

RAINBOW REUNION

Rainbow Division Veterans



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RAINBOW "BIG TIME" EVENTS

- June 2 - 4 YOUNGSTOWN, OHIO; Ohio State Reunion; Reunion Headquarters, Hotel Pick-Ohio.
- June 4 TULSA, OKLAHOMA; Annual Reunion, Luncheon and Meeting, Dinner-Dance; Hotel Alvin.
- June 11 - 12 MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA; Alabama State Reunion; June 11, 6:30 pm, Cocktails, Dinner-Dance; June 12th, 11:00 am, Meeting; Legion Post #2, 502 Madison Avenue.
- June 19 ASBURY PARK, NEW JERSEY; 36th Annual State Reunion; Meeting, 2 pm; Cocktail Hour, 4:30 pm; Banquet, 6:00 pm with Dance and Floor Show following; Berkley-Carteret.
- July 12 - 14 OMAHA, NEBRASKA; 37th NATIONAL REUNION; Reunion Headquarters, Hotel Fontenelle.

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RAINBOW REUNION

OMAHA, NEBRASKA

JULY 12-13-14, 1955

PRES. BARROW URGES REUNION ATTENDANCE

IN MY FINAL GREETING TO YOU before the National Reunion, I want to say, simply, that my year's experience as your National President has been rich in rewards. The many treasured friendships made, renewed and strengthened in our limited Rainbow family throughout this great land of ours have been manifoldly compensating for the efforts I have put forth. I have keenly enjoyed my visits to Chapters, and I want to thank all who were so kind, to make these visits possible, and who were so attentive on these occasions. One thing we can be thankful for is that our Association is alive and fundamentally strong; the important thing is that we keep it so until the last of us has gone.

THIS YEAR HAS SEEN A PROMINENT ADVANCE in membership, despite the ever constant diminishing of our potential. It is naturally gratifying to your President that the membership as of May 15th had already exceeded last year's total. Fifty-three Chapters have already equalled or exceeded their last year's total, and as there are several Chapters which have very nearly equalled last year's total and can be expected to go over the top, we may look forward to an impressive membership gain by Reunion time. Credit for this goes, of course, to our unfailing Chapter Secretaries, our adroit National Membership Chairman, Leonard C. Hill, and our assiduous National Secretary, R. Allen Gibbons. Many thanks are due also to our Reveille Editor, Harold B. Rodier, our National Treasurer, Leo F. Moquin, our National Vice Presidents and other National and State Officers for their fine and successful efforts in their respective fields. Added thanks to that Rainbow paragon, R. Allen Gibbons for his superior performance in his role as National Secretary.

AND NOW, AS WE APPROACH OLD REUNION TIME, I cannot too strongly urge you to be with us in Omaha on July 12th, 13th and 14th, to help make this one of the finest of the fine Reunions of all time. Dedicated to General Mat Tinley, that grand Old Soldier of the Rainbow, this Reunion calls for a Command Attendance of all of us. I know you will respond if only to pay tribute to General Tinley, and to show your appreciation to Reunion Chairmen Homer Gardner and Howard Brace and their excellent committees for the extra pains they have taken to provide an outstanding Reunion where you can commune with your Rainbow Comrades. So, promise me that you'll be there! I'll be looking forward with pleasure to seeing you.

--Stan Barrow

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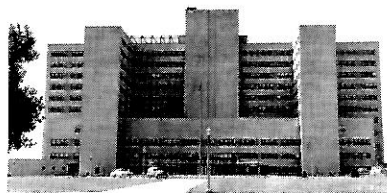
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A FORMULA FOR SUCCESS

The Rainbow year which will end as the lights go on at the conclusion of the Champagne Hour, at Omaha, has been a splendidly successful one, under the devoted administration of President Stan Barrow. This is no casual estimate, but one which may be readily checked.

As Editor of a Chemical Journal for many years, your Editor is accustomed to reducing data to an equation.



OMAHA'S NEW \$11,000,000 VETERANS
ADMINISTRATION HOSPITAL

So let us try to setup an equation showing the factors which indicate a successful Rainbow year. This would be, perhaps, something like this: (Increased Membership) + (Much Chapter Activity) + (Numerous and Successful State Reunions and Celebrations) + (A Successful Mid-Year National Meeting) + (An Outstanding National Reunion) = (A Highly Successful Rainbow Year.) Q. E. D.!

