

"All Roads Lead to Baltimore!"

RAINBOW REVEILLE

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The President's Message

'Tis said, "Procrastination is the thief of time." If we would defeat this stealer of the stuff of which life itself is made we must learn to budget our time. It is easy to get into the habit of postponing 'til tomorrow the decisions we should make today. It is said, the most difficult part of working for yourself is budgeting time, and making decisions. * * * Possibly you haven't thought of this Rainbow Association as something which really "belongs" to you. Well, it does; your membership makes you an equal partner with over 5,000 other Rainbowers. It is "your" Association and you share in its successes. And your efforts can make this organization of yours even more successful. When you do this you have every right to do a little chest thumping and to speak of it with real PRIDE. * * * In our travels we find more and more who feel the independence of working for themselves --- by telling their friends and comrades about our Rainbow Association --- and who find great satisfaction in sharing the greatest of all assets, our Rainbow Comradeship. As of now, and until the "End of the Rainbow" I'm sure you will want to invite many more of your Rainbow comrades to share in the good things our Association represents. It is time to make the big decision by telling others how you have made life long friends --- and how they can do the same by becoming a member of the greatest Divisional Association of them all --- the National Association of Rainbow Division Veterans!

But we have a moral duty, to our Association, to Rainbow Division friends who are not availing themselves of membership, and to ourselves, to build up our Association to even greater heights. The potential is too great to be neglected --- with Rainbow veterans from two World Wars as prospects, there are literally thousands of them in the 48 States and the District of Columbia. If they are located and told of the accomplishments of our Association and what it means to them to join our ranks. Indeed, I have never been able to understand why anyone who is eligible should hesitate for a moment to spend the small sum in dues which enables them to share in the kind of comradeship found only in our Rainbow Association. As of this date our membership is ahead of the same date last year. However, if we are to equal last year's total, (and our goal is set HIGHER than last year,) we are going to have to work hard and locate the delinquents and the Rainbow man not in the fold. We must "beat the bushes," and when they come out, grab 'em! Many of our Chapters are doing an excellent

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RAINBOW "BIG TIME" EVENTS

April 13 - 14	CEDAR RAPIDS, IOWA; State Reunion; Roosevelt Hotel.
April 19	PHOENIX, ARIZONA; Wild West Rainbow Round-Up.
April 27	DODGE CITY, KANSAS; Dodge City-Pratt Reunion.
April 27	NEW YORK, N. Y.; Annual Rainbow Ball; The Armory.
April 27 - 28	LAKE PLACID, FLORIDA; Annual State Reunion.
June 1	TULSA, OKLAHOMA; Annual Reunion; Alvin Hotel.
June 6 - 8	CLEVELAND, OHIO; Annual State Reunion; Statler Hotel.
June 9 - 10	BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA; Annual State Reunion.
July 12 - 14	BALTIMORE, MARYLAND; THIRTY-NINETH ANNUAL RAINBOW REUNION; Headquarters, Emerson Hotel.

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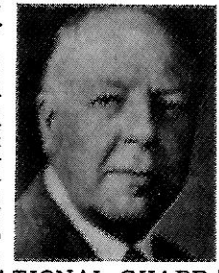
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job in membership this year; some have already exceeded their last year's total. A few are not doing so well thus far. To these we urge, put in a few extra hours and let the outstanding ones know you can do a good job as well. To all our good Rainbow workers we offer our deep thanks.

It isn't too early to make your plans to meet with us in Baltimore, Maryland, next July 11th, 12th, 13th and 14th. (Note that "extra day;" why not make it MORE than an extra day---there will be a lot to see and do in Baltimore and it's a growing Rainbow custom now to "come early and stay late!") Our Host Chapter, Baltimore, Maryland, is making big plans to entertain us while you are there. We shall attempt to keep you reminded of this, our Thirty-Nineth Annual National Reunion, next July, in Baltimore. We shall expect you; please don't disappoint us!

--Mel Horne

BRUCKER WANTS GUARD AS FIRST LINE OF RESERVE



In a statement made at the Mid-Year Meeting at Columbus, Secretary of the Army Wilber Brucker declared, "... I want to see the National Guard retain its place as the first line of reserve. I AM NOT IN FAVOR OF SUBSTITUTING THE ARMY RESERVE AND PUTTING IT AHEAD OF THE NATIONAL GUARD."

