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Over 50 Photographs

36th Board Meets To Finalize 53rd Reunion Plans; Membership Drive In High Gear As Troops Respond



THE ALAMO. The Shrine and Cradle of Texas. For all you Yankee Patchers, here's a chance to see a great monument to the past when you visit Santone and the 1978 Reunion. Men of the 141st Infantry can tell you all about it. That's when it all started, and that's how far back the 36th goes.

SEE YOU IN SAN ANTONIO
1978 Labor Day!

NOTICE: If you sent in a story and/or pixs that did not make this issue . . . relax, we'll have it in the next issue . . . we were flooded!

Association Has Come A Long Way Since Nov. 1945

The 36th Division Association has been in business since a few months after VJ day 1945. In Nov. 1945 the current WWII Association was organized, and had the first reunion in Brownwood Texas in Jan. 1946 to make plans for the big one set for Oct. 1946 in Fort Worth.

Since that time, the elected officers and directors have planned and executed some great reunions. The 1946 bash, for example — brought in almost 1,000 registered T-Patchers. Of course at that time the fat-was-in-the fire, and the enthusiasm was current in the minds of all who wore the Ruptured Duck.

As the years followed, attendance declined as troopers got married, raising a family and all the problems of adjustment to civilian life again. By the late 1960's it looked bad. Turn-out was small, but the feeling was there, and after 1970 the Association began to grow.

The answer was found in membership solicitation. We were fortunate to have Amil Kohutek, a devoted T-Patcher who sent out tons of mail to every name available. With some help from the troops, the membership grew. And, in 1977 and early 1978 we are on our way. But, we still need help. This organization can be no better than the personal participation of ALL 36thers.

Un-recondered figures show that some 45,000 men wore the T-Patch from early 1930s Nat'l Guard days until V-E Day. So, we know they are out there — somewhere. Finding them, sometimes is like looking for an eagle's nest. But, you can help!

In This Issue . . . News of the San Antonio Reunion, many photos from WWII, and stories . . . plus the longest list of new members ever!



Gunter Hotel, San Antonio, Nov. 5, 1977: above photos were made during the business meeting which was well attended by the new 1978 officers and directors, plus local reunion committee, made up of T-Patch troopers, all of the San Antonio Chapter.

The Gunter Hotel staff provided great facilities, including a luncheon for all T-Patchers and their wives, tours of the ballroom, guest rooms and CP locations. The Red Carpet treatment is ready for all to enjoy, come Labor Day weekend.

Get Involved — Join the 36th's F.B.I. Program

“Find ’em, Bind ’em, and Install ’em — Is The Answer

There's more ways than one to skin a cat, so the ole saying goes. Your humble servant came up with an idea that we felt may have possibilities.

It's called . . . the F.B.I. Program. "Find 'em, Bind 'em, and Install 'em." A simple way to get a red-blooded T-Patcher to 'find' three (3) new ones for membership.

You get a blank of 3 certificates to enroll drop-outs, strays and lost Patchers. If you can't possibly find 3 who will join, then you merely send \$15 to the association by August and 3 memberships will be issued to some buddy — in YOUR NAME. Now, that can't be a real bad deal.

The 36th board has approved this procedure, and President LEONARD WILKERSON sent in the No. 1 deal . . . sold to VON R. BEANE, 106 Inwood Circle, Kilgore, TX 75662 who walked with Co. K, 144th.

Past President, Julian Philips of Houston has been spending time and WATS line to get new members. His record shows this in the 'New Members' column. So, away we go . . . to the target of 3,500 members by San Antonio reunion time, come Aug. 1978.

There are hundreds of T-Patchers out there who do not know we are in Business. If you care, you can help. Write to Leonard, Amil, or Julian Philips and get an F.B.I. blank and get with it. This is YOUR association!

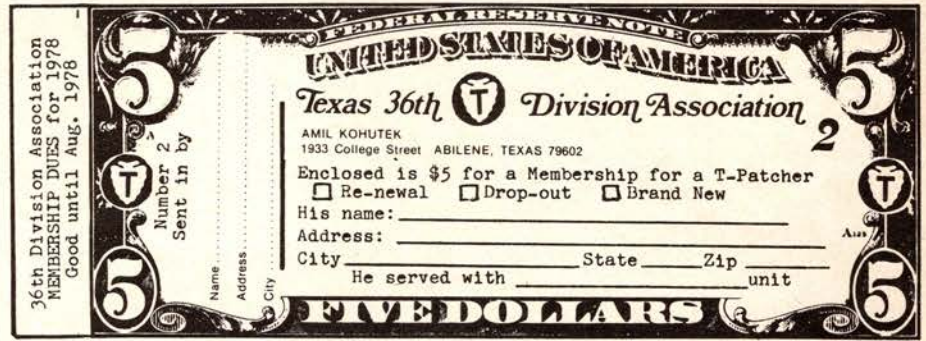
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Get On The Great F.B.I. Membership Bandwagon

Nowhere else but San Antonio

There are only three great cities of America that have their own charm, color and antiquity . . . New Orleans, San Francisco . . . and San Antonio.

Don't try to compare one against the other in this group. Each has its own distinct flavor. Of course, us Texans think SANTONE (as we call it) is so unique that it belongs in a category of its own. Frankly, what other city in America has a river that snakes through the downtown area? Old Spanish Mission several centuries old; modern facilities that do justice to the Big Apple. For our Yankee Patchers, if you have never been to S/A you ain't seen nothin'! START PACKING . . . Labor Day is not far away.



Shown above is a reduced version of the FBI form printed on legal-size paper, contains three(3) of these \$5 bills. It's real simple. You just ask for one, then scout, seek and sign-up one, two or three 'lost' Patchers. They are numbered 1, 2 and 3. IF, you fail to get your quota of 3 members, then all you have to do is send your check for the ones you didn't sell, and then a membership will be awarded to a buddy (drop-out, lame or lazy) IN YOUR NAME. Now frankly, that ain't a bad deal!

Life Membership Is An Investment For The Future of 36th

We've been hustlin' Life Members for some time now, and it has been good. BUT, we can't stop now. We need more affluent troopers who believe in our 36th Division Association. So, write out a check for \$100 and send it to Amil, Wilkerson or Ken Nixon. You'll be doing the ultimate for our preservation. You set a certificate, card and alot of good feeling.

HAL D. STEWARD, Lt. Col., 211 W. Hanson St., Apt. 7, Centralia, Wash. 98531 is now in. Served with Co. H, 141st. We need you, Colonel.

JACK STATON, 3215 30th St., Lubbock, TX 78410 of Co. E, 142nd comes in. Hey, Jack do you remember Cliff Hale?

DAVID L. QUISENBERRY, RFD, Campbellville, KY 42716 of Co. A, 111th Engineers (that's Stovall's gang).

EDWARD V. MITCHELL, 833 Franklin St., Monterey, CA 93940 of Co. H, 142nd. And, Ed will you look up buddy Col. Charles Walker of 60 Skyline Crest, your town. Ed, you gotta recall Tony Pellerin, Milt Crow, Jim Stokes and Bob Richie.



EASY TO JOIN

The price of the Life Membership is in line with all other alumni associations in America. All you have to do is write your check for \$100, payable to "36th Division Assn. Life Membership," and mail to—

KEN L. NIXON, Treasurer or AMIL KOHUTEK, Membership Chairman. Their addresses are shown on page 4. We repeat—It's tax deductible!!!



This is the 141st's CP, yes the RONDO CP, and it's on a lake near San Antonio. This is the site of the annual fish fry festival which all members of the San Antonio Chapter meet for a biggie. T-Patchers from all parts of Texas show up for this one. When not used by the troops, it's also a second home residence for Hank and Mary Gomez, who get mail at 2907 Chisholm Trail, San Antonio TX 78217. (I'm glad I know Hank.)

Report from Pres. Leonard Wilkerson; Preview of San Antonio Reunion Plans

Your 1978 Board met on Nov. 5, 1977, in San Antonio to select a bivouac area for Aug. 31, Sept. 1, 2, and 3, 1978 and to discuss other Association business.

1. REUNION COMMITTEE: Your hosts and reunion committee for 1978 will be Marvin and Posey Steitle, Mac and Adela Acosta, Harry and Gladys McGowan and Ed and Merlyn Witt. Marvin has been appointed the chairman and has the authority to appoint other members to the committee as necessary.

2. HOTEL: As published in the November issue, the Gunter Hotel was chosen as our 1978 "Bivouac Area" — The Gunter is an old hotel, but has a lot of class. With the friendly atmosphere, the spacious C.P. rooms, Lobby and Mezzanine. The Gunter has a nice dining room with reasonable prices on their meals. Mr. Goldfarb has promised to keep the dining room open evenings (based on our patronage). Our hotel rooms will be \$20.00 single (one person) and \$28.00 double (two persons). They have a few king size, some double double, some twin size and double size rooms. All rooms will be available for the 36th. They will be assigned on first come, first served basis, so if you desire a certain room, I suggest you indicate this on your reservation card and mail it in early. FREE parking will be provided for hotel guests. Reservation cards will be mailed to you in June.

3. REGISTRATION: We have not set the registration fee as of this date for several reasons — (a) Sell of the pages in the "Reunion Book." (b) Cost of bands, refreshments, buses and other activity for Thursday, Friday and Saturday night. We hope to give you a registration fee in the next issue of the T-Patcher. We do promise to keep it as low as possible.

4. EARLY BIRDS: Thursday night will be "Early Bird" night sponsored by the Ladies Auxiliary — Adela and the Ladies of the auxiliary promise you a grand time from 7 p.m. til 11 p.m. There will be back slapping, hand shaking and "new" acquaintances made and of course the great snacks made by the Ladies and that good ole "Lone Star" brew. For those of you who do arrive on Wednesday or early Thursday a tour of San Antonio, Texas can be arranged by Scenic Tours of Texas.

5. HOSPITALITY NIGHT: On Friday night we will be bused to the great "Lone Star" Brewery for a Mexican Dinner. We will have music, dancing and Lone Star brew. The Friday night party will be sponsored by the San Antonio Chapter of the 36th Division Association and the San Antonio Reunion Committee. With this group, you know it has to be a great party.

6. COMMAND POSTS: Are located on the second and third floors. The board voted that the C.P.'s will close for the Thursday night and Friday night activity. All raffles will be held in the unit C.P.'s. Winners to be announced at the dinner/dance.

7. GENERAL MEETING AND SATURDAY NIGHT: The Ladies will hold the Brunch/Meeting on Saturday morning and be out in time for the General Assembly at 1 p.m. Our guest speaker will be our Comrade and member Major General Tommy S. Bishop, Adjutant General For The State of Texas and a former member of the 141st Infantry. Our Dinner/Dance will be held in the Grand Ballroom, Foyer and Assembly Rooms — All three rooms are joining and are for our use if needed, all three sit 850 persons for dining.