--Harold B. Rodier

WELCOME TO OMAHA

AS THE THIRTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL RAINBOW REUNION draws near, we of the Reunion Committee wonder if enough has been said and written to bring about a great wave of desire to attend the 1955 Reunion in Omaha. Then we stop and say, "Well, this is RAINBOW; our membership knows the dates are July 12th, 13th and 14th --- so really, nothing else should necessarily have to be said to urge Rainbowers and their wives to attend!" And so we are now awaiting the first arrivals in Omaha.

WE'VE SAID SO MUCH about the friendly spirit of the folks here in the Midwest; you all know about the great expanse of fields of corn in Iowa and Nebraska, and you are all a part of this intangible thing called Rainbow Comradeship. So we have planned the 1955 Rainbow Reunion around the friendly spirit of the Midwest, and Rainbow Comradeship --- together with a great love and devotion for our own beloved General Mathew A. Tinley. As each day passes, General Tinley marks it off on his calendar and with great anticipation looks forward to these great days in July, 1955, when he will be surrounded by Rainbowers from all parts of the Nation. Are you going to be one of them?



IOWA AND NEBRASKA, through the efforts of Rainbowers in two states, have combined together to present to you a typical Rainbow Reunion. The program is complete and awaiting your coming --- and still, you will have many hours just for visiting with comrades.

THE EFFORTS OF YOUR REUNION COMMITTEE have been made difficult at times because of the distance separating its members, but the effort has been made, the program has been set up, the arrangements made and now we are ready to receive you here in the heart of our great Nation, here in the friendly Midwest. We are now counting on YOU --- your comrades and buddies are looking forward to being with you --- so come one and all to Omaha, Nebraska, on July 12th, 13th and 14th!

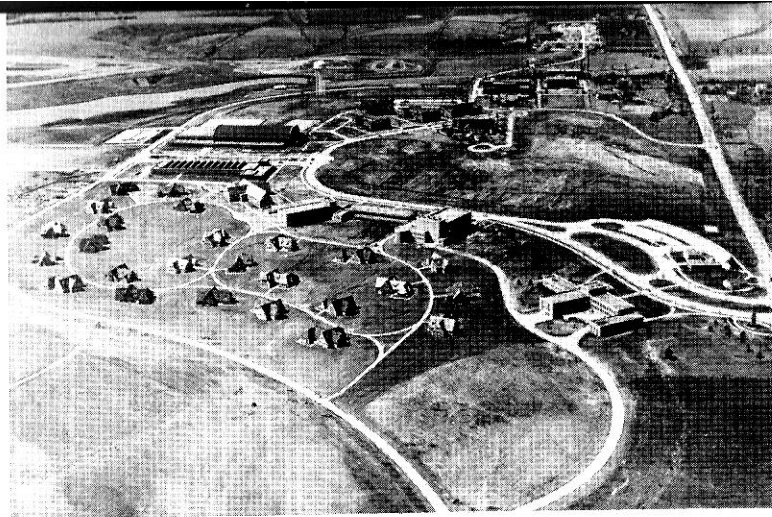
Homer W. Gardner, 168th Infantry,
Howard E. Brace, 232nd Infantry,
Co-Chairmen, National Reunion Committee.

IOWA GREETES YOU

AS PRESIDENT OF THE IOWA STATE ASSOCIATION, it is my distinct pleasure to welcome you to Omaha. The 1955 National Reunion has been planned through the combined efforts of Iowa and Nebraska Rainbowers, and no two groups of Rainbowers anywhere have worked in closer harmony. This in itself heralds a successful Reunion. As a Colonel, General Tinley was the Commanding Officer of the 168th Iowa Infantry, and as we approach the hour of this 1955 Reunion, we feel rather humble in our desire to have all of Rainbow take part in honoring him at this time.

WE ARE NOT, however, urging you to come to Omaha solely for the purpose of honoring General Tinley --- we want you to come because it is Rainbow and Rainbow Comradeship, which always prevails at our Reunions. Let me urge World War Two Rainbowers also to join us at this time to come and take part in Rainbow as so many others have done and accordingly found what Rainbow really means when really understood. So, as President of the Iowa State Association, let me extend a welcome to all of you.

Ralph B. Butler, President,
Iowa State Association.



Pictured on the left is a panoramic view of Boys Town, Father Flanagan's unique and splendidly successful "City of Little Men." The front cover of this issue pictures the Pylon at the entrance. A trip to famed Boys Town is one of the events scheduled for the Reunion.

