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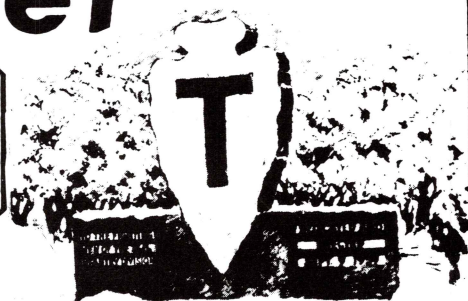


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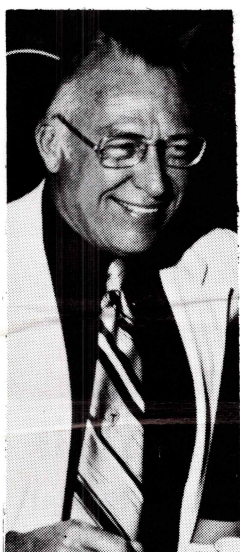
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D/FW Airport Marina Hotel Is Bivouac For Reunion



New - East Tower Has 850 Guest Rooms; Giant Ballroom and Spacious C.P.'s

The Texas 36th Division Association, for the past decade, has been on a growth-pattern, second to none. The troops have responded, many now retired and have time to think about those years long ago . . . and the comradeship we all shared together. The 36th has had 35 post WWII Reunions, all have been great. The biggest yet is coming.

Now, for 1980 we shall all gather at the D/FW Airport Marina Hotel (Dallas) for our 55th Annual Reunion . . . but this one will be bigger. We are hosting the men of 442nd Regimental Combat Team, of LOST Battalion fame in France. A giant logistical undertaking, but we have a board of able men who can put it all together, and make it a most memorable event. Call it "Momentum," that's what we have, and you can rest assured that it will be fabulous. All you have to do is make your plan now to attend . . . Aug. 28-31st, 1980.

For all who fly in, will have a bonus. When you land at D/FW airport . . . you are there! No taxi or bus necessary.

Dear Fellow T-Patchers:

The year 1980 and the 1980 convention could very well be the most significant since 1945. We are embarking on a trip that could be very exciting. First, we have completed all the organizational steps necessary to begin the planning for a 36th Division Association War Memorial Museum. We want it to be Texas in nature. Big and successful. Bob Wallace is Committee Chairman and is working diligently to bring it to pass. There we can place all our WWII trophies knowing they will be forever committed to history rather than left in an attic or discarded. A complete history of the 36th Division in Combat.

Second is a nationwide joint reunion between the 442nd Regimental Combat Team of Japanese Americans and the 36th Texas Division at the Dallas-Fort Worth Marina Hotel on August 28, 29, 30 & 31st, 1980. Hank Gomez of the 141st is unofficial greeter for the 36th to the 442 and is already active in requesting that they come in large numbers. Present estimate is 500.

So start planning. Be in Dallas this year. We want to see you.

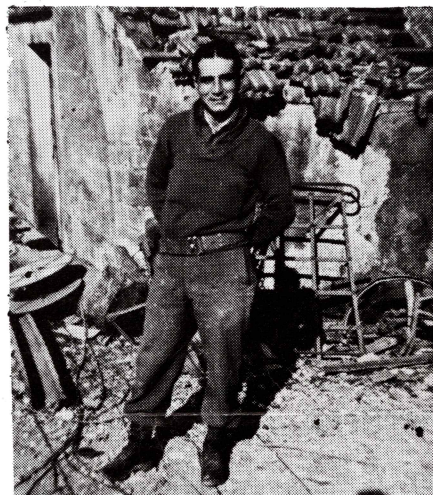
Jack L. Scott
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Dallas VFW Honor Parents of One of the 50 Hostages



Commander Fred H. Prestage presents an Honorary Membership Certificate to V.F.W. Post 6769, Dallas, to Johnny and Wynona Keel. Their son, Sgt. Johnny D. McKeel, of USMC, is one of the 50 hostages being held in Iran. Young McKeel is a member of the Assn., formerly served with 143rd ABN in Arlington, TX. McKeel Sr. is V/P of Artillery for 1980, served with Btry. B, 132nd in WWII.



World's Record . . . Love Is Three Letters A Day For 809 Days

Here's one for Guinness Book of World Records . . . revived now 35 years later. We recall this amazing story printed in 1945 — exact quote:

Jacksonville, Fla., Aug. 16 — An East Texas city claims the G.I. with the "writingest wife" in the nation.

He is Corp. Eddie Bando, a veteran of 36th (Texas) Division, who wears five campaign ribbons, and was one of first men to land on the bloody beaches of Salerno.

As of June 21, in Germany, Bando has received 2,427 from his wife during the 809 days he has been overseas — an average of three a day.

Bando wasn't left in the lurch after the first mail call following the 36th landing in Italy. He got 97 letters in that call, 57 of them from his wife.

Mrs. Bando, who resides in Bayonne, NJ, says there's no special way to be sure all your mail gets to your soldier. She's send 1,618 by first-class 3¢ stamps and the other 809 by air mail. And every one she's written has reached her husband.

Eddie (Bando the Commando), now retired, lives in his townhouse at: 10630 Northboro, Dallas, TX 75230 . . . did time with 36th Recon Troop.



Aug. 28 to 31st 1980

East Tower

the Dallas/Ft. Worth Airport Marina Hotel

West Tower

36th and 442nd To Meet Jointly In East Tower, Airport Marina Hotel

Most everyone knows that the Dallas/Fort Worth Airport (D/FW) is the World's Largest. And for those who are not familiar with it, the giant airport is about 16 miles from downtown Dallas and likewise Fort Worth.

It opened some six years ago and has been growing ever since. The West Tower (shown above) was built at the time the airport was, but its popularity has been so great, a new and bigger one is being built (East Tower), which will have 850 guest rooms—and that is where the 36th and the 442nd will jointly meet for our Annual Labor Day weekend Reunion.

Total for the two Airport Marina Hotels is a whopping 1,450 rooms, the largest in Texas, and the 15th largest nationally. The Grand Ballroom in the East Tower (where we meet) has 10,000 sq. ft. floor space. Shown above is the Airport control tower, so you know you're in the "middle" of this giant facility, which in size of land is as big as the island of Manhattan.

The East Tower was topped out last December, and it will be ready for the invasion of all T-Patchers, Aug. 28th through 31st, 1980... so **START PACKIN'**. (More details in the June 1980 T-Patcher).

Membership Recap By States

Paid members as of 12/31/1979 compiled by Leonard Wilkerson:

AL	32	NM	11
AK	1	NY	96
AZ	19	NC	31
AR	9	ND	2
CA	70	OH	142
CO	13	OK	33
CT	8	OR	5
DE	1	PA	116
DC	5	RI	7
FL	66	SC	8
GA	18	SD	3
ID	1	TN	16
IL	72	***TX	1274
IN	46	(state tot.)	
IA	11	UT	1
KS	18	VT	1
KY	25	VA	23
LA	14	WA	8
ME	4	WV	7
MD	14	WI	21
MA	40	WY	2
MI	102		
MI	102	Texas Metro	
MN	18		
MS	8	Houston	130
MO	22	S/A	110
MT	1	Dallas	95
NB	5	FW	75
NV	1	Waco	60
NH	4	Austin	40
NJ	63		

Several hundred renewals have been received, and the next issue we'll have another recount. "Let's Bird Dog."



Life Members

Here are some of the recent devoted T-Patchers who have dropped \$100 for a life membership: Dale Sartor, P.O. Box 751, Killeen, TX 76541 of Co. B, 143rd; Elmer "Buck" Ward, Box 32 Mercy Dr., Eagle River, Alaska 99577 of Co. F, 143rd; Alfred Ross (Jug) Williams, Rt. 2, Magnolia, KY 42757 of Btry. C, 132nd FA.

George Sutterfield, 1125 N. Hickory Pl., Broken Arrow, OK 74012 of Div. Hqs., paid for by his wife. Virgil Duffey, 3400 Buchanan, Wichita Falls, TX 76308 of Co. M, 142nd; Kenneth A. Mox, 2300 S. River Rd., Box 1, Zanesville, OH 43701 of Co. H, 142nd.

Lawrence L. Kuhn, Box 1156, Crystal Beach, TX 77650 of Co. C, 143rd Infantry. Carl Wade Davis, Box 6059, Bethlehem, NC 28601 of Co. D, 142nd Inf.

You are invited to join the "Life" T-Patchers. Make check to: 36th Division Assn., for \$100, mail to: Leonard Wilkerson, 11121 Visalia Dr., Dallas, TX 75228.

Be Reminded: Dues For 1980 are \$5.00; After June 1st 1980, It goes To \$7.50 for 1981 Dues

the Fighting 36th 1946 Pictorial History Reprint

War Buffs, Non-Members And Lost T-Patchers Have Almost Depleted Our 100 Copies In Stock

Non-members of the 36th are buying the 36th (reprint) Pictorial History like crazy. Here are a few: R. A. Oja, 1922 43rd Ave., San Francisco, CA 94116; Vic Benjamin, 273 Ridge Rd., Grosse Pointe, MI 48236; Wayne C. Shoemaker, RD 2, Kittanning, PA 16201 sends \$40 for 2 copies, all read about it in the Dec. DAV Magazine.

To get our 35-year-old Pictorial History reprinted, the Association agreed to purchase 100 copies for resale to the troops. This was necessary, or the publisher would not have been able to proceed.

We assumed it would take a year to recover the funds. However, in a short 4 months' period we are almost deplete, says LENWLK, custodian of this project, who says the response from the notice in DAV Magazine has been fantastic! It even found dozens of 'lost' 36thers, and about half of the orders are from 'War-buffs' who just want to read about the "Fighting 36th" ... and that's the greatest compliment we could ask for.

Heard from

GEORGE M. BRESSLER, 229 E. Louthier Ct., Carlisle, PA 17013 now a federal retiree from Dept. of Army, sends dues and reminder that his outfit, Co. L, 142nd have their reunion every 3 years last week of August at Breckenridge, TX . . . coming up in 1981.

FRANCIS A. CERVELLERA, Rt. 1, Box 295 HB, Oklawaha, FL 32679 is affectionately known as "Hingeback." And now, he reports that he found an old one, also with a good nickname. Frank says that he and **THEODORE R. COLABRESE** were ole buddies from basic training days at Camp J. T. Robinson, Little Rock. "We bunked at same hut, and ole 'NEVER SWEAT' Ted was really gungo ho guy, and reason he was called 'NEVER SWEAT' was because the sweat just seemed to POUR out of his clean sun-tan uniforms." Ted gets mail at 2609½ Heron Lane, Glenshaw, PA 15116, served with Co. F, 143rd, is a NEW member cause Cervellera of Co. I, 143rd got him.

BENNIE M. HARRIS, 214 Robin Hood Circle, Philadelphia, PA 39350 has new address (above), sends dues and picks up: **JAMES N. PALERMO, 1717 Eisenhower Dr., Vicksburg, MS 39180.**

VIRGIL DUFFEY of W/Falls, TX, your 142nd V/P, keeps the pot boiling — sends renewal for: **ROBERT C. McANALLEN, 1525 NW 12 Ter., Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33311** of Co. I, 142nd . . . and **RAY T. FARLEY, 350 N. 20th St., Slaton, TX 79364** of Co. E, 142nd.

JOHN A. LESKELA, Rt. 1, Box 262, Lake Linden, MI 49945 of Co. C, 141st says he participated in the Anzio, S/France actions up to **Wissenburg, Germany 3/20/45** where he was wounded.

PAUL H. BURGBRACHER, 517 Burnham Dr., Fostoria, OH 44830 of Co. A, 141st was a POW for 16 months, sent in by **JOHN BONER** of Mansfield, OH.

JOSEPH MARKOVICH, McDonald, PA sends in a couple of troopers: **ALBERT PITACCIATO, 12339 Frankstown Rd., Pittsburgh, PA 15235** of Co. F, 142nd — and **EMILE KOWALSKI, Florence Ave., Burgettstown, PA 15021** who did time with Co. H, 141st. Joe says, "I had a wonderful time at the Houston Reunion, we had 7 members of the No. 1 Gun Section of Btry A, 133rd FA Bn. in attendance.

PEDRO LOPEZ, Rt. 3, Box 42E, Edinburg, TX 78539 of 142nd sends in his dues plus these two: **ALEGO GARCIA**, same address; and a new one — **JUAN S. RODRIQUEZ, P.O. Box 972, Edinburg, TX 78539** of Co. K, 142nd, who was severely wounded at the German Siegfried line, would like to hear from his buddies.

NICK J. SARIANO, 11241 Cherry Ct., Palos Hills, IL 60465 and **JOHN P. SCAHILL, 595 E. Chestnut St., Coatsville, PA 19320** both of 36th Cavalry Recon Troop are in, courtesy of a bird dogger.

DEWEY MARTIN, 8514 Grenadier, Dallas, TX of Co. D, 143rd was roped in by **Olde PAYNE RUCKER, Can. Co. 143rd.**

STEWART W. ANDERSON, 524 Walcott St., Pawtucket, RI 02861 of 141s, sends '80 dues and is active in the Rhode Island 36thers group, says they are having meeting and looking for strays and drop-outs.

