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From Your President

It won't be long now!

With the warmer weather at the door and the shedding of the top coats, one starts to think of the Reunion.

Traveling throughout the country and seeing the different chapters putting on banquets, dances, etc., one realizes just how important these little reunions are to Rainbow.

Just returned from one at Red Bank, N. J., and if I lived in Jersey you would find me at every one of their affairs, a steak dinner, a show, etc. Of course the usual thing happened: a Rainbower shows up the first time in thirty years. He was flabbergasted to see all his wartime buddies having a fine time and now realizes what he has been missing.

We, who have been attending our chapter affairs plus an occasional visit to our neighboring states, realize the National Reunion is the grand climax to all Rainbow affairs.

The Reunion is the grandest party of them all.

How would you know that Rainbow really existed if you didn't attend your chapter functions? By attending the reunion at Pittsburgh this year you will meet Rainbowers from every state, many of them started planning their vacation already to coincide with July 12, 13, 14. If you have not already started plans, don't put it off any longer, send in that reservation.

When you attend the National Reunion in Pittsburgh you are going to end your fiscal Rainbow year in grand style. Can you think of a more fitting manner of ending same? Write that buddy of yours that you wanted to see for years, and tell him you will meet him in Pittsburgh in July—Pennsylvania's first National Reunion.

JOHN D. BRENNER

A national association of veterans of the Rainbow (42nd) Division, to perpetuate that spirit of comradeship which was the greatest single factor in the success of the Division and to keep alive the memory of departed comrades.

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SHOW YOUR COLORS

The well dressed young (and aren't we all young?) Rainbowb wears a Rainbow pin in his coat lapel. This emblem tells the world that you belonged to the greatest combat outfit in two World Wars, and that you are darned well proud of that fact. It shows that you

belong to an exclusive (and successful) organization; and that you are darned well proud of the fact. It is a prestige pin; wear it with pride and wear it always. If you haven't got a Rainbow pin don't lose any time getting one and displaying it where it can do the most good!

The well equipped automobile driven by a Rainbow veteran displays the Rainbow emblem. If you are privileged to display it, do so by all means. A pair of Rainbow decals can be obtained for two bits, and your car should display one.

Any Rainbower who has ever driven in to a station and been greeted with "Hi there, Rainbower!" has been impressed with the pleasure and satisfaction that can come to one through displaying the Rainbow Colors on his car. Order yours today. Allen Gibbons has them (P.O. Box 342, Roanoke, Va.), and he will be glad to get your order for a pin or two and some Rainbow decals.

Mr. Chapter Secretary: Is your Chapter fresh out of Rainbow pins? Today would be a good time to write in to Allen and order a supply.

SIGNIFICANT TIMES

With the threat of a possible war hanging over the world today, it is natural that the men who served together in the World Wars should feel drawn to one another. Turn out for your Chapter meetings and talk things over with your old pals. No one knows what the near future may bring forth and the troubled times draw closer the bond that link together the men who have shared the experience of combat service.

THE BUDDY REUNION

The Reveille is not going to let up on a theme, initiated last year at the last moment and launched this year in ample time to reap the fruit of the idea. Here is the scheme. This is to be the "Reunion of Buddies." Every Rainbower is to stop and decide just which ones of his most intimate buddies during the wars he would most like to see at Pittsburgh. Having worked out a list of such friends he is to sit down and write to each of them urging that they make an especial point to be present. Getting such a letter is quite likely to swing the decision of such men in favor of going to Pittsburgh; especially if the men in turn will write to others of their particular clique.

Properly carried out this plan may well start a sort of avalanche of buddies landing in and on Pittsburgh on the night of July 12.

We all know that although we enjoy meeting with any and all of our Rainbow friends, that the cream of a Reunion is the contact we make with the men from our own particular outfits.

If this plan is put into execution this can be the greatest Reunion of them all because of the innumerable sub-reunions of pals from the outfits. You can make the Pittsburgh Reunion pay extra dividends if you will get behind the "Buddies Reunion" plan. If there are men whom you are eager to contact and do not have their ad-

PITTSBURGH PREPARATIONS PROGRESS

General Chairman Vince Fleckenstein reports to your Editor that plans for a great Reunion in Pittsburgh next July 12, 13 and 14 have taken a great spurt ahead in the past month.

The program has been established in more than tentative form. While it seems preferable to avoid publication of the exact details, the Keystone Rainbowers know where they are going and what they are going to do!

