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"It's later than you think."

The war with Spain seemed far in the
 dim past to the vast majority of us when
 we entered the World War. It was nine-
 teen years from 1898 to 1917. It has been
 nineteen years since 1917.

Youths who were babies when we
 marched away for "over there," are now
 in college classes.

"It's later than you think."

Years ago the men of the Rainbow
 passed through the greatest experience
 and adventure that will ever befall them
 in this life. The experience welded them
 together in bonds of mutual respect and
 brotherhood. When the days together
 were numbered the bond was so strong
 that there was generated a spontaneous
 desire that the Rainbow continue to live.

We did not want the Rainbow to die.
 We did not want the world to forget our
 comrades who would not return with us
 to be greeted with loving arms at home.
 We formed a peace-time Rainbow.

The Rainbow has lived. The name
 "Rainbow Division" is the best-known to
 the public at large and to the younger
 generation than any other unit in the
 World War. By keeping the name of the
 Rainbow alive, we have builded a memo-
 rial to our dead and a heritage for our

children. We have enjoyed associations
 and contacts with those with whom we
 passed through the greatest adventure
 of our lives.

There are not so many years ahead of
 us. We have labored well in the past.
 We have builded on the solid rock of
 brotherhood that recognizes no social,
 political, sectional, or religious differ-
 ences.

All of us have not done our part thus
 far—and yet it is so little that is neces-
 sary to march in the ranks of the peace-
 time Rainbow. Less than the cost of one
 package of cigarettes a week will pay
 this year's Chapter and National dues
 that finance organization activities. At-
 tendance at Chapter meetings will re-
 quire no more hours during this year than
 one day out of the 365 days in a year,
 and they will be happy, care-free hours.

Our advance guards have crossed to
 the "over there" beyond the frontier of
 life. More from our ranks are joining
 them in steadily increasing numbers.
 Let us, who are still in the ranks, swing
 on down the trail with our Rainbow ban-
 ner high. Let it be displayed proudly
 until our last comrade crosses the last
 frontier.

If this is done there will be a Rainbow

of remembrance left behind as a memorial to our dead and a rich heritage to our descendants.

Is it worthwhile?

If it is, step into the ranks by being active in Rainbow affairs. We haven't a whole lot of time.

"It's later than you think!"

JACK HENRY.

The Rainbow Loses A Friend

The Rainbow lost one of its most beloved members when Lt. Colonel Dallas B. Smith passed away on Saturday, August 1, 1936.

Rainbowers who attended the reunion at Kansas City will remember the emotion which caused him to terminate his speech so abruptly. Those who know him, will tell you that this emotion was sincerely genuine, and came from the heart.

The funeral at Opelika, Ala., was truly impressive. Over 150 Rainbowers gathered from all over the state to pay him tribute. There were men from Mobile, Birmingham, Gadsden, Anniston, Tuscaloosa, Montgomery, Decatur, Phoenix City and in fact there was hardly a small town that could be mentioned which did not have its representative. In addition to these were ex-service men whom he had befriended, not Rainbowers and a host of friends.

The church was filled to overflowing and the cortege to the cemetery was headed by the 167th Infantry Alabama National Guard Band. This was followed by the firing squad and then I Company (his old company) after which the ex-service men were in the line of march. All Rainbowers had a small rosette of

rainbow ribbons pinned to their coat lapels.

Full military rites were conducted at the grave, and all the Rainbowers pres-



DALLAS B. SMITH,
Lt. Col., 167th Alabama Infantry.

ent were proud that they had served in the same division with Lt. Col. Dallas B. Smith.—T. H. Hagen, President Mortimer H. Jordan Chapter, Birmingham, Ala.

"BANNER RAINBOW YEAR" The success of any venture depends primarily on the start. The success of this

Rainbow year depends on the start YOU and YOUR Chapter make, plus your contribution to Rainbow throughout the year.

The first year after the war we had 12,500 paid members. The following year the paid membership dropped down to 3,000 and the decline has been gradual in the years following. Your National organization has had tough sledding for many years and of necessity some of the years have been lean as far as activity is concerned but thank God the Rainbow Spirit prevailed, as in the days of the war, and the past few years have been on the up-turn with administrations we are all proud of, under the most able

leadership of men who have given unstintingly of their time that Rainbow may live forever.

The office of your National Secretary invites your suggestions and ideas for making this a "gala" Rainbow year, filled to the brim, with year-out activity. Your National officers stand ready to assist you in all your efforts.

Sharon C. Cover,
National Secretary.

YOU KNOW you are proud of being a Rainbower—why "hide your light under a bushel"? Wear a Rainbow button and proclaim to the world that you are a Rainbow veteran.

Sunday, September 20—

RAINBOW NIGHT

At The Legion National Convention

Head for Rainbow Headquarters . . . We're getting older, damn it, not many more reunions . . . Cleveland's Legion convention will have more Rainbowers than have ever been together in one spot since the war . . . This will probably never happen again . . . Participate in this history-making event . . . Find your friends in the Rainbow Dug-out . . . It won't be the first time you've hung around a dugout . . . Bring the better half . . . we're going to eat, drink and dance . . . A reunion without a business meeting . . . No long-winded speeches, either . . . Reminiscence, chew the fat, meet the buddies, you'll find some one here you haven't seen since Camp Mills days . . . Knock, knock—who's there—Summ'ral—Summ'ral, who?—Summ'ral cracked if they don't get together with the boys in Cleveland . . . Thumb your way or pay your way, but be in Cleveland Sunday, September twenty at seven p.m.

J. E. SCHWALB,
Chairman.

EACH YEAR thousands of Rainbow men and women from all parts of the country attend the National Convention of The American Legion. This year's convention (September 20-24) at Cleveland, promises to be the largest and best in the history of The American Legion. Cleveland Chapter, located in the heart of Rainbow territory, has been alert to its opportunity and for more than a year has been planning a delightful reunion party for the entertainment of visiting Rainbowers, both men and women. The election at Kansas City of Leland L. Whitney of Cleveland Chapter as President of Rainbow Division Veterans has added special interest to the occasion.

The PARTY will be a huge banquet and dance on the evening of Sunday, Septem-

ber 20th, at the famous Rainbow Room of the Carter Hotel. The distinguished guests will be headed by the Honorable Newton D. Baker, war-time Secretary of War, and Martin L. Davey, Governor of the State of Ohio. Distinguished Rainbowers will include Col. Ruby D. Garrett, who will preside as toastmaster in his inimitable manner, and a veritable galaxy of our Past Presidents and division officers.

