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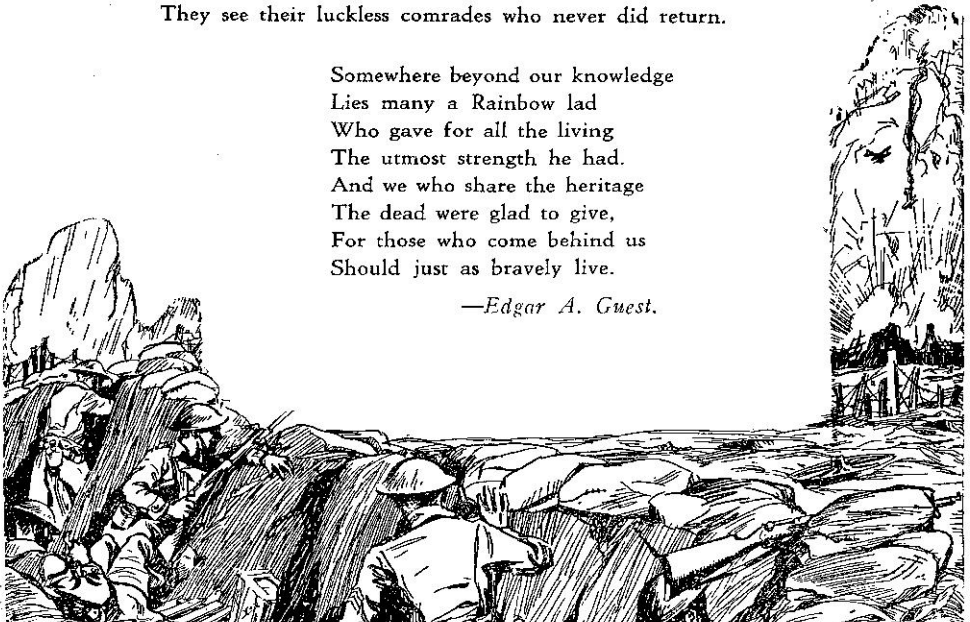
They went from town and city; they went from hill and plain
To face their first dread zero hour in battle-torn Lorraine;
And now they meet together—men turned a trifle gray—
Their sons as blithe as they were when first they marched away.

Time was we called them heroes, but that was years ago,
And now they walk among us—just neighbors that we know.
They're fathering their children and busy at their tasks
And "did they fight for freedom?" there's scarcely one who asks.

'Tis well the years can soften the memories of strife,
That men can come from battle to live the normal life.
But always when they gather and camp fires gleam and burn
They see their luckless comrades who never did return.

Somewhere beyond our knowledge
Lies many a Rainbow lad
Who gave for all the living
The utmost strength he had.
And we who share the heritage
The dead were glad to give,
For those who come behind us
Should just as bravely live.

—Edgar A. Guest.



UNDER THE RAINBOW

GUY PAYNE KEY, 167th (Alabama) or 166th (Ohio) Infantry, or anyone knowing his present address, please communicate with Joseph W. Shidel, Junior Vice-Commander, American Legion Post No. 361, McKeesport, Pennsylvania.

Major-General Mat A. Tinley, former Colonel of Iowa's Infantry Regiment in the Rainbow, called at the White House recently, seeking an appointment with President Roosevelt, but was refused. In his capacity of President of the Association of the National Guard of the United States, Mat felt he had every right to be heard, and hasn't recovered yet from the insulting attitude taken by the President's secretary, one Mr. McIntyre. When the time comes that a mere clerk, who probably doesn't even know this country engaged in a war a few years ago, can insult an outstanding "citizen soldier" who has spent about 30 years in the service—and get away with it!—it is high time that at least that part of the "new deal" be looked into. Up and at 'em, you Iowa doughboys.

Lieut. WILLIAM STONE, Company C, 165th Infantry, or anyone knowing where he may be located, please communicate with Walter E. Fillman, care Veterans Administration, Federal Building, Oklahoma City, Okla.

HARRY SMITH, Company K, 166th Infantry. Present address wanted by Fred W. Buchmann, Delaware, Ohio, with whom he served on the Border in 1916, and in France in 1917-18.

The January 6th issue of *The Rainbow Reveille* had been in the mail but three days when it came to the attention of SHER-

MAN P. SIKES, of Battery B, 151st Field Artillery. Sikes is a Railway Mail Clerk, and happened to see the magazine while on his regular run. The article, "Where Is Our Lost Battalion?" interested him so much he wrote in saying that he still has a Charter Membership card, issued on the *U.S.S. Huntington*, April 24th, 1919. Anyone wishing to contact Sikes may address him at 500 North Street, East Aurora, N. Y.

MELVIN BOYLE, R. R. No. 1, Des Moines, Iowa, wants to contact the following men: John Hutchins; George Clapper; William Treulach; Frank O. Bleness; Andrew Jansma; and John R. Mahony, all at one time or other in Headquarters Co., 168th Infantry. Anyone knowing where they may be reached, please advise Comrade Boyle.

This one comes to us via the *grapevine* route: After the Chicago Reunion closed on Saturday morning, *Cousin Hugo* and a bud of a *Flower* emerged from Room 1425 Hotel Sherman just in time to make a dash for the train home. Said the *Flower*: "What in the world is that strange, horrible odor?" Replied the *Cousin*, "Darned if I know—maybe could it be the fresh air?"

The 1934 National Enrollment Drive is responsible for this turn-in: MITCHELL B. NUNN, Color Sergeant of the Alabama Infantry outfit, is now a resident of Pasadena, Calif. Quite active in Legion circles, and is Chief Drummer of the Long Beach Drum and Bugle Corps. Incidentally, this fine organization is commanded by none other than EDWARD L. COURON, formerly of Company G, 168th Infantry.

In Memoriam

LeROY A. KEEN
165th Field Hospital
Died at Washington, D. C.
December 2, 1933

WILLIAM O. JONES
149th Machine Gun Battalion
Died at Washington, D. C.
December 18, 1933

ALBERT A. KOWALSKI
149th Field Artillery
Died at Chicago, Ill.
December 21, 1933

ALLEN I. WILSON
166th Infantry
Died at Flint, Mich.
January 8, 1934

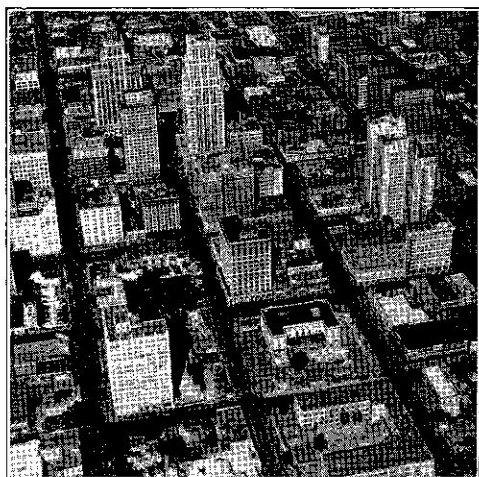
FRANK O. OLSON
165th Infantry
Died at Upper Darby, Penn.
January 30, 1934

ANTHONY SISTO
117th Engineers
Died at Los Angeles, Calif.
February 16, 1934

WILLIAM M. OSLER
168th Infantry
Died at Des Moines, Iowa
February 18, 1934

JOHN J. FRANTZ
168th Ambulance Co.
Died at Detroit, Mich.
February 21, 1934

KIRBY H. KITTOE
149th Field Artillery
Died at Sawtelle, Calif.
February 25, 1934



RAINBOW CITIES

NUMBER ONE OF A SERIES

HOUSTON, TEXAS

by

SAM W. BECKER

National Vice-President, R.D.V.