On the right is shown the Joslyn Memorial Art Center, of which Omaha is justly proud.



REUNION PROGRAM

MONDAY, JULY 11, 1955

1:00 P. M. REGISTRATION - East Alcove
9:00 P. M. EARLY BIRD RECEPTION - Black Mirror Room

TUESDAY, JULY 12, 1955

9:00 A. M. REGISTRATION - Mezzanine
10:00 A. M. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
2:00 P. M. OPENING SESSION - Main Ballroom
5:30 P. M. BARBECUE - Dodge Park, Council Bluffs, Iowa
9:00 P. M. MEMORIAL SERVICE - Main Ballroom

WEDNESDAY, JULY 13, 1955

9:00 A. M. REGISTRATION - Mezzanine
10:00 A. M. SECOND BUSINESS SESSION -
1:00 P. M. TRIP TO BOYS TOWN
9:00 P. M. ANNUAL RAINBOW BALL

THURSDAY, JULY 14, 1955

8:00 A. M. REGISTRATION CONTINUES
10:00 A. M. FINAL BUSINESS SESSION
7:30 P. M. ANNUAL RAINBOW BANQUET
11:45 P. M. CHAMPAGNE HOUR

AUXILIARY PROGRAM

MONDAY, JULY 11, 1955

1:00 P. M. REGISTRATION - East Alcove
9:00 P. M. EARLY BIRD RECEPTION - Black Mirror Room

TUESDAY, JULY 12, 1955

9:00 A. M. REGISTRATION - Mezzanine
2:00 P. M. OPENING SESSION - Main Ballroom
(Joint Meeting with Association)
3:00 P. M. OPENING BUSINESS SESSION - Black Mirror Room
5:30 P. M. BARBECUE - Dodge Park, Council Bluffs, Iowa
9:00 P. M. MEMORIAL SERVICE - Main Ballroom

WEDNESDAY, JULY 13, 1955

9:00 A. M. REGISTRATION CONTINUES
9:30 A. M. LADIES BRUNCH - Joslyn Memorial Art Center
1:00 P. M. TRIP TO BOYS TOWN
9:00 P. M. ANNUAL RAINBOW BALL

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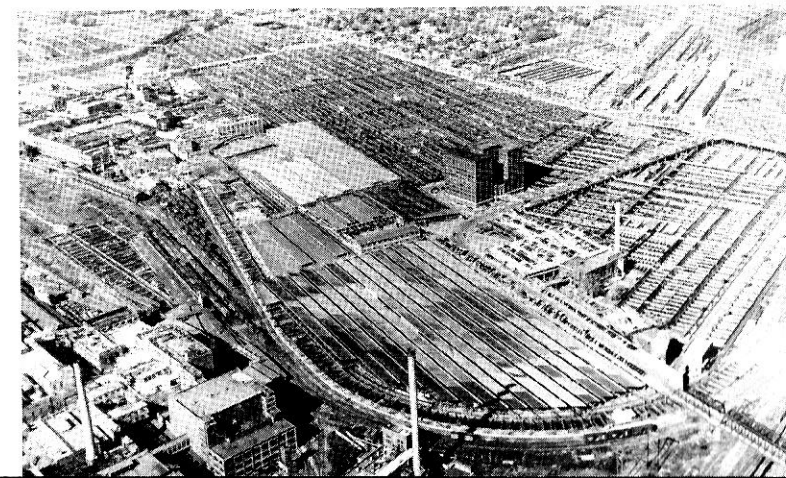
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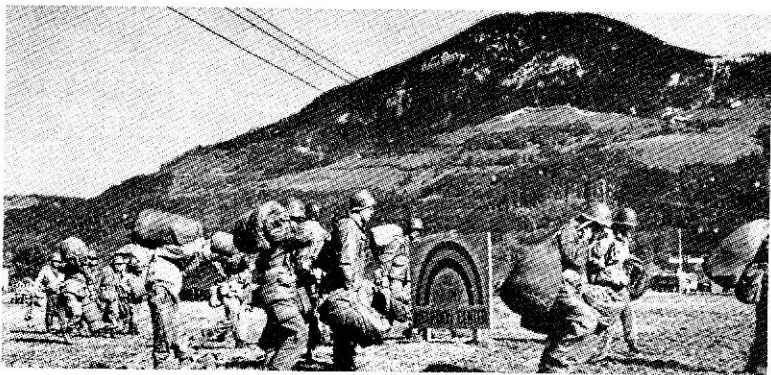
OMAHA, a portion of which is pictured, looking northeast towards the Missouri River, is strategically located at the "Crossroads of the Nation." Its 270,000 inhabitants know their city as a hub in transportation and distribution, as a growing industrial center, and as the heart of a vast agricultural empire.

