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GALLANT IN DEFEAT

As the Reveille goes to press it appears that the Rainbow's own Wilber M. Brucker has failed in his campaign for the United States Senate. Rainbowers everywhere would have taken a personal pride in his victory; they are as proud of Past President Brucker in defeat. That no temporary setback can stop the splendid career of this outstanding Rainbower, is the conviction of our comrades, whatever their political affiliation or belief. Governor Brucker's character, charm, and love of humanity have endeared him to his Rainbow comrades. He will continue to be a powerful force in public affairs, and to render honorable and distinguished service to the public weal. Our salute to a gallant Rainbow leader.



WILBER M. BRUCKER

MAINTAINING RAINBOW CONTACTS

My thoughts run in a very gloomy vein as the years mount and I look back to 1917, 1918 and 1919 and turn my thoughts to the future. In those years we spent a formative period of our lives for we were, in the main, mere youngsters. We learned to look on all our fellows as equals, all class snobbishness was dispelled and sectionalism was surprisingly easy to hurdle. We became a composite unit with an esprit de corp

unequaled in the armed forces. We held the men and the units in the Division in a highly affectionate regard and with esteem and confidence in their activities. No one ever doubted that any unit, or men, in the Division would succeed in any mission assigned. We made enduring friendships and vowed that nothing would ever stand in the path of a continuance of our correspondence and meetings.

Now to look at the immediate present and try to evaluate our experience. Yes, we can look back with pride on our personal and unit achievements. That service molded our early life, gave us character, fortitude, and taught us tolerance and, above all, gave us respect for discipline and a high regard for its necessity in our present life. But to look into the future—will we be able to maintain the friendship, the close relationship, with the men who we learned to know so well, the men whose contact taught us so much? I doubt whether the contacts can be kept alive except through the medium of the Chapter membership and meetings, and last, and as important, the National Reunions of the Rainbow Division Veterans. If we were sincere in our friendships and really desired to continue the cultivation, we must recognize the necessity for the earnest and active support of the chapters and the National Reunions, not only to see that our dues are paid but to see that one night a month is reserved for the purpose of going to the place where your fellow veterans are assembled.

There will always be the nucleus of sturdy fellows who will carry on, but they can carry on more resolutely with the confidence of their comrades' support. The warm glow of cordial, comradely greeting is compensation for the effort. Consider this seriously. Time is fleeting and we are approaching the middle of our span. It will not be many years when we will feel that we have lost our opportunity and we will also face the realization that it is almost too late. In the next decade we will be shocked with the losses in our ranks. Take heed before it is too late. Look up your chapter meeting place or any Rainbow Chapter in your vicinity and make your contacts, maintain them with regularity, and try to be a Rainbow man who is proud to be with Rainbow men and seek the opportunity to be with them. The opportunity is held out to you in the Chapter meetings and in the Annual Reunion where the men of the unit on the other side of the subsector line can be met and our reminiscences again be relived.

Stevenson Masson.

Executive Committee



THE PRESIDENT'S PAGE

Armistice Day arouses a host of memories in the mind of every Rainbow veteran. The mists of eighteen years roll away and we live again the days of 1918 and are once more amid the old familiar scenes. We feel the damp chill of November in France, the heavy exhaustion of days and nights on end without sleep, the stiffness and soreness of muscles from crouching in the mud of foxholes, the gnawing of hunger and the leaden sensation of a stomach fed for days on iron rations. We scratch cooties. We hear again the rattle of machine guns, the crashing of high explosive shells, the drum of the rolling barrage. We see the dull watersoaked landscape, the eternal mud, the wooded heights. Again we are with our buddies who have "gone west." We talk with them; we laugh with them; we advance side by side with them. They live with us. They are not dead!

Yes, the memories return, but pressing close upon them is the solemn thought of our duty to our comrades who fell in 1917 and 1918 and to our comrades who are falling year by year. Do we know the locations of their last resting places? Are their graves marked? Are they decorated on Memorial Day? What are we doing "to keep alive the memory of our departed comrades"?

California has blazed the way. In 1934 the Memorials Committee of the California Chapter, under the able direction of Arthur C. Davis, its chairman since 1919, began a painstaking world-wide search for the graves of the dead of the Second Battalion of the 117th Engineers. The next step was the location of the graves of all Rainbow dead buried in the State of California and the establishment of a cross-indexed record of name, company and regiment of the man; the name and street address, if any, of the cemetery where he is buried; the town or city in which the cemetery is located and the location of the grave in the cemetery. The records of this very active and efficient Memorials Committee now disclose one hundred and two names with complete information. Each year every one of these graves is decorated on Memorial Day either by Rainbow men or friends in California, in other states or abroad. This is indeed a truly wonderful piece of work well done.

Why not a similar undertaking by every Chapter working in close cooperation with every other Chapter? Why not a continuous interchange of information through National Headquarters and a complete record of the locations of the graves of all Rainbow dead? Why not a program developed to the end that Rainbow on Memorial Day takes care of the decoration of the graves of all its dead? No finer work lies before our organization. It is time. "It is later than we think."