ELSIE JANIS will be there. Eddie Rick-enbacher and Dave Ingalls, aces of the army and navy air forces, will drop in as well as other outstanding men who made history in 1917-1918.

A FEATURE of the occasion will be a special table for Rainbow Gold Star Mothers who will be honored guests.



MRS. P. M. RIVENBARK,
Rainbow Gold Star Mother,
Hostess at Cleveland, September 20.

*"When I do something for Rainbow,
I feel I am doing something
for my boy".*

Every effort is being made to have as many Rainbow Gold Star Mothers present as possible. Mrs. Paul M. Rivenbark, whose son William Turner, "M" Company, 167th Infantry, was killed in action on October 15, 1918, is hostess for these distinguished ladies.

THE PARTY will be brilliant, colorful and enjoyable. It will be the bright spot of the Legion Convention for Rainbow. It will be a reunion for many who were not able to attend at Kansas City. It is an opportunity to meet buddies you have not seen for years and may not see again.

RAINBOW G. H. Q. in a spacious suite of club rooms is conveniently located at the Carter Hotel. Visiting Rainbowers can register there and find their buddies. Ladies can powder their noses. There you will find our National Secretary, Sharon C. Cover, ready to take your dues money and Captain Johnny Rea of The F. J. Heer Printing Company with your copy of the division history ready for delivery upon payment of \$3.00.

The Great Lakes Exposition will be in full swing during the Legion Convention. Claimed by many to be a "revised and improved edition" of the Chicago World's Fair; you are urged to by all means take in the Exposition while in Cleveland for the Big Rainbow Party.

J. E. SCHWALBE is Chairman of the

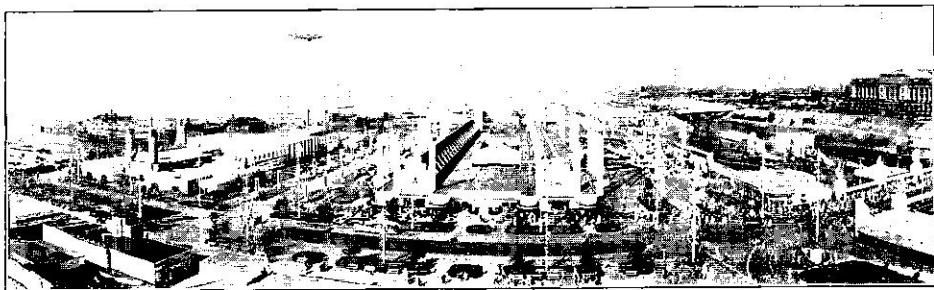
Committee. Tickets for the banquet and dance at \$2.25 each may be obtained from Harlow J. Darner, Treasurer, 10406 Euclid Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio. The reservations are going fast.

(Note: The date has been changed from September 22nd, as previously announced, to SEPTEMBER 20TH.)



OFFICERS OF THE COMMITTEE CONFER WITH PRESIDENT WHITNEY

Left to right—Vice-Chairman S. J. Neiburg, President Leland L. Whitney, Secretary and Treasurer Harlow J. Darner, Chairman J. E. Schwalbe.



REUNION HIGHLIGHTS

By the "HEAD WAITER"

Kansas City, out where the West begins; Kansas City, out where the Wit begins; Kansas City, out where the Heat begins! "The Heart of America," and what a Heart! Open, generous, gracious, throbbing to serve us at all hours and with open spaces openly arrived at . . . More fires per hour than any City in America . . . and bigger monuments! . . . Missing Canes, but that's about all the boys and girls did miss . . . New York gone West to see the "Bowery" . . . and did you visit the "Chesterfield" or the "Winnie Winkle"? . . . Hot spots

with air-conditioned comfort. . . The Municipal Auditorium, that's where "G. I." says they held the Auction! But did you hear about the "Pi-eyed" Major?

Bandanna Hankies, 10-gallon hats, and the Gent with the Whip. . . and the Rainbow's Own, the Boy with the Ball and Cane! . . . Jerry Mullin, all the way from "Alabam" looking for the "Lost Battalion" . . . and his Pal from "Gawga," Bill Roberts and can he "Shake Down"! . . . "Buffalo Bull" Hurd from Virginia, looking for Indians; Jack

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THE PRESIDENT'S PAGE

Nineteen years after the organization of the Forty-second Division, the luster of Rainbow is undimmed. Each year our resplendent colors glow with renewed intensity. Each year comradeship in Rainbow takes on added meaning as our ranks grow thinner and as we realize more fully that Rainbow comradeship is a precious and sacred thing—exclusive, distinctive, and close as only the bond of “blood-brother” can be close.

All who were present at the Kansas City Reunion will forever carry in memory the picture of that gallant soldier and true gentleman, Major Dallas B. Smith, as he stood upon the platform choked with emotion, unable to talk, a dying man whose last thoughts turned to Rainbow and whose last faltering footsteps brought him home to Rainbow before he passed to the Great Beyond. In each of us is something of that spirit which led Dallas Smith to Kansas City—that longing to meet again the men with whom we suffered hardship and wounds, felt the pang of buddies gone West, faced death and carried on for country in a fighting division of unconquerable morale. It is part of us. It holds us together.

Rainbow Division Veterans has finished a great year under the leadership of Colonel Ruby D. Garrett. We have more than 11,500 on our mailing list receiving the Rainbow Reveille. More than 2,500 paid national dues last year. Many new chapters and sub-chapters were formed. Our condition is sound. Never in history have the veterans of a fighting division maintained such an organization over the years. We are justly proud.

Your President appreciates the high honor conferred upon him by his comrades. He fully senses the great responsibility which accompanies that honor. He asks the help and support of each chapter and sub-chapter in advancing the glorious tradition of Rainbow Division Veterans during the coming year. How can we advance? Let each constituted chapter encourage the organization of new chapters or sub-chapters of Rainbow over the country where Rainbow men now at large may partake of the comradeship we enjoy. Let our chapters during the year arrange and publicize Rainbow meetings of the larger sort to attract Rainbowners without the fold, increase local and national membership and add to our enrollment list. Let's all order our copies of our division history and sell the history to our fellow Rainbowners and to the general public.