PAUL BENDER, 2431 Galaxy Lane, Indianapolis, IN 46229 of 111th Medics, sends in dues through 1981 to **LENWLK.**

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

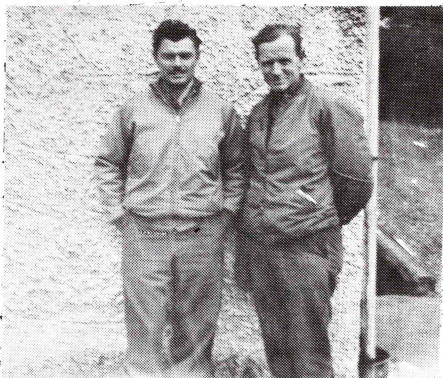
The joint reunion of the 36th with 442nd Regmt'l Combat Team has been in process for several years. Now, it shall be a fact . . . Aug. 28-31st, 1980.

These Japanese-Americans gained fame for their rescue efforts with our "Lost Battalion" near Bruyeres, France. It is estimated that their attendance could reach near 500 delegates, hence the D/FW Airport Marina Hotel in which the new East Tower (see page 2) has 850 rooms. This makes housing the two groups much easier than in most other hotels.

President **JACK L. SCOTT** will fly to Hawaii for a meeting with **Robt. M. Sasaki**, executive president, and other members of their board to map out all details.

Complete information will be published in the next T-Patcher (June 1980), plus a final report of the 36th Board meeting to be held early May at the D/FW Airport Marina Hotel.

Footnote: Due to the long travel by men of 442nd, their dates start a day earlier (Wed., Aug. 27) and will depart on Mon., Labor Day, Sept. 1st. Special entertainment will be featured during their "first" visit to TEXAS!!!

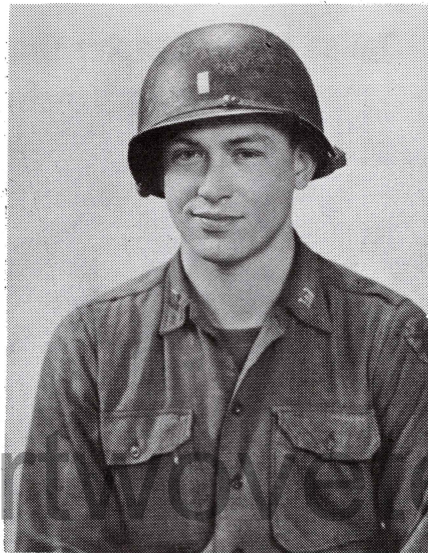


GERMANY 1945 — Here's Lt. Col. Critchfield, Co of 2nd Bn., 141st with Father Bernard J. Fenton, chaplain of 141st from 1942-1945. Photo from Candy Eitt album, sent in by ole Hanko Gomez, our 1980 V/P of the 141st Inf.

5000 Names & Addresses Listed In 'Kohutek's T-Patcher Roster . . .

If you are a serious bird-dogger, or just want to locate buddies from your old outfit, you need **Amil's Roster of 5000 troopers** — current, strays and dropouts. You pick 'em. Roster is 100 pages, printed on one side only, lists **Aobbott- to Zylstra**, all zipped and unit given. The most complete Roster yet published.

Make check to **AMIL KÖHUTEK** for \$5.00 and send to 1933 College St., Abilene, TX 79602. You'll get it postpaid!



This young and handsome 1st Lt. is none other than **JACK K. SCOTT**, president of the Association for 1979-80. Photo made in Rome, Italy, 1944. Scott served with Col. Stovall's 111th Engineers; now has his own engineering firm — 1821½ Classen Blvd., Oklahoma City, OK 73106.

Dallas 1980 Reunion Program Will Include Membership Roster

Yes, Virginia, we will have another special 1980 Dallas Reunion Program, but this time it will include a complete (as of July 1) roster of all paid members of the 36th Div. Assn.

It'll be 5½ x 8½ with heavy cover, at least 64 pages with A to Z and a handy way to track down olde buddies. Delegates at the reunion get a free copy, all advertisers get a copy. Rates are lower — sponsored page \$40; half page sponsor \$20; and booster listing at \$7.50.

Write to:

Leonard Wilkerson, 11121 Visalia Dr., Dallas, TX 75228 and enclose your check and wording desired . . . or ask for a brochure that explains all details.

Long John Silver Smith



LARGE DRAW of Schiltz 10¢. Yea, that what the sign says on this beer joint in the boomtown **STARKE Florida**. At left is **Long John Silver Smith, 505 W. Bowie St., Marshall, TX** and his buddy, **Sgt. Ben Plisek** (address unknown). Both served with Co. E, 142nd, pix from **Long John**, who sent it to **Red Morgan**, who forwarded it in to your editor.

Heard from

BARBARA DAVIDSON, that hard-working kingpin of the Eastern Co. B, 142nd Gang, sends to LENWLK these two: **CARL R. KONECEK, Sr.**, 1457 Gillie Dr., Box 357, Streetsboro, OH 44240 and **BOB STANLEY**, 120 E. Ikerd, Blackwell, OK 74631.

WM. H. DAVIS, 1203 Kegg Ave., Apt. 74, Johnstown, PA 15904 writes that his last issue got lost, so ole LENWLK took care of that (we aim to please). Note — our membership chairman gets about 40 letters a day, and that is a bunch! But, that's the way it outta be.

DURWARD McDONALD, Jr., of Svc. Btry. 155th, is one of our famous in-and-outers. Your editor collared him at the post office, and getting \$5 from this Scotchman was no easy chore. McDonald is my insurance agent, so after a few arm-twists I got 'em. Gets mail at: McDonald & Co., P.O. Box 1302, Ft. Worth, TX 76101.

F. VICK, 2705 Hardwood Lane, Houston, TX 77093 forgot that when you register at the Reunions, your dues are added into the fee, so he sent another Five to LENWLK, so now he's paid thru 1981.

BE REMINDED — As of July 1st, 1980, your dues for 1981 are \$7.50. Up until that time, your 1980 dues are still \$5.00.

THURMAN NALL, 3428 E. Kellis, Ft. Worth, TX 76119 calls to advise we had him in the 143rd, and the correct listing is: Co. K, 141st. (Sorry about that, Thur).

JOHN BONER, 1285 Walcrest Dr., Mansfield, OH 44903 of 142nd sends in a new one: **PAUL ANSBERRY**, Box 179, Buffalo, OH 43722 of Co. B, 142nd, who lost a leg in the drive out of Anzio, and that he would like to hear from his buddies.

ED TRAYWICK, Sr., 202 Oak Dr., Waco, TX 76705 writes to LENWLK that he is retiring from his Drive-In Grocery business, turning it over to his son. Ed adds that he would be glad to assist the Association (like bird dogging) and welcomes any news from his buddies of A/T 143rd.

HANKO GOMEZ of 141st pays for dues for **FRED W. BURTNEL**, president of San Antonio Chamber/Commerce, mailing address: P.O. Box 1628, S A TX 78296. Seems that the Santone Chapter may bid for the 1981 Reunion.

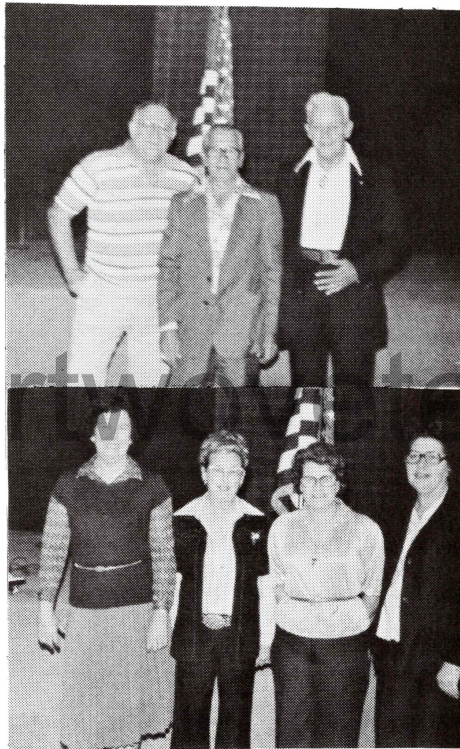
BETTY DORGAN, daughter of **ELMO L. HOLLOWAY**, attended the Houston Reunion with her father, says, "Our first ever, and it was worth waiting for." She asked about a pix made at the reunion, which we will attempt to locate. Address is: Rt. 3, Box 318-A, Carthage, TX 75633.

T. R. WINGATE, 204 W. Russell, Bonham, TX 75418 found a drop-out, sends dues for: **D. H. HAMILTON**, 910 E. 12th St., Bonham, TX 75418 of Hq. Btry. 132nd FA. Wingate did time with Btry. c, 132nd. Thanks.

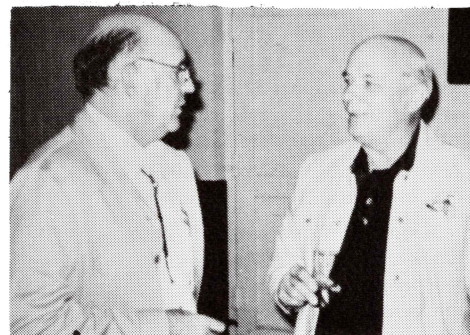
RICHARD J. KENNEDY, 2409 23rd St., Lubbock, TX 79411 of Co. G, 142nd is in; according to AMIL he had an old membership card signed by Stovall (1966), so Dick has been AWOL for 14 years. Welcome back.

As we go to press, Hanko Gomez, V/P 141st, postcards from Jackson Hole, WY, about his annual ski trip, says: "The Tetons are a real test and so are the slopes. Rockin' chair not for me, skiing 4-5 hours a day, not bad for a 69," signed The Rondo Kid.

Dallas Metro Chapter Organized Oct. 1979



DALLAS Metro Chapter Officers: Top photo — Johnny McKeel (center), President; Bert Carlson, Sec.-Treas.; and Leonard Wilkerson, Editor newsletter (at left). Ladies Auxiliary — Mary Martin, Sec.-Treas.; Iwana Harvey, 2nd V/P; Wyonna McKeel, 1st V/P; and Jean Boyce, President.



Here's olde Baldy Payne Rucker (left) discussing the finer points, with Norris Morgan (both of 143rd) and both charter members of Dallas Chapter at the meeting in January.

443rd Ack Ack Men Continue To Join Up With The T-Patchers

JOHN R. FISHER, 2106 Cheyenne Way, Scotch Plains, NJ 07076 is one more score for those men of 443rd AAA AW Bn (SP) who were attached to the 36th during WWII.

Fisher attended a recent meeting of the 443rd Association Steering Committee says, "appreciation was expressed for all the recognition given the 443rd in recent issues of the T-Patcher."

Ed's note: It's our pleasure to welcome your members to our 'growing' group, and look forward to having many more join the 36th. Thanks.

Membership Open To All T-Patchers, Anywhere

There was an old Dallas Chapter, but it faded away about 25 years ago, and now, a new and dedicated bunch of T-Patchers have a "hot" new Dallas METRO Chapter, organized Oct. 1979.

Since Dallas hosts our reunions about every three years, this is good news! The 1980 Reunion is called a Dallas Reunion, though it will be held at the D/FW Airport Marina Hotel; these troops will be a great asset to help put on the "dog." Bert Carleton is Reunion Chairman, and he can now call for help from this fast growing chapter.

Membership is \$5 and is open to all T-Patchers, wherever you are. Write: Bert Carleton, 806 Aransas, Euless, TX 76039, and tell 'em LENWLK sent you.



Put Drop On Drop-Outs

The reason the 36th Division Association is on-the-go these days, with membership at the 3,000 mark, is because we have a bunch of letter-writing, hard-working devoted T-Patchers who crank out lotsa mail.

LES TERRY of 3601 Hill Lot 94, Toledo, OH 43607 of 36th Recon. Troop, is now in his second year as a bird dogger. Sends in dues for: **JOE DVENSKIE**, Vets House, Yountville, CA 94599; **LEO J. DURKIN**, 7258 E. Northampton St., Wilkes Barre, PA 18702; **CLINT G. SEDBERRY**, 503 Lexington Rd., Elgin, TX 78621, all of 36th Recon. Troop.

Also **KENT C. HATFIELD**, Star Rt. 3, Marble Falls, TX 78654 of Medics 132nd; **ANTHONY DRAGO**, 54 Seminary Place, Forty Fort, PA 18704 of Co. K, 141st. **ROBERT L. SALMON**, 2909 Bel Air Drive, Marshall, TX 75670, served with old Btry. F, 132nd until he left for OCS from Camp Blanding.

Also **JUANSALAZAR**, 411 Barrera St., Apt. 310, San Antonio, TX 78210 of Co. C, 141st — and **H. O. SKINNER**, Rt. 2, Box 181-H, Ardmore, OK 73401, served with TNG 72ng Inf. Brigade Hqs in 1938-39 and then joined the 36th Recon. Gtroop when we trianglized the division.

The Troops Write:

Woodrow W. King of Co. I, 141st ran into twin brothers, **CLYDE** and **CLAUDE STOKES**, who told him about the 36th Pict/Hist., and now King sends his \$20 to LENWLK for a copy.

A radio operator for his company in France, Gerany and Austria, **Woodrow** now has a better and safer job as Senior Vice-President of American Bank of Commerce; gets home mail at: 1221 Country Club Road, McAlester, OK 74501.

T-Patcher Sheriff Fenton Traps Moonshiners



SHERIFF H. F. Fenton (left) of Coleman County and Texas Alcoholic Bev. Comm. D. J. Goetz are front-page in the Coleman County Chronicle last month, when they raided and confiscated gallons of corn whiskey (which each are holding). Sheriff Fenton is an olde T-Patcher of Co. B, 142nd.