8. MEMORIAL SERVICES: On Sunday morning, September 3, we will have an early morning Catholic service and our regular service at 10 a.m. with Father Bernard J. Fenton of Pocasset, Mass. conducting the services. We assure you the message will be aspiring and touching.

9. WORLD WAR I MEMBERS: It was passed by the board to waive the membership dues for 1979 for those World War I members who are present for the 1978 reunion.

10. F.B.O. (Find 'em, Bind 'em, and Install 'em.) This recruiting idea will be handled by your Board Director Julian Philips of Houston. These application forms will be given to members who will recruit three (3) new members for 1978 by June 1st or send Julian \$15.00 for the three forms, so he may send Amil the forms and \$15.00 so he can select three of your buddies.

11. REUNION BOOK: For 1978 we will have a memento for you to hold on to. A 1978 "Reunion Book." Pages are now being sold to members and friends of the 36th Division, (non-members). Your President is the contact on this booklet, send him your message and check early. Cut off date, June 1, 1978.

Leonard E. Wilkerson
11121 Visalia Dr.
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T-Patchers present at the Nov. 4th meeting in San Antonio — Leonard Wilkerson, Pres.; Julian Quarles, Exec. V/Pres., and unit V/P's . . . Marvin Steitle (141st); Bob Mehaffey (142nd); Norris Morgan (143rd); Adrain Grizelle (144th); Raymon McCray (Spec. Trps); Dick Griffis (Arty); Julian Philips, director; Adela Acosta, Pres. Ladies Aux., and the local reunion committee of Santone: Mac Acosta, Harry & Gladys McGowan, Ed and Merlyn Witt and Marvin Steitle, reunion chairman (also V/P 141st).

With this kind of block-buster group in charge of arrangements, you just can't go wrong — so BE IN SANTONE '78.

THANKS TO CHAS. ANDERSON

Our thanks to Charles Anderson, 108 N. Boundary St., Weatherford, TX 76086, artilleryman who is one of the great artists of the 36th. He is employed at General Dynamics in Fort Worth as illustrator, and he's the guy who does the line drawings of all our great leaders. In this issue — our '78 president, Leonard Wilkerson and his T-Patch tie,



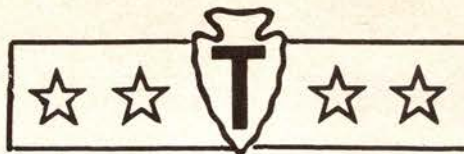
Top Photo: Time out from the board meeting, and here is Ken Nixon, Norris Morgan and Harry McGowan discussing a point, while sipping some Lone Star suds.

Above is V/P Spec. Troops, Raymon McCray getting over a message while Marvin Steitle looks on. Marv in the local reunion committee chairman, also is V/P of the 141st.



Relaxing in the Hqs. Suite, from left is Gladys McGowan, Posey Steitle and Ed Witt discussing the days activities. At far left is Roxie Morgan and the baldhead in the foreground belongs to Adrain Grizzelle.

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These Men Want To Get A Letter From You . . .

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Eric Sevareid, Retiring CBS Commentator Covered 36th's Action In Italy

During WWII, the 36th was blessed with having the mother lode of great war correspondents visit us, write stories of valor, etc. At one time or other, they all came to the 36th Hqs. CP for briefing.

ERIC SEVARIED, who recently announced his retirement from CBS was one who covered one of the T-Patcher's great maneuvers . . . VELLETRI. So if you'll look in your copy of the 1946 "The Fighting 36th Pictorial History," you'll find Sevareid's story . . . "On The Standards of The 36th Proudly Inscribe Velletri.

CARL L. PHINNEY, Maj. Gen. Ret., former G-4 of the 36th recalled all this when he read of Eric's retirement; wrote him a nice letter . . . received this reply:

"Dear General Phinney. Thanks so much for that kind note; of course I remember you and those intense circumstances of 1944 very well. I always had a soft spot for the 36th Division. It did not enjoy a serene war. I'm glad to know you're still thriving. I intend to thrive, but at a lower pace from now on. All best.

Eric Sevareid, Washington, D.C.



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EARNEST SACCOCCIA, 251 W. Fedford St., E. Bridgewater, Mass. sends in dues and a 5 spot for a buddy (that's the spirit). Score another one for Julian Philips.

Col. WILLIAM L. SCARBROUGH of Co. I, 141st comes in with '78 dues from Alexandria, VA, plus . . . dues for comrad . . . Col. EUGENE SAFFORD, of Co. E, 141st who gets mail at 120 Wood Haven Ct., Jackson, Miss., so says Julian Philips, who put it together.

Col. CARMEN A. WILLIAMSON is a world traveler . . . sends in new address changes like you and I go to 7-11 for a six pack . . . his new mail should be: 98 945 C. Kaonohi St., Aiea, Hawaii 96701. The Colonel would like to hear from the 143rd, any body!

ROLAND BLACK, Canyon, TX has another one, asks Amil to send info to: JESSE BEWLEY, 2407 11th Ave., Canyon, TX 79015. Keep up he good huntin', Roland.

GEORGE WEINSCHEL, P.O. Box 1278, Corsicana, TX 75110 served as interptor for Col. Adams, sent in \$25 to pick up dues for strays and drop-outs. Thanks, George.

VAUGHN E. HOLT, Box 216, Hamlin, TX 79520 breaks with his '78 dues, and says he enjoys the T-Patcher. Was in the hospital during the Dallas reunion, and sends regrets that he missed it. Try for Santone in '78. Holt served with 736 AT 142nd Inf.

DALE SARTOR of Co. B, 143rd comes in with dues and an extra \$15 for 3 drop-outs, which Amil will pick and send in his name (how 'bout that). Wish we had a 100 like Dale, and our thanks. Julian Philips got him.

ROBERT L. HARRISON, 18 S. Ora St., Pryor, DR., served with Co. A, 141st pays his \$5 dues and 5 more for a buddy. Julian Philips scores another one.

BENNIE M. HARRIS ran into Jim Palermo, a T-Patcher of 131st who lives in Vicksburg, Miss., who gave him the address of Amil, and so we have from Bennie a check for \$20 dues and other benefits. Bennie gets his mail at: Rt. 8, Box 16, Philadelphia, MISS (not PA) . . . served with Hq. Co. 1st Bn., 142nd in Italy, France, Germany and Austria.

Col. SELDON SIMPSON, of 142nd Infantry does legal business with his firm of Gibson, Ochsner, Adkins, Harlan and Hankins, attorney at law, 500 1st National Bank Bldg., Amarillo, TX 79101 sends in his dues for the next 3 years. Col. Simpson told Ammil he would be in Santone for the biggie reunion of 1978. Thanks, Colonel.

JAMES F. CARROLL, 4 Cedar St., Lynebrook, NY 11563 is a military insignia collector (patches and crests), so if you troopers have any, write to Carroll.

Dear Amil: I was all set to come to the Dallas reunion, but got sick, week before. I am sending my dues and one for Marty Weichselbaum. Rocco D. Santasieri, 73 N. Ashby Ave., Livingston, N.J. 07039 of 36th Signal Company. New address for CHESTER DOTY: 3463 Fallsburg Rd., N.E., Newark, OH 43055 of Co. B, 111th Engineers drops \$20 for the Cause. Cause we need it.

LONE STAR BEER has been designated again as the OFFICIAL beverage to be served at the San Antonio 1978 reunion. And, that's good. We did it several times before, and when you come to the reunion we have it — "Texas Style" . . . LONE STAR!

Dear Amil: Here's my check for 1978 dues. Sorry that I was unable to be in Dallas for the '77 reunion. I was deeply saddened to hear of the passing of my close friend, Lt. Col. Hubert Simons. I did get to visit with him in San Antonio. Maybe I'll get to be with the group next year. Keep up the good work, you are all doing a great job. Johnnie W. Casada, Co. M, 143rd, P.O. Box 44. Savoy, TX 75479

PETER L. CHOMA, R. R. 2, Box 144A, Trenton, IL 62293 says he enjoys the T-Patcher (and that's kind words) and regrets that he missed the Dallas bash last year. Pete is involved with Ex-POW's in his own town. Pete served with Co. F, 143rd Infantry.

PAUL D. ADAMS, General Ret., has an address change. Now gets mail at: 3501 Bayshore Blvd., Apt. 801, Tampa, FL 33609.

Heard from

WALTER H. OLTMANN, 713 First Ave., Dallas, TX 75226 of Co. D, 143rd WWI now at age 85 writes in that he's been in the VA Hospital and got a pacemaker . . . and it's always good to hear from the 'Great War' T-Patchers.

ARTHUR and ELSIE GOLDENBAUM, 154-23 64th Ave., Flushing, NY 11367 sends to your poor ole editor a x'mas card of thanks for their photo in the last Patcher. That's nice.

JOEL PETERS, 1400 N. 10th St., La Porte, TX 77571 a former V/P of the Artillery (155th) reports that he found out why he can't get the Patcher from PA, seems they are all moving to Texas. However, he did find JOHN A. PRY in the thicket, who walked with Co. M, 142nd in his round-up for new ones.

REMEMBER: "Grandchildren don't make a man feel older . . . it's the knowledge that he's married to a grandmother."

JOSEPH BALDO, RD 4 Noonan Dr., Carmal, NY 10512 of Co. H, 141st Inf., sends in dues, says he'll try to make the Santone Reunion. Thanks, Joe.

L. A. Pete CRENSHAW, Jr., Possum Kingdom Lake Ranger, of Brazos River Authority, Star Rt., Box 134, Graford, TX 76045 a former 1st Sgt. of Co. G, 142nd checks in with Amil.

Col. LOYD B. SLIMP, Jr., 3732 Bluff Ct., Weatherford, TX 76086 of 143rd, later joined the Air Corps and was shot down Jan. 1945 out of a B-17. The Colonel served with a group of Chaplains . . . and Amil says . . . "sure hope he can keep my Btry. C, 132nd do-right buddies on the straight and narrow."

CLYDE WHALEY, of Co. E, 143rd Inf., now works for Holiday Lincoln Mercury, P.O. Box 868, Fort Worth, TX 76101, so says Amil who handed me his callin' card. If you need a Lincoln, Clyde is the man to see with an 'Ole-Buddy Deal.'

JOHN B. MOORE, 605 SW 3rd St., Grand Prairie, TX would like to hear from his ole 144th buddies. John is blind, broke his hip in 1976 and needs some messages from the troopers, according to Leonard Wilkerson who sent this item in.