“Americans All” is a splendid work. It provides breadth of view and a fine historical background for the reader. It contains comment by officers of the higher command of the A. E. F. which could only be available to an author enjoying unusually broad military contacts and friendships. To the doughboy the reports of the artillery liaison officers are very illuminating. The personal accounts of men on the spot make its pages live. The maps are clear and filled with information. It answers most of our questions. Our history is a credit to our great division. It is an enduring memorial to our heroic dead.

Finally, Comrades, keep in mind a great and inspiring Reunion at Columbus in 1937. In the meantime, let's make The American Legion Rainbow-conscious at Cleveland on September 20th!

LELAND L. WHITNEY,

President, Rainbow Division Veterans.

REUNION HIGHLIGHTS—Continued

Wandtke looking for his “Chico” Shatz; the Colonel looking for Mangin and Savage with the Membership Reports . . . Who put the “Coo” in Cover? . . . and have you heard about “Horse Doctor” Ware, “Church Call” Siegal, or “Flannel Mouth” Flowers or even the “Out of Order” Twins, Williamson and Gregg?

Steve Masson, the Pinch Hitter Supreme, winning new laurels on the Radio as the “Great Imitator” . . . Col. Bill Talbot's 30-day shirt and Fred Crawford's Cane of slippery elm . . . Sergeant Max Phillips, the K. C. Copper showing the Visitors the Sights . . . but the Boys

from Chanute were out on their own . . . Iowa's fine banquet that presages a fine year out where the “Tall corn grows” . . . and success to Harvey Roush! . . . “Heil” Avery asking for “Horse Loose” Fagin . . . Sam Lichtenstein waving that \$6,500.00 telegram and Al Hoyt collecting the votes for Columbus.

Ed Coury battling for St. Paul and his old “Top Kick” Dunphy . . . The Lincolns, Bob and Mabel relieving the heat by talking about a million cool Lakes, or was it only ten thousand? . . . Company “K” of the “Old 69th” putting on the most successful of all Reunions, with

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LELAND L. WHITNEY

Your New National President

A Sketch by Irving Jack Henry

A tall, slender chap with a ready smile and a pleasing personality that wins the respect and warm friendship of everyone with whom he comes in contact . . .

A serious-minded, soft-spoken gentleman with genuine sincerity in his every word and action . . .

A clear-thinking natural leader who advanced upward through the ranks from private to lieutenant's bars . . .

That, in brief, is a word picture of our new national president, Leland L. Whitney, of Cleveland.

The picture is not overdrawn.

Leland, known better to Ohioans as "Eli," earned his right to become head of Rainbow Division Veterans. He earned it by his qualities of leadership and by his service in France and his loyalty to the Rainbow in the days of peace.

When war was declared, President Whitney was attending the University of Illinois. He tried to enter the first Officers' Training Camp, but was rejected on the grounds of defective eyesight. He claims the test was made in the dark.

After his rejection he was still determined to go to war and considered seriously enlisting in F Battery of the First Illinois Artillery as several friends had enlisted in that Battery. However, he decided to return to his home at Marion, Ohio, and there enlisted in Co. D Fourth Ohio Infantry, which became the 166th Infantry of the Rainbow. The first Rainbow man to fall before the enemy fire was Dyer J. Bird, a member of Co. D.

Pvt. Whitney earned corporal's stripes and then sergeant's stripes. He served with the regiment from the day of enlistment until October 5, 1918, when he was transferred to Army Candidate's School at Langres. When his class grad-

uated on November 18, 1918, he was among the first third of the class and commissioned Second Lieutenant in the Officers' Reserve Corps. He later served as a first lieutenant in Co. D, 166th Infantry, after the war when it was reorganized in the Ohio National Guard.

After discharge from the Army, "Eli," completed his undergraduate and legal education at Western Reserve University in Cleveland with A.B. and LL.B. degrees. He distinguished himself in scholarship and was awarded the highly prized Phi Beta Kappa membership, which is based on scholastic excellence. He was a member of the Sigma Nu, Delta Sigma Rho and Phi Delta (legal) fraternities at the university.

He worked his way through the university.

For the past eleven years President Whitney has practiced law in Cleveland. He has been prominent in veterans' affairs in that city and is at present general chairman of the registration committee for the coming National Convention of the American Legion at Cleveland.

His interest in Rainbow affairs has never wavered. He has been a member of the Cleveland Chapter since 1921 and was president of that Chapter in 1934-'35. Last year he was national Vice-President of Rainbow Division Veterans. He enjoys large, well-organized Rainbow parties.

Hobbies of our new national president are the Rainbow, the American Legion, history, swimming, visiting historic spots by automobile.

He has a real buddy in his wife, Katherine, an Alabama girl with all of the gracious charm of the South.

REUNION HIGHLIGHTS—Continued

Larry Hagen from New York, Vic Van York of Michigan, George and Dow from California and Jim Rice from Baxter Springs, Kansas . . . and some one reported a Rainbow in the Sky, if viewed from Fort Leavenworth, but no one, not even "Pinkie" Mulford would volunteer to confirm that report!

"Gentlemen, this is SERIOUS!" says the Colonel, and so we'll get on with our mutton and give you the real Highlights of the Reunion. To everyone his humor, but to us the "Tops" were the Buck Privates Banquet Table, where, as George

Irwin expressed it, "the oratory flowed like sweat in Kansas" and where Barre Blumenthal reached the climax of his Career; Colonel Garrett's interesting, witty and lively conduct of the Meetings; Colonel Dallas Smith's speech that started, was broken by the most thunderous of cheers, and ended with tears in the eyes of all as the Colonel, shocked still at the warmth, the deepness and the spontaneity of one of the grandest receptions given to any Rainbower, could but stumble along a word or two, sit down again at ease to drink deep what proved to be his last long cup of Rain-

bow Comradeship, Rainbow Affection for its leaders, and Rainbow Respect for all who never falter down the long, long trail.

Colonel Johnson says that we, "wicked men" who live, were not worthy to be called as were our Comrades who made the Supreme Sacrifice of War. Perhaps so, Colonel, yet we offer Dallas Smith's attendance at the Reunion, coming as he did to remember our Rainbow Dead in the Comradeship of the Living, as a Rainbow Sacrifice of Peace equal in all to the Rainbow's Sacrifice of War. With Dallas Smith as an example of true Rainbow Spirit, we are again less worthy and those others who never seem to remember, less worthy still.