The most important step in assuring a Reunion up to the high standards we have set over the years is in assigning the Chairmanships of the various committees. This has been done, and all Rainbow will recognize the sterling capacity of Pittsburgh's team of Chairmen. Their enumeration gives the final assurance that Pittsburgh will do it!

George Winslow has been designated Chairman of Registration. Thus we know that Rainbowers will be well and truly greeted, fitted with the right size badges and supplied with the necessary catalogue of programs and tickets, all in the sunshine of George's inimitable smile.

Leo (parlez vous Francaise) Moquin is Chairman of the Banquet. That Leo will do Pittsburgh proud none can doubt who know the little Frenchman's dynamic energy and ability to get things done.

President Conrad Eibeck is Chairman of Pennsylvania Night. This festivity, to be held on the opening night, may make Rainbow history. It will be the customary mixer and entertainment, but with a new touch. It is a party sponsored by the various Chapters in Pennsylvania, and will have a state-wide flavor and interest through this fact. As far as we can recollect it will be the first Reunion which has embodied a feature under the immediate direction of a group of Chapters from the state involved. Everyone must look forward with great interest to this event which should have a unique quality and character of its own.

Mrs. Alma Eibeck is Chairman of the National Auxiliary's Reunion, and promises that Rainbow's ladies will not be disappointed in the hospitality to be offered by Pennsylvania on this occasion.

Pittsburgh is doing the job, doing it in the great fashion we could have expected of them. They will put on a great and a satisfying Reunion. It remains for you, dear reader, to do your part. Plan to come to Pittsburgh. You will be glad if you go and sorry if you stay away. All that is needed to put this Reunion over the top is a great attendance, and that is virtually assured.

And the moment you have established your plan to be present, sit down at once and write to the *William Penn Hotel* and make your reservation. It will be promptly acknowledged by the hotel, and they in turn will supply the Reunion Committee with the fact of your reservation. Everyone wants to be at the Headquarters Hotel, and the William Penn has ample space to accommodate all Reunioners, but it is necessary that you get your reservation, and in plenty of time, so that we may be sure of being able to avail ourselves of the space they have placed at our disposal.

SEE YOU IN PITTSBURGH!

dress, write to our genial National Secretary, R. Allen Gibbons, P.O. Box 342, Roanoke, Va., giving the name and outfit of the man you are anxious to contact. Al will quite possibly be able to supply you with his address, since the Association keeps an alphabetical list of all members; and since, moreover, Allen has the ad-

resses of many World War II Rainbowers even if they are not now members of the Association.

In this way, and in every other way possible, plug the Pittsburgh Reunion. A big attendance is anticipated; a record-breaking attendance is possible if everyone will put his shoulders to the wheel.

ALABAMA

Now that the Alabama Rainbow Veterans have recovered from the February 22 meeting held in Montgomery at the Jefferson Davis Hotel, they are now looking forward to the Annual State Reunion to be held the latter part of May or June. Dates to be released soon by H. S. Foster, State President, who is in the automobile business, and is really on the run.

Lindsey Cox, the president of the Mortimer H. Jordan Chapter, and his officers, are now planning a real program for the May meeting.

William H. Peters Chapter at Tuscaloosa held a special meeting and entertained a number of World War II veterans from the U. S. Veterans Hospital at Tuscaloosa. Mike O'Hara, chairman of entertainment committee.

The Major Carroll Chapter from Mobile reports excellent results from their new membership campaign.

Joe Dickerson of the Montgomery Chapter put on such an outstanding party and entertainment in his home in Montgomery that Comrade Harry Carter of Kentucky Post, National Chaplain, was requested to report in detail to the Rainbow Reveille. Congratulations, Harry, you did a swell job, and it was nice to see you and your dear wife again.

A number of Rainbow Veterans from Alabama are now talking of going to Pittsburgh to the annual meeting in July.—HENRY C. WARD.

CALIFORNIA

March is a month well known for its many moods: wind, rain, heat and cold, and these varying moods must have influenced the members present at the Los Angeles Chapter's March meeting.

The meeting was devoted to business and a number of subjects were brought up and each one present had his own idea on the question of the moment and expressed himself in his own inimitable way.

Bill Williamson made a speech on a subject very dear to his heart which brought forth a strong rebuttal from that defender of Southern tradition, Rakestraw, with various others kibitzing in a none too parliamentary manner.

