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Peace on Earth, Good Will Toward Men

This has been the traditional Christmas message among Christian peoples since the birth of our Saviour. In a world wherein we find little of Peace, and far too little of good will toward men, it is well to remember that the blessings of life come to us, by the grace of God, only through our own efforts. We, who would have peace on earth must achieve that peace, must fight for it, if need be die for it. Peace does not drop like the dew from Heaven, but like the fruits of nature must be planted, cultivated, and preserved from the weeds of hatred, envy, avarice and selfish ambition. To maintain it requires sacrifice and self regulation. Once lost, it can be regained only at a bitter cost in blood and tears. This Christmas season is a suitable time for us to dedicate our lives to the recovery of a peace, erected on its one sure foundation—Good Will Toward Men.

Rainbow men will march down the pathway that leads to Peace, whether or not it be strewn with disaster and crimson with the blood of the advancing columns. With inspiration born of love for our country and cause we will find the task which we can best perform. With steadfast courage we will perform this task in traditional Rainbow thoroughness. And at the end of one more Rainbow's arc there shall be once more Peace on Earth and Good Will Toward Men.

Walker H. Colston

Rainbow Division Veterans



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The organization of Civilian Defense efforts has been carried to an advanced stage, and is beginning to take form in the elements which will do the actual jobs, in the event of invasion, air raids, or organized subversive activities. To be more explicit, the Civilian Defense General Staff, Divisional Headquarters, and Sectional Headquarters are all in full operation. There are now being set up the functional units, corresponding to the Regimental and Company units. Urgently needed in these units are men with such qualifications as Rainbow men are likely to possess in a high degree.

No doubt you have felt all along that you were ready to step into the breach whenever you were needed. But if you delay too long, when YOU get ready to step in there will be no place for you, save as the doer of someone else's bidding. Now Rainbow men are good soldiers, they know how to take orders and obey them. But you Rainbows are peculiarly qualified to assume a more important place in the scheme of things than will be open to the men who volunteer later on. Give the community the benefit of your experienced services in a key position by taking a defense post NOW, during the period of organization. And give yourself the satisfaction of performing the class of service in which you can do the maximum of good.

There follows a brief synopsis of some of the opportunities for service. Consider them carefully, determine in what way you can best serve, and then without further delay get in touch with the proper authorities and make yourself available. Remember, a bird in the hand is worth two in the bush. A volunteer who has come forward and been assigned to a task is worth a platoon of men who wait until the emergency actually gets here before making themselves known. It will be too late to give instructions in the routine to be followed after the bombs start falling.

And maybe the bombs won't start falling; pray God they do not. But God help this country if we were to go about our affairs unready for intelligent, concerted service in the event the enemy DOES strike. Current history has demonstrated the necessity for a carefully worked-out, technically correct and coordinated program for meeting these possible attacks in advance of their occurrence. The organization is established and is ready to be set up in your community. It is NOW that YOU are needed, so that in the units being put under training now there may be a stiffening leaven of men whose coolness under fire is already established. **GET IN THERE, RAINBOW MEN, AND PLAY YOUR PART!**

Harold B. Rodier

In Defense of Your Home

America is fully knee-deep in War. We may be in up to our necks at any moment. The time has unquestionably arrived for Rainbow men to determine what part they should play in this national crisis and get busy. We fear that all too many members of our Division have been waiting for something to happen, for something to turn up. When the time comes, we have been saying, we will get on the job and give the nation, or the community, the benefit of our undeniable ability to serve. **THAT TIME IS HERE NOW.**

A PLACE FOR EVERY RAINBOW MAN IN THE CIVILIAN DEFENSE PROGRAM

Civilian protection involves the safeguarding of the lives of civilians against the terrors of total war.

Such is the definition given by the Office of Civilian Defense in rallying volunteers to be trained to cope with the damages which might be done in "target areas."

Putting the problem squarely, the OCD made this statement: "Nobody in this country knows definitely whether Hitler will ever try to bomb the cities of the United States. But there is good enough reason for thinking he may try to make it simple prudence for us to get ready."