Colonels Judah, Johnson and Wynn gave interesting talks and another of our Past Presidents Wilber M. Brucker, reported on the History Committee, paid a beautiful tribute to that "Grand Old Man" Colonel Hough of Ohio and a fine compliment to Colonel Garrett, describing him as "The Apex of the ideal of the Signal Officer," and we rise to add, "and of Rainbow President." Col. Garrett came near to having other honors (?) showered upon his noble brow during the Banquet by New York's Signal Pigeon Detail, Horan and Doran, but like Caesar of old, "he thrice refused to be crowned."

Fred Crawford presented a souvenir "a la Français" to Moorine Coats for her year of Rainbow Service. Fred did a little stretching, Moorine a little blushing and we all did a big bit of cheering. Cook Rickett's quick reply to Garrett's question, "Did you ever make a speech?" "Not since I married my second wife!" was good for a "belly laugh."

The most interesting of the Committee reports was that of Time and Place which gave the edge to Columbus over Philadelphia and St. Paul. Minnesota demanded a vote from the floor, and Garrett Olds called for a Caucus by Indiana but before he could find half a Caucus, the old "Horse Doctor" Ware from Minnesota, rose to declare that his patient in St. Paul had suffered a relapse and would not be in trim 'till 1937. Woods of Oklahoma and Johnny O'Neil of New York asked for "Rain Checks" in 1938 and '39. Have we places to go to! All of which inspired Mr. "Coover" to write a new "Slogan" . . . "Pay your Rainbow Dues and see America!"

The attendance of our Ladies at the Meetings brings to mind the real honors the Rainbow long ago granted to both "Ma" Talbot and to Mrs. Frew, the right to represent their States, Texas and Wisconsin, at Rainbow Reunion meetings.

The Banquet, already referred to, will be a long remembered event not alone

because of the vast crowd that overflowed all available space in the Hotel but for the precedent established of placing Buck Privates at the Speakers Table. Our Chaplain and former Private, Father Murray, made the best talk. Honorable mention must be given to all but in particular to Les Langille and Bill Nevius. Sid Miller lead his Gang from Indiana in a snake dance through the Banquet Halls. "Snake Dance" is correct. How they ever got through that crowd will ever be a mystery.

The Champagne Hour had a most impressive setting at the Liberty Memorial, a monument to the War Dead of Missouri, that dwarfs all other World War Memorials. "Magnificently heart-touching" is the only term that seems to fit and the ceremonies conducted by Colonel Johnson were in appropriate accord with the setting. Wilber M. Brucker paid another tribute to Colonel Hough and the names of all Rainbowers who passed to the "Great Beyond" during the year were called in Last Muster Roll.

*In the Comradeship of the Rainbow
Living
Lays our greatest hope of keeping
In our "Champagne Hour" assembled,
The Memory of our Valiant Rainbow
Dead.*

Phone Hindenburg Used in War Recovered by Col. Ruby Garrett



Von Hindenburg's telephone was recovered by Col. Ruby D. Garrett this week. Colonel Garrett is shown using the telephone at his office. The clock by which all the division watches were set also is shown in the picture.

Resume of Proceedings, Kansas City Reunion

OPENING The 18th Annual Reunion of Rainbow Division Veterans opened at the Muehlbach Hotel, in Kansas City, Mo., at 2 p.m., July 3, 1936. President Ruby D. Garrett presided, the invocation being delivered by the National Chaplain, Rev. James A. Murray. Greetings on behalf of Kansas City were delivered by Mr. Fred Goldman, Mayor Smith and Chief of Police Otto Higgins. Judge Anderson and Mrs. Carl Logan extended the welcome of the Kansas-Missouri Chapter. Mrs. Forbes Lampman responded on behalf of the Ladies' Auxiliary, while Barre Blumenthal made his traditionally eloquent response for the association. Wires from several absent members were read and after the naming of the various committees the first session adjourned.

SECOND SESSION Sharon Cover officially announced the actual publication of the long-awaited Rainbow History, "Americans All" (full details of which appear elsewhere in this issue). Colonel Bill Talbot stirred the Reunion with an eloquent address. The assembly authorized the issuance of Charters to Oklahoma City, Okla.; Denver, Colo.; Flint, Mich., and Lancaster, Pa., Chapters.

PRESENTATIONS Fred Crawford presented Colonel Garrett with a gold-banded cane, the now traditional gift of the Rainbow to its retiring Presidents. Fred also presented his own prized can to some person or persons unknown. He presented, in classic military style, a token of the affection of the Rainbow for Miss Moorine Coats, Col. Garrett's secretary, for her valiant service to the Association during the past year. Winners of the various contests were named. Father Duffy won the trophy for the greatest increase in paid-up memberships during the year; Georgia won the coveted Brucker Cup for the greatest increase in the mailing list, and Michigan won the complicated Man-Miles Contest, having brought the greatest number of delegates the greatest number of miles. Walter Fillman, of Oklahoma, was awarded the prize for the best Gas Alarm contribution of the year.

THIRD SESSION The third and final session opened at 10 a.m., July 15th, for the completion of the business of the Reunion.

MEMORIAL COMMITTEE The first committee to report was the Memorial Committee. They submitted the following report: "Insufficient attention is being exhibited to our departed Comrades . . . to correct this we submit . . . that Memorial Services be held annually by Rainbow Chapters on the Sunday preceding Memorial Day (May 30) but not on that day. And that the authorized Rainbow ritual be followed insofar as possible. . . . And that the official Grave Marker is to be used exclusively . . . and is to be procured from Joe Justad, 2900 Yosemite Avenue, Minneapolis, Minn. . . ." The Committee report was duly accepted.

PUBLICATIONS AND PUBLICITY Col. Bill Talbot reported, "commending Harold Rodier for . . . the work done on The Reveille . . . urging each Chapter name a Reveille Chatter Correspondent . . . urging that The Reveille be sent to everyone on our mailing list . . ." The Committee report was approved by the Reunion.

