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San Antonio Reunion Broke All Attendance Records



San Antonio Reunion: At left is Mr. and Mrs. Julian M. Quarles, attorney of S. Miami, Fla., newly elected president of the 36th Association, with former president, Leonard Wilkerson and wife, of Dalas. Quarles served with 143rd Inf., Wilkerson did time with 144th Inf. of the 36th Division. Our organization is in good-hands for 1979, and the Houston Reunion. Start Packing!

Julian Quarles, Miami Attorney Elected President

The great and very successful 53rd Annual Reunion is now history. But it was a great one, as we had prognosticated it would be. The San Antonio Chapter is a vibrant group of dedicated T-Patchers who worked long and hard to make it a great success. The great thing about this reunion is the fact that we are growing each year.

The turn-out broke previous records for the past two decades. 740 happy troops and their wives were present at the Saturday night dinner dance (a new record). The unit C.P.'s did a landoffice business, the Early Bird Party was the biggest; the hospitality party at Lone Star Brewery was great, as all other functions. Visitation to the very many historical places in Santone were a bonus for the wives and family. But, now let's think about Labor Day weekend - 1979 - and Houston. If you missed Santone, plan now to be in the Bayou City, Aug. 30-Sept. 2, 1979.

NOW . . . a new up-dated 36th Membership Roster, just printed. Has 95 pages, contains 5000 names of T-Patcher, active, drop-outs and strays. You need one if you are a bird dog . . . see Page 8.

Ohio, Michigan & Illinois Tie For Largest Out of State Turnout

Following are the reunion statistics.

Members attending, by states:

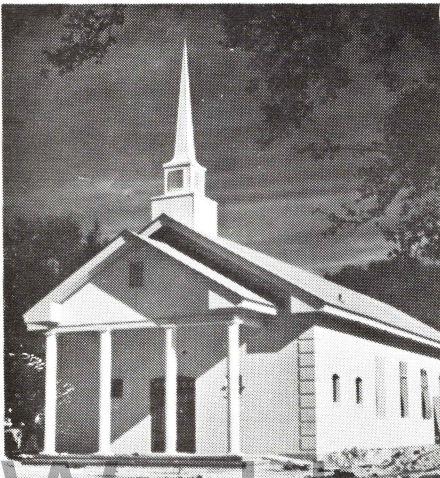
Alabama	6	Mississippi	3
Alaska	2	Missouri	7
Arizona	1	Montana	1
Arkansas	5	New Jersey	3
California	6	New Mexico	1
Colorado	2	New York	8
Connecticut	2	North Carolina	3
Florida	11	Ohio	16
Georgia	3	Oklahoma	6
Hawaii	1	Pennsylvania	11
Idaho	1	Rhode Island	1
Illinois	16	Tennessee	2
Indiana	3	Texas	328
Kansas	3	Virginia	7
Kentucky	2	West Virginia	1
Louisiana	5	Wisconsin	1
Massachusetts	4	Total	488
Michigan	16		

New WWII series coming up soon on CBS, featuring the 36th at St. Pietro. We've had calls and correspondence with Time/Life Television in New York who will feature a series, "G.I. Diary." When it will be released has not been announced. However, we have given names of T-Patchers which have been called for 'tape' interviews, to be used in the TV series. Anyone who was an 'eye-witness' report, please contact your editor (address on page 16).



Everybody's favorite, JOHN 'DUKE' WAYNE is shown here receiving V.F.W. Americanism Award at the 79th national convention of VFW in Dallas in July from LEO R. MALYSZKO. A former T-Patcher with Btry C, 131st, he is national Sgt. At Arms, and has been since 1961. Leo wears his "T-Patch" shoulder insignia on his dress uniform, and naturally rounds-up a bunch of strays and lost 36thers. Malyszko gets mail at: 117 Woodard Ave., Brockton, MA 02401, and says he's working on reviving the BOSTON chapter of the 36th. More on this in Feb. T-Patcher.

Texas Guard All-Faiths Chapel at Austin



T-Patchers Attend Dedication Ceremony

The Texas Guard All-Faiths Chapel was dedicated this past June, and several members of the 36th Division Association were present.

Various veteran groups have been asked for contributions in behalf of this very worthy project, located at Camp Mabry, Austin. This chapel is a place to memorialize the battle history of the Army of the Texas Revolution and commemorate the military contributions made to our state and nation by Texans who served with distinction in all wars in which we have been engaged.

Julian Philips and fellow T-Patchers have underwritten a minimum of \$1000 for this project, and mot of that amount has been raised. Those who would like to contribute . . . write to: Julian Philips, 11017 Pandora Drive, Houston, TX 77013 — or call (713) 673-7746.

Be in HOUSTON Labor Day Weekend



Hugh P. Helms served with 133rd Machine Gun Company in World War I, shows up at most all reunions and is a devoted and loyal T-Patcher. Billie Reid, his daughter is always along to see that he has a great time, which he does. Hugh lives at 411 S. Montclair, Dallas, TX 75208.

Personal Message From the President

To Members of the 36th Division Association:
The Preamble of the Constitution of this Association says:

"Humbly invoking the blessings of Almighty God, we, present and former members of the Thirty-Sixth (Texas) Infantry Division, associating ourselves together to perpetuate the comradeship engendered by our common service and to promote peace and good will, do establish this constitution."

As the first non-Texan to undertake the leadership of this Association, I took again to that Preamble and intend to fulfill your trust in me. Those of you who visited "The Alamo" just a few blocks from our reunion hotel in San Antonio, will recall that those who died in that place were primarily non-Texans and the stirring address by General Bishop at the annual meeting reminded us that the roots of the 36th Division began at that very site.

Some may wonder why former members of a military unit enjoy reunions and communicating with each other in a publication like "The T-Patcher" but we know that friendship brought about by association, forged by hardship and danger, upheld by discipline and linked by the memory of



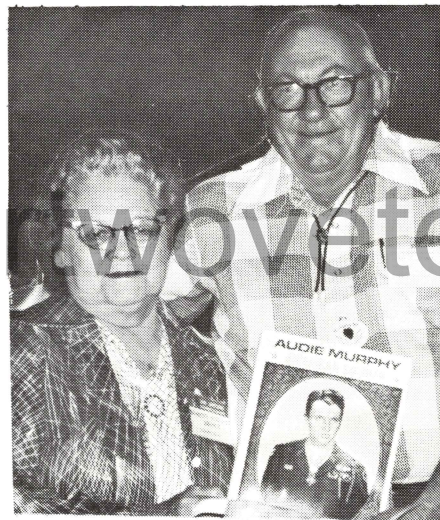
Julian Quarles

mutual friends who lie under a cross in a foreign land, is a friendship like no other friendship.

I send greetings to all of you and urge you to sign up members. Our small annual membership dues of \$5.00 does not keep us afloat in these days of inflation unless we have many members. Be ready to obtain some advertisements for next year's reunion booklet. For a starter, this year's booklet was a great success.

Julian M. Quarles
President

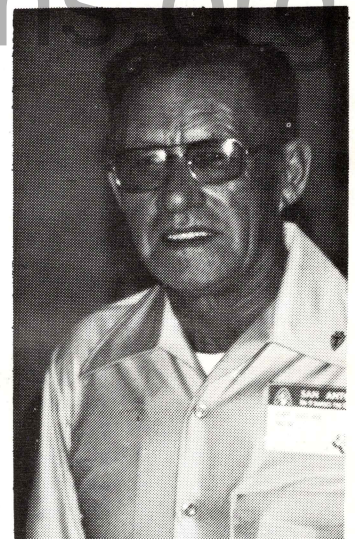
Reunion's Longest-Distance Award Goes To Frank Brewer of Fairbanks, Alaska, 36th Sig



Traditionally, each year an award is given to the T-Patcher who journeys the farthest distance to attend a reunion. Now, we have an all-time record — Alaska! Frank Brewer is shown here at left, receiving a copy of the AUDIE MURPHY Book being presented by Mrs. Corene Burns (Audie's sister), donated by the author, Col. Harold Simpson of Hillsboro.



Runner-up on the long-distance award was Elmer 'Buck' Ward of Anchorage, Alaska. In checking our Rand-McNally, we find that Fairbanks IS further north than Anchorage, so Brewer was the technical winner. Be that as it may, that's a helluva long bus ride (as the ole gag goes) . . . Buck Ward served with Co. F, 143rd, and was a first timer, and while visiting the 143rd CP he was well taken care of by Roxie Morgan and Ruby Cannon, who served as bartenders. Come on back to Houston, Buck, we need more guys like you.



Leonard Wilkerson REPORT



Leonard Wilkerson, past president and daddy of 1978 Reunion Souvenir Program, says we have a limited supply left of the 48 page program - for sale @ \$1.00, send your money to Wilkerson at his Dallas address listed on page 16.

Dear Fellow T-Patchers:

Another great reunion has come to a close. It was an honor to serve as your 1978 president. Thank you for giving me this privilege.

Again I want to thank the board membes, staff officers and the San Antonio committee for their cooperation and assistance this past year.

For the 1978 reunion we had many from out of state and many "first timers," I do hope you will return again and be with us in Houston 1979. This year we had our first reunion book. I want to thank all of our members and friends who bought space in the book and made it possible for us to have it. Especially, I want to thank my friend, Bill Jary, for the great job on the reunion book.

To our new president, Julian Quarles and his board, I will give my time and support another great reunion in Houston Labor Day weekend — 1979.

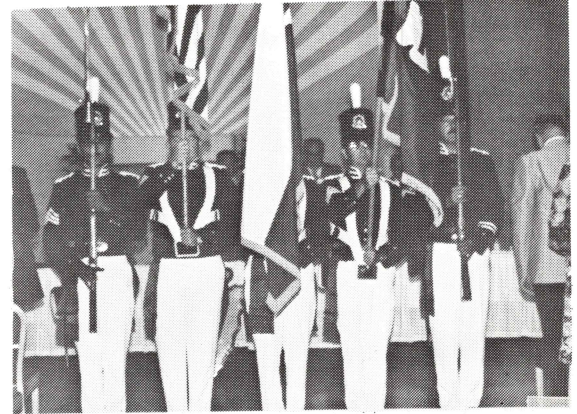
For 1979, I have been appointed two "new" jobs. One is Chairman for the 1979 reunion book to be published and presented to the members attending the 1979 reunion in Houston. (See story in this issue.)

My other job will be assistance Membership Chairman. I will be working with Amil on membership. One of my main jobs will be mailing of the T-Patcher, so if you don't get your copy, you'll know you didn't pay your dues on time. Speaking of membership, lets continue the 'FIND'EM — project. BINDE'M — INSTALL'EM . . . Last year we went from 2600 members to near 3000 members — So for 1979 lets get the 3500 members . . . Send me the dues for a buddy — It will make a good Christmas present for him.

Best regards to all of you.

San Antonio Reunion General Assembly

Our reunions are not all fun and games. There's the annual general assembly at 1:00 on Saturday, and at right is the traditional color guard, which opens the business meeting, announcement of new officers and all other business. It's the one big event of the year, that we all get together to make plans for the future.



Above left: Mr. Hartman, representing the City of San Antonio opens with a welcome address to the Patchers; Next is ole reliable Ken L. Nixon, 36th Assn. treasurer who gave a very good report; and then Amil Kohutek, or longtime membership chairman reports on the movement forward; and then the guest speaker for the assembly - Gen. Thomas Bishop, Adj. Gen. of Texas (former T-Patcher) and Association president back in 1953.



Newly elected president for 1979, Julian M. Quarles, addresses the assembly; at right is outgoing president Leonard Wilkerson giving a plaque to Adela Acosta, the president of Ladies Aux., for services rendered at the reunion, especially the Early Bird Party, which the ladies did such a great job - for all to enjoy.



Francis A. Cervellera shown here with Gen. Paul Adams, former CO of 143rd Inf., meet for first time in 33 years at VFW Awards Ceremony, June 22, 1978.

