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RAINBOW MEMBERSHIP

Our Association is the most successful of all Divisional Veterans Organizations. We have held our annual National Reunion each year since we were organized at Bad Neunahr in March 1919. The success of our Association has been due to:

1. The pride of Rainbow vets in the military accomplishments of the division in both world wars.
2. The desire of a large group of Rainbowers who have been willing to give their time and efforts to continue that comradeship which started during the training and combat periods, and to perpetuate the memories of those killed in action, and those who have passed on since the end of the war.



To insure the continued success of Rainbow, it is very necessary that our membership be increased to the highest possible point. Responsibility for the membership campaign was delegated to the six Regional Vice-Presidents, and Harold Browere acting for the committee on the West coast. The success of the campaign depends on the local chapter officers and their committees.

The chapter membership committees should secure a list of all known Rainbowers from the local and National Secretaries. They should be contacted and invited to chapter meetings and other activities. Most all veterans who served with the division in either war are proud of that service and all that is necessary for membership committees to do is to contact them. Men of the last war should be encouraged to work on the committees, for the younger Rainbowers are the ones who will need to carry on in the years to come. I visited and talked to a

large number who were at Pittsburgh, and all agreed they were having the best time of their lives and interested in all activities.

As of October 15 we had 3,210 paid up dues for this year, which is about 50% of last years total. Our dues are still at depression rates, so if all Rainbowers will help the committees we can get the job done before the Reunion in July 1949.

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News & Views of World War II's

We had a Christmas card from J. Gilbert Firth (AT-222d), a former 222d M.P. who had been transferred from the 106th Cav. Recon. Firth is now studying at the University of Virginia in Charlottesville. Then there were the other World War I and II standbys who sent Yuletide greetings. At least, this way we keep in touch with each other.

Hilliard W. Hughes, Jr. (H2B, 222d Inf.), from Kansas City, Mo., is studying at Harvard University. George W. Roberts (C-232d Inf.) is installing cigarette machines in North Carolina. Our North Carolina Rainbows should be on the lookout for him. The engagement of Yours Truly (F, H2B, and Hq. - 222d Inf.) and Miss Helen Wallerstein, a sterling Rainbow follower, was announced in late De-

cember. The wedding will take place next summer before the 1949 Reunion.

For two or three dollars' chapter and national dues, one gets two million dollars' worth of friendship. We should start a drive for every member to write a prospective member and get him signed up. We would surely double our World War II membership pronto. Why not try it now?

Our mail bags were far from full this month. Let's have some news of you World War II's. Others want to know about you. We want records of births, marriages, job changes, etc. Just send them in care of "News and Views of World War II's," 3402 Wythe Ave., Richmond 21, Virginia. Keep it coming!

MORTON MARKS, JR.

Executive Committee Meeting

Your president has turned over the front page to Vice President Hill and page three to National Treasurer Seaman, but the editor has dug up this little corner so I can talk about the Executive Committee Meeting. This will be held on the morning of February 22nd at the Statler Hotel.

Many important matters will come up for discussion at this Executive Committee Meeting in this critical year for Rainbow. It is strongly urged therefore that every member of the Executive Committee who can conveniently do so arrange to attend. I look forward to seeing many of you in Washington on that occasion.

Ed Riekert

Annual Broadcast

Chairman Walker Colston of the Annual Broadcast Committee has announced that full particulars of the Annual Rainbow Broadcast on February 22nd will be published in the February issue of The Reveille.

Tri-State Reunion

One of the most successful Tri-State Reunions in the seventeen years that these have been held looms up. All arrangements have been made and all that is required now is active support by neighboring chapters in the matter of attendance. If YOU plan to attend this great party please drop a line to Chairman Harold B. Rodier, Room 522, 1129 Vermont Avenue, N. W., Washington 5, D. C. and give him the particulars about your party, hour of arrival, etc. SEE YOU IN WASHINGTON ON FEBRUARY 22ND!

*Oh East is East and West is West,
But listen, you boys and gals!
The two CAN meet
(And sure look neat)
wearing Rainbow Buttons & Decals.*

Tell the world you're a Rainbower with Button and Decals!

From The National Secretary

After last year's reunion, I vowed that I would do my utmost to live down the stigma of being known as Deficit George. The Budget Committee lent me some assistance in this respect by making a smaller budget.