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS Howard Smith in his report called attention to "Article 3 in the Constitution, which recognizes no State Chapters and apparently implies that State Chapters will organize and charter such local Chapters as are found necessary and advisable . . . your committee . . . recommends that the incoming President appoint a committee to study this situation and make such recommendations as it sees fit . . . to the 1937 Reunion. The Committee recommended an amendment to Article 5 of the Constitution, to read as follows: "Without affecting his eligibility, any member of the Executive Committee who fails to attend three consecutive Reunions shall be deemed to have resigned and his membership on the Executive Committee shall be terminated." These recommendations were considered sepa-

rately, and after much animated discussion both recommendations were carried.

RESOLUTIONS Manning Marcus reported a number of resolutions, which are here briefly described with the action taken: "Resolved . . . that we urge enactment . . . of legislations making all . . . Service Records a recognized part of . . . Veterans . . . medical records for establishing disabilities due to their service." **CARRIED.** Commending in the warmest terms the Chamber of Commerce of Kansas City for its help to the Reunion. **CARRIED.** Thanking the Kansas City Ford Company for its cooperation. **CARRIED.** Thanking the Transcontinental and Western Air Lines for its generous cooperation to the Association in connection with Col. Garrett's Chapter visitations. **CARRIED.** Various resolutions commending the administration of Colonel Ruby D. Garrett as National President, and his administrative staff and officers. **CARRIED WITH GREAT ENTHUSIASM.** A resolution of appreciation to the Kansas City Chapter for its splendid hospitality and highly successful Reunion. **CARRIED WITH GREAT ENTHUSIASM.** Commending various Kansas City citizens for their cooperation. **CARRIED.** Thanking the History Committee and the National Historian, General Reilly, for their successful publication of the Rainbow History. **CARRIED.**

SECRETARY'S REPORT Sharon Cover reported a highly successful year. Many details of his report are carried in his department in this issue and are therefore not reported here. His report was accepted by the Reunion, and a splendid tribute to his zeal and successful activities was paid him by Col. Garrett, and warmly applauded.

BUDGET AND FINANCE Leland Whitney reported that the records for the year had been examined and found in order. Their detailed financial report is carried elsewhere in this issue. They commended the Secretary (Sharon C. Cover) and the Treasurer (Raymond Ramsey) for the able and conscientious performance of their duties. They recommended that the Reunion host Chapter pay the cost of a sixth issue of The Reveille to publicize the Reunion, if, in the opinion of the local committee, such an issue is desirable. The following budget was recommended: General postage, \$100; stationery and cards, \$125; mis-

cellaneous, \$50; Secretary's travel and Reunion expense, not to exceed \$200; Secretary's administrative allowance, \$100; postage and miscellaneous for President and Treasurer, \$250; five issues Reveille, \$1,875. The committee's report was duly approved.

TIME AND PLACE Bill Nevius reported for the committee that they had carefully considered invitations from Philadelphia, Pa.; St. Paul, Minn., and Columbus, Ohio. A majority vote of the committee was in favor of the 1937 Reunion being held in Columbus. There was some discussion on the floor, in the course of which Doc Ware of St. Paul withdrew his claim in favor of Columbus. The Reunion then unanimously voted to hold the Reunion in Columbus.

NOMINATIONS Elmer Neagle, Vice Chairman of this committee, made the report in the absence of the Chairman. They nominated for Honorary National President, Colonel Ruby D. Garrett; for National President, Leland L. Whitney; for Vice Presidents, Harry Stansbury (Maryland), Arthur Brock (Oklahoma), Howard Crowther (Illinois), and Clarence Houle (Michigan); for Chaplain, Reverend James A. Murray; for Historian, Gen. Henry J. Reilly; for Executive Committeemen, M. Manning Marcus and Albert Hoyt. The Nominating Committee also recommended the appointment by the incoming President of a Publicity Committee to consist of four members from different parts of the country.

The report of this committee having been duly seconded, it was unanimously carried; and the above named comrades duly elected to the offices indicated.

ADJOURNMENT President-elect Leland Whitney was then introduced by Colonel Garrett and made a brief address. Following the introduction of the other newly-elected officers, the business of the Reunion having been completed, it was adjourned.

There is no reason why you should display the Rainbow insignia on your automobile. No reason, that is, unless you are so darned proud of the Rainbow that you want the world to know that YOU were a part of it. How about it?

Identify



Yourself

With

FROM THE DESK OF THE NATIONAL SECRETARY

SHARON C. COVER
4643 Nottingham Rd.
Detroit, Mich.

REUNION Only those who were so **ATTENDANCE** fortunate as to attend the Kansas City reunion can appreciate what the other (A.W.O.L.) Rainbowners missed. It was a real reunion in every sense of the word and to Col. Ruby D. Garrett, not forgetting his tireless secretary, Miss Coats and the Missouri-Kansas chapter we all say, "Thanks a million" for the fine party.

With the 1935-36 reunion now a matter of history, and a happy "memoir," we turn again to the tasks of a new Rainbow year, always with the thought of making our Rainbow Division veterans "bigger and better" with a year of interesting activity throughout the states.

All but about three units of the Rainbow were represented as the following tabulation will show:

Division Hdqrs	4	149th Field Artil	41
83d Brig. Hdqrs	1	150th Field Artil	20
165th Infantry	26	151st Field Artil	32
166th Infantry	34	149th M. G. Bat	2
167th Infantry	12	150th M. G. Bat	7
168th Infantry	69	151st M. G. Bat	9
165th Ambulance	1	117th T. M. Bat	5
166th Ambulance	7	117th Supply Train	8
167th Ambulance	6	117th Ammu. Tr	38
168th Ambulance	12	117th F. S. Bat	69
165th Field Hosp	4	117th Tr Hd (Mps)	3
166th Field Hosp	5	117th Eng (Calif)	1
167th Field Hosp	1	117th Eng (S. C.)	1
168th Field Hosp	3		

FINANCIAL REPORT

For the benefit of those not in attendance at the reunion, and that everyone may be fully informed, I submit our financial statement for the past year:

RECEIPTS—	
From 1934-35 national treasurer	\$0.00
*Dues: Regular chapters and membership-at-large	2,550.00
Miscellaneous	9.37
Total receipts	\$2,559.37

*See chapter standings for breakdown of chapters.