Frank Cervellera is Post Quartermaster of Ocala Forest VFW, is a former member of Co. I, 143rd and is a Life member of the association, sent in this message, "It was a proud moment for me when General Paul Adams addressed our 48th Convention of FVW, Dept. of Florida last June." Cervellera and the general visited for an hour at that reunion, talking of old times and past events. Most of you recall, Paul Adams was our guest speaker at the 1977 Dallas Reunion. Frank gets mail at: Rt. 1, Box 295-HB, Oklawaha, FL 32679. Thanks for this great story, Frank.

First Timers At Reunion Have Fun

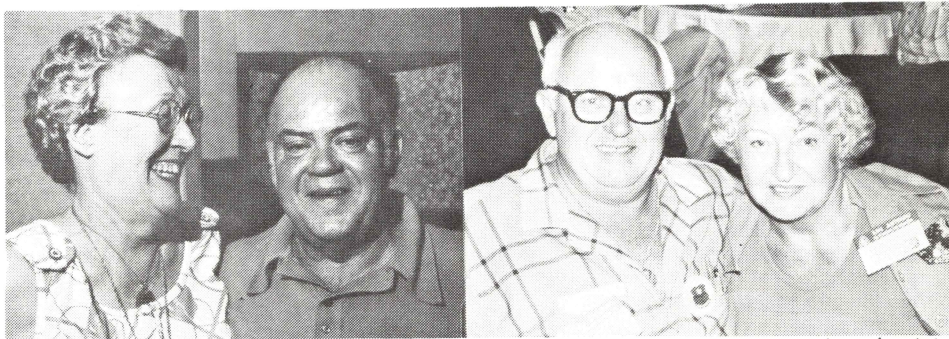
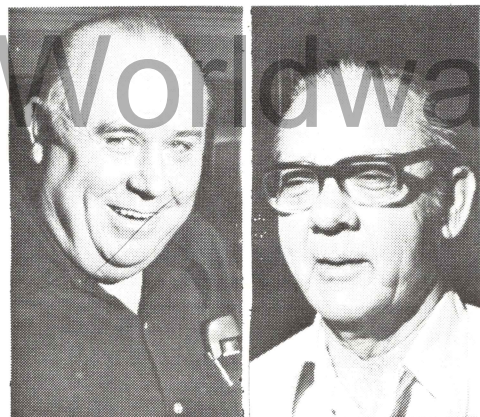


Photo at top left: Lucille & Shelby Krause, Co. B, 142nd, of 14200 E. 39th Terr., Independence, MO 64055; At right is: Robt. & Stella Carey (Co. F, 142nd) of 24 Branch Ave., N. Smithfield, R.I. 02895. Above left: Leo and Peggy Sykes (Hqs. 133rd), 19727 Chapel St., Detroit, MI 48219; and at right: Jim & Evelyn Chatley (111th Medics) of 7221 36th Ave., N., St. Petersburg, FL 33710,



Pix above: Bob & Jo Campaini, Co. D, 141st Infantry (add. not given) and foursome at right: Francis & Emily Chaney, 4005 Fort Worth Ave. (that's a good street) Alexandria, VA 22304 and Charles & Betty Henry, 15 Susan Lane, E. Brunswick, N.J. 08816, both troopers of Svc. Btry, 132nd FA Bn.



MORE first-timers - at left is L. T. Bell, 2704 29th St., Lubbock, TX 79410 of Co. E, 142nd, and Pete Cadena of Co. D, 142nd (no address given). All the above 1st timers were 'shot' by Gene Hetmanski, who asked me not to mention it, but I HAVE to, cause, how else would we have 'em. More reunion pixs in Feb. issue.

Quite A Few T-Patchers Still Do Not Know We Are In Business . . .

Dear Amil:

"I did not know that the 36th had an association until I talked with Al Hassell, and found out that he was a T-Patcher. Here's my \$5 for dues, and send me all the info. I served with Co. M, 142nd, and am originally from San Antonio."

Teofilo J. Sandoval, 11533 Fleetwood Ct., S.E., Olympia, Wash. 98503.

Co. G, 142nd

The 5th annual reunion of Co. G, 142nd will again be held at Snyder, TX on Sat. Nov. 18th at Towle Memorial Park Bldg.

Don Adams has again agreed to chair the general arrangements. Charles W. Stimson, Jr., 2807-B Edgemere Dr., Plainview, TX 79072 sent in this info, and our thanks.

WELCOME

New Members.....

ERNEST A. KIEWE, Box 975, 1990 Broadway, New York, N.Y. 10023 of Co. B, 141st is new, cause Amil got him.

OTHEL L. ROPER, 128 Miami St., San Antonio, TX 78218 of 36th Signal; EDWARD H. REED, 114 Coulter Dr., San Antonio, TX 78232 of Div. Arty., and COL. LEO H. MELTON, 438 Calumet, San Antonio, TX 78209 of 36th Signal . . . all 3 were corraled by RAYMON McCRAY of Fort Worth, who works 7 days a week for the Association.

JOHNNIE KUBIAK, 4110 Namora St., Houston, TX of Co. B, 143rd; ALFRED G. CASTRO, 511 Woodlawn Ave., San Antonio, TX 78212 of Co. A, 141st . . . and MYRON L. COOPER, 418 Beverly, Corpus Christi, TX 78411 of Co. H, 142nd were 'secured' into the fold by LEONARD WILKERSON, former president of the 36th Assn.

WAYNE BAKER, 310 Darby Dr., West Jefferson, OH 43162 of C. H., 142nd — do you remember Bennis Mraz who cut hair as long as it lasted?

DAVID C. JEFFREY, P.O. Box 706, Raymondville, TX 78580 of Co. M, 141st, served from Oct. '40 until May '43 . . . was corraled by DOUG PLACE of Harlingen, TX RICHARD S. SHONKWILE, 1803 S. Main, Sapulpa, OK 74066 of Btry. C, 131st F.A. Bn., is new and welcome. Hey, Dick, do you remember Sgt. Richie?

RAYMOND TURNER, 2602 Mierianne, Houston, TX 77093 walked with Co. C, 143rd Inf.

MARVIN W. LEMMON, 2101 S. 51st Terr., Temple, TX 76501 was part of Co. D, 143rd, that's Payne Rucker's outfit.

ROBERT CAMSIANI, 30256 Austin Dr., Warren, MI 48092 served with Co. D, 141st Inf. Bob showed up in Santone.

BILL HINKLE, 2200 Delvin Cir., Killeen, TX 76541 of Can Co., 141st Hey, Bill, can you find a cheap windshield for Norris Morgan's hunting Jeep?

GO FOR BROKE . . . 442nd Regmt'l Combat Team Wants To Meet Jointly with 36th in '80

Y. R. HIRAOKA, attorney at law, 3003 N. Blackstone Ave., Fresno, CA 93703 of 442nd Inf. Regimental Combat Team writes to Amil that he lead a group of 52 troops of his outfit for revisit to the Vosges Mountain area in Oct. 1977, particularly BRUYERES and the Biffontaine villages.

"It was there, that I formed the idea of getting together with the 36th, and especially those of the 1st Bn. 141st which were rescued by the 442nd," says Hiraoka.

His plan is for his outfit, to meet with the T-Patchers in 1980 for a joint reunion. The 442nd will meet in Hawaii in '79, so Dallas in 1980 should be it.

This of course is Board action, and a report will follow after the November meeting in Houston. MORE LATER.

Reunion Business Meeting Includes Awards

San Antonio Reunion

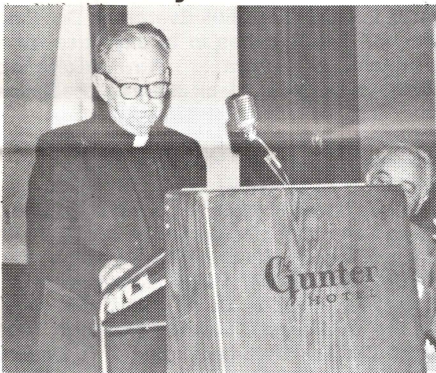
The 1978 officers get their awards for services rendered during the past year. Here's Amil Kohutek passing out plaques to the men who guided the association during their term of 1977-78, and rightfully so, at the general assembly.



These Folks Worked Long and Hard . . .

Convention chairman (from left) Marvin Steitle and wife, Posey, with Mac and Adela Acosta, and Ed Witt (Co. H 142nd) all of San Antonio are the local troopers who worked hard to make the S/A Reunion a great success. Out thanks to them all for a great reunion 1978.

Sunday Memorial Service



Sunday, Sept. 3rd: Father Bernard J. Fenton, 1 Hope Ave., Pocasset, MA 02559 of 141st shown here at the memorial services; photo at right is Leonard Wilkerson, Sam F. Kibbey and Julian Quarles. Kibbey gave his great K.I.A. poem which he did at the Mid West Chapter Reunion.



Mrs. Clara Kerr, widow of the late Gen. Clayton P. Kerr (former chief of staff of the 36th in WWII is surrounded by Earl Higgenbotham (143rd) and Bert Carlson (144th), both are former presidents of the 36th Division Association.



Amil Kohutek who generally awards the awards, is shown here getting one for his own efforts as a long and devoted membership chairman from Julian Quarles, '79 president of the association.



WORTHAM BUNCH, RT. 2, Box 200, Waco, TX 76708 served with Co. K, 143rd was rounded up by **Edwin N. Will of Waco.**

WILLIAM H. SPEARS, Rt. 5, Box 252, Nolanville, TX 76559 of Co. F, 141st Inf. came in cause Amil grabbed him.

GEORGE H. BRETZ, 1013 8th St. N E, Masillon, OH 44646 walked with 141st Medics; **GEORGE L. BAILEY, Fairlane Dr., RD 1, Fairview, PA 16415** of C/141st . . . and **RUSSELL BOSTIC, 25 S. Harter, Maytown, PA 17550** of Co. K, 141st had their dues paid for by **WALTER SHEETZ, and that's good.**

WOODROW WILSON GARFIELD, 1011 Kelsey Ave., Toledo, OH 43605 served with Co. E, 143rd and Amil got him.

THOMAS D. MEADOR, P.O. Box 253, Corsicana, TX 75110 of Btry D, 132nd is a new one cause **PAT J. OSBORN** of San Antonio got him in. Now, Meador writes for application blanks so he can do the same for the 'lost' Patachers.

JAMES McLEAN COOPER, 419 Beachwood Drive, Rocky Mount, N.C. 27801 did time with Co. H, 141st and was rounded up by **DONNIE E. CARROLL** of New Bern, N.C. That's good.

JOSEPH E. PASZKIEWICZ, 1523 Kennewick Road, Baltimore, MD 21218 walked with Co. L, 142nd. Amil got 'em.

T. J. STEMPUHOWSKI, Box 15, Chapel Hill, TX 77462 of Hqs. 133rd is in. Welcome T. J.

THURMAN NALL, 3428 E. Kellis, Ft. Worth, TX 76119 served with Co. K, 141st Inf. is now one of us.

JULIUS SCHNEIDER, 312 Rugby Road, Brooklyn, N.Y. 11226 of Btry B, 132rd is in. Hey, Jul, did U know John McKeel has been lockin' for U. Julian Philips of Houston scores this one.

ROBERT L. FREELAND, 608 Morningside Dr., San Antonio, TX 78209 did time with Co. M, 141st.

SEYMOUR HOROWITZ, 185 Hargreaves Ave., Teaneck, N.J. 07666 walked with Co. G, 143rd. Welcome, Sey!

JOHN M. BEAMS, 4001 Killarmet, Corpus Christi, TX 78413 former Co. G, 141st Patcher was 'found' by his brother, Robert Beams.

