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The President's Message

As we pass the half-way mark of this Rainbow year my thoughts naturally, in retrospect, reflect the many pleasures I have experienced in visiting with members of our grand Rainbow family throughout the country, and of our accomplishments, so far this year.

The first half of this year has been fruitful. Spirits are high and membership has increased. Deserving "E" awards are the San Francisco Chapter for its miraculous increase in membership from a last year's total of 17 to its present 85; and the Mo Kan Chapter for a like increase from 67 to 112. A number of other Chapters have also shown increases compared with last year.

As we now enter the homestretch, my thoughts turn to the first major event to come. This will be the National Executive Committee meeting affair on February 19th and 20th at the Southern Hotel, Baltimore, Maryland. For years after its inception this event was exclusively, as originally intended, a meeting of the members of that Committee for deliberation on interim Rainbow affairs, and little else. Then wives began accompanying the members to the meeting city; a banquet dinner was added; non-committee members began attending solely to see and be with other Rainbows; and the time period of the get-together was extended, to two days. As a result, this meeting has now blossomed into a full-fledged junior National Reunion, with Rainbowners from all parts of the country attending. This year the Maryland Chapter, the Host Chapter, with a Committee headed by PNP Jack Clarke, and Art MacDonald, Secretary, has arranged a most attractive two-day program for the men and women of Rainbow. This will be our first official visit to the great, enterprising and historical City of Baltimore since 1926. Commitments so far indicate a large attendance. Of course there will be the usual important items of National Rainbow concern to be considered and passed upon, and for this reason I urge all Executive Committeemen to be present. However, all Rainbowners are cordially invited and it is hoped that many will be there.

Rose and I were guests of the John D. Brenner Chapter at their annual Christmas Party at Lancaster, Pennsylvania, on December 12th. It was a typical Yule party, with a tree and a jovial St. Nick laden with gifts for the kiddies. It was fun and entertaining - we enjoyed it so much.

See you in Baltimore, February 19th and 20th.

--Stan Barrow

RAINBOW "BIG TIME" EVENTS

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| January 15 | BALTIMORE, MARYLAND. Annual Stag Banquet, Hotel Stafford. |
| February 19 & 20 | BALTIMORE, MARYLAND. National Executive Committee Meeting and Tri-State Reunion, Southern Hotel. |

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nearest Chapter or the one of their choice and asking them to arrange their vacations next summer so that they can meet you at the National Reunion in Omaha next July.

We plan to have extra copies of the REVEILLE printed in March, which will again carry two pages of WW II news items, and if you agree to help by writing personal notes to your buddies, we will furnish copies of the REVEILLE to be mailed with your letter. There are large numbers of WW I men, some of whom have never belonged or who have dropped out during the years. All that is needed to have them back in the fold is for one of the old gang to contact them --- so don't leave it all to the hard-working Secretaries but consider yourself part of the team and help out.

We appreciated receiving the many letters from Secretaries from all over the country with stories of success and disappointments. It is later than you think -- our year is half gone, but we are sure, with the cooperation of all members, we can show an increased roll of members when we meet in Omaha next July. Reports from Homer Gardner indicate a fine Reunion in 1955. Many of us remember the fine Reunion put on by Iowa in 1947.

This year Iowa and Nebraska combine to promise a bigger and better one.
 --Leonard Hill

MEET ME IN OMAHA

This invitation to WW II Rainbows comes to you from one who served with the Rainbow Division in WW II. Not only that, but I am serving with Homer Gardner as Co-Chairman of the 1955 National Reunion which will be held in my home town of Omaha next July 12th, 13th and 14th. Although all of my WW II service was not with the Rainbow Division, it was long enough for me to learn what Rainbow meant. I was at Camp Gruber when we were really indoctrinated with the Rainbow traditions, serving at that time as a private in 3rd Battalion Headquarters Company, 222nd Infantry.

Having absorbed a great amount of Rainbow tradition I decided upon my return home that I belonged within the ranks of Rainbow Veterans. I became a charter member of my home Rainbow Chapter in Omaha, and I am now President of that Chapter.