To aid volunteers in the gigantic mass enrollment now sweeping over the country to find the niches they may fill in this Civilian Protection army, a rather detailed description of the duties of various posts was prepared by OCD. Some of these are briefed here for the guidance of Rainbowers.

AIR RAID WARDENS: A key position involving controlled activity and cool efficiency under all conditions, serving a unit of about five hundred people. Operates at a post of easy access, plainly marked. Since one person must always be on duty, four wardens are assigned to each post. **DUTIES**—observing for lights showing in a blackout, directing persons to shelter, reporting fallen bombs to control center, assisting in fighting incendiary bombs as soon as they fall, detecting and reporting presence of gas, administering elementary first aid, assisting victims in damaged buildings.

AUXILIARY POLICE: Numbers of men and women volunteers needed in each city to be determined by Chief of Police. **DUTIES**—enforcement of emergency restrictions, guarding docks, bridges, and factories to prevent sabotage, traffic duties, prevention of looting of damaged shops and homes, assistance to air raid wardens.

BOMB SQUADS: Removes delayed action and unexploded bombs to a place where they may be safely detonated. Usually consist of carefully picked men.

MESSENGERS: Assigned to special posts, with charge to get messages through if other communications break down. Bicycles useful. Messengers may be boys from 15 years up.

DRIVERS' CORPS: Men or women with private cars who can drive in blackouts and under other air raid conditions if necessary.

EMERGENCY FOOD AND HOUSING CORPS Provides food and shelter for those whose homes have been damaged or destroyed.

DECONTAMINATION CORPS: Applies neutralizing chemicals in areas where attack has been by war gases.

DEMOLITION AND CLEARANCE CREWS: Removes rubble and clear bomb craters; dynamite unsafe walls and buildings.

AUXILIARY FIREMEN: One of the most important safeguards against one of modern warfare's greatest threats, using men of strong physique, not subject to military draft, as follows: Around each existing fire engine company, three auxiliary fire stations are established, with one officer or first-grade fireman in charge of each auxiliary station, in charge of up to thirty enrolled volunteers.

FIREWATCHERS: Fire department instructs citizens around the air raid wardens' posts in method of fighting fire bombs. Air raid warden picks the most alert to act as fire-watchers, who take up posts on roofs, in doorways, to spot fallen bombs.

RESCUE SQUADS: Are organized to rescue persons trapped in debris and to shut off broken gas, electric, and water lines. Ten tool-equipped suitably-clothed men to a squad.

LOCATE YOUR PLACE IN THIS PROGRAM

The above list by no means comprises all of the fields of service. It does take in the principal tasks for which men who have seen service seem to be particularly adapted. Look it over and decide where you think you can do the most good. Then get in touch with your local Civilian Defense Council and volunteer your services. If you are not familiar with this body in your community, contact the office of your Mayor and he will put you in touch with the local civilian defense body.

It is possible, in some communities, that you may find that no local Civilian Defense Council has been set up. If you find this condition it should be a signal for you to go into action with all guns. Find out WHY this important defense project has not yet been established, and don't stop until you have brought sufficient pressure on the officials responsible to achieve effective action.

MANY RAINBOWERS ALREADY IN HARNESS

The foregoing is particularly addressed to the Rainbowers who have not yet tied in with the Civilian Defense program. It is realized that numerous members of our Association are already in harness, many of them in key positions. Prominent among these is Ed Riekert, who is serving as Executive Director of the Office of Civilian Defense for the Second Defense Area, comprising New York, New Jersey and Delaware. If any Rainbowers seek further information or assistance in connecting their information or assistance in connecting that they communicate with him, addressing Major Edward G. Riekert, Executive Director, Second Civilian Defense Area, 111 Eighth Avenue, New York City.

+ Chapter Chatter +

ALABAMA—Space in The Reveille will not permit me to describe fully the activities of Rainbowers in Birmingham on Armistice Day, with our beloved national president, Walker H. Colston, and his gracious wife as our guests of honor.