Another thought presents itself as we consider this sacred subject. What of the Rainbow Gold Star Mothers and Fathers—that heroic band who felt the sacrifice of war more deeply than words can tell? Their ranks are rapidly thinning. They will not be with us long. Are we acquainted with all who live in our localities? Do we know where they reside? Do we see them often? Do we honor them? Do we share with them our comradeship? How eagerly they respond to invitation! How inspiring to us is their presence at our meetings! We will always remember Dad Schweringen's prayer at Kansas City during the Champagne Hour. No one present at Cleveland can ever forget the table of honor occupied by the Gold Star Mothers. Here again is a splendid field of activity for the Memorials Committee. The time is short. Every month is precious.

No service in Rainbow can be more happy or more satisfying than Memorials Committee work. It is a labor of love in which all may have a part. It brings our comrades of other years closer to us. It gives deeper meaning to the comradeship of the living. It will have increasing significance to each of us as time passes.

Leland L. Whitney.

Columbus, Ohio - - - The City Beautiful



Like an all powerful king on a mountain scanning his vast domain stands the city of Columbus guarding the gateway to the riches of the west. A mighty factor in the economic and social life of Ohio is this one hundred and twenty-four-year-old city and one whose strategic position in the very heart of the great state of Ohio makes certain its growth will be steady and sure.

Columbus, like so many of the pioneer cities of the United States, was erected out of the center of a great wilderness of mighty oak, maple, beech and walnut trees, the next day by legislative decree it was the chosen site of Ohio's capital and the lay out of the city was begun.

From that day on the growth of Columbus has been steady and sure. From nothing to a population of over 300,000 in a little more than one hundred years is its enviable record.

Columbus is noted for many things.

Historically it has been the meeting place of practically every famous man of its time. The revered martyred president, Abraham Lincoln, spoke in Columbus on a now famous occasion. Henry Clay at one time made Columbus his headquarters and countless other men and women famous in American history have at one time or another partaken of the justly renowned hospitality of Columbus.

Columbus is proud of her educational facilities. Within her boundaries or nearby stand the buildings of Ohio State University. Capital University and Otterbein College. Within thirty or so miles are located Ohio Wesleyan and Dennison Universities. Six major high schools are available to the children of Columbus. The Columbus Gallery of Fine Arts (erected through popular subscription by the citizens of the city), is one of the most beautiful buildings in the Middle West and stands on Columbus' spacious and justly famed East Broad Street.

Columbus also boasts of one of the most picturesque civic centers in the world. Here are grouped in all their architectural splendor the Ohio State Office Building, the Columbus Administration Building, Columbus Safety Building, Y. M. C. A. and the A. I. U. Tower, one of the tallest structures in the world. Here, too, is located the new Federal Building, recently completed by the United States government.

Come to Columbus, you will never forget its beauties and hospitality.

"TO THE LADIES"

After returning from my vacation and getting settled down to Rainbow work again, I want to take this opportunity to thank the ladies for their confidence in me as evidenced by my re-election in Kansas City. To the best of my ability I shall try to fulfill that confidence.

In re-appointing Mrs. Kristof as secretary, Mrs. Fultz as treasurer and Mrs. Talbot as welfare chairman, I feel that I could pay them no greater compliment for their faithfulness and untiring work of the past year. To them belongs a great share of the credit for our successful and pleasant administration last year.

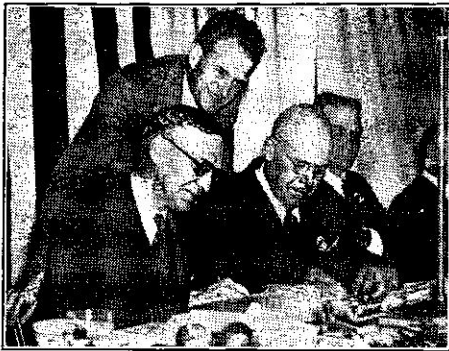
We wish you ladies all over the country to feel that your National Officers are al-

ways ready and willing to help you at all times in any way. We will also welcome any suggestions that you may care to offer. Only by this cooperation may we have the biggest Rainbow year ever, and that is our goal now. We are told that several new Auxiliaries will be formed in Ohio this year—Lincoln, Nebraska, has organized since the Convention—so if each one of you will try to increase the membership in your own organization, I am sure we will have no difficulty in accomplishing this end.

Again thanking you and hoping to hear from each Auxiliary from time to time, and with best wishes, I am,

Your National President,
Edna G. Lampman.

The Cleveland Reunion



President Leland L. Whitney, former Secretary of War Newton D. Baker, toastmaster, Colonel Ruby D. Garrett, Assistant Secretary of Commerce Col. J. Monroe Johnson.

HIGHLIGHTS

By THE LONE WOLF

"Saluta," Rainbowers, "Saluta!" We bring you tales of the American Legion Convention which, as our President "Eli" Whitney expressed it, "was held in connection with the second Rainbow Reunion of the year." From the first a hearty welcome was extended to all Rainbowers from those excellent hosts, the members of the Cleveland Chapter, 'till they bid us "adieu" as we started home with our memory book bursting with tales of the enjoyable hours we spent as their guests.

