



REMEMBER THE DOUGHBOYS

On Veterans Day, most people think of the Americans who fought in World War II, Korea or Vietnam. The veterans, for whom this day was created 70 years ago — the Doughboy of World War I — are largely forgotten. Of the 4.7 million men who served in "The Great War," only 100,000, a mere 2.3 percent, are alive today. Their average age is 93. They are dying at the rate of 112 a day, 3,300 a month.

Also forgotten is just how vicious the fighting was "to make the world safe for democracy." After 11 years of fighting in Vietnam, the United States lost 57,939 brave men. By contrast, 116,516 young Americans died in nine months of combat during WW I.

True, it's hard to imagine just what it was like to go to war more than 70 years ago. One of those who did was Paul H. Jarrett, honored Rainbower at the Navarin Farm Ceremony in France last July, grandfather of Clark Jarrett, author of this article which appeared in the Los Angeles Herald Examiner on Friday, November 11, 1988.

When WW I began in 1914, America was on the sidelines. France, England, Russia, Germany, Austria-Hungary, Italy, Turkey and other countries were engaged in a war unlike any mankind had ever experienced. The skills of the average soldier were no match for such new weapons as machine guns, hand grenades, heavy artillery, flame throwers, tanks, bombs and poison gas. In the battle for Verdun, France, close to a million French and German soldiers were killed during 10 months of fighting. When it stopped, the battle line was virtually the same.

With the war in Western Europe stalemated, President Woodrow Wilson and Congress declared war on Germany and her allies in April 1917. Paul Jarrett was among thousands of young men from cities and farms across the nation to step forward.

Born in 1895 and raised as a cowboy in Nebraska, Paul Jarrett, like so many others, volunteered without hesitation to fight in "the war to end all wars." Within

four months he was commissioned a second lieutenant in the U.S. Army and on his way to France.

Arriving there as a platoon leader in the soon-to-be-famous 42nd "Rainbow" Division, Jarrett was the only person in his company of 250 men sent to a special British school in St. Pol, near the Belgium border. There he was taught hand-to-hand combat. After training, he rejoined his company and taught them what he had learned — the vicious art of trench warfare. Soon after he successfully led his men across No Man's Land at night to capture Germans for interrogation.

He also participated in the battles of the Champagne, the Aisne-Marne and the Meuse-Argonne. In all, he spent 19 months on the Western Front. Wounded several times, he was awarded the Purple Heart. When he came home to the United States in May 1919 as a casualty of the war, the pain and fear he had endured and witnessed around him were impossible to forget. Today, at 93, those experiences still haunt him.

Four months ago Paul Jarrett returned to France and to his wartime memories of 1917-18 as a representative of the Rainbow Division at the 70th Anniversary of the Battle of Champagne, which halted the last German offensive in July 1918. As the only American taking part in the memorial service in honor of those who were killed in the decisive battle, Jarrett was given "special guest" status and was warmly welcomed by the French people.

After the formal ceremony outside Rheims, France, Paul Jarrett accompanied by grandson Clark, motored through the French countryside in search of those places where he had fought. There were the still visible German trenches, some of which he had attacked. There was the small ditch in which he had been wounded when an artillery shell exploded nearby, fracturing his kneecap. There was the ridge in the Cham-

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

If headlines could be splashed across the top of the Rainbow Reveille, it could read "RAINBOW LEADS AGAIN." Of course, I am making reference to the largest Veterans Day Celebration that I know of, which took place in Birmingham, Alabama on November 11th.

The first two vehicles in the order of march were WW II jeeps representing the Rainbow 42nd Division. They carried the Parade Grand Marshal and PNP Colonel Carlyle Woelfer and driven by Andre Bone (the jeep's owner from my home city of Bowling Green, KY.).

Colonel Woelfer was dressed in his uniform with the Rainbow patch on his right shoulder. The vehicle was marked "H8 - 232nd Inf., 42nd Division" on the bumper, which corresponded to the marking on my jeep during WW II.

The second jeep was owned and driven by Captain James Kindred, a Company Commander pilot in the 6th Battalion, 101st Avn Regt., 101st Division, Fort Campbell, KY. This vehicle carried the parade Chairman and Leon Praytor, our Rainbow representative, who is a member of the Birmingham Veterans Day Committee. He also, as in years past, made all the fine arrangements for hotel rooms, tours, dinners, etc., for over twenty Rainbow representatives.

