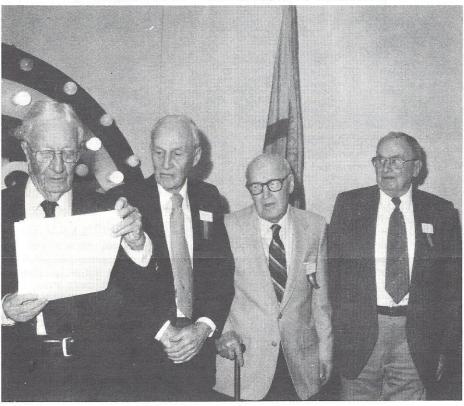


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Warm Clearwater



During the Banquet at the Mid-Year Executive Committee Meeting of the Rainbow Division Association in Clearwater, Florida, on February 28, 1981, P.N.P. Howard Smith presents Certificates of Appreciation from the Association for sixty or more years of devoted dedication and leadership to (L - R) Gen. Robert F. Moffet, Sydney C. Anderson and Rennie L. Moore.

WARM was the word! A warm reception when we arrived at the Reunion Hotel from P.N.P. Stan Barrow and his efficient committee; lots of warm Rainbow fellowship even before we had time to check in; warm weather, which probably got the blood flowing in those from colder climes; but too warm for us from California (a little dig there!)

Yes, the 1981 Rainbow Mid-Year Meeting was a stellar example of warm Florida hospitality; a fine hotel with excellent facilities, although at times we had to take things into our own hands to rearrange meeting rooms to fit the crowd; and, some 115 faithful Rainbowers. But what may possibly remain longer in the memories of the veterans was the very shapely young blonde sales manager who, in very tight pants, flipped in and out of the lobby and up and down the open staircase endlessly, causing many a bug-eyed Rainbower to fall over flower pots or his wife's outstretched foot.

The program pretty much followed the established schedule: "Early Bird" Party on Friday evening, February 27; the National Executive Committee Meeting on the morning of Saturday, February 28; a noon buffet, which was delayed a bit because there were more mouths than had been planned on; the Executive Committee Meeting continued after lunch and adjourned in time to let everyone get spruced up for the 5:00 p.m. Attitude Adjustment Hour, followed by a banquet of prime rib and all the trimmings. More about the banquet and the speaker later.

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President's Message



Pictured at the Mid-Year Banquet were (Ir) National Secretary Peg Keating, National President John George, Jr., and National Auxiliary President Oriana Grimm.

The Mid-Year in Clearwater is history and a good time was had by all (I hope) as you can see by the above picture.

The Executive Committee Meeting met on Saturday morning, February 28, 1981, at 10:30 a.m., and conducted the business that needed to be taken care of in order for the smooth functioning of the National Association. The Early Bird session Friday evening was enjoyed by everyone as was the luncheon and banquet on Saturday. Joe Rosalia was M.C. at the banquet. A vote of thanks to Loyd Matson and Stan Barrow and all those who helped them, and to the Clearwater Rocking Chair Chapter for a great Mid-Year. Over 100 were in attendance.

The Rainbow Year is fast coming to a close and we are still short of our membership goals and are hoping the months of April, May and June will correct this. We, the officers and chapter secretaries, should all be thinking of how we can bring in those lost members. As the years go by, we lost in the neighborhood of 70 to 80 by death and we have to get that many new members just to stay even.

Lorena and I have just returned from a trip to Los Angeles where we had over 40 in attendance at a dinner meeting and wish to thank Don and Pearl Segel for a great time. From Los Angeles, we went to Phoenix, Arizona, for another meeting and a good covered dish dinner. And, a boat ride in the middle of the desert. Thanks to Fred "Goldie" Goldsmith and his wife, Betty, and to Lilymae Weitzel Johnson for their work in arranging this meeting. Over 20 members were there.

I hope all of you are making your plans for attending the National Reunion in Reading, PA. Phil Trout is doing everything possible to insure that you have a great time with that Rainbow Buddy of yours.

President, John George, Jr.