First to greet us was genial Al Hoyt. Flanked by a beautiful blonde on his right and a more beautiful brunette on his left, he made the registration painless. While we were still in a daze 'long came Jules Schwalb to lead us down a few steps into that haven of the faithful, presided over by C. J. Durbin, where our hearts became unburdened, our tongues loosened and our spirits rose to the cadence that is Rainbow's as once again we see the "old familiar faces" of the old faithful gang who never seem to miss gathering 'round the divisional standard when it is flung again to the breeze in the peacetime action of our Reunions. And Neiberg and Darnier on hand to introduce us to Rainbowers we had not previously known; Brainerd and Johnson, and more modestly, Diggs, at our service throughout the occasion. Nor would that picture of the lower hall be complete unless we noted the presence of Johnny Rea trying, with untold difficulties, to sell

our Rainbow Histories 'mid the mad throng that engulfed "Dugout" Durbin and his orderly, Carter English, during the long hours he served appetizers for the banquet.

"Ah, the banquet!" Where we were served with a meal that was not only excellent but almost unbelievably warm; where, in most interesting tableaux, we were pictured again in the days of our early youth as we fought the "Battle of the Franks" on one side, and on the other the "Battle of Bullets and Gas," with the center stage a monument to the achievements of the Division from Lorraine to the Argonne; where Colonel Garrett, standing in characteristic pose with head cocked to one side as if listening to the divine inspiration that builds with common words the elegant and pithy phrases he so easily and smoothly utters to our everlasting delight, acted as toastmaster, directing the flow of the "glib and oily art" that is Rainbow oratory and finding in the "windy satisfaction of the tongue" those apt and fitting words that described in unmistakable fashion the distinctive traits that characterized the individuals who graced the long festive board that was the "Brass Hats" table. In fact, so appealing, so realistic was his introduction of Jack Henry as the "finest looking man in the Rainbow" that one of Cleveland's loveliest lassies, bewitched by the spell of the Colonel's Acacadabra of words, rushed to the banquet board to clasp Jack in her arms and implanted on his trembling and surprised lips a kiss that far surpassed the osculatory efforts of Fred Crawford at Kansas City. But Jack was equal to the occasion and in answer gave us the story of the colored gentleman who "done over estimated himself." But don't we all—well, occasionally!

Colonel J. Monroe Johnson directed his words to the Rainbow Gold Star Mothers who were our guests of honor, telling them "all America belongs to your family 'till eternity" and assuring them that "no one could be prouder than they whose sons offered the acceptable sacrifice to America." Barre Blumenthal, with graceful gesture and exquisite enunciation, gave five reasons for his presence, among which we note his first, "because wherever Rainbowers gather, there is his heart and wherever is his heart there is his body"; then the presence of Mrs. Hitt, mother of our "Old Faithful" Bill Hitt; and lastly to nail the slander that he was a poor translator, by a reading in both French and English of a telegram received from

General Gouraud. "Wally" Wallgren, famous cartoonist of the A. E. F., was introduced in terms that glowed with our appreciation of his gifts as a builder of morale and the instigator of many a laugh and chuckle that still remain with us in memory. "Wally" was presented with a Rainbow History.

"We, in a Democratic stronghold, look with real delight at the good judgment of the people of Michigan," was the Colonel's congratulatory message to Wilber M. Brucker on his victory in the recent primary election. The resultant cheers were convincing that if left to the Rainbow Wilber would be in the Senate now. Comrade Brucker, always appreciative, paid tribute to the effective help of the Rainbowners of Michigan, and then went on to laud Newton D. Baker for his prompt reply in writing the introduction to our History and for the part he played in the story of the Rainbow.

"The great Secretary of War in America's greatest conflict, nowhere honored more nor more beloved than in the hearts of the Rainbow" was Garrett's appreciation of the principle speaker of the evening, Newton D. Baker. The former Secretary of War, who might be fittingly described as the "Father of the Rainbow," explained ever so modestly his appreciation "of the distinguished honor paid to him years ago by making him an Honorary Member of the Division," by a story of the King of Italy, who, when presenting

the famous General Neville with the highest war decoration of Italy, said, "I give you this with pride and pleasure, yet with envy; for you are a *soldier* and I am only a king."

National President Leland L. Whitney closed as well as opened this memorable affair. His opening remarks bear repetition: "The comradeship born of the Association has been welded in the crucible of fire, cemented in blood and intensified by a morale unequalled by any other Division in the A. E. F. All this demands Reunions; each one happy in meeting, yet sad in the memory of those who are gone."

WHO WON THE WAR?

Stop guessing about this controversial question and get all the answers from the Rainbow's own official history—"Americans All". General Reilly has made a striking human document of the Rainbow's history. Interspersed with the more conventional historical sections are personal experiences, written by the individuals who participated in the events described. This has not only given a rare personal interest to the history, but has given it a depth and realism unequalled in authentic histories. You will live anew the great days of our glory as you read its pages—and will treasure the possession of this volume as an outstanding memento of your service.