It's been a long time since we have encountered a moonshine raid. We thought all of this only happened in Tennessee and Kentucky. Now, only 8 miles from downtown Coleman, Texas, a former T-Patcher, now Sheriff of Coleman County, hit a big one.

W. J. Baxter, the hard-working kingpin of Co. B, 142nd (Western) sent us a photo and news clip about this act of illegal behavior, and two men pled guilty and paid fines of \$2,436, says Sheriff Fenton. (They should have said they were making Gasohol).

State Of Texas Offers Free License Plates For All Former P.O.W.'s

The State of Texas has passed legislation to provide residents of the state who are former prisoners of war with free automobile license plates for life. Application for Former Prisoner of War License Plates, Form D12-420, may be obtained from the State Department of Highways and Public Transportation, Motor Vehicle Division, 40th and Jackson Avenue, Austin, Texas 78779, or from local chapters of American Ex-Prisoners of War, Inc.

Applications must be accompanied by:

(1) A copy of an official U.S. Government document which identifies the applicant as a former prisoner of war (may be obtained from the Adjutant General, Department of the Army, if service during internment was in the U.S. Army), or certification from the Veteran's Administration that the applicant is a former POW.

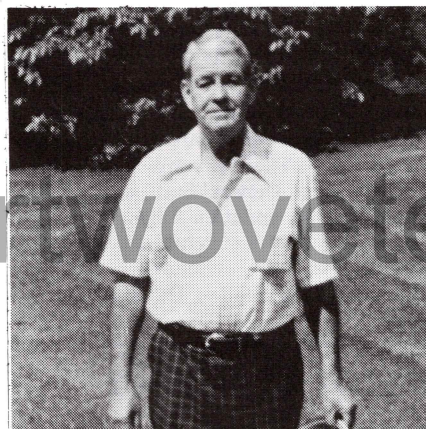
(2) If the applicant is a former member of the armed forces, the application must also be supported by a copy of the applicant's discharge papers which must reflect an honorable discharge.

The Troops Write:

R. D. 'Pete' RODGERS is a loyal T-Patcher and champion reunion-goer! Pete single-handed found 3 new 'uns and sends in \$15 for 1980 for his men of 636th T/D Bn. (1) DICK DANZI, 5220 Wisconsin Ave. NW, Washington DC. (2) JIM EVANS, 3827 Vine Maple, Eugene, OR 97405. (3) ROBERT E. "Bo" GRAHAM, 26 Swan Lake Drive, Sumter, SC 29150. "We'll all see you in Dallas," says Pete.

Dear Mr. Wilkerson: Enclosed is my ck for \$20 for a copy of "The Fighting 36th Pictorial History (reprint). I want the book as a birthday gift to my husband — EARL D. MATTHEWS, who is interested in 36th history.

(signed) Mary A. Matthews,
208 Roberts Place, Malad, ID 83252.



Everett Dorsey, 14227 Nelson Dr., Mt. Vernon, OH 43050 of 111th Medics, was assigned to the 36th Recon Troop, attended their reunion in Santone last year, then upon his return, contacted Les Terry and they had a Mini-Reunion at Lexington, OH. They had 19 in attendance and they hope to make it an annual deal. Bully!

Heard from

LEONARD E. RICE, 9215 Gardner, Beaumont, TX 77707 says he read about ARCHIE McDUGAL retiring from TNG after many years, says, "there are 2 more still on active duty with Texas Air National Guard — Buster Hargraves and myself of 143rd."

CLYDE T. MORRISH, 1000 E. 8th, Gillette, Wyo. 82716 served with Co. A, 144th, sends dues to LENWLK.

EWEL BELL, Long Branch Trailer Ct., Lot 3, Rt. 4, Macon, MO 63552 of CO. C, 142nd roped in by JOE VOELKER, Box 1418, Irving, TX 75060 of Co. C, 142nd.

Mrs. FLORENCE E. WILSON, widow of Winfield, 2532 Crepe Myrtle, Shreveport, LA renews membership (143rd).

MAX E. SHAFFER, 38660 Lexington #408, Fremont, CA 94536 of H&S 111th Engrs., moves around a lot, always a loyal 36th, Max was official photographer for the Division, and many of the pix in the PICT/HISTORY were made by him.

JAMES D. THOMPSON, 120 Logan Elm Blvd., R-6, Circleville, OH 43113 served with Co. G, 142nd (a great unit).

Rev. JESUS F. LOPEZ, 4206 King Krest Dr., San Antonio, TX 78219 of Hq. & Mq Co. 141st is renewed by efforts of JOHN 'ARab' POWERS, the sage of Santone.

RAYMOND V. HURM, 2811 Howard Dr., Jasper, IN 47546, is another one from Co. H, 142nd, says he's taken early retirement.

LOU PAVIA, 4223 Gunther Ave., Bronx, NY 10466 sends \$5 for a new 'un . . . CHARLES F. KAISER, 4016 Carpenter Ave., Bronx, NY 10466 of Co. M, 143rd.

L. T. BELL, 2813 74th Pl., Lubbock, TX 79423 of Co. E, 142nd renews for 2 years, an' ole Amil got 'em.

PAUL M. BEDERKA, 4711 Cleveland Ave., Rockford, IL 61108 of Co. E, 143rd, sends dues and stamp money . . . says he wants a T-Patch CAP. OK, Paul, write to anyone at the Santone Chapter.

STUART WHITLOW, Rt. 1, Box 165, Red Oak, VA 23964 of Btry. C, 132nd was paid for by W. T. LOGUE.

JOHN J. SCHESSLER, Jr., 4301 Mohawk St., Lincoln, NE 68510 of Co. E, 143rd, sends dues and stamp money (LENWLK likes that).

KENNETH H. SAUL, 1641 N. Broad St., Galesburg, IL 61401 of Co. F & G, 141st, says he regrets he missed Houston, but give my best to men of 141st.

RAY F. FLOWE, 804 North West Ninth St., Andrews, TX served with Div. Hqs. I.G. Section, was a dropout until BILL STEGER corraled him.

PAUL F. MYNATT, 4034 Timothy St., Knoxville, TN 37914 of Co. F, 143rd, was scouted by BOB NOWELL, V/P of 143rd.

SHELBY E. KROUSE, 14200 E. 39th Terr., Independence, MO 64055 of Co. B, 142nd, a life member, is a loyal bird-dogger. Recently sent out 40 letters, and in his dragnet got this one: FRANK M. SPRING, 2348 Tallahassee Dr., West Palm Beach, FL 33409, same outfit.

MARK SCHECK, 7 Beekman, Summit, NJ 07901 of 142nd got a nudge from Les Terry and is in with '80 dues . . . says, "The 36th is the best outfit in the world."

CLARENCE F. NICKERSON, 7 Tiffany Rd., Apt. 5, Salem, NH 03079 did time with that famous Co. G, 142nd, and would like to hear from all his olde buddies. Says he hopes to make Dallas '80, God willing. We'll be lookin' for you, Nick!



JULIUS R. BALLEW, Rt. 1, Box 76, Seminole, TX 79360 of WWI, Co. L, 144th, was found by FRITZ W. MOGFORD, 540 E. 3rd St., Colorado City, TX 79512 (life member) also WWI, Co. E, 142nd and Co. D, 143rd. Thanks!

EDWARD H. INKMANN, 3019 S. 93rd St., West Allis, WI 53227 of Co. C, 111th Medics; WILLIAM C. SUNIER, 14215 Woodcrest Dr., Rockville, MD 20853 of Co. K, 141st and JAMES L. CARTER, Sr., 3725 Hillsboro Rd., Louisville, KY 40207 of Co. C, 111th Medics, all new from JULIAN PHILIPS of Houston.

W. H. "Tuffy" OVERTON, Box 1, Montezuma, UT 84534 of Co. D, 143rd, formerly of Killeen, TX, walked into ROY GOAD's office in Belton and plunked down \$5 for a new membership. Roy sent it to LENWLK, says, "didn't recognize him, hadn't seen him since 1943, a member of my outfit."

DON L. LATIMER, 8809 Horacio Place NE Albuquerque, NM 87111 of 36th Recon., says he joined 36th on Feb. 14, 1941 and served with 71st Inf. Brigade until it merged into 36th Recon., hopes to make the Dallas Reunion.

WILLIE K. FEAGLE, 5033 Wofford Ave., Columbia, SC 29206, served with Btry. F, 131st FA is new and found by LENWLK. Willie was POW for 3½ years in Java, Singapore and Japan, also belongs to the Lost Battalion Assn. RALPH J. CAROLLA, 530 Pittsburgh Rd., Uniontown, PA 15401, saw our notice about the Pictorial History (reprint) ordered a book, and joined up. Served with Hqs. Co. 2nd Bn., 141st.

ANTHONY CHARLES GAGIARDO, 6751 118th Ave. N., Largo, FL 33543, also saw the notice in DAV magazine, ordered a book, and also \$20 for 4 years' dues to 1984. Tony would like to hear from Earl Higgenbotham and others from his ole outfit — Co. F and G, 143rd Inf.

FRANK J. HAAS, 127 Park St., Rutland, VT 05701 served with 443rd AAA AW (attached to 36th) and these men continue to join the T-Patchers. Welcome aboard!

OSCAR GRABBS, 709 W. Church, Killeen, TX 76541 of 36th Signal, was found by Wm. M. Hughes, Copperas Cove, TX of Co. B, 142nd Inf.

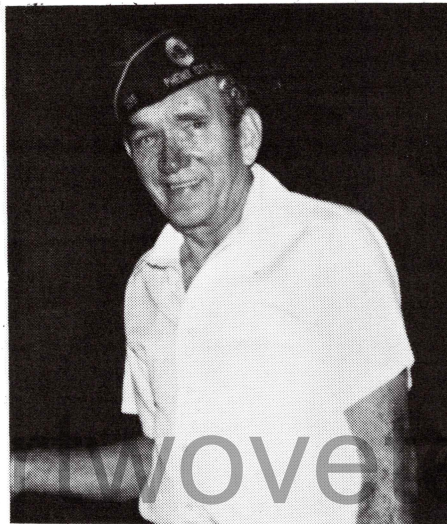
FUDIE J. VENEZIA, 9849 NW 25th Ct., Sunrise, FL 33322 of Co. L, 143rd is new, 'cause he saw our Pict/Hist. Book ad, ordered one, and signed up. Welcome!

WILBER JUNIOR FRITTER, Box 4, Morristown, OH 43759 of Co. G, 141st also saw our ad, bought a book, and signed up, and so did: GILBERT BERRYMAN, Rt. 1, Canan Subd., Mt. Sterling, KY 40353 of 141st Co. M.

LEO J. DURKIN, 758 E. Northampton St., Wilkes-Barre, PA 18702, is in because his wife sent it in. Thanx!

Barnes Is Looking For All Alabama T-Patchers

JOHNNY BARNES, 114 Walker Ave., Hueytown, AL 35020 says there's alot of T-Patchers in Alabama, and he wants to rally the ex-36thers for a get-together on May 24, 1980. He has an old roster, but mostly out of date, so he asks that anyone who has a current address to send it to him (above address) or call Hueytown, AL 491-2332. Barnes served with Btry. A, 131st.



Bennie Bodiford of Co. B, 111th Engineers, is a long-time member of the Assn., and with his wife Dorothy have made most all reunions, asks that you and yours meet him in Dallas Labor Day weekend. Bennie made front page in Nov. 1977 Patcher, dancing with a belly dancer. Gets mail at 2009 Kay Circle, Columbus, GA 31907. Photo sent in by Stovall.

Brig. Gen. Fred W. Sladen Former G-3 of Hqs. 36th Dies Jan. 10 at Tacoma

Brigadier General (Retired) Fred Winchester Sladen, Jr., who as a lieutenant colonel was the G-3 of the 36th Division from 6 Feb. 1944 to 22 Nov. 1944, died in Tacoma, WA, 10 Jan. 1980 after a brief illness.

"Freddie" was one of the best liked, and most effective, staff officers of the 36th Division.

A graduate of the U.S. Military Academy in the class of 1929 (the same class as George Lynch), he first served in combat as commander of the 1st Bn., 30th Infantry, 3rd Division, in the North African landings. He was severely wounded in this action, and was awarded the Silver Star for his gallantry and two Bronze Star Medals by the 3rd Division. He recovered from his wounds and was assigned to the 36th Division by General Mark Clark, in the great shuffle that took place after the Rapido River.

General Dahlquist awarded him the Legion of Merit and another Bronze Star.

He left the Division for assignment with the War Department General Staff, where he was awarded a Commendation Ribbon.

General Sladen is survived by his wife, a daughter, Mrs. J. E. (Patricia) Crow of El Paso, and a son, Fred Sladen III of the Virgin Islands.

Change of Address

Please advise your membership chairman if you have a change of address, otherwise, your copy of T-Patcher and other news may be delayed or lost. Write to: LEONARD WILKERSON, Membership Chairman, 11121 Visalia Drive, Dallas, TX 75228. Phone (214) 328-5589

Dick Stansell, Amarillo Bags 8 New Ones and Renews Six T-Patchers

Dear Leonard: Here's ck for \$70 for 14 memberships; 8 of these are NEW, and six are renewals and ALL are former members of 143rd Infantry:

NEW:

Jim Fitzgerald, 3 E. Esdgvick St., Sandston, VA 23105

Tom Wilkerson, Rt. 3, #370, Anniston, AL 36201

Bront Veenstra, Rt. 1, Holland, MI 49423

Dom Ferrara, 18838 Monica Dr., Mt.