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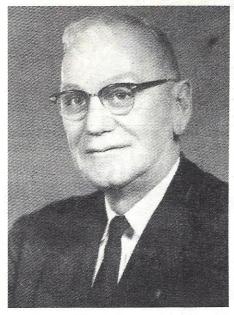
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DEADLINES FOR COPY:

August 1, 1981

In Memoriam



GUY B. HUSTON Past National President

It is with deep regret that I must report the death of yet another Past National President, Comrade Guy B. Huston, who died from natural causes sometime on the evening of February 6, 1981, or the early morning hours of the 7th.

He served as National President during 1965-1966 Rainbow Year; he was Ohio State President from 1961 to 1966. At the time of his passing, he was Columbus Chapter President for the fifth or so consecutive year according to reports.

PNP Huston's wife, Kay, was taken to the Delaware Hospital, February 7, where she is at present. She is coming out of it at present and is able to see visitors who will be more than welcome. She has been bedridden more or less over the past six years because of two broken hips and one broken leg above the knee.

My main source of information comes from Comrade Huston's sister residing in Washington Court House, Ohio. I will be stopping there, weather permitting, on the 18th, to take her to the Delaware Hospital for a visit. The McClellands, Norman and Mildred, PNAP (deceased), have made many visits to the Hustons for years. They have been hosts for over 30 years for a covered dish luncheon prior to Ohio's Annual Pilgrimage, held the Sunday before Memorial Day at the Berkshire Cemetery for the Colonel Benson W. Hough Memorial Services for those who have passed over the Rainbow in service to our Country or have since.

Our Memorial Service ends with: "Remembering each time you render this salute, there are less to render it and more to receive it." How true, and more so today for the living to think of.

-Norman McClelland, Sec-Treas, Ohio Association.

Prayer

Lord God, each year we pause at this time to recall in a special way those who gave their lives in the service of their country. We pray also for all those who have departed our ranks, particularly during this past year, and for all those dear to them. Hear our prayers, O Lord, for those whom You have called from this life to Yourself. Let them pass in safety through the gates of death and may they live forever with You in the light You promised to Abraham and to all his descendents in faith. May we who remain behind never fail to remember them and honor them by our own dedication to the cause of freedom and justice for which we all fought and for which these brave companions of ours gave their lives. May we be the better for remembering them, and may our loyalty to them impel us to labor that all men and women may someday live in peace and security, free from fear and poverty and oppression. This we ask in Your name. Amen.

> Rev. Robert F. Weiss, S.J. **National Chaplain**

Gen. Collins Grave

Dear Sir,

With reference to your last Rainbow Reveille, page 5:

Will you please inform Mr. Butt and your readers that not "someone" is looking after the grave-site (of General Collins), but I am.

I light a candle every day and always plant fresh and lovely flowers. They were not only fresh that Sunday morning, as Mr. Butt seemed to state amazingly.

I shall continue to keep my husband's grave as beautiful as I can as long as I live.

> Sincerely, Irene Collins Hellbrunner Str. 7A 5020 Salzburg, Austria

Correction

Hi Dave:

I don't know how accurate the other information is under the heading "Chapter Secretaries" in the January 1981, REVEILLE, but you have DUHACSEK spelled DUCHASET, and his zip code incorrectly listed as 77476. It should be 77478.

Isn't it fun being an editor?

Bob Snodell, 42nd MP's Editor, (EDITOR - Frankly, Bob, I like my spelling better.)

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Rainbow Remembers

"Down in Alabama at our first Reunion (1920), we had a very fine representation. I recall that it was a hot July afternoon, and it gets almost as hot in the South as it does up here in Chicago. In the gallery were some 500 old Confederate soldiers . . . veterans . . . looking on. Things were getting pretty hot, everyone was tired. All of a sudden there arose in the back of the hall, asking for recognition, was the Rainbow Colonel who had commanded our Minnesota Field Artillery. He walked up front, and under his harm wrapped in an ordinary newspaper - was something; we did not know what it was."