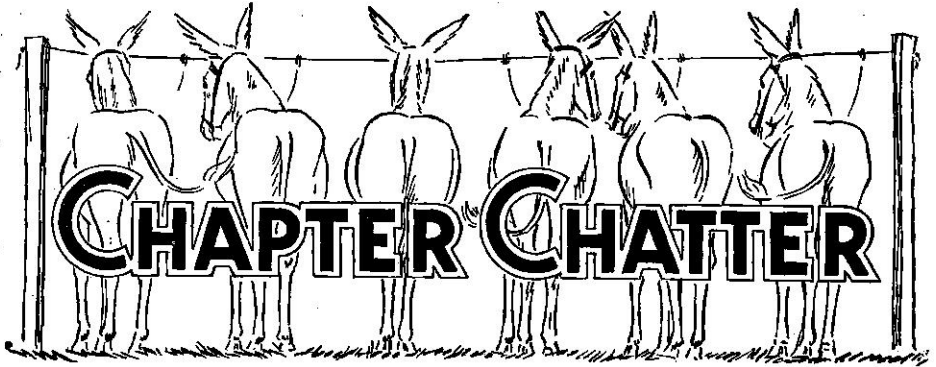
THE DENVER REUNION

Another outstanding Rainbow reunion occurred in Denver, Colorado, during the national encampment of the Veterans of Foreign Wars. Over one hundred and twenty-five Rainbow veterans attended this V. F. W. function and they celebrated the occasion with the customary Rainbow zeal. The Rainbow supplied the only divisional unit in the parade and turned out seventy-five Rainbowners, escorting a sign on which the Rainbow insignia was displayed and a list of the Rainbow's engagements.

On Wednesday evening, September 16, the Rainbowners held a combined reunion with veterans of the Second Division. Your Editor is unable to report whether or not any casualties occurred. Forty-four members of the Denver Chapter of the Rainbow Division veterans acted as

hosts to the visiting Rainbowners, using the Elks' clubroom as a Rainbow headquarters.





EL TORO DE CALIFORNIA

Skipper Bob Graves—he of the portly bay window—being late of Reilly's Bucks, is giving Johnson Dog and Pony Boys from California a rattling good start this year. He has as many ideas as those little piles that used to sit around the stables and picket lines and were the envy of Frog and Kraut alike. The difference is that his idea piles can be put to a more diversified use. Take that Father and Son one for example. Next month all the head men and their offshoots are going to have breakfast out in the big open spaces. You know, one of those you used to yearn for—flapjacks with plenty of real syrup and not that old hybrid of corn, beaucoup good coffee—well, you get the thought. Personalities: Mrs. Slim Sutherland having become head of the Auxiliary, the long boy has something else to think about. Bill Williamson, the well known globe trotter, returned very much impressed with the Kansas City Reunion. He couldn't say too much about the stag. Mr. John—7-quart—Bartow, late of Iowa, still revels in and reveals the contents of his voluminous files about the great, near great and just plain members of the Chapter. Like the elephant, he never forgets. Boy, wotta brain.

Top Davis.

WISCONSIN The Annual Reunion of the Wisconsin State Chapter and 150th Machine Gun Battalion was held at Lake DeNeven, near Fond du Lac, Wis., on August 30, 1936.

There were about four hundred Rainbowers and families present, from all over the state of Wisconsin. Happy to be together again.

The annual election of State Chapter officers was held at the meeting in the afternoon, the following officers being duly elected:

Lawrence P. Wilson, Jr., Fond du Lac, Wis., president; Paul Wilke, Appleton, Wis., vice president; T. E. Sullivan,

Fond du Lac, Wis., secretary; Walter Maelika, Oshkosh, Wis., treasurer; Paul Wilke, Appleton, Wis., historian.

Routine business was also transacted, the meeting adopting a Rainbow Cap to be made in cardinal red and white, the official state colors.

Lothar Graf, former major of the Battalion and retiring president, was made Honorary President of the Chapter.

There were games for the kiddies and the ladies, Rainbowers present, however, refused to indulge in soft ball or tug of war, no doubt remembering the aches and pains from the year before. I guess we are getting old and can't take it any more.

The festivities started at 9 a.m. and went strong until dark, when the gang moved inside and danced until 1 a.m.

L. P. (Larry) Wilson, Jr.

NEW YORK Ed Riekert, our president, has been appointed by the mayor to the position of secretary of the Armory Board in New York City. He succeeds our good friend Major Bill Walsh who did so much for our organization in getting us the very attractive meeting room which is fast nearing completion in the armory.

Jim Brundage is the new president of the Westchester Sub-Chapter and Lester Sullivan is president of the Long Island branch. These two are capable leaders and can be counted on to develop these babies of our's still further.

Flying John O'Neill is chairman of the convention committee for Columbus, which is a lucky break for that chapter for John knows all the angles of conventioning and should be able to arouse plenty of enthusiasm.

Jack Casey sends his best wishes to all his friends. He is helping to guard Uncle Sam's interests up at the Canadian border where things are kind of slow since repeal.

Major Merle-Smith has been cleaning

up all summer with his yacht, Seven Seas. He won all the races in and around New York for boats in his class.

Our comrade and deputy police commissioner, Colonel Martin Meaney, is back on the job again after a long siege of illness.

One of our old war-time commanders, then Colonel McCoy, now General McCoy and stationed at Governors Island, played host to the present 165th on a Saturday several weeks ago. The veterans were invited, also, and a fine day's outing was enjoyed by all.

Bill Carroll was smiled on twice last month by Good Fortune. He became the proud father of a fourth son, and was promoted to police lieutenant all in the same week.

With Jack Ryan as chairman of the membership committee you other chapters will have to do some tall hustling to take the membership cup from New York. Jack says he will see that we hold on to it even if he has to dig down in his own pockets to pay the dues of those "gold bricks" who always forget to pay.

New York sends greetings to all the rest of the outfit. J. P. S.

OKLAHOMA The annual reunion of Rainbow Veterans was held here in Tulsa June 6th, with a pretty good turnout. State Association officers elected that day were: President, Arthur F. Brock; vice presidents, Kenneth M. Keith of Claremore and Russell B. McCabe of Oklahoma City; secretary-treasurer, Walter E. Fillman of Oklahoma City, and chaplain, Rev. John A. Callan of Stillwater. We will always be grateful to Colonel Garrett for his presence here at our banquet that night and his speech was swell. More than forty Rainbow men and women attended the National Reunion held in Kansas City in July.

The two chapters here in Oklahoma are now beginning their fall and winter activities. The Tulsa Chapter will hold regular monthly meetings on the second Wednesday night of each month at the Veterans Club, 214 East 18th Place, and all Oklahoma Rainbows are cordially invited to attend whenever possible. We are planning a state rally here in Tulsa on the day and evening of February 22d, so Rainbows plan now to be with us that day. Ed Brown of the Tulsa Chapter has been in Denver for several months taking a much-needed rest for his health. We miss you, Ed, and we hope that you will soon be feeling lots better and be back with us. The Tulsa Chapter is making plans to take part in the big Armistice parade here Nov. 11th.

The Oklahoma City Chapter holds regular meetings each month, but the time and place will be announced each time to the membership by President Lawrence G. Wood. On the evening of Armistice Day they have planned to hold a steak fry and all Oklahoma Rainbows are invited. Plans are now being made to hold the next annual reunion in Oklahoma City on the first Saturday in June of 1937, so Rainbows remember this day and be with us for a big time then.

Arthur F. Brock.

Your roving secretary reports a fine time in Washington. It was a pleasure to represent Oklahoma at the Rainbow party in Cleveland which has been so graphically described elsewhere in this issue by the fascile pen of Comrade Houle.

Watson L. Coleman, one of Alabama's contributions to Oklahoma City Chapter, reports that a weiner roast for Rainbows and their families will end the festivities of Armistice Day at Rotary Park.

We are happy to welcome Lloyd S. Miller of Holderville into our Chapter. Lloyd was in Company D, 168th Infantry. Write him, for he is an enthusiastic Rainbow.

Your secretary wants to take this opportunity to convey to the boys of the D. C. Chapter his appreciation for the hospitality and courtesies shown him during his sojourn in the Capital City.

Walter E. Fillman,

Secretary Treasurer,
Oklahoma State Association

ILLINOIS At a meeting held Sept. 10, 1936, the newly elected officers were inducted into office: Leslie Langille, president; George R. Savage, vice president; Dr. L. Bowly, vice president; Arthur (Jack) Frost, vice president; F. H. Crowther, secretary; Charles Bindig, treasurer.

Committee chairmen—Entertainment, Art Frost; publicity, TOM HOWARD. Thanks for sending him back, Detroit!

All of the incoming officers have enthusiastically assumed their responsibilities and have assured the Illinois Rainbow Division Veterans Chapter an aggressive, hard-hitting administration and will endeavor to double its present active membership.

The next meeting is scheduled for November 6, and a large turnout is expected.

Bigger, better, breezier and peppier news next time. We get better as we go along.

"Gold Brick."

NEBRASKA The Nebraska Chapter of the Rainbow Division Veterans and the Ladies' Auxiliary held their annual banquet at the Lincoln Hotel Sept. 12.

It was just such a day as Sept. 12, 1918, just 18 years ago. As Gen. Tinley drove in town that afternoon a very bright Rainbow appeared in the sky, which proves that the Rainbow is still our leader.

The Reunion was opened by our state president, C. J. Holton, and turned over to Col. Marcus L. Poteet, who was the toastmaster. General Mat. Tinley of Council Bluffs, Iowa, was the main speaker of the evening. His talk was broadcast over KFOR. In the General's talk he tried to clear up some of the troubles and mysteries the boys had at Camp Mills, who broke into the canteen, etc. He assured us that it was not the officers of the Rainbow Division or the men from his outfit, 168th Iowa Infantry, so we'll take for granted that it must have been the 167th Alabama Infantry, which always seemed to get the blame.

The other speakers were William Bell and H. L. Schwenker.

There were 60 at the banquet, which is a very good attendance, considering the size of our chapter. Kansas, Illinois, Minnesota and Iowa were represented. About 15 out-of-town members attended.

At present, Nebraska has 50 members for 1936-37 and several of the boys have promised to send in their dollar but haven't got around to it yet. We expect a membership of around 60 or 70 this year.

We have a very live chapter and every one is willing to do his part. We extend a standing invitation to all Rainbow men to visit us at the Lincoln Hotel, first Monday each month, when passing through Lincoln, Nebr.

R. E. Cronan.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

What with a gala corn roast on Chesapeake Bay, a glorious banquet staged by the Cleveland Chapter, a sincere attempt to get to the Virginia Chapter's Richmond party, and our own meetings, with our 19th annual mid-winter reception-dance all but at hand, and your (our) Ed. commanding we tell you the whole story in two hundred words, we say, what the hell, we are not Poe!

Make a bargain right away with your "battle ax" for a pass good for our next meeting, as it will be in the form of a supper get-together, Wednesday, Nov. 18th, at Schneider's Restaurant, 427 11th St., starting at 6 o'clock. Pay for only what you eat and drink!

Then take *her* to your glorious and festive party at the Broadmoor, 3601 Conn. Ave., scheduled to start at 10 o'clock Saturday evening, December 5th. Get a large party of your congenial friends together. Tables may now be reserved by telephoning Miss Sanders, National 1122, during business hours, or by calling us at North 2459 any hour of the night.

Oscar A. Jackson, the ever efficient chairman of whatever he undertakes, is serving in charge of our tickets. He will be glad to have you 'phone, wire, or write him the number you desire. Admission, by the way, is merely one and one-half bucks per couple.

"Oh Kay" has already ordered a table for twelve! Does that mean our president is looking out for No. 1, or for eleven of his "romances"?

Our treasurer, Bernie Rhodes, states we need funds. Do your bit and the Chapter will be healthy for another year.

We will list by name all who are with us the night of the 5th of December, except where tact ordains otherwise. Don't you wish to be "among those present" in our next write-up?

Lend your support to good old (?) Bill and his administration.

Bentley "Pinkie" Mulford.

OHIO Although the national reunion in Kansas City closed only about four months ago, plans for the national Rainbow Reunion in Columbus on July 12, 13 and 14 of next summer have already started taking form.

National President Whitney appointed Brig. Gen. Frank D. Henderson as general chairman of the reunion, and the "major" of war days has started things rolling in high gear in organizing for the drive that will end in one of the most colorful Rainbow reunions in history.

The Ohio Rainbowers from one end of the state to the other are enthusiastic over the opportunity to again display their hospitality to their comrades, and every one may rest assured that nothing will be left undone to make July 12, 13 and 14 of next year red-letter days in our peace-time history.

Ohio is fortunate in having a Rainbower of the executive ability of Brig. Gen. Henderson, who went overseas as a major of the 166th Infantry. He was adjutant general of Ohio under Gov. Vic Donahey, now Senator Donahey, for six years and adjutant general under Gov. George White for four years. He was also in charge of the old CWA, FERA and PWA activities in Ohio and his able administration won nation-wide recognition. Rainbowers can rest assured that the 1937 reunion will lack nothing to make it an event of super-entertainment.

Ohio Rainbowers are proud of the manner in which Cleveland Chapter entertained the visiting Rainbowers during the National American Legion Convention at Cleveland. As a separate story on the banquet has been written, the details will not be repeated here.

Lancaster Chapter, which established a beautiful Rainbow Memorial plot not long ago, has a new achievement to its credit. The Chapter has purchased a "little red school" building four miles out of the city for its clubhouse and meeting place. It is believed to be the only Rainbow-owned meeting place in the nation.

Akron Chapter plans on Armistice Day to present official Rainbow Histories to Gold Star Mothers of Akron and vicinity, and on Mothers' Day each year will place wreaths on graves of Gold Star Mothers. It has made Gold Star Fathers honorary members of the Chapter. Another activity of the Chapter is the forming of a Sons of Rainbow organization.

As the National Reveille will be jammed, here are some brief references to other Ohio Rainbow activities:

A Rainbow Table will be reserved when Col. Donovan, 165th, speaks at Youngstown on Nov. 11th. State President Carl Thimmies is offering a cup for the chapter with the most national dues. Marion Chapter is already making plans for the state reunion in Marion next June 5th-6th. Deaths include the wife of Comrade John Bailey, ex-officer, 166th; Robert M. Brookes, ex-Lieut., 67th; Marion Denney, ex-165th, and Charles Thimmies, ex-166th. It is expected chapters will be formed at Washington, C. H. and Newark soon. Bill Hittee of Virginia dropped in on state headquarters Oct. 23—come again, Bill. Four or five chapters are planning game suppers.

Jack Henry.

ALABAMA The Eighteenth Annual Reunion of the Alabama Chapter, Rainbow Division Veterans, with President Howard Lamb of Gadsden presiding, was held at the Alabama Hotel, Anniston, Alabama, on August 29-30, 1936.

The meeting of the 29th was in the form of a smoker and entirely social. Addresses of welcome were delivered by the Hon. W. S. Coleman, Mayor of Anniston, and the Hon. Charles F. Varn, Secretary of the Anniston Chamber of Commerce. A short talk was made by Brigadier General John C. Coleman, Adjutant General of Alabama. Response was by President Lamb. The business session of the reunion was held on the

morning of the 30th, and after being called to order by President Lamb proceeded with the reading and adoption of the minutes of the 1935 reunion and the regular order of business. The following committees were appointed:

Resolutions—H. C. Wood, Birmingham; Wallace Houston, Birmingham.

Nomination of Officers—Richard B. Kelly, Jr., Sylacauga; Wallace McCreery, Gadsden; Frank Forster, Anniston.

Time and Place for Next Reunion—G. Otis Dodge, Anniston; Frank Williams, Bessemer; Jim W. McLane, Birmingham.

Committees retired for conference and short talks were made by Richard B. Kelly, Jr., Sylacauga; Presley W. Cleveland, Alpine; G. Otis Dodge, Anniston, and Dan R. Jones, Montgomery. Telegrams and messages were received from many absent members, among them General Walter E. Bare, Atlanta, Ga.; Col. W. P. Screws, Montgomery, and Charlie Mass, Richmond, Va. Motion by Jim W. McLane of Birmingham, seconded by G. Otis Dodge of Anniston: That constitution be amended so as to include office of Sergeant-at-Arms. Motion carried.

Nomination of officers—President, Joseph M. Dickerson, Montgomery; vice presidents, first, James L. Wall, Birmingham; second, F. L. Wyatt, Tuscaloosa; third, Walter Pruitt, Gadsden; fourth, D. S. M. Unger, Mobile; secretary and treasurer, Soll Monsky, Montgomery; sergeant-at-arms, Jim W. McLane, Birmingham. Paul Bolin, being permanent chaplain, there was no election for this post. H. C. Wood of Birmingham was nominated for president by Roland Winn of Birmingham from the floor. Dickerson seconded the nomination and requested the nominating committee to withdraw his name and that the election of Wood be unanimous. Wood's name was withdrawn and the nominees of the committee elected.

Time and Place—Time, within the thirty days preceding the next national reunion, date to be fixed by incoming officers; place, Montgomery.

Governor Graves was introduced at this time and extended his greetings in his usual unique way.

Officers were installed and the reunion adjourned to Fort McClellan to attend a review of troops of the Alabama National Guard encamped at that station.

Your reporter would be derelict to duty if he did not herein congratulate the officers and men of the Alabama National Guard for their splendid showing.

MICHIGAN

When a man bites a dog, it may be news, but it is not nearly as striking and unusual as for an issue of The Reveille to go to press without beaucoup copy from the Michigan Chapter. Michigan is not only a chapter whose activities are extensive and interesting, but she is also blessed with numerous scribes who do not fail to keep the Rainbow public fully informed of their doings. This month, however, it appears that all Michigan Rainbow scribes are apparently more than occupied in a labor of love. The wholehearted enthusiasm with which they have thrown themselves into the campaign for the election to the United States Senate of Wilbur M. Brucker is easily understood by any Rainbower who has known Governor Brucker and it is easy to understand why Michigan is, for this one time, too busily engaged to send in Chapter Chatter.

FROM THE DESK OF THE NATIONAL SECRETARY



How do you like that, Comrades? A swell new caption for the Secretary's column—and no column to put it over! With Sharon in the heat of the Brucker Senatorial campaign, your Editor will have to do a little pinch-hitting.

First, I know Sharon would want me to make grateful acknowledgment of "Wally" Wallgren's marvelous gesture to the Rainbow, in drawing the very clever caption for this department. Your Editor feels that "Wally" has somewhat flattered Sharon, but we know that he has not exaggerated the volume of work and correspondence entailed in the Secretary's job. The Secretary's column now has a first-class heading.

Sharon can be depended upon to keep a first-class column under the heading.

Do you ever have the "first-of-the-month" blues? So do we, buddy, so have a heart and send in those dues. No sugar daddy is "keeping" us; all we can use to pay the bills to keep the work of the Association going is your dues. Be nice—pay up. Enable the old Rainbow to carry on.

When a beloved member of your Chapter passes on, the last sad tribute we can pay him is to include his name in our "In Memoriam" listing. Be thoughtful enough to send in the necessary information for this purpose to the Secretary in order that your departed buddy may receive this last salute.

Chapter officers are urged to obtain from this office a supply of lapel buttons and automobile insignia. Promote Rainbowism (and add a few francs to the Chapter treasury) by selling your quota of these Rainbow emblems.

THE CHAPTER DIRECTORY

The Reveille is proud to present to its readers in this issue the most complete directory of Chapter officers yet made available. We suggest that you keep this on hand for future reference and use. Demands of space will prevent its being re-published in The Reveille.



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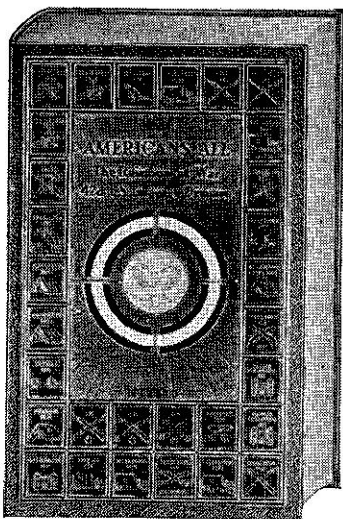
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There always are arguments about events in the World War. Who got closest to Sedan, the First or the Rainbow Division? Did the Rainbow break the Kriemhilde Stellung in the Argonne? Who captured Serpy in the Ourcq battle? are just three of many questions which have developed great controversies whenever veterans meet.



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Send in your order today to your Chapter Secretary or National Secretary, Sharon C. Cover, 4643 Nottingham Road, Detroit, Michigan.