Six months have elapsed in which we should have collected approximately 90% of our dues and upon making an inventory, I find that we have only collected about 74% of the dues of the prior year (approximately 65% of our record year). If I am going to be privileged to leave office as National Treasurer showing a profit, I will need the assistance of all the chapters to accomplish this. So boys, please take pity on your poor National Treasurer and help me retire from office as a respected Rainbower.

In checking over our chapter standings of December 20th, I find the following conditions: "Alabama's Own" in Mobile, Birmingham, Tuscaloosa and Lanett Chapters are considerably under their membership for 1946-47; but the men from Montgomery have been doing a swell job and are ahead the last two years. Evidently, Los Angeles must have had a heavy dew for they are about 50 behind their '47 record at this time; and San Francisco enjoying balmy weather are ahead of their record; San Diego is also lagging. The pill pushers from Denver never seem to get down from the clouds until just before the reunion with their dues, but possibly this will wake them up. I hope the boys in the Capital of our country have not been holding up on their dues the same as our legislatures do attending pending bills. Now that lots of the broken down Rainbowers retired to Florida to ease their aching limbs, it seems to me we should have more members in that end of the country. President Peavy has Sleuth Barney working for him so they pick up anybody who shows their nose in Miami. It would appear that most of the Georgia Machine Gunners are living in the state of Pennsylvania, but I know that not to be true as I have hopes that they will get together and show this Pennsylvania bunch that they have just as many members in Georgia as out of the state.

With my good friend Hook Young on the job, I find that Bloomington, Lafayette and Martinsville are showing good records, and as soon as he gets Indianapolis, Fort Wayne and South Bend in line that state will go over 500 members. Iowa is coming along in fine shape and with a little bit more effort will be leading for Rainbow's largest chapter. The Fishermen from Baltimore evidently need a pig roast to catch up to their 1947 record. Although, our boys from Mass. have exceeded last year's total, they are about 30 under

Rainbow Reunion

Tentative plans have been made for the National Reunion at the Commodore Hotel in New York City on July 12, 13, 14, 1949 and committee chairman picked.

Much enthusiasm is being manifested by all the New York Rainbowers and they are determined to do their utmost to make this reunion one long to be remembered by their buddies in other States. You may rest assured that the wives and sweethearts of all Rainbowers will be well taken care of by the members of Father Duffy Auxiliary.

Ample hotel accommodations have been contracted for and everyone desiring can be housed in the Commodore Hotel. At this hostelry we will have many spacious meeting and reception rooms where you can gather at any time and rehash the common experiences of us all. Whatever you might desire in the way of shopping, amusement and what have you, is within walking distance of the hotel. At all times the reception committee will endeavor to satisfy your desires, and if we don't have what you want in New York, then it can't be found.

Our younger Rainbowers will be furnished with meeting rooms where they can gather with the boys from their old outfits. Letters are being sent out by the boys of Father Duffy Chapter to the men who were in the various units in World War II urging them to attend and make this their first big reunion. Contact that buddy of yours and tell him to meet you in New York at the reunion.

Now is the time to decide you will attend, so that you can save your pennies for the trip and have a wonderful vacation at the same time. If you like bathing, we have the most wonderful beaches on the Atlantic. Golfers are warned to leave their baby carriages at home for we have plenty of caddy carts here. All you need is a strong back.

Be seeing you in New York on July 12, 13, 14, 1949.

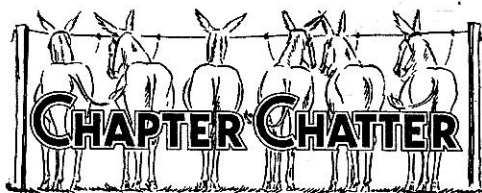
THE REUNION COMMITTEE

their 1947 record so they had better find out what happened to those other members.

Michigan is a wee bit under their 1946-1947 standing, but better than last year at this time. The heavy artillery boys from Minnesota have been doing a swell job and should exceed their highest membership. St. Paul, although higher than last year at this time, is under their 1946-47 record. The mule skinnors from Missouri, Kansas evidently have their signals working properly for they are ahead of last year's record and the year

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Allen Gibbons (Box 342, Roanoke, Va.) has decal 2 for 25¢, Buttons 4.00



ALABAMA The Mortimer H. Jordan Chapter of Birmingham, Alabama has a very important meeting coming up very soon, when consideration will be given to the important question of inviting the National Rainbow Organization to hold their 1950 Annual Reunion in Birmingham, Alabama.