MELTON M. NEMKY, Flint Hill Farms, Rt. 1, Box 73C, Pittsville, VA 24139 who did time with 141st Inf., saw a notice in the DAV Magazine and sends in this message: I am still in contact with: ARDIS D. BEARD, 12354 E. 39th St., Tulsa, OK 74145 of 36th Band; HAROLD A. GOERGES, 1647 W. Woodlawn Ave., San Antonio, TX 78201, Hqs. Co. Milt also served with the 36th band after a walk with 141st.

ROBERT CAREY, 24 Branch Ave., North Smithfield, R.I. 02895 postcards in that he'd like some decals of the 142nd and 36th.

JAMES C. FOSTER, 1135 E. Bowman, South Bend, Ind. 46613 is recuperating from open heart surgery, according to a letter from wife, Mary. Jim served with Co. L, 142nd.

Col. CHARLES A. WINGO, RR 2, Box 109, Denison, TX 75020 sends regrets that he had to miss the Dallas reunion, and sends best wishes to the association troopers for a great 1978.

VERNON REID, 27 William Ave., RR 2 Rehoboth, Del., sends in dues, according to Julian Philips. Vern served with Co. E, 4th Texas Inf., from Greenville, TX, on the Mexican Border in 1916.

WALTER C. EVANS, 102 Midway Drive, Clinton, Miss. sends in dues, plus one for OSCAR OLLER of Wood River, Ill. Both served with Co. F, 143rd. Julian Philips rounded 'em up.



DALLAS REUNION 1977 . . . photo made at the 36th Signal C.P. At left is Pete Thayer of Fort Worth with Ramon McCray who acted as CCP (Command Post Police). Thayer tended the bar, McCray was captain of a 'tight' ship, and all sailed through 3 busy daze of commaradie with the troops. Both saw that everything was in order and food and beverage was in ample supply. 36th Signal had one helluva big turnout, so we salute thee, Signalmen!

36th Signal To Meet Apr. 1-2

36th Signal Company Reunion will be held Apr. 1-2 in Denison, TX at the Holiday Inn, Hwy. 75, according to Ramon McCray of Fort Worth who is the '78 V/P of Spec. Troops.

These Signalmen have set all kinds of records with their membership drive for the association. They went from scratch to over 100 paid assn. members in less than 2 years, and that's good. We salute thee.

Ray reports that FRANK BREWER of Fairbanks, Alaska who has never made a reunion, says he'll be in Santone. Also, THOMAS COOK of Tell City, Ind.; DICK KEPLINGER of Dayton, OH; and LEO MANCUSO of Kenner, La., who says his son will drive him to S/A . . . also JOHN YORE of Chicago, and LLOYD BAINBRIDGE of Lawton, OK, to name a few. 36th Signal is a great outfit!



Brumath, Germany 1945 . . . that canine mascot, named 'RONDO' is being taught some new tricks by one Hank Gomez (who has lead anything but a dog's life) . . . pix sent in by Bill Soth of 36th Div. Hqs.



WELCOME



New Members

THAD CARMICHAEL, 4801 Murrayhill Drive, Charlotte, N.C. 28209 is another score for 36th Signal Co.

IVEY EBGERTON, P.O. Box 70, Micro, N.C. 27555 of Hqs. 3rd Bn., 142nd Infantry.

FRANK A. DULNY, 153 Lily Road, Dupont, PA 18641 of Btry B, 132nd FA . . . hey Frank, you remember top kick, Charlie Prater . . . Ernest Uptmore and Johnny McKeel?

JACK QUADE, 806 E. Campbell, Stamford, TX 79553 of Co. K 142nd.

FRANK DORKO, 1519 Lakeland Ave., Lakewood OH 44107 of Co. F, 143rd was rounded-up by Don Still. Yea, Frank, do you remember Julian Quarles and top-kick Frank Jackson? They'll be in Santone, so how bout you?

JOHN A. PRY, 4384 Wild Country Estates, Livingston, TX 77351 of Co. M, 142nd. Hey, John do you remember Glen Beckett or Ausy Brown? They'll be in Santone, and you oughtta be there too.

JACK TURNER, 2602 Meirianne, Houston, TX 77016 of Co. G, 143rd.

JACK B. SHUMATE, 7623 E. Albany, Mesa, AZ 85207 walked with Co. L and M of 143rd and did time in the 63rd Division.

NORMAN RAZOWSKY, 6641 N. Rockwell, Chicago, IL 60645 served with Co. B, 142nd . . . welcome, Norm!

RAY TORRES, 5109 Munn Lane, El Paso, TX 79924 od Co. E 141st was bagged by John Saucedo, and that's good.

LLOYD G. BAINBRIDGE, 2115 Bell Ave., Lawton, OK 73501 is another score for Ramon McCray of 36th Signal who roped in another buddy from same outfit.

JACK T. HUBBERT, 146 W. Main, Elkton, MD 21921 did some time with Co. E, 141st.

JOHN ROSICK, 6711 Memorial Drive, Detroit, MI 48228 is another one for the 36th Signalmen.

WALTER F. KRUSZYNSKI, 415 Bridle Lane, Wheaton IL 60187 of Co. H, 141st.

ERLE R. LeCATES, 89 Adams Way, Atherton, CA 94025, no unit is given, so sound off, Erle and come to Santone in Aug. '78.

PAUL LEMMER, 5019 Lymbar, Houston, TX 77096 did time with Co. A, 143rd.

PAUL E. GARLAND, 24 Orchard Circle, Swampscott, Mass. 01907 of Co. A 142nd. Hey, Paul remember Happy Adams? He hasn't got a tooth left.

ANDREW J. ORLOSKI, 202 Tewksbury Rd., Fairless Hills, PA 19030 is another one for Co. G, 142nd. Welcome, Andy!

RICHARD JOHNSON, 401 S. Fernwood Ave., W. Covina, CA 91790 who spent some time with 142nd Inf.

Col. EUGENE SAFFORD, 120 Wood Haven Court, Jackson, Miss., 39206 of Co. I, 141st Inf.

JOHN J. PTACEK, 8524 52nd Ave., Elmhurst, L.I., N.Y. 11373 of Co. B, 142nd . . . welcome to the clan, John.

EDWARD C. ZINK, 1574 Miron, Lincoln Park, MI 48146 is another new one for Co. G, 143rd was branded by Julian Philips who has a mother lode of new members in our ogal for over 3000 paid members by Labor Day 1978, San Antonio Reunion.

Marvin Steitle Bids Welcome To All 36thers To San Antonio . . .



Dear Fellow T-Patchers,

Thank you for your confidence in electing me as your Vice-President of the 141st Inf., 36th Division Association.

I will serve you to the best of my ability.

Hoping to see all my old buddies and many new ones at our reunion on Labor Day Weekend 1978 in San Antonio.

Best wishes to all,

Marvin Steitle
906 McNeel Rd.
San Antonio, Texas 78228

I entered the Military Service from my home town of Fredricksburg, Texas in January 1941, and was one of the lucky ones to be assigned to the fighting 36th Division Infantry. I was stationed at Bowie, Florida, Carolina, and Mass. Made the invasion at Salerno and then, 'BOOM' they brought me back to Africa. After many months in the hospital I was released from the Military in 1944.

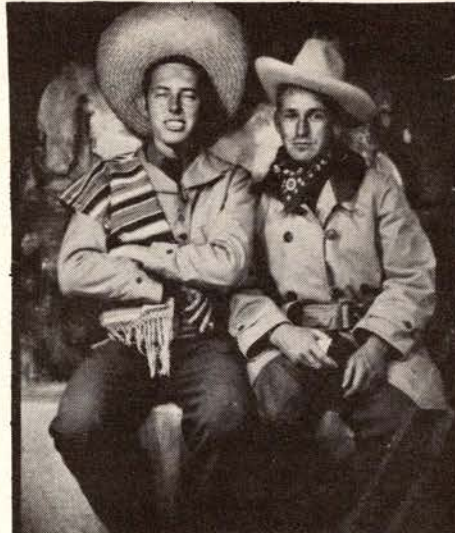
I attended my first reunion in 1964, not knowing what to expect, but have attended many since that time. I helped organize THE SAN ANTONIO CHAPTER OF THE 36TH DIVISION, and now serve as president.

I cherish the memory of my comrades that did not come home, but also enjoy the friendship of my buddies here, and look forward to seeing both old and new ones at each reunion. Hope to shake the hands of many old and new ones at our reunion here in San Antonio.

Co. B, 142nd West

The Co. B (Western) 142nd Infantry Reunion will be held in Coleman, TX (home base) on June 10-11, 1978 at the Army, according to release from W. B. Baxter.

Schedule of events will be about the same as in the past. Invitation letters will be mailed in March to all members. Also this group plans a chartered bus trip to Cleveland, Ohio for the EASTERN Co. B Reunion on Aug. 5-6th. Interested T-Patchers should contact: W. B. Baxter, P.O. Box 961, Coleman, TX 76834.



Ole' . . . here's Bob Turpin of Bonham, TX at Camp Bowie 1941, the other trooper — unknown — (can anyone help). Turpin did time with Hqs. Btry. 132nd F.A. Bn., looks a little like a later-day Poncho Viva.



36th Recon troopers join in with the local musical society in Alsace — Lorraine, France. L. M. O'Neill of Santone sent in photo.



Here's Lt. Robert Blackwell of Co. B, 143rd Inf., trying to envision himself as a Bavarian, photo made June 1945 was sent in by Thos. J. Bulova, 505 Unondaga Road, Syracuse, NY 13219.

WELCOME New Members

CLARENCE TEICHELMAN, Rt. 2, Stamford, TX same zip code and unit as Quade; add also — L. C. RORIE, 314 East McHarg; CARL LUNN, 1407 Bartley, all same town, zip and outfit. And — LEROY VENDERWORTH, Rt. 1, Rule, TX 79547 also Co. K, 142nd and give credit to past president Julian Phillips for this mother lode of men of Co. K, now in the fold. Judge EDWARD B. CLARK, 2619 Wilson Lane, Raleigh, N.C. 27600 of 143rd. Welcome to T-Patchland, Judge.

CLYDE E. LEES, 246 Crescent, Harrisburg, PA 17104 of Btry C, 131st FA Bn. Hey, Clyde, you remember 1st Sgt. Robert Ritchie? Come on down to Santone, and we'll point him out to you.

HUGH TRANTHAM, 987 N.E. 5th Ave., Homestead, FLA 33030 served with Hqs. Co. 142nd, was found climbing poles in Miami by one Julian Quarles of Miami.

CHARLES L. MYERS, RD. 1, Richmond, OH 43944 was corralled by W. J. Baxter of Coleman, TX, both of that famous Western unit of Co. B, 142nd Inf. Baxter is the sparkplug of that unit.

BEN E. ILLYES, Rt. 2, 226th St., Cicero, Ind. 46034 (unit not given), but welcome, anyhow.

JOHN SANKO, R D 3, Box 305, Philipsburg, PA 16866 of Co. F., 141st. Say, John — you should come to Santone and see who follows Sammie Petty to these reunions.

LOYD SIMPSON, P.O. Box 197, Axtell, TX 76624 spent some time with Co. M, 143rd. Hey, Loyd, you recall Alvin Amelunke? He'll build you a house if you move to Waco.

NORMAN A. POTTER, 112 Prospect St., E. Stroudsburg, PA 18301 of Co. D, 142nd . . . welcome to the club, Norm!

WYATT SWINT, 1317 48th St., Lubbock, TX 79412 of Co. G, 142nd . . . and hey, we missed up at the '77 Snyder Co. G reunion.

RAYMOND C. WILDER, 10818 S. Whipple St., Chicago, IL 60655 of Hqs. 1st Bn., 143rd. (You oughta know Geo. Kerrigan of the Windy City.)

ALLEN T. SANDOS, 3743 Westerman, Houston, TX 77005 of Co. G, 143rd, which is probably the most paid-up-membership of all units of the division.

HARLEY W. CARTER, 515 Cartmount Dr., Tyler, TX 75701 is one more new one for Co. G, 143rd. How 'bout that.

CLARENCE SIMON, 696 Ashmore St., New Braunfels, TX 78130 of the famous 36th Division Band . . . dues paid for by Lorenz Bading of same outfit.

CECIL MOORE, Rt. 1, Box 169, Clifton, TX 76634 of 111th Medics was corralled by Griffis, you has gotten a bunch.

C. M. MARTINEZ, 605 Orient Ave., Sonora, TX 76950 of Co. L, 141st is in. Ole amazin' Amil, says . . . "during my truck drivin' daze many years ago, I delivered a guitar to a guy named Martinez in Sonora, and found that there were 78 Martinez's listed in the phone directory." How about the Gomezes?

JOHN L. SHAWL, 1011 Stanton St., Bay City, MI 48706 of Btry A, 155th FA Bn., sent in by Henry N. McCubbin of Southfield, MI of same unit.

DONNIE EDWARD CARROLL, Rt. 6, Box 329, New Bern, N.C. 28560 did time with Co. H, 141st. Welcome Don!

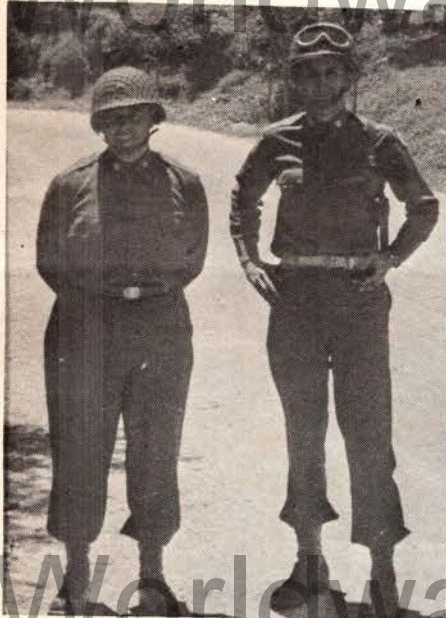
Sons and Daughters 36th Membership Available to All

Several years ago we ran an article about SONS OF THE 36th. We got a few Patchers who sent in dues for their sons, who were in the service.

But, it's really not necessary that they be in the military. For example, J. J. Finan, the great Tar Heel of Raleigh, N.C. sent in dues for his son, Capt. TIM FINAN of USAF legal dept., and one for daughter Dianne in the Ladies Auxiliary. But he would have done it, regardless of service connection.

Think about it, and send in \$5.00 for your son or daughter . . . and send it to Amil (we need the business).

The Great Historian, Vince Lockhart Moves Back to Texas!



North Africa: Here's (then) Lt. Col. Robert M. Ives, G-1 and his assistant, Capt. Vince Lockhart, who sent in pix, now lives in El Paso,

VINCENT M. LOCKHART, one of 36th's great historians is back in Texas . . . now gets dispatches at: 10236 Ridgewood Drive, El Paso, TX 79925. Vince sent in a bunch of photos, shown in the issue. He served first in the artillery, then with Lt. Col. Robt. M. Ives (G-2) as assistant (Capt. Lockhart).

Formerly lived in Canadian, TX (up at the top of the Texas Panhandle) where he was editor of their local rag, also published a full size post-war newspaper — "The T-Patch."

Col. Oram Stovall has been trying to get Vince to tackle the "France/Germany" part of our Division History. Maybe we can twist his arm to take a shot at it.

*You've Paid Your
Dues — Now Buy
One For a BUDDY*

LETTERS

Keller Has Compiled Card File of All 36th From Library of Congress



Dear Amil,

Enclosed is a personal check in the amount of \$10.00 payable to the 36th Division Association. This check is for payment of membership dues for myself and Mr. Max Ek, also a former member of the Anti Tank Company, 143rd Regiment. Max's address is Route 1, Box 121, Bloomfield, Ind. 47424. Max joined the 36th in Mass., and served in all campaigns until he was seriously wounded on 4 March 1945. Also enclosed is a separate check payable to you for a copy of the National Membership Roster, to be mailed to me.

I am enclosing Library of Congress Cards which show books, films etc., currently on file at the Library of Congress. Please note that a copy of the book "A Pictorial History of the 36th Texas Infantry Division," published by the 36th Division Association is not on file.

There is only a microfilm copy of the original which is filed in the New York Public Library. This was most disappointing to me as a former member of the Division. I have read the book, (having borrowed it from my friend Max). This should be brought to the attention of the Association Membership and hopefully someone will donate a copy to the Library, where this historical document should be on file as a memorial to the men who served with the TEXAS 36th Division.

I am looking forward to receiving word on the next Association Reunion and to renew old friendships and meet new friends.

Robert E. Keller, AT/143rd
8202 Mathew Court,
Upper Marlboro, MD 20870



Nov. 1940: Mobilization time, and here are men of Co. B, 144th Infantry on their way to Camp Bowie bivouac on the T&P Railroad Reservation (that's downtown Fort Worth). The tall handsome GI at right is J. Lee Johnson (now a retired Fort Worth civic leader). Curt Walthall of 144th sent in photo.

Here's More Leftovers From The Dallas Reunion



Dallas Reunion: Here's ole Armand Jones with Roxie and Norris B. Morgan, V/P of 143rd; and Robert W. "Rusty" Murphy of Austin who sent in photo. Jones 'The Beard' lives in Fort Worth, the Morgans reside in Garland, TX.



A bevy of belly-dancers certainly did liven-up the Dallas bash, and this pretty thing did light up the Early Bird party . . . BUT look closely at that 'leer' of lust from one amazin' Amil in his red jump suit. Pix from Rusty Murphy.

Eleven Sets of Brothers Served in Co. M, 142nd Says Glen Beckett

Amil sends in a list he received from GLEN BECKETT, New Richmond, Ohio, who claims that his own Co. M, 142nd had 11 sets of brothers . . .

- Wilke, R. F. and W. C.
- Whorton, R. E. and R.
- Rogers, Billy and Dannie
- Robertson, J. R. and Billy
- Pemberton, H.L. and G.W. — plus Tom C. (that's three, and probably some kinda record.)
- Lankford, C. H. and Jerrell
- Meaders, W. L. and Charles
- Johnason, E. H. and J. E. (Twins)
- Brown, E. and Ausey
- Lawrence, W. G. and H.
- Ellis, L. W. and W. F.

All right, you guys, let's see if you can top this one.

THEN AND NOW



These 'then & now' photos are great, and here's another one from Hank Gomez. The handsome young Staff Sgt. is JIMMIE DUNCAN of Co. G, 141st, and also Duncan in his Fire Chief's uniform in Jersey City, N.J., poses in front of Hank's RONDO Gaddy, while he was visiting there last fall. Hank says, "Jimmie was a great soldier and distinguished himself at Requiwier during the infamous attack by a Nazi OCS graduating class. He was credited with disposing of 12 of the Kraut officer candidates.

American Order of the French Croix de Guerre, Inc. Joins In With An Ad in Reunion Program

Contact has been made with the American Order of the French Croix de Guerre, Inc., via Amil and Leonard Wilkerson. This group has taken an ad in our new '78 Reunion Program and a 'Medaille de la France Liberee' which is available for all Patcher who served in France.



More info in the May issue, or you can contact:

Steven Kovach, President
 American Order of French Croix de Guerre, Inc.
 11 West 42nd Street, New York, NY 10036.

Please be advised that any T-Patcher who wants to buy an AD in the SOUVENIR PROGRAM to be distributed in San Antonio can do so. This will be a pocket-size booklet (6" x 9") with facts and info you'll want to keep. Sales have been good, but we can use a few more.

For details — write to LEONARD WILKERSON, 11121 Visalia Dr., Dallas, TX 75228. The ad space rates are inexpensive, and you can sell something — or just be recognized as a good supporting T-Patcher.

This is the first time in 33 reunions that such a project has been offered. So why not get in the act. Deadline is in May, so don't fool around!



Mrs. Mary Simons, 3508 Charlton, Waco, TX 76711 widow of Lt. Col. Hubert Simons (died Aug. 1976) sends in this photo of her late husband who served with the 36th Division & Natl. Guard for 31 years. Mrs. Simons says, "We never missed a 36th Reunion, except one since it started, and we enjoyed being with all of his buddies and friends."

Our thanks to Mrs. Simons for her kind message and the photo of a great T-Patcher, probably made at Camp Bowie.



MORE Dallas reunion photos: front row seated is — Pete Walters and wife Mary, Fred J. Ross, Walter A. Sheetz, Doris and L.B. Easley of Dallas, E.A. Foster and Delma Foster. (Top photo.)

Above: Men of Co. H, 141st; standing is L.B. Easley and Hank Gomez, seated — Werner Wisian and wife Jean having fun at the Dallas Reunion. Photos sent in by none other than Easley.



TOP photo: Camp Blanding 1942: from left is Sgt. Jimmie McGee (later a W.O.), Sgt. W. Otto Anderson, Hank Gomez and Leon Pingnot (later killed in Korea, 1950 while serving as Capt., a company commander).

Above photo: Larquin, France, four men of 141st Inf. Front row is Hank Gomez with Carl Kandlebinder of Chicago; back is — Herbert Jenke and Ernest Merton, both Texans. Pix from scrapbook of Kandlebinder and sent in by Gomez.