Spec. Trps. Win Unit Turnout with 119 In Attendance (First Time)

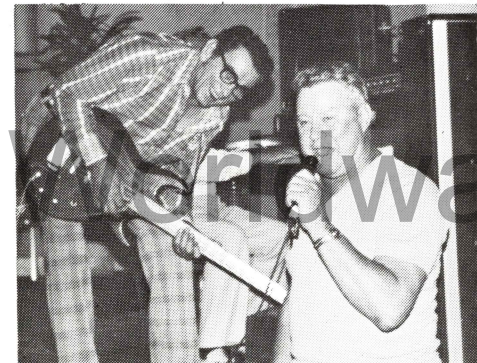
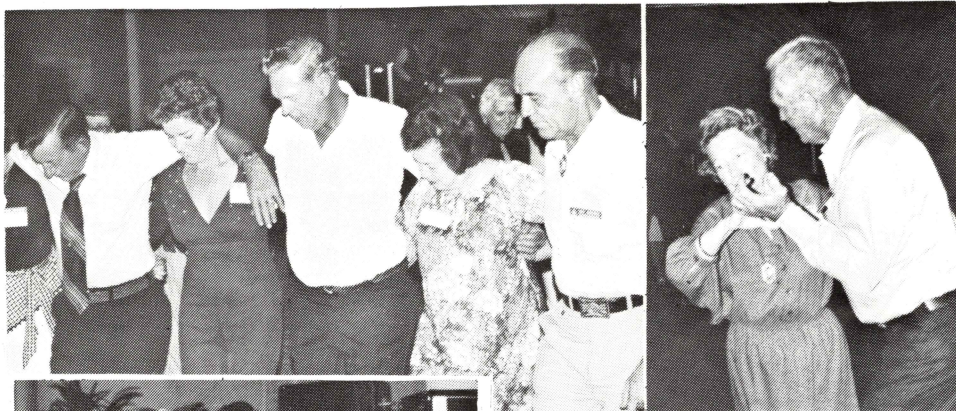
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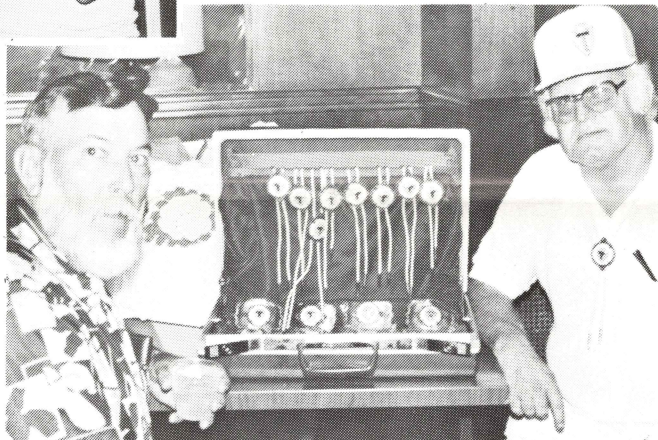
LIFE MEMBERSHIPS . . . this has been the one feature that has taken us out of the woods, and given us a foundation of security for years to come. In the past 3 years, it has provided funds (that are in CD's, drawing maximum interest) to assure us that the ole 36th Assn., won't go out of business. We had planned to publish an update roster of all these men, but — space did not permit, but you look for it in the Feb. Patcher.

T-Patch Cameramen Work Overtime



San Antonio Reunion 'Saturday Night Fever' . . . pix at top left is a bunch of Patchers 'doing the little foot', and that's Lance Mullins at far right; above right is Lee Allison dancin' with Clara Kerr (widow of the late Clayton P. Kerr, Dallas) who has never missed a reunion; at right — Joe McCombs (Co. H. 142nd) takes over to sing a few ballads at the Early Bird Party. Joe gets mail at - 160 Washington St., Plainsville, MA 02762.

T-Patch String Ties. They're big and beautiful, and sold like hotcakes at the S/A reunion. That's Burnie Hall (right) proudly showing his display, as Zeb Sunday joins in. Hall served with Co. B, 141st, is a member of S/A Chapter. You can order one of these jewels by mail — send \$5.50 (postpaid) to: Burnie R. Hall, 303 Duke Ave., San Antonio, TX 78228. You'll like it, I give you my word.



Payne Rucker, VIP 143rd Inf

As the newly elected representative of the 143rd Infantry Regiment for the coming Reunion to be held in Houston, Texas, on August 30, 31st and September 1, and 2nd, 1979, I would like to thank each of you that attended the Reunion this past Labor Day weekend in San Antonio, Texas.

It is always to me like attending a Family Reunion, for having lived and shared all the things together as we did during the war years made us closer and thus we feel more as real brothers.

A vacation to the South Seas or Europe could not compare to being at our Reunions each year and meeting with our Comrades and G.I. Buddies . . . A well attended C.P. Room being well stocked with food and drinks and plenty of entertainment will help entice all of you to save this time each year to attend the 36th Division Reunion. We certainly had an outstanding C.P. this year hosted by Norris Morgan and his lovely spouse Roxie.

Thanks again to all my comrades that had enough faith in my ability to represent you as your 143rd Vice President for 1979. Will be seeing each of you in Houston.

Payne V. Rucker

1979 Officers and Directors Meet at Astroworld Village, Houston

By the time you get this issue, the Board of Association, headed by Julian Quarles will have completed their first meeting to work on all the arrangements for the 1979 Houston Reunion.

At this meeting the actual hotel to house our 54th reunion will be selected, and detail thereof will be mostly wrapped up.

The February 1979 T-Patcher will give all the details, so hang in there until then, but you go ahead and start (savin' your money) and packin'.

Houston

Labor Day Weekend,

Heard from

J. F. SIMMONDS, D.D.S. RR1, Box 81A, Daleville, Ind. 47334 did time with 36th Signal, found a Patcher who was one of his patients and sends dues for: JOE FITZ, (141st) 16 Ringwood Way, Anderson, Ind. Thanks, Doc.

H. E. 'Press' PRESNALL, who hails from Olney, Texas, now and for some time a rep. with the Columbian Securities Corp., 2608 Inwood, Suite 208, Dallas, TX 75235 did his time with Special Services, Div. Hqs., makes most all reunions (was your editor's sole-mate on the Green-Project flight back home in Aug. 1945). A great T-Patcher.

PHILIP M. SMITH, 1417 Jackson Ave., Yazoo City, Miss. 39194 walked with Co. M, 143rd for 4 years, wants info about the reunion, etc. He got it. Hey, Phil, do you remember Alvin Amelunke of Waco?

HARRY KELLY, 359 Wardman Road, Kenmore, NY 14217 says he read about his first C.O., Capt. George Guthrie had passed away. "I served under alot of officers, but he was the finest," says Kelly. Also says he will retire next year, and will be in HOUSTON with bells on! Served with A/T Co., 141st Inf.

KARL B. PFIRRMAN, Unit 8, Bldg. 12, Trotwood Manor, New Stanton, PA 15672 sends in dues and his new address. Hopes to make the Houston Reunion. Karl served with Co. G, 141st Inf.

JACK L. HOOVER, 3505 Evergreen Dr., Palo Alto, CA 94303 writes in to pay dues for a lost Div. Arty-man . . . Amil picks up LINCOLN DOWELL. Jack attended the Dallas bash last year, but had to pass S/A, his daughter picked Labor Day weekend to get married. NOW try for Houston '79.

MAURICE RAYMOND, 2546 Riverside Dr., Alger, Mich. 48610 pays his dues and says he'd like to hear from ole buddies of Co. A, 111th Engineers. (Col. Stovall, please note).

JOHN O. MABERY, 10044 Ridgehaven Dr., Dallas, TX 75238 of Co. C, 143rd Inf., says, "In the last Patcher, I read a notice in Taps about Charles W. Holecek and J. R. Brown, both of Co. C, 143rd, but no details given. John says . . . Charles died of cancer in Houston; Brown lived in Hawkins, TX, died of a heart attack. Mabrey sends dues and best wishes to the troopers.

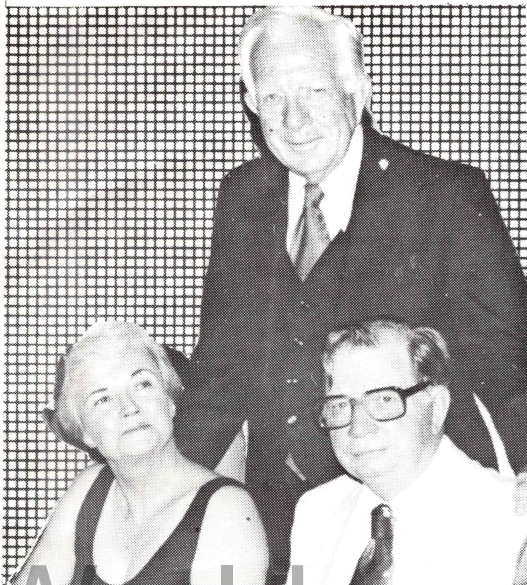
C. A. AUSTIN, 108 SE Tarrant, Ft. Worth, tx sends in his 5 bucks for dues, says he hopes to make the Houston Reunion. Austin was former Secty/Treas of the 144th Infantry.

ERNEST A. KIEWE, Box 975, 1990 Broadway, New York, NY 10023 writes in that he saw a notice in the DAV Magazine, and was sorry he could not attend the Santone Reunion. Maybe someday. Ernest joined Co. B, 141st during latter part of 1943 from Naples to Cassino, but frostbite knocked him out. Says he'd like to hear from any of the ole Co. B troopers.

O. G. GAINER, P.O. Box 380, Hemet, CA 92343 of WWI, Co. C, 143rd sends in clipping of their 60th wedding anniversary celebration in Sierra Dawnin August. The Gainer's have for years attended the 'Last Man's Club' who meet annually in Beaumont. Congratulations!

MONROE F. KOVAR, Rt 1, Box 61, Victoria TX 77901 did time with Stovall's Engineers, Co. A, says, "Had another crop failure, Grandpa visited me recently, as for supper had 6 acres of blackeyed peas."

Happiness Is Being At A 36th Reunion



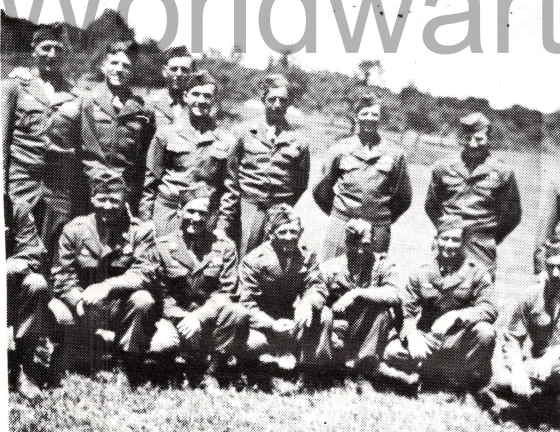
Col. Oran Stovall, THE 111th Engineer is shown here visiting Gwen and Red (Carthel N.) Morgan of Amarillo at the Saturday nite dance in San Antonio. Morgan is the new vice/pres. of 142nd Infantry .

C. N. 'Red' Morgan Is New V/P of 142nd

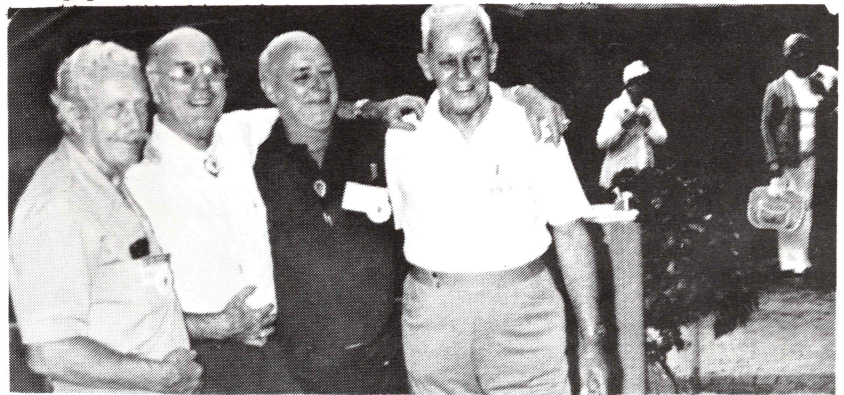
For those of you who may not be familiar with our new V/Pres. of the 142nd Infantry for 1979, we'll try to give a few fax. 'Red' Morgan served with 141st and 142nd, has a record that we wish we had space to include.