On the right is a panoramic view of Omaha's livestock industry, showing the many acres of stock pens, and some of the sixteen modern packing plants which surround the area.

Omaha is the world's largest cattle market, and second only to Chicago in total livestock receipts.



WORLD WAR TWO RAINBOWERS, ATTENTION!



As paid-up members in Iowa and Nebraska Chapters, we just want to take a minute to tell you that we are expecting you to be in Omaha for this 1955 National Reunion. Like so many others, we have come to know the meaning of Comradeship as known to Rainbow Veterans; yes, we have found that it is a universal sort of thing. By attending State and National Reunions we have found many Comrades with whom we served, and have met many others with whom we now share that magic word, "Comradeship." Every indication so far points to the greatest turnout of WW II Rainbowers, and we want you to be a part of this history-making event. We can assure you, how-

ever, that after you arrive, we are ALL Rainbow Veterans. Come to Omaha and let's gather around and sing "There's a Rainbow in the Army" and "Good Old Mountain Dew!" And at the same time, remember that you've earned the right to be a Rainbower, a right that only a few can claim. And finally, remember that the perpetuation of Rainbow, with its Comradeship and its memories, is a part of your job. So get a start by seeing us in Omaha, July 12th, 13th and 14th. Incidentally, Gen. Collins and Col. Luongo are among the Division C. O.s who have already made reservations and will be present at this great Reunion.

ACTIVE IOWA RAINBOWERS

Glen Beal	232nd Inf.
Emmett H. Beard	242nd Inf.
Nace V. Brooks	232nd Inf.
Roy D. Brown	122nd Med. Bn.
Richard K. Campbell	222nd Inf.
Marlin C. Clark	232nd Inf.
Claude E. Davis, Jr.	232nd Inf.
Keith E. Davis	222nd Inf.
Edward J. Foertsch	232nd Inf.
Allyn E. Hagen	402nd F. A. Bn.
Charles M. Harmon	242nd Inf.
Jesse W. Harter	222nd Inf.
Arlan E. Haugen	232nd Inf.
Ronald L. Holtz	242nd Inf.
Walter J. B. Hyink	242nd Inf.
Theo. (Ted) Johnson	232nd Inf.
Homer L. Leeper	232nd Inf.
Keith B. Lookabaugh	42nd Recon. Troop
Jog Mathews	242nd Inf.
Patrick Meaney	232nd Inf.
Warren T. Merrill	222nd Inf.
Wesley D. Myers	232nd Inf.
Dallas G. Newman	232nd Inf.
Howard J. Parker	232nd Inf.
Wilber L. Priebe	242nd Inf.
Robert J. Rose	222nd Inf.
Bernard J. Rozell	222nd Inf.
Tom Saluri	222nd Inf.
Walter Swanson	242nd Inf.
Kenneth M. Thompson	42nd M. P. Plat.
Donald E. Wald	232nd Inf.
J. Harry Walker	222nd Inf.
Norman E. Waples	122nd Med. Bn.
Robert J. Williams	242nd Inf.

Earl Zenor	232nd Inf.
Willis G. Zimmerman	Div. Hq. - Hq. Co.

ACTIVE NEBRASKA RAINBOWERS

Thomas D. Heelan	232nd Inf.
Clarence O. Williams	122nd Med. Bn.
Robert M. Munson	232nd Inf.
Edward Rybin	222nd Inf.
Richard Feller	142nd Eng. Combat Bn.
John W. Kroese	222nd Inf.
Fred J. Griffin	222nd Inf.
John Brunkhorst	222nd Inf.
Jay G. Kriz	222nd Inf.
Richard More	232nd Inf.
Howard Brace	222nd Inf.
John H. James	222nd Inf.
Ray Prietig	232nd Inf.
W. Cliff Lawson	142nd Eng. Combat Bn.
Alvin Almquist	232nd Inf.
Harold Hunter	142nd Eng. Combat Bn.
Frank R. Wood	232nd Inf.
Wayne W. Gerlach	222nd Inf.
John F. Gerterson	242nd Inf.
Jos. L. Norby	742nd Ord. Co.
Corbett Summers	222nd Inf.
Julius Hornsteins	222nd Inf.
Robert Perelman	232nd Inf.
Marion Schroeder	242nd Inf.
Robert J. McElroy	232nd Inf.
Stanley Hasterlo	232nd Inf.
E. W. Redding	142nd Eng. Combat Bn.
Paul Strand	222nd Inf.