Along comes an opportunity to have a National Reunion in my own home town, and to top that off I find myself proudly serving as Co-Chairman in planning a Rainbow Reunion for not only my own WW II Rainbow comrades but for comrades of WW I Rainbow. As our Reunion Committee formulates its plans I have found that actually there are not any WW I or WW II Rainbows, but that we are all Rainbow Veterans, the only difference being in age, as the Rainbow Spirit is



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According to Len Hill---

Allan Gibbons, our efficient and hard-working Secretary, has furnished me the Chapter Membership Standings as of December 15th in order that we might give you some condensed statistics. Here they are: 25 Chapters had already equalled or exceeded last years totals; 28 Chapters had exceeded last year's figures as of December 15th, that year; but 30 Chapters were lagging behind last year as of the same date.

Total membership was 4,785 on December 15th, as compared with 4,602, on that same date last year; an increase of 183 of which WW I members were ahead 173 and WW II were 10 ahead. Following is the WW II membership by units: 222nd Infantry, 146; 232nd Infantry, 101; 142nd Infantry, 78; 132nd Signal Co., 60; 402nd F. A., 22; Division Hdqrs., 18; 122nd Medics, 18; 542nd F. A., 16; 142nd Engineers, 13; 232nd F. A., 11; 392nd F. A., 8; Division Headquarters Company, 8; 742nd Ordnance, 42nd Q. M., 42nd Recon. and 42nd M. P.s., 21. Total, 538.

The large WW II membership in the units that head the list represents continued hard work on the part of certain men who served in those outfits.

We can further increase WW II membership by working on company or regimental levels and we welcome your ideas and help in contacting the fellows you served with, asking them to join the

just the most important thing in the lives of all Rainbows.

And so, my comrades, I am saying that if you have never found Rainbow before, you will find it in Omaha. This is really going to be a Reunion and as our committee is constantly urging every one to write and write, more and more letters to your comrades, it is going to be a "BUDDY REUNION." It will be the great chance that you have been waiting for, the chance of once again being together with your own comrades. So let me urge that each Rainbower, WW I or WW II, to get on to that letter writing.

Let's have the greatest of all Rainbow Reunions in Omaha, Nebraska, next July.

Yes, as Reunion Co-Chairman, let me invite all of you to meet me in Omaha, The Gateway to the Far West, where the Arc of the Rainbow is at its greatest height and brilliance.

Remember, Omaha, Nebraska, next July 12th, 13th and 14th.

AND BY THE WAY--- my wife, Helen, has also got the Rainbow spirit, and she wants you to bring your wife along, as the ladies are going to enjoy it all, too!

--Howard E. Brace

National Exec Committee Meeting & Tri-State Reunion

Date: Saturday and Sunday, February 19th and 20th, 1955
Place: Baltimore, Maryland; Southern Hotel.

Registration Fee: \$6.00 per person.

Program:

Saturday - Southern Hotel, Registration, 10:00 a.m. on.
Saturday - Buffet Supper at Gunther Brewing Company for all registrants, 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Saturday - Maryland Open House, Southern Hotel, for all registrants, 9:00 p.m. until ?
Sunday - Historic Tour for Ladies, 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Sunday - Executive Committee Meeting, Southern Hotel, 2:00 p.m.
Sunday - Banquet, Southern Hotel, 7:00 p.m.

You can see that if you get to Baltimore by noon Saturday - you will really have a time for yourself.

Now, get your reservations the easy way. Cut out the coupon below (no box tops please), and mail it to the SOUTHERN HOTEL, BALTIMORE 2, MARYLAND, ATTENTION MR. ENGLISH.

The neighbors can help you put an X in the proper space, and sign your name for you. All rooms have bath, whether you use it or not.

--A. C. MacDonald, Chapter Secretary

Southern Hotel,
Baltimore 2, Maryland
Gentlemen:

Attention: Mr. English.

Please reserve room(s) as indicated below:

I will arrive

For Rainbow Division Veterans Meeting.

Single Room	\$5.00 ()	\$6.00 ()	\$7.00 ()	\$7.50 ()
	\$8.00 ()	\$8.50 ()	\$9.00 ()	\$9.50 ()
Double Room	\$7.50 ()	\$8.50 ()	\$9.50 ()	\$10.00 ()
	\$10.50 ()	\$11.00 ()	\$11.50 ()	\$12.00 ()
Rooms with Twin Beds	\$9.50 ()	\$10.00 ()	\$11.50 ()	\$12.00 ()
Suites, Single or Double		\$18.00 ()		

Name _____

Address _____



ALABAMA The Julien M. Strassburger Chapter will hold its Annual Party at the Whitley Hotel, in Montgomery on Saturday evening, February 26th, 1955. The Cocktail Hour is set at 6:00 p.m., and dinner will be at 7:00 p.m. The tab will be \$4.00 per person.

The usual party at the "Unfurnished" will be, as always, from 10:00 p.m. "until." There will be a place for YOU. Don't let it go vacant.

--Joseph M. Dickerson
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CALIFORNIA The San Francisco Chapter reports that at its election meeting, the following officers were elected: President, Phillip Greenfield; Vice Presidents, "Doc" Fred L. Edwards, Berkeley; William Butcher, San Francisco; Gen. Wallace A. Mason, Sacramento; Maj. J. A. Given, Redding; Bernard J. "Mickey" Jones, Lodi; V. M. Higgins, Taft; Clyde Westervelt, Glendale; Harold F. Uttley, Long Beach; Lt. Col. W. T. Conway, San Francisco; George F. Fratus, Vallejo; S. S. Ridgely, Campbell, (San Jose); John A. Leas, San Mateo; John B. MacDonald, Pittsburg; Secretary-Treasurer, William McCants; Chaplain, Thomas Marchi; Sergeant-at-Arms, Howard L. Luce.

--Wm. McCants
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INDIANA The Headquarters Company, 150th F.A., Rainbow Division, will hold a Reunion on February 21st, 1955, at the Washington Hotel, in Indianapolis, Indiana.

This will be the first Company Reunion we have held for the past 15 years, and the Mayor will proclaim that day "Eddie Hoffman Day" in honor of our Captain.

It is hoped that our President will revive the old custom of having a State Rainbow Day on the 22nd of February; it would tie in fine with our Reunion.

--John M. Caylor
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LOUISIANA The culminating event of the year, the Christmas Party, was held at the usual meeting room, that is, the basement of the home of the Secretary, better known as "Broadway Inn."

Edward H. Butler, "The Campbell Soup King of Louisiana," because of an indisposition, was not able to attend. However, I'm sure he'd appreciate hearing from his friends. Address: 1032 City Park Ave., New Orleans; phone AU 1610. The delineal event, as usual, was bottomed on the unregistered and unpatented Chapter communal system of providing the victuals. Past President Lahare, Superintendent of Hope Mausoleum (and the query is, "What 'Hope' is there in a Mausoleum?") furnished the condiments, which were of a choice variety; the delicious potato salad by the D'Aquins; and the remainder courtesy the Secretary.

Especially solicitous of the gath-

ering was Rainbower D'Aquin, a mixologist of the School of Mixology of the Hotel Roosevelt, and who was ably assisted by Rainbower McHugh, a graduate of the "Broadway Inn." "D'Aq", contrary to rumor, IS a candidate for Prexy!

The activities of certain members of this Chapter are edifying, especially that of Rainbower Sirera, who has garnered seven new members during the current year; and Rainbower Lahare with two new members. The latter two are: Herbert E. Mauterer, Sr., (151 F.A.) 2324 Frenchman Street, New Orleans, and Felix Busoni, (151st F.A.) 2239 Almonaster Street, New Orleans. The result has been an all-time high for the Chapter. Sirera, better known as Bill, has not forgotten his Infantry Scouting and Patrolling; he makes free use of the phone book, Red Book, and City Directory in ferreting out new members. His January project will be to re-affiliate lapsed members.

An end-of-the-year tribute should be paid to Past Presidents Edmondson, Lahare and Mayronne, who have made possible the stability of the Chapter by their financial interest manifested therein.

--Carroll Montet
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MICHIGAN The Officers, and the entire membership of the Michigan Chapter wish to extend best wishes for a Happy Holiday Season to Rainbowers everywhere.

Recently President Robert Curlett and wife Elmira along with several other couples, journeyed to Grand Rapids to be guests of the Grand Rapids Chapter. The occasion was the presentation, by President Curlett, of their new Charter. It was a festive affair, held at the Forty and Eight Chateau. The Michigan Chapter was happy to participate and reports a grand evening of fellowship.