Colston was greeted at the train by members of the Mortimer H. Jordan Chapter of Birmingham, with the Ladies' Auxiliary participating.

A dinner was served at the Bankhead Hotel in honor of the distinguished guests. During the course of the dinner, the Junior Drum and Bugle Corps rendered a salute to President Colston, and with praise in his heart he rose and congratulated the boys on their superb playing. Col. Henry C. Wood also expressed his thanks to the boys.

On Tuesday, Nov. 11, registration started at 1 p.m. Rainbowers from all walks of life converged on the Bankhead Hotel. Greetings reigned up to the time of the big parade, which started at 2:30 p.m. President Colston occupied a place in the reviewing stand with officials of the parade.

The hotel opened its doors to the banquet room at 8 p.m. and then the distinguished guests were escorted to their places at the speakers' table. President Phil Lacey of the Mortimer H. Jordan Chapter called the meeting to order. Col. Henry C. Wood acted as toastmaster.

The highlights of President Colston's speech at the banquet were as follows:

"In 1918, you sons of the South, the 167th Alabama Infantry, fought side by side with the 69th New York Infantry. There were no party lines then and there should be no party lines now. Another emergency exists and we should meet and combat it, not as Republicans or Democrats, not as Northerners or Southerners, but as just plain Americans all."

Mrs. Helen Davidson of Iowa, division national auxiliary president, traced the history of the Rainbow Division and its auxiliary from the early days of 1917 to the present. "Shortly after the United States entered the war, units of National Guard troops from 26 states and the District of Columbia were assembled in the 42nd Division. This was named the Rainbow Division because it represented the many types of life, colors and shades of thought, traditions and ideals and points of view of the whole country," she explained.

Mrs. Ted Hagen, president of the local Ladies' Auxiliary, said she did not fear old soldiers, because she was reared among old Confederate veterans, and that from all indications the Ladies' Auxiliary had gathered to take care of old soldiers. She also stressed the need for more cooperation from chapters throughout the state.

After the banquet, Clint Bonner, creator

of "Alabama Oddities," newspaper and radio feature, conducted a round table discussion over local radio stations. Taking part were Gaines Burnett, state president; Walker H. Colston, national president; Col. Henry C. Wood, national executive committeeman; Otis Dodge, Mrs. Helen Davidson, national auxiliary president; and Lt. Col. O. H. Cornell, U. S. Army, who served with the 166th Infantry, Rainbow Division.

ALBERT L. NORTHRUP.

CALIFORNIA—We were happy to have Past

National President William Nevius, a good fellow, drop in on us. Comrade Steve Ridgely was host to Past President Nevius and a dozen of us at a swell dinner in the Olympic Club, followed by a visit to the locker room of Cal Reed and we were sure feeling good when we visited the Veterans Building. Boy, it was like the good old days when Rainbowers got together. The best part of the evening was when Phil Greenfield signed Bill up for membership at large in San Francisco Chapter and we are proud to have Bill as a member in our Chapter.

Los Angeles Chapter has issued a challenge to San Francisco Chapter saying that we cannot beat them again in membership. We say it can be done and are out to show them. So, Comrades, those of you who have not paid your 1941-42 dues, send them in and help us in our battle.

This year the San Francisco Chapter is going "all out" for the finest Christmas party in its history. It is being planned for ALL RAINBOW and their families and will take place on SATURDAY, DECEMBER 20th, at 7 o'clock sharp in ROOM 1, Veterans Building, San Francisco.

A few of the highlights are: Turkey Dinner, Christmas Tree for the kiddies, special entertainment, refreshments of all kinds, etc., etc. For Rainbowers and their families the cost is exactly nothing. So bring the whole gang in. We expect to greet comrades from all over California and all others who may be in the vicinity.

Los Angeles, San Diego and Long Beach Chapters, take special notice of this event and plan to be well represented.

WILLIAM McCANTS, JR.

ILLINOIS—The Armistice Party went over with a bang. Al Hoyt came in just in time to add a National touch. He was followed by a good-sized delegation of farm boys from down state who came up to mingle with us city slickers. As Harmon Nixon called us to attention facing the East in reverence to our departed comrades, Joyce Kilmer's beautiful poem was read with the proper bugle accompaniment.