It is to be remembered that the first reunion after World War I was held in Birmingham, and many of the Rainbow Veterans, in the Birmingham District and Alabama, feel that the time has now arrived to invite our Rainbow Veterans and their families once again to hold an annual meeting in the steel center of the South. You will hear more from this meeting, in the opinion of the writer, Paul Snow, the Chapter President, a World War II Veteran, is in the driver's seat, according to the information that he gave to me today.

The J.M. Strassburger Chapter of Montgomery, Alabama is planning a real party in February, either the 19th or 22nd. This is to be held in the Jefferson Davis Hotel and the side line entertainment will be held in the homes of our very good friends Joe Dickerson and Ernest Pritchett. This is the information that the Rainbow men in Alabama and the Southern States will be glad to receive. Please write Joe Dickerson of Legion Hq. Montgomery, Alabama for full details and hotel reservations.

The Rainbow Comrades in Alabama join me in sending the Seasons Greetings to our Rainbow Friends throughout the Nation.

HENRY C. WOOD

FLORIDA God's most bountiful blessings to Rainbowners everywhere is the heartfelt wish from your 42d Div. Comrades - down here in the land of green - never white Christmases. As my two grandchildren, ages 2 and 4, talk about Santa Claus it brings to mind the fact that it is almost six months since we had the pleasure of seeing so many of you once again at Pittsburgh. It makes us wish that this were next July 14th, instead of December 20th, and each and every reader could be here to share the beautiful warm sunny weather here in Florida. Florida, depending on its citrus industry

as its major source of income has been hard hit this year, due to many causes - mainly to no market for its large crop of fruit. This no doubt is the causative factor in the status membership slumping up to this date. Miami Chapter via Pravey and Barney are out for at least 100 - Summerall 50. Can give you no dope on other chapters as they have closed all the stamp windows and the cities are weathered in. At least we don't hear from them. All Rainbowners in Vets Hospitals in Florida will be remembered by a cash gift at Christmas time. The distribution is in charge of Rainbowner Col. Dave Wiley, the State's Chief Vets Service Officer. Summerall Chapter is holding its eating-meeting parties at the different members houses. The ladies bring the eats and the guys are all men of distinction and split the cost of the Lord Calvert. Our last meeting was at the house of Lew and Edna French (165th Inf.). Our next meeting (a rip-snorting New Years Eve party) will be held at our Chapter President's C. C. Wright's new home at 1616 Cloverlawn Drive, Orlando. Again, God be with you always.

JIM ROLFE

ILLINOIS "The Worlds Greatest Rainbow Chapter" is recuperating after its big Armistice Day party and making plans for the February 25th party, expecting an even larger attendance and (if such a thing is possible) an even gayer crowd.

We are planning on not less than two dozen speakers of local reknown and have had a number of the members promise to listen.

Among the festivities will be Past Presidents' Night, Regional Vice Presidents' Night, and Danville Chapter Night. A special portion of the program will be set aside for World War II vets with the famous and highly popular Top Sergeant Bill Iglehart, H Co. 222nd, officiating. (Who ever heard of a Top Kick being popular? Well you should see this one!)

Saw James Powers (166th) of Lafayette, Indiana during the Christmas Days at Hines (Vet) Hospital. John is just past 74 years of age and can't wait to get out after a minor operation, as he is being married right after the first of the year. Met his fiancée and she's great. Congratulations. (Indiana please copy)

SWAZANCANS

IOWA You know, the first thing I look at in The Reveille is the progress chart on the last page. If this was a strictly business proposition the things I see on this chart would cause me to feel

that business was not so good and I'd begin to do something about it. Well, when I read the Rainbow Barrage of the New York Chapter, the Ohio Reveille, The Minneapolis Chapter News, "Swazancans" of the Illinois Chapter and Hook Young's enviable "Snow" from Indiana and in turn try to publish the Iowa Sniper, I just wonder how much good these publications really are doing. I do know this, copies of these publications are going to a lot of "deadwood" each issue and I know Hook Young would and does have a different word for them. Yes, Hook even says his paper has the "greatest unpaid circulation in the middle west" and of course Iowa challenges that statement. After all, the editors of these papers are trying to do something about Rainbow membership. Supposing the relatively few Rainbowers who are actually giving of their time and efforts to do something about this membership would give up and say, "to hell with these deadheads" and publish no more papers? Over the period of years the editors of the above publications have given everything in an effort to build up membership in Rainbow. What is the result of these efforts today? You Rainbowers who are constantly receiving The Reveille and any of the above publications and not doing anything about your dues are the ones who can give the answer. How about getting off "the gravy train" and pay up your dues? The only reason you still get the publications is that we poor dumb editors for some reason believe that "hope is eternal" and after all these years I guess we are just dumb enough to think that maybe you "deadheads" will some day pay your dues in some Rainbow chapter.

Well just the same, here's a wish for a Happy New Year for all of Rainbow, but make a New Year's pledge right now to help out the few Rainbow guys who are really trying to do something for Rainbow and who still work at it as hard in these times as they did when real fighting was necessary.

HOMER

MICHIGAN FLASH! The Michigan State Chapter is "on the march" again. At the call of President JERRY PRATHER an executive committee meeting, augmented by many of the chapter's stalwarts, was recently held at the Leland Hotel to formulate and plan our "reactivation program". Many of the oldtimers, who know what makes Rainbow tick, were on hand as well as five of our very active World War II men. Brother, things happened. Subject matter: "Much ado about what to do". The old timers rested on their laurels emitting fine past accomplishments as being in the "know" our World War II men said, "Swell fellows, but tomorrow is another day, now

where do we go?" The minutes of that meeting give Michigan Rainbow a good bill of health as is best related by the following remarks under FOREWARD! The World War II members are accepting and taking over the sponsorship of the January, February and March meetings, and by challenge, promise an outstanding meeting. The committee in charge: BILL SAK, chairman, CHARLES SEISSER, HERB HEHL, JAMES LA ROUX and JACK GIBBS. To foster a closer relationship between our World War II and World War I members President PRATHER appointed a steering committee, for the year, comprised of GEORGE "POP" IRWIN (I), MARX ROSENTHALER (I), BILL SAK (II) and CHUCK SEISSER (II) to consider and develop a chapter program of activity in the best interest of ALL Michigan Rainbowers.

LOOKING FOREWARD - The chapter will hold its first major party of the year on Saturday, March 19th in the nature of a dinner dance at one of the select private clubs at which time the chapter will be honored to be host to National President Edward Reikert and National Auxiliary President Irene Colston. Mark your calendar accordingly and I do mean you, you and YOU. Neighboring State publications please note and quote: "Yaw!" (not a boat) are invited to join with us for a good time and meet the "brass". Watch our column (reactivated) for details.

MORE OR LESS PERSONAL - The chapter is proud to announce a change in the masthead of the Observation Post (Michigan Publication) in the person of JACK GIBBS as our editor. Jack served in World War II and is an active Rainbower with ideas so we're all looking forward to his "news and views"....California's gain is Michigan's loss in the persons of JACK and "KELLY" (Mrs. that is) HAAS now residents of Torrence, California....TOM HANSON who has been laid up with a broken leg, result of auto mishap, is now home convalescing at 5243 Grayton Rd., Detroit (24). Coming along nicely but another bad break for TOM....VIC "My Wild Irish Rose" VAN YORK and wife JANE just celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary with a plane trip to the Old (home) Town visiting his family and his old outfit the fighting 69th....POP IRWIN, EARL WALDRON (Flint) and SHARON COVER are still singing "Moon Over Miami" with special lyrics descriptive of the swell Rainbow party JIM BARNEY and committee put on during the recent Legion conclave Attention Iowa cornhuskers! FLOYD COSS, of your outfit, is one of Michigan's "shut-ins" at his home, 610 W. Saratoga Ave., Ferndale, Michigan. A letter or card from the old gang will brighten FLOYD'S Rainbow.

Yes, Michigan Rainbow is "on the March" again - "Fall In" the second Tuesday of every month at 704 E. Jefferson Ave., Veterans Building, and spend an enjoyable evening with Michigan Rainbow. To out-of-the-State Rainbrowsers this is a cordial invitation - To Michigan Rainbrowsers this is a COMMAND.

May there always be, 'till eternity,
True Rainbow Identifi-cation;
That for now, and ever a day,
Our Rainbow will span the Nation.
For it's people like you who meet
people like we,

As we travel the journey of life,
With a cheery smile and a word
worthwhile,

That lessens our load of strife.

