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Thielen Hall was named in honor of S/Sgt. Edward A. Thielen, E Co., 232d Inf., who earned the Silver Star at Gambsheim, France, on 6 January, 1945. S/Sgt. Thielen was also recommended for the CMH for action at Arnstein, Germany, on 6 April, when he was severely wounded.

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RED — BUT NOT RED HERRING

A spokesman for General of the Army Douglas MacArthur declares there is a definite scheme under way, both in Moscow and therefore among American communists, to discredit the General.

It is a fact that left-wing elements in this country have been sounding off at the Allied Supreme Commander for some time. Now Tass, the official Soviet news agency, opens up with a flank attack.

Tass assails the American military administration in southern Korea, making the absurd charge that it has been fomenting "disorders" among elements opposed to the trusteeship for Korea agreed upon at Moscow.

The United States agreed to the Korean trusteeship. General Hodge, in actual charge there, has been actively at work quieting protesting groups. Soviet Russia knows full well that when our Government signs on the dotted line it does so in complete good faith. If Moscow tried to square its performances in Iran and in other vital respects to the same principle it would find it difficult to do so.

General MacArthur's headquarters asserts that the Reds are seeking every possible point of criticism of his measures in Japan and that Japanese communists are following the party line. The "Me-too" Commies in this country have been in the snipers' posts for weeks.

The Reds are determinedly seeking to barge in with their usual veto technique on the job of running Japan. Their aim now, according to the MacArthur spokesman, is to exploit particularly any undercover attempts by Japanese or the Japanese Government to backfire MacArthur's orders.

No one claims the American military administration has been perfect all the way through. But it has, so far, advanced by leaps and bounds. To this date all Red efforts to dim MacArthur's lustre have failed. But the efforts will be continued and it is up to our State Department to cease being so all-fired sweet with the Soviet Government and insist that the Supreme Allied Commander be allowed to finish his job.

And the Department might also suggest that Moscow send word to its American branch to pipe down. Or is that asking too much?

— Proudly wear your Rainbow button —

RADAR . . . AND DELINQUENT DUES

On January 10, radar contact with the moon was established and since then, according to Major General Harry C. Ingles, the Army's Chief Signal Officer, "several subsequent efforts have been successful." From reports released by the War Depart-

Ray Fields, of Guthrie, Okla., past department commander of the American Legion and newspaper publisher of Oklahoma, has taken over his duties as director of the newly-established national division of public relations of the American Legion following his discharge as a major and Army labor relations officer after more than three years of World War II service.

Ray served as a buck private overseas with the Rainbow of War I.

ment at this writing, operation of interplanetary space ships, controlled by radio, was calmly stated to be a possibility.

This epochal development opens up two lines of thought. First, will those honored members of our Division, circa 1917-19, who for some reason these days just don't get around to paying dues find it suited to the circumstances to fly away and thus escape the constant subtle reminders that dues are due?

We are referring the second thought to our Judge Advocate for an opinion. In essence, the thought is, "Can radar be employed legally to probe into vest pockets or other

hiding places to determine the whereabouts of elusive bucks?"

This feeble attempt of ours to write a witty piece on the serious subject of dues will find some of the stalwarts implacable. It will, we hope, find others more responsive. If you happen to favor the elimination of stuff like this from the columns of the REVEILLE, it's all yours for the asking. Merely write out your check today and mail it TODAY to your Chapter Secretary or to National Secretary Allen Gibbons, P. O. Box 342, Roanoke 3, Va. Believe us, you'll feel better for doing it.

FRENCH LICK — JULY 12-13-14

Indiana Rainbow and French Lick go together in 1946. Think of one and the other pops into your mind. Rainbow was indeed fortunate to obtain reservations for those three days, for reports from all over the country indicate that the same crowded conditions prevailing in hotels everywhere today will be no different next July. But the Rainbow dates are confirmed, we have one of the finest Spas in the country reserved you might say almost exclusively for Rainbrowsers, for at that time of year there will be very few other guests there. So, THE FRENCH LICK CAMPAIGN IS ON AND AHEAD OF SCHEDULE. Every objective is being taken and brother if you aren't on hand to help in the Occupation Duty on July 12-13-14, YOU'LL BE SORRY. If you think these Heavy Artillery boys, yes and a lot of others, too, aren't enthused about this Reunion you ought to see the checks that are coming in for our Reunion fund. It's keeping the Tik boys busy and I do mean busy. Arthri Tik on the typewriter, pounding out "thanks" for all the checks and Diabe Tik standing by to dunk the machine every few minutes to cool it off. If that isn't a pair for President Secor to hand such a job to — a bum pump, joints that a dog shouldn't have, not enough teeth between them to bite a hole in a doughnut, no hair on one and no brains in the other. No foolin', folks — as far as Indiana is concerned, the Reunion is on right now. Numerous contacts have been made and much correspondence carried on in regard to entertainment, favors, badges, programs, etc. — and some orders have already been placed. It's going to be a REAL REUNION, Rainbrowsers. An ideal spot, no fighting and arguing with hotel clerks over accommodations and then being told, "Sorry, we're filled up," but rooms for all; a spacious lobby with those deep davenport and chairs that just force you to sit down and "Reune"; cool, inviting porches; beautiful grounds and gardens with miles of walks; delicious food and so much entertainment that you won't even want to