We had beaucoup entertainment which carried us from the days of Buffalo Bill through the early stages of football and ended with a good floor show.

If Harmon keeps up the pace that he is now setting, for the remainder of his term

in office his name will go down in the hall of fame beside those outstanding heroes, Eskil Bjork and Robert Reno.

Our two old wheel horses were back in the traces. Charles Bindig, who keeps the Chapter out of the red, and Howard Crowther who got his nose down to the grindstone just as soon as the carp stopped biting in Bubbly Creek. Howard will not fish where he has to furnish his own flies. Illinois still claims to have the largest, if not the finest, assortment of legal advisors in Rainbow. They spend most of their time at the bar dispensing with numerous important cases.

Among those AWOL was the nationally known songbird Howard Smith. He has no bunions but uses plenty of corn plaster to keep his tall corn down. If by chance any of you catch up with him and he seems very much plastered you will find it is just the corn squeezing out.

Illinois Chapter wishes you all a **Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year.**

Dan Avery

INDIANA—Indiana held its monthly meeting in the World War Memorial Building with two speakers present—Wilbur Jones of the Veterans' Bureau, Indianapolis, and Doc Sherwood, editor of the National Legion Newspaper. Jones brought out a very unusual point in as much as every one present didn't know about it in the following:

All world war veterans are still entitled to buy government insurance under five different kind of policies if able to pass a physical examination by applying at the nearest United States Veterans' Bureau.

I think this is important because no one knew that this was possible.

Doc Sherwood reported upon his trip to North and South Carolina where he had the opportunity to observe the maneuvers that are being held there at the present time.

The following resolution was proposed and passed by the Indiana State Chapter:

RESOLVED, that all monies collected by the USO be used for the benefit of the armed forces of the United States, exclusively.

We here in Indiana saw an effort being made to use part of the USO money to support a clubroom for women working in a powder plant and the clubroom was 25 miles from the powder plant. The powder plant is at Charleston, Ind., and the clubroom is at Albany, Ind. Chester Lorch of Albany, Ind., and a Rainbower led the fight there against it and the said clubroom is now closed. I, for one, remember in France when I bought cigarettes that had slips in them saying that they were paid for and were being donated to the soldiers in France. We earnestly solicit the support of the rest of the Rainbow Chapters to get behind the above resolution and furthermore request that the public be notified or enlightened where the money that

has been collected is being spent and how much and what for.

Battery F held its annual reunion November 22 in Bloomington, Ind., immediately after the Indiana-Purdue football game. Many Rainbow men went to the game and in connection with the banquet made a swell double-header. Bill Jackson made an outstanding plea for increased membership for Rainbow in Indiana this coming year.

Keith Gregg

IOWA—Council Bluffs Chapter is showing most unusual activity. Meetings are rolling around with regularity and the officers have something planned for the members. Most recent was a Rainbow dance on October 29 and we hope the boys done themselves some good, both for their members and their finances. Council Bluffs has moved into third place in chapter standing in the Iowa Association. Cedar Valley Chapter at Waterloo are on their way, too, with their largest paid-up membership on record. Other chapters are going to be eating some of that Cedar Valley dust unless they get going. Fort Dodge has come to life and we look for some good work in that direction now.

Wonder what President Davidson and Secretary Montgomery found in Sioux City recently? The round-about news says that a new chapter is in the making. Will it be **THIRTEEN** Chapters for Iowa? We will know soon.

Des Moines Chapter held its annual Armistice Day Stag and a nice crowd was on hand. Carl Kramer acted as master of ceremonies and handled it like the veteran that he is. The honored guest of the evening was our own Colonel E. R. Bennett, the first commander of the 168th Infantry. The colonel doesn't get out often but he does get a kick out of being with his old comrades. He received a rousing ovation from those present. Colonel Claude Stanley was also present and gave the boys an inspiring talk. We do enjoy having our former officers present at these meetings.