Clemens, MI 48043

Milton Halpern, 29 Froehlich Rd., Hicksville, NY 11801

Dean West, 1922 Vista Del Mar Ave., Apt. 5, Hollywood, CA 90068

Werner Block, Anderson Rd., RR Box 69, Sherman, CT 06784

Cyril Green, 36 Park Ave., Whitman, MA 02382

PLUS these renewals for 1980 dues:

Jim Williams, 27 School St., McLean, NY 13102

Wayne McCurdy, Box 217, Jay, FL 32565

Roy Pankake, 403 Sand Hill Rd., Hershey, PA 17033

Odell Collins, Drawer 27, Valera, TX 76884

Curtis Soileau, Box 431, Port Barre, LA 70577.

As always, it was a wonderful experience being with and visiting with the T-Patchers at the Houston Reunion, and I am looking forward to Dallas '80.

Regards,

Dick Stansell, 143rd Inf.

Box 3788, Amarillo, TX 79106



During the "Tomb Trek" of the Military Order of The Cooties, John A. Grabis, F Company 141st Infantry, places a wreath at the grave of the late Major Audie Murphy at Arlington National Cemetery. John Grabis is also a member of the Dallas Chapter of the 36th Division Association, which holds its monthly meetings at the "Audie Murphy VFW Memorial Post 1837" in Dallas, Texas. John lives at 3403 W. University, Kenniston, MD.

Heard from

BOYD K. LAMB, 2418 Morningside Dr., Garland, TX 75041 of 36th Signal, sends in 2 years' dues.

STEVE RUZICKA, 1561 W. Summit Rd., Muskegon, WI drops \$20 on Amazin Amil, LENWLK puts Steve in for 2 years and picks up 2 strays: JOE ORTLOFF, 5024 W. Grace, Chicago, IL 60641, and ESQUELL JAQUES, 908 Park, Trinidad, CO 81802, both of Btry C, 132nd FA Bn.

Mrs. BESSIE J. BRIGGS (mother of Ralph Briggs) sends in dues, cause she says, "I love the T-Patcher, and these men are a great bunch of fine boys and men." She gave no unit, but gets mail at: 849 Scott St., Ashland, KY 44805.

LESTER R. BERTOLET, 116 Lakeview Dr., Carlsville, IL 62626 sends in dues for: STEWART T. BROTHERS, 1849 Valley View Dr., Freeport, IL 61032 of Co. B, 141st. Lester served with Co. E, 143rd. Ken Nixon sent it in.

WILLIAM N. HUGHES, 609 Morris Dr., Copperas Cove, TX 76522 of Co. B, 142nd sends dues for RAYMOND L. VASQUEZ, 524 N. San Gabriel St., San Antonio, TX 78228 of Co. D, 141st who is out of work and sick.

WM. W. SHROUT, 7703 Holland Dr. SW, Huntsville, AL 35802 writes that we had misspelled his name in the last issue, so now you have it . . . SHROUT. Served with Co. H, 141st Inf.

MARVIN M. SPLAWN, Rt. 2, Box 22, Belton, TX 76513 of Co. I, and A/T 143rd sends in dues for 2 years.

W. J. BAXTER, Box 961, Coleman, TX 76834 (spark plug of Co. B, 142nd) sends in dues for WM. A. BEASLEY, 7723 Bellaire Blvd., Houston, TX 77036, Co. of 1st Bn., 142nd.

VINCENT J. YAKAMAVICH, 424 Stillwater Dr., Pocono Summit, PA 18346 sends in dues, plus \$20 for a copy of the reprint of Pictorial/History.

ANDREW H. WHITE, Jr., 219 E. Cowan Dr., Houston, TX 77007 signs up, was a member of Co. A, Texas Defense Guard, later called Texas State Guard, also member of Houston Light Guard Veterans Assn.

LEROY RICHTER, P.O. Box 159, Flatonia, TX 78956 of Co. L, 141st drops \$25 for his dues, and LESTER SHERRY, Rt. 2, Gonzales, Tx 78629 — and E. J. RICHTER, Rt. 6, Box 197, Ponca City, OK 74601 and the rest for stamps. LENWLK likes that.

GEORGE W. CHOATE, Box 851, Port Neches, TX 77651 was instructor for 111th Engineers, sends in dues for 2 years.

WILLIAM C. KIESSEL, Box 97, Bearsville, NY 12409 says, "I received a T-Patcher from Leonard Meyers, CO. G, 143rd, and liked what I saw. Also a pix of 2 red-headed Goad brothers, whom I remember well when I was assigned to Co. D, 143rd at Blanding." Kiesel drops \$10 for dues, is a new member, and he got Amil's roster in the bargain. Thanks.

PRESTON R. FERRELL (Ole Hominey Grits) served with Co. C, 142nd and wound-up with Div. Hqs., sends in dues . . . gets his mail at: 407 E. 38th St., Apt. 3, Erie, PA 16504. Believe that ole "HOMINEY GRITS" won our nick-name contest back in 1973. OK, let's have another one (contest, that is).

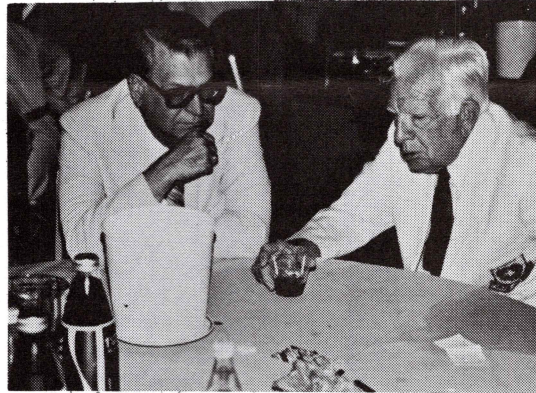
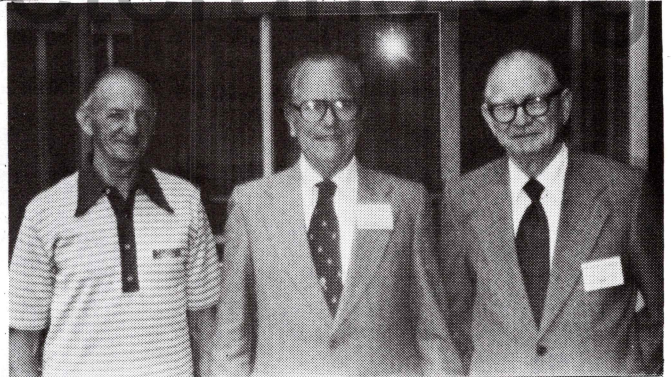
C. H. CARLISLE, 3533 San Augustine, Shreveport, LA 71105 of 141st sends in \$30, so LENWLK sent the Pict/History reprint and signed him up for 2 years' dues.

Happiness Is Being At A 36th Reunion



Astro Village Hotel, Houston, from left: Robt. K. Lovelady (155th) and wife from Childersburg, AL, with Dot and Johnny Barnes (Btry. A, 131st) of 114 Walker Ave., Hueytown, AL 35020 who sent in this photo, at the dinner dance, Houston Reunion last year. See Barnes story about Alabama 36thers on Page 6

PHOTO at right — Houston Reunion. Three great troopers of 141st, from left—Walter A. Sheetz, Lawrence Bush Easley and E. A. Foster. These guys never miss a reunion. Photo sent in by Bush Easley of Dallas of Co. H, 141st, of SMU Dept. of Public Safety, a long and loyal T-Patcher.



HOUSTON REUNION dinner dance last August . . . here's R. Phillip Haddock, 2734 Fairmount, Lakeland, FL 33803 of Co. G, 143rd in a very serious discussion on the situation, with Col. Oran Stovall, the Mikado of Montague County, TX, and chief of 111th Engineers. This proves that our reunions are not all fun and games, but some earthy moments of war days—over three decades ago. Photo by LENWLK.

An Excedrine Headache Cause By HOAX Message On V.A. Insurance . . .

On page 10, Dec. '79 T-Patcher, we ran an item about an update on G.I. Insurance. This has to be the biggest bomb we've ever encountered. This item was given to Amil at the Houston reunion; he sent it to LENWLK, who sent it in to me. It was a clip from the 3rd Division's newsletter.

Most editors would spend time and money to check these items, but since it had appeared in a publication, we in good faith published this . . . to our regret. Lots of letters and phone calls from VA offices, all familiar with the hoax that's plagued them for many years, knew we were victim of a crazy person, or persons who have a vendetta against the VA. We regret this inconvenience to our troops and the Philly VA office.

LENWLK NEEDS HELP

Leonard Wilkerson, Membership Secretary, would like to know if any of the membership knows the address of WAYNE CRISMAN, 111 Eng. CRISMAN is a "Life" member of the association. December issue of the T-Patcher was returned as unknown at this address—1014 Fountain View, Houston, TX 77027.

The last issue sent to JOHN B. DEWBERRY, 3110 Lynbrook Ct., Sugarland, TX 77478 was returned to me marked Unknown. Dewberry was a life member, and if anyone can help (G-143rd) please let me hear from you.

Be Reminded: Dues For 1980 are \$5.00; After June 1st 1980, It goes To \$7.50 for 1981 Dues

Change of Address



Gen. A. B. Crowther (former G-2) has a new address: 315 Parkhill Drive, San Antonio, TX 78212.

John B. DeNardo now gets mail at: 404 Olde Ingomar Court, Pittsburgh, PA 15237.

T. D. Whitson of 111th Engrs. says he has been transferred to Zaragola, Spain, for a year or so, wants mail sent to: % G. M. Corporation, 3-220 GM Bldg., Detroit, MI 48202 (who will forward to him).

Garrett Hamilton, formerly Westland, MI, now wants mail sent to: 2287 Kirkland Ave., Spring Hill, FL 33526. Ham served with Co. I, 141st Inf.

Carl G. Benenati of Co. D, 141st, new address is: Box 71, Kinderhook, NY 12106.

Kenith C. Larsen, Sr., sends dues and new address: 608 N. Third St., St. James, MN 56081.

George LaBounty now gets mail at: 1200 Nolana, Apt. 49, McAllen, TX 78501, served with Co. G, 143rd Inf.

Charles T. Walden, formerly Andrews, TX, now — Gen. Del., Adamsville, TX 76510.

Norman L. Jacobs, formerly Chicago, has moved to the sunbelt, now gets mail at: 2121 San Carlos Blvd., Ft. Myers, FL 33931, served with Btry. C, 132nd.

B. P. Lindsey of Btry. A, 132nd now resides at: Rt. 1, Box 87, Hugo, OK 74743, sent in by Amil.

Carl S. McCluggage of Co. B, 111th Engrs., didn't move very far — just down the road at: Rt. 10 - Gen. Palmer Dr., Murfreesboro, TN 37130.

Gil C. Russi (Col. Ret.), formerly of Co. D, 141st and the windy city of Chicago, now takes up new duties with Regis College of Denver, resides at: P.O. Box 26533, Lakewood, CO 80226 — sends regards to T-Patchers.

Lem H. West of Btry. C, 132nd has new address: 5921 Poplar Pike, Box 17965, Memphis, TN 38138.

Joe E. Gray of Btry. A, 132nd lived in Orange, CA, moves to Texas and lives at: 1441 Big Bend, Plano, Tx 75023 (that's a short beer from downtown Dallas).

Archie H. Kirby of A/T 144th is another ex-Californian, says goodbye Santa Rosa, hello: 10 Leona Lane, Bay City, TX 77414.

Jimmie L. Russell of Co. C, 142nd (life member) now lives at: 7602 Barburton, Houston, TX 77036, says it's "Jimmie," not James as previously written.

Stephen Gordon Griswold of Co. A, 143rd now gets mail at: 5418 Lerwick Dr., Houston, TX 77084.

Johnnie (and Ruth) Carr, formerly of Gainesville, FL, now join the Texans — 6937 Briardale St., Smithfield, TX 76180 (that's close to D/FW Airport).

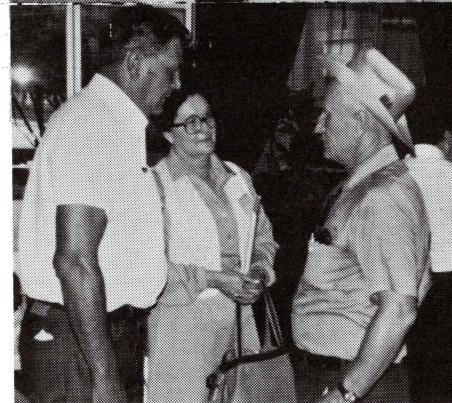
Raymond S. Hemple of Co. H, 142nd, left Lyndhurst for this address: 200 Chatham Way, Hamilton House, Apt. 705, Mayfield Heights, OH 44124.

George B. Schriver of Co. K, 141st leaves Enola, PA for sunshine at: 2310 Sandlewood Dr., Venice, FL 33595.

From The Houston Reunion



Here's Rosie and Sweetie Rosales, San Antonio, at the dinner dance last year. Rosie served with 141st, is the new president of the very active San Antonio Chapter for 1980. Also a great cartoonist who drew many great ones for the overseas T-Patch.



TOP photo — Robert Ritchie and wife with a friend at the reunion dance. Ritchie served with Btry. C, 131st, lives in Lubbock, and has made most all reunions. Photo above: Ole Riley Tidwell, Houston, & wife visiting in the lobby with Amazin' Amil Kohutek of Abilene. These 2 photos sent in by H. A. Green, 4023 Boone Rd., Gadsden, AL, of Co. H, 143rd.

Zaden O. Lee, formerly of Wimberly, TX, now gets mail at: Box 1867, San Benito, TX 78586.

John D. Spivey (lived at Mexia, TX) now resides at: Rt. 19, Box 267, Tyler, TX 75706.

Troy Broomer of Ashley, MN has moved to: P.O. Box 91, Chateau, OK 74337.

Sidney E. Oliver of 142nd has change in address: P.O. Box 1135, Alabaster, AL 35007.

William R. Webber now gets mail at: 112 2nd St., Rogers Loc., Iron River, MI 49935.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS



WALTER M. NELSON, 268 Franklin Dr., Pittsburgh, PA 15241 of 155th F.A. Bn.; FRANCIS J. POLETTI, 522 E. Grand Ave., Tower City, PA 17980 of Co. F, 142nd; ROBERT E. DUNCAN, 7202 W. Balmoral Ave., Chicago, IL 60656 of 443rd AAA; THEADORE R. COLABRESE, 2609½ Heron Lane, Glenshaw, PA 15116 of Co. F, 143rd, rounded up by Francis Cervellera of Oklawaha, Fla.

JOE W. KIRKPATRICK, 307 Fenwick, Laredo, TX 78041 of 111th Medics; JOHN A. BISHOP, RR 3, Box 71C, Covington, IN 47932 of Co. E, 141st found us in the DAV Magazine, ordered a Pictorial History and that's good to find the 'lost' troopers.

HOMER IRVIN DAVIS, 4400 Astor, Dallas, TX is with us because James Herb Gallman, 501 Magnolia St., Pampa, TX 79065 of Co. H, 141st sent in his dues, plus dues for Davis of A/T 143rd Inf.

THOMAS McDOWELL Jr., Box 191, Otto, NC 28763 of Co. B, 142nd is a new one because ROSS DARNELL, 3710 Meadowbrook Dr., Columbus, GA 31906 (Btry. C, 132nd) got him. IRVING STEINER, 769 Dogwood Ave. W., Hempstead, NY 11552 of Hqs. 3rd Bn., 143rd is a new 'un' cause — ole ARTHUR GOLDENBAUM, 154-23 64th Ave., Flushing, NY 11367 of 736th Ordnance sent in his dues. Bully! And the beat goes on!

BOB HANNA, 2717 Prairie, Ft. Worth, TX 76106 and DENNIS ALSBURY of 6041 Throne Trail, San Antonio, TX 78238 are 2 more new 'uns from old bird dogger LES TERRY, the Toledo Texan, who was first runner-up last year for gettin' new members. Thanks!

MALCOLM H. PHILLIPS, Rt. 2, Box 324, Sunset Lake, Huntsville, TX 77340 of Co. G, 143rd is new, from Julian Philips of Houston. JOSEPH CERNI, 3412 Glenwood Ave., Youngstown, OH 44511, also from Julian Philips.

CHARLES AUDET, 601 Starkey Road, Largo, FL 33541 is new from efforts of GEO. M. HASS, 803 Irene, West Chester, PA of 142nd Inf.

BILL DEAREN, 6327 Newquay, Houston, TX 77085 of Co. A, 111th QM Regmt., is in from efforts of Julian Philips and George Birmingham of Svc. Co., 143rd.

J. FAY BURTON, 618 W. Henderson, Cleburne, TX 76031 of Co. L, 142nd in WWI, compliments of L. O. BOWEN, P.O. Box 93, Cleburne, TX 76031 of Supply Co., 144th.

LEWIS STEPHENS, 3214 Drexel, Dallas, TX 75205 of 142nd, sent in by Amazin' Amil. HERMAN REICHERT, 3435 30th St., Long Island, NY 11106 of 131st FA Bn., is another score for AMIL.

WILLIAM M. BLACK, Box 572, Canyon, TX 79015 of Co. F, 142nd, and CONRAD S. KLINGER, RD #1, Franklin, PA 16323 of Co. M, 142nd — both roped in by VIRGIL DUFFEY of Wichita Falls, the top Bird Dog for 1980, and he has our thanks!

RAY (Tessie) MCCRAY has rounded up 3 more 36th Signalmen, and they are: JAMES D. JORDAN, 202 Arnold #212, Abilene, TX 79655; W. V. DOYLE, 2200 Bevis, Houston, TX 77008; and ARTHUR M. MORTON, 4307 Waynesboro, Houston, TX 77035, all of 36th Signal. McCray is a champion bird-dogger!

JOHN WEBER, 105 W. Culbertson St., Fostoria, OH 44830 of Btry. C, 155th FA Bn. was roped in by JOHN BONER, 1285 Walnut Dr., Mansfield, OH 44903.

Last Of The Great Generals Is Gone - William H. Wilbur, 91

Accolades For Achievement Were Many For Former Assistant Div. Commander

Brigadier General William Hale Wilbur, former Assistant Division Commander of the 36th Infantry Division, died in his wheel chair in his home in Shell Point Village, near Fort Myers, Florida, on 27 December 1979. He was 91 years old.

T-Patchers will remember "Willie Wilbur" as the stern, hard-driving brigadier general who was attached to the Division for the Salerno landing, then replaced Brigadier General Otto H. Lange as the Assistant Division Commander.

Already a hero, with the Medal of Honor for his fabulous exploits in the landing in North Africa, General Wilbur won several medals while serving in the 36th.

General Wilbur was a violent opponent of the Mark Clark-ordered Rapido River crossing, but carried out those unpopular orders, as a good soldier would. He was relieved of command by General Mark Clark, and returned to the States where he served as Chief of Staff of the Western Defense Command.

He counted many of the great among his acquaintances — President Franklin Roosevelt, who draped the CMH ribbon around his neck; General Patton, with whom he served closely, and often argumentatively; General Eisenhower, who was one of the 27 most illustrious graduates of West Point — a title he shared with General Wilbur, a graduate of the class of 1912. Among his other notable acquaintances were General Douglas MacArthur, President Kennedy, and Prime Minister Winston Churchill. General Wilbur considered Churchill the greatest man of his time.

Military honor guard from Fort Stewart, South Carolina, was provided at the church services in Shell Point Village, and burial was with full military honors at West Point. He was buried beside his son, who died of wounds in the Korean War.

He entrusted his diary to a Florida friend, Bill Hoyerman, who said of him, in his obituary:

"He did what he could, for his country."

The above eulogy was written and sent in by our Division Historian, Vincent M. Lockhart of El Paso. Many others sent in material on the passing of Gen. Wilbur, including Col. Oran Stovall, Bowie, TX, who was a great admirer of the late General. Other data on this great soldier will be published in the new Quarterly (coming soon).

We wish to thank James Stokes, of N. Fort Myers, FL for forwarding to us a full page story about the passing of General William H. Wilbur, Dec. 27, 1979. A real great story.

Our point is, when ANY T-Patcher sees a story about the 36th, or any of our men, please clip and send to us for the 36th Files. In the past, we have received many great stories about our troopers, and they will be preserved for posterity. Should you desire to keep the original, send us a xerox. Mail to: Bill Jary, editor T-Patcher, P.O. Box 1816, Fort Worth, TX 76101.



Jan. 8, 1943 — President Franklin D. Roosevelt places the Congressional Medal of Honor on Brig. Gen. William H. Wilbur for his valor in North Africa. Maj. Gen. George S. Patton assists, as General Marshall looks on. This photo, taken at FDR's villa in Casablanca, was loaned to the T-Patcher, courtesy Mrs. Laura Wilbur, widow of this famous general.

Joint Reunion For Co. B, 142nd (East-West) To Meet At Nashville, Aug. 1, 1980

The two great and active East & West Units of Co. B, 142nd will meet jointly in Nashville, Tenn., Aug. 1-3rd, 1980, according to Dewey Mann, president, Eastern group.

Highlight of the reunion will be taking in a matinee performance at the Grand Ole Opry. Sign up with Barbara Davidson, 22 Queen Ann, Friendship, NY 14379.



IN GERMANY, 1945 — Back row from left: Edward Ostringua, "Jeep" Dawson, Billy Barnes, Randy Myers, Edward Devonshire, Walter Willis and Raymond Trisch. Front row: Robert Neal, Frank Fry, Oscar Collins, Pickins Rasco, Clovis Durant, James Farmer, Emmett Racheal, _____, and Orland Bratz. Pix sent in by Randy Myers of Hqs. Co. 142nd, 207 Frye Ave., Bentleyville, PA 15314.



Thalfingen, Germany, men of Co. K, 143rd, back row from left: Ralph Teto, (?), Reynolds Blount and John Sloan. Front: William Farmer, Willie Burrage, Frank Zaffino and William Downey of Paterson, NJ, who sent in this photo.

RENEWALS

STEWART B. REAGAN, P.O. Box 4061, Temple, TX 76501 of Co. A, 142nd Inf.; **TRAVIS ROEBUCK**, 7508 Brentwood Cir., Waco, TX 76710 of Co. M, 143rd; **J. DOUGLAS RICKERT**, 81 Watkins Ave., Middletown, NY 10940; **HUBERT M. GRAY**, 9001 Glacier #175, Texas City, TX 77590 of Btry C, 132nd.

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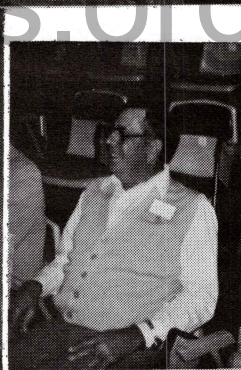
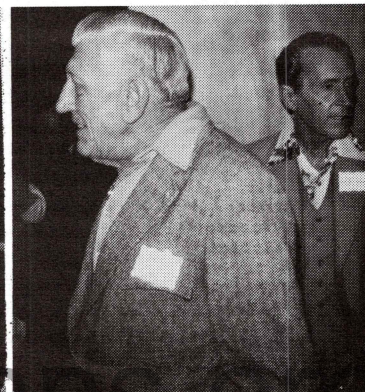
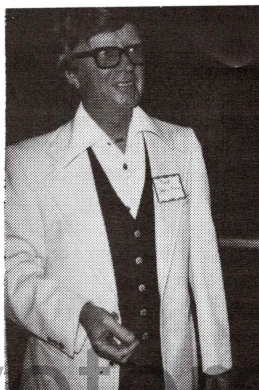
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Co. G, 142nd's Sixth Annual Reunion, Snyder

Snyder, Texas: 75 members of Co. G, 142nd gathered for their 6th annual reunion. At right is Chas. Stimson, Jr., of Plainview, the editor of their newsletter. Next: William V. Kalinauskas, Oakridge, Ore., and Robt. L. McKinney of Snyder. Reunion was held at Western Texas College, J. C. Williamson, president presided.



Above left: Ferrall Hollis, Midland, visits with Don Adams of Snyder. Center: Jack Finan of Raleigh, N.C., tells Capt. Carl Matney of Amarillo how it should have been done. Right: Robt. Swint, 1st Sgt. of Snyder, farms and pumps oil.

At right — Jay Skinner comes all the way from Delaware, Ohio, visits with (?). General arrangements chairman was Don Adams, and a great gathering it was. (Photos by Amil Kohutek).

Lost T-Patchers Buy Book & Join Up

The notice published in Dec. DAV Magazine has been a great boost to our book sales of the Pict/History reprint. Here are more (lost) T-Patchers who bought a book and joined the Association: **MARTIN NUNBERG**, 32 Summit Rd., Clifton, NJ 07012 of Co. B, 111th Engrs.; **FRANK L. WEDO**, 394 Ann St., Phillipsburg, NJ 08865, joined 36th in Italy, can't recall the unit); **WILLIAM WILKENS**, P.O. Box 169, Wading River, NY 11792 of 141st; **ELBERT IVAN LAHMEYER**, 1120 Meadow Brooks, Mountain Home, AR 72653 of Co. K, 141st, also bought a Roster; **JACK A. HENSLEY**, 3635 Antelope Rd., Space 8, White City, OR 97501, joined 36th in N/Africa; **KENNETH SANDERS**, RFD 2, Sumner, TX 75496 of Co. A, 111th Medics; **WILLIAM C. TURNER**, P.O. Box 7584, Drift, KY 41619 of Hqs. Co., 143rd; **EUGENE V. BEMIS**, Park St., Russell, MA 01071, no unit given; **WILLIAM L. DATSON**, P.O. Box 498, St. Paul, VA 24283 of Co. K, 143rd Inf.

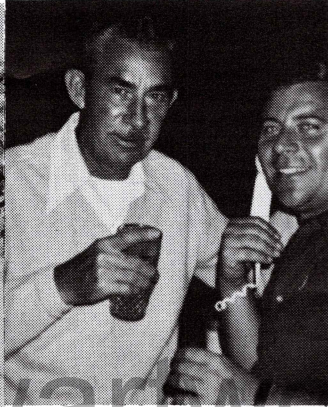
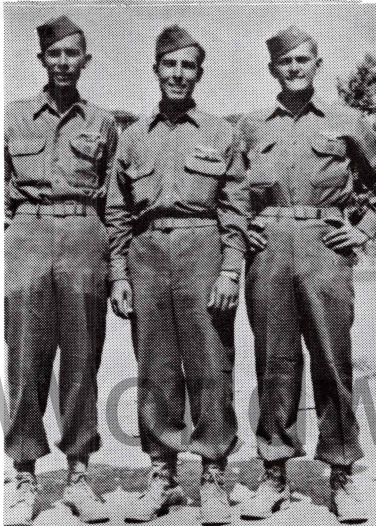


Cold Cape Cod

CAMP EDWARDS, Winter 1942, here's the maintenance crew of Svc. Co., 142nd: front row — from left: Rickle, DD. T. Roach, Al Gibson, Gunn, R. Casbeer and C. W. Warren. Back: Hudson, (unknown), Glen Tongate, Melvin Strangee and "Buckwheat" Wyatt. Pix from Tongate, 600 Fountain, La Porte, TX 77571.

START PACKIN' — 1980 36th Reunion — D/FW Airport Marina Resort Hotel — Aug. 28 - 31st, the Greatest!

A 'Peachy' Then and NOW . . .



Here's Bert "Peaches" Hall with his boss, Stollar Building Materials Co., of Carbondale, IL (Oct. '78) at their Kentucky Lake cabin enjoying a toddy.

The 3 Bounty-Hunders of Co. I, 143rd stop long enough to pose for this one at Pompeii, Italy, Aug. 1944. From left: Bert "Peaches" Hall, Francis A. "Hingeback" Cervellera and Wm. "Virgin" Dennebaum. These 3 renegades were reunited last year by the efforts of Cervellera, who sent in the two above photos. Our thanks to Francis for these "earthy" photos.



CAMP EDWARDS Sept. 1942—here's Frank Nebalek, left, and Roy Kinsey, who sent in this photo (both of 736th Ord.). Roy gets mail at 4611 Pack Saddle Pass, Austin, TX 78745.



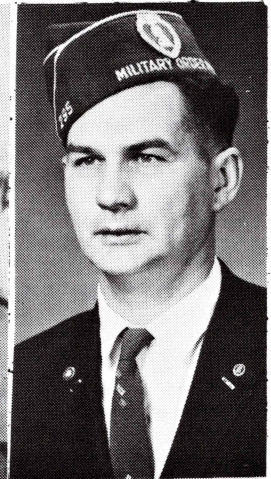
GERMANY 1945 at war's end, from left: Paul Good, Robert Adams, Walter Burke and (?) Hardesty, all men of 36th Recon Troop, sent in by Les Terry who has a giant file on the men of 36th Recon, and he has our thanks.



McGLOSKEY General Hospital photo, taken at the Jan. 1946 Brownwood Reunion—General Dahlquist shakes hands with August Waskow of Belton, TX, brother of legendary Capt. Henry T. Waskow, KIA in Italy. Other soldiers not identified. Photo sent in by Dick Stansell, Box 3788, Amarillo, TX 79106 of 143rd Inf. (tags are from McCloskey Hospital.)



THEN AND NOW



Here's 18-year-old LOUIS BOZSA, photo made in 1943 just before going overseas, served with Co. E, 143rd Inf., and a recent photo, as service officers of Military Order of Purple Heart, now appointed commander 295 Belleville, IL. Bozsa saw our ad about the Pic/Hist., bought one and joined up, gets mail at: Rt. 1, Coulterville, IL 62237.

You Never Know . . .

It happens all the time. Just by accident, you'll find someone you have known for some time, then all of a sudden . . . he's a T-PATCHER. Here's a good one:

JANICE AMELUNKE, wife of ALVIN (143rd) and former Assn/Pres., writes: "Alvin and I were in Las Vegas attending the giant Home Builders National Convention. On the way to the airport, we ran across another home-builder, who asked if we would attend the convention in Sept. 1980."

Since Alvin knew he meant the Home/Builders, he replied, "No, we go to the 36th Reunion then." He, of course, was surprised and said he was in the 142nd, but had not heard of our reunions.

"I asked him for \$5 for dues, and told him he would hear more," Janice added. So now, we have a lost, new trooper, thanks to the Amelunks: WARREN H. PARKER, Box 266, Port Lavaca, TX 77979 (142nd).



TWO BUDDIES meet after 35 years—both of Co. G, 141st Infantry. At right is Robert J. Faught, 1731 Cheshire Lane, Houston, hosts his former squad leader, Harry W. Lund, who is seeing the VICTORY edition of T-Patch (May 8, 1945) for the first time. Faught says Lund was hit 5 times and was in the states when war ended. (Ed. note: this was the "best" issue ever printed, Victory!).

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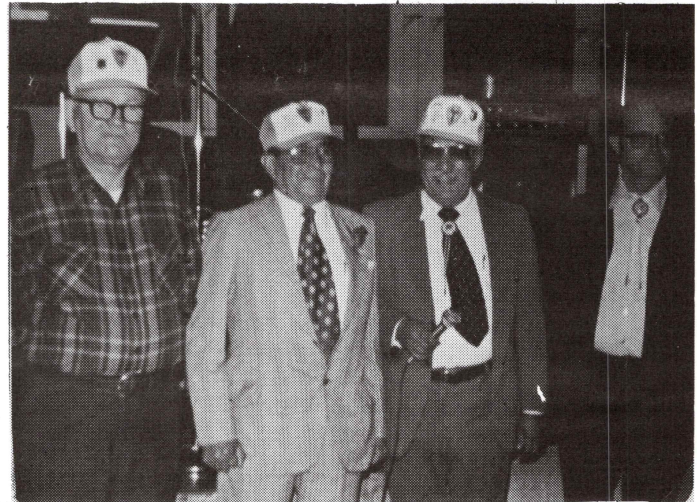
REUNION of Co. B, 142nd (Eastern) at Fort Mitchell, KY on Aug. 3-5th, 1979, with a total of 32 T-Patchers in attendance: They are: Front R. — Ralph Taylor, Mich.; Ret. Col. David Sisco, Ga.; Charles Glenn Sr., Ind.; Frank Gaul, Oh.; Brendan Gallagher, Fla.; Dewey Mann, W. Va.; Emil Hardulak, Oh.; Tony Fanello, Ill.; Joe Matko, Oh.

2nd R. — Daniel Johnston, Oh.; K. O. Pitner, Tex.; Clare Cunningham, Mich.; Joe Stachnik, Oh.; Jon Wofford, Mich.; Les Badger, Oh.; Ralph Kinder, Ky.; Gilbert Klaene, Ky.; Frank Palmer, Md.

3rd R. — Pershing Freeman, Pa.; Victor Davidson, N.Y.; Sam Atanosian, Mich.; Bob Grieger, Ark.; Angelo Rapone, Oh.; Adam Tonio, Pa.; Melvin Berg, Mich.; Clarence Bunnell, Mich.

Back R. — Edward Szafasz, N.J.; Calvin England, Mich.; Troy Strickland, Ga.; William Repke, N.J.; Al Bozell, Cal.; Dennis Norton, N.Y. Bobby Fanello holds banner, and absent when pic was taken — Harry Arold, Ky. (Photo and text sent in by Barbara Davidson).

SAN ANTONIO Chapter officers for 1979-80 — from left: Willard Waddell, Sec.-Treas.; Raymond Vasques, Sgt. at Arms; Robert Rosales, President; and Chas. A. Dawson, V/P. This very active chapter meets first Friday every month except December. The S/A gang are a real "gungho" group and their membership grows every year. Marvin Steitle, a former headknocker, sent in this photo. Our thanks.



FINDERS KEEPERS. These men of 736th Ordnance display their German (captured) Fiat, from left: Wm. W. Cass, Arthur J. Flores and Roy Kinsey. They repainted it, added the Star and used it to chase wild women and inspect joints to see if they met the health requirements, says Kinsey of Austin, TX who sent this pix, dated July 2,2 1944, so must have been Rome, Italy.

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Heard from

EDGAR L. McKINLEY, 1794 Brentwell, Columbus, OH 43219 of Co. H, 142nd sends in 2 years' dues, and tells LENWLK that 'Edgar' is correct, and 'Oscar' as listed in the roster is not. (Hey, Ed, we never make MISTEAKS).

SIDNEY E. LURIE, Box 1646 SSS, Springfield, MO 65805 of Co. B, 141st drops \$15 for 1980-81-82 dues. Bully!

JOHN H. McANELLY, 4024 Parrott, Waco, TX 76707 of 143rd, dues sent in by old **JOHN ARab POWERS**, the former powerhouse of 141st and Santone Chapter.

LES TERRY, the Toledo Texan, is still brid-dogging. Sends in dues for **McCauley**, 17 West Main, Wickford, RI 02852 and **Edward B. Morales**, 1106 Hillcrest W., San Antonio, TX 78228.

WARNER SIMS, 3816 63rd Dr., Lubbock, TX 79413 of Co. F, 143rd sends in dues for **A. B. 'Abe' SIMS**, Groesbeck, TX 76642 of Co. G, 142nd.

JESS H. STANBROUGH, Oceanographic Inst., Woods Hole, MA 02543 was one of the LOST BATTALION men of 131st F.A. that were shipped Out from Camp Bowie, 4 days after Pearl Harbor. They landed in Australia, sent to Java, fought with Aussies and Dutch from Jan.-Mar. 1942 when Java capitulated 3/8/42, then spent 3½ years in Jap POW camps in Java, Singapore, Ohashi and Japan. Jess was M/Sgt. of Communications, now in research with Oceanographic Inst. Welcome aboard, Jess.

ANDREW Z. BAKER, Rt. 2, Box 336, Galveston, TX 77551 served with Co. G, 143rd and 36th Tank Co., was rounded up by ole **Amil**, says you can now call him "Judge," resides at the Galveston County Court House.

DAVID W. BROWN, 928 Tenn St., Graham, TX 76046 of Co. H, 142nd, crossed paths recently with **W. E. 'Hungry' PHILLIPS** who served in his outfit, and it seems Phillips was discharged medically before Pearl Harbor (later served in Navy) and is interested in joining up. **LENWLK** shoots blanks and copy of T-Patcher to: 1110 Zang, Golden, CO 80401. Hey, Hungry, send us a case of COORS.

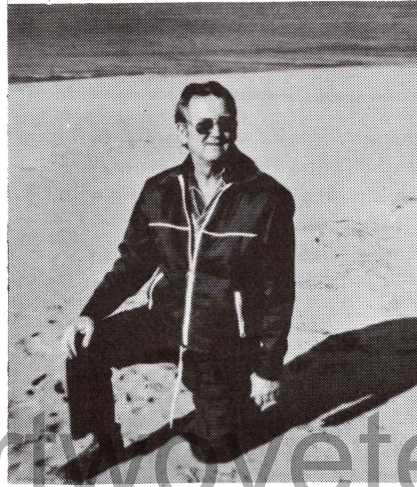
DID you know that there are 193 U.S. veterans of the Spanish American War (1898) still alive. Total of 392,000 American servicemen took part in that conflict (so says the VA Adm.).

BOBBY G. CARR, Jr., Vice Commander, DAV, P.O. Box 1895, Pasadena, TX 77501 of Co. I, 143rd sends his dues and two more for his buddies: **LESTER C. HAIRE**, 102 Troy, Houston, TX 77076 and **FRANK V. HASH**, Box 136, Rogers, TX 76569. Bobby says, "The three of us walked all the way from Belton TX mobilization Nov. 25, 1940 to war's end with Co. I. I believe there are 10 or 11 Purple Hearts between us, myself six. Also if we can help in the new book, 'T-Patch to Victory,' we'd be glad to." Carr resides at Rt. 1, Box 100, Livingston, TX 77351.

JAMES C. HANEY, Rt. 2, Box 117 W1, Palestine, TX 75801 of Co. L, 142nd, was at one time a member, has now joined up.

LOY M. HARPER, 4113 Highway 78, Jasper, AL 35501 signs up, but failed to give his unit.

PAUL DITTRICK, P.O. Box 301, Edna, TX 77957 sends in dues, says he was with 74th Signal Co. Special, attached to the 36th at Salerno, and again at Southern France, and we are always glad to welcome any trooper of attached units (and we have many).



Irv Smith and Wife Visit Salerno & Area

Dear Bill: My wife and I traveled to Italy last March and visited every landmark we all remember so well in 1943-44. We started at Paestum and stayed all day in that area looking for the Division monument that was supposed to be erected there.

No one seemed to know anything about it, but oldtimers remember the Texas boys very well, and I finally got to talk with a man who "capito English." We stayed at the hotel in Salerno that night and drove through Altavilla, Battpaglio, on to Pompeii and drove to the top of Mt. Vesuvius. Then on to Naples, Casserta, Santa Maria, Madaloni and finally Cassino.

I showed my wife where I laid on the mountainside and watched the air bombing of the Abbey Monte Cassino, Feb. 1944. Also where I lost my buddy, Clem Laugel of Evansville, Ind. On to Rome for 4 days, side trips to Anzio and Velletri . . . it was quite an experience.

The Boys of Btry. B, 132nd knew me as "G.I." Smith from Virginia. I joined to unit on Cape Cod Sept. 1942 and stayed with them all the way. I made San Antonio reunion in 1975 — and will be in Dallas '80.

C. Irving Smith, 6833 Chamberlayne Rd., Mechanicsville, VA 23111.

Dear Troops: If you sent in a story, or photos, and it's not in this issue, please bear with us. The response of the membership has been heart-warming. It's been brought forward

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Robert L. Brown, Zavalla, TX of C-143rd, died Feb. 1978 as notified by his wife.

Howard Holton of Wellington, TX, Co. B, 111th Medics, passed away Dec. 23, 1979, sent in by Buster Hughes, same city of Co. I, 142nd.

Glen B. Beavers of Harbor, OR of 36th QM, notified by P.O. Dept. as deceased.

Clavin J. Lewis, Turtle Creek, PA of 36th Recon was sent in by Les Terry, no date given.