We again urge you to meet your Rainbow Buddies in Omaha. We will be waiting to greet you, one and all!

REUNION RESERVATIONS OFF TO FAST START

As of May 15th, exactly one-third (100) of the rooms at Hotel Fontenelle, Reunion Headquarters, have been reserved by Rainbows and Auxiliary members --- and two more months to go! Your Reunion Committee was rather astounded by this news. By the time you receive this copy of the REVEILLE many more rooms will be in the reserved list. SO --- are YOU going to be late getting your reservation in, or just take a chance? well, that is up to you, but in years past we've heard some pretty tall profanity at Reunions because there "weren't any more blankety blank rooms left in Headquarters Hotel." Brother, you are really on your own.



Dig out the April REVEILLE to consult rates, and use the reservation blank below to get your room reservation off to Omaha right now, as there will be just so many rooms in Headquarters Hotel and that is where the fun takes place and everyone gathers to see what happens next. Do it TODAY!

WANT TO DO US A FAVOR?

If you had ALMOST made up your mind to go to the Omaha Reunion, and then you received a letter from a buddy urging you to make a date to meet him at the Reunion, what would you do? You know darned well that such a letter would turn the scale --- nothing could keep you away.

Well here's what we want you to do. Write to a buddy --- to several old pals --- and urge them to make it a date in Omaha. You will do yourself and your buddy a great big favor --- and help make this a bigger and better Reunion!

Mr. Paul Johnson, Manager
Hotel Fontenelle,
Omaha, Nebraska.

Please make the following reservation for me for the National Rainbow Veterans Reunion:

Single (); Double (); Twin Beds (); at the rate of: 1st choice \$ _____
2nd choice \$ _____

Date of arrival _____ Hour _____ A.M. _____ P.M.

Date of departure _____ Hour _____ A.M. _____ P.M.

NAME (Please print) _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____

STATE _____

REMARKS _____

CHAPTER STANDINGS

(As of May 15, 1955)