Air Force Undersecretary James McGovern spoke to the Annual World Peace Luncheon in a very moving speech with the theme being "I'm Proud To Be An American, Where At Least I Know I'm Free. And I won't forget the men who died to give that right to me."

Auxiliary President Catharine Woods and I also participated in the Memorial Services at the Cathedral Church of the Advent. The address was given by the Air Force Chief of Chaplains. It was truly a moving tribute to those who have passed "over the Rainbow." Many more words could be written about this observance, but you have to participate in it to get the full feeling of a Nation remembering its Armed Services of the past and now of the present.

To continue my thoughts regarding membership and dues, RDVA Historian Donald Segel has reported to me that there were probably 40,000, altogether, who wore the Rainbow in WW II. About 17,800 were trained at Camp Gruber and shipped to other outfits. About 2,000 were replaced after the Battle of Hatten, so, estimating a division strength of over 15,000 and others replaced (sick or wounded) of around 3,000, we have a real challenge to find everybody again and then add in all the WW I members.

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Our Constitution states that membership eligibility is open to anyone who served from 13 August 1917 until deactivation on 17 May 1919 and from 14 July 1943 until deactivation 14 July 1946.

Through mutual friends I have just located a diary of a WW I soldier, who served in the Rainbow Division. I will have it or a copy submitted for our archives. Besides our membership activities, let's start moving on that program (archives) too.

My next trip will be to Florida to continue the plans for the 1989 Mid Year Reunion in Tampa. Get your reservations in for the 16th through the 19th of February at the Embassy Suites Hotel, Phone 813-873-8675, at \$59.00 per night. Pre-registration fee of \$40 per person then to Earl Kerns, Jr., (Rocking Chair Chapter), 501 Virginia Avenue, Plant City, Florida 33566.

My wishes for all our comrades is for our New Year to be peaceful and prosperous and for God's Blessings to be on us in our thoughts and travels.

Jack Keyser, President

ED'S NOTE: In the event you were wondering what happened to the President's photo, which usually appears at the head of his column, we thought we would show you a lighter moment of the events at Birmingham. What a photogenic duo.



AS CLEAR AS MUD

I know you believe you understand what you think I said, but I'm not sure you realize that what you heard is NOT what I meant.

EDITOR'S CORNER

Horace Rose, Editor of "The Texas Roundup," keeps putting out gentle hints he is looking for a replacement as Editor, but apparently no volunteers so far. Someone down Texas way better think about lending a helping hand to Horace.

We hope you have enjoyed a Merry Christmas with family and friends and we wish for you and yours a Happy New Year and may good health be with you throughout the year.

Yours truly has had the "punies," as our good friend Herb Butt labels everything. I should have realized I was ill when I began looking like my driver's license picture. We learned a long time ago you can't win them all.

For you golfers: Local Rules — a set of regulations that are ignored only by players on one specific course rather than by golfers as a whole.

After an especially boring first-aid lecture at a military base, the instructor asked: "Now, what is the first symptom of brain injury?" From the back of the room came a quick reply: "A desire to re-enlist." (H. Rose)

EAST COAST REUNION

Plans are under way to hold the first East Coast Reunion on Armed Forces Day, May 20th, 1989, (with an early bird party the evening of May 19th) at the Hampton Inn, Papermill Road, Reading, PA, with Rainbows from a number of small chapters in New England, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Maryland and Washington, D.C., uniting their efforts and talents to make this "first" meeting a success as well as subsequent meetings in future years, when the reunion sites will be rotated from one area to another.

The registration fee for this get-together will be \$15.00, to include a banquet and refreshments. As of this time no rates have been quoted for lodging at the Hampton Inn.

For starters, Philip F. Trout and wife Blanche (Tiny) will sponsor the initial reunion. For further information please contact Phil or Tiny Trout, 4121 8th Avenue, Temple, PA 19560 or call 215-929-3541.

A few more details should appear in the January and March issues. In the meantime, why not put it on your calendar for important things to do in 1989?

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pagne where, 70 years ago to the day, he had watched the advancing Germans in their final en masse attack.

Where Paul Jarrett went, the French people, upon learning that an American WW I veteran was traveling nearby, would come to meet him and express their admiration for one who had fought to protect their freedom. They invited him into their homes to share their food and wine. It was as though he was a long-lost son coming home.

In America, Paul Jarrett and the other surviving WW I veterans enjoy no such attention. On this, the 70th anniversary of Armistice Day — now Veterans Day — Americans should correct this oversight by remembering those for whom the holiday was created to honor — the Doughboys.

1989 MID YEAR REUNION

Come early and stay late! That's exactly what you can do if you plan to attend the 1989 Mid Year Reunion at the Embassy Suites Hotel (Airport West Shore), 4400 W. Cypress Street, Tampa, Florida 33612 on February 16-17-18. A special Rainbow Reunion rate of \$59.00 per night has been guaranteed and you may make reservations by calling 813-873-8675 or toll free 1-800-EMBASSY and the hotel has extended this bargain winter rate to include two days prior to and two days after the reunion.

The hotel amenities include your own wet bar, micro-kitchen, two separate phone lines and two color television sets so there is no problem if two people can't agree on watching the same program.

The Rocking Chair Florida Chapter is hosting the '89 Mid Year and their hospitality is unexcelled and with a large attendance anticipated with Rainbowners escaping the midwest and northeastern winter weather, confirm those airline and hotel reservations and mail your pre-registration fee of \$40 per person to Earl Kerns, Jr. (Rocking Chair Chapter), 501 Virginia Avenue, Plant City, Florida 33566.

Among things to do and see are Busch Gardens, the Kapok Tree Restaurant, a 30-mile side trip to Plant City to savor those delicious strawberries; a short trip down the coast to visit the home of Thomas Alva Edison — and much, much more. Plus plenty of sunshine.

CHAPLAIN'S PRAYER

LET US PRAY:

Lord God, our good, compassionate and loving Father, we ask Your blessing as we begin another new year. We know only too well how time takes its toll on each one of us, on our families and friends and on all things in this passing world.

We become more and more aware of our complete dependence upon You and we are humbly grateful for the many ways You have favored us and our beloved Country. We live in a land of great beauty and rich resources, a nation in which we enjoy freedoms which are still denied to so many inhabitants of this globe.

Help us, Lord, to embark on this new year with joy and gratitude and hope. We are joyful because we have so many good memories and so many warm friendships and so much love and beauty surrounding us. We are grateful for the way you have favored us with such a multitude of blessings. We are hopeful that this year will see our world move toward more universal peace and a more equitable sharing of the earth's abundant resources with those millions who are now hungry and homeless and fearful.

Guide us this year, Lord, in making life better and happier for those closest to us and for all whose lives touch ours. AMEN.

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

NOTE: Chaplain Weiss is recuperating from by-pass surgery performed on October 19th. He reports he is feeling well, but still experiences some soreness. We wish him nothing but the best during his upcoming travels and throughout the remainder of his career.

HOSPITALITY ROOMS

If your unit desires to have its own individual hospitality room at the 1989 National Reunion in St. Louis YOU MUST CONTACT MARK CAHILL, SALES MANAGER, ST. LOUIS AIRPORT MARRIOTT, I-70 at Lambert International Airport, St. Louis, MO 63134 (314-423-9700) telling him exactly what your needs are and working out all the details directly through the hotel. DO NOT SEND YOUR REQUEST FOR A HOSPITALITY ROOM TO REUNION CHAIRMAN HUGO GRIMM. The Marriott toll free number is 1-800-228-9290.

NATIONAL REUNION - ST. LOUIS JULY 12-13-14-15, 1989

There is little that can be written about the 1989 National Reunion in St. Louis without being redundant, but, if you will overlook the repetition, we will list the more pertinent information again.

The reunion will be held at the St. Louis/Marriott Hotel at the Airport, which is directly across I-70 on the south side of the highway. There will be no bus, limousine or taxi fees to get to and from the Marriott as the hotel will provide free transportation both to and from the airport — and it's only five minutes away.

The bargain rate for those attending the Rainbow Reunion is \$53.00 per day for single, double, triple or quadruple occupancy. One to four persons at the same low rate. To make your hotel reservation you may call 314-423-9700 or TOLL FREE 1-800-228-9290.

The registration fee is \$40 per person. Pre-registration forms are available from Reunion Chairman Hugo E. Grimm, P.O. Box 200, Lake Sherwood, MO 63357 (314-828-5962). The "free gift" offer to those who pre-register will extend only to April 15, 1989.

Plenty of free parking, including room for RV's, but no hook-up facilities.

There are two swimming pools (indoor & outdoor), 2 lighted tennis courts, exercise gym, saunas, whirlpool, golf. There are numerous attractions, including some of the most fabulous shopping malls in the United States, all within a radius of 15 miles from the hotel.

There's plenty to see and do in and around St. Louis, if it's entertainment you are interested in. In mid July everything is in full swing. Major league baseball (if they are in town), the Municipal Opera (a 10,000 seat outdoor theatre presenting the best from Broadway), Queeny Park Pop Concerts (conducted by Richard Hayman from the Boston Pops), brewery tours, riverfront attractions, antique shops in St. Charles, Mo., and much much more. In fact, there is something for almost any taste in entertainment or amusement.

A couple of sight-seeing tours will be available and perhaps a directory of entertainment and dining facilities. If relaxing is your thing, you can do that amid the pleasant surroundings of the Marriott/Airport.

THE MIDNIGHT RIDE

He wasn't riding a horse and his mission wasn't a matter of survival for these United States, but PNP Ted Johnson writes he was passing through Kansas City, KS at 12:33 AM (hey, that's just past midnight). On October 18th, enroute from Cedar Rapids to Dallas on I-35 and on his left was a most magnificent sight upon the hill where the Rosedale Arch is now lighted with its brilliant alabaster arch on top and lovely brownstone marble pillars. Ted says it can be seen from I-35 from almost the time one gets to Kansas City and certainly from the time you see the exit sign to Rainbow Boulevard until you are well beyond the hill.

For the majority of us, who aren't accustomed to roaming the highways in the wee small hours of the morning, we trust it is also visible during daylight hours, but perhaps not as impressive to the highway traveler, but it is nice to know that it is now "alive and well." So, if you are traveling through Kansas City during daylight or night-time, you may want to take a few minutes to get off the beaten path and see this restored memorial and landmark.

The Rosedale Development Association, 3930 Rainbow Boulevard, Kansas City, KS 66103 deserves much gratitude from Rainbow veterans for having restored the Arch to a prominent place, and anyone wishing to do so may make a tax deductible contribution to that association for the future maintenance and care of this significant memorial.

A FORERUNNER OF TODAY'S HECTIC TRAVEL

According to a log that has been brought to our attention, the 42nd Infantry Division Headquarters CP was first established at a place named La Petite Pierre on 14 March 45 and ended up at a town called Palling on 5 May 45, where it remained until 14 May 45, at which time it was moved to Kitzbuhel, Austria. During those 52 days of combat the CP was situated in 31 different towns and/or villages, for an average stay of 1.7 days per location.

The MP's must have done an excellent job, otherwise how could anyone, who had occasion to do so, have found Division Hqs CP, especially when they sometimes moved twice on the same day.

Some of those headquarters people must have returned home and laid the foundation for today's travel agencies. If it's Thursday it must be Lower Slobovia.

ARCHIVISTS REPORT

This is one of hopefully many continuing reports on the RDVA's Archivist activities in assembling a representative RAINBOW COLLECTION in the designated repositories of the Association.

Negotiations have been completed and arrangements concluded with the University Libraries, University of Nebraska-Lincoln, Lincoln, Nebraska and the United States Army Military History Institute, Carlisle Barracks, Pennsylvania as our two archives.

The museums are: the Wisconsin Veterans Museums, Madison, Wisconsin; and the War Memorial Museum of Virginia, Newport News, Virginia.

Four other museums have been designated mainly because they already have major Rainbow collections, yet are either specializing and/or are not involved in enhancing their Rainbow materials. They are Headquarter 42nd Rainbow Division New York National Guard, New York, New York; Liberty Memorial Museum, Kansas City, Missouri; MacArthur Memorial, Norfolk, Virginia; Indiana War Memorial Museum, Indianapolis, Indiana.

Unit/Chapter officers have been contacted to appoint for each a Historian/Archivist to assist in collecting materials for the repositories.

A comprehensive list of materials sought has been completed, as well as other administrative forms, including solicitation letters, acknowledgements and transmittals.

A number of collections have been acquired recently, including those of PNP Homer Gardner, PNP Pat Pederson and that of General Collins. There are many more collections to be acquired, including yours.

It is important to identify to the fullest extent all materials that are presented for inclusion in the repositories. The who, what and when are most important. This will save a lot of time in requesting such information if it is not available with materials transmissions.

In the future presentations will be made at our annual reunions and to the Auxiliary and efforts will be mounted to target specifically known locations of collectables.

In the unlikely event you don't know who RDVA's National Archivist is or exactly what type of material is desirable, write to that energetic gentleman who lives in the far northwest corner of the United States, J. Wm. Keithan, Archivist, 2226 Eastmont Way West, Seattle, WA 98199, who will be only too happy to furnish information along with the necessary forms to be completed, etc.

"E" COMPANY 242D INF PLEASE REPORT IN

Bob F. Barnes, 4814 West 80th, Prairie Village, KS 66208 would like to hear from all Company "E" veterans of the 242nd Infantry. Advise him if you attended the Denver reunion and give him your mailing address where you can be contacted. Bob wants to get all Company "E" men together in St. Louis next July — or as many as can reasonably make it. Give him a little help. Thanks.

SOUTH CAROLINA MEETING

The annual meeting of the South Carolina Chapter of the RDVA and its Auxiliary was held November 13, 1988 in Columbia, SC, with twelve Rainbowners and eleven auxiliary members present.

The Chapter members were happy and honored to have PNP Carlyle Woelfer and President Elect Dolian Harris and their wives present.

Officers elected were C.A. Dufford, Sr., President; W.S. Gardner, Vice President, and V. Dufford, Secretary-Treasurer.

392ND F.A. BATTALION

The 392nd F.A. Battalion, at the July 1988 national reunion in Denver, held its first ever get-together during a national reunion. Of thirty-two members of the 392nd F.A. Battalion who attended, most were attending a national reunion for the very first time.

At the reunion in Denver the 392nd F.A. Battalion was awarded the "Queen of Battle" Award for a unit with the greatest number in attendance at an annual Rainbow reunion. This award is sponsored by Company G, 242nd Infantry, in memory of Johnny Frasel. Also awarded the improved attendance award, which is also sponsored by Company G, 242nd Infantry, in honor of Mayland Crosson.

Following the reunion the 392nd F.A. Battalion has established a "Network Committee." The only purpose of the committee is to keep in touch with the hundred members who have been located over the last two years, to promote attendance at the reunions; locate other 392nd Battalion comrades and recruit them as members of the National Rainbow Artillery Chapter or the National Association.

Informal Executive Committee members of the network committee are: Harold

VETERANS DAY - BIRMINGHAM

For those Rainbow Veterans and their wives, who once again returned to Birmingham for the 1988 Veterans Day Celebration and festivities, it was indeed a wonderful feeling just to be a small part of the activities.

There were a number of early arrivals on Wednesday evening, November 9th, who started things off by enjoying dinner in a private dining room at "Baby Doe's." That group included Rainbow President Jack & Nancy Keyser, Auxiliary President Catharine Woods and husband Arlie (Artillery Chapter President). PNP & PNAP Herb & Nan Klindinst, PNP & PNAP Phil & Blanche (Tiny) Trout, PNP Bill Barton & Dotty Strange, PNP Ivan & Myrtle Wallace, PNAP Pearl Segel and husband Don (Rainbow Historian), President Elect Dolian Harris and wife Jan, Cornelius & Marion Benyak, Jack Hildreth, Wayne & Nan Oswell, Leon & Mary Praytor and Harold & Marion Schenck. A wonderful evening of Rainbow fellowship was enjoyed by all, with each person introducing himself and telling what unit they were in.

Thursday morning the group went to breakfast at Shoney's, where the "Welcome Rainbow Division" sign was up on their billboard. After breakfast the Praytors conducted a brief tour over the Memorial Bridge, where there is a Rainbow Monument and then pointed out where a new Rainbow Monument, still crated, will be placed at the new Veterans Building near the University of Alabama. The entourage then drove to Vulcan Park to see the Iron Man. Leon had a new issue of a Birmingham magazine, published by the Chamber of Commerce, dealing with Veterans Day, in which a short article about Leon and the Rainbow Division was featured. Upon returning to the hotel the group was met by PNP Carlyle Woelfer and wife Helen, as well as Rainbow Girl Peggy Fleming and Mike Sopak.

On Thursday evening the Keyzers, Woods, Woelfers, Praytors, Bill Barton & Dotty departed early to attend the Distinguished Guests Reception. The rest of the group arrived at Boutwell Auditorium a little later. The auditorium was beautifully decorated with the American Flag, flags from each state, streamers and flowers. Our RDVA Presidents were seated on the top tier of the Head Table, indicating the high esteem in which Rainbow is held by the Veterans Day Committee.

After dinner, Mr. Larry D. Rivers, Commander in Chief, Veterans of Foreign Wars, gave an inspiring speech about the Veterans' contribution to this Country and the im-

portance of continued national concern for veterans. Following Mr. Rivers' speech, Senator Howell Heflin presented the National Veterans Award to The Honorable Sam Nunn, who spoke about Peace through Strength and the importance of a strong military position in the world. A musical salute to veterans, 1988, was presented by the Samford University A Cappella Choir and University Band.

On Friday morning Memorial Services were held at the Cathedral Church of the Advent, where Jack Keyser and Catherine Woods, as Honored Guests, sat in the area of the pulpit. It was a very moving service with a talk by Chaplain (RADM) Alvin B. Koeneman, Chief of Chaplains, U.S. Navy.

Following the Memorial Service the assemblage went to the World Peace Luncheon at Boutwell Auditorium. Everyone was given a small American flag upon entering. At the luncheon the Rainbow group was joined by Ernie Joshelyn and Ruth Ray. Rainbow was again honored by its Presidents being seated on the top tier of the head table.

After the luncheon, the guest speaker, The Honorable James McGovern, Under Secretary of the U.S. Air Force, spoke about the veterans of all wars and their commitment to a wonderful country. The Honorable Benjamin Erdreich, U.S. Representative, presented the Humanitarian Award to Mr. Cooper T. Holt, Executive Director of Foreign Wars, Washington, DC, who gave a wonderful speech about honoring our veterans always. The program was concluded by the singing of America, led by Mrs. Alabama and concluded with the benediction by Chaplain (RADM) Alvin B. Koeneman.

The three-hour parade in the afternoon was marvelous, led by two jeeps brought from Kentucky by President Keyser, with Rainbows on the sides and H-232 on the bumpers. The drivers, Andre Bone and Jim Kindred, were in Rainbow uniforms. The occupants of the jeeps were the Grand Marshal, Leon Praytor, Ivan Wallace and Colonel Woelfer in his impressive uniform.

Those Rainbow people still around enjoyed dinner together at the hotel and said their goodbyes, hoping to return to Birmingham in future years.

The Birmingham Veterans Day Observance is a wonderful and moving experience. It should be a "must" at least once for every Rainbow Veteran who can possibly arrange to be present for one of those memorable Veterans Day celebrations. It isn't too early to make preliminary plans to attend in 1989.

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Any member of the 392nd, who has not yet been contacted or needs more information as to the activities of the 392nd can contact any of the battery representatives listed.

Of course, the 392nd F.A. Battalion is planning a second get together at the 42nd Rainbow Reunion on July 12, 13, 14, & 15, 1989, at the St. Louis Airport Marriott. Watch for further details.



National Secretary Herb Butt looks as though he is attempting to take the check right out of Lisa Gray's hand, but actually he has just presented her with the check for \$500 from the Memorial Foundation for the Rosedale Arch restoration project. Lisa Gray is associated with the Rosedale Development Association.

TOTAL ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP - 11-15-88

GOOD OLD
MOUNTAIN DEW

STATE	CHAPTER	LIFE	MEMBERS		TOTAL	TOTAL	MEMBERS	LIFE
			1988	1989				
AL	Huntsville		40	40				
	Montgomery		0	0				
AZ	Phoenix		13	13	10	10		
CA	California	7	38	45	38	31	7	
CO	Colorado		24	24	19	19		
DC	Washington, DC	5	22	27	25	20	5	
FL	Clearwater	6	20	26			6	
	Orlando	1	16	17			1	
GA	Atlanta	1	10	11	10	9	1	
IL	Illinois		39	39	39	39		
IN	Indianapolis		8	8	6	6		
	South Bend	1	21	22	19	18	1	
IA	Iowa State	2	60	62	52	50	2	
KS	Chanute		4	4	4	4		
	Dodge City-Pratt		5	5	5	5		
MA	(Mass.) North East		22	22	26	26		
MD	Baltimore		14	14				
MI	Detroit	6	65	71	48	42	6	
MN	Minnesota		68	68	56	56		
MO	Mo-Kan		26	26	24	23	1	
	St. Louis	1	15	16			1	
NE	Nebraska		7	7				
NJ	Audubon		16	16	22	22		
OH	State & 132nd Sig	1	130	131	91	90	1	
OK	Muskogee Memorial		3	3	29	29		
	Oklahoma City	4	3	7			4	
	Tulsa		19	19	12	12		
OR	Pacific Northwest				8	7	1	
PA	Easton		8	8	6	6		
	Lancaster		11	11	8	8		
	Philadelphia		19	19	20	20		
	Reading		24	24	24	24		
SC	Charleston		17	17				
TN	Memphis	1	5	6	9	8	1	
TX	Dallas	1	99	100	71	70	1	
VA	Richmond		5	5	5	5		
	Roanoke		6	6	6	6		
WI	Platteville	1		1	21	20	1	
UNIT CHAPTERS								
	222nd INFANTRY	26	486	512	437	411	26	
	CO. "M"		32	32	37	37		
	HQS. 232nd INF		6	6	2	2		
	CANNON CO 232nd				14	14		
	1st BN 232nd INF	3	120	123	84	81	3	
	2nd BN 232nd INF	2	94	96	82	77	5	
	3rd BN 232nd INF	1	54	55	46	45	1	
	242nd INFANTRY	16	175	191	223	206	17	
	ARTILLERY	4	164	168	147	143	4	
	122nd MED. BN.	5	42	47	35	30	5	
	MED DET SPEC TRPS		11	11	10	10		
	142nd COMB ENGR	2	22	24	20	18	2	
	MP PLATOON	6	33	39	28	22	6	
	42nd RECON TRPS	3	12	15	13	10	3	
	DIVISION BAND		27	27	17	17		
	NATIONAL at LARGE		33	33		148		
	LIFE - Not Claimed	24		24			24	
	TOTALS	130	2213	2343		1956	136	

Bill Mavity of Miami, Florida, writes that he played solo trumpet in the 42nd Rainbow Division Band and one of the favorite tunes, as requested by the troops, was Good Old Mountain Dew, which had several versions, one of which was slightly risqué. When General Collins learned the band was playing it, he directed that it be omitted from their repertoire as being uncouth, etc. It was still the number one request by the troops (and they swore they wouldn't snitch) and when General Collins again learned it was still being played and was the most popular song by the band, he just gritted his teeth and smiled "a plastic" smile, but never again openly objected to it.

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a hard working individual and contributed much to the early success of the Association. In fact, his untiring efforts on behalf of RDVA were so greatly appreciated that consideration was given to, in some manner, making him an "Honorary President" of the National Association. There was, however, no provision in the bylaws and constitution that would have permitted such action, therefore the idea more or less died on the vine.

Many people, over the years, have contributed much time and effort to making the Rainbow Division Veterans Association the fine organization that it is today and it is a team effort, but occasionally someone puts forth that little something extra which makes him stand out from the crowd. According to our informants, R. Allen Gibbons was such an individual.

R. ALLEN GIBBONS

Sometime ago a request was submitted to run an article on one R. Allen Gibbons before his name became lost in antiquity. We were able to glean a little information concerning this gentleman's association with the Rainbow Division Veterans Association.

According to those few people who have contacted us, and who had the privilege of knowing Mr. Gibbons, he was National Secretary of RDVA preceding the tenure of Peg Keating as National Secretary. He was

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