Anyone having a copy of the February, 1923, Volume No. 2, of the Rainbow Reveille, please communicate with Col. Noble Brandon Judah, 134 South LaSalle Street, Chicago, Ill.

We are unaware of any more enthusiastic up-and-doing Rainbower than is V. D. Fleckenstein, formerly of the 167th Alabama Infantry Regiment, but who now "comes clean from Pittsburgh" to all get-togethers of the Rainbow. We saw and heard him at Kansas City last summer; it was our good fortune to do so at the never-to-be-forgotten Cleveland banquet. More than any other individual, he is responsible for the profoundly beautiful Joyce Kilmer Memorial in South Park.

"Fleck" is most anxious to have the Forty-seconders in and around Pittsburgh function as an active unit of the R. D. V. Please get in touch with him immediately. You will benefit if you do. So will the R. D. V. His address is 1119 Wallington Ave.

B. M.

In Memoriam

PATRICK J. FOLEY

Company L, 166th Infantry

Died October 4, 1936

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

—O—

HOWARD I. CARROLL

117th Trench Mortar Battery

Died March 4, 1936

Baltimore, Maryland

—O—

FRANK L. HOLBEIN

117th Trench Mortar Battery

Died September 17, 1936

Rockdale, Maryland

—O—

ROBERT M. BROOKES

1st Lieutenant, Company H, 167th Infantry

Died May 31, 1936

East Liverpool, Ohio

—O—

DOUGLAS H. MOORE

Company F, 117th Engineers

Died September 29, 1936

Los Angeles, California

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July 16, 1936

APPLICATION FOR ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP

July 15, 1937

RAINBOW DIVISION VETERANS

4643 Nottingham Road, Detroit, Mich.

To National Headquarters,
National Secretary:

As a former veteran of the Rainbow (42d) Division desiring to do my part in perpetuating that spirit of comradeship that was the greatest single factor in the success of the Division and also desiring to do my part to keep alive the RAINBOW DIVISION VETERANS as a fitting tribute to our dead and a rich heritage to our descendants, I hereby make application for active membership.

Enclosed please find remittance, payable to the RAINBOW DIVISION VETERANS, for \$1.00 in payment of my National Membership Dues and one year's subscription to the "Rainbow Reveille" for the current fiscal year.

IMPORTANT NOTE—If an active member of a chapter, PAY YOUR CHAPTER DUES to your chapter secretary WHICH INCLUDES NATIONAL MEMBERSHIP

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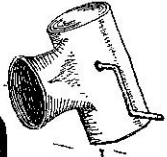
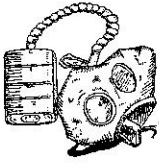
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DEAR RAINBOWER:

With the payment of the Adjusted Service Certificates now a reality, this should be Rainbow's greatest year since the war. There can be no excuses this year. Tear this off at perforated margin and fulfill YOUR obligation to Rainbow by paying your dues. **ACT NOW—KEEP RAINBOW SECURE.**



Gas Alarm

Last year's popular feature, Gas Alarm, is to be continued this year with a greater inducement to send in contributions than before. The most interesting or most entertaining letter in each issue will be selected by General Reilly, and the writer awarded a free registration at the Columbus Reunion in 1937. In addition, as a GRAND PRIZE for the year under conditions to be later announced, the best letter for the year will be awarded an ALL EXPENSE REUNION VISIT TO COLUMBUS, which will include all expenses except transportation to and from the Reunion. SEND IN YOUR WAR EXPERIENCES; they may win you a worthwhile prize.

SLENKER CARRIES ON

In the course of the St. Mihiel drive, Colonel Garrett was as usual following up the infantry advance laying down telephone wires, so that no sooner would our infantry take an objective, than he would be able to handle telephone communications from that point. In this instance one Sergeant Slenker was carrying up a reel cart and, as usual, maintaining constant communication with Colonel Garrett's post of command. The Colonel, making one of his frequent checks on Slenker's progress, cut in on the line to hear Slenker reporting to the man at the field switchboard that one of his horses had just been killed by a burst of shrapnel and that he was unable to carry on the heavy cart with one horse. "Slenker," said the Colonel, "go out and get another horse and move that cart up." "But Colonel," queried Slenker, "where am I going to get a horse up here?" The Colonel firmly responded: "Get that horse and get that cart moving." Some minutes later the Colonel cut back on the line to check progress

and overheard Slenker almost tearfully exclaiming to the p.c. operator: "How in hell does that bald-headed so-and-so expect me to get a horse up here in no man's land? And now the other gee dee horse has been killed!" "Slenker," interposed the Colonel—and there was a long, painful pause—"you are going out at once and get two horses and move that cart forward."

Now when even one of Colonel Garrett's boys has just called his commanding officer a bald-headed so-and-so its up to him to get action and get it quick! Slenker got action. Rushing from the telephone he stopped the nearest team of supplies he encountered. "You dirty thief," he shouted to the driver, "give me back my team of horses." Well you know how many guilty consciences there were in the supply train. The driver apologetically explained, "I didn't know they were your horses," and promptly pulled his wagon off the road and surrendered his team to the signal corps man—and the wire reel moved forward. Harry Barnhart.

Mr. Stanley Beetson,
156 Urban St.,
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