At this Yuletide Season the Michigan Chapter extends to Rainbrowsers everywhere the Season's Greetings and Best Wishes for a Very Happy New Year.

SHARON C. COVER

MINNESOTA St. Paul Chapter: The dance given recently proved to be a great success - not so much because of a large crowd but because a lot of the old faces of Rainbow showed up again, thanks to Bob Boyer and his Committee.

Bill Andres reports dues are coming in very satisfactorily. He also noticed the old-timers kicking in. Pres. Hachey says "Thanks boys, and let's keep them going".

N. R. Grove, our Secretary a short while ago, is now in the Aleutian Islands.

Minneapolis Chapter: The last meeting was "F" night. We had a very fine turn-out. Our speaker for the evening was Robert Conn, Jr., who was an officer during the famous Death March. He talked for an hour and a half and you could have heard a pin drop during the entire time. His talk on why we should be prepared will never be forgotten by any of the fellows who heard it.

Our dues are hitting close to the 200 mark which is quite a few short of last year. Won't you fellows either see Cousin Hugo Neumuth or send him your check?

The February meeting will be sponsored by the Past Presidents and I am sure if you fellows will think back to a year ago of the swell roast beef, pan gravy and home-made pies, that should be enough to say.

State President Elmer Faatz reports progress of the State Reunion coming along very nicely. As usual, we will have

a two days' session. Friday night, February 18th, will be our regular party, election and business meeting night. Saturday, the 19th, will be our banquet which will be held at the Legion Club. Watch the local "Rainbow" for more details.

This is the time of the year when everyone is thinking in the terms of Christmas. All of us guys up here in Minnesota are wishing all of you guys wherever you may be, a very Merry Christmas and a very prosperous New Year.

FRANK M. WEST

NEW YORK A good crowd turned out for the December meeting, at which plans were formulated for holding the annual ball at the Hotel Commodore on April 17th, with Major Michael J. Bowler as Ball Chairman.

Our Women's Auxiliary, never weary of well-doing, have seen to it that all Rainbrowsers who are known to be in hospitals in this area were remembered by a gift at Christmas time. For thirty years the Auxiliary has never failed to remember our sick comrades, not only at the Christmas season, but on all other holidays throughout the years.

Another big event was the testimonial dinner to Ed Riekert, held under Chapter auspices at the Hotel Sheraton on January 8th. About two hundred Rainbow men and women, representatives of the V.F.W., American Legion and the D.A.V. and prominent city officials assembled to do honor to the National President of the R.D.V. Committee Chairman Jack Tierney arranged for a fine collation and following the speechmaking an excellent program of entertainment and dancing was enjoyed 'till the wee hours of the morning. It was a typical Rainbow gathering. 'Nuff said!

OLIVER ATKINSON

OKLAHOMA Tulsa Chapter lost two more faithful Rainbrowsers. Glenn Douglas passed away on November 7, and Russell B. Kimbley on November 25. Glenn served with the 168th Infantry, came to Tulsa years ago and had always been active in our Chapter. Russell served with Col. Garrett in the 117th Field Signal Battalion, moved to Tulsa two years ago and since then had been a loyal supporter of Rainbow. They will both be greatly missed by our group.

Our annual barbeque this year, on October 23, proved to be a big success, with prime ribs from Iowa, where the tall corn grows, secured by Jimmie Trantum and barbequed by Mike Lovett and Bob Heard, assisted by Jim Durkee and Bill

Butts, Jr. About 45 members present disposed of 60 pounds of ribs, so you know they were really done up "brown".

LEONARD J. HILL

PENNSYLVANIA Received a telegram from D. C. signed Harold - Pennsylvania Chatter wanted.

Well, here goes. Operator get me George Winslow, National Vice-President and State President, "Hello George, this is John Brenner. What's new?"

"Well, John, there isn't too much news. Leo Moquin and "Fleck" are very busy at this time of the year. Pittsburgh has 97 Rainbows to date.

"The State Meeting will be held in April; a chapter meeting will be planned for the end of January; Robert Wilhelm moved to Miami and joined the chapter there -- Pittsburgh Chapter wishes him well. That's about all the news here John.

"O.K. George, haven't heard how Philadelphia is doing the past month. I did notice where Lehr of Easton had his usual Rainbow Message in the G.I. Can. He said he didn't expect to take second place when the chapters made their final count. He did ask the membership what their reply to any challenge would be.