So begins the saga of the most emotional, soul stirring, "tear-jerking," yet splendid presentation of the Rainbow Spirit ever displayed in the 61-year history of our annual National Reunions. Because of space limitations, it has been edited and condensed from the Minutes of the 1933 Reunion at Chicago by our National Historian. The speaker was Bill Talbot (who commanded the 117th Supply Train from Texas), in response to a personal request by National President Noble Brandon Judah. We continue with Bill's

version of a most electrifying speech by Col. George E. Leach:

"Men, I don't know of anything that has given me more pleasure than being with my Southern buddies. I was raised in a tradition of almost antipathy and hatred toward the men of the South; my home has its trophies; my father had also served in the war between the states. My own knowledge and belief was that that war should have been more or less continued.

"But the spirit of the Rainbow changed my mind. Today I do something that will, in a way, atone for the feeling I have had, unconsciously. In this audience is a man, the son of another officer who served for the South. We have had in my home for years, a Confederate Flag that was captured by my father, right in the State of Alabama. Today I want to return it to that Southern boy who fought with and beside this Fag. I want to put it back where it belongs: in Dixie."

Bill Talbot then noted that the Confederate Flag was presented to Col. Bill Screws, who had commanded the 167th (Alabama) Infantry Regiment in Rainbow. In the hall were 3,000 to 5,000 members of the audience, standing, cheering, with tears rolling down their faces; then those old Confederate veterans came down from their seats to get their old Flag. In conclusion, Col. Talbot added these words:

"I want to tell you that no matter what happens in Rainbow's future, no finer guesture will ever be made. As we go on and on, I just hope we will always have that feeling toward each other, that there is no North, South, East or West; we are all just Rainbowers. Thank you."

Texas Reunion

Texas Chapter will hold its annual state reunion and memorial service on Saturday and Sunday, 16 and 17 May, at North Park Inn, 9300 N. Central Expressway, Dallas, Texas 75231. For reservations, write or phone Reservation Clerk, (214) 363-2431. All rooms flat rate \$40.00 (1 or 2 persons). Rollaways \$10.00 extra. Early reservations are recommended. Rooms on availability only after 2 May, 1981. Be sure to mention Rainbow.

Registration fee covering banquet and miscellaneous reunion costs is \$12.50; please send checks to Clovis Brakebill, Chairman, 3342 Dartmoor Drive, Dallas, Texas 75229. All Rainbowers and wives and family members are cordially invited.

All day Saturday will be open for registration, for Rainbow fellowship or for shopping at the fabulous nearby North Park Mall, or for whatever? There will be a "happy hour" Saturday evening followed by a banquet dinner, for which a guest speaker has been arranged. At some point, there will be a time-out to elect chapter officers for the ensuing year.

Sunday morning at 10:30, a Memorial Service will be held in the Chapel at Thanksgiving Square in downtown Dallas; music and a speaker has been arranged. Y'all come!

Horace Rose, Scribe.

Miami Ceremony

The Rainbow Division Veterans was represented at "The Massing of the Colors," conducted by The Military Order of The World Wars, on February 1, 1981, at Trinity Cathedral, Miami, Florida. Our Chapter Rainbow Flag looked great. Military flag bearers were provided. After a short parade, the colors of all participating veterans organizations were lined up in the altar area of the cathedral, quite a mass of colors which demonstrates that "Patriotism" is not dead in Florida, and a reminder of the enthusiasm and display of colors welcoming the former hostages on their arrival home. Aside from our flags, Rainbow was represented by Miami Chapter Members and Auxiliary.

> - Irving W. Blustein, Secretary.

Did You Make It?

The 222d Auxiliary wishes the name of the lady who made the Rose Afghan that was won by Mary Piptak at the Cedar Rapids Reunion. We have tried hard to discover her name, so please help us out.

-Helen Woelfer, Sec/Treas, 222d Auxiliary, 339 Westview Drive, Fayetteville, N.C. 28303.

We Get Letters

My dear Martin,

I read in the March Issue of the VFW Magazine in an article by Tom Ellis, "A Doughboy's Pledge," where he made reference to the 42nd Division following the 1st and 26th Divisions to France. I have always thought that the 42nd arrived in France in 1918, and was the second American Division to arrive, Mr. Ellis stated the Rainbow Division followed the 26th Division. I am awfully anxious to know if Mr. Sam Ellis is correct.

> Sam K. Seymour, Jr. 117th Supply Train

Dear Sam,

Research shows that the 1st "Big Red One" Division was the first American division to land, in June, 1917. It was followed by the 2nd Division with one Infantry Brigade and one Marine Brigade. Then came the 26th "Yankee" Division from New England, THEN the 42nd "Rainbow" Division, which began landing on November 1, 1917.

You might be interested in looking up this book in your local library. It is entitled "The Great Adventure, America in the First World War," written by Pierce G. Fredericks. It contains lots of references to Rainbow. Like this reference to events

of July, 1918:

"The Rainbow went in with its favorite assault formation: Iowa on the right. Alabama next, the New York and Ohio on the left. On the right, the plan called for pinching out Sergy - the Iowans were to take the heights to the east of it, the Alabamans those on the west. It was fourfifty in the morning when the Iowans started down to the river, rifles at high post to keep them out of the wet wheat. For the moment they were screened by the mist along the river bottom and they picked their way across the water, a few men scurrying at a time, without casualties. Ahead of them lay Hill 212, bare except for the inevitable wheat. The assault battalion spread out around the base of the hill, started forward, and as they came ghost-like out of the mist the slaughter started. It was rifles and bayonets against dug-in machine guns and

"In spite of the losses, they began to get the machine gunners, not in a bravura charge, but by little groups of riflemen keeping a gun crew down while one or two men slipped forward to kill them in the gun pits. Halfway up the hill they went, then slipped a company around to the left where it took the Germans on the flank and then they went all the way to the top."

Mid-Year Meeting

(continued from page 1)

National Secretary opened the Executive Committee Meeting with sad news about membership. As you will see on page 6 of this Issue, membership on March 31 was 130 less than at that time last year. Of the nine Chapters that had over a hundred members last year, all but the 222d Infantry are below last years figure by a total of 184 members. See "Chapter Totals" on page 6.

Dues and merchandise are the only source of income to Rainbow, and membership has depended on Multiple memberships. When dues go to \$6.00 in July, 1981, the Secretary fears for the loss of those multiple dues-paying members. Twenty Chapters of the total of 75 in Rainbow have ten or less members and many are on the verge of becoming extinct. The Danville, IL, Chapter has \$120 left in the treasury, with no active personnel; so they are giving the total amount to National to apply against the remaining ten members dues for the next two years, which will deplete the fund.

National Treasurer Jon Janosik reported that from July 13, 1980, through January 31, 1981, the Association had received \$10,201.50, all but \$233 from dues, and had spent \$5,484.54, leaving a balance of income over payments of \$4,716.96. \$2,000 of the checking account has been transferred to the savings account. With the carry-over from last year, the checking account balance is \$5,768.32.

The REVIELLE

REVEILLE Chairman Horace Rose reported that "Our team of editors with the cooperation of the Messenger Printing Company, continue to provide us with an interesting and informative newsletter." He added that Editor Davis had volunteered to serve another year at the same pay. Some wag moved that the Editor's pay be increased by 50%, and someone else suggested a 100% increase. Davis later said he would take the 100% raise; 100% of zero is still zero.

Editor's Blunder

The Editor apologized for a blunder of major proportions in the February Issue, whereby he placed a large headline reading, "Birmingham Veterans Day," over the photo and story of the Veterans Day Observance in Huntsville, Alabama. He suggested that when you get to page 3, simply skip over the headline and enjoy the fine story of the Huntsville event authored by Raymond Thome, Secretary of the Collins Chapter.

Multiple Dues

The steadily increasing dues came in for a thorough discussion; some stated that any further increase would result in a revolt that would decimate Rainbow others cited the great increase in dues in other service organizations - VFW, American Legion, Elks and on and on.