DISBURSEMENTS—	
Postage (general)	\$128.01
Telegrams	34.04
Membership cards	61.74
Rainbow lapel buttons	81.25
Stationery and supplies	132.33
Card and letter file cabinet for secretary	29.00
Miscellaneous	18.00

REVEILLE—

5 issues at \$375 each	1,875.00
1 special reunion issue	200.00
Total disbursements	2,559.37

APPOINTMENTS The National President has named the following men to serve in the respective offices indicated; these offices being filled by appointment:

Secretary, Sharon C. Cover (reappointed); Treasurer, George B. Foerster; Judge Advocate, Hugh W. Ogden (reappointed); Sergeant-at-arms, E. Don Hennessey (reappointed); Editor, The Reveille, Harold B. Rodier (reappointed).

The Committee on Chartering New Chapters, constituted at the Kansas City Reunion, has been named as follows:

J. Monroe Johnson, Ruby D. Garrett, Wilber M. Brucker, Barre Blumenthal, Alexander Anderson, Joe Justad, Garrett Olds, Arthur C. Davis, William Laughman, Sharon C. Cover.

The Committee on Publicity has been named as follows:

Howard Smith, Raymond Fields, Jack Henry, Elmer Neagle.

The Reveille Committee has been named as follows:

M. Manning Marcus, Fred Crawford, Jr., Father Murray, and Jack A. Clarke.

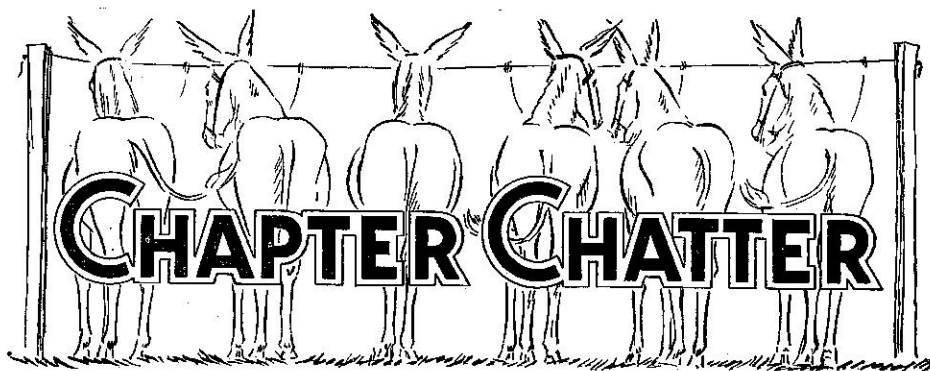
NATIONAL ENROLLMENT DRIVE

The Governor Brucker Cup award, in the past year's National Enrollment Drive, was won by the Georgia Chapter thus making South Carolina relinquish the cup after winning it two years straight. Who'll be the "winnah" this year?

The rules established for the National Enrollment Drive will not be changed in any way for the Drive this year, which started July 16, 1936. The official entry blanks are being printed and will be in the hands of the chapter secretary shortly. Entries will be accepted up to midnight, Wednesday, June 30, 1937. The figures on which each chapter's percentage standing shall be based appear in our "Quota Chart" under caption "Members." Start at once to "Beat the bushes" for those Rainbowners who have drifted since the war. Get them back into the organization and you will not only be a possible contender for the Cup but you will be making a substantial contribution to your chapter. "Drum up the old crowd and get them on our Roll Call."

At each reunion when the Roll Call of those who have passed on during the past year is read we find that, as Gov-

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MINNEAPOLIS CHAPTER

The meeting held by the Minneapolis Chapter August 5, was a live one. Reports from the Kansas City Reunion were coming from all parts of the room. Every one who had been there added something so the report was fairly complete. The 1938 Reunion was brought up and it looks like Rainbow will convene in Minnesota for their 1938 Reunion, if they will. Out-going President Ed Place turned the meeting over to Eustace Rendell to install the new officers for 1936-1937—

Honorary President — Ed Place
 President — Frank C. Horton
 1st Vice Pres. — Loyd Brant
 2nd Vice Pres. — Asa Boatman
 Secretary — Dave Rockwood
 Treasurer — Lyle Byers
 Chaplin — Jerome Rice
 Historian — Jerome Jackman
 Color Guard — Harry Benson

Of the above named officers it is interesting to note that five of them attended the Reunion at Kansas City.

After the installation Rendell presented Ed Place with his Past President's button. This button is our regular Rainbow lapel button with a small diamond attached. You will see a number of these buttons at regular meetings which proves that the Past Presidents keep active.

When President Horton took the chair he announced the chairmen of all committees for the year, including the special event chairman such as the Armistice Party, Christmas Party, and Picnic. A new committee with Doc Eugene Sullivan in charge, is the Golf Tournament Committee. It may prove interesting. President Horton is working on a "Year Book" to be printed and given to all Rainbowners on our mailing list. This book will contain a list of all committees, special events and many items of interest to the entire division. There will be a few extra copies of this book that can

be secured free by writing Dave Rockwood, 738 Security Building, Minneapolis, Minn.

We are looking forward to another good year in Rainbow and urge all who are interested to team up with us.

DAVID C. ROCKWOOD,
 Secretary.

INDIANA The Indiana Chapter held its eighteenth annual reunion in Indianapolis June 20th. There was a splendid attendance from all parts of the state, with representation from every unit in the 150th Field Artillery as well as numerous Hoosiers from other outfits in the division. National President Garrett, our guest of honor, made a big hit with his humorous and inspiring talk at the reunion banquet.

A new degree of interest in state and national Rainbow activities was evidenced this year. Indianapolis has volunteered as host for the reunion for the past several years. For the 1937 reunion, two cities—Vincennes and Ft. Wayne—extended invitations. This subject was referred to a committee headed by Sidney S. Miller for final decision.

Another committee was appointed to confer with the trustees of the Rainbow Cheer Association regarding disposition of several thousand dollars in funds that were unexpended at the end of the war. This money has been drawing interest ever since, but it is believed that a solution for a practical and equitable means of disposition of these funds will be reached in the near future.

New state officers elected at the reunion are: President, Ellis J. Baker, of Indianapolis; Vice-President, Ralph Gregory, of Bloomington; Secretary, W. Austin Seward, of Bloomington; Treasurer, Stuart A. Tomlinson, of Indianapolis; Sergeant-at-Arms, Howard H. Maxwell, of Indianapolis.

One of the first jobs pledged by the new officers is to build up the mailing list of Rainbow veterans in Indiana. It

is planned to issue state chapter bulletins several times during the year. Every Rainbow veteran in Indiana who did not receive a bulletin announcing the recent state reunion is requested to send his name and address, also the Rainbow outfit in which he served, to W. Austin Seward, Box 15, Bloomington, Indiana. Please pass this word along to your Rainbow friends.

