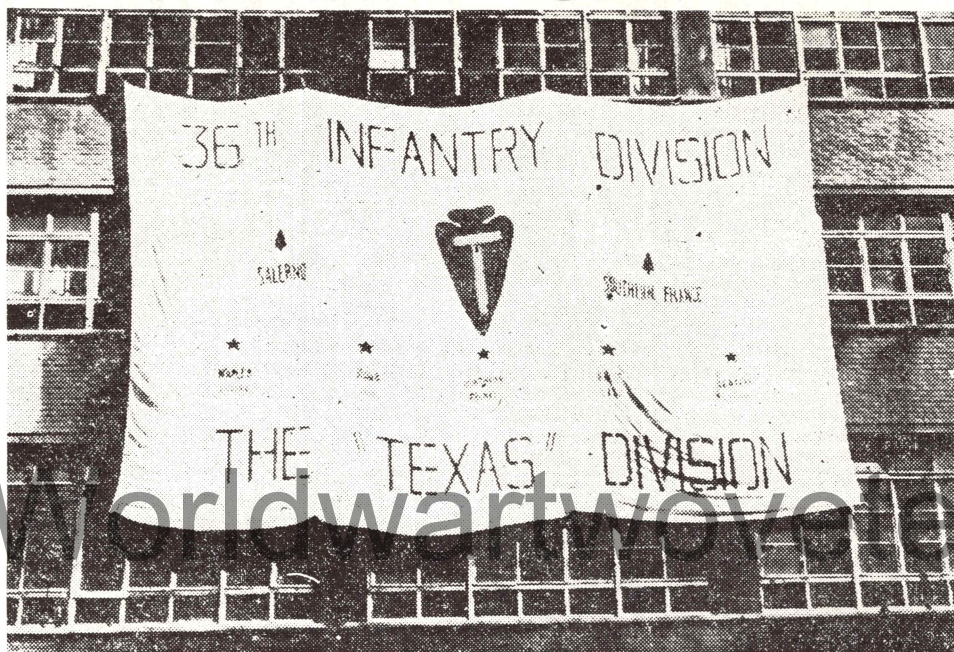
CARL WILLIAMS, 805 S. Main, Cedartown, Ga., 30125 of 143rd drops a five spot. Carl attended the Fort Worth 1969 reunion, how 'bout Dallas in 72?

DANNY LEE, who owns The **STRATEGY SHOP** (Gun store) has a mother lode of weapons for sale: machine guns, Lugers, Carbines, holsters, gun racks, you name it. If you are a collector, write him at: Box 35842, Houston, Texas 77035 and buy something from an ole T-Patcher (end of plug).

ROY BARTON, Co. H, 142nd gets his mail at 11379 E. Bristol Rd., Davidson, Mich. 48423 writes for info on the reunion, says he will be in Dallas.

FELIX J. MARCHELEWSKI, 215 Washington Avenue, Mineola, N.Y. 11501 just "discovered" the fact that we have an Association. Glad you did, Felix, and we hope you can be in Dallas come Labor Day weekend.

Probably World's Biggest...



TEXANS SHOW PROUD RECORD—While “sweating it out” in Geislingen, Germany the 36th (Texas) Division boys prepared four giant signs like this for use on the transports that ferry them home. The banners, in addition to the division insignia, show stars for major engagements in which the division participated and spearheads for the two invasions—Salerno and Southern France. The division is scheduled to return to the U. S. late this month or early in December. (INS Photo)

DEC. 1945: This INS photo appeared in newspapers all over America. The low-point T-Patchers used alot 'o' bedsheets for this one . . . again proving that when the 36th does it, DO IT BIG". Anybody remember this (give us the inside story).



COMPANY H, 142nd KNIGHTS OF THE KITCHEN: This rare photo of the pots and pans brigade was taken in May 1945 in Ulm, Germany. Left to right, standing: Peter Gambini, Beaumont, Tex.; Serge Tognereli, Lynn, Mass.; Isaacs Jackson, Greenwich, N.Y.; John D. Lee, Amarillo, Tex.; and Tinny McAllister of Sheridan, Wyoming. Sitting: Henry Kaepfner, Columbus, Ohio and John T. Wheeler of Bishopville, S.C. This photo sent in by Kaepfner, who gets his mail at 1287 Geers Ave., Columbus, Ohio 43296. Thanks Hank.