April 21st each year is a Texas holiday, commemorating the Battle of San Jacinto fought on that day in 1836 to decide the conflict between the Republic of Texas and its Mexican dictators.

On the site of that famous battleground, where General Sam Houston and his handful of Texas pioneers wrested victory from General Santa Ana in what is rated by historians one of the sixteen military engagements of the world that exerted momentous influence on the progress of the human race, today stands a State Park of great natural beauty—its multi-colored, semi-tropical vegetation, its giant live oak trees bearded with moss, and its acres of moss-like grass blanket the gentle slopes of the bayou.

Twenty-two miles away, over paved highway or via the Houston Ship Channel, is the City of Houston. Few cities of the nation have experienced since the conclusion of the World War, the romantic yet exceptionally rapid growth of Houston. In 1914 this city was described in school geographies as "an important inland center of the cotton industry," with population ranking third in the State. Today, that description is completely obsolete!

Though removed forty-five miles from the coastline of the Gulf of Mexico, Houston is no longer an inland city. This transformation has been brought about by the creation of a deep water ship channel from the city limits of Houston to the Gulf, resulting in the short space of fifteen years in the establishment in this virgin marine territory of a world port known from Timbuctoo to Seattle as the first cotton port of the world. Population has advanced, and today Houston is first in the State and second in the entire South.

There are 618 industrial establishments in Houston, turning out a great variety of products. The principal industries are oil refineries, cotton compresses and warehouses, mills for the manufacture of cottonseed by-products, rice mills, cotton and cotton textile mills, chemical works, iron foundries, steel fabrication plants, flour mills, fertilizer works, garment factories and automobile assembling plants. Houston is the largest spot cotton market in the world, close to two million bales of cotton being stored at one time. The oil industry in Houston is firmly established, being the center of Gulf Coast operations with more than 150 companies maintaining headquarters here. Five of the world's largest producers of petroleum products are included in this number. Nine producing fields are situated within 100 miles of the city, all connected to Houston by pipe lines. Other pipe lines radiate from Houston to all parts of Texas, Kansas, and Oklahoma, and one extends to far away Wyoming.

Business is good in Houston. A total of 708 new firms established here in 1933, despite the worldwide economic depression. We have 139,000 persons gainfully employed, with pay checks aggregating \$161,000,000 annually. In 1933 our shipping tonnage increased 714% over 1920, and our 18 rail lines, 72 steamship lines, and bus and air lines were kept busy.

From its humble beginning, Houston has grown into a modern city of skyscrapers, paved streets, boulevards, parks, fine schools and beautiful churches. In Rice Institute,

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"THE RAINBOW HOUR"

A NATION-WIDE BROADCAST

ANNOUNCER: The National Rainbow Hour, broadcast over a coast-to-coast network for members of the Rainbow (42nd) Division of the American Expeditionary Forces.

TRUMPET: First Call and Assembly.

ORCHESTRA: Descriptive Medley, into Dramatic Tension Sound Effects.

VOICES: One: Looks like we might be going places, boys!
Two: There's something in the air!
Three: We can start anytime, far as I'm concerned!
Four: Sure, keep your head down, Fritzie Boy!
Five: Hand me a cigarette.
One: Are you still bumming?
Two: Next time I pass a drug store I'll buy a package.
Add: Two French lines to these (Paul La Voie).

TRUMPET: Assembly. (Over crowd noises).
Assembly. (Background silent).

VOICE: Fall in!

CAPTAIN: You will, at once, prepare to pack all surplus equipment for storage at Longeau. Only field equipment for thirty days will be retained and taken on our next move, orders for which are expected daily. That is all for now, men. Fall out.

ORCHESTRA: Dramatic tension and battle music.

ANNOUNCER: (With musical background) More feverish preparation. Just what was a thirty-day supply no one really knew, but rather than take too much, everyone cut to the bone. Just how serious that was can be understood when it is known that not a man of the Rainbow Division saw the baggage again until late in March, 1919, on the banks of the Rhine. The thirty days became ten times thirty. (Pause for effect.) Orders came to entrain on February 16, 17, 18, with destination unknown, although rumor had it that a trench sector near Toul would be the first stop. The route to the front ran Chaumont, Neufchateau, Toul, Nancy, and Lunéville. Evidence of active combat was on every side. The entire Division was to receive its practical combat education and rounding off touches under French supervision and tutelage. (Pause for effect.) Thus, on Washington's Birthday, 1918, the Rainbow Division, made up of National Guard units from 26 different States and the District of Columbia, found itself in the front line trenches for the first time, under the command of a French army corps, holding the line with the French on a front that extended from Dombasle to Baccarat.

ORCHESTRA: Battle music to climax and out.

ANNOUNCER: Wilber M. Brucker, National President of the Rainbow Division Veterans, will be introduced by Mr. Leo Fitzpatrick, of Detroit, General Manager of Station WJR.

MR. FITZPATRICK: War, in its division of hazardous tasks, plays no favorites. The code of the Signal Corps was "**The Message Must Go Through.**" An obscure young officer of the Rainbow Division made his way through mud, through blood, through the debris of attack, through enemy shell-fire, to see that at all times the lines of communication were kept clear. Cited for gallantry by General Pershing, Wilber M. Brucker served through the war as a First Lieutenant with the 166th Infantry. Through his perilous work, Destiny seemed to cast its own protection about him. Obviously, it seems now, because Destiny had cast him for a role in the years which followed the War! Wilber M. Brucker returned to the service of his State, Michigan. He first became its Attorney General, then its Governor! Last year, in July, at the 15th Annual Reunion of the Rainbow Division, he was honored by his comrades, who made him their National President. I am proud to introduce the National President of the Rainbow Division Veterans, Wilber M. Brucker.

GOV. BRUCKER: This is a significant hour. Tonight all over the country former members of the Rainbow Division are commemorating this holiday, which by coincidence of fate was the day the Rainbow Division entered the front line trenches in France in 1918 to make its heroic contribution for America in the great war. In cities, towns and hamlets from New York to California, and from Michigan to Florida, groups of Rainbow Division Veterans, mindful of the tremendous significance of this occasion to them and their families, are gathered tonight to do homage to the name and fame of the fighting Rainbow Division that started its active combat with the enemy on February 22, 1918.

Coming from the four corners of America, this Division was rapidly formed in 1917 from National Guard units of 26 States and the District of Columbia. Newton D. Baker, then Secretary of War, personally directed the organization of the Rainbow Division. The men came from the vast prairies of the West and the sidewalks of New York, from the teeming industries of the North and from the cottonfields of the South. So many different and varied State colors were represented in its formation that their blending formed the colors of a Rainbow.