go to a movie for six months. It will be a Rainbow Hotel for those three days; everything and everybody under one roof; every meal a Special Reunion with the dining room full of Rainbrowsers and their wives; three whole days of luxurious loafing, music, entertainment and visiting with each other. What if it does cost a few dollars extra — you can't take it with you, can you? Put away a buck each week until July 12 and you've got enough to pay that extra for you and your wife; and after those three days are over we know you will say, "We wouldn't have missed this Reunion for anything." We'll see you in French Lick in July. And now for a few local items: Two more of our "brass" pieces paid off at the January meeting of the Indianapolis Chapter. We had Lt. Col. Wm. H. Keller scheduled as our guest speaker that night and we learned about the exotic South Sea Islands from him. Bill says Kipling may want to go "somewhere east of Suez," but damned if he even wants to go beyond the Indiana-Ohio line again. Not a sarong from New Guinea to Okinawa — but anything that crawls, bites, stings or stinks — just name it and Bill has seen it and lived with it. You gave us a swell talk, Bill, we enjoyed every minute of it and we appreciate it a lot. Then Col. Glenn Crawford, National Comptroller of the American Legion, ex-corp of Supply Co., and late of the ETO, was on hand and since President Hugh Secor was also a member of that same fighting Supply Co., what was more natural than Hugh putting the finger on Glenn for another talk. He knew better than to refuse, of course, so we got the dope on the AMG. I did think Hugh went a little too far though when he introduced Col. Crawford as "Nit" Crawford. That's a hell of a way to address a Colonel. What do you suppose Butch Maxwell, Spike Glossbrenner, Pop Roberts, Sluggo Ryan and Stinky Olds will think when they hear a brother Colonel referred to as "Nit." I'll tell you what they will think—they will get the idea there "ain't nothin'" sacred to you

guys — and brother, they'll be 100% right. We have waited exactly 28 years to be disrespectful to a colonel and any dumbbell might know we aren't going to muffle the opportunity that has been handed us. Well, anyway, we were awfully glad to see you again, Glenn, and we enjoyed your talk ever so much and we hope you will be with us every meeting. Two more men we hadn't seen for years were present that night; Bill Kurtz (Hq) and Pete Able (E). Bill has been in Milwaukee but has been transferred to Indianapolis—that is, if someone can put him next to a nice stable or haymow he can use for a billet. Pete, who lives in Hudson Falls, N. Y., the youngest man in the outfit, looked so youthful we all thought he was one of the new veterans—and Pete probably thought he had wandered into a G.A.R. meeting. It was good to see Doc Sherwood again and we were happy to have your guest, Lt. (SG) Elmer Sloat with us for the evening, Doc. Jim Veach (A) the refugee from California was on hand again, too. Sid Miller, Fred Reif, Ted Taylor, Rus Lamlin and Boyd Rudicel have gotten the second Friday of the month habit and were with us also, and last but not least there was that Michigan Menace, Van York. All in all it was a successful evening; Stew Tomlinson made a speech or was it, Skinny Allen tried to prove that the automobile will never replace the horse—and succeeded, with Stew's help. Lewis the Engineer, alias Burr-head, got there in time to cause a bottleneck at the door as everyone was leaving, and the poker game was cut successfully amid screams and cries of anguish. What more can you ask of any meeting? So once again—we'll see you in French Lick in July.

Hook.

P.S. Oh yes, as of to date, Jan. 14, the Indianapolis Chapter now has a total of 266 paid-up members.

— Proudly wear your Rainbow button —

CALIFORNIA—Well, folks, as a late well known American would say: "Let's get the record straight," and so without further ado we will try to bring you up to date on the happenings in the Los Angeles Chapter.

The November meeting was quite lively. The boys were in high spirits and much "gay" repartee was indulged in by them.

President Frank Klein was absent on his vacation and V. P. Les Battell presided very efficiently. The old reliables, Rakestraw and Stonebarger were assigned the duty of seeing to it that our Colors were properly displayed in the Armistice Day parade.

The guest speaker of the evening was a Mr. White from the local F.B.I. office. He gave us a splendid talk on the various activities of the F.B.I., and after hearing him

we were prouder than ever of this organization. It deserves the unqualified support of every American.

When the regular meeting was over, the gang retired to the basement for beer and sandwiches.

One day in early November we were on Sixth Street in Los Angeles and saw an officer with a Rainbow patch on his shoulder, looking in a shop window. We stopped and greeted him and learned he was Major R. G. Valentine, of the 242d Inf., who had just returned from overseas duty with the Rainbow, his discharge points having caught up with him. We hope to have Major Valentine at one of our meetings soon.

President Frank Klein was back in charge of the December meeting, having returned from his vacation which was spent in making an auto tour through 32 states. He said when he returned, California looked better than ever.

These Californians. Oh well, since we have lived in California over 25 years we are sold on the state just as much as any Native Son.

Speaking of Native Sons, we were happy to have Walt Michel, Rainbow's roving ambassador with us at the December meeting. Walt was all smiles as he announced he had again become a California taxpayer, having bought some property in Palo Verde near Los Angeles. He said he hoped to return to Los Angeles within a year and again make his home here.

Pittsburgh, you will lose a good member and we will be happy to have Walt back with us again.

The Chapter voted to send each hospitalized Rainbower at Sawtelle and San Fernando Hospitals a Christmas card with a \$5.00 bill in it for a Christmas gift.

The New Year got off to a fine start with an enthusiastic gathering at the January meeting. We were very happy to have with us at this meeting three World War II Rainbowers lately returned from overseas and also a member of the Westchester (N.Y.) Chapter. All four signed up as active members of the Los Angeles Chapter.

The new Rainbowers were: Lt. Col. W. B. Zeller, of the 232nd Infantry; Tech. Sgt. James Richardson, Co. A, 232nd Infantry; and PFC. John A. Hogan, Jr., Co. I, 242nd Infantry. PFC. Hogan was transferred from the Rainbow before it left Camp Gruber and saw action with the 4th Division overseas.

Colonel Zeller gave us a most interesting résumé of the Rainbow in action and we can be mighty proud of the way the Division acquitted itself at all times.

The Colonel was a prisoner of the Germans for several weeks and was released by the Rainbow when it drove into the sector

where he was being held. Sgt. Richardson also spent some time as an involuntary guest of the Germans. Pfc. Hogan was wounded during his first active engagement with the 4th Division and spent a number of months in the hospital.

To you Rainbowers who have returned from World War II, a hearty welcome; be with us each meeting and take an active part in Chapter affairs.

Our new member from the Westchester Chapter is David Burton, of the old 165th Infantry, who has moved to Los Angeles. Welcome, Dave, and we hope you, too, will become active in all affairs pertaining to the Chapter.

A note to Fabian: Here is one less member for you to worry about in the Westchester Chapter.

To all Rainbowers of the First or Second Edition of the World War who may come to Southern California or who live in this district: the Los Angeles Chapter meets the 2nd Thursday of each month, 4th floor, Patriotic Hall. Come and meet with us. You will always find a hearty welcome.

On July 14, 1943, the Rainbow Division was reborn with one of the most beautiful and impressive reactivation ceremonies ever held. Many Rainbowers throughout the country may have wondered why(?), as the months passed, the Division remained at Camp Gruber (July, 1943 to November, 1944) instead of being in active service.

Now that the war is over the reason is beginning to leak out. Scallions to all concerned, whoever they may be, for using the Rainbow as a training and replacement outfit. Not for that did we unfurl our Hallowed Colors!

WARNER H. GRASSELL.

— Proudly wear your Rainbow button —

IOWA—What kind of weather will it be?

How many of the old gang will come out? Does anyone know or care what the program is going to be? Ten thousand questions, like Minnesota's lakes, there just isn't an answer when it comes to an old time Iowa State Reunion. The boys are really getting set for this one—the first full time and all out Reunion since 1941. The hotel already reports room reservations coming in. State President Gardner has appointed good Artie Shultz general chairman. You don't know Artie? Come to the Reunion and see for yourself. Yes, this is the big shindig of the Iowa Rainbow year. March 9-10 at Hotel Fort Des Moines. All Iowa Rainbow will find the trail leading that way and no matter what the weather, there'll be the old gang gathering around here and yon, swapping the

same lies that no one has ever believed but they do sound good and like the old civil war veterans, they have told these same damn lies so long that they actually have become true.

So on March 9-10, we'll see you all at Hotel Ft. Des Moines and the warning is definite—better make your hotel and banquet reservations at once.

Michigan has Tom Hansen with his broken leg. Nothing on Iowa as our state treasurer Ralph Butler, of Des Moines, fell January 2 and broke his leg and is doing right well at the Veterans' Hospital.

HOMER.

— Proudly wear your Rainbow button —

MARYLAND—The members of the Maryland Chapter are slowly recovering from the annual orgy which they dignify by calling their Annual Dinner. Those who were unable to make it to their own homes and spent the night with other befuddled comrades have returned to their firesides, taken their usual tongue-lashing from the "little woman" and are busily engaged in leading a life of sweetness and light, building up enough credits for next year.

Our distinguished guests included National President Bob Hayward, who brought his orderly, our own Emil "Heinie" Letzer, the original Heinie and not to be confused with other heinies. Bob Hayward stuck it out but we understand that immediately after dinner he asked to be transferred to the Daughters of the American Revolution to get the taste of us out of his mouth.

Elmer Pridgeon turned up with about six fine looking young fellows whom he introduced as his sons. We can understand now why Elmer didn't attend meetings very regularly a few years ago. He just didn't have the time.

Temp "The Voice" Gladmon obliged with a few vocal selections accompanied on the pianoforte by that child prodigy "Obie Penelle" O'Brien. Obie's pianissimos and obligatos were executed as only Obie can and he wasn't even above throwing in a vocal profundo occasionally with no extra charge. Obie narrowly escaped serious injury when he was caught between Archer's stomach and Gladmon's chest but Temp breathed out in the nick of time and a tragedy was averted.

We also wish to report that Abe Stout drank nothing intoxicating. We feel, however, that if he never touches another drop he will still wind up with a good average.

Oh well.

HARRY STANSBURY.

MASSACHUSETTS—Marx Rosen'haler has been valiantly trying to stir up the Boston Chapter to get some news in the REVEILLE and at our last meeting I was designated to forward our report of progress to you. I suppose they always try to find some sort of job for the retiring president of a Chapter.

As you know, we are certainly not numbered among the largest of the Rainbow Chapters, but we do have an active group of about 20 members who attend regularly and show considerable interest in keeping the old Rainbow spirit alive. We are also maintaining our Thursday luncheon and although the average attendance is about 5 each week we feel the luncheons are very much worthwhile.

During the past year we have been very fortunate in the speakers whom we have been able to obtain to join us at dinner and talk informally to us. They have all been assigned 20 minutes or so and the talk and question period has always lasted well over an hour. I will simply list the speakers:

Lt. Com. E. M. Plank, who spoke on the development of the Naval Air Force and its probable future position.

Col. Sarkis Zartarian, who spoke in intimate detail of the Italian campaign.

Capt. Charles W. E. Morris, who gave us some hitherto undisclosed information about the situation in Florida during the early part of the war and the super human efforts of the Civil Air Patrol.

Arthur Wellborn, a corporation executive who was interned at Santo Tomas for three years.

Col. John L. Pickett, who played an important role in the supply end of the Normandy Invasion.

What we particularly enjoyed about all of our speakers was that they seemed somehow to sense the informal makeup of our meetings and their talks speedily were on a conversational basis. The result was more of a club gathering with everyone sitting around listening.

At Marx's suggestion we got all hot and bothered about being an on-the-spot reception committee for the returning Division, but find that we will not be called upon to perform that service. We should have been very glad to welcome the national officers here at that time.

I guess that is about all to write at this time that might be of interest to readers of the REVEILLE. We are still holding the New England outpost and will probably always be a small detachment unless the New England veterans of the new Division return in such numbers that we can make New England an important part of the National organization.

ARTHUR W. SAMPSON.

GREETINGS FROM OREGON!—With the coming of peace and Post-War activities, Oregon's Rainbow Division Veterans will take their place in the Rainbow world. Our chapter, inactive for a number of years, is beginning to show signs of life and before the year has rolled around, it is hoped that regular meetings will be held.

Under the guidance of Oregon's contact man, Tyko Hammerberg, plans are being made for Rainbow Reunions at the various veterans' conventions held this year.

To you Rainbows attending the National Conventions of the Military Order of the Purple Heart and the Disabled American Veterans, both being held in Portland, Oregon, the City of Roses, in 1946, be sure and look for "THE SIGN OF THE RAINBOW."

DWIGHT E. ALDERMAN.

— Proudly wear your Rainbow button —

WASHINGTON—Good Evening, Gentlemen! You haven't heard from us much, but we think of you at each meeting—we feel sorry for everybody who doesn't have the privilege of living in the great Northwest.

Our January meeting was a dilly. The boys settled down and did some heavy reminiscing. For instance: When Co. L, 168th Inf., was at Rimacourt, one of the boys entered the second story window of a Frenchman's house via ladder. Some naughty comrades removed the ladder, moved the boards which covered the cistern. Then they knocked on the front door and told Papa there was a soldier upstairs visiting his daughter. Papa started upstairs; the soldier jumped from the window directly into the cistern. When fished out, his ardor had cooled considerably. Ardor, that is. And the time Btv. A, 149th F.A. put on the celebration at Remagen, filled a bath tub with \$400 worth of liquor and had to hurry up and drink it before it ate the enamel off the tub.

Dr. F. L. Williams, Medical Detachment, 168th Inf., has located in Tacoma since September. It was he who selected the hospital at Bad Neunahr and was impressed with the healing qualities of the drinking waters. When he called for final inspection he found about fifty G.I.'s washing their feet in the spring. Dr. Williams reports General Matt Tinley and Colonel E. R. Bennett are at the Veterans' Hospital, Des Moines.

Earl S. Bigler, Sgt., Co. C, 117 Sig. Bn., and later in World War II, Colonel, Army Transport Command, Seattle, is now in civvies and in charge of Aviation, Seattle Chamber of Commerce. Vincent Hyde, Co. C, 117 Sig. Bn., newly appointed Purchasing

Agent, Seattle First National Bank and 65 branches. Walter Deebach, Btry. B, 151st F.A., is Service Officer, Dept. of Washington, V.F.W. Harvey Ingram, 151st M.G. Bn., owns two eating houses in Seattle.

Lt. William McPherson, B Co., 222d Inf., has returned to Vienna after spending furlough with parents. Major John F. Moran, 165th Inf., is now Provost Marshal at Ft. Lewis, Wash. Richard C. Conway, Company D, 168 Inf., now Staff Sgt., Co. C, Hq. Dep. SCC 1907, Ft. Lewis, wants to know WHY Rainbowers of World War I cannot wear the Rainbow Insignia on their right shoulder. Corporal David W. Stapp, Hq. Det., 117th Fld. Sig. Bn., who designed the Rainbow insignia, under the watchful eye of Col. Ruby D. Garrett, was last heard of with the Army Engineers on the Alcan Highway. We meet at the 40-8 the third Monday in each month at six-thirty. Come on over. The only charge is for what you spend, plus tax.

SKINNAY ROBINSON.

— Proudly wear your Rainbow button —

WISCONSIN—Due to weather which approximated a cloud burst, the January meeting of the Douglas MacArthur Chapter was sparsely attended but the few who developed web feet while plowing through the mud of sunny France made up in noise for the absent members. They had cause for jollification, too, because World War No. 2 Rainbower Reid, the first of the new gang to attend one of our meetings, was on hand.

His charming spouse, not knowing that we are a bunch of old stags, was also present, and she helped us in our discussion of a chapter auxiliary. It was decided to ask the Auxiliary committee to call the ladies together on February 1st at the Red Arrow Club, where we normally convene, and let them "parlevioux" as much as they please. Guy Laubach, whose home is in Kenosha, where National Auxiliary President Estelle Frew also lives, promised to try to bring her to the meeting, so that she could give her sage advice to our wives and daughters.

Your humble correspondent was directed to appoint a committee to run the state convention, which is scheduled for Milwaukee in advance of the National Reunion. So far he has not pulled any rabbits out of the hat, but promises to do so before the February meeting.

In addition to Comrade Reid, we find from Sec. Reuther's report that we have twenty-six new Rainbowers in the fold, and looks like some of us hoary (or bald) headed chaps can soon step out and let the young gang take over.

RETREAD (TFO) OLESON.

Dear Letz:

Here is a copy of a poem my mother wrote back in 1917, entitled "At the Foot of the Rainbow." You might be able to use it for a fill sometime.