"But the Army Reserve is coming forth so fast with its six-months trainees ... that one can only say the relative training merits will have to be balanced the other way around."

The REVEILLE recalls at this time the experience of the 34th Division in WW II. Our members have a particular interest, and great pride in this Division, which included in its composition the 168th Iowa Infantry --- which, by the way, calls itself "The Rainbow Regiment," and the 151st Minnesota Artillery --- the Regiment whose point-blank firing of its big guns saved the beachhead at Anzio.

This National Guard Division was sent overseas in WW II before its training had been adequately completed. Its first mission, in the British Isles, was to boost the morale of the sorely pressed British by demonstrating that the "Yanks were Coming," was successfully carried out but under conditions which prevented a successful completion of its combat training, and when they were thrown into the North African invasion they performed gallantly; but at Kassarine Pass paid bitterly for their deficiencies in training. With heavy losses they acquired combat proficiency under fire --- the hard way --- and thereafter their long and magnificent record of glorious and victorious achievement is one in which every National Guardsman, and Rainbowers in particular, takes a deep pride.

This chapter in the splendidly successful history of the National Guard's combat record suggests that Secretary Brucker's feeling about the training requirements for the National Guard is well substantiated.

--H. B. R.

REUNION MARKS 40th ANNIVERSARY OF RAINBOW

When Rainbow meets in National Reunion in Baltimore, Maryland, on July 12th, 13th and 14th, it will mark an anniversary of great significance to Rainbow, the FORTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF THE ORGANIZATION OF THE DIVISION.

The circumstances under which the 42nd was constituted are not only of keen interest to Rainbowers, but are of considerable historic importance. When America entered World War I, in April of 1917, the British and French at first advised us that their requirement would be, not manpower but the materiel of war. "Give us the tools," they said, "and we will finish the job!" Later on they came to a grim realization that their manpower situation was desperately bad, their staggering losses had to be made good, and only America could fill the widening gaps.

But in the early days of the War it was believed that this Nation might send no more than a token force to the battlegrounds of France. However, this, at least, was needed desperately and quickly to bolster Allied Morale, particularly of the French, who had suffered the brunt of the War and whose losses were alarmingly high.

In order to assemble even three or four reasonably trained divisions for such a token force it was clear that the National Guard must supply much of this manpower. The Guard had been mobilized and sent to the Mexican Border the previous summer. There were a number of Guard divisions which were in a state of comparative readiness.

But the sectional nature of the composition of our Guard divisions was such that if any of the already constituted divisions had been chosen for the coveted assignment as a force which would be considered in some degree to represent America on the firing line, there would be dissatisfaction in the areas not represented. Moreover, if such a division quickly met action and suffered heavy losses, they would have fallen upon a relatively small area of the Nation. All America was entitled to share in the honor and in the sacrifices thus foreseen.

And so it was decided to make up a composite division from the Guard. This division was to represent a wide cross-section of the Nation. Units were selected whose training readiness and general excellence were outstanding.

Announcement of the formation of this Division and its mission electrified the Nation and won universal approval. No Rainbower will forget their pride at the selection of their Unit, nor the envy of other units in their area. The story has often been told of how, in the press conference which first announced the formation of the 42nd Division, Major Douglas MacArthur referred to the array of State Flags which this Division would muster, as a veritable Rainbow, and thus conceived the name of the 42nd Division.

These things will be remembered at Baltimore, and will be discussed at length as this Reunion celebrates this important and significant Rainbow Anniversary.

It will lend a special interest to a Reunion which has already given promise of being one of Rainbow's many "greats."

A REUNION WITH A DIFFERENCE

This is the time of year when Reunion Chairmen stop acting mysterious and reticent and start bring-out their wares where the "ultimate consumer" --- the Rainbow Reunioneer --- can look them over. They are seldom new or startling; Rainbow has established general patterns in their Reunions and we like it that way. We know what we want, and our Reunion Committees always see that we get it.