THANKS to Brig. Gen. WILLIAM H. WILBUR, 3210 Brunswick Lane, Sarasota, Fla. 33580 for the reprint of “That The Truth May Prevail”. A great patriotic article written especially for SAR MAGAZINE of the National Society, Sons of the American Revolution. Gen. Wilbur has also written: “The Making of George Washington”; “Russian Communism” and “A Challenge and a Fraud”. Col. Oran Stovall was responsible for our having received this, and thanks also to our great Engineer.

Heard from

NORMAN L. “Ferdinan the Bull” HARDIN, one of the better cooks in C Btry., 132nd sends in \$5 for dues. Norm picks up his mail at 14 Brackenberry St., Malden, Mass. 02148, formerly lived in Weatherford, Texas, he and his lovely wife Kay made the 1968 reunion. Do it again.

WAYNE C. GRIFFITH, one of Stovall's Engineers, Co. C comes thru with dues plus one more for anybody. Thanks Wayne. He can be reached at Box 247, Leonard, Texas 75452. **GLENN E. MILLER**, WWI T-Patcher and great contributor to the Patcher, says we got his address wrong (which we did) he lives at 1408 N. Lincoln, Lexington, Neb. 68850 (not Lincoln as we printed) probably was caused by the fact that we once had a girl friend in Lincoln, end of apology. Judge Miller sends memorial fund for **BENJAMIN KIEHN**, also offers to fill the library with WWI maps. Send 'em on in, Judge, we'll do the rest.

CHARLES R. WEAVER, 2771 Warner Dr., Orchard Lake, Mich. 48033 sends in contrib to 36th Sustaining Fund. Thanks Chaz.

BENJAMIN KIEHN, 1st Lt. in 142nd WWI, awarded Croix-de-Guerre for valor at St. Etienne, was killed by robbers in a bank holdup at Clifton, Okla. Sent in by Glenn E. Miller, Lexington, Neb.

BERTER EDWARDS, Co. B, 143rd passed away Feb 17, 1972, Veteran's Hospital, Temple Texas.

PEARLY D. BRADLEY, never misses a reunion, sends in a change of address: 515 N. Park Avenue, Warsaw, Indiana 46580. Served in Co. M, 142nd . . . see you in Dallas, P.D. **J. E. JIMMY DOUGHERTY**, P. O. Box 819, Marshall, Texas 75670 of the 133rd sends in \$5 to cover dues. Thanx Jim, how 'bout blowing the whistle, front and center - Dallas reunion.

TOM ROSSELE, P. O. Box 617, Bracketville, Texas 78832 has been AWOL since Pete Green was president (1963) inquired about membership . . . he got it.

ROBERT BASTTAN, 503 Piper Ave, Milton, Pa., 17847 made the reunion for the 1st time (served with Co. A, 141st) Do it again, Bob and bring a buddy.

JAMES K. EVETTS, P. O. 125, Belton, Texas, I Co., 143rd, sends in dues, his check stub reads District Judge.

BILL HOGUE, sends dues for **C. A. SCARBOROUGH**, 460 N. E. 52nd Ter., Miami, Fla., 33801, 111th Medics.

WILLIAM ABRAMSON, 9724 Audelia Road, Apt. 1119, Dallas, Texas 75238, finds a new home in Texas . . . was in A btry., 155th F. A. Bn, Welcome to Texas.

COL. ROBERT FAUGHT, Houston, Texas sends in dues for: **L. W. GROCE**, 1002 Rittenhouse, Houston, Texas 77022, was with Emil Schneiders Service Company, 141st.