Col. Morgan didn't fool around after the Santone reunion. He has gone after new members (and that's the name of the game). In letters to Amil, he says, "I'm running into alot of men who got their start with the 36th before WWII, then went on to distinguished careers in other units. He sends in ck. for dues for: RICHARD C. CORBYN. Then he rounds up a couple of Patchers of Co. A, 142nd: William A. Bill Adams, 2506 S. Vernon St., Amarillo, TX 79103 — and Fain M. Cross, 1048 Pryor St., Amarillo, TX 79104.

Red Morgan says, "These two new members were unaware of the activities of the 36th, when Adams saw an item in the local paper, contacted me, then in turn, Bill contacted Cross. Man, that's how it works."



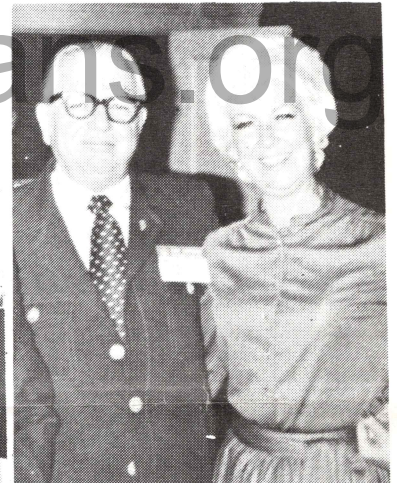
All dressed up and ready to go . . . here's a bunch of Co. K, 143rd T-Patchers sent in by James J. Golden of Albuquerque, N.M. Says he needs some help for identification. Can you help: Golden was in Santone at the big one. Thanks.



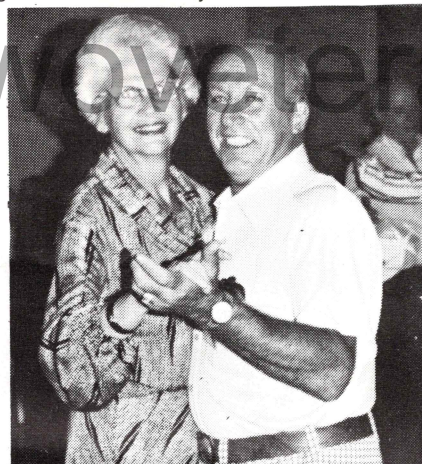
Friday Night at Lone Star Brewery: Here's a bunch of T-Patchers that tell it like it is. From left is Gene Jameson, Dallas (former Assn. pres.); Payner Rucker of 143rd, another Dallasite; Norris Morgan, and Bert Carlton (Dallas) and another former Assn. president. Pix was sent in by Roxie Morgan, who is a pretty good photographer.



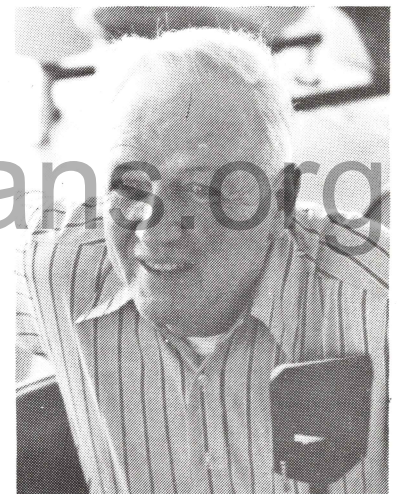
Above: First-Timers, here's Etoile and Frank S. Watson, Btry A, 133rd FA Bn, of 7124 Kiowa N.E., Albuquerque, NM 87110; pix above is Stasia and Arthur Schaffrick, Medics 143, of 32 Carolton Road, Middleton, Conn. 06457, and a good time was had by all.



That charmin' Roxie Morgan (better half of Norris) is shown here with your editor, who, being a very shy person, didn't want his picture, but was ruled out, so - how lucky can an ole dog get?



Here's Liz and Tony Ciavarelle, of Co. D, 142nd, first-timers at Sat'dy Nite Dance. Tony lost both legs in Italy, but that didn't stop him from attending the reunion, dancin' up a storm. They get mail at: 28725 Bloomfield, Lathrup Village, MI 48076. We salute you, Tony!



Going home: Here's Martin Tully, 55 E. 144th St., Riverdale, IL 60627 of Co. C, 141st, photo taken at S/A airport as he was boarding aircraft home. This was made by Gene Hetmanski who never misses a trick, and is responsible for most of the Santone reunion pixs, which we are most thankful.

Mid West Chapter Draws 115 Patchers At Cleveland, Nagel Is New President

The Mid-West Chapter is a fast-growing outfit. It originally started as an Engineer outfit, but they let the bars down, and invited ALL T-Patchers in that geographical area to join. And join they did.

Their reunion was held June 23-25 at the Sheraton Inn, Rocky River, OH (that's outside Cleveland). They had 27 at the early-bird bash, and 115 T-Patchers at the Satdy Nite dinner dance. That's good. They have 64 dues paying members, including 12 new ones (and members from 15 states, including a large delegation from Texas).

On Sunday AM Memorial Service, Sam Kibbey gave his great poem . . . 'K.I.A.' which he also was invited to repeat at the San Antonio reunion. Bill Nagel, president, recorded this in S/A, plus Father Fenton, and says he'll have copies made of this for posterity.

Our thanks to Bob Steinke and Nagel for all their devotion to the great 36th Div. Assn., which we all cherish.

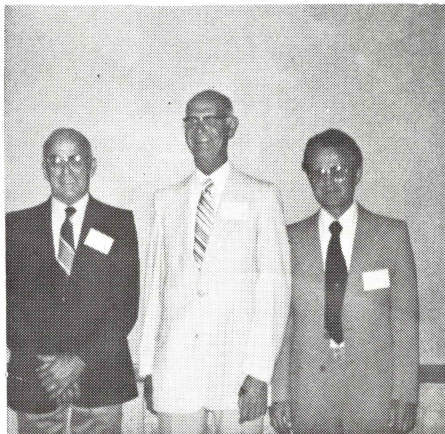
"CLARIFICATION"

At the past annual meeting there was a misunderstanding regarding the election procedures of the Association. The Constitution and By-Laws provide for 9 officers consisting of a President, Executive Vice-President, and 6 Vice-Presidents (one from each of the 4 Regiments, 1 from the Division Artillery and 1 from the Special Troops) and a Secretary-Treasurer. The Board of Directors consist of the 9 officers plus the immediate past President and one Director at Large, making a total of 11 directors. As you perhaps know, the nominating committee in the past has customarily nominated the 6 Vice-Presidents, where possible, from those persons selected in a caucus at the Cp's.

I have been told that for over 12 years the Executive Vice-President has automatically become the President and I was under the impression that our Constitution provided for this. The reason for this common practice in some organizations is to provide for continuity so that the incoming President would be prepared to take over the reins upon his assuming the office. Since the reunion, I have seen the Constitution of our Association for the first time and I have found that although it has been amended, at least twice, it appears that there is no written amendment in the possession of the Secretary that provides for the automatic ascension of the Executive Vice-President.

Therefore, I wish to apologize to Mac Acosta and to his nominee from the floor for my belief that Mac was out of order. I cannot undo what was done but I can assure all concerned hat I will see that the Constitution and By-Laws will be available at the next annual meeting.

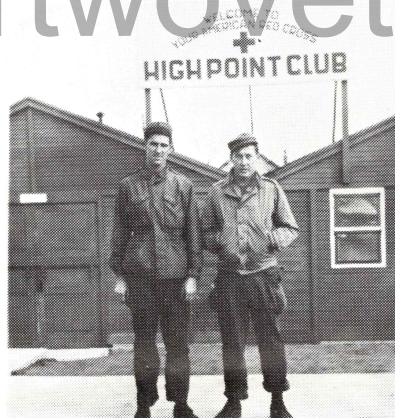
Leonard E. Wilkerson
Immediate Past President



1979 Officers of the Mid West Chapter. From left is: Don Scheid, Secty/Treas.; Henry King, Vice-President and William Nagel, President. Photo was taken at the Reunion in Cleveland, OH, and sent in by Bob Steinke, and he has our thanks. Scheid and King were 111th Engineers, Nagel did time with Hqs. 2nd Bn., 141st Inf. Regiment.



BOB CAREY, Ex. C.O. of Co. F, 142nd sends in this pix of his outfit who met for a reunion June 10-11 at Evansville, Ind. Hosted by Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Ridgeway it was a great turn-out for these troopers. That's Bob in the dark jacket in the center. Thanks, Bob.



Here's Johnny Seidenberger of Shiner, Texas and a 143rd buddy at High Point Club of Camp Philip Norris on their way back to the states. Naturally this is ARC operation, who did a great job for the troops.

Notices of Our Reunion In American Legion and DAV Magazines Render Great Help for 'Lost'

An announcement in American Legion, and especially DAV magazines have been a great help to the 36th in finding the 'lost' T-Patchers. Dozens have written in to say . . . "I saw your notice in DAV and I relly didn't know you were in business, send me info on your reunion."

ROBERT B. COURTWRIGHT, 757 Elm St., Coshocton, OH 43812 is one of those guys. Couple of years ago, Bob 'discovered' us, and now sends in dues for 3 years (paid thru 1981). He says, "I am one of the many Yankees who walked with the 36th, and have proudly worn the insignia 'on my arm' (tatoo) for over 30 years." That's devotion! Bob served with Co. G, 142nd.



Camp Blanding 1942 — here's Bob Parks, Earl Walker and Billy Miller of 111th Engineers at Green Cove Springs. Photo was sent in by Ethel Miller, the better half of Billy, whose address is 1234 Del Norte, Houston, TX 77018. Those were the days.

Hot Off The Press - Amil's New Up-date Roster of T-Patchers

Brand new and needed by all T-Patchers . . . the 1978-79 36th Roster, hot off the press and Amil's got 'em.

It's bigger, than the 1975 issue . . . total of 95 pages, listing 5000 names with address, zip and unit. It runs from Abbott to Zylstra, all compiled from the master card file of our membership chairman, ole Amazin' Amil. If you are a bird dog, looking for former buddies, you can't operate without one. Amil has spent months getting this ready. Get yours now . . . send your check for \$5.00 (postpaid) made out to:

AMIL KOHUTEK
1933 College Street
Abilene, TX 79602

These 5000 names include paid-up members and alot of drop-outs. Other than your \$5 dues this is the best five bucks you'll spend this year! (Amil financed this one on his own, so bravo!).

Heard from

DONALD SIMON, 427 E. 89th St., NY, NY 10028 of Co. F, 142nd drops \$25 for dues and 4 drop-outs. Amil picks up these troopers: CHESTER SHIELDS, 3807 S. Virginia St., Amarillo, TX 79109 of 111th Medics; ROBT. SHIELDS, RR, Ladonia, TX 75449 of Co. G, 142nd; SAMUEL ANDERSON, 1225 S. Maple, Ann Arbor, MI 48103 of Co. L, 142nd . . . and EARL ANTHONY, 106 Broadview Dr., Freeport, PA 16229 of Co. G, 142nd. Good shootin', Don!

ODAS E. MOFFITT, 2157 Clarksville, Paris, TX 75460 of Btry A, 132nd retired last month as superintendent of postal operations at the Paris P.O. after 29 years, so says an announcement by another T-Patcher, MARK L. HODGES who is the Paris Postmaster. Amil sent in the clipping, and thanks, and happy retirement — Odas!