	1953-54 Totals	1953-54 WW II	Current Totals	Current WW II					
Crawford Z. Ables (Gadsden)	12	2	22†	1	Mo/Kan Chapter (Kansas City)	67	3	123†	9
John W. Carroll (Mobile)	50	1	35	1	St. Louis	3	2	2	1
M. H. Jordan (Birmingham)	126	7	102	7	*MISSOURI TOTAL	70	5	125	10
J. M. Strassburger (Montgomery)	96	5	101†	5	Nebraska Chapter (Lincoln)	28	7	42†	9
Wm. M. Peters (Tuscaloosa)	18	0	20†	0	Omaha	20	16	40†	27
Durward Crowder (Lanett)	8	0	9†	0	*NEBRASKA TOTAL	48	23	82	36
ALABAMA TOTAL	310	15	289	14	New Jersey (Red Bank)	125	28	130†	24
*ARIZONA (Phoenix)	25	4	27	2	Gen. Chas. T. Mencher (Jersey C)	10	1	15†	2
Los Angeles	78	3	86†	4	*NEW JERSEY TOTAL	135	29	145	26
San Francisco	17	3	85†	8	Father Duffy Chapter (N. Y. City)	582	25	600†	15
Joyce Kilmer (San Diego)	16	0	1	0	Long Island	25	2	22	1
*CALIFORNIA	111	6	172	13	Westchester	19	0	23†	1
COLORADO (Denver)	38	2	1	1	*NEW YORK TOTAL	626	27	645	17
*DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	50	13	50	16	Ohio State Association	14	3	13	1
Miami	85	19	50	8	Ralph Berger (Marysville)	33	1	39†	1
St. Petersburg	20	3	30	6	Cincinnati	43	2	49†	10
Gen. Chas. P. Summerall (Orlando)	73	11	70	12	Columbus	161	5	140	5
FLORIDA TOTAL	178	33	150	26	Newark	34	2	35†	3
Georgia Chapter (Macon)	26	1	27†	0	Luther Swigert (Mansfield)	22	1	24†	1
Cooper D. Winn (Atlanta)	30	8	22	7	Akron	5	1	23†	3
GEORGIA TOTAL	56	9	49	7	Dyer J. Bird (Marion)	27	0	43†	0
Illinois Chapter (Chicago)	550	53	550†	51	Toledo	18	6	21†	0
Danville	53	3	54†	1	Edison H. Miller (Delaware)	26	0	29†	1
*ILLINOIS TOTAL	603	56	604	52	Lancaster	53	2	53†	2
Indiana State (Indianapolis)	210	16	179	13	Cleveland	60	22	53	18
Bloomington	59	0	76†	0	Springfield	17	0	15	0
Fort Wayne	18	1	13	1	Vets Co. G 166th Inf (Greenfield)	212	65	228†	81
LaFayette	41	0	26	0	Pickaway (Circleville)	5	0	3	0
Martinsville	37	2	41†	2	Orvil G. Fuller (Chillicothe)	15	0	17†	0
South Bend	26	9	16	3	132d Signal Co. Chapter (Youngs)	67	65	75†	71
INDIANA TOTAL	391	28	351	18	*OHIO TOTAL	814	181	860	201
Iowa State Association	2	0	15†	0	Oklahoma City	43	14	44†	12
Col. E. R. Bennett (Des Moines)	199	16	215†	14	Tulsa	132	53	136†	58
Cedar Rapids	39	3	43†	6	*OKLAHOMA TOTAL	175	67	180	70
Oskaloosa	43	1	45†	1	*OREGON (Portland)	4	1	4	0
Creston	51	0	60†	1	Easton	43	6	30	3
Fort Dodge	2	0	8†	1	Pittsburgh	85	27	85†	28
North Iowa (Mason City)	16	2	22†	2	Bethlehem	28	2	30†	2
Mathew A. Tinley (Council Bluffs)	38	0	47†	0	John D. Brenner (Lancaster)	95	11	95†	8
Cedar Valley (Waterloo & Cedar F)	28	3	29†	3	Reading	29	1	27	0
Ottumwa	55	1	59†	1	Philadelphia	28	10	30†	11
Northwest Iowa (Stout City)	25	0	23	0	PENNSYLVANIA TOTAL	308	57	297	52
Dubuque (Dubuque)	10	2	12†	2	SOUTH CAROLINA (Columbia)	15	2	13	0
Douglas MacArthur (Red Oak)	30	0	48†	1	TENNESSEE (Chattanooga)	1	1	1	1
*IOWA TOTAL	538	28	626	32	*TEXAS (Dallas)	146	24	148	23
Chanute	54	2	46	0	Virginia State (Roanoke)	86	6	80	5
Dodge City - Pratt	42	0	44†	1	Horner A. Hughes (Lynchburg)	26	1	12	0
KANSAS TOTAL	96	2	90	1	Maurice Tyler, Jr. (Richmond)	17	6	18†	7
*LOUISIANA (New Orleans)	37	11	41	13	VIRGINIA TOTAL	129	13	110	12
*MARYLAND (Baltimore)	65	7	73	8	WASHINGTON STATE (Seattle)	3	0	1	0
MASSACHUSETTS TOTAL	79	47	63	39	Wisconsin State Association	0	0	0	0
Michigan State (Detroit)	174	44	150	33	Appleton	62	2	49	2
Grand Rapids	26	18	14	7	Gen. Douglas MacArthur (Mil'kee)	28	9	24	7
MICHIGAN TOTAL	200	62	164	40	Fond du Lac	40	1	42†	1
Minneapolis	222	10	222†	9	Oshkosh	39	1	36	1
St. Paul	56	6	48	7	*WYOMING (Cheyenne)	16	11	16†	10
MINNESOTA TOTAL	278	16	270	16	NATIONAL CHAPTER (War I)	4	0	4	0
					NATIONAL CHAPTER (War II)	7	7	7	7

GRAND TOTAL 5,725 800 5,810 773
 *State equalled or exceeded last year's total.
 †Chapter equalled or exceeded last year's total.

Total membership 85 ahead of last year's TOTAL; 225 ahead of same date last year.
 World War I membership 217 ahead of same date last year; World War II 8 ahead.

Thirty-Seventh Annual Reunion

National Association Rainbow Division Veterans

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TO: