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Detroit was founded in July of the year 1701, and has since been under the flags of three nations—French, British, and American. The city is therefore rich in historical interest, having figured prominently in a number of wars waged for control of the American continent.

The pigments of the human fancy have not been mixed with richer dyes than nature paints upon the spots where she lavishes her treasures. Men have not always picked the most beautiful spots on the earth to build their cities. Cities are built in certain places many times out of mere circumstance, often out of necessity and the exigencies of the moment—less often out of convenience, and seldom from the demands of the instinct of beauty. The building of Detroit, "*A City of Beauty and Interest*", on a spot where nature has fashioned something splendid, was partly out of circumstance, partly out of necessity, and partly because of localized convenience.

When Cadillac moved across Lake Erie and swung up the Detroit River, he saw the calm blue of these northern waters sheltered from the fury of the Great Lakes by an island at each end, and on the West bank of the river he noticed a slight promontory overlooking the surrounding country, an ideal spot for his sentinels to watch the movements of the Indians and the British.

Thus Detroit is beautifully situated on the Detroit River, from which the city takes its name. This river is a deep blue stream, half a mile in width and thirty-one miles long, connecting Lake Erie with Lake St. Clair. It is the world's busiest waterway, and during the navigation season is a gorgeous pageant of water transportation. Palatial passenger steamers, excursion boats, gigantic freighters, ferries and speed craft of all kinds make every day "regatta" day in Detroit.

While Detroit is 233 years old, most of her achievements have been crowded into the last three decades. Near the end of the nineteenth century a new era was describing its trajectory in the sky. Some of the first experiments on gasoline engines were being tried. The gas engine won . . . and out of the trials of the nineteenth century came a new civilization . . . a *civilization on wheels*. In this short space of time gigantic industries have been founded and developed, and Detroit has become the Automobile mart of the world.

Detroit has an area of 139 square miles. During its unparalleled growth to its present population of over a million and a half, Detroit has found time to provide for recreation. Near the center of the city and in the middle of the Detroit River is beautiful Belle Isle, the famous island park consisting of 825

acres of splendor and recreational facilities, enhanced with its miles of lagoons. The island is connected to the mainland by a beautiful concrete span, making it easily accessible by automobile or bus. Detroit has 50 public parks and 2 zoological gardens, 11 miles of water front and 1600 miles of paved streets and boulevards.

Within a radius of 85 miles of the City Hall, 91 per cent of America's motor cars are built. One Detroit automobile plant has turned out over 8,100 cars in a single day! The city also leads in the manufacture of a number of important products such as stoves, chemicals, and adding machines, and in normal years the aircraft industry exceeds \$20,000,000. Detroit's huge industrial plants are open for

inspection to those who like to see how unusual products are manufactured.

Canada is on the opposite shore of the Detroit River, and the visitor need have no worries over passport formalities—no such document is required. Just adjacent to Detroit over splendid highways are 5,000 beautiful inland lakes, most of which are spring-fed and noted as the fisherman's haven.

DETROIT, MICHIGAN—the bequest of Cadillac and LaSalle to the modern voyageur—land of the lakes and rivers. A history romantic—a growth phenomenal—a past heroic—and a present *glorious*! Such is the story of Detroit which is old in years, young in thought, and outstanding in accomplishment.

UNDER THE RAINBOW

VICTOR L. WINTERROWD, of Martinsville, Illinois, wants to locate a couple of his buddies who can supply an affidavit regarding a certain incident. He cannot recall the names of these men, but describes them and the incident as follows: "While up at the front the second time, a comrade was with me on signal guard at a dugout. This man was from Maine, and was made a corporal after his buddy from Maine was killed in the Champagne. A shrapnel shell burst over our heads just as we got our mess kits filled with soup, knocked me off my feet and I dumped the soup down my neck! This boy from Maine fell down the dugout, and (they say!) I jumped down. The 'rear sergeant' and two other fellows were in the door. Sergeant Murphy, head sergeant, was there. He woke me by hollering 'GAS', and he said afterwards that he never saw a fellow put on a mask so quick. One of the boys got shot in the calf of the leg when we went over the top, and the Company Quartermaster was killed. I would like to hear from any of the men who remember these incidents, particularly the comrade from Maine and the two sergeants."

Here is one "for the book": A "presumptive" pensioner just received a check from Washington for the 75 per cent of his former compensation, to which was attached a letter advising him that if he came within the scope of any of the several classifications described therein, he must return the check to Washington! Furthermore, that in any event he must swear to an affidavit which was also enclosed with the check, and return that to Washington. We inquired into the case and found that because of the fact this man had been lucky enough to pay the Federal Government an income tax of a few dollars on what he had earned in 1933, he could not cash the check! This particular "vet" is an automobile salesman. In three years prior to

1933 he didn't make enough in commissions to live on, and consequently had to go into debt. In 1933 his clientele felt the urge to own new cars, with the result that he enjoyed more than fair business. However, this man was honest, and as he received his commissions he paid off his debts, thereby putting money into circulation and helping to get the country back on its feet. Since January 1st, 1934, this man has collected *less than* \$100 in commissions, yet a "grateful government" tells him he cannot be compensated for war injuries to the extent of about \$21 a month because he was honest enough to keep faith with that government by paying his income tax at a time when it hurt like hell. This is just one case where a "joker" has been slipped in current legislation.

OLLIE SMITH, former President of the Ohio State Chapter, recently learned that the City of Lancaster, Ohio, had limited the Fireman's examinations to men between the ages of 18 and 35 years. Ollie couldn't see where the "vets" were getting any kind of a "break" there, so he got a Court order prohibiting the examinations. Incidentally, Ohio has a State Law which awards a "vet" an additional 20 per cent of the grade he receives in a civil service examination. The law was attacked some time ago, but on April 11th the State Supreme Court upheld its constitutionality.

On March 28th, The Museum of the City of New York was presented with a portrait of our late beloved Father Francis P. Duffy. The portrait had been painted by Boris Kublanov, and had been given by Leon Fruhauf, a life-long friend of Father Duffy, to the late W. Arthur Cunningham. Cunningham felt that the portrait should be placed where everyone in New York could see it, rather than in his office, hence the presentation to the Museum. Many Rainbowers and City officials were present at the presentation.

G. H. Q. HAD NOTHING ON DETROIT

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MARK TIME



Talk about activity—you remember how the G. H. Q. boys used to run all over each other when preparations for a big drive were the order of the day!—just try to picture the office I walked into the other day expecting to find a bunch of swivel-chair artists with their spurs firmly sunk into the desk-tops, and imagine my embarrassment upon finding the scene pictured on this page! Yes, sir—I hit Detroit the other day to find out just how much of this Reunion propaganda we have been getting is on the up and up. I naturally thought the office of the National President would be a good place to find out what I wanted to know, but instead of being ushered into a dignified law office I found Tom Howard, the demon picture editor of the *Detroit Free Press*, busily engaged in shooting the Michigan Brain Trust for the following morning's sheet. Tom, you know, was one of "Reilly's Bucks" and never misses a chance to place his shots.

Well, sir—this Michigan bunch are somewhat hesitant in putting out much of the real details of the big bust being planned, but under partial censorship I want to pass along the dope on this live, enthusiastic Michigan Chapter and the spirit that prevails in the arranging of what I believe is going to be a most unusual Reunion. Of course, you understand this is all "under your hat", so don't tell anybody.

The various Reunion Committees have been at work for months; in fact, they made their set-up as soon as they got home from Chicago last year. Then they set up what they call their *War Chest* and proceeded on plans for the entertainment and pleasure of every last one of us. They have been busy as beavers working out new ways to entertain us, and if they fail it won't be because they lack initiative.

Not being content to rest on their laurels after their epic *National Rainbow Hour*, they went after reduced rail fares and have scored their second big Rainbow scoop by accomplishing their objective—**THE ROUND TRIP FOR A ONE-WAY FARE.**

Up in Prexy Brucker's office the other day

I found his Nibs going over a lot of stuff with Sharon Cover, Al Jackson, "Three Star" Hennessey, George "Pop" Irwin (pictured on this page in the order named). As soon as the picture was inside the box, all the secret stuff was ditched and then I had a heck of a time trying to get anything. However I did manage to get old "Three Star" to break down and confess that "Irish Joe" Connolly (ex-69th and 165th) was Chairman of a special feature for the first night and that he was arranging an overseas trip to make the boys feel at home, and that a certain boat would be on hand to take us some place. He admitted that there would be no "You Can't Stand There, Soldier" signs—no crow's nest—no watches to stand, and that the hatches would be open, the lights ablaze, as one of the Great Lakes' finest pleasure steamers has been chartered to take the "Men of the Rainbow" and the "Ladies of the Rainbow" for a delightful moonlight lake ride viewing Detroit's beautiful night skyline as well as visit one of Detroit's popular river island resorts. Dancing is to be provided aboard ship by a "hot" band that will tickle the tootsies of our thespians, while "Joe" promises other entertainment as well. So, take my tip and be on hand for that *first day!*

Clarence Houle and George I. (Hi. G. I.) Williams strolled in, and being editors of *The Observation Post*, Michigan's paper, I buttonholed them as they should have the inside dope; but the best I could get was that there would be a big Stag Variety Party on Friday night, under the capable direction of the Chapter's Entertainment Chairman, one Fred Eckhout, who has set the world on fire with his stuff. If he's the bird who has been responsible for all the parties we have been reading about in "Chapter Chatter", I'll gamble his show will be a W-O-W.

And, get a load of this, mister!—Johnny Haas, who is Chairman of the Reception Committee, dashed in with news that General MacArthur will be in attendance this year, as well as many others who played such a big part in the Rainbow history.

I got Jackson and Haas aside and gave them the third degree on what was planned for the Annual Banquet and Champagne Hour, but all they would say was "see Cover—that's his baby." Talk about a bunch of buck-passers this Michigan bunch simply won't give a fellow any dope on anything for sure. But the good old "Pop" Irwin, who is custodian of the War Chest, let the cat out of the bag when he admitted that it was all he and another Pal could do to keep Sharon from "share-in" most of the Chest for his feature, so he must have something hot up his sleeve. Here I am craving *detail* and I can't even raise a good *Latrinagram*—what a life.

I managed to get the *Prexy* away from the office long enough to take a quick look-around at our Headquarters Hotel, the *Book-Cadillac*, and really did get the low down on the housing plan. Take it from me, those old cow-sheds, haymows and out-houses of the A. E. F. are going to look with envy on this year's mobilization of the "old guard". And, believe it or not, they have a real Frenchman, Harry Chevelier, as Chairman of this Committee and he assures us that any who might feel a bit lost and homesick in this set-up can have a bit of "atmosphere" arranged for them! Ten floors have been set aside for "*RAINBOW CITY*" so that all "youse guys" may get *together*. As far as I could find out, there is only one restriction—**NO BUGLES ALLOWED IN THE HOTEL.** I was interested in the special hotel rates published in the last issue of the *Reveille*, and after seeing the rooms, I don't understand how they do it. I learned that the District of Columbia Chapter has reserved a choice spot (which will rate some attention, unless I am all wet) to promote their campaign for the 1935 National Reunion. In all, this hotel situation is a pip.

We went back to Brucker's office—which ought to be re-named "*Reunion Headquarters*"—and after a hurried telephone conversation the whole gang went into a muffled huddle. I was then informed that we would adjourn to the *Rainbow Inn* (owned and operated by Ed Coury of the famous Minnesota Artillery Courys) and that we would sit down and go over the plans for the Reunion. That's right up my alley so I says "that's great, gang—let's go". But say, fellows—they tricked me! Sure enough, we went to the *Rainbow Inn* alright, but that's about all I remember. I seem to have a hazy recollection of everyone singing "For It's Always Fair Weather When Rainbowners Get Together", and then the lights went out!

I guess the easiest way for me to find out what it is all about is to make Detroit my headquarters on July 12th, 13th and 14th. At least, I'll get the dope first handed. But believe me, Rainbowner, that bunch of Michigan boys are a great lot of lads, so take my tip: **DON'T MISS THIS REUNION, SOLDIER!**

TO THE LADIES

In behalf of the Michigan Chapter Rainbow Division Veterans Auxiliary, I wish to extend to every Rainbow Lady our whole-hearted invitation to attend the Rainbow Reunion in July.

Whether or not you belong to any formal unit of the Auxiliary will make no difference in the warmth of our welcome, nor the pleasantness of your visit. Just as the Rainbow Reunion is held for all veterans of the Division, so also is the Auxiliary Reunion held for all Ladies of the Rainbow. Come to Detroit!

To the "Old Timers" who have so frequently and faithfully attended Rainbow Reunions, there is nothing I can say which would add to your desires and anticipations of coming to Detroit. Pleasant memories of past Reunions and the expectation of renewing joyous associations with old Rainbow friends are more than sufficient to spur your plans of attendance. We'll all be waiting for you!

To those who have not as yet accompanied their men folks to one of our Reunions, we can give assurance that a surprisingly good time awaits you. Rainbow Reunions are distinctly different from all other veterans conventions. There is a comradeship among Rainbow folks which quickly lends itself to making anyone associated with the Rainbow decidedly at ease and at home no matter what the occasion, but particularly during the period of the Reunion.

We of Michigan are all united in planning for you the best of Reunions. Please come!

—CLARA MARIE HOULE,

President, Michigan Chapter Auxiliary.

First of the 42nd

"First of the First" is recognized as the acme of all perfection, but Colonel "Bill" and "Ma" Talbot reach even higher than that. They are again "*First of the Forty-Second*" to make hotel reservations as well as Pre-Registration for the 1934 Reunion!

As far back as Rainbow history goes, the records of all Reunions list the names of these two ardent and faithful Rainbowners. In fact, no Rainbow Reunion would be quite complete without the Talbotts.

We understand from reliable authority that Colonel "Bill" has dropped his insurance business, put on his sombrero and chapps (or whatever you call those cowboy pants) mounted his faithful steed and has been out on the range rounding up and branding those Texas boys and girls with the spirit of the Rainbow, so that all will be in on the *Big Round-Up* in Detroit next July.

IT IS EASY TO GET TO DETROIT



With a definite view toward making this year's Rainbow Reunion the largest attended and most representative in Rainbow history, Michigan Chapter is happy to announce that after a great deal of effort we have secured, for *Men of the Rainbow* and their families, the lowest railroad fares ever offered for a Rainbow Reunion—**THE ROUND TRIP FOR A ONE-WAY FARE!**

This will put to rout that old bugaboo "transportation cost" that has kept so many of our members from Reunions of the past, and with this year's Reunion City situated in the heart of the area from whence came more than two-thirds of the Division, the Detroit Reunion promises to be the most colorful and truly *Rainbow* since the War.

Plan and Method

All Rainbow Division Veterans and dependent members of their families are authorized to purchase rail transportation on the "Identification Certificate Plan"—round-trip fare to equal present normal one-way fare of 3.6 cents per mile. Each Rainbower who desires to avail himself of this privilege shall obtain an Identification Certificate from the Secretary of his home Chapter, or from Sharon C. Cover, 4643 Nottingham Road, Detroit. There is no cost for this Certificate, but *it must be presented at time of purchasing tickets.*

Dates of Sale

Round-trip tickets will be sold from July 9th to July 14th, in all approved areas except as follows:

Wyoming, Oklahoma, Texas, and Colorado (except Julesburg)	July 8th to 13th
Montana and Southern Idaho	July 7th to 12th
Calif., Oregon, Nevada, Utah, Washington, Arizona, Northern Idaho.....	July 4th to 13th

Routes

You may travel both ways over the same route, or you may go via one route and return over another, within certain limits which your local railroad representative will be glad to outline for you. At time of going to press, the plan has been approved by the Central, Southwestern, Western and Trans-Continental Passenger Associations, which include all territory except the New England States and the States south of the Ohio River. Correspondence with Passenger Associations governing this additional territory indicates the plan will be authorized by them, and we suggest that you phone or write your local railroad representative for definite information; they will be glad to be of service to you.

Validation

Before being honored for return passage, return portion of your ticket must be validated in Detroit by the ticket agent's dating stamp, at the regular ticket office of *the line on which ticket reads into Detroit*, between the dates of July 12th, 1934, to an including 30 days in addition to date of sale. You must be back at your starting point within the 30-day limit shown on tickets, but this will allow ample time for stopovers. We suggest that you visit the *Century of Progress* at Chicago, if possible, thereby killing two birds with one stone.

Children

Children between the ages of 5 and 12 years, when accompanied by parents or guardian, will be charged at one-half the adult fare.



SPECIAL LOW FARES IN EFFECT FOR SIXTEENTH ANNUAL REUNION

The Pennsylvania Railroad, which operates "*The Rainbow*", crack express dedicated to the Rainbow Division, has been kind enough to furnish the following table of rates which apply under our plan; this table does not include all Rainbow points, but will give you a good idea of the reasonable rates offered. All rates are for the round-trip:

Appleton, Wisc.	\$16.45	Des Moines, Iowa	22.70
Atlanta, Ga.	26.68	Easton, Penna.	23.29
Baltimore, Md.	21.55	Indianapolis, Ind.	9.58
Birmingham, Ala.	26.89	Kansas City, Mo.	26.35
Charleston, So. Car.	34.67	Memphis, Tenn.	26.66
Chicago, Ill.	9.81	Minneapolis, Minn.	24.47
Cleveland, Ohio	5.91	Montgomery, Ala.	30.42
Columbus, Ohio	6.50	New York City, N. Y.	24.72
Dallas, Texas	41.79	Roanoke, Va.	21.06
Washington, D. C.	21.55		

Motor, Air and Steamship Transportation

Six National Highways enter Michigan, over which those who choose to drive will find automobile travel most desirable; they are U. S. No. 23, No. 24, No. 25, No. 27, No. 31, and No. 131. To those who prefer this mode of travel we suggest that you "Drive the Car Back Home".

Bus lines from everywhere have Detroit terminals and provide frequent daily service.

Those hardy veterans who prefer travel through the air will find Detroit equipped with the finest Airport in the United States, with every facility for comfort and convenience available.

Palatial passenger steamers make regular trips from Chicago, Cleveland, Buffalo and other centers in the Great Lakes district, and offer inviting rates to those who desire the comfort of water transportation.

Come to Detroit

Literally, there is an EASY WAY TO GET TO DETROIT—a roadway, a railway, a waterway, and an airway—from everywhere.

Surely you have planned to visit Detroit, the ideal vacation city in "The Land of The Lakes". So—we invite you now to plan your vacation with *The Greatest Gang on Earth* in what, from all indications, will be the largest assembly of Rainbow Veterans since 1919. A most unique Reunion program is being arranged for your entertainment, and everything is being done to provide for your comfort and pleasure so that your visit will be more than that—it will be a memorable and happy event to be added to your long list of "Memoirs".

GENERAL COMMITTEE

1934

NATIONAL REUNION

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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Arthur's Gone

The City of New York paid tribute to Arthur Cunningham on Tuesday, May 8th, as his funeral procession moved down Fifth Avenue to St. Patrick's Cathedral.

Major W. Arthur Cunningham, as he was known outside Rainbow circles, had gone West from a heart attack while horseback riding the previous Saturday morning.

The Rainbow has lost one of its staunchest supporters. Arthur filled the office of National Secretary twice—in 1925-26, and again in 1929-30. He was a tireless worker whose interest in the old Division never lagged.

The people of New York City have lost a valuable public servant whose four short months in office as Comptroller brought about a complete re-writing of the City's financial history.

CHAPTER CHATTER

VIRGINIA

Although we did not have any news items in the April *Reveille*, we did have a great time listening to the *Rainbow Hour* broadcast on Washington's Birthday. It gave us a big thrill to hear our President, Wilber M. Brucker, from Detroit; Wild Bill Dongvan from New York; General Reilly from Washington (God bless him—he mentioned the "lousy M.P.'s") and our old friend Barre Blumenthal from Chicago.

We are still looking for Chapter members as we are not sure but that Nebraska may have something up their sleeves to spring on us and beat our 122 per cent.

As time draws near for the Detroit Reunion we are doing our darndest to get a large crowd to FALL IN for the grand and glorious affair, and we will be there in a big way.

An orchid to the Detroit outfit (*apologies to Winchell*) for getting us the lowest rate ever obtained for a Reunion. SEE YOU ALL IN DETROIT IN JULY.

—Bill Hitt.

MICHIGAN

IMPORTANT NOTICE FOR MICHIGAN RAINBOWERS: Memorial Day Parade Or-

ders. The parade is to move at 2:00 p.m., the Rainbow to form as a unit at 1:45 p.m. on EAST COLUMBIA ST. at WOODWARD AVE. We are honored this year by having the Dearborn Drum and Bugle Corps march at the head of our group. Lavell Smith (167th Inf.) is Drum Major, and J. W. McClintock (149th F. A.) is Musical Director of this fine organization. This is one reason why you should give Rainbow this day, and another is that our Chapter is surely indebted to the City of Detroit for the interest it is showing in our coming Reunion. The assistance we will get from our "City Dads" is going to make for a truly colorful Rainbow Reunion . . . May 30th is the date, 1:45 p.m. the time, East Columbia Street at Woodward Ave. the place. *Wear your Rainbow cap and MARCH WITH THE RAINBOW.*

It is with deep regret that we announce the passing of two more Michigan Rainbowners, Henry Behrendt and Jason Rogers. Behrendt died as the result of an automobile accident near Vassar, Michigan; his home was in Clawson. Rogers lived in Ann Arbor, where he was a member of Graf O'Hara Post of the V. F. W. The V. F. W. had charge of the funeral services, but all pallbearers were Rainbow men. To the families of both these men the Chapter extends sympathy . . .

FLASH . . . Word has just been received of the untimely passing of *W. Arthur Cunningham*, Comptroller of the City of New York, and one of our most ardent Rainbowers. Michigan Chapter joins his host of friends in extending condolence to the surviving members of his family.

Of interest to 166th Infantrymen is news that former Lieut. Stuntz, who was originally a Y. M. C. A. worker attached to the Regiment and later merited the position of Chaplain with rank of Lieutenant, dropped in on National President Brucker the other day. He and the Governor had been "buddies" overseas, and was the reunion on? Stuntz has been in South America for the past few years as an educator, and at present is on a lecture tour of the States.

ANOTHER . . . FLASH . . . Michigan Chapter has, or rather will have on June 12th, a new President in the person of E. Don Hennessey who is by no means a newcomer to the Rainbow nationally. "*Three Star*" has always been one of the most consistent "National Reunion-eers" and we are sure that his host of friends join in wishing him a most successful administration.

Michigan is pledged to have 100 per cent registration at the Reunion, so you'd better get out those budget books and use our "*Painless Extraction Registration Plan*." Just get in touch with old Doc "Pop" Irwin who will make the extraction; he's an old "pill roller" who'll make you say "Ah!"—then a dab of iodine with a couple of C. C. pills and you'll never miss the "fin". Let's go, Michigan.

—Sharon C. Cover.

MARYLAND

Due to the laxity of the writer, the Maryland Chapter was out of step for the last issue of the "*Reveille*". Our premier correspondent, Steve Masson, has been so busy helping the railroads to recover by traveling hither and thither that President Hickman, in desperation, called upon me to pinch hit for him, therefore my bunt must be excused.

Our annual banquet was held in January at the Mt. Royal Hotel. There was no evidence of frozen assets there, in fact everything was quite liquid and the goodly crowd enjoyed the splash. Ray Tompkins, author of "*The Story of the Rainbow Division*", and permanent toastmaster for such affairs, was on hand and handled the situation as only he can. The principal speaker of the evening was Major Leon M. Logan of Headquarters 3rd Corps Area. Captain Everett Brown also of 3rd Corps Headquarters and formerly of the 166th Infantry and Harry Overheiser formerly of the 150th Field Artillery, both reported present. They have been active in the Maryland Chapter since they came to Baltimore several years ago. It was a pleasure to see several of our out-of-town members

there. Among them were Paul Lamorelle, E. L. Stevens, Hiram Klein, Capt. Dick Carson, "Admiral" Weller, and Charlie Albert, and I am sure they felt the trip was worth the effort.

The outstanding event in February was "The Rainbow Hour" broadcast. We made no attempt to have a general gathering to hear this, but all members were notified and numerous small groups got together to listen in. The idea was excellent, and it was well done, proving that the Rainbow can still percolate without loss of contact. Those responsible for its success are to be congratulated.

On St. Patrick's day the Chapter held a Cabaret Dance at the Emerson Hotel, which was well attended, making it enjoyable and profitable. In fact it was so enjoyable that the orchestra was engaged for an additional two hours.

Jack Clarke has been appointed on the War Memorial Commission. The War Memorial was erected jointly by the State of Maryland and the city of Baltimore; therefore half of the Commissioners are named by the Governor, and the other half by the Mayor. Jack is an appointee of the latter.

We have started a movement to have one of the Baltimore Public Schools named the "James Edgar Potts School" in memory of Pvt. James Edgar Potts, 117th Trench Mortar Battery. He was the first member of the battery killed and the first Baltimorean to die in actual combat in the World War. We feel confident that our efforts will be successful.

The Membership Committee, headed by Harry Siffrin, is hard at work, and it is hoped the next published performance record will show Maryland 100 per cent.

The attention of all Rainbowers is called to the fact that we meet in the War Memorial Building on the first Thursday of each month and that we would be glad to receive any of them who should happen to be in Baltimore on these nights. The average attendance is approximately 60 per cent of our paid-up membership.

—Wm. Andrew Weise.

OKLAHOMA

STATE REUNION—SATURDAY, JUNE 2nd—at the Veterans Hut, 13th Place and Detroit, in TULSA. The committee in charge of arrangements has been busy for several weeks, to assure every Rainbower who can attend that a most enjoyable session will be the order. The Publicity Committee has filled Oklahoma newspapers with stories of the coming event, and any Rainbower who did not know about it before is hereby notified!

This year's Reunion will open promptly (?) at 9:00 a.m. with Registrations, at the Veterans Hut. The morning will be given over to renewing old acquaintances and making new ones, as well as fighting the war

over again. At 11:00 a.m. the usual *Dutch Lunch* will be served—the unusual part of the proceedings being the REAL BEER! At 1:00 p.m. there will be a brief business session, followed by certain amusements and games that are peculiar to “veteran” circles. Then, at 6:30 p.m., the Ladies Auxiliary will throw open the doors of the Banquet Hall, where they will serve one of those dinners they are famous for. They sure do know their stuff, and their dinners are *UNSURPASSED* (apologies to Mr. Standard Oil). During this Banquet there will be no long speeches, but undoubtedly several extemporaneous ones. After the dinner, those still inclined (and able!) to dance will be given the opportunity; those who prefer to “pass ‘em around” will also be able to indulge to their heart’s content.

Oklahoma has been going great these past several months, and under the able leadership of Comrade President Frode Andersen the Chapter is gaining strength all the time. We are holding regular monthly meetings at the Veterans Hut, and at our last meeting there were representatives of ten units of the Division on hand. We know there are a great many other units represented within the boundary lines of our State, and we are doing everything possible to induce them to support the Chapter. Come on, you Rainbrowsers—come to Tulsa for the State Reunion on June 2nd. You’ll have a great time, meet a lot of fellows who speak *your* language, and incidentally help shape the future policies of Oklahoma Chapter.

—John C. Johnson.

OHIO

Plans for the State Reunion in Lancaster on June 8, 9 and 10 are now the chief topic of conversation in Ohio Rainbow circles. There is enthusiasm in evidence in every Chapter and from every indication the Lancaster Chapter will play host to a large gathering. The Auxiliary is also making plans for entertaining the ladies in splendid fashion, and a large number of men will be accompanied by their wives.

One of the best bits of news received in years came from Cincinnati on April 25th. It was a letter stating that the Cincinnati Chapter has been reorganized. Years ago there was a very active Chapter in the Queen City, and the bunch there put on a whale of a reunion a number of years ago. There are a large number of Rainbrowsers in Cincinnati and surrounding towns and cities, and the new Chapter will undoubtedly go over with a bang. The officers are: *President*, Wilbur S. Jones, 3849 Olivette Ave., Cheviot, Cincinnati; *Vice-President* William B. Conklin, Newport, Ky.; *Secretary-Treasurer* M. E. Ryan, 28 Martin St., Covington, Ky.; and *Chaplain* Charles H. Mesch.

National President Brucker, accompanied by other National and Michigan Chapter officers as well as State President Earl Fuhr of Ohio, paid a visit to Cleveland Chapter on March 10th; when they got through talking the Cleveland bunch decided that life won’t be worth living unless the National Reunion is attended in July at Detroit. All through the State the same feeling exists, and Ohio is going to make good on the promise of having the most Rainbrowsers of any State except Michigan, present at the big affair.

—Jack Henry

INDIANA

Indiana recently sent out a new State Chapter magazine, under the title “The Indiana Rainbow”. This publication was issued as a result of much diligence and effort upon the part of State President Harmon W. Young, and was made possible through the generosity of contributions from loyal Rainbrowsers. Whether we will be able to issue additional numbers depends entirely upon the condition of the State treasury.

STATE REUNION—SATURDAY, JUNE 9th—As usual, our State Reunion will be held in the *Hotel Washington*, in INDIANAPOLIS. Our State Reunions are usually very successful from the standpoint of attendance and enthusiasm, and a great many of the boys come in from long distances. We cannot supply any details concerning the program at this time, but it will likely follow past customs. We generally have a business session in the afternoon, followed by a social period in which the boys win the war anew, celebrate the repeal of the Eighteenth Amendment, and such other sundry and kindred activities as are well known and congenial to all good Rainbrowsers throughout the country. Then next comes the dinner at which there may be a guest speaker, as well as some entertainment. The fellowship and activities are usually extended until the late hours of the night, and in some cases even into the following day!

Three members of Marion County chapter, which is practically the only *active* chapter in Indiana at the moment, have been actively campaigning for public office. Delbert O. Wilmeth is a candidate for Congress; Paul F. Rhoadarmer seeks a Judgeship in the Superior Court of the County; and Howard H. Maxwell aspires to the office of Sheriff. As Rainbrowsers to Rainbrowsers, gentlemen, we extend good wishes in your effort to be of service to the community.

We recently received a letter from “G. I.” Williams, a former member of Indiana Chapter, who now resides in Detroit. He gives us the names of a number of our 150th men who are now living in Michigan, some of whom have become quite active in the Michigan Chapter. They are assisting to the fullest degree in making the coming National Re-

In Memoriam

RUFUS L. BUTLER
151st Machine Gun Battalion
February 23, 1934

DeLOACH FITZPATRICK
167th Infantry
May 2, 1934

BETA KLINEFELTER
151st Machine Gun Battalion
March 30, 1934

W. A. CUNNINGHAM
165th Infantry
May 5, 1934

union a success. Indiana is hoping and planning to have a substantial delegation at Detroit in July, and is looking forward to greeting our former buddies who are now making their homes in the great and beautiful *Metro-polis of the Motor*. We know the experience in store for every Rainbower who attends the National Reunion will be a memorable one.

—Garrett W. Olds.

TEXAS

"?Las rojo, amerillo y azui de la bonito fuerte calor con en el Arcoiris!" ! Usted bravo cabellero nos adonde temperano la primavera aqui?" And again we say: "*Tra-bojar y salvar para DETROIT!*"

Colonel Talbot, of Dallas, says: "Just about two months from today five thousand of the old gang who were with us in France will assemble in Detroit, Michigan, for the Sixteenth Rainbow Veterans Reunion. The pleasant memories of my life are mostly centered around the Rainbow Reunions and the association with our buddies. I wish it were possible for every Texas Rainbower to be in Detroit this year. There are a lot of you who *can* make it, if you will start right now to save up for it. The M-K-T Railroad has arranged a very low rate out of Dallas. If we could just have a bunch of us assembled here and go together, what a wonderful time we would have! Delegates will no doubt desire to attend *A Century of Progress Exposition* at Chicago on the return trip, which can be done with no additional rail expense. Wash-bash will honor return portions of our tickets from Detroit to Saint Louis, through Chicago."

Last minute dash—GET READY FOR DETROIT.

—Longhorn Pete.

CALIFORNIA

California wants the Rainbow to know that they appreciate the effort our National leader has been putting out FOR the Rainbow this past year. Gov. Wilber M. Brucker has given us the most dynamic administration we have known in several years, and has been able to heap fresh laurels upon our already famous Association. We know how much

time and talk it took to obtain the nationwide broadcast on February 22nd, and it must be a source of great satisfaction to him to know the heads of NBC are agreed the national interest in the Rainbow Division is just as great today as it was in 1917-18-19. We also take our hats off to the Michigan man for selling the Railroads on the idea that Rainbow men are entitled to the same courtesies as members of other *major* veteran groups. This will mean a great deal to Rainbowers, and to the Railroads, in the years ahead.

In June, California will elect its officers for the coming year. Rumor has it that four outstanding Rainbowers will run a close ballot for the "head man's" job. It is doubtful if any office will be handed out by acclamation, which is a very healthy sign. All you fellows who live anywhere close to Los Angeles should by all means be on hand to cast your vote at the regular meeting of June 14th, in Patriotic Hall.

John W. Bartow.

GEORGIA

Well, boys and girls!—here we are back with you again. We're hot on the trail of that Trophy Governor Brucker has put up in his "Beat the Bushes" campaign, and we'll have a large delegation on hand at Detroit to receive it, too!

A bit of personal mention here might be interesting, so we'll start off by telling you that the world's cham-peen stutterer, one Harry Kendall who edited this *Reveille* back in 1930-31, is recovering from a broken ankle. Seems a bunch of the boys were playing "Donkey Baseball" and Harry was trying to steal second base. Harry knew how to slide, but the donkey didn't—which accounts for the casualty. Another "Harry" is Barfield of Company C. 151 M. G., who is commander of the Legion Post at Cordele. Then we have a deserter to the good old Army ranks—former National Treasurer Julian Peacock is assisting Congressman Carl Vinson in his attempts to build our Navy up to Treaty strength; the boys address our comrade as "Admiral" now, instead of the "Major" which was so well known just a few years ago. And

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while we are on the subject of titles, Georgia Chapter claims the distinction of having the most "title-est" individual as a member. He is Julian T. Pool, of Company C, 151 M. G., known around Macon as *Sergeant* Pool at the Police Station, *Lieutenant* Pool in the National Guard, *Adjutant* Pool at Legion meetings, and *President* Pool of the Rainbow. Ed S. Whitehead of B Company is back in Macon, but being connected with the tire industry, cannot be expected to get to all the *blowouts*.

On April 26th we had a great gathering of Rainbowners, at a joint meeting with our Auxiliary. A Memorial Service was conducted, following which the ladies served a wonderful supper. Back in February the old members of A Company organized a "Last Man Club", and will welcome a donation of a bottle of wine (California or French) to be presented when they meet again next February 22nd.

Georgia is particularly proud of the progressive ideas presented by the present National Association officers, and feel that with a continuing effort the old Rainbow will be back with all of its prestige as a National body; not alone as a war-time fighting unit, but rather as peace-time citizens intent on carrying on. With that spirit of devotion to country, honor, comradeship or whatever you may choose to call it that bound together the *Men of the Rainbow* during 1917-18-19, we can again lead the way. And, who has a greater right to lead—or to express opinions—or even to dictate—in matters pertaining to National welfare, National defense, or self-protection (and also benefits being or to be granted to those termed disabled "veterans") than those of long experience in *actual combat*?

Georgia will hold its next State Chapter meeting July 4th, in Macon, at which time we will select new officers and round up a good crowd for the trip to Detroit.

—Jesse R. Cheves.

Performance Record to May 15, 1934

Chapter—	1933-34 Quota	Performance to-date
Florida	\$ 18	144%
Virginia	37	124%
Nebraska	14	114%
District of Columbia	35	103%
Michigan	150	100%
Alabama	116	97%
Maryland	62	76%
Oklahoma	39	67%
Ohio	312	58%
Wisconsin	44	57%
Missouri-Kansas	88	55%
Colorado	17	53%
New York	585	52%
Illinois	308	50%
Indiana	154	47%
Texas	34	45%
Minnesota	206	43%
California	304	36%
Georgia	39	36%
New Jersey	86	33%
Oregon	32	25%
Tennessee	29	24%
Iowa	144	17%
Pennsylvania	216	11%
Unattached	154	14%
TOTALS	\$3223	49%