We regret to report that another of our old-timers, Cecil Bailey, has answered Last Call. Cecil, of the 168th Infantry, had been ailing for a long time with a heart condition. To his beloved wife Lois and family, we extend deepest sympathy. Rainbow Memorial services were held by the Chapter; Sharon Cover and George Williams conducting.

For the past six weeks Harry Chevalier has been in the Veterans Hospital at Dearborn with a coronary, but we are happy to report that he has responded nicely to treatment and is now at home convalescing, at 3059 Drexel Avenue, Detroit 14, Michigan. As he is marked "Quarters" for some time, why not drop him a card! You will remember Harry as our genial Chairman of Registration at both Detroit Reunions. Monty Sample is in Jennings Hospital for repairs --- the result of an auto accident.

Floyd Harper was in town t'other day, inspecting the new Buicks. He called your Scribe on the phone for a nice visit. His time did not permit a Rainbow get-together. Another recent visitor turned up at the October meeting, in the person of Mrs. Kelly Haas, the wife of John Haas of San Juan Capistrano, who was visiting her daughter in Battle Creek,

and came down to the Auxiliary meeting. While here she was the house guest of Marie and George Irwin and the Covers. An informal Chapter party was held on November 13th in the Rainbow Room of the Veterans Building. Those attending report that the music was excellent and the refreshments abundant. Clara Houle was Chairlady for a buffet dinner held at the Pfeiffer Brewing Company on the night of December 3rd, for the benefit of the Auxiliary's Wayne University scholarship, given each year. The Auxiliary also gave an American Flag to the Brownie Troop sponsored by Eva Ness, the daughter of our beloved Dr. McAfee. The latter news items prove the worth of an active Auxiliary, and we're mighty proud of ours.

When you receive this, Christmas will be over, but you may have some "unfinished business" in the Christmas shopping list. If your Chapter dues are, by any chance, not yet paid, we suggest that a check for the same would look as good to the Chapter Treasurer now as if it had been in his Stocking Christmas morning. The Michigan Chapter has 150 on the line to date, with 24 to go to equal last year's total. Not bad on the fifth month. We're sure you'll be hearing from Grand Rapids soon. (Don't worry about Michigan, Leonard!) We liked the Omaha Reunion news in the last issue, and with our Mutual Friend Homer at the helm it is sure to be a wing-ding Reunion.

--S. C. C., P.N.S.

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NEW YORK The Father-Duffy Armistice Reunion was one long to be remembered. Overtwo hundred attended the affair to share in memories of the past 35 years and to see again their comrades of old.

A Buffet Supper was served and an abundance of beverages was provided and consumed. It is too bad that many missed this affair. We had a wonderful crowd and all went home well pleased.

We had a "Presentation" of a case of liquor by the bottle, giving everyone a break. There was a door prize for the men and also for the women. The Serla's are always sure to be winners! Arthur Anderson did a good job at the door. Our President, Joe Jones, supplied the musical program with records.

Our own Women of the Auxiliary are to be thanked and congratulated for their splendid cooperation in helping to serve the food, etc. My personal thanks to my wife for putting up all the salad. Nora Thynne, Mary Tierney, Gert Garvey and Gert Stumpf did a swell job setting up the food, and many thanks to Ray Elliott, star Saleslady for the "Presentation."

And to Auxiliary President Helen Jones for rolling up her sleeves and helping as she did. Helen



TOM LOUGHLIN
Reunion Chairman

was very busy all evening.

Twenty-seven Rainbows paid their dues at the party, and we look for a big turn-out at the meeting on December 10th.

--Tom Loughlin

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OKLAHOMA Our December activities, in Tulsa, were as follows: On December 4th we held a buffet dinner at our new meeting place in the office of the Oklahoma School of Accountancy. After a sumptuous dinner, we enjoyed seeing several Rainbow motion pictures; the Reactivation at Camp Gruber, the ceremonies covering the dedication of the Rainbow Memorial at Camp Mills, and others. George "Tex" Taylor was the projectionist.

Our Annual Christmas Dinner and Dance was held at the Alvin Hotel, Dec. 18th. Approximately seventy were in attendance. President Pope gave us a wonderful talk on "The Road You Didn't Take." We understand Everett is open for engagements and we would heartily recommend him to any group desiring an unusual speaker.