I still get a kick out of the REVEILLE and have never let my membership in Rainbow lapse since we got back in the States.

Yours for a Bigger Membership,

CLARENCE P. WHITE

F Co., 117th Engineers (the Famous Dog and Pony Show of the Rainbow Division).

AT THE FOOT OF THE RAINBOW

By JESSIE B. WHITE

At the Foot of the Rainbow, somewhere
Lieth a pot of gold!

'Tis the same old childish legend
That will evermore be told.

And what if the way be weary,
And what if the road be long—
Sometime our hands will grasp it
And our hearts break forth in song.
Did you ever think of our Rainbow?

It was not raised by chance,—
One end rests in our country,
The other reached to France—
But the "Pot of Gold" is a vision
Our soldier does not gain.

'Twas not for that he risked his life
On Chateau Thierry's plain.

'Twas gold in the heart of our soldiers,
Of each gallant, sturdy boy,
That came at last from the furnace,—
Pure gold, without alloy.

But there is no gold so precious,
No jewel bright or rare,

Would pay for the lives it cost us
In that furnace—Over There.

Right proudly they entered the harbor,
Our boys in khaki clad,

With their thoughts on a glad tomorrow
And never a heart now sad

They are coming nearer, nearer,

'Tis the measured tread of men!
We will give them a royal welcome,—
Back from the trenches again!

Yet to some of the gallant Rainbow,
We'll ne'er give a welcoming glance,
For they gave their all to their country
And sleep 'mid the lilies of France.

The rains are falling gently
Upon the distant plain

'Twill take the rains of many years
To cleanse War's frightful stain!

There are some to whom death would
be welcome

(Oh, God! that such things can be!)
Their crippled bodies can testify

To that hell across the sea.

So we lay at the foot of our Rainbow,
Our hearts and a love untold,

And we pray that a grateful country
Will grant them the "Pot of Gold."

NATIONAL AUXILIARY

Several years ago at our annual Reunion we voted to form a group within the National Auxiliary for the Daughters of the Rainbow Division Veterans. To date the results have not been up to expectations so we are again asking for the following information to be sent to Miss Nora A. Thynne, Chairman, 349 E. 49th st., New York 17, N. Y.

Full name and address, date of birth, father's name and outfit he served with, father's serial number and the auxiliary chapter name.

If you have already sent in all or part of this information, please do so again as the previous record is not available. There are no dues attached to this organization of D.R.D.V. A beautiful Rainbow membership card will be issued on receipt of the name and other information. Come on, DAD, and forward the facts pronto.

— Proudly wear your Rainbow button —

SPEAKING OF DISPLACED PERSONS

Last month the Philadelphia Chapter received a letter from England which contains much more than usual interest. The letter was penned by a British subject, the mother of a Silver Star winner of the 222d Infantry. The soldier was born in the United States when his mother and father were touring America. With them, he left this country for England when he was eleven years old.

When he was 18 years old, still living in England, he tried to enlist in the Army of the United States. Because of a slight disability, he was rejected. Seeking an operation so he would pass the physical, he was informed that no hospital bed could be spared; they were needed for wounded servicemen. So this future Rainbower jumped down a flight of stairs, receiving injuries sufficient to warrant immediate hospitalization. Regaining his health, he was accepted for military service 14 August 1944. He was sent to France in January 1945 and was transferred to the Rainbow Division. Awarded the Silver Star for gallantry in action 15 March 1945.

Wants to Return to U. S.

As is the case with virtually every other American soldier, this boy, whose home has been in England for the last nine years, wants to come back to America. In fact, he used his uncle's address in Philadelphia as his American residence.

The boy's parents have secured the necessary passports and release from the British Government to embark for America where

they want to establish permanent residence, but have been unable to get the passports visaed.

Referred to D. C. Chapter

As the quickest means of cutting red tape, the letter from England was sent immediately to the D. C. Chapter. If there's any power on earth that can effect the speedy departure of this Rainbower's parents from England to the U.S., it is the World's Most Democratic Chapter. Right, Walker?

— Proudly wear your Rainbow button —

10,433 WAR II RAINBOWERS MEMBERS OF RDV ASSOCIATION

As 1945 drew to a close, a total of 10,433 Rainbomen of War II signed up as members of the National Association. The following standing of units is reprinted from the Overseas Edition of THE RAINBOW REVEILLE, published in Austria, issue of 5 January 1946:

How They Stand

Unit	Per cent	Total
132d Signal	115%	314
42d Recon	107%	152
42d QM	101%	215
392d FA	86%	350
232d Inf.	84%	2560
402d FA	81%	416
222d Inf.	81%	2545
242d Inf.	81%	2317
122d Medics	76%	273
742d Ord.	76%	101
232d FA	66%	351
Div. Band	62%	36
542d FA	53%	230
Hq. Div. Arty.	52%	78
142d Engrs.	48%	273
Div. Hq. Co.	35%	186
MP Platoon	23%	36
Total		10,433

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RAINBOWERS IN AUSTRIA INSPECT STOLEN ART TREASURES

By PFCs. LARRY BERLIN AND
WILLIAM OLDHAM

At the 242d Infantry CP in Fischhorn Castle, Bruck, a collection of Polish art treasures is sweating out a trip home in a manner not exactly unfamiliar to GI's. The treasures, which include most of the castle's furnishings, are estimated to be worth \$10,000,000, and they represent the rather un-

successful attempt of a Nazi SS general to become a multimillionaire almost overnight.