ROBERT J. MASSAGO, P.O. Box 614, Pulaski, TN 38478 is the only 'Life' member of Btry A, 132nd, so says Amil . . . and we recall Bob at the Houston Astroworld Reunion a few years back. A great T-Patcher. WESTERN UNION for Amil Kohutek, Gunter Hotel . . . quote: "Greetings to 36th Division, served as S-2 142nd and 144th 1938 and Louisiana with 144th June 1936," signed — GEORGE and HENRY HAAS, 803 Irene St., Chester, PA.

Postmaster HENRY WEIDAW of Skytop, PA 18357 sends this to all men of Co. F, 141st . . . "Wish I could be with you in Santone, hope some day to make one. I think of so many of you guys often. I have a plaque on the 36th displayed in my office. My best . . ."

Henry, Co. clerk, Co. F, 141st. JAMES LUTHER SMITH, 505 W. Bowie St., Marshall, TX 75670 sends in dues, says he served 4 years with Co. E, 143rd as cooks helper. JAMES JACK BOATRIGHT, 2019½ Firnat, Houston, TX 77093 of 36th MP's has made all the reunions (quite a record), but suffered a heart attack in August and had to pass the Santone Reunion, doctor's orders. Our best to you, Boatright.

HAROLD J. CASEY, 5 Crescent St., Ilion, N.Y. 13357 writes in that he was a member of the Assn., shortly after the war, but lost track . . . recently discovered we were still going strong, and asks for info. He got it. Casey served with Co. A, 143rd from Rapido until Wars End.

L. W. GROCE sends in dues and an extra \$5 for a buddy . . . says he is sorry he cannot be in Santone. Drove a Night Hawk Truck and did mess for Co. K, 141st . . . has new address: 12727 Middlesbrough, Houston, TX 77066.

S/A Chapter Now Has Seven Life Members

The very active San Antonio Chapter now has 7 Life Members, and that's a good record: They are — Charles Beacham, Mac Acosta, Fred Moya, Marvin Steitle, Rev. Bernard J. Fenton, Henry Gomez and John 'A-Rab' Powers. That's a pretty good turn-out at \$100 each. ● Believe in something..

Words of Wisdom for the troops. This is from T-Bone, the current issue: Quote — from Charlie Beacham (the Lemon Kid) . . . "Every man should believe in something, and I believe I'll have another drink."



Co. B, 142nd Eastern Group Met In Cleveland August 4-5th

Forty T-Patchers of Co. B, 142nd Eastern gathered in Cleveland for their 9th annual reunion, hosted this time by Emil and Marie Hardulak, of Broadview Heights. Former CO, retired Maj. Gen. George Lynch received an appreciate certificate from all the men.

New president is: Joseph Stachnik, 8019 Fernhill Ave., Parma, OH 44129, who says the 1979 reunion will be hosted by Gilbert Klaene, 2358 Brice Ave., Fort Mitchell, KY 41017. This information sent in by Barbara Davidson (secty) 22 Queen Ann St., Friendship, N.Y. 14739, and she has our thanks.

We're looking for news items and photographs. Send it in, and we'll see you get your pictures back. Write: T-Patcher, P.O. Box 1816, Fort Worth, Texas 76101.

OUT OF THE MAILBAG

SHELBY E KROUSE, 14200 E. 39th St., Independence, MO 64055 :Life Member; says, "I found a long-lost stray. Here's his dues: Paul D. Ryan, 4433 Gladstone Blvd., Kansas City, MO 64123 of 144th Inf." A former trooper with Co. B, 142nd, Shelby added that he had a ball in Santone. Thanks, ole pal.

RAY F. HEMPLE has a new address: 107 Snead Dr., Six Lakes, Littleton Rd., N. Ft. Myers, FL 33903.

TONY R. RAMANO, 2018 E. Lincoln, Royal Oak, MI 48067 of Hqs. 132nd wants to hear from any of the buddies of his outfit. Hey, Tony, you can call Gen. John N. Pete Green (at 915-677-3163), and he may still call you 'son'. CHANEY BROOKS, Co. G, 144th reports he has been in Baylor Hospital, Dallas, but sent dues, and says he'll try to make HOUSTON '79.

SYD GAINES, WWI 144th trooper, P.O. Box 5148, Wichita Falls TX 76307 sends in dues, says he spent 6 months in the hospital, but is better now . . . also included \$5 for a buddy.

LEONARD WILKERSON sends in roster of men of 144th who are card-carrying 36th Div. Assn. members, a total of 58 as of Oct. 1978 and there's more coming, says L/W.

Letter From Dewy Mann

News from Co. B, 142nd Eastern Division. **DEWEY W. MANN, 2105 21st St., Nitro, W. VA 25143 is one of the prime movers of the very active Co. B. Dewey attends the reunions of the Western Unit in Coleman, says . . .** the Co. B reunions were initially started by **DEMPSEY ALBRITTON**, who indeed was a fine combat soldier and a credit to any man's army. He is now quite ill with a serious heart condition." Dewey along with the Vic Davidsons of Friendship, NY, stopped by and visited your poor ole editor, after the Coleman get together last year, and it was an extreme pleasure to visit with such great T-Patchers. Thanks, Dewey!

SAD NEWS AS WE GO TO PRESS . . .

The above was set and in place, when we received word from Barbara Davidson of Dempsey Albritton's death in late October. (see Taps).

T-PATCHER HERD FRUMS

R. E. Dill, 17202 Sunshine Dr., Rt. 15, Houston, TX 77049 of Co. D, 144th wrote to Leonard Wilkerson, "I got into Co. D at Timpon 1939, moved around alot and in 1944 wound up in the 45th, and that's pretty close to the 36th, since we all went into S/France together." Dill continued, "Sorry I missed Santone, but I'll sure as the devil see you in Houston."

NEW MEMBERS

JAMES E. FLANNERY, 1808 River Rd., Elizabeth City, N.C. 27909 of Co. D, 141st made the Santone bash.

JACK CUNNINGHAM, 6142 Whitby Rd., San Antonio, TX 78240 of Hqs. 141st Inf., attended S/A reunion.

JOHN H. NOBLEA, Otey, TX 77582 of Co. D 143rd also made the Santone reunion. Welcome, John.

EDWARD M. HYDE, 540 Buhl Blvd., Sharon, PA 16146 of Co. D, 143rd joined the troops at Santone.

WILLIAM F. RAPOLE, Rd. #1, Box 4, Lafayette, N.J. 07848 of 141st was recruited by Hank Gomez on a personal visit.

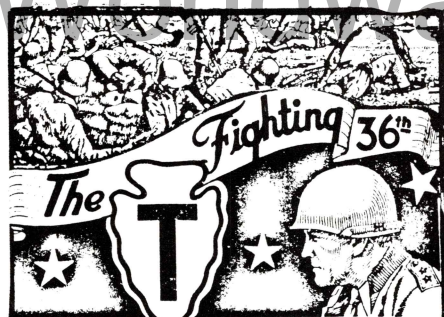
Del Kendall Recalls Those Days in France And Alsace in '44, '45

France and D-DAY with its beaches, RED, BLUE and GREEN — the sun dazzled Riviera and its rags and riches — cognac and coolaboraters — FFI and the gun toting Partisans — shavenheaded women and Channel no. 5 — route Napoleon and rout the Krauts — beaucoup and Beaufighters — roadblocks and one night stands — SP's and PS's — hurry and wait — task force Butler and Grenoble — the fog shrouded Vosges and its rain, mud and snow — dark forest trails and ACHTUNG MINEN ACHTUNG SPEERE — Alsace, the Rhineland and flat country at last — Ribeauville or Rapoltswailer — non comre or nix ferschte — mademoiselles or frauiliens — cuties or Krauts — francs or fennigs — neige or schnee — nix or oui — winter lines, supply lines and fone lines — SS and TS — give and take and artificial moonlite — trench foot and inner soles frozen like slate shingles — March and new men and materials — the big push was on and it was now or never — Tigers and TD's — white flags and Panzerfausts — convoys and POW's — the look of the vanquished and the Rhine.

Ike Sanders, of 111th Engineers Retires From ETMF After 33 Years

J. I. 'Ike' SANDERS, 3507 Burlingdell, Dallas, TX 75211 sent a copy of his Retirement Booklet from East Texas Motor Freight, to Amil (who also was with ETMF), upon discharge as a CWO with 111th Engineers, in Dec. 1945, retired June 30, 1978. That's 33 years of loyal service.

Sanders retired in style, was given a gold souvenir program of his career, where he rose to Ass't Vice-President & Secretary and served on the company's Retirement Trust Committee. Amil says, "Ike always made out my check, and it was already correct." How 'bout that, T-Patchers ... and best wishes to Ike Sanders!



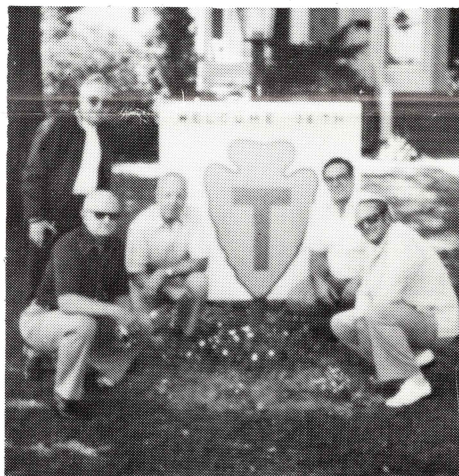
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Troopers of Co. H, 141st Gather At The Alamo



Since the history of the 141st was born in the days of the Alamo 1836, what's a more appropriate place to pose for a picture. From left is: Reubin R. Peterson, James H. 'Herb' Gallman, Walter A. Sheetz, Edward R. (Fish) Smith, 'Mut' Gallman and Fred J. Ross. Pix sent in by Bush Easley of Dallas, was furnished by Herb Gallman. Thanks, Easley for this historic photo.

Rocco Branck Puts Out T-Patch Poster; Has A Quick Mini-Reunion



Left to right: Harold Casey, 143rd of Iliion, NY; Joe Markovick, A 133rd of McDonald, PA; Jerry Kraft, A 133rd of Ithaca, NY; Bill Eberle, A 133rd of Schirtzsinger, Ohio and host Rocco Branck also of Btry A, 133rd. Not shown — Bob Urtz, Iliion, NY of 142nd and Harold Combs of 143rd, also Iliion, N.Y.

This will warm your heart. Rocco Branck, 381 West Main St., Iliion, NY 13357 sends in the above pic and a story like this: "Until a month ago, I had no idea that the 36th had a publication. My Btry A, 133rd buddies, Bill Eberle sent me a copy a membership on my behalf, and a whole new world opened.

On Labor Day weekend, we had a reunion at my home. I had painted and placed a large sign on my front lawn, and had 3 more T-Patchers knocking at my door, all living in my home town, unbeknown to me. (how bout that).

HOUSTON in '79



J. C. WILLIAMSON, 2806 Denison, Snyder, TX 79549 sends this message to Amil ... just returned from a Co. G, 142nd Reunion in Delaware, Ohio. Had a great time, and here's my check for \$5 for a 'new' member

Leonard D. Grahn, 846 Middle Ridge Road, Lorain, Ohio 44053, a former member of the great Co. G, 142nd. As most of you know, Snyder, Texas is the home base for men of Co. G, 142nd. Our thanks to J.C.

ROLAND BLACK, Box 686, Canyon, TX 79015 sends in a list of lost Co. F, 142nd men for Amil to check to see if they belong to the Association ... W. W. STRAIN of Shallowater, TX; WILLIAM M. BLACK, of Canyon, TX; REEVES DONNELL, also Canyon; HAMILL WILSON of Pampa, TX and CHARLES BRAZILLE of Pampa. Then, Amil checks and says no, they are not. So, back to the drawing board Roland.

Dear Bill:

Just a short note to say how good it was to meet you at the San Antonio session of the 36th. I did not find anyone I knew from the old days but did find an old buddy listed in the master list. I have dropped him a line. Also met my battalion commander for the first time, David M. Frazier. The session was well run and I know from experience the many long hours that a lot of the T-Pachers put in.

Since Oklahoma is close, I hope to make more of the reunion's in the future. It was a great experience.

Charles Clayton Anderson,
One Sante Fe Plaza,
Oklahoma City, OK 73102

Heard from

HERMAN 'Rosie' ROSENTHAL, 6623 N. California Ave., Chicago, IL 60645 sent in \$10 for an ad in the 1978 Reunion Program, but he was too late. Had already gone to press. But thanks anyhow, Rosie, you can do it again for Houston '79.

J. JOHN TAYLOR, 7515 Bucks Lane, San Antonio, TX 78227 of Hqs. 3rd Army, AGD Div. served as group bombardier in the invasion of Italy with the 36th. He says, "The 36th will always be in my heart. Our 97th Bomb group was B-17 Flying Forts — Heavy Bombardment."

RAYMOND C. WILDER, 10818 S. Whipple St., Chicago, IL 60655 sends in dues, and asks for decals (he got 'em). Ray says, "It's an emblem to be proud of."

ERCIL D. MILLER, Lt. Col. Retd., 19 Elm Drive, Neptune, N.J. 07753 of 36th Signal sends best wishes to the troops, and his regrets for missing Santone. Amil says he recalls the colonel's wife, who last year in Dallas, helped collect the green at the Early Bird Party.

MRS. ARVIAL (Mary) McMAN, Rt. 1, Box 112, Minden, LA 71055 sends dues for '79, and says, "tell all Co. G, 141st Patchers hello for me." Now, be in Houston next year, Mary.

JOHN E. CURTIS of WWI fame, lives in Whitewright, TX, has been a loyal Patcher for lo these many years. Sends regrets that he cannot attend Santone, pays dues for '79. John served with Co. A, 141st in 1918 (60 years ago).

JACK A. DABBS, 1011 Edgewood, Bryan, TX 77801 discovered us through a notice in Retired Officers Newsletter, writes to ole Amil for info. He got it. Dabbs was in the TNG 142nd from 1929-1933, and then 141st until 1941. Be in Houston in '79.

KENNETH M. AXELROD, an independent oil and gas operator at Box 5050, Borger, TX 79007 is a loyal Patcher. He put 'search' notices in Pampa, Dumas and Borger newspapers in August and received action from: FLOYD ADAMS, 141st Svc Co., 710 N. Somerville, Pampa, TX 79065 who works at Cabot Carbon Co.; and NEAL McBROOM, of 131st Svc. Co., Box 71, Skellytown, TX 79080. Ken knows how to do it. You can too. Thanks!

JOE DINE, formerly with Corporation of Public Broadcasting in Washington, DC, announces a new address: P.O. Box 1956, Vineyard Haven, Mass. 02568 . . . sends his best to men of Co. F, 143rd Infantry.

DAVID E. GEORGE, RR1, Box 311, Blanco, TX 78606 sends in dues for his brother MERLE GEORGE (that's what brothers are for).

Vann and Fell Working On 36th Recon Chapter

FLASH, another Special Troop unit has decided to organize! Flash, just in from PHILIP VANN, 315 Freeman Drive, San Antonio, TX 78228 say he's looking for Recon men. Phil will handle all the mail, so write to him address shown above, or call — (512) 434-4583.

This is a join movement with former C.O., George Fell of El Paso.

Little Johnny Camera



Here's a rare photo taken March 1944 of little Johnny Camera, taking some boxing lessons from Sal Jordan and Dan Riccardi (both of Brooklyn). They called him then, "the Altavilla Kid." These troops are Co. M, 141st Patchers, and as you know, the late Curly Thompson later adopted this young boy, who became the most famous Stowaway in World War II. Pic sent in by Tony Meo, 333 Oak St., Patchogue, N.Y. 11772.

Tony says hello to buddies John Lohr, Doug Place, Eribeelo Ponce and Elroy Boysen. Thanks, Tony.

New Members

WILLIE O. MARTIN, P.O. Box 4081, Waco, TX 76705 of Co. K, 143rd is in . . . welcome, Willie. **Paul W. Jastrow, 263 Emporia, San Antonio, TX 78209 of Hqs. 143rd . . . showed up at the Gunter.**

POLE CADENA, Jr., 215 Tuna, San Antonio, TX 78214 of Co. D, 142nd made his first reunion 1978. Pole told us he remembers Ralph Brown and Milburn Derryberry.

CHARLES MACHA, Jr., 1529 Dallas, Port Neches, TX 77651 served with Co. C, 143rd. Welcome Chaz.

ROBERT M. ROZYCKI, 17381 Juliana, E. Detroit, MI 48021 served with 155th FA Bn., was in Santone.

DOMENIC LATESSA, 2615 Tampa, Walled Lake, MI 48088 of Co. D, 141st is in.

L. W. HUBBARD, 101 Julie Dr., Crowley, TX 76036 (that's just a short beer from Fort Worth), walked with Co. B, 142nd.

JOSEPH A. LEMMA, 1302 Maxwell, Royal Oak, MI 48067 of A/T Co., 141st Inf. had dues paid by a buddy at the S/A reunion.

ROBERT A. ROCCHIO, 266 Court Pky., Buffalo, N.Y. 14233 of Div. Hqs., Special Services (and He's the guy we've been looking for a long time). Dues were paid by a buddy at the S/A Reunion, so reports Amil.

PETE VERA, 608 Arizona, El Paso, TX 79902 and Btry A, 133rd was at the S/A Reunion.

JAMES T. CONNOLLY, 218 Greenwich Dr., San Antonio, TX 78209 of Btry A, 132nd FA Bn., welcome Jim.

PERRIE V. JONES, Rt. 1, Box C 10A, Belton, TX 76513 walked with Co. D 143rd Inf., showed up at the Santone bash.

Jack Scott, 111th Engrs. Elected Executive V/Pres.

Dear Fellow 36th Division Association Members:

I have just experienced that sinking lonely feeling that I'm sure every man who has been elected as president or executive vice-president of the Association must feel. One wonders if he can do the job in such a way that the Association will grow and have benefitted from his effort. This year as Exec. and next year I intend to do all I possibly can to encourage membership and help to develop this association into the best World War II division association in America.

Every year you are encouraged to seek out old friends and encourage them to become members and to attend the reunion. We all know that one of the most gratifying experiences you will ever have is to suddenly see a former comrade whom you have not seen since 1945. Lets all make an effort to get just one person to Houston who has never been to a reunion. If we do this, our ranks will swell considerably.

I want to thank the members of the association who showed their confidence in me and I will do my best to perform to your expectations.

In Comradeship

Jack L. Scott

Executive Vice-President

1821½ Classen Blvd.

Oklahoma City, OK 73106

Kendall Is Looking For Whereabouts of Former Red Cross Donut Girls

DEL W. KENDALL, 1665 Jefferson St., Muskegon, MI 49441 says he liked the story about 'Candy' in a recent issue of the Patcher, and thinks we ought to try and 'find' all these great gals of the American Red Cross who served us old tired troopers the donuts and hot coffee during our trying days in the foxhole era of combat. We agree. If any of you guys have a line on the whereabouts of these angels of mercy . . . please let us hear from you. Contacts are being made with the ARC headquarters . . . and it's possible we can track 'em down. Do your part if you have any info.

Our (Photo) Cup Runneth Over For This Issue . . .

Dear Troops: Please be reminded that the Nov. issue is traditionally a BIG one, due to the dozens of reunion photos, etc. Therefore, the WWII pixs many of you have sent in (which was great) will have to be carried over for the next issue . . . Feb. 1978, so hang in there, we try hard, but there is just so much space in our 16 pager.

Heard from

AMOS E. TESSIER, 9154 Sophia Ave., Sepulveda, CA 91343 of Co. L, 142nd drops a \$20, for dues and Amil adds these . . . **GERRY INGALLS**, 6854 W. Argenta Tr., Iver Grove Hits, Minn. 55075 of Co. F, 142nd; **RUSSELL SPOTS**, P.O. Box 902, Belleview, FL 32620 of Co. E, 142nd . . . and **JAN H. STANBROUGH**, Oceanographics Institute, Woods Hole, MA 02543 of 131st FA BN. All new members. Thanks, Amos!

EUEL D. FULLER, formerly of Santone TX has a new address . . . 3905 Las Cienegas, Temple, TX 76501 . . . walked with Co. D, 143rd which Amil says is **PAYNE RUCKER'S** outfit.

WALTER L. and RUTH CONARTY, 3206 Hollybrook Lane, Pueblo, CO 81005 of 141st and 111th Engrs. sends \$20 for dues, and we pick up: **ROBERT M. BIDDLE**, 9604 McIntosh Dr., El Paso, TX 79925 of Co. H, 141st; **GEORGE L. BRATCHER**, 213 N. 2nd, Longview, TX 75601 of 36th Signal . . . and **E. M. BRASWELL**, 4015 Jaffee, Dallas, TX 75216 of 155th FA Bn. Thanks, Walt. We need more like you.

IWANA HARVEY, 3234 Ewing, Dallas, TX 75216, widow of James Harvey of 141st makes most of the reunions. She was in attendance at Santone, and it's good to have her with us, all these years. She's a real T-Patcher.

JAY D. BAXTER, 735 Shard Ct., Fremont, CA 94538 writes to Wilkerson that he cannot be in Santone, but maybe next time. Served with 1st Bn., 143rd Inf.

DAVID D. KAPLAN, MD, formerly of Las Vegas has left the crap tables and is now residing at: 2109 A, Sherman Ave., Evanston, IL 60201, served with 143rd Medics.

DAVID K. JOHNSTON, 2514 Beethoven Ave., Kalamazoo, MI 49002 of Co. A, 111th Engineers drops \$25, and like a good engineer had already paid until 1983, Amil adds the following to the roster: **LARRY FORD**, 12025 N. Lane Cir., Houston, TX 77038 of Co. B, 111th Engrs; **ALBERT FORBRAR**, 1102 S. U.S. 31, Shelby, MI 49555 of Co. C, 111th Engrs., and **WILLIAM O. FLYNN**, 6533 Windrock Dr., Ft. Worth, TX 76148 also 111th Engrs., plus . . . **HENRY G. DORMAN**, 401 NW 7th St., Lawton, OK 73501 of Btry C, 133rd, and **RICHARD E. DORN**, 1985 Garfias Dr., Pasadena, CA 91104 of 143rd Inf. Thanks, Dave.

FRANK R. VONDRA, IBEW, 1125 15th St., NW, Washington, DC, 20005 (who is known to his buddies as — the big bad belligerent Bohunk from Omaha) Ha Ha, drops \$25 for dues and two buddies of the 36th Recon . . . **LESTER H. TERRY**, 3601 Hill Ave., Lot 94, Toledo, OH 43607 — and **JACK CONNELL**, 127 Oakland St., Audubon, N.J. 08106 . . . and says Frank, the other \$10 for postage or what have you.

CLAYTON ANDERSON, 2608 Northwest 110, Okla. City, OK 73120 is a wheel with the Oklahoma City Chamber of Commerce, writes for info and we send back issues of the T-Patcher. He served with Co. K, 143rd, and welcome to the clan, Clay!

JACK B. SHUMATE, 7623 E. Albany, Mesa, AZ (Phoenix) 85207 walked with Co. M, 143rd and later with 63rd Div., is a new Life Member, so reports Amil . . . and thanks, Jack.

ROBERT REVIS, Rt. 3, Vandalia, IL 62471 sends in dues, and says he looks forward to each issue of the Patch. Kind words are appreciated.