At first glance the program set up by Maryland Chapter looks like the good, old, tried and true Reunion fare. There is to be the customary Early Birds Party on the evening before the Reunion officially opens. There is to be the Rainbow Ball on the evening of the 13th; good and satisfying Reunion fare, but in the time-honored tradition. The next day we note a get-acquainted (Dutch Treat) Luncheon for the WW II men, which seems calculated to establish a tradition, if it doesn't follow one. To skip a bit, there will be a Memorial Service on Sunday at Baltimore's beautiful and impressive War Memorial Building. And that night the closing Banquet and Champagne Hour. These are all in the best Rainbow tradition; to paraphrase a famous French philosopher, if they had not been there, we would have had to invent them!

These Rainbow events, in the beautiful and gracious environment of the Headquarters Hotel --- that fountainhead of Southern Hospitality so well loved by Baltimoreans, the Emerson Hotel --- all establish a Reunion with the color and the

patina of the Rainbow. Who could ask for anything more?

But there IS something more. Back there a bit we said, let's "skip a little." We skipped an item on the Reunion program, on Saturday, that said, "2:00 p.m. FORT MEADE."

What is this all about? We're not going to tell you! Not now, anyway. The May REVEILLE will have some details of this --- not the full story, even then --- but enough to reveal it as a new, an exciting, and a tremendously interesting, thrilling feature to a Rainbow Reunion.

It will be an absorbing and an unforgetable Reunion activity. Unfortunately it will be something that future Rainbow Reunions are unlikely to be able to offer. It is probably fair to say, if you don't get it at Baltimore you'll be just plain out of luck.

Rainbowers are urged not to pester Reunion Chairman Jack Clarke (or your Editor) with telegrams asking for details. Just rest quietly at home and in due time your May copy of the REVEILLE will arrive with the complete --- almost --- story!

MARYLAND You will almost certainly want to view Fort McHenry when you visit Baltimore in July, and we will therefore tell you something of this National Shrine. Fort McHenry, at the foot of Fort Avenue, is operated as a historical monument by the National Park Service. At the tip of Whetstone Point, commanding the approach to the Inner Harbor, the site was fortified in 1776. The present works date from the War of 1812 and include the restored powder magazine, officers quarters and barracks. The Fort withstood a 25-hour bombardment by the British fleet, September 13th and 14th, 1814. The sight of our flag still flying on the early morning of September 14th inspired Francis Scott Key, detained aboard a small vessel down the river, to write the Star Spangled Banner, the original version of which is owned by the Maryland Historical Society. The Fort was named for James McHenry, Secretary of War in Washington's second cabinet.

The Naval attack was of course coordinated with the land attack at North Point, to the east of the City, where raw militia and volunteers among Baltimore citizens defeated crack British troops, killed General Ross, and forced the evacuation of the enemy. This battle, while small in point of numbers engaged, was of great historical importance because it became, as the Battle of Champagne became in our own War, the turning point in the conflict.

--Harry Stansbury

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ALABAMA State-wide meetings are getting to be a habit in Ol' Alabam! Latest is a grand affair put on by Mobile. With little publicity, somehow our Chowhounds from all over hear about these affairs, and do they "veni ice toute de suite!" State Prexy Joe McCartney was there as was National Veep Sol Monsky; a whiff of the "slum a'cooking" brought them, and Gadsden's Howie Cooper. Don't know what they put in their "slum" but it sure draws them! We guess that Auxiliary President Marjorie Gwin knows just what it takes in a stew to catch these old soldats. G. Otis Dodge handled the Emceeing masterfully. Mobile is lucky to have two such live wires as D. S. M. (June) Unger and Otis in their outfits; they were "imported" from other Chapters, at that! How Mobile does it every year! Suggestion: why not put it on sometime around September 12th, say, so we could sort of catch our breaths between parties in Birmingham, Montgomery and Mobile? NOW HEAR THIS: Put down June 9th and 10th in your memo book, for the great Annual Alabama State Reunion to be held in Birmingham. Full details in the May REVEILLE, but you make your plans NOW to be there and hear about the ALABAMA MOTOR CARAVAN FOR THE NATIONAL REUNION IN BALTIMORE, which is now shaping up.