All in all the evening was one which might be termed a bit "hectic" but there were no casualties from the outbursts of oratory. There was one report, however, which received unanimous approval and that was about the amount received by the Chapter from the holding of the Santa Anita Hi-Jinx February 26. The report of money in the bank is always good news.

Colonel J. Monroe Johnson was in Los Angeles March 16 to 18 on matters pertaining to transportation. The Colonel's time was pretty much taken up with business affairs but on the evening of the 18th a number of his former Engineers gathered in his suite at the Biltmore Hotel to greet him and to hold a good old "bull"

session. The party broke up at midnight when the Colonel had to leave to catch a plane for Washington.—WARNER H. GRASSELL.

The last meeting of the San Francisco Chapter held on March 17 (St. Patrick's Day) was a great night. After a few remarks from the Irish, the officers went to work and we went over the top in membership and now we are out to beat the Los Angeles Chapter. (Boy, how the Irish can talk on St. Patrick's Day). Past President Doc Edwards was passing the refreshments around with the cornbeef, the Irish still had the floor. Comrade Ryan (from the 69th) got up and said, "Let's have our pictures taken," and in less time than it does to say Elmer, the room was full of photographers. A great time was had by all.

The picnic chairmanship again was given to Past President Thomas Marchi, with Past President John Conroy and Vice President Bartoldo as co-chairman. The picnic will be held again at Flood Park on July 18 as host to the comrades who are living in San Mateo County.

Take Notice—Comrades from Sacramento, Lodi and other towns, the High-Jinks will be held on July 17, Room 1, War Memorial Building, San Francisco. This will be an outstanding affair, so the committee reports. Cal Reed, Jimmie Araujo, Vito Bertoldo, are on the greeting committee. Al Hammond and Carl Gray are in charge of entertainment, and promise us a great show. Past president Roy (Alabam) David, is chairman of eats, and he always put out a swell dish, so let's not forget the date—Saturday night, July 18.

To Comrades who have not paid dues: send in your two dollars—San Francisco Chapter, Rainbow Division Veterans, Room 127, Veterans Building, San Francisco, Calif.

We still have a few histories of the 222nd, which any member of same may have one free. WM. McCANTS, JR.

INDIANAPOLIS

Our March meeting drew a better than average crowd as we had promised some movies in the way of entertainment. However, President Bonham who was furnishing the equipment and films was rather seriously ill at the time and consequently was unable to be there. He has guaranteed a double feature though, for the April meeting if the boys want to see that much.

The Indianapolis Chapter has received much additional material for the Rainbow Room in the War Memorial recently from Mrs. Robert H. Tyndall. Included in the items presented by Mrs. Tyndall were many battle maps, photographs, intelligence reports and General Tyndall's field uniform and helmet. Reports are still coming in from A Battery men who attended their battery reunion on February 21, all of them agreeing on what a swell time they had and

lamenting the fact that they waited thirty years to have such a reunion. Just goes to show that a man never learns a damn thing until he is at least fifty years old—and a lot of them never learn—period. Membership report: late returns show that we have at last reached last year's total of 316, which means we still have 84 to go to hit the 400 mark. All we need to reach our goal is for eight or ten men to really take an interest and go after the slow motion artists. Several of the men already have their hotel reservations in Pittsburgh for next July and it looks as if Indiana will have a good delegation on hand for the reunion. Two of our WW II men here rate a big hand for always being on hand for meetings: Bill Russell of the 42d Combat Eng. and Ed. Dolan of the 132nd Sig. Bn. Bob Hogue of Div. Hq. ran right along with them until he started working at nights and that has caused him to lose out. Jerry Kohn of the 232nd Inf. rates pretty high but could do better and the same goes for Roy Keach and George Kinz of the 222d Inf. Of course the example set by a lot of the old bats of 1918 vintage isn't so wonderful. Talk has started already of another big party for June for Rainbows and their wives. See you in Pittsburgh.—HOOK.

IOWA

It never fails! All winter long we have no snow and what a nice open winter we have been having—then along comes the annual Iowa State Association Reunion—and on the morning of March 6, the first day of the reunion, we get our big snow of the winter. And what a storm it was this year! But in spite of that, a good number of loyal and loving Rainbows plowed through and came in for the reunion. It was by far the smallest in years but starting with the floor show on Saturday night and on down to the Memorial Hour, it never lacked a thing and typified the all-time Rainbow comradeship and spirit. Understand that some of the boys were wishing for the return of Everette Hale from down Dallas, Texas, and Hook Young from Indianapolis, keeping in mind of course the 1947 national reunion.

Well, Reg Sanford and his committee really worked up a real party and gave us the best show ever. The business session was short and delightful as State President Jim Day lost his voice and couldn't say very much. Practically needed an interpreter and that's something unusual for Jim. Constitution and By-Laws were changed permitting the State Reunion to go any place in the state—and Waterloo right away extended an invitation for the 1949 reunion. The executive committee will act on the invitation at a later date. Harm Aries, Waterloo, was elected president; vice presidents were "Blackie" Montgomery, Stuart; Ralph Heasty, Mt. Vernon; Tom Carlin, Dubuque; Herbert Poe, Sioux

City; Aries appointed Wilbur Priebe, WW II Rainbow of Waterloo as his secretary; Ralph Butler, the long and well-wearing Ralph Butler was re-elected treasurer, and Col. Claude S. Stanley, chaplain; trustees elected were Frank Douglas, Oskaloosa; O. L. Dennis, Davenport; Milo Foster, Webster City, and Claire Ferguson, Jefferson. Looks like a real lineup for the 1948-49 Iowa Rainbow year.

Where will Iowa end up in the 1947-48 national membership year? Well, it depends upon the several hundred members who have paid the last few years and have not as yet renewed their membership so far. It's after the National Reunion year, fellows—so let's show the old gang that Iowa does not believe in that old let-down. Let's go on up and do the job right. Get in touch with your chapter secretary NOW!—HOMER.

KANSAS - MISSOURI

World War I and II veterans of the Rainbow Division, several with their fine sons, also veterans though not of the Rainbow, attended the Annual Meeting of the MO-KAN Chapter at Fairfax Airport Restaurant, Kansas City, Kansas, Saturday evening, February 21, 1948. Although Kansas is noted for its aridity the usual Rainbow spirit prevailed and the camaraderie for which Rainbow is famous was more evident than usual under the gracious charm of President Knowlton Carson. Our own Ruby D. Garrett read a letter from General Douglas MacArthur dated November 29, 1947 from GHQ, Supreme Commander of the Allied Power, Office of Supreme Commander, in which Comrade MacArthur expressed his felicitations and stated his intention to visit the shrine in Kansas City as soon as possible after his return to this country. Messages from other Rainbows unable to attend in person were read and received with the usual interest by their comrades-in-arms. Several loyal Rainbows attended from a distance in spite of weather conditions including Paul Mueller, who made a special trip from Milwaukee, Wisconsin, for the event, faithful old Cal Lambert and others from out in Kansas.

The following officers were elected for the coming year: Knowlton Carson, President; Charles (Tuffy) Williams, 1st Vice President; Herbert Butts, 2nd Vice President; Bob Taylor, P.O. Box 42, Kansas City, Missouri, Secretary; Ray Ramsey (the old faithful "moneymen"), Treasurer; Earl (Rev.) Chaffee, Chaplain.

A lively discussion headed by Bob Taylor brought out various suggestions to increase membership by interesting more Rainbow Veterans of both wars, and your correspondent predicts a great stimulation in membership and attendance as the result. The National Reunion in Pittsburgh was emphasized and it is expected that a goodly delegation from the Mo-Kan Chapter will attend.

CHESTER A. MILES

MINNESOTA

Up here in Minnesota the big reunion celebrating our entrance into the front lines was celebrated on February 22. Our two days' reunion started off with a Stag Party at the American Legion Club Rooms in St. Paul, that being the host chapter this year. After election of officers the party turned into just a general "hello, how are you" amongst themselves from all over the country. The party broke up in the wee hours of the morning with everybody reporting a swell time.

The following were elected as officers (these are all State Officers):

President, Elmer Faatz; Vice Presidents, Paul Phillipy, Lee Harrison, Donald Hassey, Jack Murray; Secretary, Harry Cory; Treasurer, Earl Kastner; Sgt. at Arms, Brighton Eddy; Chaplain, Joe Justad.

Men in the hospital receiving care are Fred Parrish, Doc Soper, Andy Wolfe, Joe Connolly and Stewart Segerstrom. We hope you will all be home at an early date.

Our dues up here in Minnesota have really gone to town this year—the largest in our history with both Minneapolis and St. Paul going over their quotas. The boys who have worked so hard at it should be very proud of their efforts. "F" Battery Last Man Club held its meeting February 27. It will take only such fellows as belong to such clubs to appreciate what a time we really had. Claude Batzel was elected President for the coming year.

The Minneapolis Chapter will be guests of the St. Paul Chapter at their April 5 meeting. President George Morgan says that he really has a party planned and when George says he has a party planned he really has.—FRANK WEST.

PENNSYLVANIA

The Lancaster Chapter is very busy these days planning and making preparations for Rainbow affairs in the near future. Number one on our list at the moment is our Annual Banquet to be held Saturday, April 17, at the Manheim Twp. Post, American Legion, Pleasure Road, Grand View Heights, Lancaster. This banquet is held annually on the night before our Annual State meeting. Extensive preparations are being made and it promises to be quite an affair. Numerous out-of-town guests are expected.

It seems that Lancaster in the past years has "missed the boat." A Ladies Auxiliary has been formed under the capable leadership of Mrs. Frank Downes, president. In the past I have been rather cool towards auxiliaries but after seeing what has been accomplished during the few months that they have been formed I'm for them 100 percent. Our attendance has increased and more interest on the part of Chapter members has definitely been shown. Some time ago they held a card party and Mrs. Raymond Miller sold over 100 tickets and collected nearly 100 prizes. Needless to say the party was a huge success.

We are looking forward to the Annual State Meeting to be held at the Greater Reading Post,

VFW, Sunday, April 18, at which time election of officers will be held for 1948-49. Reunion Chairman Fleckenstein will probably present the Reunion program and appoint committees.

Pennsylvania was well represented at the Tri-State Reunion in Washington. Rainbowers were there from Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, Reading and Lancaster. Romaine Gochenaur, a former member of the outfit, now living in Washington, spent the day with me and it was good seeing him again after a lapse of 29 years. It was really a nice party and congratulations are in order for Walker Colston who conducted the banquet in a very capable manner. Will see you in Pittsburgh in July.—R. EARL DENNIS.

OKLAHOMA

On Saturday, March 13, Oklahoma City Chapter invited Tulsa over there to a dinner and party at the home of Miss Joanne Capps, daughter of Rainbowers Dr. and Mrs. J. F. Capps. Sixteen of us from the Tulsa Chapter made the trip and everyone agreed that it was the best Rainbow party in years. Thanks to the Capps and the O. C. Chapter and Auxiliary for a swell time. We will return the favor in the not too distant future.

Several Rainbowers new to our chapter have contacted us during the past month: Leo M. Elsky, 222nd Infantry, Muskogee, Oklahoma, formerly a member of Father Duffy Chapter; Jack I. Smith, 242nd Infantry, Tulsa, formerly from Pennsylvania, and Loyd S. Miller, 168th Infantry, Cushing, Oklahoma. All seem to be enthusiastic Rainbowers and we are sure they will be active from now on. Frank Whayman who has belonged to our chapter for years has moved to Tulsa from Stillwater and we are expecting Frank to help carry the ball, now that he has moved to town.

Q. P. (Bun) Shreck has invited us to his ranch, east of Tulsa, for a "whing-ding" the latter part of April.

All of you guys living in Oklahoma and surrounding states are invited to Tulsa, Saturday, June 5, 1948, to the annual reunion, so be sure to keep that date open.

LEONARD HILL

OHIO

Now that spring is here and summer just around the corner, the Ohio Chapter is now making big plans for our Rainbow Reunion at Cedar Point on Lake Erie, June 18-19. From information on hand this promises to be one of our biggest Reunions. The location is ideal, and the first Reunion in northern part of the state for a number of years. Daily boat schedule from Detroit, so we are hoping the Michigan Rainbowers will join us in a good time. General Chairman Mort Rooney and State President George Walters extend the invitation from the state to all Rainbowers to come to Cedar Point on June 18-19. A good time promised to one and all. To the Pittsburgh Chapter a number of Ohio men will be over in July and until then we wish you the best of luck.

Another Rainbow year drawing to a close.

We started with big ideas and still sticking to them, we have done our best. Membership is close to par, and we have one new chapter installed this year.

To Rainbow men everywhere, should you be in or near Ohio the middle of June, come up to the Reunion. The welcome sign is out.

C. S. THIMMES

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

The WW II day of March 15 was celebrated by the D.C. Chapter in a way that points to bigger and better celebrations and, we hope, observance by all of Rainbow of this day.

On Saturday, March 13, the Chapter gathered at the K. of C. Hall where Marshall Andrews, Toastmaster; Chairman Dick Wayland and his committee had made the arrangements for the room, beer, chow, entertainment and mountain dew.

Col. Luongo, C.O. 222nd Inf., flew from Denver to attend. He was promptly made an honorary member of the D.C. Chapter and spoke to us briefly, formally and for a long time individually.

Below is a list of most of the men who attended and apologies to those omitted:

Division Hqrs.—Dick Wayland, Col. Frederick W. Coleman III, Roderick A. Stamey, Jr., Maj. Orville H. Riggs (Division Dentist), Marshall Andrews.

222nd Inf.—Col. Henry L. Luongo, C.O.; Larry Kendrick, Fred E. Kline, Nick Matteca, Elmer Martino, Capt. Jerry Teate.

242nd Inf.—Romeo Fagiolo, Si Sitrick, H. L. Mercandarte, Emery McIntosh.

232nd F.A.—Free Pizzi.

142nd Engineers—Robert H. Ellicott.

And last but not least, the phrase was never better used, the Rainbows of the "little" war:

165th Field Hosp.—Ziggy Silverberg, Walker Colston, Joseph C. Flood, William H. Kay, Bernie Rhodes and Col. Arthur Smith, Chaplain; John Dubey, 150th M.C.; G. P. Sheppard, 168th Inf.

It was a grand evening and as the years pass by we hope the event will grow with Rainbow into a bigger and finer thing.—FLEMING LEE.

NEW YORK

Pleasant memories of the Father Duffy Ball and Reunion, held on Friday, April 2, 1948, at the Commodore Hotel, will long be remembered by the twenty-three hundred who attended.

Matt Devlin, the Chapter President, had his hands full keeping up with Mike Walsh, the Chairman, and also some of the committee members. After slaving away at the ticket booth, E. Riekert went to his box to enjoy part of the show but found it occupied by uninvited guests. Meyer Levy has been known on occasion to wear a half-dozen neckties at one time but Yidda Smith went him one better when he wore at least two dozen MacArthur buttons on his dress clothes at one time. One of our very quiet members is Frank Sturgis, but when it comes to getting a picture in the paper he

knows how to do it, and especially to have a beautiful girl draped around his neck.

Our National President John Brenner electrified the gathering by making the shortest speech on record, i.e., "have fun." Jack Clarke congratulated him heartily. Kitty Riekert, the National President of the Auxiliary, not to be outdone, took a bow and said "thank you." Someone said that Seaman was there, but he doesn't remember.

At midnight the prizes were drawn for and the winners were as follows:

The television set was won by T. P. Cahill of Arlington, N. J., with ticket C2536.

The combination radio and phonograph was won by C. Yellin of Greenwich St., New York, with ticket C5631. Ticket H5994 held by someone in the N. Y. State Troopers at Hawthorne, N. Y., is good for the refrigerator.

A great deal of the success financially of this Reunion was due to the efforts of Ed Riekert and Bill Judge who handled the Patrons Tickets and Patron Boxes. Due to illness Bill Judge missed his first Father Duffy Ball in over 20 years. The rest of his gang sorely missed him.

The boys of War II were well represented and appeared to be having grand reunions among themselves. Many of the boys were from out of town and enjoyed meeting those that they had not seen for a number of years. A goodly number are making plans to be at the National Reunion in Pittsburgh.

CHAPTER STANDINGS

CHAPTER	Last year's record	1947-48 as of March 15	1947-48 War II Members
Alabama State Association	0	0	0
Crawford Z. Ables (Gadsden)	1	1	0
John W. Carroll (Mobile)	70	65	2
M. H. Jordan (Birmingham)	112	62	7
J. M. Strassburger (Mont'g'y)	113	113	3
W. M. Peters (Tuscaloosa)	15	25	0
Durward Crowder (Lanett)	16	10	0
Alabama Total	327	276	12
Los Angeles	207	175	21
San Francisco	101	146	23
Joyce Kilmer (San Diego)	25	21	6
James Daugherty (Long Beach)	2	0	0
California Total	335	342	50
Colorado (Denver)	25	6	3
District of Columbia	116	101	18
Florida State Association	0	0	0
Jacksonville	15	2	0
Miami	51	35	5
Pensacola	6	2	0
St. Petersburg	16	0	0
Gen. C.P. Summerall (Orlando)	50	48	8
Florida Total	138	87	13
Georgia Chapter (Macon)	33	24	0
Cooper D. Winn (Atlanta)	31	32	7
Georgia Total	64	56	7
Illinois (Chicago)	1,001	767	144
Danville	67	68	4
Illinois Total	1,068	835	148