11:30 to 12:00 MIDNIGHT, E. S. T.—FEBRUARY, 22, 1934

OVER THE FACILITIES OF THE NATIONAL BROADCASTING COMPANY

From August to October, 1917, they formed at Camp Mills, Long Island, where each State sent its own contingent. Soon this great National Division was at full war strength, ready to board the transports to breast the sea for the great adventure. Landing in France in the early days of the American Expeditionary Forces, the Rainbow Division was seasoned in trench warfare behind the lines and then moved up to the front. The hand of fate seems to have selected Washington's Birthday, for it was on this day in 1918 that the Rainbow Division took over from the French infantry "Ace" Division that portion of the front line near Lunville, and began an active combat duty that continued day and night, with but brief respite, until the Armistice itself.

Nearly everyone knows of the glorious record that was written by the Rainbow Division in sacrifice and in valorous deeds. The survivors of that terrible conflict have long since returned and become a peaceful part of the life of our day. But looking back 16 years tonight, there are thousands who are recalling their initiation into the front line. The screaming shells with their deafening burst; sharp cracking shrapnel spraying death-dealing steel at close range; machine guns that raked and swept the ground with a terrifying accuracy; and silent star shells that illuminated No Man's Land with a ghastly white that petrified every living being along the opposing front lines. Now and then one would hear a nervous gas alarm and in the outposts one could occasionally discern the outlines of a steel helmet and an unsheathed bayonet. They were all mere boys—and so recently from schools, homes and factories that they were citizen-soldiers in the true sense of the term. But they were **determined**. All they lacked was experience—and they got that in a hurry!

During the gruelling months that followed Washington's Birthday, these boys became seasoned veterans. The snows of February became Spring rains, but by the same alchemy of time these boys gained the precious experience that two trench sectors could contribute. Then came summer with the "**stand or die**" action in the chalk hills of Champagne, just East of Rheims. Then followed Chateau Thierry with its bloody toll. Then came the St. Mihiel with its magnificent success. And then—the pounding of the Argonne with its ultimate, decisive result. Time after time the men of the Rainbow hurled themselves into the fray, and always victorious. Finally, when the Armistice came, the Rainbow had hammered its way to the historic town of Sedan, **farthest North of any American troops**.

Among the Rainbow Division units, none was better known than the old "Fightin' 69th" of New York, which became the 165th Infantry. The Commanding Officer of this famous Regiment was a man who wears the D.S.C. and personally led his men in many an attack. Since his return he has been Assistant Attorney General of the United States, and was named by his party for the Governor of New York in 1932. I present **Colonel William J. Donovan**, who will speak to you from New York City:

Colonel Donovan has not made his remarks available for publication in THE RAINBOW REVEILLE.—Editor.

ORCHESTRA: "Goodbye Broadway, Hello France."

GOV. BRUCKER: When the Rainbow Division was formed, Illinois' contribution was an Artillery Regiment familiarly called "Reilly's Bucks". The Commanding Officer of this Regiment was a man of tremendous energy and efficiency. He was every inch a soldier, and commanded the respect of his men. Since his return he has been in close contact with our National Defense. **General Henry J. Reilly**, who will now speak to you from Washington, D. C.

GENERAL REILLY: On this first entry of the Rainbow Division into line, its Artillery Brigade prepared as it did on all subsequent occasions when the enemy was to be met, by the commanding officer going to the front ahead of the Brigade. Then to make a preliminary reconnaissance of the enemy's position, the positions to be occupied by our own infantry, the positions of the French batteries to be relieved, and then thoroughly understand the situation before a gun or life of the subordinate officers and men was risked to the fire of the enemy. The problem we artillery commanding officers had to settle before our commands arrived by train from Camp Cootquidan, the other side of France in the Brittany peninsula, were several. First, where were the best gun positions to always, day and night, immediately give our infantry the maximum help; second, where to put our telephone lines, observation posts, liaison detachments with the Infantry, just to be sure that there was no delay when they wanted help; secondly, that our shells hit the enemy group firing on them; and thirdly, that our fire overwhelmed such group or groups; our third problem was to lay out routes to the battery positions, taking advantage of all available cover and concealment, to be sure the guns were placed in position with the minimum loss of men, horses and material.

General Chas. P. Summerall, our first Artillery Brigade Commander, later Chief of Staff of the Army and now President of **The Citadel**, Charlestown's famous military academy, had instilled these fundamental principles into the officers so that they remained second nature, and were faithfully carried out until the last shots were fired on the hills above Sedan under command of General George Y. Gately, the last Artillery Brigade Commander of the Rainbow. General Gately, now dead, was the father of the famous Ann Harding.

Later, when commanding the 83rd Infantry Brigade of the Rainbow, the speaker always thrilled with pride when he saw the batteries of the 67th F. A. Brigade, because he knew that just as a jealous lover courts the favor of his mistress, so did these men from Illinois, Minnesota and Indiana court the praise of their infantry, the devoted foot soldier from whom battle always demands the greatest courage and the greatest toll in dead and wounded.

During our first month in the Luneville-Baccarat Sector, midst the historic ruins of the first great German advance and repulse of 1914, we renewed our friendship with our infantry first formed from August to October, 1917, at Camp Mills, Long Island, while waiting to sail for France. Thus in the face of the enemy was perfected the close bond which made the Division a fighting unit.

While honored to serve in support of the 4th Division in the advance to and on the Vesle and in support of first, the 3rd and then the 32nd Divisions, near Montfaucon, we always felt the joy of a homecoming when we rejoined our own Division. In the Champagne defensive, when each of our guns—or as the French better describe them, "mouths of fire"—sent 1,000 rounds in ten hours into the advancing German infantry, in its last great attack of the war, each was a personal blow to help a dear friend busy in a terrible fight. The same was true on the bloody slopes of the Ourcq, the plane of the Woivre criss-crossed with muddy German trenches, and in the rocky fields and steep wooded hillocks of the month's desperate struggle forward in the Argonne.

I know that Captains Gill and Green of the 117th Trench Mortar Battery, General Leach, now Chief of the Militia Bureau, then Colonel of the 151st Minnesota, General Tyndall, now commanding the 38th National Guard Division, then Colonel of the 150th Indiana, join me in speaking for their officers and men as I do in speaking for mine of the 149th Illinois, in saying that the highest tribute an Artilleryman can be paid is to have the Infantry want him with him when he meets the enemy.

ORCHESTRA: "It's a long way to Berlin".

GOV. BRUCKER: From the ranks of the Rainbow came an enlisted man who knew the war from this vantage point. When the veterans of the Rainbow Division were choosing a leader in 1927, they selected this man to be their National President. **Barre Blumenthal** will speak to you from Chicago.

BARRE BLUMENTHAL: The enlisted man was, in the main, a civilian in the uniform of a soldier—and while he wore the dress of the Army, he thought and reacted as a civilian. The impressions of a new and wholly strange experience after a lapse of sixteen years, are vague at best, and in the Rainbow must have been as varied as the men who made up the Division.

Of course, there is **one** vivid impression, and that is that our initial entry into combat was on Washington's Birthday in 1918, and who can tell how much of zeal was inspired by the coincidence of the day. For us in the Rainbow, February 22nd would thereafter have a **double** significance. And so we accomplished the common desire of men to link themselves with the past and its great men—and the accident of time gave us one element of kinship with the Father of our Country.

It is unfortunate that most of us regard Patriotism only in terms of War Service. Perhaps the works of **Peace** are too arduous to be exciting enough to wear the colorful garb of **Patriotism**. We were soon to learn, however, that even the practice of War Patriotism had its simple and humdrum duties that bore no semblance to the anticipated glammers of War. And though we of the Artillery may have been seduced by the slogan "**Join the Artillery and Ride,**" we soon found that we had to walk countless kilometers in the cause of Patriotism.

The impressions of sixteen years ago this evening, we shall never **forget**, and yet **Time** has captured the telling of it. Could we articulate them today, they might sound strange to our own ears, for with sixteen years of added living, added problems, and—we hope—added intelligence, we might find it difficult to adjust the Rainbow of today with that of 1918. Its zeal in the welfare of the country is just as keen, its direction is along new paths. Our faiths, our hopes, and our desires of 1918—they suffice for **that** day—and the memory of them is not sullied by **new** faiths, **new** hopes and **new** desires in 1934. In the same manner, we speak of Washington as "**First in War**" and then we add "**First in Peace**". For after Valley Forge came this from George Washington: "**We hope that our method of changing a Constitution by assembling the wise men of the State, instead of assembling armies, might be an example to the world.**"

On February 22, 1918, the Rainbow went into battle—and for each unit, a fixed course of action was prescribed. Certainly, to an enlisted man, the theatre of action was narrow and restricted, and Patriotism was an immediate and unquestioned response to an **order**. Today, the Rainbow has thousands of theatres of action, unlimited vistas and thousands of eyes with which to see; and so, for Rainbow, today, Patriotism has broadened—it consists, not of immediate and unquestioned response to an order, but first, **determination**, and then response. In this fashion can the Rainbow Division justify its continued existence, and men of the Rainbow, by going from **memories** of War to **tasks** of **Peace**, add another link of kinship to the man the country is honoring today.

The Illinois Chapter appreciates this opportunity of joining in the Rainbow Division's salute to George Washington, and sends its greetings to men of the Rainbow everywhere.

MUSIC: Bugle and Drum Corps.

ORCHESTRA: "My Buddy".

MR. FITZPATRICK: Edgar A. Guest, Detroit's beloved poet, yesterday wrote this poem, dedicated to the Rainbow Division. ("**The Rainbow Division**" will be found on the cover of this issue.—**Editor**.)

ORCHESTRA: "Star Spangled Banner" followed by "My Buddy".

GOV. BRUCKER: As National President of the Rainbow Division Veterans, I greet you, men of the Rainbow, wherever you are dispersed tonight. I wish you peace and happiness in the security of a land which you struggled to defend at a great moment in its history. We will welcome you to the 16th Annual Reunion of the Rainbow in Detroit next July. As we recognize this important event in the history of the Rainbow Division, let us pay silent homage tonight to those silent mounds that house our dead

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Big Turn-out Expected by Detroit

By SHARON C. COVER

Arrangements are rapidly going ahead for our 1934 National Reunion, to be held on July 12th, 13th and 14th in Detroit. With this great event only four months away your Host, the Michigan Chapter, wishes to tell you something of the plans and special features that will be provided for your comfort and entertainment while you are their guests.

Rainbow Reunions provide more fun and real enjoyment than any other we can attend. It is "home" to get back again with the old gang who "speak the same language". While the Reunion program will *not* be announced until May 19th, in the next issue of the *Reveille*, we wish to assure you now that in addition to the regular Reunion schedule a program of entertainment consisting of unique features that will provide not only thrills and pleasure for all but at the same time enhance the original "idea" of an Annual Reunion, is being completed. Everyone who has ever attended a Rainbow Reunion knows that in between the scheduled events there is a constant barrage of fun *plus* the thrill of seeing those *Men of the Rainbow* whom it is your privilege to see but once each year.

TRANSPORTATION: Realizing that transportation costs are an important factor in the success of any Reunion, in point of attendance, we are making every effort to secure for YOU the lowest rates ever, and we will offer a complete tabulation of all routes, time schedules, accommodations and special fares. For those living in areas where boat travel is possible, this data will also be submitted. In view of the fact that Detroit is situated in the heart of the area from whence came more than two-thirds of the Division, most of whom will find automobile travel desirable over splendid highways, the *Detroit Automobile*

Club offers its services and upon request will furnish complete information.

HOUSING: We are most happy to announce the finest housing arrangements in Rainbow Reunion history. The *Book-Cadillac* has assigned *ten floors* for exclusive occupancy of the Division. They have materially reduced their rates for this occasion, as follows: (*All rooms with bath*)

Single Rooms\$2.50 and up

Double Rooms, with double

bed\$4.00 and \$4.50

Double Rooms, with twin

beds\$5.00 and up

Dormitory Rooms, with

single beds\$2.00 person

Space does not permit in this, our largest issue of the *Reveille*, to give further information and details, but the May issue will carry a complete picture of our arrangements.

From all advance notices and sectional reports it is evident that the 1934 National Reunion will be the largest in point of attendance as well as the most representative gathering since the war. **PLAN NOW** to spend your vacation in Detroit—the *ideal vacation city*—with your comrades of the Rainbow Division.

Appreciation

Elsewhere in this issue of *The Rainbow Reveille* appears the transcript of "The Rainbow Hour" as broadcast over a nation-wide hookup of NBC Stations on Washington's Birthday.

We desire to publicly acknowledge our gratitude to the National Broadcasting Company and its Associated Stations, and until we can show our appreciation in more substantial form, just say "Thanks".

We also thank everyone who contributed their talent and time to make the broadcast the success which it was. May we suggest that YOU, Mr. Rainbower, who read this, write a letter of personal thanks to NBC in New York, or Station WJR, at Detroit? They will appreciate your courtesy.

Rainbow Division Veterans



A national association of veterans of the Rainbow (42nd) Division, to perpetuate that spirit of comradeship which was the greatest single factor in the success of the Division, and to keep alive the memory of departed comrades.

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Eyes West, America!

Any future war in which the United States may find itself engaged must inevitably be fought in the West! Whether on land or on water is beside the point. The question now is, "What are we going to do about it?"

From Seattle, Washington, to San Diego, California, the coast line of America is utterly unprepared for defense, even more so than the country as a whole is unprepared for offense.

A broad statement? Yes! But a true statement—absolutely!

A recent tour of inspection by a gentleman respected by every one of us brought forth the statement that "the Pacific Coast defenses are in a hell of a shape." Strategic points are today heavily populated by the nationals of a country none too friendly to us, and from whom we may well expect anything. Is it unreasonable, then, for us to counsel preparedness?

Just stop and think for a moment. A few short years ago we men of the

Rainbow went to France, along with our comrades of other outfits, and the people of the United States had to pay for the use of the ground we fought on. Imagine, if you can, what the people of this country would have to pay, in life, in property, and in money, should the West Coast suddenly become a war stage.