"The Lancaster Chapter had their best regular meeting of all time this month, followed by a Christmas Party with the auxiliary and kiddies. There was plenty of good eats and fun, with a hundred in attendance -- and Lancaster Chapter is leading the state with 125 paid-up members. Thanks to Chapter President Raymond Miller for putting the Chapter over last year's record of Earl Dennis' 117. You know George, when we see a chapter breaking a membership record we know some one has been doing some hard work.

"Good-bye George, will be seeing you in Washington, February 22d, at the Tri-State Dinner." JOHN D. BRENNER

WISCONSIN At the last meeting of Douglas MacArthur Chapter, Milwaukee, Wisconsin we decided to honor the various outfits of the Rainbow Division. Plans are in progress and the date set as the fourth Friday in February will be 22d Infantry night at the Red Arrow Clubroom, 774 N. Broadway, Milwaukee 2, Wisconsin.

Entertainment, food and refreshments will be provided. All other Rainbow Vets of course are invited, in fact are needed with the entertainment and to partake of what refreshments that are left by the men of the 22d.

The fourth Friday of March will be another outfit's night and each month thereafter until every outfit has been honored. One night (the last one) is to be known as Old Timers' Night, at which time we hope the World War II men will also have become old timers.

Three of our officers are World War II men: President Robert F. Wall of L. Co. 222d Inf.; Frank F. Pushkash, E Co. 222d Inf., Second Vice-President and Joseph H. Retzor, A-542d F.A. Bn., Treasurer.

GUY LAUBACH

TREASURER (Cont'd from Page 3)

before, and should at this rate set a new record. The boys from Nebraska have been doing a job and we are depending upon them to corral all Rainbowners in that state. If the play-boys from New Jersey would push a little bit more for dues as they did with pills during the war, they would be near their goal, although Newark has been doing very well.

With the reunion being held in New York next year, the Fighting Irish should be at least 200 higher in their memberships. If they do not reach the thousand mark, Jim Mason's face will be red. Ohio's record, although not good, is not bad, and were it not for such chapters as Cincinnati, Newark, Mansfield, Marion, Toledo, Lancaster, Circleville and veterans of Company G they would be considerably under their quota at this time. All the Oklahoma chapters have exceeded last year's membership and should be congratulated; but what has happened to the Oklahoma State Association membership? A live-wire is no doubt handling Oregon memberships for they have turned in the largest membership since their existence. The pretzel benders from Pennsylvania keep right on the job, and if they continue as they have been going, they will set a new record for that state. As soon as the engineers from South Carolina start engineering, we hope to see them exceed last year's membership. The 166th Ambulance Company from Tennessee better get their machines fixed up and round up their members as we have not received dues from but one person in that state. Instead of the "Eyes of Texas are Upon Us", our eyes are upon them for they have been doing a most noteworthy job. Again we have the M.P.'s of Virginia taking life easy with the exception of the Lynchburg crowd. Methinks there is too much crap shooting going on. We would like to see some action in the state of Washington, for in 1947 they had 31 members at this time. The machine gunners from Wisconsin are taking all their objectives and they will have at this rate a fine record at the end of our year. It is hoped that the cowboys from Wyoming will round up their World War II boys and come up with over 15 members.

Let us all jump off immediately after the holidays and take all of our objectives before the Executive Committee meeting in February. It can be done if everybody puts their shoulder to the wheel and rounds up the lost strays or wounded veterans.