Make reservations now, **DALLAS, TEXAS**, Royal Coach Motor Hotel, Sept. 1, 2, 3, 1972

Heard from

RUSSELL HOLSTER, Midland, Texas of Co. H, 142nd (same outfit as Robt. Richie) vows he'll be in Dallas . . . and we'll drink to that. N. W. WILDE, 5165 N. 105th St., Milwaukee, Wis., 53225 a real devoted 111th Engineer sends in \$15 for the sustaining fund . . . attends the Mid-West Chapter group who meet in Michigan ever July. He served with STOVALL and figured he could trust his money with the Colonel, excecuer of the Association funds . . . gives many thanks to Kohutek for his great work in keeping the pot boiling with dues. ORELL SIMPSON, 3209 Earle Dr., Ft. Worth, Tex. 76117 come in with dues and says he'll be in Dallas.

ABRAHAN SPIEGEL, 639 E. 59th St., Brooklyn, N.Y. 11234 joins up and requests decals, which were sent via Amil.

TOM BIRKHEAD, 3642 Merrick, Houston, Texas sent in a check for the sustaining fund, and told Amil his name was misspelled . . .all OK now.

GEORGE R. COOK, 322-A No. 6th St., Cambridge, Ohio 43725 sends in name of THOMAS KAWA, 620 N. 4th St., Cambridge who was in Hqs. 1st Bn., 142nd. Lassoed by former president, Lance Mullins.

ROY K. STRUM, Rt. 1 Box 65A, Kingsland, Texas 78639 paid dues and gave this new address. Thanks Roy.

JIMMY DOUGHTRY, P. O. Box 819, Marshall, Texas 75670 sends in a five spot to help keep the Association going. Served with 133rd F.A.

LYLE G. LUNDBERG, 410 Old Oak Court Pontiac, Mich. 48055 will be in Dallas and sends in his new address.

PETE WALTERS, the converted Yankee now residing in Irving, Texas picks up a fellow named ELMER FAIN, 5242 Venderbilt, Dallas, 75206, was in 141st, claims to have never heard of us (he will now).

TOM L. ROSELLE, one of Lee Allison's 36th QM hired hands comes thru with dues, gets his mail at: Box 617, Brackettville, Texas 78832. Good to have you back, Tom. How 'bout Dallas?

HERBERT N. GOLDEN, 7822 Garden St., Houston, Texas 77012 of Co. B, 143rd was rounded up by ZEB SUNDAY, Herb, you should have been at the Houston reunion, Zeb put on a good 'un.

Success Story

STUDENT HISTORIAN SCORES WITH RAPIDO PAPER

TOM GUDMESTAD, 241 S.W. 189th Place, Seattle, Wash., took on the 36th's most discussed confrontation as a theme paper for his West Point appointment. Tom who is only 18, started writing to various T-Patchers for info, scouted books, newsclips and worked for months getting it together.

Evidently he did a good job. He received an A PLUS, so we congratulate him. And, our thanks to Amil, Stovall and others who helped this young man. To return the courtesy, Tom sent \$36 to our Sustaining Fund. You have our best wishes, Tom.

DREAMS & NIGHTMARES

The agony and ecstasy of the War Years . . . those brawls in the honky tonks at Starke, Florida with those yankees of the 1st Division . . . the embarrassment of being issued a World War I overcoat, knee length and mustard colored, while all the rest of the troops had new olive-drab . . . those harrasing gnats that plagued us at the North Carolina Maneuvers . . . the cordiality of the girls in Boston for T-Patchers, until we found out that the ratio of male-female population was predominately female . . . that awful overnight forced march at Camp Blanding . . . the 30 miles hike, (Bunions unanimous) . . . receiving my first "dear John" letter from an old girl friend at home . . . buying a pint of I.W. Harper for \$1.95 and thinking it was high . . . those milk-run trips from Boston to Camp Edwards that got us there just in time for reveille . . . a letter from home with a check in it . . . the look on the faces of the Navy Ensigns who couldn't understand how we always got rooms at the Boston Statler when they couldn't . . . the day we 'invaded' Martha's Vineyard and couldn't find Martha (or anyone else) . . . that proud feeling when you went from PFC to Corporal . . . the battery mess sargeant who bootlegged, and discovering where he kept it hid . . . worrying about our 4F friends back home who had a cold ride every morning to the bomber plant . . . and knew they were dating all our old girl friends . . . the thrill of getting a box of cigars from a 4-F friend . . . those weekends at fabulous Connamessett Inn (near Camp Edwards) . . . the shock of finding out that 'Lucky Strike Green' had gone to war . . . listening to the juke box play "Tangarine" for the tenth straight time in a bar in Jacksonville, Florida . . . listening to rumors that the 36th would invade Norway . . . the guy in the upper bunk who had a bad habit of snoring all nite . . . the greedy money-changers who charged \$10 to lend you \$5 till payday . . . getting on the good side of the mess sargeant who would give you an 'extra' portion . . . sharing a piece of cake with a bunkmate who had a thoughtful mother . . . the day it got 14 degrees below zero at Camp Edwards and froze the water on our knee . . . meeting a buddie from another town, whom you find out took English lessons from an old maid aunt . . . having a buddie who always had money when you were broke . . . a Betty Grable pin-up on the barracks wall . . . listening to Gabriel Heater saying "There's good news tonight" which there wasn't . . . discovering that "Deep In the Heart of Texas" was the top tune (March 1942) . . . and if any of these dreams and nightmares match yours, you're in a heap 'o trouble . . . (with your wife.)