After the fall of Warsaw, a certain Major General Fegerlein became obsessed with the glory of victory and decided that he would have a castle finer than the finest of kings. He promptly confiscated Fischhorn, the home of the Peruvian ambassador to Germany, and then headed for Poland to confer with Nazi Governor-General Frank.

Not long afterwards, four long freight trains were headed for Bruck loaded with everything in Warsaw which could meet the strange Nazi standards of value and culture combined. Many of these priceless museum pieces the Nazi general crudely installed as furnishings in the castle, but enough was left over to fill two large warehouses in the rear.

Other Deposits

Fegerlein's little job was actually a small part of the Nazi looting program. Deposits have been found all over Europe, and there are undoubtedly others which are yet to be discovered. But the one at Fischhorn is probably one of the largest. This is surprising since it was intended to be the property of a single man and was comprised entirely of Polish property.

When the Americans began occupying Austria last May, Fegerlein and his crew of SS men took off in a decided hurry, but they couldn't take it with them, and the loot was left behind, after the SS men satisfied their greed by bayoneting and burning many of the treasures. The general, incidentally, is still at large, and he is wanted by the Allied War Crimes Commission.

After the Nazis left, the castle was vacant for three days. During this time the civilians in the vicinity helped themselves liberally to the fine furnishings, and most of what was taken has never been recovered.

Poles Discover Loot

It was last August that Lt. Bohdan Urbanowicz, commandant of the Polish army camp in Salzburg, received a message from an anxious Polish DP, informing him of the presence of an art collection at Fischhorn. Being an artist himself as well as a cavalry officer, the lieutenant was highly interested, and he immediately paid a visit to the castle. He soon recognized the treasures as those missing from museums and palaces in Poland, and on 4 August he left to report to his government in Warsaw. He was ordered to return to Austria and to begin assembling and classifying the treasures for eventual shipment back to Poland.

On 2 September Lt. Urbanowicz received permission from the Allied Military Government to go ahead with the work. After four months he has returned to Poland, but

his assistants have remained to complete the project. They are anxious to return home, but in the meantime their job is not without a touch of humor.

In December they discovered a solid ivory vase, dating from the 14th century, in the home of a woman near Fischhorn. When they told her they would have to take the vase, she replied that she really wouldn't mind because it had a hole in the bottom and wouldn't hold water.

It was worth \$5,000.

Fegerlein Related to Hitler

Nazi General Fegerlein was recently confirmed as the brother-in-law of Adolf Hitler. His wife is the sister of Eva Braun.

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222d SOLDIERS GIVEN AWARDS

In a special ceremony held on the 20th of December, last, in front of Vienna's Votivkirche, the following 222d Infantrymen were presented with awards by Regimental Commander Colonel Henry Luongo:

Cluster to the Bronze Star

S/Sgt. Gottlieb Kufeldt
Sgt. Lemoyne Anderson
Cpl. Paul Dvorshack

Bronze Star

Lt. Stanley Howard
T/Sgt. William Marsh
S/Sgt. John Vilga, Jr.
S/Sgt. Abraham Rosenberg
Sgt. James E. McCourt
Pfc. Robert Choate
Pfc. Allen Coccetti
Pfc. Earl Corbin
Pfc. Richard Fagan
Pfc. Oliver Gantt
Pfc. Leonard Sandman
Pfc. Stanley Sussman
Pfc. Harold Winemiller

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ONE WOMAN'S OPINION OF 42d

Following is an excerpt of a letter from a French resident of Salzburg:

"For Christmas, it has been simply grand. On the Sunday afternoon the Rainbow Division did things on quite a grand scale. They sent buses and cars to fetch all the children in the schools and bring them to the Festspielhaus where a fine band greeted them with Christmas tunes and a Soldier-Choir sang the exquisite 'Stille-Nacht' which was composed by Mohr in Salzburg in 1818, and a fine 'Gloria in Excelsis Deo.' The children were so enchanted that it was for them like getting into fairyland. They got also to see well chosen amusing films. All the soldiers went on filling their pockets with wonderful things.

"I shall always remember it.

"It is just the Heart of America."

RAINBOW UNIVERSITY TO CLOSE

USFA Order Ends Division School With Present Term

(42d Division Veterans of both wars are equally grieved to learn that the famous Rainbow University will close its doors in the near future. This news was received in the States just as we were going to press with this issue of the REVEILLE. Rather than delay the issue by giving this story front-page position, which its importance deserves, and making over the entire book, we've killed other copy on page 10 and substituted the University story. The following is a reprint from the 12 January issue of the RAINBOW REVEILLE in Austria. Ed.)

A stiff blow was dealt to the men of the 42d Division last week when Major General Harry J. Collins announced that, by order of USFA, Rainbow University closes its portals at the end of the present term.

This school, the first of its type, has been such an outstanding success that it has surpassed all possible expectations. It has so stirred army educational circles that University Commandant Captain Kenneth T. Koeber, now on TDY in the States on rehabilitation furlough, has been ordered to appear before General Eisenhower's G-3 in Washington to expound on the miracles wrought by the enlisted men of the Rainbow in organizing the only Division University in the European Theater.

In August the Division converted hotels in scenic Zell am See into a school to train Rainbowmen for combat against the Japanese. But then came the end of the war and this "Rainbow Leaders' School" was rendered obsolete. The Division commander decided that the institution be converted into a junior college level school and this decision was enthusiastically received by the 42d and the full speed ahead signal was given.