Bill "Bing" Veitch sang a solo and also lead in group singing. Among the out-of-town Rainbows were the Harry Pages from Kansas City, the R. C. Wilfongs from Oklahoma City, Jack and Mary Wiser from Pawhuska, the "Hap" Gruenbergs from Chelsea, the Bob Cannons from Claremore and the Buell Humphreys from Sperry.

Sam Hedrick was recently elected State Commander of the Veterans of Foreign Wars. Elba, his wife, has previously served as State Commander of the VFW Auxiliary. Elmer Frasher of Caldwell, Idaho, spent the holidays in Tulsa and several members of the old Oklahoma Ambulance Company No. 1 held a get-together with him. George Milliken (168th Infantry) was recently released from the Veterans Hospital at Muskogee. He is temporarily at the Oklahoma Veterans Home at Ardmore, Oklahoma, and would like to hear from any of his old buddies. Glen Nelson and wife have moved to Wichita, Kansas, but Glen is still retaining his Rainbow membership here. Jude Hutchins has moved from Claremore to Tulsa. Carl "Tal" Ammons writes from Yuma, Arizona.

New members: Ambrose Rochel, (232d Inf); and Arthur Nice (242d Inf), both of Muskogee, were recruited by Leo Elsky.

Our Secretary advises that news items covering some fifteen World War II boys were left out of the December issue because of space limitations. They will appear as space is available.

Activities scheduled for the balance of the year include a "stag" in February with Frode Anderson in charge, dinner at Rainbow Tommy Allesio's Villa Venice in March; a Hamburger Party in April and our Annual Reunion June 4th.

--Paul B. Havenstrite

Proud of the outfit you were in?

Tell the World with a Rainbow Pin!

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Dreaming of a White Christmas?

During Christmas Week, especially if snow falls then, few of our "senior" Rainbowners fail to think of the Long Hike. For the information of our WW II comrades it should be explained that this was a 100-mile march, started a day or two before Christmas, 1917, during clear but moderately cold weather, but resumed, for most of the distance, after the weather had turned bitterly cold, with strong and piercing winds, and a heavy snowfall which continued during most of the march.

This march gave the Rainbow its first real measure of hardship and suffering. These terms are not too severe to apply to that experience. Indeed, many Rainbow men class that hike with our engagements with the enemy, pointing out the many deaths from pneumonia and other causes brought about by exhaustion and exposure.

That the casualties were not much heavier from this forced march, under heavy packs, through snow and ice, was evidence of the excellent physical condition and training of our troops. During the last phase of the movement, the men struggled against the bitter wind until they were so exhausted they were glad to lie down on the snow and ice-packed road --- there to rest until the biting cold made them glad to get up and resume the march.

Those who came through that hike had demonstrated a fitness and grit which constituted a survival of the fittest. This accomplishment resulted in a feeling of self-confidence and mutual respect that brought the Division closer together and heightened its esprit de corps.

Many Rainbowners have believed that this hike was planned by GHO as a test of the stamina of the Division, and as a deliberate hardening operation. Had this actually been the case, the results might have justified even so drastic a measure. But it was not; the movements involved were planned and started before the weather conditions became severe.

Your Editor was privileged to have discussed this with General Menoher shortly before his death. Referring to this weather change, he said: "After the movement of troops had begun there was a sharp drop in temperature and a heavy snowfall in the area to be traversed. All our baggage, including extra blankets, had been shipped by rail to the Rolampont area. The difficulties and danger involved in proceeding with this movement, in view of the cruel weather conditions, were so serious that I went post haste to Chaumont to confer with General Pershing. For an entire afternoon we went over the situation. We realized the probability of losses from exposure and tried in vain to find a plan to improve the situation. There was literally no transportation available, either to move troops or to ship to them

blankets or other supplies. Enemy activity in the nearby sector had caused the limited rail facilities in that area to be strained to the breaking point.

"We finally decided that to go on with the movement as planned would be advisable. The absence of adequate or protected billets in the area the men had then reached made it appear that the cold and exposure would be no more dangerous on the march, and that by going on the men would catch up with their baggage and extra blankets.

"The fatalities from the resumed march were even greater than we had feared, but nevertheless it seems to have been the best course we could have pursued. General Pershing felt keenly the losses incurred. In no sense was the march a planned test, or hardening process. It was a necessary movement, by the only available means, made under unprecedented and unforeseen weather conditions."

It may be of interest to relate the circumstances under which Gen. Menoher's statement was made. He had attended a dinner meeting of the D.C. Chapter in January, and a heavy snowfall, with bitter cold and high winds supplied the background for the meeting. The writer had brought the General to the meeting, and about 10 p.m., noticing that he looked weary, suggested that he leave. On the way to General Menoher's home, the weather naturally brought up the subject of the Long Hike. Arriving home, he invited your Editor to go in and continued the conversation, and the above statement was made at that time.



--Harold B. Rodier

-Especially for the Ladies

All Mothers, Wives, Sisters and Daughters (over 18) of Rainbow Veterans are eligible for membership in the Rainbow Auxiliary. If you live in a community where there is a local organized Auxiliary, you are cordially invited to join. If you do not live where there is a local Auxiliary, you may hold membership in the National Auxiliary for a fee of \$2.00 per year. For this fee you receive a membership card and a subscription to the Auxiliary Bulletin, a very interesting and informative paper avidly read by all who receive it. Anyone may subscribe to the Bulletin; the annual subscription fee being \$1.00. The National Auxiliary, chartered by the Rainbow Division Veterans, merits your interest and membership. Support your Rainbow men by maintaining membership in your Auxiliary. Send dues and subscriptions to: Agnes Eagan, National Secretary, 723 Eighth Avenue, Brooklyn 15, New York.

--Wealthy L. Hoyt,
National President, Rainbow Auxiliary.

NEWS & VIEWS OF WW IIs

Most of the 222nd Medics will surely remember the Dann sisters, who were liberated at Niederran, near Worzel. They joined the Military Government and stayed close to the 222nd for some months until they got the proper clearance to join their father, a physician in New York. Eva Dann, the older sister, has recently married a dentist and lives close to Marian, also the wife of a dentist.

Marian and her husband visited us last year and sends her regards to all.

Irving Short, who was leader of the I & R Platoon, 222nd, died in 1950 of polio while stationed in Tokyo. He was married to Betty Tyler, sister of Maurice L. Tyler, Jr., of Richmond, the highest decorated man of the 222nd. He received the D. S. C. posthumously.

--W. R. Barton

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EDWARD C. KELLEY, the "Red Four" man of the 242nd, calls 97 Rumford St., Concord, New Hampshire, home. Ed is with the State Purchasing Agent's office. JAMES W. FLOYD, who gave Ed Kelley lots of problems but was forgiven all when he came up with "spirited" medicine for Ed at times, is still producing; legally this time, as "big wheel" of the Floyd Distributing Co., Richmond, Kentucky. Since James couldn't find any schnapps or vodka, plants to capture in Kentucky, he's distributing good old American beer. Says he'll personally equip any of the old gang with a real Southern Mint Julep if they come through Richmond, Kentucky. ART DETTWILER, the 242nd's "success story," who rose from Private to Commander of Service Co., is running things at the United Wholesale Florists Co., in Los Angeles. Keeping up his demon game of volleyball as member of YMCA. Took some time out to serve again as a combat commander in the Korean fracas, and again returned home safe and sound. LEROY GOFORTH, a much decorated Rainbower, now serving in the blue uniform of the Los Angeles Police Dep't. (Da de da da!!) Lee took some time out to join the California National Guard; he is now Major, 40th Armoured Div.]

CARROLL A. KIRBY, another Rainbower with the Los Angeles Police Department, went back to college, got his degree from the University of Southern California, promptly made Sergeant of Police, and is now in charge of Research Section for the Jail Division. After fellow Rainbower James Floyd got him interested Carroll took up amateur wrestling with enthusiasm. He is now Southern Pacific AAU Wrestling Committee Chairman.

DONALD TIMM, expert Wire Chief for 242nd, 1st Bn., has married and is now settled down with wife Marian at Route No., Brewerton, New York.

--Carroll A. Kirby

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132ND SIGNAL NEWS

LES ABBOTT is in business for himself in San Francisco; he's in Interior Decorating; "House of Abbott", draperies, carpeting, venetian blinds, etc.

LOU FERRARI; haven't heard from him

and we're wondering how he is doing in rounding up his Construction Boys, TOM VACHULA, JIM VAN SLYKE, CHUCK BISTRICK and LOU VENNINI, to name a few. Maybe we'd better get the "Big Bear," FRANK ALONZO, to help out. GERRY LEMBERG went into business as an Electrical Contractor operating in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. He and Dorothy have two daughters, so are kept busy.