The Iowa State Legislature has appropriated \$1,000 for the remaking of the original films of "The Story of the 168th Infantry." These films were taken in 1917-1919 and will be modernized, sound will be added and several changes will be made. They will be of great value to our state organization.

HOMER W. GARDNER.

NEW JERSEY—When 70 Rainbowers, wives and sweethearts get together for a fiesta it's good news. When the occasion is the 20th anniversary of our auxiliary it's great news. With an abundance of appetizing food, good music and liquid refreshments and with the additional stimulating effect of that internal warmth that pervades a Rainbow gathering, the auxiliary's party on November 9th was a grand affair.

Conviviality was the order of the evening and prevailed throughout. Oratorical outbursts were limited in number and duration.

H. Degenring gave a stirring pep talk on Americanism. Al Paterson, Chapter President, and Bob Hayward, National Treasurer, did the honors of voicing our appreciation to the auxiliary for the swell party and their past contributions to Rainbow. Mrs. Coggins, the first and last year's president of the auxiliary, offered the following prayer:

Almighty Father. Humbly we bow before Thee, our Creator, Preserver, Guide and Protector. We thank Thee that Thou has spared us to celebrate this occasion. Bless every member of this chapter, it's auxiliary and friends. In the passing of the years may the bonds of these veterans become stronger and their faith in Thee untiring. We ask it all in His Name. Amen.

What happened to that Jersey new membership drive? STAN BARROW.

NEW YORK—On Saturday night, October 25, three hundred fair women and brave men of the Rainbow made merry in the Garden and Oak rooms of the Hotel Martinique. The occasion was a dinner-dance of the Military Order of the Bat. These affairs of the M.O.B. have long been established as banner events for the members of the Father Duffy Chapter, and the dinner on the 25th equalled and even surpassed previous gatherings of its kind.

When all were in good humor (for Mique Shea and Yidda Smith had seen to it that an excellent dinner and plenty of suitable liquid refreshment were furnished) the recipients of the Award of Merit were called front-and-center. The cheers must have been heard as far as the East and North rivers as Commandant Shea bestowed the accolade upon Jack Tierney, Leo Maher, Frank Hamilton (as proxy for Charlie Shattenkirk) and Lucy Roulett, and the ribbon of the M.O.B. was draped around their shoulders. Jack Joyce read the citations, and Mique Shea was in rare form when he delivered the "General Gouraud" address.

On Monday night, November 10, in conjunction with a chapter meeting, the Father Duffy Chapter staged one of the most notable Armistice Commemoration gatherings we have known in years. More than three hundred members of the chapter and their friends met to honor departed comrades, to renew the old ties of friendship, and to go over again the oft-told tales (of which we never tire) of what happened in such-and-such a town and on this-or-that front.

An excellent program of entertainment was enjoyed by those present. Miss Kay Burke of McGuire's Sawdust Trail, who had entertained at the M.O.B. party, was with us again, singing the Irish songs so well liked by the members, and ready to go on and on as the boys kept calling for favorite numbers.

Speeches were made by General Allie Anderson, General Costigan, General Mangam, Colonel Lawrence, Colonel Cavanaugh, and Chapter President John Tyson. Needless to say, all speeches were appropriate to the occasion. It was good to see Allie Anderson with us at Armistice time (he was up from

the South on a short furlough), for if there is one man who represents thoroughly all that a soldier of the 69th and Rainbow means, that man is General Alexander E. Anderson—by the unanimous vote of the Chapter.

There is one sad note to record at this time. Mrs. Anne Thompson, President of the Women's Auxiliary, and beloved by all Rainbowers, has been going through a serious illness. We are all pulling for her and praying that she shall soon be on the road to recovery.

Things are moving along in great style in the Father Duffy Chapter this year. President John Tyson and his excellent group of Chapter officers are giving us just the fine, capable administration that we looked forward to when we elected them. And officers of former administrations are contributing their aid and experience to the efforts of those now in office toward making the year 1941-42 one of the best years in the history of the Chapter. Membership Chairman John Gill has this week forwarded to the National Secretary the third list of one hundred names of paid-up members; and when you read this letter the Father Duffy Chapter shall have marked up the figure of 350 paid-up members; half way to the goal of 700 that John Gill has set for the year 1941-42.