LONG SHOT... PAYS OFF !

PICTURE IN LAST ISSUE was responsible for rounding up an old buddie. In the Feb. issue a pix of MITCHELL LANIER showed how a pocket Testament had saved his life.

ROBT. RICHIE, VP of 142nd, Pensacola, Fla., took a long shot and wrote to Lanier at his old 1945 address. It was forwarded to his new address: Lhebes, Ill. Richie then received a call from Mitchell, and now we have a long lost T-Patcher back in the fold. Mitch says he hopes to make the Dallas bash.

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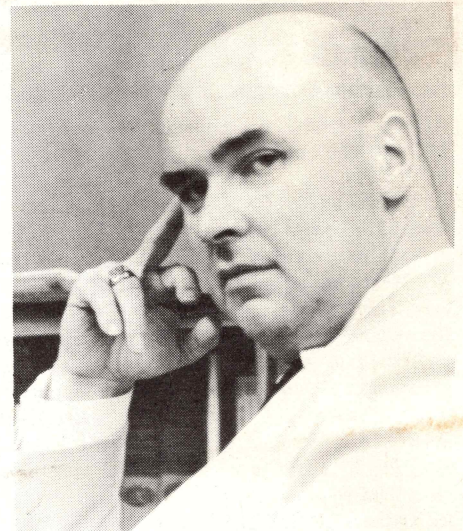
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FOOTNOTE TO ALL T-PATCHERS

Author Wagner, did not serve with the 36th. He is a former professor at Stephen F. Austin University and renown writer of historical items and events. His interest in the accomplishments of the 36th Division wheted his urge to do this book. Through his efforts for complete accuracy in research, he was responsible for obtaining the actual historical army records of the 36th, and are now in the archives of the Texas State Library, Austin. Without his help, these records would still be in Washington, D.C. Now, they will be made available to all future historians.

It is a valuable piece of authentic history, and one that gives creditability to our great 36th Division. (Editor).

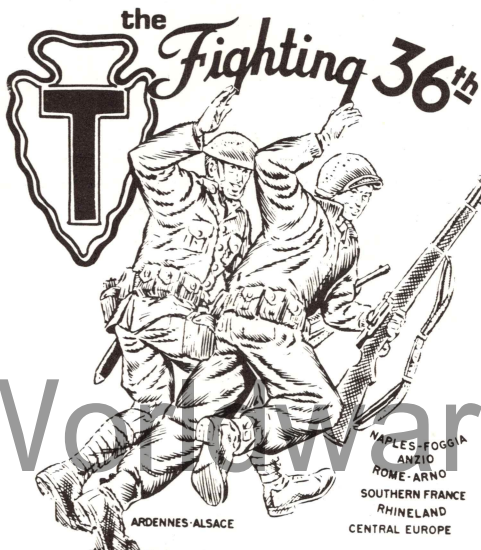


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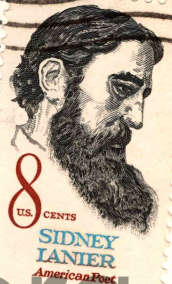
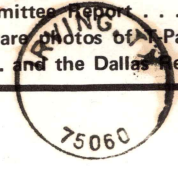
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