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ARIZONA The Fifth Annual Open House of Arizona Chapter No. 1 was held at the Ranch Home of Colonel Charlie Dravo, west of Phoenix, on February 17th. It was a wonderful gathering, just as all the previous ones have been. The Colonel is a grand host, the day was sunny and warm, perfect "shirt sleeves weather," and all of the 34 Rainbow men present enjoyed themselves. We have never failed to obtain new members out there, and this was no exception. We secured one renewal and three new members, bringing our present membership to 41 --- which is 6 more than we had last year. Notices over two radio stations and eight newspapers in the Valley of the Sun accounted for the



PNP Rosenthaler

new members. They also brought us visitors from the Youngstown, Ohio, Chapter in the persons of John E. Smith and his wife. Our new members are: Frank C. Farquarson (E-149th F.A.); William S. Cummings (G-168th Ing), and Fred M. Alexander (F-151st F. A.)

P. N. P. Marx and Clare Rosenthaler, and Editor Harold and Elsie Rodier are sojourning in the Valley of the Sun. We welcome them!

Marx Rosenthaler has come up with this great idea, a RAINBOW ROUND-UP of foot-loose Rainbowers from EVERYWHERF in connection with Phoenix's April 19th meeting. Marx says: "ALL YOU RETIRED WANDERERS AND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEEMEN wire Don Trent, 4401 N. 19th Place, Phoenix, Ariz., THAT YOU'LL COME TO PHOENIX APRIL 19TH FOR THE BIG RAINBOW ROUND-UP. We don't promise a thing EXCEPT A CRAZY, GOOD TIME FOR EVERYONE!

--Don Trent

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CALIFORNIA San Francisco Chapter elected officers for the coming year at its meeting on March 20th. The slate elected will be published in a later issue of the REVEILLE. Thanks are due to Mrs. Menein and Mrs. George for the delicious refreshments served.

We welcome these new members who have joined for 1957-58: Col. J. Monroe Johnson (117th Engrs); Lloyd B. Becker (117th Engrs); Dell L. Fisk (117th Engrs); Thomas G. Loftus (117th Engrs), and Chester A. Paul (D-242d Infantry).

Chapter Secretary Pinky McCants is still hospitalized; he has been there since January. He has suffered another stroke and his condition has not improved.

Major J. A. Givens, of Redding, California, who served in Company D of the 117th Engineers, answered the final roll call of the Supreme Commander last November.

The deepest sympathy of the Chapter is extended to Rainbower J. C. Saylors, of Los Gatos, upon the death of his wife in October.

--Phil Greenfield

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FLORIDA The Florida State Association will hold their Annual Reunion at Jim Barney's (150th F.A.) JUNE 'N WINTER FISHING LODGE on Lake June, near Lake Placid, Saturday and Sunday, April 27th and 28th. Every Rainbower is cordially invited to attend. Jim is working hard to make your visit a most enjoyable one. To get there, travel south of Sebring on U.S. 27 to Whitman's Corners; turn west on "Henscratch Road," (scratches will be smoothed over) and travel three miles to Lodge. Going north, from Lake Placid on U.S. 27 just north of underpass you come to Whitman's Corner, with Case Motel. Turn west as above.

We've known our Host, the "Honest Hoosier," for many years; we've never known him to stretch the truth --- more than any other Rainbower. He writes that he has a swell bathing beach, and that the big ones bite at all times; in fact that anything measuring under 3 feet and weighing less than 30 pounds, they throw back into the Lake. So bring your tackle and license by all means. Jim has bait for sale and boats for hire. He also has 4 kitchenette, double type cottages, at $6.00, a special rate to Rainbowers, and 2 family type cottages at $3 per person. First come, first served. Jim will act as your agent at other motels --- on which you will be required to make a deposit. Closest restaurant at Whitman's Corners, for Saturday evening supper and Sunday morning breakfast. There will be eats following Sunday's business meeting with the election of officers for the coming year. Also, there will be absolutely no objection to the bringing of any "fifths" as long as the original contents are guaranteed to remove warts and dandruff, fleas and ticks, and to kill crab grass --- and the seal is unbroken. * * * Write to Jim; tell him what you want. Address: James E. Barney, Rt. 1, Box 292, Lake Placid, Florida. (Phone: HOmestead 5 - 3046.)