GEORGE E. SEAMAN

CHAPTER STANDINGS

CHAPTER	1947'S RECORD	1948-49 AS OF DECEMBER 15	1948-49 WAR II MEMBERS
Crawford Z. Ables (Gadsden)	2	1	0
John W. Carroll (Mobile)	75	50	0
M. H. Jordan (Birmingham)	74	44	4
J. M. Strassburger (Montgomery)	113	114	3
Wm. M. Peters (Tuscaloosa)	25	9	0
Durward Crowder (Lanett)	16	10	1
ALABAMA TOTAL	305	228	8
Los Angeles	177	132	19
San Francisco	177	71	14
Joyce Kilmer (San Diego)	21	16	2
CALIFORNIA TOTAL	375	219	35
COLORADO (Denver)	43	0	0
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	102	75	27
Jacksonville	15	2	1
Miami	39	35	5
Pensacola	2	1	0
St. Petersburg	15	1	1
Gen. C. P. Summerall (Orlando)	50	45	5
FLORIDA TOTAL	121	84	12
Georgia Chapter (Macon)	33	13	0
Cooper D. Winn (Atlanta)	32	23	5
GEORGIA TOTAL	65	36	5
Illinois (Chicago)	827	512	82
Danville	71	65	3
ILLINOIS TOTAL	898	577	85
Indiana State (Indianapolis)	318	249	19
Bloomington	53	54	0
Fort Wayne	35	39	4
LaFayette	24	16	0
Martinsville	29	29	1
South Bend	27	20	7
INDIANA TOTAL	486	407	31
Iowa State Association	0	95	0
Col. E. R. Bennett (Des Moines)	211	138	18
Cedar Rapids	36	26	5
Oskaloosa	35	34	1
Creston	61	51	1
Lee County (Fort Madison)	6	2	0
Fort Dodge	5	2	0
Mason City (North Iowa)	21	18	4
Mathew A. Tinley (Council Bluffs)	53	38	1
Cedar Valley (Waterloo & Cedar Falls)	45	35	3
Ottumwa	43	27	1
Southwest Iowa (Shenandoah)	16	13	0
Northwest Iowa (Sioux City)	43	9	0
Dubuqueland (Dubuque)	17	16	5
IOWA TOTAL	592	504	41
LOUISIANA (New Orleans)	4	22	8
MARYLAND (Baltimore)	70	47	10
MASSACHUSETTS (Boston)	40	46	24
MICHIGAN (Detroit)	187	138	38
Minneapolis	237	188	14
St. Paul	52	27	4
MINNESOTA TOTAL	289	215	18
Missouri-Kansas	110	103	6
St. Louis	24	30	27
MISSOURI-KANSAS TOTAL	134	133	33
Nebraska Chapter (Lincoln)	47	25	8
Omaha	33	15	13
NEBRASKA TOTAL	80	40	21
New Jersey (Red Bank)	150	76	30
Gen. C. T. Menoher (Newark)	26	20	4
NEW JERSEY TOTAL	176	96	34
Father Duffy (N. Y. C.)	722	606	43
Long Island	21	21	0
Westchester	19	15	0
NEW YORK TOTAL	762	642	43
Ohio State Association	21	10	5
Ralph Berger (Marysville)	36	14	0
Cincinnati	55	46	6
Columbus	98	68	7
Newark	33	37	2
Luther Swigart (Mansfield)	24	20	1
Akron	19	5	0
Dyer J. Bird (Marion)	30	29	0
Paul Hume (London)	3	1	0
Toledo	19	17	7
Edison H. Miller (Delaware)	34	1	0
Lancaster	53	53	1
Cleveland	40	22	7
Springfield	15	11	1
Vets. Co. G, 166th Inf.	84	105	1
Pickaway (Circleville)	21	20	1
OHIO TOTAL	585	459	39
Oklahoma State Association	19	0	0
Gruber (Muskogee - New Chapter)	--	18	14
Oklahoma City	45	47	14
Tulsa	67	71	13
OKLAHOMA TOTAL	131	136	41
OREGON (Portland)	20	27	13
Easton	123	52	2
Pittsburgh	125	97	31
Bethlehem	42	29	8
Lancaster	117	125	14
Reading	42	30	3
Philadelphia	61	45	18
PENNSYLVANIA TOTAL	510	378	86
SOUTH CAROLINA (Columbia)	--	30	22
CHATTANOOGA (Tennessee)	--	34	1
TEXAS (Dallas)	--	84	65
Virginia State (Roanoke)	109	60	7
Horner A. Hughes (Lynchburg)	42	38	4
Maurice Tyler, Jr. (Richmond)	38	10	5
VIRGINIA TOTAL	189	108	16
WASHINGTON STATE (Seattle)	17	11	2
Wisconsin State Association	4	4	0
Appleton	48	37	1
Gen. D. MacArthur (Milwaukee)	26	39	17
Fond du Lac	38	24	0
Oakshof	35	33	1
WISCONSIN TOTAL	151	137	19
WYOMING (Cheyenne)	--	6	5
NATIONAL CHAPTER - WAR I	--	9	2
NATIONAL CHAPTER - WAR II	--	70	23
GRAND TOTALS	6565	4883	733

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