Jack Weese, Major of 111th Engineer Rgmt., of San Antonio, died July, 1979, reported by Col. Oran Stovall, Bowie, TX.

Dave W. Crenshaw, age 86 of WWI 36thers, died Jan. 13, 1980 in his home town of Austin. Reported by Charles O. Barker of Austin.

Wyatt Lee Morris, a retired school teacher of Abilene, retired Lt. Col., died Jan. 9, 1980. Unit not given.

Clifford Elwood Morningstar of Miamisburg, OH of Co. B, 141st, died Dec. 20th (never missed a reunion), reported by Julian Philips, John Powers in note from his widow, Mitzi.

Lyman Howard, Greenwood, IN is deceased as of Oct. 1977, in a delayed note from his widow. No unit given.

Jack F. Gruen, San Antonio, died recently, served with 133rd Medical Rgmt. and Div. Arty. 111th Medics.

Miriam Forman, 53, wife of Jack J. Forman, 36th Signal, Houston, TX, reports she died of cancer May 14, 1979. They had been married 33 years.

Warren W. Thurston of Dallas served with Co. K, 144th, died Dec. 12, 1979.

John B. Moore of Grand Prairie, TX, died Oct. 1979, served with Co. K, 144th, reported by C. A. Austin, secty. of 144th Inf. Assn.

Chaney J. Brook, Jr., Dallas of Co. G, 144th, died Nov. 1979, reported by LENWLK.

Luther E. Orrick, Maj. Gen. (Ret.) of Wichita Falls, TX, was Lt./Col. in 36th, later commander of 49th Armor Div. in 1962; died Sept. 1973, reported by his wife to Virgil Duffey.

James N. McNutt of Rosenberg, TX, served with 636th TD, died Dec. 12, 1979 after lengthy illness.

Five men of Co. B, 142nd Eastern unit, reported by Barbara Davidson, as follows: Emil Hardulak, Edward Suliga, Julian Bernard, Joe Wysinski and Vernon Paschall, sent in by Amil.

Bennie Tieken of Wilmington, CA died of cancer July, 1979, reported by his niece, Mrs. Elroy Boysen of Houston, whose husband is also member of 36th. Bennie served with Co. K, 141st.

Charlie W. Peyton, 64, died Nov. 1979 at Waco, served with Btry. C, 131st FA Bn., reported by Robt. Ritchie of Lubbock.

Walter J. Bush, of Btry. C, 132nd, Jackson, MI, passed away Oct. 1979, was reported by widow Barbara to Amil and to Homer Harris, both of same outfit.

Chaney J. Brooks of Dallas, Co. G, 144th, is deceased, letter returned Nov. 1979.

John Zak, Big Piney, WY, served with Co. L, 143rd, no date given.

Col. Hershel E. Angus of Abilene, TX, served with Co. I, 142nd, died Nov. 1979 as reported by his wife.

Wm. D. MacGibbon of Portland, OR, served with 143rd Inf., died Oct. 1979, according to his widow.

William D. MacGibbon, 59, an officer in 143rd, died Oct. 1979 at Portland, OR, advertising executive, reported by his associate, Jess M. Shinn, of Hqs. Btry. 155th FA Bn., who worked with Mac for the past 6 years.

Lt. Carl Collar of Walnut Ridge, AR died Oct. 1978, and Wm. Dettler of Dover, PA died Jan. 1979, both of Co. M, 142nd, both reported by Irvin B. Dryer, Jr., reported by Virgil Duffey, V/P of 142nd.

Judge John Benavides, 60, the first Mexican-American to become a district judge in San Antonio, died Jan. 19, 1980. Benavides served with 141st Infantry, reported by Philip Vann, 36th Recon Troop.

John T. Whaley of Richlands, NC died Sept. 1979 according to his widow Marie Whaley.

Dr. Leslie H. Willis, Bloomfield educator, died in Dec. '79, reported by Fred Hall of Mansfield, TX.

Loren P. Schrantz, of Co. M, 141st, died Sept. 18, 1979 at Clifton, TX, reported by Douglas W. Place (same outfit) of Harlingen, TX.

Fred Booth, 67, died Jan. 18, 1980 at Harlingen of cancer, reported by Doug W. Place. "Fred was a Lt. when we mobilized with Co. M, 141st, later served with Can/Co., was badly shot up on D-Day at Salerno," Doug added.

Ernest Spurrier, 64, of Co. M, 141st, died Jan. 25, 1980 at Harlingen, also reported by Doug W. Place.

Norman D. Wilson, 375 Belveder NE, Warren, OH 44483 of Co. A, 141st, died Jan. 13, 1978, reported by his widow.

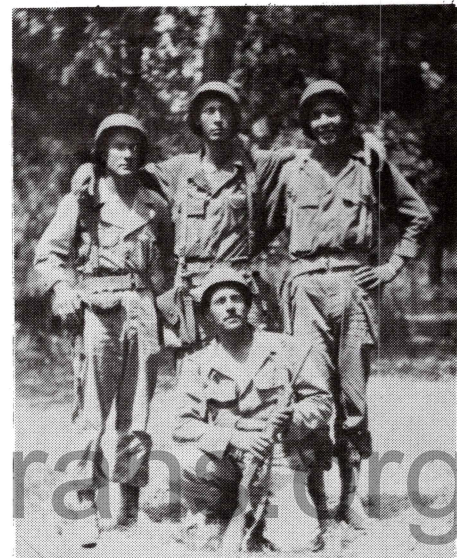
Bill Bonlore, El Paso, of Co. H, 141st, died several years ago, according to his sister, Ms. Jackie McLean, who sends in \$5 to keep her subscription to the T-Patcher.

Samuel M. Sampler, age 84, of WWI Co. H, 142nd, died Nov. 20, 1979, N. Fort Myers, FL, according to James Stokes (same town, same outfit). Sampler won the CMH for single-handedly capturing 28 Gerans and saved 19 of his fellow men of Co. H, 142nd.

Memberships

NOTICE: Please send all members hip blanks and checks (made out to - 36th Division Association) to our new Membership Chairman:

Leonard Wilkerson, 11121 Visalia Dr., Dallas, TX 75228.



Grosseto, Italy 1944, before Southern France invasion — standing from left: Donald Carey, Stuart, Iowa; Harry J. Charest, New Haven, Conn.; Henry L. Hass, Philly, PA; and H. Ross Glover, kneeling. All are members of Co. D, 142nd, sent in by Ross Glover.



MARCH 1945, Baine les Baines, France R&R Center, here's men of Btry. C, 155th FA Bn. From left — top row: Less Smith, Chas. Schultz and Russell T. Flahie, Jr. Kneeling—Champ Puckett and Willie Williams. Sent in by Flahie, 5630 Meadow Creek, Houston, TX 77017, photo by Max Shaffer, official photographer for T-Patch.

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HOT DOG . . . here's George, the mascot of the 736th Ordnance gang in North Africa, outside of Rabat, Morocco. Erquet B. Morrow is pictured here (last address Jacksonville, FL). Pix sent in by Gorman Hammond, 204 Union Ave., Salisbury, MD 21801.

RENEWALS

LOUIS HODGES, 237 Metropolitan Ave., Roslindale, MA 02131 (originally from Dallas) of Btry. A, 155th FA; **CLAUDE WINTERS**, Rt. 3, Antlers, OK 74523 of 111th Medics; **GEO. L. KINNARD**, RR#2, Box 220, Pendleton, IN 46064 of Co. L, 142nd Inf.

W. G. (Sam) **FISHER**, 1823 W. Christine, Peoria, IL 61614 of Btry. C, 131st FA; **HERMANM. HENSLEY**, 3742 Litchfield, San Antonio, TX 78230 of Co. M, 141st; Col. **RICHARD S. FLEMING**, 262 Main St., Brunswick, ME 04011 of 131st FA Bn.

DELBERT R. JACKSON, 2740 Madison Dr., Apt. D, Waco, TX 76706; **LLOYD SIMPSON**, Box 197, Axtell, TX 76624 of Co. M, 143rd; **RUSSELL I. BEEMAN**, 755 Upper Fredericktown Rd., Mt. Vernon, OH 43005 of 142nd Med. Det.; **PAUL G. COTTER**, 408 N. Elm St., Arlington, TX 76011 of 144th.

VINCENT M. MAZZA, 530 W. Clark St., Mesa, AZ 85201 of 141st; **GAYLE S. ALBRITTON**, 314 Lake Vista S., Lewisville, TX 75067 of Co. M, 143rd; **EDWARD H. GEHRING, Jr.**, Box 105, Malone, TX 76660; **ALLEN D. COOK**, 1101 Roman Rd., Grand Prairie, TX 75050 of Co. K, 144th Inf.

RALPH L. LARSON, 1905 Plymouth Ct., Arlington, TX 76010; **THOMAS C. WILLIAMS**, 8321 Windway Dr., San Antonio, TX 78239 of 144th Inf.; **VERNON W. MASON**, 2929 Louise, Ft. Worth, TX 76112 of 111th Engineers; **REEVES DONNELL**, 2515 10th Ave., Canyon, TX 79015 of Co. F, 142nd from 1930-1940.

CLIFTON CRANMER, Rt. 1, Mayfield, KS 67103 of 736th Ord.; **BERNHARD C. PFEUFFER**, 464 Columbia Ave., Cliffside Park, NJ 07010 of Co. F, 143rd.

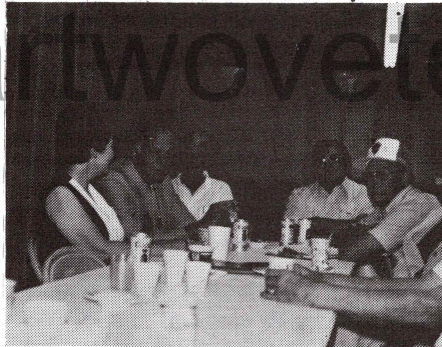
RALPH M. BRIGGS, 1822 Rock Rd., Mansfield, OH 44903 of Hqs. Co., 141st; **VITO LA FATA**, 100 W. 57th St., New York, NY 10019 of 36th QM; **GEO. M. HAAS**, 803 Irene Dr., West Chester, PA 19380 of 142nd; **RALPH POOLE**, Rt. 1, Box 15A, Avinger, TX 75630 of 111th Engrs.; **OWEN C. HOLTZ**, 22826 Briarcreek Blvd., Spring, TX 77373 of Hqs. 141st.

DOCK A. EVERETT, 4322 Concord Rd., Waco, TX 76715 of Hqs. Co. 143rd; **JOHN P. DONATI**, 95 Olympia Ave., Pawtucket, RI 02861 of Co. H, 141st; **HAROLD H. DUGAN**, 2910 Pat Booker, Lot 50, Universal City, TX 78148 of 132nd FA Bn.; **STEWART H. LaBARGE**, 4191 S. Minger Rd., Battle Creek, MI 49017 of Co. G, 142nd; **PAUL A. NASSO**, 143 FoxSt., Rochester, NY 14615 of Btry. C, 443rd AAA Bn. (Sp) attached to 36th.

S. C. ANGELE, 5775 Western Trail, Beaumont, TX 77706 of Co. H, 142nd; **VON RHEA BEANE**, 106 Inwood Cl., Kilgore, TX 75662 of 144th Inf.; **EDWARD COOPER**, 3940 Kenneth, Groves, TX 77619 of 111th Engrs.; **ROBT. GRIEGER**, Rt. 1, Box 148, Higden, AR 72067 of Co. B, 142nd; **JOHN A. SICKLE**, 372 Ella Ave., Avenel, NJ 07001 of Co. H, 142nd. **PAUL BROOKS**, RR 3, Woodsfield, OH of 143rd; **IKE L. SAWYER**, Rt. 1, Itasca, TX 76055 of 3rd Bn. Hqs. 143rd Inf.; **BILLY R. MILLER**, 1234 Del Norte, Houston, TX 77018 of Hqs. Co., 111th Engrs.

GEORGE M. LEGG, 202 Fleming Dr., Bonaire, GA 31005 of Co. C, 144th; **RUSSELL E. OSBURN**, 3141 Conlin Dr., Akron, OH 44319 of Can/Co 143rd; **CHAS. R. BARNES**, P.O. Box 6337, Corpus Christi, TX 78411 of Co. H, 141st; **NOVELL J. YATES**, 7928 Monroe Dr., Hanley Hills, MO 63133 of Co. C, 143rd

111th Medics Meet



GAINESVILLE, TX — Men of 111th Medics met June 1979 for a reunion. Top photo: Joe Luttmner, Gainesville; James Chaddick, Omaha, TX; John Smith, Gainesville; Robert Landston, Arlington, TX; and Robt. Barton, Frisco, TX.

Photo above: Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Pearson of Lubbock; Everett Dorsey of Mt. Vernon, OH; W. p. Hogue, Lewisville, TX; Ray McCray of Fort Worth; and Paul Longeway of Ft/W.

These photos were made by Robert Langston, sent to Ray McCray who in turn brought these to your editor, and they all have our thanks to the 111th Medics.

More NEW Members . . .

WILLIAM R. SUDDUTH, 138 Rolling Acres, Frankfort, KY 40601 of 36th Signal, is IN, thanks to Paul I. Wells.

MYRON A. DUNMYER, Box 196, Elton, PA 15934 of Co. M, 143rd was roped in by LENWLK.

JESSIE V. WALLS, 5020 Lake Front Dr., Wichita Falls, TX 76310 of Co. I, 141st, is another one from Virgil Duffey (V/P 142nd) . . . our hottest bird dogger.