Some of these days the Father Duffy Chapter will be bringing along to a National Convention a Fife and Drum Corps. At the present time President Tyson is giving particular attention to an enlarged Junior Drum Corps, Father Duffy Chapter, Rainbow Division Veterans, and has made an appeal to the members of the Chapter for a fund for new uniforms for the boys and girls of the Corps. These youngsters are coming along fine at practice under the able direction of Harry McLean and Harold Hickey.

Several Company Dinners are now in the making, notably those of A Company and Machine Gun Company; but more about that and other Chapter affairs in our next letter. The big thing to start working on now is our Annual Chapter Ball, which will be held on April 11, 1942. W. O'BRIEN.

PENNSYLVANIA—It is more than evident to most of us that our friends over in "Philly" are going to town. They have not been organized but just a short time and they already have a well organized and smooth running chapter. Your reporter has been kept well informed of all their activities. The latest was a sauerkraut supper served at the home of their Auxiliary President, Elizabeth C. Wilson. How can one lose when you have support such as the ladies of Rainbow can give? Congratulations to you Schall and Letzer—you and your gang are doing a swell job.

I have not heard a thing from over in Easton, Bethlehem, Lancaster and points east excepting Philadelphia. Hows about it, John Brenner? Shoot some live news into your State Correspondent. If any of you fellows out-state tuned in your radio the night of Nov. 15, it wasn't

static. It was just one of those Smoky City meetings bubbling over into the ether. A swell meeting it was; three new members on from the Meadville country—110 miles from here. Art Dunn dropped in from Wheeling; (that's 80 miles away,) and the 135 miles from Cleveland didn't keep Al Hoyt away. Let this be a lesson to some of you birds, a stone's throw from the Golden Triangle.

Highlights of meeting: Message from Doc Cook, of Aspinwall, Pa., Veterans Facility; Al Hoyt's inimitable commentary on things Rainbow; the presentation of an appropriate and suitably inscribed plaque to our Past President, Vincent D. Fleckenstein. I'll quote from the citation: "for honorable and faithful service and devotion in the cause of Rainbow comradeship." Vince needs no eulogy from me nor any one else in Rainbow, as his actions and loyal service speak for themselves. Usual eats and drinks enjoyed by all hands. I went home at about 3 ack emma, understand Randolph, Fleck and Dunn walked over to the train with Al Hoyt at 8:15a.m. without anybody having gone to bed. Ho, Hum! Rainbow must have Something?

WALT MICHEL.

WISCONSIN—Oshkosh Rainbrowsers have been pretty busy lately with plans for the 11th and other things. Last Sunday the past state president, Paul Wilkie, and wife, of Appleton, were here. Everything is going along O.K. down there. They meet the last Monday of every month. This meeting they intend to have a rabbit feed IF Pop Hoeachel and Lutz are lucky enough to buy or shoot some rabbits. The women up there meet once a month and according to all the dope they are getting along swell.

Our meeting nights are the fourth Thursday is always a social night. Our auxiliary are sure go-getters. They run card parties, dances, etc. They bought us our Rainbow

caps and now are working on a uniform fund. They sure deserve a lot of credit.

I can't give you much dope on Fond du Lac or Milwaukee, but expect to make a trip to both places with State President August Stinert very soon. By the way, his wife had a very serious operation three weeks ago and was not expected to live. Blood transfusions were in order so we gave her three transfusions of Rainbow Special. Today she is OK, looking for cognac and singing "Parley Vous." That's the Rainbow blood working on her! If possible, drop her a line welcoming her into the Rainbow ranks. Address Mrs. Esther Stinert, 1411 Ohio St., Oshkosh, Wis.

CHARLES GILLEN.