Friday Night Party At The Brewery



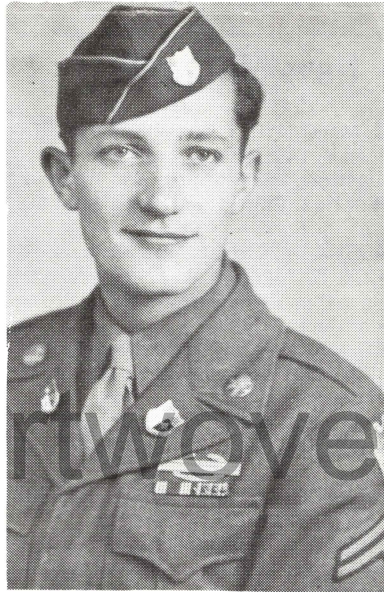
This pastoral scene above is the gathering of the troops at the Lone Star Brewery at the San Antonio Reunion, and a great time it was for all. Over 600 troops and wives were in attendance.

Photo at right is Hank Gomez presenting a hat and certificate to Father Fenton, making him an Honorary Mexican. This is a rare honor, as less than a dozen have been awarded to-36thers.

Bear in mind, that the very active San Antonio Chapter is responsible for all the many 'extras' that they plan and produce to make our reunions a memorable event. They have our thanks.



THEN AND NOW



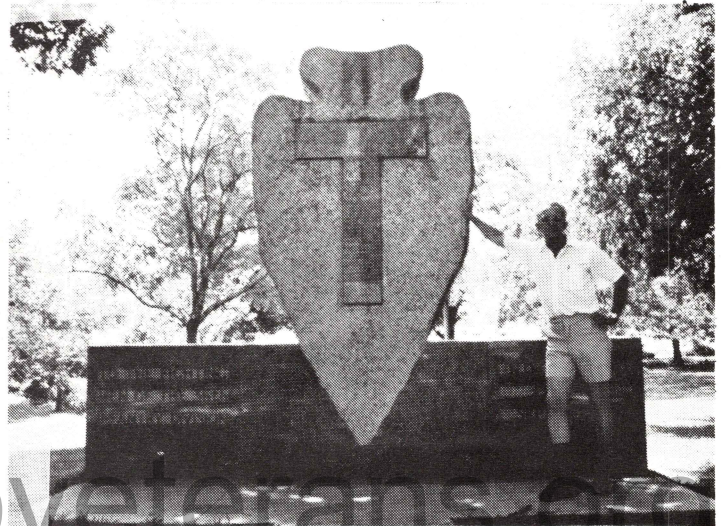
At left is a 1944 photo of William F. Rapole, RD #1, Box 4, Lafayette, N.J. 07848, and the photo above is ole Hank Gomez, who travels the USA in search of Lost Patchers and here's Bill and his wife with a crisp \$5 for dues. Gomez does this every year, travels 3000 miles looking for strays, etc. Welcome to the clan, Bill Rapole, and thanks to Hanko for his efforts.

How Sweet It Is . . . At The S/A Reunion

The Santone reunion has produced more photos than we have ever received at any previous gathering. We all know this is ole Zeb Sunday smoochin', but what we don't know — is, whom is the smoochie. Can anyone identify this pretty thing? (Sometimes, our cameramen get so carried away, they forget to get names).



T-Patch Memorial At State Capitol, Austin, Is Bigger Than You Thought



We finally got a photo of the famous 36th Memorial Monument at Austin (which shows the size) from Sgt. C.W. Russum, 605 Dickens St., Fuquay-Varina, N.C. 27526 of Co. D, 142nd who visited our state capitol July 1978 . . . and he has our thanks. We ran a story on this in July 1977, and to update it . . . this project was dedicated Nov. 11, 1959.

It's 11' high, is located on the west side of the Capitol grounds. This was the efforts of Col. Oran Stovall, the late William Martin & Ernest O. Thompson and Gen. Carl Phinney.

Lee Allison, 36th Assn. president at that time had invited all T-Patchers to attend, Gov. Price Daniel made the dedicatorial address, following a Veteran's Day parade.

This great memorial to the men of the 36th is a rare exhibit of how the State of Texas feels about the 36th.



Santone Reunion 1978, Men of Co. B, 143rd, photo sent in by Zeb Sunday. Back row is Riley Tidwell (ole Too Tall) and C. B. Kaplin of Chicago; front row: James McClintock of Groesbeck TX, Col. Charles Barker of Austin, Zeb Sunday of Pasadena, TX and Johnnie Kubiak of Houston, and a great reunion it was. Photo was taken in the 143rd C.P.

New Members

MARIANO C. HINOLOSA, 9131 Seapular, Corpus Christi, TX 78410 served with Co. G, 141st was at the reunion.

ERNEST L. MARTIN, 4124 Birch Cir., Temple, TX 76501 of Can. Co., 142nd also in Santone.

THOMAS B. WARD JR., 6815 Bender Dr., San Antonio, TX 78229 served with Co. D, 142nd 1929 to 1939, attend the reunion.

ROBERT A. COLLIER, Box 122, Medina, TX 78055, of 1st Bn. Hqs. 141st made it to S/A.

GEORGE L. HOY, 601 N. Santa Rosa, Apt. 3, San Antonio, TX 78207 of Co. K, 141st showed up at the Gunter.

JACK DABBS, 1011 Edgewood, Bryan, TX 77801 served with 141st and 142nd also made it to the reunion.

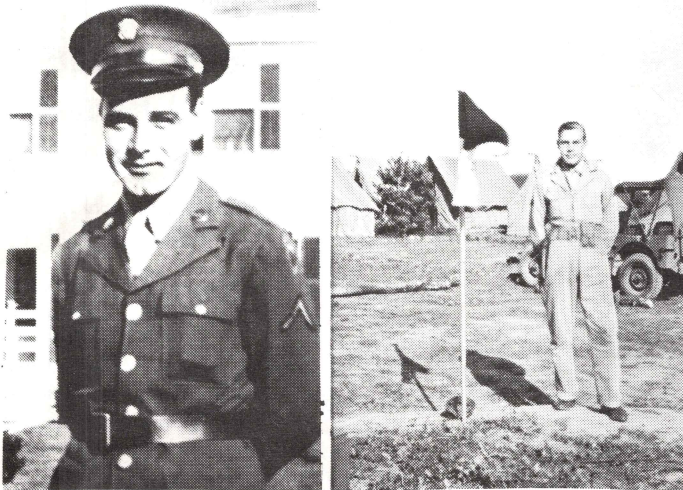


Photo at left: Pfc Paul 'Izzy' Good, of 36th Recon, taken 1942 at Brockton, Mass., in front of the home of his girl friend (who is now his wife). The Goods live at 25 Frances Helen Rd., Yarmouth Port, Maine 02675. Pix at right is Lester H. Terry, 3601 Hill Ave., Lot 94, Toledo, OH 43607, also 36th Recon and sent in the photos. Thanks.



Jack Clover & 'Frankie' Cleaning Up

JACK CLOVER of 143rd runs a very successful carpet cleaning bizniz in Ormond Beach, Fla., the pix above is Jack clowning it up for a publicity gag with his credit manager. Jack passes on this message . . . "Will be with you in spirit only at the reunion, but someday will certainly make it. I salute the State of Texas and a great bunch of guys whose - never say die - spirit made the old T-Patch the greatest of them all in the heritage of our wonderful country." J/Clover, 5 Cobblestone Trail, Ormond Beach, FL 32074 (Hqs. Co. 2nd Bn, 143rd).



Oran, North Africa, Sept. 1943: at left is Cpl. Antonio R. Boz with his machetti, checking equipment for the Salerno Beach Invasion (Sept. 9th), and testing his machine gun — Pfc. Joseph DeSanto. Both served with Co. H, 141st; L. B. Bush Easley of Dallas was their 1st Sgt. Tony Boz (sent in pix) lives at: 202 05 26th Ave., Baysode, NY 11360; DeSanto gets mail at: 141 River St., Hornell, NY. This photo will bring back alot of memories for many of our troops. We recall it was hot as hell at that time.

T Taps

Walter Seaman, Nashville, Tenn. of 144thWWI died Jan. 14, 1978

Bob 'Lightnin' Greenwell, age 57 of Co. C, 142nd died of heart attack in New Orleans, Sept. 78. Burial in Ballinger, TX.

Harry Girshin of Baltimore, MD, served with 36th Signal, passed away Feb. 1, 1977 according to report from Harry Scott of Denison, TX relayed from a message from Paul Wells.

Walter M. McGee, Boerne, TX died March 1978, was S/Sgt. in the 36th Div. Band, served from Bowie to wars' end 1945, according to report from Lorenz F. Bading, New Braunfels.

Albert A. Danley, of Co. M, 141st died July 26, 1978 in Harlingen, TX, reported by Doug Place, same company and same city.

W. E. Lahair, 21 Nelson Ave., No. Grafton, Mass. of Co. H, 142nd died Aug. 15, 1978.

James Pike, 4335 Scottsdale, Mesquite, TX of Hqs. 133rd FA Bn., passed away May 28, 1978.

Wade McClure, Bonham, TX of Hqs. 132nd FA Bn., died July 1978.

George L. Smith, also of Bonham and Hqs. 132nd died Aug. 1978.

Ralph Lowe, of 36th Signal Company, Denison, TX died Aug. 1978 as reported to Amil by Tess McCray.

Bruno Campedel, of Clairton, PA, served with Co. G, 141st died June 3, 1978.

Jack Quade, Stamford, TX of Co. K, 142nd died March 1978, reported to Amil by Bob MeHaffey.

Richard C. Wagner, Millerville, PA of Co. H, 141st died May 1978, reported by Amil.

Andy Hewitt, of Austin, TX served with 36th QM and Div. Hqs., died June 9, 1978.

J. D. Gaden, Bellaire, TX 77401 of 131st FA Bn., died Feb. 27, 1978, reported by Leonard Wilkerson.

Capt. Jack London Dial, age 69, in San Antonio Oct. 15, 1978 according to notice from Armin Puck, Brig. Gen. (ret'd) of 36th MP's. Dial was an old-timer, enlisted in Co. F, 141st in 1926, mobilized with Svc. Co., 141st. Went to OCS in '42, served with 2nd and 79th Div. "He helped me reorganize the Nat'l/Guard in 1946 until he retired in the 1960's,"

Dempsey Albritton, of Wauchula, Fla., of Co. B, 142nd died mid October, was phoned in by Barbara Davidson of Friendship, N.Y. Dempsey is credited with organizing the Eastern half of Co. B, 142nd. He had been ill for some time. A great T-Patcher.

Buddy Meirs, Jacksboro, TX of Btry F, 131st FA, died Aug. 1978, reported to Amil by James E. Garrison of same outfit.

Carlos Lee McPherson, Jr., was victim of hit and run driver on reunion weekend '78, was son of Carlos Sr., 4810 Anice, Houston, TX 77039 of Co. D. 143rd, reported by Ken Nixon.



Top photo — Bill M. Needham, Stillwater, OK of Co. H, 141st at Camp Bowie, Brownwood. Above is Ed M. Taylor and Andrew P. Smythe and a little mortar drill at Camp Bowie, both also of Co. H. 141st. Pixs sent in by Lawrence Bush Easley of Dallas. Taylor lives at Provo, Utah and Smythe — El Paso.



"War Tales Roll Out when a couple of Foxhole buddies meet" . . . so says the headline on this newsclipping sent in by N.J. Veit, 14223 Berwick, Livonia, MI 48154. These two 36thers shown above shared a fox hole, but did not meet again until over 30 years later. Both returned to their native Michigan.

At left is Fred Graham, Brementon, MI and Veit. These two met after 34 years at Graham's summer home on Hood Canal's North Shore Road. Now 70, Fred Graham, a retired school principal, and Veit, age 54 is an engineer with Bendix Aerospace Division. You guys try to be in Houston next Labor Day, hey.

Co. L, 142nd Infantry Meet At Breckenridge For 8th Annual Reunion

The 8th annual reunion of the men of Co. L, 142nd was held at Breckenridge, TX on Aug. 11-13th, at the National Guard Armory. Large turnout made this one an exciting event.