STANLEY J. SLOVINSKY, 46 N. Auten Ave., Somerville, NJ 08876 of Regmtl. Hqs., 142nd, is new.

GEORGE RUSAK, 1147 Lincoln St., Hobart, IN 46342 of Hqs. Co., 144th Inf., roped in by LENWLK.

REX SLINKARD, 11631 Poes St., Anaheim, CA 92804 of Co. A, 141st and Co. K, 143rd, was found by Joe Conroy, 2500 Montgomery Lane, Apt. 8D, Bossier City, LA 71111 of Co. G, 142nd.

HERMAN E. MILLER, P.O. Box 762, Columbus, MS 39701 of 142nd is one more for Virgil Duffey.

RICHARD S. OGURD, 1450 Ala Mahamoe St., Honolulu, Hawaii 96819 of 100th Bn., 442 Regmt'l Combat Team.

MAJOR A. FITTS, Box 164, Bridge City, TX 77611 of Co. H, 142nd, roped in by Virgil "Bird Dog" Duffey of W/Falls, and paid dues for **HAROLD P. ALEY**, 100 Winwood Dr., Apt. I, Mansfield, OH 44907, who is disabled.

Heard from

Mrs. **LUKE C. BATES, JR.**, 4067 Willow St., Hobart, IN 46342 writes that Luke had a stroke last year and is unable to walk without assistance, and would like to hear from old buddies of Co. H, 143rd.

JOHN J. WICKHAM, 72 Old Colony Road, Wellesley Hills, MA 02181 of 132nd is an attorney (in Boston); sends in dues and stamp money, and best regards to artillery buddies.

WILLIAM WYNN, 406-E D, Robstown, TX 78380 of Co. G, 141st rounds up 2 new 'uns: **JOÉ G. BAKER**, Rt. 3, Box 451, Corpus Christi, TX and **VAN B. LOTSEICH**, P.O. Box 302, Robstown, TX 78380.

Col. WILLIAM L. SCARBROUGH, P.O. Box 9521, Alexandria, VA 22304 of Co. I, 3rd Bn., 141st sends in dues for 3 years.

THE FIRST WORLD WAR—**John A. Brown**, 135 Albany Ave., Shreveport, LA 71105 of Co. B, 143rd is 83 years old, sends in dues, and added that he served on Mexican Border in WWII. **Lloyd E. Whitman**, 8733 Ridge Trail Rd., Soddy, TN 37379 of Co. C, 142nd in WWI signs up.

JOHN BOROVSKY, 636 Sunst, Plymouth, MI 48170 sends 1980 dues plus a new 'un: **ELMER LIGHTFOOT**, Thelma St., Haydenville, OH 43127, both with Stovall's Engineers, Co. A. Thanks, John!

EDWARD L. BEHELER, P.O. Box 102, Elm Mott, TX 76640 takes time out from his duties as "JIMMY CARTER" stand-in to pay his \$5.00 dues. Ed served with Co. M, 143rd Inf.

WILLIAM RALL, 332 Broadway, Wellsville, OH 43968 of Co. F, 143rd wants 143rd Pin and T-Patch. OK, Bill, you can order the 36th Patch from — Bee Kay Parade Equipment Co., 1789 Jerome Ave., Bronx, NY 10453, and send a dollar bill. We do not know where you can buy a 143rd Regmt pin.

ROY C. TERRY, Rt. 1, Box 57, Dunnville, KY 42528 of Btry C, 132nd is another score for AMAZIN AMIL (his outfit) is in (twice) says he'll try for Dallas 1980 reunion.

MARTY J. HIGGINS, 54 Ross Ave., Demarest, NJ 07627 did time with Co. A, 141st, said his buddy, **ERNIE GEORGE**, sent a clipping about the 442nd Rgmtl. Combat Team, of the Lost Battalion fame, so Marty says he'll make every effort to be in Dallas for the joint 36th and 442nd Reunion.

PETER L. CHOMA, RR.2, Box 144A, Trenton, IL 62293 of Co. F, 143rd says, "I have a 36th Pin I wear on my Ex-POW cap that someone got for me years ago. It's 1" x 3/3" and would like to know if similar Pin for 143rd is available — and where." CAN ANYONE help???

Gen. ROBERT M. IVES (former G-1), Box 4285, Houston, TX 77210 sends in dues for **F. M. HACKBUSH**, 2406 9th St., Wichita Falls, TX 76307, former S/Sgt. of Hqs. Co., 143rd when Ives commanded the regiment prior to 1953.

J. PRUE BENSON, commander of the WWI Veterans of Co. C, 143rd sends in dues (his address: P.O. Box 572, Kirbyville, TX 75956).

Be Reminded: Dues For 1980 are \$5.00; After June 1st 1980, It goes To \$7.50 for 1981 Dues



Men of Co. F, 143rd in Gerany: from left is Sgt. Joe Mabert, New Hamp.; Capt. Elmer S. Ward of Texas and Warren Anderson. Photo from scrapbook of the late Joe Tillman, Wichita, KS.

Puttin' The Drop On Drop-Outs

C. N. RED MORGAN, last year's top bird dog, is still shakin' the bushes. He gets a letter from CARL Z. HODGE, 2255 S. Birch, Denver; CO 80222 of CO. K, 142nd with his dues, and \$5 for a 'new' one.

Carl says, "I was in Walsenburg, CO last October and ran across MEGUEL MARTINEZ. My Disabled Veteran vehicle plates was the common bond. In the course of discussion it turns out that he served in 143rd in Italy, but said he had not been recruited."

That's all changed now — MEGUEL MARTINEZ (Co. D, 143), P.O. Box 264, Walsenburg, CO 81089.

Morgan also said we need a correction of Luther Smith's hometown (pg. 9 Dec.) . . . should be: J. L. (Long John Silver) Smith, 505 W. Bowie St., Marshall, TX 75670. Served with E-142nd.



A MOST COVETED AWARD — John "ARab" Powes is presenting to Sammie Petty, the "Honorary Mexican" certificate (originated by Mac Acosta) at recent meeting of the San Antonio Chapter. Former Assn. president, Petty says, "This entitles me to swim in the Rio Grande." (This is a kinda Wet-back in reverse). Note: only a limited number of these certificates have been issued.

OUT OF THE MAILBAG



Dear Leonard: Several years ago, my cousin, Gen. Napoleon Rainbolt, 143rd, paid my dues. I served with AT 142nd; Co. L, 143rd . . . enclosed is my dues for 2 years and 2 more for whomever you would like to include.

I also served with A/T Co., 142nd, with Capt. Vernon M. Scott at Brownwood; also with Co. L, 143rd of Hillsboro. Came to Long Beach in '47 and worked for Naval shipyards, retired in '76. Would like to hear from any ole buddies.

Emory F. Dugger, 5863 Gaviota Ave., Long Beach, CA 90805.

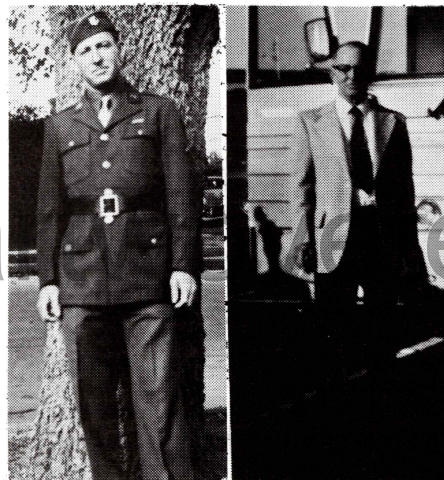
CARLOS L. McPHERSON, 4810 Anice, Houston, TX 77039 sent in \$100 for a Life membership, also included a FBI blank for 3 drop outs, and LENWLK picked up these three troopers:

CHAS. (Top) McPHERSON, 511 E. Centrl, Temple, TX 76501 of Co. D, 143rd, plus LOUIS P. ADAMS, 2371 Rose Garden Rd., Pittsburgh, PA 15220, and C. H. BISHOP, 609 W. Elliott, Breckenridge, TX 76204 both also of Co. D, 143rd. Hey, thanks Carlos, and to your wife for sending it in . . . LENWLK.

Chicago Roster of 36thers

TERRY CARLSON (Major: Illinois National Guard), 2710 N. Monticello Ave., Chicago, IL 60647, found LENWLK's address and advises that he is compiling a roster of 36thers in the CHICAGO AREA, by using the old roster in the 1946 issue of PICTORIAL HISTORY. Says he has found about 150 ex-T-Patchers who were not aware of our association.

LENWLK says, "This is great to have a big dog like this working on our behalf." Major Carlson received a bunch of T-Patchers to use as recruiting bait . . . so who knows, we might find a mother lode in Chicago. More next issue.



THEN & NOW . . . here's young H. L. Brock in 1941 at home visiting from Camp Bowie, Brownwood. 35 years later — here's Brock and a Greyhound at San Francisco 1979. Served with Co. A, 141st Inf., lives at: 5404 Wales, Fort Worth, TX 76133.



Herbert B. Dillard is shown here with a friend in Naples, Italy, May 1944 (Marlene Dietrich) when she performed for the 36th as a USO entertainer with then-unknown Danny Thomas. Dillard, now 75, served with 132nd FA since 1926, in and out several times.



143rd Annual Reunion in Waco last summer — from left — George Bailey, Rhome, TX; Earl "Babe" Watkins of Waco, and Carl Vierögge, all of Co. K, 143rd. Photo sent in by Watkins, 3404 W. Brookview #427, Waco, TX 76710.

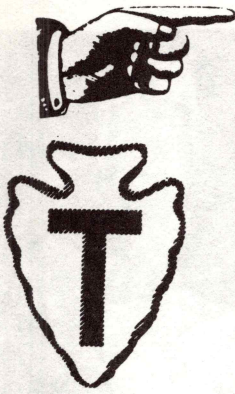
Souvenir Reunion Programs

JACK L. COSATT, 5219 14th St., Port Arthur, TX 77640 of 1st Bn. 142nd, sends \$5 for a copy of the 1979 HOUSTON REUNION PROGRAM which contains a history of all WWII postwar reunions. LENWLK used the \$2 for stamps, as 64-page program is \$3.00 postpaid.

There are a few copies also left of the 1978 SAN ANTONIO Reunion Program @ \$2 ppd. Order from Leonard Wilkerson, 11121 Visalia Dr., Dallas, TX 75228.



CAMP BOWIE, Brownwood — 1941. Here's men of 36th Signal, and the 2nd from left is Charley W. Shafer, 10518 Thornlea, Houston, TX 77089 (didn't identify the others) but did make the Houston reunion and saw all the signalmen.



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LEONARD Wilkerson proudly displays the 1978 San Antonio Reunion Program. This project was his idea, and when offered to the troops was an immediate success. In 1979 at Houston, an even greater program was offered with a history of all the past 34 reunions of post-war 36th.

Dear T-Patchers:

Here's ole LENWLK back again with a real Godfather DEAL (one you just can't turn down). Many of you have seen the 1978 and 1979 Reunion Program, and your support has been indeed heart-warming.

Making ad space available in the Reunion Program, provides funding for a worth-while project of vital information, that otherwise may be lost in the shuffle.

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LAST YEAR at Houston, a 64 page Reunion PROGRAM was offered as a free issue to all delegates, and it included a HISTORY of the past 34 reunions. Was widely accepted and a success.

We believe that most all T-Patchers would like to have a current ROSTER of all the active members of the 36th Association. No one can keep up with the men they served with. . . that's why the 1980 DALLAS REUNION PROGRAM will include a complete roster (as of July 1, 1980) to make a handy reference to find old buddies.

There are no funds in the association budget for this project, so it takes the support of dedicated T-Patchers who buy ads in this program to 'under-write' this.

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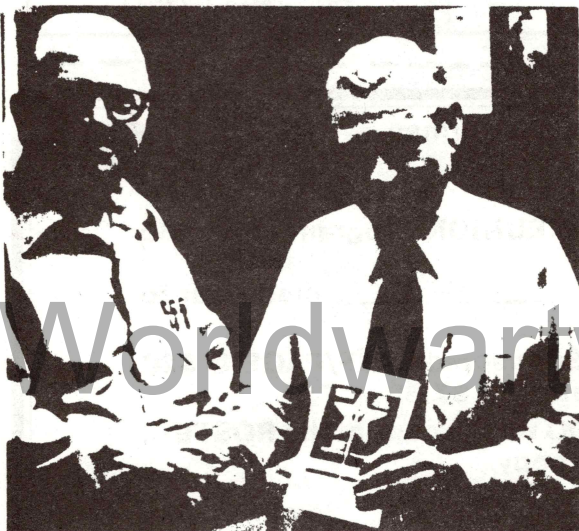
BONUS deal for you. We have reduced the price of the sponsored pages but the Booster listing remains the same.

PRESS RUN on this '80 Reunion Roster and Program will be increased as we know many who cannot attend the reunion WILL WANT one.

DELEGATES to the Dallas 1980 Reunion will receive a FREE copy. Others can order @ \$3.00 per copy postpaid.

The Program/Roster will be 5½" x 8½" with heavy two-color cover and will contain 64 or more pages and a complete ROSTER of at least 3,000 names (as of July 1, 1980).

DO IT NOW . . . use Order Blank (on reverse side) enjoy a tax deductible contribution.



T. W. Hooper, (36th Signal) shown above at right, owner of Red Bird Ford dealership at Duncanville, is receiving the 'first' copy of the 1979 Houston Program and history from T-Patcher editor, William Jary of Fort Worth, who compiled the text of the reunion history since 1946.