Art Bishop Donates Commemorative Knife To Audie Museum



Audie Murphy's sister, Mrs. Corene Burns is shown here receiving the 'last' of famous Commemorative 36th Division 'Bowie' Knives from Arthur Bishop who created and sold 500 of these treasures to collectors all over America. This knife is now in the Audie Murphy Museum at Greenville, Texas (that's near Audie's home town). Art operates the Bishop Jewelry and Loan in Dallas, is a Life Member as a great supporter of all 36th endeavors.

36th Commemorative Knife



Somewhere in Germany: Here's men of Co. D, 143rd, from left is Jack Mitchel, (—), Johnny Seidenberger and Leon Kuznik. Pix sent in by Johnny who lives in Shriners, TX 77984, Rt. 1, Box 292.

NOTICE: If sent in photos and/or stories, have patience. The T-Patcher is just like a ladies' girdle — "it'll only hold so much" . . . and the carry over will appear in the May 1978 issue.

San Antonio Chapter



As editor of this illustrious publication, your editor receives many unit publications, newsletters etc.

ONE OF THE GREATS, is 'T-BONE' the official newsy-document, published monthly, for the SAN ANTONIO Chapter. Since they are hosts of the 1978 Reunion, their info is vital.

MAC ACOSTA, 102 Luther, Santone 78212 has been grinding out some great copy for the past 3 years . . . and does an excellent job of "tellin' it like it is."

Marvin Steitle, pres. of the S/A chapter announces a Summer Picnic at MacArthur Park on April 29th. Same as last year, he says . . . mucho beer, Bar-B-Q, dancing and the works. These guys know how to do it.

Here's an arresting bit in the Feb. issue:

Sammie Petty told me that when we were in the cork forest in Africa, an Arab woman came to their C.P. complaining of having been raped by an American soldier. Sammie says he took this woman before the late Col. Andy Price with her complaint and he says the Colonel asked him, "Sergeant, did you get some of that?" He answered, "No sir, not me." Col. Price then said, "Well, I'm glad somebody didn't."

The Colonel then had the Company line up in formation; the woman was then asked to pick out her assailant. She pointed to a Private in the ranks; Colonel Price then asked the Private how much money he had, the soldier produced about seventy or eighty dollars from his pockets.

The Arab woman was offered this money as retribution for her ordeal, she readily accepted it and happily took off with the money in her fist. Colonel Price's thinking saved at least one hanging.



Germany 1945: These three men of Co. B, 142nd pose for this one sent in by W. J. Baxter: from left: Ralph Kinder, Baxter and Mathews. Co. B is so big it has an Eastern and Western Chapter. No other unit can make that statement. W. J. Baxter gets mail at Box 961, Coleman, TX 76834.



FRANK C. DRIVER, 1436 Sharondale, Fort Worth, TX 76115 and HARRY BODKIN, 4901 Rufe Snow Dr., Fort Worth 76118 are two more 36th Signalmen rounded up by Ramon McCray, who is the hardest working T-Patcher that ever came down the turnpike. JIMMY V. HERNANDEZ, 801 Ellis St., El Paso, TX 79903 went with Co. H, 141st.

WALTER H. STRUETT, Rt. 5, Box 22 Lake Rd., Valley Cottage, N. 10989, another Co. H, 141ster. Walt says he'd like to hear from his ole buddies, so how 'bout it. L. B. Easley of Dallas is your man. He gets the job done. Welcome, Walt!

KENNETH W. YATES, 2810 Westmoreland Dr., Nashville, TN 37212 of Hqs. Btry. 155th FA Bn. Ole Armond Jones will be in Santone lookin' for you, so be there.

EDDIE B. WILLS, 12710 Craigwood, Houston, TX 77429 served with Btry C, 155th. DANIEL GOLDSTEIN, 3405 Kings Highway, Brooklyn, NY 11234 served with Btry C, 132nd FA Bn. Welcome to the club, Danny.

GEORGE X. FURGERSON, 3841 McKinley Ave., El Paso, TX 79930 is another score for that very active Co. G, 143rd, who like ole Man River, just keeps rollin' along.

P.D. TAYLOR, 1828 Lula St., Houston, TX 77009 put in some time with Btry C, 155th FA Bn.

JAMES ROBINSON, 207 Gladstone St., E. Boston, MA 02128 served with Co. A, 141st, says — he spent some time in Texas but did not know about the Association. He DOES now! Welcome.

CHESTER L. BRANDT, 8814 Kennard, Houston, TX 77009 is another new one from Btry C, 155 FA Bn.

FRANCIS CULDTTA, 617 Aiken Ave., Pittsburgh, PA 15206 did time with Cannon Co., 143rd.

RAUL G. CASASM, 10162 Scottsbrook Dr., Houston, TX 77038 is just one more for Co. G, 143rd.

RAYMOND SCHOLDER, 329 N. Michael, St. Marys, PA 15857 did time with 1st Bn. Hqs. 142nd. Welcome, Ray!

JAMES H. THOMAS, M.D., 1001 Main Medical Center, Texarkana, TX 75501, a bed pan specialist who served with 111th Medics.

RALPH WETZBARGE, 4314 N. 119th St., LaFayette, Colo. 80026 is in, but no unit given.

JAMES SOBIESKI, 403 N. Randolph St., Garrett, Ind. 46738, also no unit given. Hey, sound off, you guys.

SEYMOUR HAROWITZ, 185 Hargreaves Ave., Teaneck, N.J. 07666 is another Co. G, 143rd to join up.

PAT BARRY, 1395 Franklin, Beaumont, TX 77701 served with Hsq. Co., 143rd.

JOHN PAUL JONES, 105 Edgehill Road, Norwood, MA 02062 of Co. D, 141st received a Patcher from buddy, W. B. Atwood of Dallas, and Jones sends in his dues, plus — one for another good T-Patcher. Amil adds a JOHN P. BOYCE, 25 Drowne Pky., Rumford, R.I. 02910 . . . and that's what it's all about. You too, can do the same.



36th Signalmen radio crew, somewhere on Via, Roma, maintaining a communications network for the division staff on the final drive for Rome. From left is: Clarence Trankle, Stanley Greene, Danny Smith and Matt Movrich who sent in this pix. "We slept in Rome that night," Movrich said.



Radio section of 36th Signal Co., prepare for the move to Anzio in May 1944. Kneeling: from left is Orvil Woosley, Robt. Tannahill and Edward Brick. Back row: Earl Drigans, Stan Greene, Max Weinberg, Wm. McCullum and Matt (Mule Skinner) Movrich of Rt. 3, Box 416A, Mukwonago, Wis. 53149 who sent this in to McCray who passed it on to your ED.



Photo at left: 36th Recon T-Patchers near Strausberg, France, ham it up with captured Nazi caps and wirearms. Sent in L. M. O'Neill of Santone.



Photo at right is Patton (not the General) with L. M. O'Neill, both of 36th Recon. O'Neill gets mail at Rt. 4, Box 340, San Antonio TX 78228 will be lookin' for you guys in S/A.



SAM H. WATKINS, Rt. 7, Calhoun, GA 30701 sends in this photo, the same that appeared in his local newspaper and a long feature story by Paul Miles, the reporter who had served with the late Gen. Fred Walker, while serving at Fort Benning. Sam served with Co. L, 143rd at San Piedro, Rapido, Anzio, Valleri, Rome and beyond S/France invasion until Sept. 30, 1944 when he was seriously wounded and returned to the States. Sam attended the 1973 reunion in Dallas, and sends regrets he hasn't been back since. Footnote from Sam, says that his hometown of Calhoun is also residence of BERT LANCE.



Amil sends in this one of Jack Griffin and Howard Shivers of Svc. Btry 132nd FA., Camp Bowie 1941. Griff's whereabouts is unknown, and Shivers is deceased.

Dear Amil:

Business is real good! Just sent you a few new members and yesterday in the mail received a letter from John F. Boner, of 1286 Walcrest Drive, RD #3, Mansfield, Ohio 44903, with seven new members. John served with 3rd Bat. 142 Inf. Think John should received mention in the "T-Patch" for his fine work. This is what keeps us going. The new members are as follows:

Harold Aley
100 Winwood Drive, At. I
Mansfield, Ohio 44907
Co. "I", 142nd Inf.

Charles E. Fieginbaum
1489 N. Lascune Circle
Mansfield, Ohio 44906
Co. "B" 142nd Inf.

Raymond W. Betz
630 Oak Street
Mansfield, Ohio 44907
2nd Btn. Hdgs. Co. 143rd

Francis L. Waechter
RFD #1
Segowney, Iowa 52591
3rd Btn. Hdgs. Co. 142nd Inf.

John F. Yornig
246 Spring Street
Mansfield, Ohio 44902
Co. "F" 142nd Inf.

These are all members of the Mid-West Chapter

Mervin R. Presler
329 Fairlawn Avenue
Mansfield, Ohio 44903
Co. "M" 141st Inf.

Luther C. Brendle
850 Burns Street
Mansfield, Ohio 44903
Co. "H" 141st Inf.

Robert R. Steinke
1008 South Elizabeth
Mt. Pleasant, Michigan 48858



T-Patchers of Co. E, 141st Infantry at their 14th Anniversary Dance in El Paso, TX Nov. 19, 1977 at the Elks Lodge Ballroom:
 Left to right bottom row: Alex Carrillo, L. M. Luna, Robert Valencia, L. V. Luna, Alex Rivas, Bert Saldana, Santiago Jaramillo, Ray Torres, Armando Martinez, and Sixto Frausto. Top row: Left to right, Armando Ramirez, L. A. Gonzalez, Jesse Mora, Guadalupe Martinez, J. R. Gonzales, J. D. Saucedo, Manual Reza, I. Rosemond, O. H. Rodriguez.

El Paso T-Patchers of Co. E, 141st Inf. Celebrate With 14th Anniversary Dance



Dear Bill:

After so many sunsets I finally became a member of the 36th Division Association through John D. Saucedo. We both served with Co "E" 141st Infantry from 1940 to 1945.

Like John and me there are at least 100 or so veterans of Co. E from El Paso alone. We decided some 14 years back to organize into a social club limited only to members who served with Co. E during the war years.

So far, the club has been a success. We designed our blazers to wear in timely occasions; our membership cards, checks, and letter heads. We contribute also to charitable organizations. We have a lot of fun by ourselves, wives and friends. Ramon Torres, Secty-Tres., Co. E, 141st Infantry, 5109 Munn Lane, El Paso, TX 79924.