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Indiana State (Indianapolis).....	316	310	38	Columbus	107	89	8
Bloomington	55	53	0	Newark	44	31	1
Fort Wayne	61	33	2	Luther Swigart (Mansfield)....	24	23	1
Lafayette	13	24	0	Akron	19	19	4
Martinsville	27	29	1	Dyer J. Bird (Marion)	29	29	0
South Bend	36	21	9	Paul Hume (London)	1	3	0
Indiana Total	513	470	50	Toledo	22	19	3
Iowa State Association	0	17	0	Edison H. Miller (Delaware) ..	35	34	3
Col. E. R. Bennett (Des Moines) 209	193	27	0	Lancaster	53	43	0
Cedar Rapids	46	36	3	Cleveland	60	40	13
Oskaloosa	40	35	0	Springfield	15	15	1
Creston	51	60	1	Vets Co. G, 166th Inf.	135	84	0
Lee County (Ft. Madison)	16	6	0	Pickaway (New Chapter)	20	20	0
Fort Dodge	15	3	0	Ohio Total	687	560	54
Mason City (North Iowa)	29	20	5	Oklahoma State Association ..	2	17	3
Mathew A. Tinley (Coun.Bluffs) 56	51	0	0	Oklahoma City	41	38	8
Cedar Valley (Waterloo and				Tulsa	51	65	15
Cedar Falls)	47	45	7	Oklahoma Total	94	120	26
Ottumwa	55	41	2	Oregon	8	4	2
Southwest Iowa	25	16	0	Pennsylvania State Ass'n	0	0	0
Northwest Iowa	54	35	2	Easton	124	104	14
Dubuqueand (Dubuque)	17	16	5	Pittsburgh	123	116	40
Iowa Total	660	579	52	Bethlehem	50	36	7
Louisiana (New Orleans)	19	4	1	Lancaster	89	115	12
Maryland (Baltimore)	80	69	14	Reading	40	42	7
Massachusetts (Boston)	80	38	19	Philadelphia	68	53	27
Michigan (Detroit)	205	161	47	Pennsylvania Total	474	466	97
Minnesota State Association	1	0	0	South Carolina	38	29	4
Minneapolis	187	221	15	Tennessee Chapter	3	0	0
St. Paul	48	40	4	Chattanooga (New Chapter) ..	33	33	19
Minnesota Total	236	261	19	Tennessee Total	3	33	19
Missouri-Kansas	123	110	15	Texas (Dallas)	93	84	32
St. Louis	64	24	19	Virginia State (Roanoke)	109	91	14
Missouri-Kansas Total	187	134	34	Homer A. Hughes (Lynchburg) 44	42	42	5
Nebraska Chapter (Lincoln)	43	44	12	Maurice Tyler, Jr. (Richmond) 32	38	17	36
Omaha (New Chapter)	32	27	39	Virginia Total	185	171	36
Nebraska Total	43	78	39	Washington State (Seattle) ..	33	17	2
New Jersey (Red Bank)	146	125	65	Wisconsin State Association	6	4	0
Gen. C. T. Menoher (Newark) ..	20	25	7	Appleton	61	48	3
New Jersey Total	166	150	72	Gen. D. MacArthur (Milwaukee) 17	25	9	8
Father Duffy (NYC)	716	719	75	Fond du Lac	38	38	4
Long Island	22	21	0	Oshkosh	48	34	0
Westchester	17	18	1	Wisconsin Total	170	149	16
New York Total	755	758	78	Wyoming (Cheyenne)	15	4	1
Ohio State Association	40	17	6	National Chapter—War I	32	8	9
Ralph Berger (Marysville)	38	34	0	National Chapter—War II	645	65	65
Cincinnati	65	55	9				
				Grand Totals	7,494	6,113	1,028

Since membership of 6,113 on March 15 is 677 behind March 20 of last year and War II memberships are 359 behind same date, all Chapters are urged to intensify their efforts to improve the picture before April 15, when next compilation will be made. Note that War II memberships are 67 further behind than they were a month ago!

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