Division Instructors

However, more than suggestions were needed to build an accredited peacetime university out of an outdated war school. A first and seemingly impossible step was to procure capable, qualified instructors. Hoping to come across about a dozen men in the Division with the required background, a screening was made and the University officials were pleasantly surprised to discover men of such caliber as: Pfc. Herbert Saslow, A.B. and M.S. in Zoology; S/Sgt. Carl Koch, B.A. in Education; T-5 Robert Darling, B.A. in History, M.A. in Government; T-3 Martin Bloom, B.S. in Electronics and men of similar qualifications. With the single exception of German teachers, the entire faculty was built with highly qualified instructors from within this single Division.

The material necessary for equipping the University was not so easy to procure. The

new staff set out in their jeeps to the University of Vienna for Zeiss microscopes, to the I. G. Farben plant in Frankfurt for chemicals, to various signal units for one of the finest collections of electronic equipment ever assembled at a small institution of learning, to an ancient Franciscan monastery near Innsbruck for an unequalled geological collection, to Paris for textbooks to supplement the available I & E assortment. But the more technical manuals were not available in the theater and an appeal to the Rainbow Veterans Association brought a flood of air-expressed cloth-bound textbooks.

Application forms were distributed to the men possessing the necessary requirements—a high school diploma and a desire to learn. From these applicants were selected 300 men to compose the first student body at Rainbow University. Rank was abolished in favor of a professor-mister status. The chicken was reserved for the Sunday dinner table. As Captain Koeber pointed out in his opening address, the students are here to learn, the professors are here to teach—anything else is secondary!

At the completion of the course, in addition to the diploma, the student is given an Army Educational certificate stating the length and nature of the course, the textbooks used and the name and qualifications of the instructors. Thus the Stateside college can decide for itself the value of credits received, and indications from these schools are that the full credit for Rainbow University courses will be given.

Good Sports Program

Besides the textbooks and labs, emphasis was placed on sports and recreation. The small student body produced a football team which carried the school's colors through the snow and mud of the gridiron. Basketball teams were formed, as well as top-notch boxing squads. With the coming of snow, many students took to the hills on skis and bob-sleds. Two movie theaters, Sunday night dances and a coffee doughnut lounge helped the students find relaxation after study hours.

Lessons were not restricted to the classrooms since students and professors were often to be found discussing difficult points over cups of coffee. Taking advantage of the location of the school with its proximity to Austrian farms, mines, rare geological beds, many of the classes featured invaluable field trips.

The men had their hearts behind the school and felt that anything which helped or hindered Rainbow University did the same to them. The spirit the men took, finding themselves surrounded by others with the same hunger for knowledge, cannot be duplicated in any American college. Typical of their attitude was the response to a recent emergency. Early in December, a malfunction of the equipment of the civilian scien-

tist operating the Chemistry Research Laboratory started a fire which razed the lab and adjoining Training Aids Shop. The only bright spot in the catastrophe was the spirit in which the students and faculty rallied to the cause. Practically overnight they contributed \$15 dollars, which was enough to build a new laboratory. Undaunted by the complete loss of all chemicals and equipment, the chemistry section began "scrounging" again. After only a month, according to Professor Greenbaum, the lab was again completely equipped.

Soon Rainbow University, like YANK, will receive its honorable discharge and an enthusiastic "well done!" from the man who brought it into being—the GI. We can all be proud of its achievements—in two, short eight-week courses more than 600 men received the finest instruction they have had since leaving college and made adequate preparation for their return. Also, as the only school of its kind, it has been a pioneer, paving the way for higher standards in the army education program. The equipment, which has been gathered from all corners of Europe is being sealed and stored, ready to return to use as soon as favorable word is received from USFA. Students and professors will return to occupational duties, prepared at any time to return to Rainbow University.

PIANIST COMSKY INVITED TO PLAY WITH VIENNA PHILHARMONIC

Making his formal European debut Christmas night in Vienna's famous Konzerthaus, T/Sgt. Bernard Comsky, 222d Inf., played works of Bach, Chopin, Brahms and De Falla. As a result of his concert, he was invited to play with the Vienna Philharmonic as guest star.

"This young American has a brilliant piano technique that should assure his success in the music world," was the concluding statement of one of the foremost Viennese music critics in discussing Comsky's performance.

Following his discharge, he plans a concert tour to include Scotland, where, at the world famous Scottish National Academy of Music, in Glasgow, he spent a 3-month study in piano technique.

RAINBOW DIVISION TO START DRIVE AGAINST ALL ACCIDENTS

Reprinted from the Overseas REVEILLE, 20 January, 1946

An alarming increase in the number of fatalities and injuries resulting from traffic, sports, and other accidents has necessitated the intensive and rigidly enforced safety campaign now under way in the Division.

Emphasizing that the treacherous condition of the roads during the winter months has been responsible to a great extent for many of these accidents, the Safety Council, charged with the enforcement of this cam-

paign, will concentrate most of its efforts on the drivers within Division, as well as the civilian drivers in Austria.

As a member of the Safety Council, a representative from the Division Surgeon General's Office disclosed that a surprising number of the total accidents involving men of the Rainbow have resulted from sporting activities. It appears that would-be ski enthusiasts instead of learning the fundamentals of skiing before attempting to negotiate dangerous and difficult trails, are starting out as accomplished veterans. Such an attitude may be more impressive to comrades, but it usually results in broken arms, or even more serious injury.

Although many of the units in the Division do not have to contend with this problem, the fact remains that no small percentage of the total accidents have resulted from enthusiastic GIs trying to emulate accomplished Austrians in leaping on and off moving street cars. Such a practice is not only dangerous but can be the cause of permanent injury or disability.

Needless to say the responsibility for the successful enforcement of such a program ultimately rests with the various unit commanders. But the actual decrease in the number of traffic accidents, ski and other sport mishaps, and the numerous other types of injuries that have been inflicted on many of the men of the Division can only be achieved through the intelligent, and immediate cooperation of each soldier.

FROM THE DESK OF THE NATIONAL SECRETARY

P.O. Box 342, Roanoke 3, Virginia

Returns from the Chapters have been very disappointing during the month between compilation of Chapter Standings for December 20th and January 20th. Only 196 memberships were received from this usually fruitful source. During the same period last year, 506 cards were issued. What Christmas and New Year's Celebrations there must have been across the nation this year! With those functions out of the way, let's step on the gas and try to make up for lost time!

Memberships are still arriving from the Rainbow Division over in Austria. The total received from overseas is 9,528 as of January 20th. However, General Harry Collins wrote on December 21st that their total was then 10,116, so more are on the way.

Don't forget to wear your Rainbow Lapel Button and to display your Rainbow Windshield or Window Decals. If you do not have these beautiful emblems of our Division and your chapter secretary or treasurer cannot supply you, order them from this office at \$1.00 each for the Buttons and 2 for 25c for the Decals.

R. Allen Gibbons

National Secretary.

Chapter	Last Year's Record	1945-46 To Jan. 20
Alabama State Association ...	4	0
Crawford Z. Ables	28	10
Major John W. Carroll	46	* 51
Mortimer H. Jordan	95	92
William M. Peters	34	* 37
Dallas B. Smith	1	0
Julien M. Strassberger	99	* 103
Durward Crowder	16	0
ALABAMA TOTAL	323	293
Los Angeles	178	165
San Francisco	102	* 152
Joyce Kilmer	20	14
James Daugherty	4	2
CALIFORNIA TOTAL	304	* 335
Pueblo	3	1
Denver	44	35
COLORADO TOTAL	47	36
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	91	85
Florida State Association	0	0
Jacksonville	26	2
Miami	23	20
Pensacola	0	4
St. Petersburg	0	* 15
Gen. Charles P. Summerall ..	101	40
FLORIDA TOTAL	154	81
Georgia Chapter	28	13
Frank Joerg	1	1
Cooper D. Winn	42	41
GEORGIA TOTAL	71	55
Illinois	820	582
Danville	47	36
ILLINOIS TOTAL	867	638
Indiana State (Indianapolis) ..	226	* 266
Bloomington	66	* 74
Fort Wayne	8	* 34
LaFayette	29	15
Martinsville	22	* 27
South Bend	18	9
INDIANA TOTAL	369	* 423
Iowa State Association	0	52
Col. E. R. Bennett	220	149
Cedar Rapids	42	19
Oskaloosa	46	* 50
Creston	55	31
Lee County	20	9
Fort Dodge	7	3
Mason City (North Iowa)	34	23
Mathew A. Tinley	58	50
Cedar Valley	36	* 42
Ottumwa	16	* 31
Southwest Iowa	24	9
Northwest Iowa	32	* 38
IOWA TOTAL	590	506
LOUISIANA (New Orleans)	25	20
MARYLAND	76	66
MASSACHUSETTS	45	26
MICHIGAN	187	113
Minnesota State Association ..	2	0
Minneapolis	169	145
St. Paul	33	26

Chapter	Last Year's Record	1945-46 To Jan. 20
MINNESOTA TOTAL	204	171
Missouri-Kansas	155	87
St. Louis	5	3
MISSOURI-KANSAS TOTAL	160	90
NEBRASKA	38	35
New Jersey	109	102
Gen. Charles T. Menoher	25	20
NEW JERSEY TOTAL	134	122
Father Duffy Chapter of N. Y. ..	701	422
Long Island	35	* 37
Westchester	31	0
NEW YORK TOTAL	767	459
Ohio State Association	36	31
Ralph Berger	44	18
Cincinnati	109	50
Columbus	128	109
Newark	50	46
Luther Swigart	19	* 19
Akron	37	33
Dyer J. Byrd	34	31
Paul Hume	4	1
Sedan	13	5
Edison H. Miller	16	* 34
Lancaster	54	47
Cleveland	39	28
Springfield	24	19
Vets of Co. G, 166th Inf. ..	111	* 141
OHIO TOTAL	718	612
Oklahoma State Association ..	2	1
Oklahoma City	24	8
Tulsa	63	* 74
OKLAHOMA TOTAL	89	83
OREGON	7	12
Pennsylvania State Association ..	1	0
Easton	1	0
Pittsburgh	98	84
Bethlehem	53	48
Lancaster	63	47
Reading	27	14
Philadelphia	48	33
PENNSYLVANIA TOTAL	291	226
SOUTH CAROLINA	27	25
TENNESSEE	1	5
TEXAS	110	17
Virginia State Chapter	116	95
Homer A. Hughes (Lynchburg) ..	34	* 43
VIRGINIA TOTAL	150	138
WASHINGTON STATE	26	19
(Seattle)	8	6
Wisconsin State Association ..	48	21
Appleton	26	* 30
Gen. Douglas MacArthur	28	0
Fond du Lac	42	32
Oshkosh	152	89
WISCONSIN TOTAL	19	10
NATIONAL CHAPTER AT	0	9,666
LARGE (War I)	0	14,456
NATIONAL CHAPTER AT	0	14,456
LARGE (War II)	0	14,456
GRAND TOTALS	6,042	14,456

(* Indicates those active chapters which have equaled and exceeded last year's membership.)

If YOU do not belong to a chapter, use the following coupon:

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I served with the (Name of Unit in 42nd Division)

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