Top Photo: Here's a serene Cafe scene in Sidi bel Abbes, North Africa, early spring 1943. At left is an unknown Capt.; holding a beer is Harry Kelton; Fred Stallings of G-3 and the tall skinny Captain is Vincent Lockhart of the G-1 staff, Div. Hqs., who sent in these photos. (Who's the blonde in the bg?). PHOTO above: Capt. Vince Lockhart (center) and the late M/Sgt. Clarence 'Pop' Flanagan stop to pay a visit with a young Arab goatherder. Thanks



In Italy, here's 4 mountain troopers of Co. G, 142nd, from left: Lt. Carl Matney, CO, Lt. John Turner, Pineapple Jack Finan and Lt. Stu LaBarge. Pix sent in by Finan of Raleigh, N.C.



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36th Signalmen in Italy, Jan. 2, 1944 after the new year's eve blizzard — from left: Leonard Stamps, Charlie Shipman, John Lindsey, Doyle Reed, Tad Gould, Francis McGonagle, Bud Haggart and Harry Chomiak. Photo sent in by Chas. Shipman, 2455 Reed Road, Fort Wayne, Ind., 46815. Thanks, to a new member, rooped in by Paul Wells.

Fun Unlimited

The San Antonio 1978

Reunion will Be

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Sept. 1-3

BEN E. ILLYES, Rt. 2, 226th St., Cicero, Ind. 46034 sends in this dispatch: "My buddy Amos 'Dick' Longbrake of Santa Anna, TX visited us this fall and later sent me a copy of the T-Patcher. Really enjoyed every bit of news and would like to receive it regularly. I'm enclosing my check for \$10 which I hope is enough. I served with Hqs. & Svc. Co. 111th Engineers from Camp Edwards and throughout the war. I've never made a reunion but hope to someday." These are the kind of letters we like to get.

The time to start planning a visit to San Antonio for the Reunion — is NOW. Contact your old buddies, and start packin'.

Ladies Auxillary 36th Division Association

Our Auxiliary staff is preparing a program I am sure all of you Ladies are going to enjoy. Here is what we are working on for the Ladies:

A delicious brunch at 10:00 A.M. which will include a business meeting, a bingo game with lots of prizes, and a souvenir for each attending member. We are going to have lots of fun, so be sure and convince your 36th man to attend the Reunion. The Ladies from the San Antonio Chapter Auxillary are also working on table centerpieces and many other details for a successful reunion. I feel extremely lucky because I have much more help than previous presidents. We have a Chapter here with ladies that are very enthused and dedicated about the coming reunion and I thank them all for their support and contributions.

We have new members who have joined us and we are delighted. Here are their names:

Katalina C. Davis, 511 Kings Court, San Antonio, Texas, 78212

Joyce Dawson, 620 Linda Lou Street, San Antonio, Texas, 78223

Beatrice Gallet, 13 Pines Road, Pinehurst, Mass. 01866

Dixie Hall, 303 Duke, San Antonio, Texas, 78228

Kay F. Jones, Route 1, Box 93A, Lipan, Texas, 76462

Louise S. Marple, 210 Babcock Road, San Antonio, Texas, 78201

Flo C. Neeper, 223 W. High Street, San Antonio, Texas, 78210

Delfina Rosales, 247 Hearne, San Antonio, Texas 78225

Marlene Elizabeth Theis, 1703 W. Mariposa, San Antonio, Texas

Mary Zabbo, 79 Plain Street, Lowell, Mass. 01851

Thanks to the regular members who have mailed in their dues for 1978 and here are their names:

Inez Ayes, 2535 N.W. 19th Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, 73107

Stella Badut, 159 Belleville Road, New Bedford, Mass., 02745

Alice Lepold, 103 Stevenson Ave., Trenton, N.J., 08619

Agatha Riechmann, 203 Koenigsmark, Waterloo, Ill., 62298

Mary Von Toussaint, 3231 W. Woodlawn Ave., San Antonio, Texas

Frances E. Wilkenson, 11121-Visalia Drive, Dallas, Texas, 75228

For you ladies who have not paid your current dues, send \$2.00, make your check payable to: Women's Auxillary, 36th Division Association, and mail to: Adela Acosta, 102 Luther Drive, San Antonio, Texas, 78212. Members will receive a copy of the Constitution and By-laws, Roster and membership card.

As I mentioned before, if you have a recommendation or subject you want to bring up at the next business meeting, please submit it now, so we can place it on the agenda, only those items on the agenda will be discussed.

"Thanks a million to Edna Nagel," Recording and Corresponding Secretary, Hidden Lake Drive, Princeton, Ill. 61356. This gal has done a beautiful job, she took the minutes of the business meeting at the reunion; she typed them and mailed them in immediately after the reunion. "You don't find a gal like Edna every day."

Adela Acosta, President
Women's Auxillary, 102
Luther Dr.
San Antonio, TX 78212



T-Patch Reunion in Fort Worth, 1958 — photo made in front of Hotel Texas, sent in by W.B. 'Win' Atwood of Dallas. From left is the late Mickey Hodges of Crown Point, Ind.; Hubert Mullins, Dallas; Ben Jones of Washington, D.C.; Win Atwood; Claude 'Red' Roscoe; Wally 'Red' Boyd, Fairfield, VA; and J.T. Scoggins of Dallas. All are Co. D, 141st except Jones of 142nd. Taps notice for Hodges sent in by his widow that Mickey died Oct. 9, 1977 at age 64.



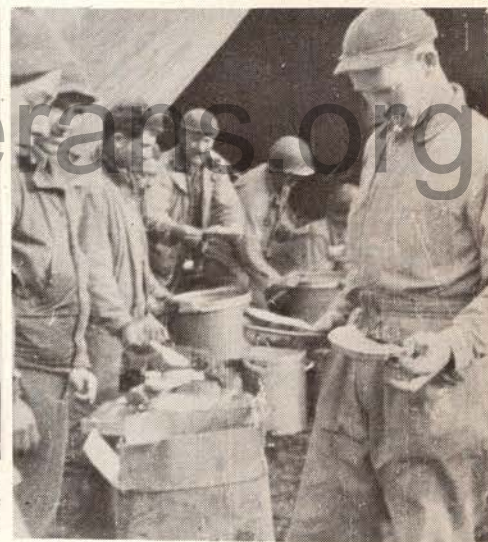
"Woe is me" says Lt. John E. Turner of Co. G, 142nd shortly after being wounded by machine gun fire in Italy. Jack Finan who sent in the pix, says, "John was a fine combat leader. He's a native of Scotland, came to U.S. at age 14. We were both on a hospital ship leaving Naples in June 1944, we spent many hours together. Turner retired in 1945 for disability, now lives in California."



Somewhere in France: Here's Edward E. Zigel of Co. C, 141st Infantry. J. K. Williamson of Rt. 1, Box 38, Westbrook, TX 79565 sent in the pix.

PABLO SEGURA of Co. E, 141st responds to a letter from Julian Philips, sends in dues and a promise to be in Santone when the 'biggie' comes around Labor Day Weekend.

WALTER A. WILLIS of Iowa Park, TX sends in his dues and also for his brother LEON B. WILLIS, same city, who served with Svc. Co., 141st. Walter did time with Hqs. Co., 142nd Inf.



Here's Pineapple Jack J. Finan going through the chow line of Co. G, 142nd. At left the 4th trooper in the serving line looks like Sgt. Polly Marritt. Finan is the big new-member-getter on the east coast.

CHARLES A. DUNCAN, 4305 N. Grandview, Odessa, TX 79762 of 141st wants to hear from anyone that served and remembers him.

Midwest Chapter To Meet in Cleveland June 23, 24 & 25th

It's nostalgia time again and the Midwest Chapter of the 36th Division Association will hold its annual reunion in Cleveland, Ohio on the shores of Lake Erie, June 23, 24 and 25, 1978 at the Sheraton Inn.

A memorable and fun weekend is planned for all and we know everyone will have a terrific time. Y'all come!

For further information, contact JAMES M. NORTON, 27904 Lincoln Road, Bay Village, Ohio 44140. Phone: (216) 871-2037



Here's J-i-m-m-y! Norton that is, in Rome, Italy 1944, who did time with Stovall's Co. C, 111th Engineers, Now, 33 years later, Jim looks about the same.



Camp Edwards 1943: Here's Earl Gallanget of New York City, of 36th Signal Radio Platoon with a big smile, cause his outfit finally moved into warm barracks after two months of cold in 'tent city'. Pix from McCray who wants to know if anyone can furnish his present address.

Here's another ex-T-Patcher who reads the Retired Army Bulletin, and wrote in after seeing a notice in the Jan./Feb. 1978 issue. JAMES D. KELIAM, CSM (Ret.) USA, Rt. 4, Box 564, Petersburg, VA 23803. He says "I served with 36th prior to WWII and then joined Hqs. Btry, 133rd at Houston. I was reassigned as 36th MP. Left the 36th in Feb. 1944 for reassignment to 206th MP Co., VI Corps, Anzio.



Photo at top: Here's Capt. David Cisco of Co. B, 142nd in Germany 1945, having a good laugh about something. Above is a rare shot of the Autobahn, Hitler's contribution to the highway system, which we now call freeways. Pix courtesy W. J. Baxter of Coleman, TX.

Report From Co. G 142nd Infantry Group

The Feb. issue of G Company 142nd Review reports they had 50 troopers and wives at their reunion Nov. 19th at Snyder, TX.

New officers elected were:

Kenneth Pitner, Pres.; John Carl Portis, V/P; Don Adams, Treas.; J.C. Williamson, Robt. Swint, and Chess Horsley, directors . . . and Charles Stimson again takes on the Newsletter.

AMIL KOHUTEK spoke briefly and presented JOHNNY PORTIS and CHARLES STIMSON with beautiful silver trays depicting the "Fighting 36th" Division. The trays were for work put out on "G" Company reunion activities. AMIL also presented a "Certificate of Charter" for Company "G", 142nd Infantry Association. This was from the 36th Division Association. Thank you AMIL and LEONARD WILKERSON.

For info about this amazin' outfit: Contact: Stimson at P.O. Box 928, Portales, N.M. 88130.

Here's a reproduction of a notice in a national veterans magazine: 36th Div., Co. F, 143rd at Salerno . . . For claim, urgently need to contact anyone who was captured with me at Salerno, then taken to POW Camp 2-B, Hammerstein, Germany — WILLIAM J. BALL, 332 Broadway, Wellsville, OH 43968.

Heard from

STANLEY KAPALA, 104 South St., New Hyde Park, NY 11040 never misses paying his dues or making a reunion sends \$15 for dues and stamps (and that's good).

He added PETER CACCAVALLA (who is already paid), a new member . . . FRANK PARARELLA, 1052 Franklin St., Trenton, N.J. 08612 of Co. I, 142nd . . . also FRANK SENDYKA, 85 Uniondale Ave., Uniondale, NY 11543; and EDWARD NIZELSKI, 167 25 145th Rd., Springfield Gardens, NY 11413 of Co. M, 143rd Inf.

Stan promises to bring his bride to the Santone Reunion.

RICHARD J. GRAUSSET, Whitehead Road, La Grange, OH 44050 of Co. G, 143rd sends dues for STANLEY RODAK, of Co. H, 143rd Inf.

DON STILL, 22430 Morton Ave., No. 3, Fairview Park, OH 44126 is a dedicated T-Patcher but reports that he went on disability in Jan. '78 due to an illness he's had for 12 years . . . said "didn't plan to hang it up at age 53, but then there are a lot of things we don't plan." Don rounds up a bunch of 'strays' in the Cleveland area and that's good. Thanks, Don!



DANANG, Vietnam, just a few years ago — Here's Sgt. Enoch R. Cureton, 309 Rimson Road, Dothan, Ala 36301 who rode with Btry. B 133rd F. A. Bn. in WWII. Welcome back, Enoch.



The BARBECUE Kings at the 143rd Reunion in Waco last June, from left is former Assn. Prexy, Alvin Amelunke cooking chicken with Robert Chudej. Amil shot it, sent it in, and just now surfaced. Better late than never.

WELCOME New Members

ARNULFO J. GUTIERREA, P.O. Box 473, Canutillo, TX 79835 of Co. H, 141st, brought in by L. B. Easley.

THOMAS J. COOK, 821 33rd St., Tell City, Ind. 47586 of 36th Signal is another one for **Ramon McCray**.

PETER OKRUCH, 2909 E. University Blvd., Odessa, TX 79760 of Co. D, 143rd. Hey, Pete, do you remember Payne Buckner?

CLAUDE H. BISHOP, Box 648, Breckenridge, TX 76024 also of 143rd was roped in by **Fritz W. Mogford**.

STEPHEN DANKOW, 205 Hoover Dr., Syracuse, NY 13205 of 36th Signal is in. Score another one for 'Tessie' McCray of Fort Worth. **REYNALDO CANTU**, 1431 E. Chavaneaux, San Antonio TX 78214 of 133rd FA Bn., reports in to **Ole Amil**.

FRED ARMSTRONG, 135 Sierra Vista Dr., Tucson, AZ 85719 of Div. Hqs., brought back in by **Bill Steger** of Dallas.

MARTY WEICHELBAUM, 19 Williams St., Mt. Vernon, NY 10552 of Co. A, 143rd. Another one by **Amil**.

EANOCH R. CURETON, 309 Rimson Road, Dothan, AL 36301 of Btry B, 133rd FA, in like **Flynn**.

RICHARD WILBUR, Dodswells Road, Cummington, Mass., has a good wife, **Charlotte**, who takes time to send in \$5, because she got the message from **Paul Wells**, and his amazing **Ham Radio**. One more for **36th Signal!**

DALE BARRICK, Lt. Col., 1500 Ridgeway Dr., Sherman TX 75090 of the **Houston Light Guard** (143rd), and that goes way back. Welcome, **Colonel**.

L. T. BELL, 2704 29th St., Lubbock, TX 79410 served with **Co. E, 142nd**. Hey, do you know a trooper by the name of **Cliff Hale**?

BOB IVY, Box 675, Kermit, TX 79745 — and **EARL IVY**, Box 138, Ranger TX 76470, both served with **Co. I, 142nd Inf.**

W. L. CONARTY, 3206 Hollybrook Lane, Pueblo, CO 81005 of 141st RCT, and **Co. A, 111th Engineers**. Say, **Walter**, you remember guys like **Ausland, Crawford, Robt. Jones, Mueller Earman** and of course, **Cotton-head Stovall**? (**Amil** got him.)

DEWEY J. GEORGE, 3053 Hermit Way, Santa Rosa, CA 95405 of **Co. F** and **Co. G, 141st** was rounded up by president **Leonard Wilkerson**, Dallas. Welcome, **Dewey!**



Help! Can anyone identify this trooper of **Co. D, 141st**. If so, write to **J. K. Williamson**, Rt. 1, Box 39, Westbrook, TX 79565 who sent this one in along with some others. Use a magnifying glass!



Men of **Co. L, 142nd** in France 1945, from left, front row kneeling: **M. W. Mark Parker**, **Charles J. Zemeckis** and **John N. Sammons**, **Parker**, who sent this in cannot identify the 3 troopers standing, so you guys of **Co. L** give us a hand. Write to: **Mark Parker**, 2200 Godby Rd., Apt. S-9, College Park, GA 30349.



This pretty lass of **Alabama**, has just been escorted by **Gaines C. Aldridge** (36th Signal) to have her photo made while he was enjoying a weekend pass (weren't those the days). **Aldridge** a radio intelligence wizard later was awarded the **Legion of Merit** for developing a radio TELETYPE for use with field radio equipment, gets mail at: 2909 Colonial, Waco, TX 76707 and swears he'll use his **HAM** radio to help in recruiting. Pix from **Raymon McCray**, and our thanks.

RAYMOND E. JOHNSON, 1st Sgt. USA Ret., Rt. 1, Box 6, Aldie, VA 22001 saw an item about the 36th in the **Retired Army Bulletin**. Writes: "I joined the 36th as a replacement in **Oran**, and assigned to the 36th Recon, served in **Italy** and through the invasion of **S/France**, and was transferred from the division at **Lepanges**, in the **Vosges Mountains**. I proudly wore my **T-Patch** on my right shoulder through the rest of my army career."

Heard from

MELBA RICHTER, wife of **Leroy** writes in that we made a bo-bo in the **Nov. T-Patcher**. Seems that his name came out in print as **LEONARD**. Now that's not right, cause his name is **LEROY**. So, now you know that your editor can make some **M-I-S-T-E-A-K-S**. **Leroy Richter** operates the **Richter Well Service**, P.O. Box 159, Flatonia, TX 78941 walked with **Co. L, 142nd** and **Melba Richter** will receive from your editor, one dozen long-stem red roses for this unforgiveable sin.

OSCAR LYDICK of **Co. A, 141st** sends in dues to **Julian Philips**, plus . . . an extra five for a buddy **PAUL BROOKS**, also of **143rd Infantry**.

D. E. CARROLL, secty of **Loyal Order of Moose, New Bern, N.C. 28560** has been out of contact with the **36th Association**. He read in **DAV Magazine** about our reunion and wrote for info, and of course, he got it (thanks to **Amil**). **Carroll** joined the **36th** after **D-Day** in **S/France** with **Co. H, 141st**. Try to be in **San Antonio** next **Labor Day** weekend, **D.E.**

WINFIELD S. WILSON, 2532 Crepe Myrtle, Shreveport, LA 71108 of **3rd Bn. Hqs. 143rd** drops his dues plus one for a buddy. **Julian Philips** who sent this in says . . . **Wilson** claims he will be the last **T-Patcher** to be called to the great beyond.

ROLAND BLACK, Chamber of Commerce, Box 8, Canyon, TX 79015 of **Co. E, 142nd** had a visit lately with **JOHN R. JOHNSTON**, of **Hollywood, CA**, who was in **Canyon** and is probably in the fold by this time. **Johnston** is **District Tax Administrator** of **State of California, Dept. of Benefit Payments**. Maybe he could supply us with unlisted phone numbers of some of those **Hollywood** stars.

New address: **AUSTIN D. BROOKS**, formerly of **Ardonia, Conn.**, now gets mail at 6892 Tamarind Circle, Orlando, FL 32811, who did a bunch of time with **2nd Bn. 143rd Inf.**

HERBERT M. LIEBERT, 13821 South I St., Tacoma, WA 98444 who spent some time with **Co. A, 111th Engineers** sends in \$25 for his own dues and four other **T-Patchers**, of which were dispatched to **Amil**, who picked some whom were unable to pay, and that makes it all great. Thanks, **Herb**.

GOOD ADVICE . . . "Never play cards with a man named **Doc**; never eat in a place called **Mom's**, and never sleep with a woman whose troubles are worse than yours" . . . **Nelson Algren**.

IRVING C. WOOD, RD 3, Box 354, Pine Bush, NY. 12566 says he saw a notice of the **36th Reunion** in the **DAV Magazine**. "I served with **111th Medics**, and would like more info," says **Irv. And, ole Amil** says he got it.

RAY KITTLE, Jr., 221 Stewart St., NW, Warren, Ohio 44483 write for info about the **Association**, says he served with **Co. I, 143rd**, so **Amil** let him have it!

ANTHONY CIAVARELLA, 28725 Bloomfield, Lathrup Village, Mich. 48076 contacted **Bob Wagner** (Austin) for info about the **36th**, who then wrote to **Amil** for info about the association. So, here we have another lost, who now has the info, cause **Amil** sent it to him. **Bully!**

Welcome back — **GLENN RAITHEL**, 6220 W. Giddings, Chicago, IL 60630 of **36th Div. Hqs.**, been out of touch for three years, and that's too long.

T Taps

Charles Steinman, of Marion, OH, served with Co. H, 142nd passed away Oct. 20, 1977 according to his widow, Dorothy.

Capt. Joseph F. Edelen, of S. Orange, NJ served with Co. K, 142nd died May '77, as reported by Jack Finan.

Peter Quinn of New Castle, PA, former member of Co. B, 142nd died Feb. 1968, reported to Amil Jan. 1978.

Dan Blagave, Aurora, Ill., of Hqs. Co., 3rd Bn., 143rd died of a heart attack Dec. 31, 1977 according to a letter received by Paul I. Wells, who then relayed the message via Ham radio to a Fort Worth operator, who phoned the news to your editor. Our thanks to operator Jay Smith for his assistance.

Jack Hill of Longview, TX who served with 144th passed away Nov. 7, 1977 as advised by a letter to Leonard Wilkerson from his widow, Katherine.

Colbert Frazier of Dallas, served with Co. C, 144th died Nov. 2, 1977, sent in by Wilkerson.

Henry Bekkering, Dowagiac, MI passed away Sept. 17, 1977, served with Co. B, 142nd.

George R. Cook of Canton, OH, another Co. B, 142nd trooper died Nov. 2, 1977. George had made the Coleman reunion, in August.

Col. John J. Klein of Spring, TX of 143rd died Sept. 1976, reported to Amil, Nov. 1977.

Harrison J. Fuller, Plymouth, MI served with Co. D, 142nd died Oct. 8, 1977 as reported to Amil.

William J. Hefner of Fort Worth, age 68 died Feb. 28 in a Grapevine Hospital. Willie, as he was always called, retired after 30 years with Texas Employment Comm., was organized of the 144th Infantry Assn., and served as Secretary for many years. He joined the 36th TNG in 1928, served until 1945. A great 36th booster, Hef will be missed by all his many friends.

Worthy B. Dodds of Longview passed away in 1975, in a belated report from his widow. Dodds served with Co. B, 144th.