Bob Mehaffey, president and ram-rod has alot of help from Clyde McMasters (1st VP), E. V. Stroud (2nd VP), H. L. Gunlock, (Secty) and Leigh Bunkley (Treas.). The Saturday night dance at the American Legion Hall was the biggie, and after Memorial Services on Sunday, a Barbecue Luncheon was prepared by Willard S. Williams and served by Co. L members and wives.



Here's Lt. Col. Kenneth H. Saul, 1641 N. Broad St., Galesburg, IL 61401 who walked with Co. F, 141st Inf. Ken was honored on Memorial Day as the parade marshal, and photo above, was no doubt made on that day. He sends best wishes to Sammie Petty and all T-Patchers, with regrets he could not be in S/A . . . was in Sweden on vacation at that time. Thanks, Ken.



IN GERMANY, here's a bunch of Co. DD, 143rd men ready to go home. Johnny Seidenberger, Rt 1, Box 292, Shiner TX 77984 is shown at right (standing, and he sent in the pix). J. Mitchell and Leo Kuznik, standing from left (other one is unknown). Kneeling in front is Pete Crones and another unknown. Is case you yankee Patchers don't know it, Shiner, Texas is home of the world's smallest (but best) brewery.

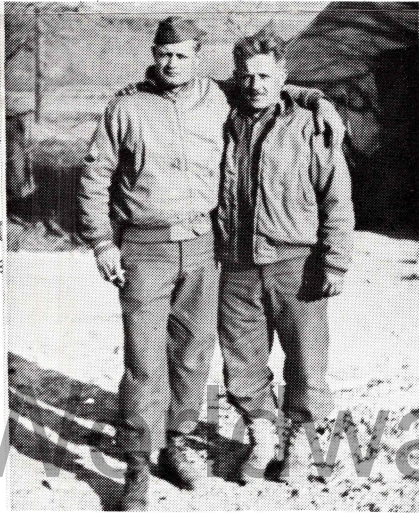
The Best Investment You Can Make Is The Recruiting Program. Sell It or Pay For a Drop-Out Or Lost Buddy

Yes, the F.B.I. campaign is still going strong! Just in case you forgot how it works, it's simple. Interested Patchers send a mailing which contains 3 blanks @ \$5.00 . . . to sell, or underwrite. It works.

Here are some on the latest: These are drop outs, lost and new members . . .

JAMES HILL, 229 East 9th St., Colorado City, TX 79512 of 36th Recon; RAYMOND M. ANDRUS, 1012 Allen Parkway Village, Houston, TX 77019; TROY C. JONES, Box 87, Loraine, TX 79532 of 111th Medics; JOE S. MOGFORD, 813 Lee Holland Drive, Bryan, TX 77801 — rounded up by FRITZ MOGFORD, Colorado City, TX 79512.

L. J. WATSON, P. O. Box 94, Sherman, TX 75090 of Co. E, 142nd; CLIFTON N. DAVIS, Sweetwater, TX 79556 also Co. E, 142nd and GEORGE C. HIX, Rt. 3, Denison, TX 75020 (same outfit) all were roped in by LEONARD WILKERSON of Dallas.



The time and place of this historic photo was not given . . . but here's Sgt. Willie Markum and Frank (Stumpy) Stec, of A/T 143rd. Frank Stec gets mail at 5416 S. Lockwood, Chicago, IL 60638, but the whereabouts of Markum is unknown. Can anyone help? Over and out.

Finan Gets Bird Dog Award

That retired coal miner in Tar Heel land, J. Pineapple Finan of Raleigh NC, has been scouting the east coast for drop outs, and came up with FALLON J. MARTIN, 4th Hwy, Box 52, Gretna, LA 57758, former S/Sgt. of Co. E, 142nd, joined the 36th in 1940, was captured in 1944. We had a Bird Dog Award for Jack, but he left S/A before our arrival, so we sent it via mail.

Bull Shipper Beacham Of Rocking Chair Ranch Invents New Secret Weapon



Shown above is Charlie Beacham of the Rocking Chair Ranch (141st) and below is an item that appeared in the Oct. T-Bone, edited by Mac Acosta:

Charlie Beacham of The Rocking Chair Ranch sent me a copy of a letter he sent Mr. Bill Jary and just to prove to you that the Lemon Kid is a serious and deep thinker here is part of his letter.

"Dear Bill, since portions of this letter are highly classified, it is suggested that you destroy it and then read it. A few years ago, we at the Ranch had developed a fearsome weapon. It was called the Texas Secret Weapon MI. It would shoot a thousand miles and kill a thousand people and then stop and go to throwing bricks. We demonstrated the capabilities to research scientists for the defense department and it performed in every way as we had promised. It went a thousand miles, killed a thousand people and then stopped and began to throw bricks. (Our intelligence cover in an undisclosed foreign location was perfect).

Their secret agents thought it was one of their G.I.'s who got mad because he didn't get to go to rest camp. But they turned us down on purchase of this Secret Weapon MI. Their objection was its unreliability in aiming. It always wound up at a brick pile!!! So back to the drawing board. We are now ready to demonstrate the Texas Secret Weapon MIAI. It carries its own bricks."

Editors Note: Col. Charlie Beacham is one of our great T-Patchers. He is a widely-known attorney at law and has handled all kinds of cases (except Jack Ruby). He is headmaster at Rocking Chair Ranch, which is designed for old folks, but rumor has it, that it is probably a home for wayward Cowgirls.

We have suggested that he make the Rocking Chair Ranch available to old retired T-Patchers who want to live out their years in log cabins which surrounds his ranch. Many of our Yankee Patchers may want to move in, so we shall have more details for you in the Feb. T-Patcher.

Be In Houston '79

Heard from

RAYMOND W. HODGKINS, Rt. 2, Box 237, Elverson, PA 19520 didn't know we were in business, so he writes to Amil for info about the 36th. (He didn't give his unit) but Amil sent him copies of the Patch.

PRESTON R. FERRELL (Ole Hominey Grits) 407 E. 38th St., Apt. 3, Erie, PA 16504 says he regrets he couldn't be in Santone but — give my regards to the troops. "I am an adopted TEXAN and proud of it," says Preston, who walked with Co. C, 142nd and Spec. Troops, Div. Hqs.

JACK W. ROBINSON, P. O. Box 277, Kosse, TX 76653 pays dues for his brother — ERSELL POWELL ROBINSON, Rt. 1, Box 131, Mart, TX 76664 who served with Co. F, 143rd. Thanks, Jack.

J. D. REILLY, 210 Power Road, Pawtucket, R.I. 02861 of 133rd FA Bn., is now one of us, cause hard-working, Dick J. Griffis of Italy, TX saw to it. (You can do it too). Reilly reports that "Buzzards Bay is still full of Buzzards."

BOWERS H. WALLACE, 1015 Adams St., Sturgis, KY 42459 is principal of Sturgis Elementary School, served with 143rd and writes for info about the reunion. Amil says he got it! Welcome to the clan, Bowers.

Col. LEO E. GOODMAN, 714 Camelot, Houston, TX 77024 of Btry. D, 133rd and 143rd Band (Ret. US Air Force) says he joined the 143rd Service Co. Band in 1926 (52 years ago) and paid balance on his Life Membership. Welcome, Colonel.

HELVIG M. SORENSEN, 119 N. Church St., Rockford, IL 61101 of 143rd joined the 36th at Camp Blanding, served throughout the European campaign. He is now Supervisor of Town of Rockford . . . writes in for info about membership in the association. He got it, and copies of the T-Patcher.

JOHN PROSCHEL, 605 Liberty St., Dundee, IL 60118 of S-3, M/Sgt. 141st, sends in dues and an extra \$5 for a stray. "Please say hello to Gomez and Beacham," says John, who could not attend the reunion, but would join in spirit.

DONALD SIMON, 427 E. 9th St., N.Y., 10028 of Co. F, 142nd Inf. sends in CK for \$25 as he did last year . . . Amil adds to the roster: EARL G. ANTHONY, 106 Broadview Dr., Freeport, PA 16229 of Co. G, 143rd; SAMUEL R. ANDERSON, 1225 S. Maple, Ann Arbor, MI 48103 for Co. L., 142nd; ROBERT SHIELDS, RR, Ladonia, TX 75449 Co. G, 142nd and CHESTEL L. SHIELDS, 3807 S. Virginia St., Amarillo, TX 79109 of 111th Medics. Thanks, Don, we need more like you.

JIM LOGAN, CMH winner of the first water, has surfaced after several years of absence . . . now gets mail at P.O. Box 1537, Kilgore, TX 75662. Logan is noted for his stock of East Texas White Lightnin' which is served in a fruit jar. Our thanks to JOE COWSER, artilleryman who put us on the trail of Jim Logan!

JAMES ROBINSON, 207 Gladstone St., E. Boston, MA 02128 of Co. A, 141st paid his dues with \$5 extra for a buddy, and we added — CHARLES RHODES, who put his money on a slow horse . . . but gets his mail at: Rt. 6, Box 487, Hot Springs, AR 71901, served with Co. G, 142nd. Thanks, Jim.

General THEODORE H. ANDREWS, 4207 Farhills Dr., Austin, TX 78731 dropped \$10 for dues and, we picked up — JACK L. ARMSTRONG, 5105 Woodgreen Cove, Austin, TX 78745 of Co. M. 143rd.

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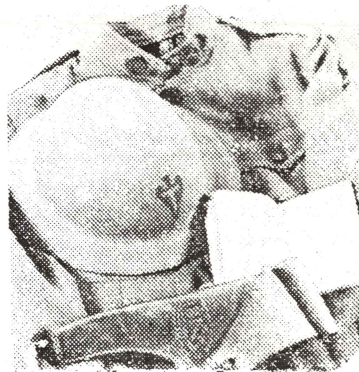
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MEET AGAIN after 17 years . . . at right is officer Claude J. Vandromme of the Camp des Loges gredarmerie, points to the area of France where he and Sgt. JAMES J. GOLDEN, Seine Area Command S/2 3rd Div., first met on a WWII battlefield 17 years ago. The two cooperated in the rescue of a wounded French artillery officer near Bar-le-duc in the Colmar pocket, Dec. 1944. Golden served with Co. K, 143rd, lives at 9408 Admiral Nimitz, NE, Albuquerque, N.M. 87111, gave this to us at the S/A Reunion.

'The War To End All Wars' Exhibit Now at Lyndon B. Johnson Library, Austin



T-PATCH ON HELMET

This photo of WWI hardware was a photo released with a big story on the LBJ Library exhibit which was released to — and used in most all newspapers in Texas. PLEASE note that you'll see the old faithful T-PATCH on the helmet. What better illustration could they have used?

Nov. 11, 1978 will mark the 60th anniversary of the armistice that stopped WWI (now called Veterans Day) and that's the day a major exhibit on World War I opens at the Lyndon B. Johnson Library in Austin.

If you've been there, you have a treat in store. Ole Whitley Bragg and yours truly stopped by for a look-see after the S/A reunion, and that \$30 million edifice is truly something.

This exhibit will cover 3000 sq. ft. and will be displayed in two wings of the Library. "It's the largest exhibit ever attempted at this library," said Harry Middleton, director (a former speech-writer for LBJ), "we've been collecting items for the past 8 months," Middleton added.

We urge all those who can make it, please do, and do it before Feb. 11, 1979, the closing date. Some of the items are probably from our old collection at Camp Mabry, and I hope all the artifacts that were donated by our famous WWI general John Hulen, are included.

Heard From

Dear Leonard: As a former T-Patcher, I would like to become a dues paying member of the Association. Just after WWII, I served as president of the New York Chapter (which was quite active for a time) but has long since gone out of business. An old buddy sent me a July issue, and I was glad to get all the news . . . like, ole Charlie Beacham still in their pitchin'. I was S-2 of the 141st when Charlie was S-4. From there I became G-1 of the 36th Hqs., forward toward the end of the war. Here's my dues, and tell all the Rondo men hello . . . my wife and I will be in Houston 1979.

Ross K. Doughty, 815 Stuart Ave., Mamaroneck, N.Y. 10543.