And—a war of any kind, as far as the United States is concerned—can easily be averted. Will it cost money? Of course it will. Airplanes, munitions, armament, defense positions, personnel, mobile equipment of one kind and another, and maintenance, all cost money. But measured by the yardstick of war costs, it would be but a trifle.

A country fully prepared to defend itself will never be attacked.

Wake up, America! Turn your eyes to the West. It is your most valuable possession of the future, the center of the world's commerce in but a comparatively short number of years ahead. Protect it—NOW—for yourself, for your children, and for their children.

EYES WEST, AMERICA!—
PREPARE.

KASutherland

Hats Off to Y-D

We have heard a lot of talk among Rainbow leaders these past sixteen years, about the erecting of a Rainbow Memorial of some sort on one of our Battlefields.

While we have been talking—and nothing more—our sister Division from the New England States has been hard at work. Their Memorial—the Church opposite the American Cemetery at Belleau—is now 100% completed.

We congratulate you, Comrades of the Y-D, upon a magnificent achievement.

NATIONAL ENROLLMENT DRIVE

On January 1st, the Rainbow Division Veterans announced a contest among the Chapters which is designed to add to the mailing list of *The Rainbow Reveille* the names of all Rainbow veterans who are A.W.O.L. To make the contest really worth while, National President Brucker has donated a silver loving cup to be awarded the Chapter showing the highest percentage of listings in proportion to its known possibilities as evidenced by the Reveille mailing list for its territory as of January 1st. The contest runs until midnight, June 30th.

The percentage standings as of March 7th were as follows:

Georgia	.1700	Alabama	.0205
Virginia	.1154	South Carolina	.0134
California	.0547	New York	.0055

Needless to say, the nation-wide broadcast of February 22nd has created a great deal of interest among our A.W.O.L. comrades which is just now beginning to show up; during the past three days we have received close to 50 additional entries for the contest, from Chapters not represented in the above figures. In addition, a great many men are writing in in response to ads we have been running in the *American Legion Monthly* and *Foreign Service*, in most cases commenting upon our broadcast and giving it credit for the sudden re-awakening.

WESTERN UNION

K. A. SUTHERLAND, EDITOR
THE RAINBOW REVEILLE

DETROIT, MICHIGAN
MARCH 16, 1934

NO AIR MAIL USE FOLLOWING FOR PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:

SELECTION OF RAINBOW AS FIRST AND ONLY DIVISION IN COUNTRY FOR NATIONWIDE NBC HOOKUP IS HIGHLY SIGNIFICANT PROVES RAINBOW IS STILL OUTSTANDING NATIONAL DIVISION FIFTEEN YEARS AFTER WAR

WE MUST PLACE GREATER EMPHASIS ON NATIONAL ORGANIZATION INSTEAD OF LOOSE COMBINATION OF LOCAL UNITS NO BETTER WAY THAN THAT EACH RAINBOWER IMMEDIATELY FORWARD NAMES 1934 NATIONAL ENROLLMENT DRIVE CAN PASS TEN THOUSAND MARK BY JULY REUNION IF DIVISION PRIDE IS TRANSLATED INTO ACTION NOW

WILBER M. BRUCKER, NATIONAL PRESIDENT

Governor Brucker's telegram tells a big story. The old Division *pride* has been awakened by the broadcast—and we must reach or exceed the 10,000 goal by July.

Here is what we expect of YOU, Mr. Reader: Send in to the Secretary of your State or Local Chapter (you'll find his address in this issue) the *name, address, and organization served with*, of every Rainbower you know—regardless of where he may live—who is not receiving the Reveille. If you are in doubt on the question, send the name in anyway. Credit will be given only to the Chapter which forwards the name to National Headquarters, on blanks already provided for that purpose.

All right, fellows—let's get going. There are 8,700 of you on the mailing list today, and if each of you will supply but one name we can make Governor Brucker's goal of 10,000 look sick. Is that such a hard job? Remember, there are about 40,000 Rainbow vets in the United States—they are now our "Lost Battalion"—we've got to find them because they need us as we need them. All together—*over the top by July!*

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IN SUPPORT POSITION

By MADDIE JOYCE STACK

National President, R.D.V. Auxiliary

The Reveille of January 6th carried interesting facts, as well as solicitation for adequate team-work among "Our Boys" in their onward and upward progress.

We, your Auxiliary, have as our "Guide On" a record made by you that creates within us a desire to be outstanding in our accomplishments, also. From many directions we can report great progress. Florida, our youngest unit, is making rapid strides. The hearty co-operation of Wilber M. Brucker and your other National officers, the faith of you Veterans in all of our endeavors, has brought results far beyond our humble expectations. Such confidence and recognition as expressed in Alvin Jackson's article, "*Regarding the Ladies*", will spur us on to greater achievements. We hope the other Chapters will let the good deeds of their local Auxiliary units be also re-

corded in the Reveille.

Here in Los Angeles, our California unit has been very active. The President, who is also our National Secretary, is 100% Rainbow-minded. She has won the esteem of all with whom she labors, and her officers are eager to serve wherever needed. Recent meetings have shown a decided increase in attendance, and reports of committees testify to the good work which is constantly being done.

Full realization of this Auxiliary's place beside "Our Boys" will mean much to the Rainbow women of America. If you are not already a member, join up with your local unit. Or, if you have not yet formed a unit, please write to our National Secretary and learn how easily a Chapter may be started. You'll find her address in the "Chapter Directory" on another page of this magazine.

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we have one of the largest privately endowed schools of higher learning in the country. The original endowment of William March Rice has grown to approximately \$14,000,000. The buildings of the Institute are of such unique architectural beauty as to attract nationwide attention and the profuse vegetation of its broad acres is a magnet for nature lovers who visit the city. Then, of course, Houston has its outstanding public buildings, such as its Art Museum, Public Library, Outdoor Memorial Theatre, two municipal Auditoriums, etc., of which its citizens are proud, but which are possessed by most every other city of metropolitan proportions.

Houstonians are great lovers of outdoor sports. In addition to numerous private and public golf courses, the Houston Yacht Club, many beach resorts with good fishing in both salt and fresh water, good hunting for ducks, quail, doves, plovers, and other small game, Houston supports more amateur baseball diamonds than any other city of similar size in the United States.

The city was named for General Sam Houston, and in December, 1836, became the first capitol of the Republic of Texas. The site of the original Capitol Building is now the center of the retail business district, and is occupied by one of the largest and finest hotels in the South.

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who gave all they had for our common country. May the memories of this event, my comrades, stir the old esprit de corps of the Rainbow Division. May we be willing to serve in Peace as in War.

TRUMPET: "Taps".

ANNOUNCER: This program, broadcast over a coast-to-coast network, was dedicated to members of the Rainbow Division, in **France**, and in **America**! It came to you from the studios of WJR, The Goodwill Station, through the facilities of the **National Broadcasting Company**.

CHAPTER CHATTER

ALABAMA

BIRMINGHAM

Hoo-ray for the glorious old Rainbow. Once again the 42nd has led the big parade of the Divisions of the A.E.F. What other outfit during these intervening years since the "Watch on the Rhine" has taken the offensive and celebrated any of their achievements or memorable anniversaries in such a stupendous manner as did the Rainbow on the night of February 22nd last?

A goodly number of "Alabama's Own" who reside in Birmingham and vicinity, thoroughly enjoyed a delightful banquet at the Tutwiler Hotel, and then adjourned to the Cathedral Studios of Radio Station WAPI—NBC Associate—where we had the added thrill of listening in to "the Rainbow on Parade".

It was a wonderful occasion, and our National officers and those who contributed to the success of the program have our heartiest congratulations for thus bringing the old Rainbow to the forefront.

—Roland W. Winn.

GAUSDEN

Crawford Z. Ables Sub-Chapter held an annual meeting on February 22nd, in remembrance of the Rainbow's entrance into the line and finding itself under shell fire for the first time. The "gang" came out to this meeting with real smiles on their faces, for they knew the Chapter had plenty of good eats and drinks on hand. When the talk got under way about what we used to do—and how we used to do it!—believe you me the boys sure did spread it on with the aid of a few swigs from the old brown bottle. A "dutch lunch" was served to about 40 who attended, and every one of us is now looking forward to the next meeting when we hope to have a much larger turnout. We are hot on the trail of A.W.O.L.'s, and have hopes of turning in the largest membership in the history of the Chapter.

—W. R. Sutton.

MONTGOMERY

Commemorating February 22nd with an annual Rainbow Banquet at the Whiteley Hotel, **Juilen M. Strassburger Sub-Chapter** "did it up brown". With J. Wheeler McDade, President, in the chair, and many out-of-townners present to augment the regular "customers", a very good dinner and program was enjoyed. Our guest of honor was Judge Grover C. Hall, editor of the **Montgomery Advertiser**, and he spoke briefly about the Rainbow's achievements. Other speakers included the best loved man in Alabama—Col. William P. Screws, war-time Commander of the "Wildcats"; Col. H. A. Moon, former Major with the 167th and now Adjutant General of the State, who spoke in remembrance of our departed Comrades; and J. Wheeler McDade, who spoke in memory of our departed Comrade, Father Francis P. Duffy of the 165th Infantry. Money was contributed to increase the fund previously raised here to erect a monument in New York to the

memory of the famous Chaplain who was loved by every man of the Rainbow Division.

The banquet was handled by Major Joseph M. Dickerson, and at 10:30 p.m. the Rainbow Program from Detroit, New York, Washington and Chicago was tuned in and enjoyed immensely. To complete the festivities, our good Secretary brought in the **fan dancers** (?)—an event that will be long remembered!

—Dan R. Jones.

CALIFORNIA

LOS ANGELES

Say, Rainbowners! California surely has been having a busy time these past several weeks! On February 8th the Chapter meeting took the form of an "Artillery Bust"—if you've never attended one, that's just **your** hard luck. Out here the annual party sponsored by the Artillerymen of the 149th, 150th and 151st Regiments has become a sort of "institution" looked forward to by all of us. This year's party was no let down from previous stags staged by the gunners, and with about 300 Rainbowners on hand to enjoy the evening, a noisy time was indulged in. As per usual, "**Coal Oil Dick**" Warner played Master of Ceremonies, and he sent the children home talking to themselves—for more reasons than one!

Thursday, February 22nd, the Chapter held a "Hard Times" party in **The Dugout**, a new and novel gathering place for combat veterans only, operated by two good Rainbowners. From 8:30 to 9:00 o'clock we listened to the Rainbow Hour as broadcast over a nation-wide hookup of NBC, and the voices of Wilber Brucker, Bill Donovan, Henry Reilly and Barre Blumenthal furnished the spark to set off a rollicking bunch of merry-makers. An 18-piece orchestra furnished hot music, the club furnished cold beer, and a lot of otherwise sane people furnished the fun with their outlandish "hard times" get-ups. Prizes in keeping with the "hard times" idea were awarded by the Judges—Mrs. Maddie Joyce Stack, National President of the Auxiliary, and Capt. Dee W. Minier, ex-117th Engineers.

Monday evening, February 26th, Major General Mat A. Tinley reviewed the 160th Infantry—"Los Angeles' Own"—in their Armory at Los Angeles. Commanding one of the Companies was Lieut. Cole Bertholf, ex-sergeant of the 168th, and in the reviewing line (by **invitation**) were National Vice-President Warner, National Secretary Sutherland, Chapter President Lord, and Chapter Secretary Bartow. Mat continued his tour of inspection to San Diego, and on Wednesday evening, the 28th, returned to Los Angeles for a get-together with former members of the 168th and 51st Iowa of Spanish War days. We had dinner at the Cafe Victor Hugo and then went out to The Dugout where a lot of the boys had gathered to "put it on" for their old Colonel. Mat talked for about an hour, answering questions put to him by soldiers of both wars, and wound up the evening a bit worse for wear but still happy and glad to have had the opportunity of renewing acquaintances with his old buddies.

We regret that the month could not have been one entirely filled with pleasure, but during that short space of time we were called upon to bury two of our most beloved Comrades, **Anthony Sisto** of Company F, 117th Engineers, died on February 16th and was buried on the 19th; **Kirby H. Kittoe** of Battery D, 149th Field Artillery, passed on February 25th and was buried on the 27th. Full military honors were accorded each of these fine young gentlemen; may their Reunion with Comrades who have gone ahead be blessed with Eternal Peace.

—John W. Bartow.

SAN DIEGO

Thru the courtesy of 149th Field Artilleryman **Ralph French**, now in the radio business here in San Diego, the Chapter experienced the thrill of listening in to the "Rainbow Hour" national broadcast on February 22nd. Just to sort of show off a bit, we had invited the 2nd Division Association to be our guests, and altho it was a dark and stormy night about 40 turned out. Everyone present enjoyed the party and join in complimenting our Divisional leaders for putting such a fine program on the air—we are proud of the men who are bringing the Rainbow to the forefront of Veterandom.

—Lloyd B. Becker.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

ATTENTION, MEN OF THE RAINBOW—EVERYWHERE! The District of Columbia Chapter, Rainbow Division Veterans, hereby notifies you that its hat is in the ring for the 1935 National Reunion of our organization! We will have a sizeable delegation on hand at Detroit next July to present our invitation with a bit more formality and *finesse*, but we want you to begin thinking NOW about that trip to the nation's Capitol in 1935.

In support of our invitation we point with a pardonable degree of pride to a **maximum - attendance-with-the-smallest-distance-to-travel** of any Cities yet spoken of as possibilities for our 1935 gathering place. Right now the "District" is spending a hundred million dollars to get the town in shape for the Rainbow! We are putting up new buildings, laying out new parks, and lifting the Capitol's face.

Come to Detroit in 1934—you'll have no trouble locating D.C.'s headquarters!—and we'll guarantee that after your visit your vote will be for **Washington in 1935**.

—Harold B. Rodier.