L. K. Freeman of Clarksville, former member of 144th is deceased as reported to Wilkerson on Feb. 15th. No date given.

More Heard Froms

Here's some troopers who have been HERD FRUM, in a dispatch from LEONARD WILKERSON:

JAMES A. COOPER, 713 2nd St., League City, TX of A/T 144th Inf.

HENRY O. DERRYBERRY, 6159 Elsworth, Dallas, TX of Co. M, 144th Inf., and one more from same outfit: SPERRY S. COLE, 3438 Tangle Terrane, Dallas.

Other men of 144th include: BUCK GASSMAN, Fort Walton, Fla.; HARRY W. BLANTON of Fort Worth; VON R. BEANE of Kilgore, TX and THOMAS MIZE of Houston. All the above sent in their dues, and ROSY ROSALES of San Antonio chapter sent in extra dues for a 'buddy' for Amil to pick.

Delbert C. Cavanar, age 87 served with MG Co., 141st in WWI, lived in Purcell, OK, no date given.

Wallace D. Boyd of 1st Bn., 141st, died Oct. 9, 1977, resided at Fairfax, VA.

S. E. Harrell of Kilgore, TX was killed in an auto accident in 1976 according to a report from his widow in a letter to Wilkerson. He served with 144th.

Chaffee A. Scarborough, age 74 died Oct. 31, 1977, was medical director for the City of Miami, Fla., according to clippings received from Alex Mintzer of Hollywood, Fla. Alex says: "Dr. Scarborough and I served together as medical officer in the 1st Bn. 142nd Inf."

Connie Baker of Grand Prairie, TX of Co. C, 144th died in 1977 as reported by his brother, Allen.

Sam A. Westlake of Irving TX, also served with Co. C, 144th, no date was given.

Homer A. Klayer of Cincinnati, served with Co. F, 143rd, died Oct. 11, 1977.

Charles R. Hayes of Pueblo, CO., served with Btry E, 132nd FA in WWI. No date given.

John B. Dixon of Dallas served with Co. G, 144th, died Feb. 1977 according to his widow, who reported this and sent a check for \$5 for "someone who is not able to pay." Leonard Wilkerson sent in this report.

H. H. Blackie Ennis of Breckenridge, TX died in San Antonio Oct. 22nd, and L. W. 'Maw' Hart also of Breckenridge died Nov. 16, 1977 ... both men served with Co. L, 142nd and both received the Purple Heart, reported by Bob Mehaffey, same city, who is V/P of 142nd.

Earl Little of Mesquite, TX died Jan. 1977, served with 133rd FA BN., reported by Amil.

Clyde H. Echols of Columbus, OH served with Co. I, 143rd passed away Sept. 24, 1977, reported by Amil.

Robert Geisler of Fort Worth, served with Hqs. 144th Inf., died Oct. 1977 according to his widow in a letter to Wilkerson.

Rupert L. Henry of Co. C, 144th (no location given) died March 15, 1977 according to a letter from his daughter, Rachel Henry Harper.

John S. Haley of Fort Worth of Hqs. 144th. Letter to him returned 'deceased' was sent by Wilkerson.

Leslie Slayer of Brownwood, TX died Oct. 27, 1977 according to a report from Paul Wells (36th Signal).

Theodore Peacock of Baltimore, MD died Oct. 1977, served with 736th Ordnance.

George T. Putera of Edwardsville, PA, of Co. K, 141st died in 1972. A delayed report to Amil.

Charles Ruggiero of Brooklyn NY died June 1977, but no unit was given.

Otto H. Behrens of LaGrange TX served with Co. F, 142nd died Feb. 9, 1976.

Eanock R. Cureton of the 144th died Oct. 30, 1977 (no address given).

J. F. Hamilton of Cedar Hill, TX died July 1977 according to a report from his widow, Leona. Hamilton served with Svc. Co., 144th.

Julian Quarles Gets Response From Escape Story in Nov. Issue

Dear Bill:

Many thanks for the return of the photos, and the article in Nov. issue was great. I have heard from several T-Patchers as a result.

One from Leonard Spence of Mesquite, TX, who called long distance. He was on the same prison train with me, in the same car.

Another was from Luke Bates, Hobart, Ind., of Co. H, 143rd and was in a hole next to me at the Rapido River. It's great to hear from your old 36th buddies. Keep up the good work.

Julian Quarles (Exec. V/P)

Quarles & Mills, Attorneys

Suite B, Sunrise Bldg.

6161 Sunset Drive

South Miami, Fla. 33143

Mitch Tucker, Sr. Has Long and Colorful Military Career



R. M. Mitch Tucker, Sr., of 1606 N. Woods St., Sherman, TX 75090 sends in the vintage photo taken in 1918. In 1912 he joined the State Militia, Co. C, 4th Texas Infantry, was later part of the 36th, and was a 2nd Lt. in the 143rd at Camp Bowie. On arrival in France, Tucker was assigned to Co. H, 144th Inf.

Mitch Tucker, now a young 86, received a busted ear drum when a 85 mm shell exploded over him at 4 AM during the WWI skirmish.

He has been active — the Sherman Rotary, American Legion — for fifty years; served on the city council, county Red Cross and active in all city affairs. We regret space does not permit publication of a "Review" on him by the citizens of Grayson County. Our thanks to Sr. Tucker for sending in this interesting material.

Start Packin' — Santone Reunion Only 180 Days Away



FLOYD ALVERSON, 1016 E. Elm, Hillsboro, TX 76645 of 3rd Bn. 143rd was ropped in by **Dick Griffis**, Box 328, Italy, TX 76651.

JAMES H. BARRATT, Star Rt. 2, Box 113, Hillsboro, New Mex. 88042 served with Hqs. 2nd Bn., 142nd (we didn't know there was a Hillsboro, N.M.)

GILBERT ALLEE, 1300 6th, McCown Apts. 1009, Sarasoto, Fla. 33577 walked with 1st Bn. Hqs., 142nd.

PAUL N. BERNHARDT, 3437 Camellia Cts., Chevoit, Cincinnati, OH 45238 of 155th F.A. Bn., sent in by Glen Beckett who paid the dues.

DONALD C. GILPIN, 1538 N. Druid Hills, Atlanta, GA 30319 of Btry B, 132nd FA.

CHESTER SHARP, 284 Bridge, Morley, MI 49336 of Btry A, 155th FA.

Col. THOMAS C. WILLIAMS, Jr., 8321 Windway Dr., San Antonio, TX 78239 of the 144th Inf., signed up by **Marvin Steitle**, VP of 141st Inf.

HERSHEL KELLY, 2507 Greenlawn Pkwy., Austin, TX 78757 of 3rd Bn. 142nd Inf.

STUART WHITLOW, Rt. 1, Box 165, Red Oak, VA 23964 who pulled lanyards for Btry C, 132nd, made it all the way. Welcome to the club. Stu.

LONNIE L. WOOTEN, Jr., P.O. Box 626, Hillsboro, TX 76645 of Co. L, 143rd is in. Hey, Lon, do you recall a guy called 'Speck Head'? He remembers you.

ROBERT E. KELLER, 8202 Matthew Ct., Upper Marlboro, MD 20870 of A/T 143rd pay dues, and for a buddy — **MAX EK**, (world's shortest last-name) who gets mail at Rt. 1, Box 121, Bloomfield, Ind. 47424.

JOHN D. WHALEN, 1588 Highland Pkwy., St. Paul, MN 55116 of Co. K 142nd joins up. Hey, John, look up buddy Quast and Plunkett down the street.

LOU PAVIA, 4223 Gunter Ave., Bronx, NY 10466 of Btry B, 131st FA is now in the fold.

ANTHONY DeLIZZA, 455 Maitland St., East Meadow, NY 11554 of Co. I, 143rd.

Rev. THOMAS BELL, 5708 2nd Place, Lubbock, TX 79416 served with 36th Signal Co., is now at Southland Baptist Church, Southland, TX. Welcome, Rev.

ROBERT W. PLUNKETT, 2238 Riverwood Pl., St. Paul, MN 55100 is in, and Amil says, "Bob, I remember totin' your radio up that muddy trail."

STEPHEN STEPHONAC, 113 Spruce Tree Lane, Syracuse, NY 13219 walked with Co. L, 142nd.

GEORGE WECHSLER, 7206 Westboro, San Antonio TX 78229 served with Co. B, 141st.

MURRAY WAGNER, 72 Morris St., Yonkers, NY 10705 is another 141ster, who did time with 2nd Bn.

W. A. NINNIS, 522 N. Oak St., Hinsdale, IL 60521 joins up, did his time with A/T 143rd

RAY HODGE, 1406 Dubarry Lane, Houston, TX 77018 served with Co. G, 143rd.

WALTER BISCHOFF, 128 Valencia Dr., Fort Walton Beach, Fla. 32548 of Cannon Co., 142nd.



Francis Cervellera
Co. I, 143rd Infantry

Cervellera Sends In Life Membership . . .

Julian Philips, our past president is a real hard worker as for as scouting goes. He has combed the lists with fonekalls and letters — and the results speak for his efforts. Heres one

Francis A. Cervellera, formerly Co. I, 143rd, who now resides at Rt. 1, Box 295-HB, Oklawaha, Florida (that's in the Ocala National Forest), not only joins up, but also becomes a Life Member, thanks to his children who gave it to him for a Xmas present. How 'bout that.

Frank sends in a masterpiece of a 3 page letter, lots of photos, and names of drop-outs and losts. He is active in VFW, is Post Quartermaster of Ocala Forest Post 8267, had open-heart surgery and is on disability retirement, but stays busy with all kinds of community activities. Your humble editor regrets we do not have space to publish his letter in full text. Let's have a standing ovation for Cervellera, a great new contribution to our Association!



Bagnoli, Italy 1944: photo at left is Francis Cervellera with 'MARY' (everybody's sweetheart) and Antony DeLizza of East Meadow, LI, NY, who is his brother-in-law. Bagnoli is outside of Naples, and many may remember this building in the BG as a Pro-Station for 5th Army troopers. Photo at right: In front of the Royal Palace, Naples — at left is Cervellera, Joe Murillo of Chicago and Louis Carazzo of Turtle Creek, PA. Pixs from Frank Cervellera, and our thanks.



Here's Provost Marshall (Sheriff) Armin F. Puck at Camp Edwards, 1942. Pix sent in by Amil. Our great leader of 36th MP's lives in Santone, and he'll be there at the '78 Reunion.



Men of Co. G, 141st: from left — O. B. Jennings, Gordon B. Duck, R. A. Grossman and Wm. R. Wynn Robenlown. Photo from Gordon Duck, 11 N. 25th St., Battle Creek, MI 49015.