--Jim Rolfe, Sr.

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ILLINOIS We did it again at the Swedish Club of Chicago, on February 22nd. The boys, both young and old, started to arrive shortly after 5 p.m. and by 6 o'clock the Cocktail Lounge was well filled with Rainbowers greeting old friends, some for the first time in years. Of course the regulars were there --- and what would we do without them? They think too much of Rainbow to miss a party. Or is it the smorgasbord? Anyhow, just as we think we have them all lined up and coming steady, a few will disappoint us and go astray. But in their place will appear some new faces out of the past --- and we must look a few times before we are certain who they are. Among those that we had the pleasure of meeting after a prolonged absence were: Bill Eadie (E); Harold Bowra

(E); Harvey Entress (Sup); Bill Regan (E); Chester Bailey (F), who came clear from Rantoul; Ed Baker (E), from St. Joseph, Michigan. We hope we haven't left anyone out! There were 46 for dinner and 10 or 12 who dropped in later to say hello --- and that's appreciated, too.

Our next party will also be at the Swedish Club. It will be on Saturday, May 11th, and will include the ladies.

--Glen Patrick

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IOWA The Annual Reunion of the Iowa State Association will be held in Cedar Rapids, at the Roosevelt Hotel, on April 13th and 14th.



Ben Dvorak

Host Chapter President Ben Dvorak, who is General Chairman for the affair, has said, "This is the first time Cedar Rapids has entertained the State Reunion, and we are determined to make this affair a real success."

Registration will begin at 9 a.m. on Saturday, the 13th. A general Gabfest and meeting of Buddies will start in the Oasis Room at 11 a.m. and will carry on and on..... At 12:30 p.m. the Auxiliary will hold a luncheon, at the Roosevelt Hotel. Both the Auxiliary and the Association will hold Executive Meetings at 5 p.m. The festivities for the evening begin with a Floor Show at 8 p.m., followed by Dancing at 9 o'clock and lasting 'til midnight.

The next morning the Auxiliary Past Presidents will have breakfast at the Roosevelt. The Business Session and election of officers will begin at 10 a.m. The Annual Banquet at the Roosevelt, will be at 1:00 p.m. and will be followed by a Memorial Service at 2:30 p.m.

All Rainbowers of both Wars are most cordially invited to attend Iowa's Annual State Reunion.

Mrs. Agnes Dvorak, President of the Cedar Rapids Auxiliary, is Auxiliary Reunion Chairman.

--B. P. D.

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NEW YORK Father Duffy Chapter has a busy time ahead of it for a few weeks, with a Meeting on March 8th; St. Patrick's Day Pontifical Mass at St. Patrick's on March 17th, the Parade on the afternoon, and the usual Corned Beef and Cabbage (with Camel's Milk) after the Parade.

On April 27th the Annual Ball will be held in the Armory. Booster cards, tickets, etc., have been sent out to all. If you want more, let me know. Last year our Grand Free Prize was awarded to a Rainbower living in Chicago. This year we are presenting an RCA Victor 21" Color Television, and a basket of cheer.

The best of luck to you and yours!

--Jim Mason

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OHIO Cleveland will be Host Chapter to the Ohio State Reunion on June 6th, 7th and 8th. The Statler will be Reunion Headquarters. Al Hoyt is General Chairman.

The Reunion opens on Thursday June 6th, with a Mixer, to be featured by "surprise entertainment." Friday has been held as an open day for seeing the town and Reunioning with buddies. There will be a Dance that night. On Saturday, June 8th, there will be a business meeting in the morning. The Banquet will be that evening, with Gen. Bob Beightler and Wilber Brucker as distinguished guests. Leland Whitney, as Chairman of Distinguished Guests will meet, greet and introduce them.

The Statler is an excellent Hotel, located in the heart of downtown Cleveland and handy to saloons, stores, theaters, the Stadium where the Cleveland Indians will be playing, and to Churches. Other Hotels are nearby. There has been no Reunion in Cleveland for many years; the City and the Chapter are full of enthusiasm for the entertainment of Ohio Rainbow --- and as always all Rainbowers from everywhere will be warmly welcomed --- and a big, BIG attendance is anticipated. So, don't be HALF safe --- make your Hotel reservation NOW, directly to the Hotel, of course. Mention that you are coming for the Ohio Rainbow Reunion.

--A. H.

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OKLAHOMA Oklahoma City's quarterly meeting was held at the home of Ted and Lois Scott, on Feb. 23rd to celebrate our entry into the trenches in 1917. Lois and her able assistants, Genevieve Bertram and Viola Kelsey, provided a bountiful meal. I saved up all my daily quota of 1000 calories in order to partake. (Since my accident on June 27th my pace must be considerably slower; I don't like it but I have to slow down in order to live! Many thanks to those whose good wishes and sympathetic understanding have helped me these last months.) Those who attended our 1939 Reunion will

recall one of the fine Indian Dancers who performed, Jake Leader. Jake has been much at the V. A. Hospital trying to heal a leg injury. Ross Lillard is in the V. A. Hospital at Sulphur; Mrs. Lillard has moved to Ardmore to be near him. It's a baby girl at the Bill Wallers (WW II), now in Wichita. We miss them! K. C. Rainbow note: Two swell WW IIers in your midst are H. B. (Jack) Munday, 4228 Locust Court, and Dewey Ferrill, 3015 Paseo Blvd. (They're real workers, too!) Our Fall Reunion seems to have sparked Rainbowers here to an all-time high in their membership, 69, no less! Plans for next year's Veterans Day celebration are already in the mill under leadership of Harold Laepple, placing the accent on WW II. Younger Rainbowers are tabbed for M.C. and principal speaker. We'll call on everyone from Gen. Collins on down for help on details, so don't let us down!

--Larry Wood

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WISCONSIN Are Mess Sergeants expendable? Fond du Lac Rainbowers don't think so. They have never demobilized Ted Vogt, and while they allow him to run around loose between Rainbow affairs when a dinner is put on, they put Ted right back in the kitchen. For example, Southern Fried Chicken and Cherry Pie --- for George Washington's Birthday, of course --- were forthcoming from Ted's capable hands as Fond du Lac held their 39th observance of the Division's entry into the lines with a dinner meeting at Ted's home. Following reminiscenses of Wisconsin's experiences in the trenches of Lorraine, including recollections of the perils of the deadly "Pas" gas, Major Henry Vogt and Lieut. Reginald Kilp conducted the Annual Memorial Service.

Chapter President George Van Pelt called attention to the fact that the Membership Campaign, once more dedicated to Wisconsin's Boy Machine Gunner Leo Moquin, has gone over the top and is still advancing.

--T. E. Sullivan.

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WISCONSIN POSTSCRIPT: An Open Letter to M. le Maire, Hotel de Ville, Broussey en Bois, Marne, France. Mon cher Maire: Est c'est ca possible vous n'havez pas encore discouvert le crook qui stole all of the pmmmes de terre depuis le grande potato cellar a Broussey? Voici une tip: Faire le question a M. Ray PANGER, Fond du Lac, Wisconsin, Etats Unis d'Amerique. VOILA!!!!!

REUNION NEWS FOR WW IIs

FLASH!!! NEW JERSEY CHAPTER is talking about chartering a bus to take their membership to Baltimore for the Reunion in July, and the idea is proving very interesting there.

With so many Rainbowers taking their vacations in July, starting off or ending up with the Reunion in Baltimore, we've been asked for "dope" on summer resort areas near that city. We suggest the following contacts, who are ready, willing and able to supply information on the areas named. For the Eastern Shore of Maryland, write Rainbower J. Gould Rollins, Baltimore Police Department. For the dope on Atlantic City (bathing beauties 'n' all!) contact Rainbower Emil Letzer, P. O. Box 365, Brigantine, N. J. For lovely Wildwood, New Jersey, write Charles Albert, c/o New Jersey Natural Gas Co., Wildwood. In Asbury Park we have many Rainbowers, suggest you make Art Slattery, c/o Post Office, Red Bank, N. J. fill you in. More on this in the May issue. --L. M.

WW II ACTIVE IN D. C.

The home of Ex-Artilleryman Vince Pizza provided the meeting place for the D. C. Chapter's February meeting, and it was there we inhaled the intoxicating fumes of Rainbow, Past, Present and Future. Many were anticipating the Mid-Year at Columbus, and anticipation was not, in this case, the best part. The D. C. Delegation found all Ohio the most gracious of hosts, and they take this opportunity to give expression to a world of gratitude to Ohio.

From Columbus we turn our attention to our Annual March 15th Offensive Memorial Dinner. It was on this day, twelve years ago, that the Division began its first offensive as a complete unit, and it never stopped until its mission, and the Germans, were done. We heartily recommend such a Memorial affair to all Chapters.

So far, two of the new Unit Chapters, H2B 242nd Intantry Chapter (Romeo Fagiolo); and H Co., 232d Infantry Chapter (Ted Johnson), are headed by D. C. members, and Major Keating is on the threshold with the 122nd Medics. All three report many members signed up with Unit Chapters also signing up with their local Rainbow Chapters.

General Collins recently returned to his home after a sojourn in Walter Reed Hospital, much improved. He sends his regards to all, and his thanks for the many kind inquiries he received.

--Ted Johnson

CHAPTER STANDINGS

As of March 1, 1957

	1955-56 Totals	1955-56 WW II	Current Totals	Current WW II
Crawford Z. Ables (Gadsden)	30	2	24	2
John W. Carroll (Mobile)	50	1	60*	1
M. H. Jordan (Birmingham)	103	6	100	6
J. M. Strassburger (Montgomery)	90	4	80	4
Wm. M. Peters (Tuscaloosa)	21	0	0	0
Dallas B. Smith (Anniston)	15	2	10	3*
ALABAMA TOTAL	309	15	274	16*
ARIZONA (Phoenix)	35	2	41*	4*
Los Angeles	85	3	75	0
San Francisco	90	8	88	8
Joyce Kilmer (San Diego)	1	0	0	0
CALIFORNIA TOTAL	176	11	163	8
COLORADO (Denver)	27	3	32*	4*
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	60	27	65*	26
Miami	50	6	50	4
St. Petersburg	34	6	11	0
Gen. Chas. P. Summerall (Orlando)	76	10	55	5
Clearwater (New Chapter)	--	--	15	0
FLORIDA	160	22	131	9
Georgia Chapter (Macon)	20	0	30*	0
Cooper D. Winn (Atlanta)	15	6	38*	11*
GEORGIA TOTAL	35	6	68*	11*
Illinois Chapter (Chicago)	500	42	500	35
Danville	51	1	44	0
ILLINOIS TOTAL	551	43	544	35
Indiana State (Indianapolis)	181	14	157	10
Bloomington	71	0	71	0
Fort Wayne	15	1	18*	1
LaFayette	57	0	7	0
Martinsville	38	2	39*	2
South Bend	18	8	15	4
INDIANA TOTAL	380	24	307	17
Iowa State Association	9	0	35*	0
Col. E. R. Bennett	200	14	171	8
Cedar Rapids	36	3	32	5*
Oskaloosa	39	0	34	0
Creston	47	1	41	2*
Fort Dodge	5	0	3	0
North Iowa (Mason City)	19	1	13	2*
Mathew A. Tinley (Coun'l Bluffs)	34	0	25	0
CedarValley (Waterloo-CdrFalls)	31	2	24	3*
Ottumwa	51	3	42	2
Northwest Iowa (Sioux City)	39	0	42*	0
Dubuqueland (Dubuque)	8	1	8	0
Douglas MacArthur (Red Oak)	38	1	30	0
IOWA TOTAL	556	26	500	22
Chanute	41	2	36	2
Dodge City - Pratt	45	2	47*	3*
Wichita	21	16	17	14
KANSAS TOTAL	107	20	100	19
LOUISIANA (New Orleans)	31	8	1	0
MARYLAND (Baltimore)	73	10	77*	10
MASSACHUSETTS (Boston)	47	27	39	22
Michigan State (Detroit)	160	41	155	30
Grand Rapids	22	13	13	8
MICHIGAN TOTAL	182	54	168	38
Minneapolis	206	8	230*	8
St. Paul	56	15	50	9*
MINNESOTA TOTAL	262	15	280*	17*
Mo/Kan Chapter (Kansas City)	111	7	116*	9*
St. Louis	23	15	20	15
MISSOURI TOTAL	134	22	136*	24*
Nebraska Chapter (Lincoln)	22	5	17	4
Omaha	34	28	0	0
NEBRASKA TOTAL	56	33	17	4
New Jersey (Red Bank)	100	24	100	16
Gen. Chas. T. Menoher (Jer. City)	11	1	15*	1
NEW JERSEY TOTAL	111	25	115*	17
Father Duffy Chapter (N. Y. C.)	615	17	600	18*
Long Island	20	1	20	0
Westchester	20	1	24*	1
NEW YORK TOTAL	655	19	644	19
Ohio State Association	15	1	12	0
Ralph Berger (Marysville)	39	1	39	1
Cincinnati	48	8	53*	9*
Columbus	164	7	168*	9*
Newark	35	3	32	2
Luther Swigert (Mansfield)	23	1	20	1
Akron	6	0	0	0
Dyer J. Bird (Marion)	53	0	87*	9*
Toledo	17	3	19*	2
Edison H. Miller (Delaware)	32	1	31	0
Lancaster	58	3	42	2
Cleveland	50	14	60*	20*
Springfield	17	1	11	1
Vets Co. G, 166th Inf. (Greenfield)	200	60	174	46
Pickaway (Circleville)	1	0	2*	0
Orvile G. Fuller (Chillicothe)	12	0	6	0
132d Signal Co. Chapt'r (Youngst'n)	113	108	46	42
OHIO TOTAL	883	211	802	144
Oklahoma City	50	13	69*	25*
Tulsa	146	69	144	70*
OKLAHOMA TOTAL	196	82	213*	95*
OREGON (Portland)	2	0	1	0
Easton	38	2	20	1
Pittsburgh	89	31	95*	36*
Bethlehem	30	2	35*	2
John D. Brenner (Lancaster)	95	7	85	6
Reading	26	2	30*	3*
Philadelphia	34	13	34	12
PENNSYLVANIA TOTAL	312	57	299	60*
SOUTH CAROLINA (Columbia)	15	2	11	1
TENNESSEE (Memphis)	30	2	42*	4*
TEXAS (Dallas)	182	40	168	39
Virginia State (Roanoke)	81	9	75	7
Homer A. Hughes (Lynchburg)	11	0	2	0
Maurice Tyler, Jr. (Richmond)	15	6	16*	7*
VIRGINIA TOTAL	107	15	93	14
WASHINGTON STATE (Seattle)	2	0	2	0
Wisconsin State Association	1	0	1	0
Appleton	53	3	40	1
Gen. Douglas MacArthur (Mlwkee)	22	6	20	5
Fond du Lac	46	1	46	1
Oshkosh	46	2	41	1
WISCONSIN TOTAL	168	12	148	8
WYOMING CHAPTER (Cheyenne)	17	11	17	11
Co. H, 232nd Inf. Chapter (New)	--	--	17	17
Co. D, 242nd Inf. Chapter (New)	--	--	90	90
H2B, 242nd Inf. Chapter (New)	--	--	20	20
NATIONAL CHAPTER (WW I)	10	--	3	0
NATIONAL CHAPTER (WW II)	36	36	2	2
GRAND TOTALS	5,907	880	5,630	827

* Exceeds last year's Total.

JIM MASON SEZ:

Just returned from Columbus Mid-Year Meeting and am happy to say all reports were very good. A few Chapters have not met last year's quota but we are not going to worry about them because they will be with us in time. They are now getting ready for the FINAL CHARGE!

When we left Columbus we were 242 ahead of the same time last year. And we are just getting started!

News from Alabama is starting to look good; and watch the fur fly when they get going! Look out, Ohio!

Ohio is still doing a great job and at the rate they are going they won't fall much short of 1,000 members. Hats off to them for a really great job.

New York will pass last year, and we hope we can gather some of the World War Two members. I do know they are improving membership in other states.

Let's shoot the works and pass that 7,000 goal!

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