ILLINOIS

The Chicago Chapter had one of the finest meetings it ever enjoyed on Wednesday, February 21, at the Germania Club. Several Rainbows from out of town came in for the occasion. Captain John Ball of Des Moines, Iowa, flew in for the dinner, and to invite us to attend Iowa's annual reunion March 3rd to 5th. Howard Smith of Iowa, now one of the bulwarks of the Chicago Chapter, was his host. Messrs. Ball and Smith gave the Chicago Artillery Men a new slant on how the infantry went into the line on that memorable first day.

Another visitor was Major Frank L. Williams, director of the Veterans Bureau at Des Moines since 1920 and who is now

at the Edward Hines Hospital in Chicago on some special duty. Major Williams was one of Iowa's famous medical unit during the war and gave us the story of the gas attack which cost Iowa so many casualties May 27, 1918.

Following these speeches, Barre Blumenthal gave us a beautiful picture of the broadcast which was carried over the N.B.C. chain February 22. Incidentally, your scribe, after hearing the broadcast, wishes to comment that the broadcast was not only beautifully done, but is a tribute to the same ability for organization and carrying thru, that characterized Rainbow activities in days gone by. Our hats are off to the Detroit gang, the N.B.C. men, and all those who participated in the effort. Unquestionably it gave our beloved organization one of the finest public demonstrations ever accorded us. It certainly looks like the Detroit reunion will be a wow.

The Chicago Chapter is sorry to learn that Ted Meserve, one of the Alabama boys who has been with us for many years, is taking a new job in downstate Illinois. Lots of luck, Ted, and we hope you will be with us in Chicago whenever you can.

The "E" Battery contingent welcomed Carroll Coon back into their ranks. None of us have seen him since we were discharged in 1919, because he has been out of Chicago. This was his first Rainbow meeting since the war. This indicates that the national campaign is succeeding and helping to bring Rainbows outside of chapter towns back into the fold.

—Herb Beck.

IOWA

(If Iowa Chapter's annual Reunion on March 3rd lived up to the promises made by State President **George L. Dawson**, a wild and wooly time must have given the boys something to remember with glee for some time to come. However, no reports have been received by the Reveille, and after all we're not mind readers or crystal gazers, you know. Maybe the "tall corn" boys don't crave publicity?—**Editor**.)

MICHIGAN

The month of February, shortest on the calendar, proved the "biggest" yet in point of activity of the Michigan Rainbow gang.

We started the month with a bang-up meeting on the 13th, with two splendid talks on "The Combat Veterans' Place in the World Today" by comrades Roy Appleman and Wilfred Jones of the V.F.W., and the first open discussion of our plans for the 1934 National Reunion.

Then, of course, in point of pride, thrills and celebration, Washington's Birthday was Michigan's **DAY OF DAYS**. Our Cabaret Party in the Book-Cadillac Hotel, celebrating the entrance of the Division into the front lines back in 1918, proved to be the largest attended and best party our gang has ever put on. Over 600 Rainbows, their families and friends, gathered to make merry and enjoy the first national **Rainbow Hour** broadcast. Chairman Victor VanYorx provided dancing in the Crystal Ballroom, while in the Italian Gardens which open off the ballroom, a Rathskeller effect had been worked out by placing tables where party groups gathered to enjoy their beer and listen to the music—or recount their "first time

up." Radio Station WJR provided a special direct wire from their studios to our party, so that our reception would not be marred by static. It was indeed our most colorful party, and to Chairman Van York goes a big hand from all the boys and girls. "Success is yours," Vic!

Michigan desires to nominate for the office of "Most Ardent Rainbower," **Albert Hoyt**, President of Cleveland (Ohio) Chapter, who came to Detroit just to attend our party, witness the broadcast of the Rainbow Hour at first hand, and last but not least, to invite President Brucker to attend Cleveland's special meeting of March 10th. "Al" arrived just in time to be in on the start of the festivities, and left at 1:00 a.m. in order to be back at work the following morning! President Brucker accepted the invitation to meet with the Cleveland boys, and on that trip he was accompanied by Alvin Jackson, Fred Eckhout, Don Hennessey, George Irwin, George Williams, Sharon Cover and Tom Howard.

Good old "Three Star" Hennessey reports the "Beat the Bushes" campaign is on in earnest, and that if effort means anything, Michigan will have something to say about the destinies of that loving cup! And, that's an open challenge.

Barre Blumenthal, the dashing nifty Chicagoan, returned to Detroit recently to celebrate his wedding anniversary. Every effort was made to entice the couple from their suite at the Book-Cadillac so that a Rainbow Round-Up might be arranged, but alas—to no avail. That being the case, the Detroit gang moved in on Mr. Blumenthal—and the gentleman who first defined a Rainbow Reunion as "any place where two Rainbowers can split a bottle" has promised to return in July at the head of a real Illinois delegation.

One of our most active Rainbowers answered the Last Call on February 21st. John Frantz, who served with the 168th Ambulance Co. died on that date after but five days illness. The Chapter took charge of the funeral services, with Chaplain McAfee officiating. To Mrs. Frantz and the three children, Michigan Chapter extends condolence in her hour of sorrow.

—Sharon C. Cover.

MINNESOTA

A lot of ex-151st Gopher Gunners, readers of the Reveille, would be interested in knowing what happened in the Dyckman Hotel Coffee Shop and in the Radisson Hotel, in Minneapolis, on February 23rd and 24th. The annual State Reunion took place on those dates, but the Chairman of the Publicity Committee—nor anyone else, for that matter—hasn't taken the trouble to inform the Reveille about the doings. All interested Minnesota men who are not now receiving "The Rainbow" should get in touch with Oscar W. Carlson, President of Minneapolis Chapter, and request that their names be added to his mailing list. It would appear that that is the only way you can "keep up" with the old homestead news.

—Editor.

MISSOURI-KANSAS

On January 23rd we sent out a news letter to 375 men in Missouri and Kansas, telling them of our organization, asking

for dues, and inviting them to a banquet-smoker on February 22nd at the President Hotel, Kansas City, Mo., to commemorate the entrance of our entire Division into the lines. We were gratified at the number of replies which we received; however, if our editor will permit, we should like to make another appeal in this issue of the Reveille, to those men in Missouri and Kansas dugout who haven't paid their dues. We want to go "over the top" and say "full quota." We are anxious to build up a real live Chapter—one that will "perpetuate that spirit of comradeship" and "keep alive the memory of our departed comrades." We won't be satisfied until we have every veteran who served under the Rainbow, on the rolls. It was a grand Division, and it is the duty of every Rainbower to join up and carry on. As General MacArthur said a year ago, "The tie which unites us is indestructible. It is forged in the fires of battle, and cemented by the blood of patriots."

The Sixteenth Anniversary of our becoming a combat unit was celebrated by a banquet at the President Hotel in K. C. President Ruby D. Garrett gave a ring tail snorter inspirational and reminiscent talk, as only he can, and while he spoke you could often hear the echoes of songs and laughter in the barracks, the roar of cannon and the hissing of shells. He paid a lovely tribute to our departed Comrades, and as we looked around it seemed that the gaps in the ranks were filled with the shadows of those who answered the Last Roll Call.