Rainbow dues are still the smallest of all organizations cited - less than a bottle of liquor, a carton of cigarettes, a half tank of

Horace Rose introduced a suggested amendment to the Constitution that would permit members to pay dues to as many Chapters as they wish, but paying National dues through only one Chapter. It will be presented to the National Reunion in July.

Reunion Banquet

Banquet Master of Ceremonies Joe Rosalia introduced the principal speaker of the evening, COL Gabe Cazares, USAF-Ret, Pinellas (FL) County Commissioner. He is a long time public servant in the community and after telling of the history and greatness of the city, turned to the most pressing problem of the times, a religious cult that threatens to completely take over the city of Clearwater.

As airlines approach the Tampa Airport, a stewardess says over the loudspeaker, "You will be approached by religious groups demanding money in the terminal. If they get too forcible, call for police help." That group is the "Church of Scientology." They have purchased large land holdings in Clearwater and have made that city their capitol.

Said Cazares, "They have founded a new feeling of patriotism, not for the United States, but for Scientology. They are held in mental control groups, and you can recognize them as they scurry about the streets, eyes dead ahead, unsmiling, like ants in an anthill, unthinking and incapable of independent thought."

Three million Americans are in Scientology cells, he said, and there is no greater threat to democracy and freedom in America today. Already documented is several conspiracies against the U.S. Government, including stolen documents and false accusations against government officials.

It was a frightening and revelating presentation by a most affable and entertaining speaker.

Michigan Chapter

Our Memorial Service will be held at 2:00 p.m. May 24th at the Fort Wayne Museum, 6053 W. Jefferson, at the foot of Livernois, Detroit, Michigan, The program will begin with a buffet dinner at 2:00 p.m. with the Memorial Service to follow. On this occasion, the Chapter will present to the Museum the Rainbow Flag. This has been made possible through the efforts of one of our long faithful members, PNP George Irwin. Overlooking the Detroit River, this is one of the most beautiful settings imaginable for a memorial service. Mark your calendar NOW (it's a Sunday), and plan to attend. Again, friends and relatives are cordially invited.

> Marty Pawlak, Secretary.

"Deliverance Day"

Rabbi Eli A. Bohnen sent a few pages of a book concerning Dachau, in which a Lt. Col. Wiley is depicted as defying a general from another division who tried to take over the action during the cature of the concentration camp, and wondered "if Wiley is still around and if he knows that his refusal to disobey our general's orders is mentioned in a book"

The book, entitled, "Deliverance Day, the Last Hours at Dachau," written by one Michael Selzer, is a thinly disguised account of the actual happenings and is interesting reading for those who were there. The lieutenant colonel is undoubtedly Don Downard; General Collins is named; and the female correspondent, whose antics are described on pages 179 to 182 is obviously the notorious Maggie Higgins

The hushed-up incident in which 122 SS guards were killed is pictured.

Honor Award

The Trustees and Officers of Freedoms Foundation at Valley Force have announced the selection of Starr West Jones (232d Infantry) to recieve the George Washington Honor Medal Award for a radio series. His commentary series, now in it's sixth year over WCRD, Boston, was selected on the basis of six commentaries during early 1980. The first selection. entitled "A logical Objection to Draft Objection," centered on the opinion that young men object to the draft because of the losses in the last two wars, Korea and Viet Nam, which were directed from desks in Washington. Both wars were no-winwars. Jones wrote:

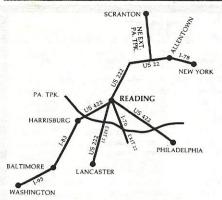
"Today, once again, our civilian leaders are asking Congress to register young men for the draft. The news might be better received if Congress will first pass a law to prohibit committing U.S. troops to fight in any kind of a no-win-war."

Grimm Reports

As Mailing/Publishing Editor, I have received letters from members indicating that the address is not legible on their REVEILLE. Many of the plates are old, and if your address is not legible, please let me know. I will type only those that the mail carrier may have difficulty reading. Please look at yours closely before you write to me.