Another plank in the platform of the Indiana state chapter is to get a substantial increase in dues-paying members. In recent years, Indiana has not carried its fair share of financial support to the national Rainbow organization. So get busy, all you Rainbow vets in Indiana, and let's remedy this situation. The state and national dues are \$1.50. Obey that impulse—send your \$1.50 to Stuart A. Tomlinson, 310 Medical Arts Building, Indianapolis. This will pay you up to July, 1937.

The Marion County Sub-Chapter at Indianapolis is still clicking. (How about some more sub-chapters in Indiana this year)? At the May meeting, new officers were elected, as follows: Edwin S. Whitaker, President; Donald G. Hays, Vice-President, and Aubert W. Sutton, Secretary-Treasurer, whose address is 9th Floor, Chamber of Commerce Building, Indianapolis. Sutton says to remind youse birds that dues are due—\$3.00 a head, which covers local, state and national dues. Meetings are held the 4th Thursday evening of each month at the Washington Hotel, and visiting Rain-bowers are always welcome.

Indiana had a fair representation at the national convention at Kansas City and will work for a larger delegation at Columbus next July. We are pleased with the appointment of Garrett W. Olds, Indianapolis, to the national executive committee and are confident that he will give good service.

W. AUSTIN SEWARD.

LONG ISLAND The Baby of the Rainbow feels proud after its first Champagne Hour. On Thursday evening, July 14th, the Long Island Sub-Chapter entertained seventy-five of its members and friends at a steam clam and beefsteak party with plenty of the brew that cheers at the Hewlett Inn, Lynbrook, Long Island, N. Y.

A committee headed by the President of the Sub-Chapter, Lester Sullivan, put on a show that left with all a thrill, as well as a note of seriousness, which was taken home with all of us.

Captain J. D. McNamara of the 165th Inf., who spoke, brought out the significance of the Champagne Hour to the men of the Rainbow. In part he men-

tioned how this ceremony was founded by our late Chaplain, Father Duffy, at one of the earliest national re-unions of the Rainbow, and that Father Duffy acted as chairman of the National Champagne Hour until his death.

Captain McNamara recalled briefly the action of the memorial night of July 14, 1918, and how the Rainbow, in its first major engagement, covered itself with glory, rendering in no small way by its action this night, the successful conclusion of the Allied arms in the World War.

The future meetings of the Long Island Sub-Chapter will be held at State Armory, Hempstead, Long Island, N. Y. This Armory is the headquarters of the 3rd Battalion, 14th Infantry, N. G. N. Y.

The Long Island Sub-Chapter extends a cordial invitation to all Rainbowers, who may be visiting the Island, to stop by and say "Hello."

We are young, but watch us grow.

F. LESTER SULLIVAN,

*President, L. I. Sub-Chapter,
Father Duffy Chapter.*

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA "OK" Bill Kay officiated for the first time as our President Tuesday evening, August 18th, at a "Dutch treat" dinner-meeting, as held at Schneider's. He did wonders in that he attracted three of his vice-presidents (Lynn, Schultz and Wilkinson); Historian Jackson, Treasurer Rhodes, Past President Colston, Honorary President Neagle, Editor Rodier, National Executive Committeeman Marcus, and a flock of other "good" Rainbowers, who all pitched in and helped Bill expedite a tremendous amount of "new business." Ruel G. Williams, formerly of the 168th (Mich.) Ambulance Co., and now with the Ross Federal Research Corp., located in the Star Bldg., was with us for the first time since the War. Welcome again, Ruel!

Thanks to Manning and Tout we are sending a copy of our resolution of condolences to the widow of Rainbower Dallas B. Smith, and another to his Alabama State Chapter, with the suggestion to the latter that it conduct our 1938 national reunion in Colonel Smith's memory.

The president made the following appointments: Policy Committee, Neagle, Kay, Jackson, Heathco, Beeder, Cohan, and Schultz. Distinguished Guests, Marcus, chairman; Constitution and By-laws, Silverberg, chairman; D. C. Legislation, Neagle, chairman, and Rodier introduced successfully(?) an amendment to the Chapter's By-laws resulting in the creation of a Corresponding Secretary, with the former secretary to be our Recording Secretary henceforth. Due to steam

roller tactics, your press agent was elected to the newly created office.

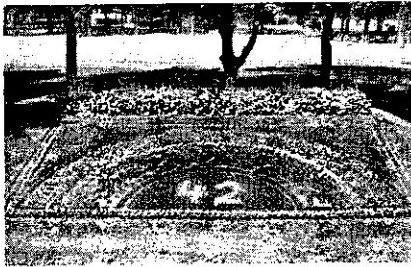
Thanks to Jackson the Chapter is going to revive on a monthly basis its Liaison. Editor Rodier is to choose the business manager for "his baby." The god-fathers for the first five issues are Kay, Marcus, Wilkinson, Colston and Patterson, in the order mentioned. Seven more are required. Do not be bashful, Rain-bowers.

President Kay promises you will receive ample advance notice regarding the time and place for our September meeting.

We almost failed to mention that Neagle, Marcus, Kay and Rodier all rendered reports covering the 18th annual reunion.

Your corresponding secretary will be glad to send in your orders for our Divisional History. It is more than worth its price; i.e., \$3.25 by mail. Send your remittance with your order, but not in cash nor postage. Address same to Bentley Mulford, 1630 Nineteenth St., Washington, D. C.

MICHIGAN July 26th marked one of the high spots in the Michigan Chapter's career. On this day the Chapter journeyed, by auto caravan, to the fair city of Port Huron, there to be the guests of the city, in the dedication of a floral memorial to the departed comrades of our division. The convoy was met at the city limits, and escorted into town by the local police. The dedication



RAINBOW MEMORIAL.
Port Huron, Michigan

of the floral memorial was preceded by a parade through the business district, the like of which Port Huron had never seen before. In the line of march were infantry companys from Port Lampton, Canada, 125th Inf. from Port Huron and a company of kilties with their bagpipes (also from Canada). From Detroit came the Canadian Legion Post No. 16 with their drum and bugle corps, the Belgian Military Circle (war vets), the German "stahlhelm," the 1st Division, the 4th Division and last, the Rainbow itself,

about 90 strong, with 12 members of its new offspring, Flint. All units carrying their Post and National Colors. Augmenting these units, local V. F. W., D. A. V., and American Legion were in line with their Auxiliaries. Police, Firemen, Boy Scouts, Campfire Girls and the local band were also in attendance. Truly a very colorful gathering.