SMOKES FOR YANKS

Eight newspapers in the United States are receiving popular subscriptions for cigarettes and smoking tobacco for American soldiers, sailors, and marines stationed outside the United States. Remembering all too vividly how hungry we were for cigarettes in the last war, the Philadelphia Chapter has contributed \$7.35 to this deserving cause. If other Rainbow Chapters want to contribute to this project they are urged to get in touch with the newspapers in their locality. As this is written, the eight cooperating papers are The Philadelphia Inquirer; The Kansas City Star; The New Orleans States; The St. Louis Globe-Democrat; The Chicago Tribune; The Washington Times-Herald; The Omaha World-Herald; The Denver Post, and the San Francisco Chronicle. The newspapers have arranged with the Government to buy the cigarettes and tobacco wholesale, so send money, (not tobacco).

You may, of course, inclose a card showing the identity of your organization and this card will accompany the tobacco your contribution buys. Send your contribution to the newspaper closest to your home, making your check or money order payable to: **Smokes For Yanks.**

The Camp Mills Memorial

For twenty-odd years Rainbrowsers have, from time to time, expressed the opinion that some kind of a monument should mark the point at Camp Mills where the Rainbow Division was first brought together, and from which it left for France. Through the initiative and courage of the Long Island Chapter such a monument has been erected; a monument reflecting in its dignity and proportions the degree of importance which was attached to this project. For all time to come this monument will stand as a memorial to the glorious achievements of the Rainbow Division. For their initiative in assuming this undertaking, for their excellent taste in carrying it out, the members of this Chapter are to be heartily commended. But more than praise is due them. They assumed the financial obligation involved in order to get the monument made and erected, and those who attended the dedication ceremonies in October can testify that they did a noteworthy job. Many other Chapters have already made contributions toward this memorial feeling that one comparatively small Chapter should not have to carry such a financial burden. Many more Chapters will be glad to similarly contribute. Slightly less than \$1,000 still needs to be raised to clear up the financing of the Camp Mills Memorial, and individuals and Chapters are urged to send in as substantial a sum as they conveniently can, in order to dispose of this. Chapters which have subscribed for contributions but have not yet sent them in are requested to do so at their earliest convenience. Send all contributions to Colonel William P. Cavanaugh, 49 Wall Street, New York City, N. Y.

**From the Desk of the National Secretary
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ED WEITZEL

And finally, "All Hail" to SOUTHWEST IOWA CHAPTER (Shenandoah), BLOOMINGTON CHAPTER (Indiana), COUNCIL BLUFFS CHAPTER (Iowa), BETHLEHEM CHAPTER (Pennsylvania), and CEDAR VALLEY CHAPTER (Iowa), all reaching new highs in membership, making sixteen Chapters thus far that have gone "over the top." The next issue of the Reveille will include the complete PERFORMANCE CHART of all Chapters, as of December 20th, showing the Chapter's best ATTAINMENT since 1938-1939, and its PERFORMANCE to date. Chapter Secretaries are urged therefore to forward remittances they may have to this office by December 20 if they wish to have Chapter's latest position appear on the PERFORMANCE CHART. As was mentioned in a previous issue of the Reveille, VOLUNTARY GOALS

for Chapters are acceptable and will be specified as such in the Chart.

At this writing nearly 2600 membership cards have been mailed from this office, a most appreciative response to our "Keep 'Em Coming."

Recent requests for Windshield Decals prove beyond a doubt you are "Proud of being a Rainbower."

In spite of the increased cost, plus recent tax assessment on jewelry, we have negotiated for another supply of Rainbow Lapel Buttons, and are able to offer this merchandise at the usual price of 75 cents each.

The latest information from the publisher on "AMERICANS ALL," the official History of the Rainbow Division, is that there are ONLY 82 COPIES LEFT. This volume, when sales are complete, will be invaluable. The type has long been destroyed, so another edition is most unlikely. This is the LAST CALL.

Your Secretary wishes to take this opportunity to thank each and every one of you for your continued, splendid cooperation and extend most sincerely, and in abundance, SEASON'S GREETINGS throughout the realm of Rainbow.

ED. WEITZEL.

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Yours in Rainbow.

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