Old tales were re-told with renewed valor—and new ones were invented! For the Ammunition Train, Burwell Shepard told of "Life's Darkest Moment." "My Hungriest Moment" was the subject of John H. Hatton of the Signal Corps. Donald Knight, another flag twister, spoke on "Winning the War with a Stable Broom." The Infantry had its moments, also, the "Irish of New York" being represented on the program by Joseph Damico, and Ohio by C. S. Stevenson with "My Only Scare." "Iodine and O. D. Pills" gave the good Dr. R. C. Cook an opportunity to spill the Hospital units' woes, while Cornelius Lombardi told of "Winning the War with Reilly's Bucks" and D. G. Burrill of the 151st F. A. extolled the "Best Shot of the War."

At 10:30 p.m. we tuned in on the Rainbow Hour, and the 200 or more men present were inspired and thoroughly appreciative of the splendid program.

—John H. Hatton.

NEW YORK

Father Duffy Chapter celebrated February 22nd by attending Mass in a body in Holy Cross Church, Father Duffy's former parish. After the Mass a committee headed by Edward Reikert journeyed to St. Raymond's Cemetery in the Bronx, and placed a wreath on our beloved Chaplain's grave.

No special meeting was held, but we understand the Rainbow Hour broadcast was listened to by practically every Rainbower in New York, and enjoyed by them very much. For myself, my blood boiled with enthusiasm and pride in our old Division, and I imagine the same feeling hit most all of us.

—Bill McAvoy.

OHIO

The Rainbow world of Ohio was tuned in on February 22nd for the splendid Rainbow radio program. Chapters held special meetings that night, and those who could not get to meetings sat in front of their radios in homes and had brought back to them memories of sixteen years ago. Notices of the Rainbow broadcast were furnished to all news services with bureaus in Columbus, and the managers were kind enough and interested enough to put stories in news letters and on the wires so as to spread the word state-wide. The biggest meetings were held in Columbus and in Lancaster. At Columbus an attendance of 170 was recorded at their banquet, and 101 showed up at Lancaster. Both of these Chapters for years have been holding banquets on February 22nd. At Marion, the Chapter held a joint meeting with the American Legion and the Elks, at the latter's home, where a program was put on with supper afterwards.

All Chapters in Ohio were extremely active during January and February. Something was doing at all the meetings. Marysville went so far as to have a 60-pound roast pig at its February session, and a fine chicken dinner was served by the Marion bunch. To this doings of the Dyer J. Bird Chapter, an "anniversary" affair, W. F. Brockelsby drove 150 miles on a very bad night, which is some sort of a record. A close race is being staged by Columbus and Lancaster for the most members. As this is written, Lancaster has a lead of two!

National Reunion pre-registration books are in the hands of secretaries of all Chapters, and from indications Ohio will make good on its announced intention of sending the biggest crowd from any one State. Interest in the State Reunion at Lancaster is mounting as the wintry days pass slowly but surely and June approaches. Word from all parts of the State leads to the conclusion that the State Reunion will be the largest attended in years. And—won't that be something!

—Jack Henry.

PENNSYLVANIA

Rainbow veterans resident in Pennsylvania already have all the available information on the **Pennsylvania Veterans Compensation Act**. For the benefit of our many Comrades who now live in other sections of the country who will be interested, we are going to take this space to summarize the provisions of the Act:

Provides compensation to legal residents of the Commonwealth (interpreted as one who on enlistment or induction gave a Pennsylvania address as place of residence) who served in the Military or Naval forces of the World War, the War between the United States and Spain, the China Relief Expedition, or in the Philippines or Guam. Certain specified dates are used in each instance for figuring the amount of compensation. Those not entitled to the benefits of the Act include conscientious objectors, aliens, and those separated from the service by other than an Honorable Discharge. The amount of compensation is computed on basis of \$10.00 for every month and major fraction thereof of active service, with maximum amount set at \$200.00. No veteran with less than 60 days shall be entitled to any

compensation. The Act further provides that in the case of veterans who died while in active service, amount of compensation shall be \$200.00. The order of payment in such cases is: Surviving **unmarried** widow, surviving **minor** child (or children equally), mother, father or person who stood in **loco parentis** at entry into service and ten years prior thereto. Compensation received under the Act is not subject to levy or attachment, is non-assignable (except to a Veterans' Association) and not regarded as an asset of a veteran's estate. It is expected that payment of this compensation will begin April 1st, 1934, as certain funds have been earmarked for the purpose. Forms covering application can be obtained from any veterans' organization or Red Cross office in Pennsylvania; residents of outside States may obtain them upon request addressed to THE ADJUTANT GENERAL, HARRISBURG, PENNA.

—Thomas L. Brewster.

SOUTH CAROLINA

South Carolina Chapter is coming to life with a bang! Our Anniversary Party, planned to give our Rainbowners an opportunity of enjoying the Rainbow Hour broadcast together, turned out to be a wonderful success. Four times as many attended as we had expected, and all went home well-repaid for having come.

We are sponsoring a 15-minute radio program over Station WIS, and on February 20th **Capt. J. L. M. IRBY**, who commanded Company B of the Engineers, told of our National "beat the bushes" campaign to round up the A.W.O.L.'s. With this kind of support, South Carolina ought to be right up there among the leaders when that silver loving cup is being handed the winner at Detroit next July. And say, you Rainbowners—send me the name and address of every Rainbowner you know—it doesn't make any difference what State he lives in—just so you can give me the outfit he served with and his present post office address. Let's put our Chapter "up there" quickly.

—Marion R. King, Secretary.

TEXAS

Two prominent **unattached** Rainbowners of the Pass City—**El Paso**, to you!—have recently been chosen for responsible positions in the American Legion. **FRANK D. SCOTTEN, Jr.**, formerly a First Lieutenant with Alabama's 167th Infantry, has faithfully served as Assistant Chairman of the Entertainment Committee and member of the Military Review and Parade Committee of El Paso Post No. 36. Comrade Scotten is also National Senior Vice-Commander of the D.A.V. **HERB GEORGE**, who was originally a simple Farrier with D.C.'s Field Hospital, is now commencing a new term as Historian and Chairman of the Publicity Committee, Fort Bliss Post No. 215.

Two other bonafide and interesting Rainbowners-at-Large are: **ELDREN R. McDERMOTT**, former "Top" sergeant of Battery E, "Reilly's Bucks," who will be found most any day at 1009 No. Stanton Street dishing out paint and glass! **WALTER H. MUZZY**, ex-wagoner of the 117th Ammunition Train, is manager of the Goodrich-Silvertown, Inc. store.

—Loughorn Pete.

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If you are a regular reader of *The Rainbow Reveille*, you will notice a change has been made in our Publication Schedule.

The issue planned for April 21st has been eliminated entirely.

If it is necessary to ask "Why", the answer will be found in the last figure in the last column of the Performance Record.

We started this year with but \$5 in the bank, and we cannot function on promises. Either you have failed to pay your dues, or your Chapter officers have failed to turn them in to National Headquarters. In either case, YOU are to blame.

If we are to have any further issues this year, you'll have to do some *Double Time!*

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Indiana	154	20%
Iowa	144	17%
Georgia	39	8%
Pennsylvania	216	7%
Colorado	17	6%
New Jersey	86	5%
Tennessee	29	0%
Unattached	154	10%
TOTALS	\$3223	44%