Promptly at 2 o'clock the parade marshal, Col. John MacKenzie, started the parade with the Rainbow Division at the end. The parade progressed to within 100 yards of the memorial, where the head units lined up on the righthand side of the street and permitted the Rainbow to come straight through. All units at attention and saluting as the Rainbow passed in review. A very novel and unique way of handling a parade. On arrival at the speakers' platform the colors were massed, the Stars and Stripes on the right and the Post colors on the left. The ceremonies were opened with the singing of the Star Spangled Banner, accompanied by the Port Huron City Band, directed by D. V. Graziadei. State Representative Mervin W. Tomlin (Polar Bear) acted as chairman and introduced the speakers. Dr. McAfee, Michigan State chaplain, gave the invocation. The following were introduced and gave short talks: Port Huron's Mayor, George L. Harvey, David Fitzgibbons, Spanish-American Vet., Samuel D. Pepper, 32nd Division; Jesse Wolcott, Representative, 1st Division, and Milton W. Draper. The main address, "Americanism," by our own Comrade Brucker, was a fine tribute to those who had passed along. All units, including the German "stahlhelm," presented floral offerings to the memory of our departed comrades. This was most impressive, considering that 18 years ago we were clawing at each others throats. Upwards of 5,000 people attended the parade and ceremonies.

Immediately following the services, we drove to beautiful Lakeside Park and had refreshments, winding up a day that will be long remembered. Full credit for this affair is given to Bob Kersul and his able committee, all good Rainbowers, from Port Huron. Their names are: Dennis Wilson, John Murphy, George Maywood, Joseph L. Hoolihan, John Barsume and V. E. Baldrige. When a small group like this can promote and put on a party of such magnitude they surely deserve the world of praise.

Our thanks also to the officials of Port Huron, who made this memorial possible: Mayor George L. Harvey, Commissioner of Parks Mr. Powell, Commissioner of Police Mr. Schmekel and Mr. Draper.

Our Flint sub-Chapter is now an assured success. The following officers

have been elected to guide their destinies: President, William Fagan; Vice-President No. 1, Earl Waldon; Vice-President No. 2, Robert Bassett; Secretary, James Mueller; Treasurer, Walter Wing; Historian, Homer Lambert; Chaplain, E. A. Ronald; Sergeant-at-Arms, Dave Berg; Executive Committee, John Edwards, Fred Flick, James Post, Arthur Lancaster.

*Great oaks from little acorns grow.
Watch their smoke from now on.*

Reunion

Some 55 Rainbowers made the reunion in K. C. and enjoyed the hospitality of K. C. bunch. Hope to see them all in Columbus next year.

A Rainbow, Brucker for Senator Club has been formed to give our comrade our whole-hearted support. Harry Chevalier has been elected president and Sam Miller secretary.

V. VAN YORK.

MARYLAND On the hottest day since **CHAPTER** Champagne the editor called for a contribution to the Revellie—(good old editor). So short of breath, short of temper, I sit down to write a short letter in a pair of shorts.

The reunion is all over again; how they do come and go; and Jack Clark, Steve Masson, Harmon (Middletown) Klein and Bill Sevier are back with only a vague notion of what happened, except that they had a good time. In their few lucid comments, however, they did work hard for several constructive things. Jack and Steve, while not always on the same side of the fence, are always on the job.

We had an election at the Maryland Chapter—the candidates being Bud Wiese and believe it or not, your correspondent. I put myself second through modesty, of course. Of course also Bud Wiese was elected. It was a very clean election, nobody voted over three times and everything was most refined. I attribute my defeat to a poor brand of campaign cigars and to those whose enemy I have aroused by exposure of their true characters in these columns.

Bud says he hasn't as many suits as Skeets Fanning, but thinks that is more than offset by the fact that he has a very high forehead which lends him an appearance of intelligence. Seriously, though, Bud has always been one of our hardest and keenest workers and should make an excellent president.

Some of the boys are visiting one of the old gang, Frank Holbein, who has been pretty sick at his home near Ran-

dallstown. Frank says he is always home because a Rainbower may be down but he is never out.

More knock, knocks next time.

Harry Stansbury.

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ernor Brucker said, "We are no longer the living but the dying," and so it is. Each year we see the ranks diminishing, therefore it is essential that we all put our shoulder to the wheel and make this our greatest year. It is high time that our yearly membership is sufficient to not only carry on but we should be setting up a trust fund for leaner years to come when there will be fewer to carry the load.

The certificates have been paid. There can be no excuse this year. Won't you do YOUR PART to start the year off right by paying your debt to Rainbow. For your convenience we have provided an active membership application, elsewhere in the Reveille. Please avail yourself of this opportunity, particularly if you are a member-at-large or do not live within the proximity of a chapter. Your National Membership Dues is \$1.00.

CHAPTER QUOTAS

Chapter	Members	Quota
Alabama	396	158
California	809	324
Colorado	86	34
Florida	143	57
Georgia	174	69
Illinois	855	342
Indiana	434	173
Iowa	547	219
Kansas-Missouri	404	162
Maryland	149	60
Michigan	490	196
Minnesota	492	199
New Jersey	245	99
Nebraska	54	22
New York	1705	682
Ohio	1440	576
Oklahoma	190	76
Oregon	71	29
Pennsylvania	609	243
South Carolina	282	113
Tennessee	95	38
Texas	143	57
Virginia	127	51
Wisconsin	244	97
District of Columbia	175	70
At Large	706	282

CHAPTER OFFICIALS, ATTENTION!

Build up your Chapter treasury and Rainbow enthusiasm at the same time by ordering a supply of Rainbow lapel buttons and Rainbow automobile insignia at special quantity rates for resale to your membership. Sharon Cover has a supply—check on this!

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The true story of the Rainbow Division in the A. E. F. is written. It is published in "Americans All" which has just come off the press. The new book answers all the questions—tells the facts for the first time.



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Mr. Stanley Beetson,
156 Urban St.,
Mount Vernon, N. Y.

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