Regards to all. Let's hear from all of you soon. SEND YOUR DUES! WE DID MORE IN '54; LET'S LIVE IN '55!!!

--"Jonny" Janosik

G-2 "SIT REPORT" ON G-1, DIV. HQ. JAMES ALLEN is a mail man in Anniston, Alabama, doing very well; married and has two children.

RAYMOND ELROD, from Little Rock, Arkansas, now married, is working for an oil company, living in Shreveport, La.

CARL SWINDLER is living in Columbus, Ohio, and is quite happy with two children.

RALPH M. SYKES, living in Croydon, Pennsylvania, is confidential secretary to the Vice President of Rohm and Haas, big chemical company in Philadelphia with plants all over U.S., make Plexiglas and a wide variety of chemical products. Ralph and wife eagerly awaiting a new "recruit," their first, in May.

WANTED: (By Ralph) to know present whereabouts of his ex-boss, LT. COL. ROY N. WALKER. Also, Gen. Collins' Aide, CAPT. TED MACKECHNIE. Also, W/O Tommy Tucker. Last Ralph heard from Tommy he was working for the government in Japan. (Send news to Ralph, at Dunks Ferry Rd., RR #1, Croydon, Pa.)

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GUESS WHO DEPARTMENT

The following letter, sent to Bob Kubik and forwarded to the Editor was not signed but as it is from Collingswood, N.J. we're going to make the first guess: Hello, Loyd Matson! Loyd says, "Came back to Philadelphia from Reunion via Quebec City, Quebec, Canada; (that sure figures!) On the way from Quebec to Vermont I broke my wrist and spent a night in the hospital. Drove back to Boston next day and home on the day after. This is a lot of driving for a left-handed driver and a lot of gear-shifting for my wife!"

"Next week-end drove to Pittsburgh to a party at the home of our National Treasurer, Leo Moquin. Vince Fleckenstein, George Winslow, Henry Rectenwold, Rubin Bliwas, (these two WW II) -- George Selby, all with their wives, and many others were there. Later I went to Red Bank, New Jersey, to a reception in honor of National President Stan Barrow. Am working on a scheme to generate a little more interest in the Association by non-active WW II men.

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EDITOR'S NOTE TO WW II MEN

Our Associate Editor, Bob Kubik, has advised that a new job has made it difficult, at this time, for him to carry on with the job of handling WW II news for the REVEILLE. Until new arrangements can be set up by Bob it is suggested that WW II copy be sent direct to Editor, 1603 N. Osceola Ave., Clearwater, Fla.