Extra copies of the REVEILLE are always available if anyone would like one. Just drop me a note and tell me which copies you want.

- Hugo E. Grimm, #1 Community Federal Center, St. Louis, MO 63131.



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Reading in July

8, 9, 10 and 11 July, 1981: Those are the date of the Rainbow Reunion to be held in Reading, PA. Full details on Registering for the Reunion and hotel reservations were given in the March Issue of REVEILLE, but some people are apparently disregarding Chairman Phil Trout's request that everyone but the 222d Infantry Chapter make reservations with the Abraham Lincoln Motor Inn. At the Cedar Rapids Reunion last year, the 222d volunteered to take over the Holiday Inn in spite of slightly higher room rates, and let the older members and officers have the rooms in the Lincoln. Now it appears that some of the smaller units are making reservations at the Holiday Inn, and there may not be enough rooms for the 222d.

Reading by Air

Take any major airline to Philadelphia, then your choice of ten flights per day on Allegheny Commutor to Reading. If you have reservations at the Holiday Inn, write Chairman Trout in advance, telling him when you will arrive and he will arrange to have someone meet you and deliver you to your hotel. If your room is in the Abraham Lincoln, use the hotel telephone at the airport and hotel transportation will be dispatched.

Reading by Car

No one should have any trouble finding Reading and the routes to Reading, on any reliable road map. As you can see on the adjoining map, Reading is centrally located to, and readily accessible from, the major cities in the east: New York, Philadelphia, Washington, Baltimore and all major cities in Pennsylvania.

At both hotels, park at the entrance, go in and register and receive instructions on how to drive to your room. At the Lincoln, the garage is five floors high; park there and take the elevator to your room level. At the Holiday Inn, you may drive to your

room level after registering.

Right now, the important things are to send your Registration fee of \$25 per person to Chairman Philip Trout, 4121 8th Avenue, Temple, PA 19560, and send your hotel reservation request in as soon as possibly. Why not take a moment now, write a check for one night's lodging, and drop it in the mail tomorrow? Now, wasn't that easy? See you there!

Michigan Bus Ride

The Michigan Chapter is again reserving a Greyhound bus for the trip to the National Reunion in July. We would like to invite any Rainbowmen and their families to ioin us. This could result in a considerable savings for those who live anywhere in, near or west of Michigan who were planning to drive to the Reunion. It is planned that the bus will leave from Dearborn around midnight on Tuesday, July 7, and arrive in Reading about noon on Wednesday. This will be Greyhound's 43 passenger bus with toilet. The only stops along the way will be for meals, change of drivers and to pick up Rainbowers en route in Michigan, Ohio or Pennsylvania.

If 30 people sign up, it would cost approximately \$82 per person round trip; and with 40 people, about \$65 per person. We already have nineteen reservations including PNP George Irwin, Chapter President Lavell Smith, and Secretary Marty Pawlak and their wives. If you're interested, write Secretary Marty Pawlak, 8161 W. Grand River, Brighton, MI 48116. Or phone (313) 229-6705.

-Leon A. Schenck, Editor, Observation Post

Arizona Meeting

A joint meeting of Arizona Chapter #1, RDV, and it's Auxiliary, was held March 21 at the Sierra Lakes Club House in Tempe, Arizona, with PNAP Lilymae Johnson and her son, Edward Weitzel, serving as hostess and host. Prior to the Meeting, they each captained a boat and conducted an interesting tour of the lake, featuring all the beautiful homes along the shoreline. Our honored guests for the day were National President John George and his lovely wife, Lorena, National Secretary Peg Keating and Past National Auxiliary President, Ruth Butts.

President George was presented with a subscription to Arizona Highways and the March Issue of the magazine, which featured a beautiful photo of Sierra Lake.

A combination meeting and picnic in June at cool Pine Lakes in Prescott is being arranged, and all Rainbowers desiring to attend should contact Chapter President Roman Bever or Secretary F. W. Goldsmith for details.

—"Goldie" Goldsmith, V.P. West Region