CHAPTER

As of December 15, 1954

	1953-54 Totals	1953-54 WW II	Current Totals	Current WW II					
Crawford Z. Ables (Gadsden)	12	2	15	1	Mo/Kan Chapter (Kansas City)	67	3	112	8
John W. Carroll (Mobile)	50	1	25	0	St. Louis	3	2	1	1
M. H. Jordan (Birmingham)	126	7	86	4	MISSOURI TOTAL	70	5	113	9
J. M. Strassburger (Montgomery)	96	1	101	0	Nebraska Chapter (Lincoln)	28	7	22	4
Wm. M. Peters	18	0	0	0	Omaha Chapter	20	16	36	25
Durward Crowder (Lanett)	8	0	0	0	NEBRASKA TOTAL	48	23	58	29
ALABAMA TOTAL	310	15	227	5	New Jersey (Red Bank)	125	28	100	19
ARIZONA (Phoenix)	25	4	27	2	Gen. Chas. T. Menoher (Jersey City)	10	1	14	2
Los Angeles	78	3	77	3	NEW JERSEY TOTAL	135	29	114	21
San Francisco	17	3	85	5	Father Duffy Chapter (N. Y. C.)	582	25	400	12
Joyce Kilmer (San Diego)	16	0	0	0	Long Island	25	2	19	1
CALIFORNIA TOTAL	111	6	162	8	Westchester	19	0	15	1
COLORADO (Denver)	38	2	0	0	NEW YORK TOTAL	626	27	434	14
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	50	13	50	8	Ohio State Association	14	3	11	0
Miami	85	19	50	4	Ralph Berger (Marysville)	33	1	38	1
St. Petersburg	20	3	0	0	Cincinnati	45	8	43	7
Gen. Chas. P. Summerall (Orlando)	73	11	70	12	Columbus	161	5	103	3
FLORIDA TOTAL	178	33	120	16	Newark	34	2	33	3
Georgia Chapter (Macon)	26	1	18	0	Luther Swigert (Mansfield)	22	1	24	1
Cooper D. Winn (Atlanta)	30	8	16	0	Akron	5	1	10	2
GEORGIA TOTAL	56	9	34	6	Dyer J. Bird (Marion)	27	0	35	0
Illinois Chapter (Chicago)	550	53	500	37	Toledo	18	6	18	3
Danville	53	3	28	1	Edison H. Miller (Delaware)	26	0	29	1
ILLINOIS TOTAL	603	56	528	38	Lancaster	53	2	47	2
Indiana State (Indianapolis)	210	16	168	13	Cleveland	60	22	42	12
Bloomington	59	0	70	0	Springfield	17	0	15	0
Fort Wayne	41	1	1	0	Vets Co. G 166th Inf (Greenfield)	212	65	197	60
LaFayette	41	0	26	0	Pickaway (Circleville)	5	0	3	0
Martinsville	37	2	41	2	Orvil G. Fuller (Chillicothe)	15	0	12	0
South Bend	26	9	14	3	132d Signal Co. Chptr (Youngstown)	67	65	56	54
INDIANA TOTAL	391	28	320	18	OHIO TOTAL	814	181	716	149
Iowa State Association	2	0	35	0	Oklahoma City	43	14	33	9
Col. E. R. Bennett (Des Moines)	199	16	159	7	Tulsa	132	53	133	55
Cedar Rapids	39	3	30	3	OKLAHOMA TOTAL	175	67	166	64
Oskaloosa	43	1	44	1	OREGON (Portland)	4	1	3	0
Creston	51	0	49	1	Easton	43	6	20	3
Fort Dodge	2	0	7	0	Pittsburgh	85	27	85	0
North Iowa (Mason City)	16	2	18	2	Bethlehem	28	2	30	2
Mathew A. Tinley Council Bluffs	38	0	37	0	John D. Brenner (Lancaster)	95	11	85	8
Cedar Valley (Waterloo & Cedar Falls)	28	3	20	3	Reading	29	0	24	0
Ottumwa	55	1	52	1	Philadelphia	28	10	28	11
Northwest Iowa (Sioux City)	25	0	16	0	PENNSYLVANIA TOTAL	308	57	272	24
Dubuqueland (Dubuque)	10	2	12	2	SOUTH CAROLINA	15	2	10	0
Douglas MacArthur (Red Oak)	30	0	21	0	TENNESSEE (Chanooga)	1	1	1	1
IOWA TOTAL	538	28	500	20	TEXAS (Dallas)	146	24	141	21
Chanute	54	2	46	0	Virginia State	86	6	76	5
Dodge City - Pratt	42	0	44	1	Homer A. Hughes (Lynchburg)	26	1	12	0
KANSAS TOTAL	96	2	90	1	Maurice Tyler, Jr., (Richmond)	17	6	0	0
LOUISIANA (New Orleans)	37	11	37	12	VIRGINIA TOTAL	129	13	88	5
MARYLAND (Baltimore)	65	7	50	6	WASHINGTON STATE (Seattle)	3	0	1	0
MASSACHUSETTS (Boston)	79	47	1	1	Wisconsin State Association	0	0	1	0
Michigan State (Detroit)	174	44	150	29	Appleton	62	2	47	2
Grand Rapids	26	18	9	5	Gen. Douglas MacArthur (Milwaukee)	28	9	2	0
MICHIGAN TOTAL	200	62	159	34	Fond du Lac	40	1	35	1
Minneapolis	222	10	203	7	Oshkosh	39	13	32	1
St. Paul	56	6	26	4	WISCONSIN TOTAL	169	13	117	4
MINNESOTA TOTAL	278	16	229	11	WYOMING (Cheyenne)	16	11	11	6
					NATIONAL CHAPTER (WW I)	4	0	1	0
					NATIONAL CHAPTER (WW II)	7	7	5	5
					GRAND TOTALS	5,725	800	4,785	538
					WW I 173 ahead same date last year, WW II, 10 ahead.				



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