



# THUNDERBOLT

## 83rd INFANTRY DIVISION ASSOCIATION

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## DAYTON REUNION HUGE SUCCESS

Over 350 83rd Infantry Division Association men and their families attended the 12th annual reunion of the famed THUNDERBOLT Division of W W II on August 21, 22 and 23. All came away with high praise of the wonderful program Dayton Chapter put on at the Dayton Biltmore Hotel. Back in 1957 in New York City, Leo Boyd and his Dayton, Ohio group came to the 11th reunion without any future plans for putting on a reunion. Their time was very limited and knowing that they had a tremendous job to do they buckled down and the reward was a reunion that all enjoyed. Our sincere "THANK YOU" to Dayton and their wives.

Every Chapter had representatives in Dayton with Warren, Ohio Chapter winning the annual plaque award for the biggest representation. They barely squeezed by in winning and will be all out to surpass the rest of the Chapters by a larger delegation in Detroit next August. As usual, the Greater Philadelphia Chapter put on another show of hospitality and fun for everyone in their Chapter C.P. Their ladies were on the ball throughout the three reunion days and pulled one surprise after another on visiting guests (ask the national secretary).

At the business meeting held on Saturday, the membership voted on reunion sites for the next three coming years. Detroit, Mich. in 1959, Boston, Mass. in 1960 and Cleveland, Ohio in 1961. This is the first time that Thunderbolts will have a preview of reunion sites three years in advance.

The annual election officers was also on Saturday and the following men were elected to serve the association for the coming year:

Raymond J. Voracek, 324 F.A. -- *President*  
 Charles Abdinoor, 330 ---- *1st Vice Pres.*  
 John Teringo, Jr., 331 ---- *2nd Vice Pres.*  
 Nick Francullo, 330 ----- *3rd Vice Pres.*  
 George Cooley, Sr., 322 F.A. --- *Sec. Treas.*  
 William Shuman, Div. Arty. ---- *Chaplain*  
 A. A. Regienius, 83 H.Q. - *Judge Advocate*

#### *Sergeants-at-Arms*

Theodore F. Hodum, 308 Eng.  
 Robert J. Piette, 331  
 Louis J. Volpi, 324 F.A.

#### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Walter H. Edwards, Jr., 331  
 Leo Schneider, 331  
 Shelly Hughes, 83 H.Q.  
 Lawrence J. Redmond, 330  
 Col. Robert H. York, 331

Larry Redmond and Col. Bob York were elected to the Executive Committee to replace Jim Hanrahan, and will serve in that capacity along with re-elected Walt Edwards, Leo Schneider and Shelly Hughes.

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## Detroit in '59

The newly formed Chapter from Detroit, Mich. have accepted the honor of hosting the Thunderbolt Association for 1959. Nick Barbu and associates are already hard at work getting together a reunion program for August 20, 21 and 22, 1959. Hotel Headquarters will be at the Statler-Hilton in the heart of Detroit.

Association President, R. J. Voracek (324) has already paid a visit to the Detroit Chapter and found that progress on the coming reunion was more than satisfactory. We will have more news and pictures from Detroit in the next issue of the THUNDERBOLT. You fellows from the vicinity of Detroit are invited to get into the act and help out. For information write to: Nick Barbu, 19041 Snow Road, Dearborn, Michigan.

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Robert C. Macon, Lt. Gen. C. B. Ferenbaugh  
Lt. Gen. R. M. Montague.

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## THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Hello Buddies:

I want to sincerely thank all of you for the great honor given my fellow officers and myself at Dayton, Ohio, to serve our Association for this coming year.

Our Association is the greatest in the country, and with your help we can make it greater. This is the start of our thirteenth year. We have had growing pains, foul ups, and some real "Snafus", but we have survived and grown stronger. However, an Association is only as strong as its members. That is where we need all of you. There are thousands of men we have not been able to reach. If you know any, please send their name and address and dues to our Secretary or myself. Your dues will enable us to give you more issues of the Thunderbolt and a better reunion. The Thunderbolt is our only contact throughout the year.

The Reunion Committee in Detroit is already hard at work lining up a fine program. The Hotel and dates are tentatively set and will be definite by the next issue of this paper.

This is my staff of Officers:

OFFICERS - 1958-59

*President*

RAYMOND J. VORACEK, 324 FA  
5455 Beechwood Ave.  
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*1st Vice President*

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*2nd Vice President*

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*Judge Advocate*

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Athol, Mass.

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Differential Steel Car Co.  
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Havertown, Penna.

COL. ROBERT H. YORK, 331  
Headquarters  
United States Army  
Infantry Center  
Fort Benning, Georgia

We would like to hear from you often — praise, criticism, or just hello. We are pledged to serve you and our aim is the biggest Reunion and the largest membership in our history. To accomplish our goal we need you. So please get your dues to George Cooley as soon as possible. Again thanks from the bottom of my heart.

Sincerely yours,  
Raymond Voracek

Dear Fellow Thunderbolts,

From here on in the article under the heading of "The President's Corner" will bear a new signature, that of Ray Voracek, Ray having been elected to that important and honorable office at the past reunion.

The article that I am submitting at this time is one certainly not of equal importance but one that I enjoy writing nevertheless, although not to the extent of those this past year.

To be honest about it, I am vain enough to believe that there are those among you who may enjoy reading some of the things I write, so, once in awhile I will gather together a little material, put it on paper and, if the space is available, I'm sure it will appear in one of the issues of your Thunderbolt.

Our paid up membership fell off a bit in 1958, right now we have a big job to do, a job that can be done successfully only through the combined efforts of each and every one of us and I think that right now is the time to get behind your new president and show him that you are with him wholeheartedly. Just get him one new member each so that when he turns over the gavel to his successor next year he can do so with pride and at the same time comment on the wonderful cooperation he got from the members during his term of office.

So Ray, at this time, I repeat, as I did at the reunion best of luck and heartiest congratulations and if I can help in any way I am at your service.

Sincerely,  
Harry W. Lockwood

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## DAYTON REUNION

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While the men were engaged in the business activities of the reunion, the ladies enjoyed a fashion show and breakfast, arranged by the Dayton Chapters women's group. The ladies saw the latest in the fashion world and enjoyed breakfast at the same time. The activities of the ladies were not restricted to the fashion show. Members of the Dayton Chapter wives manned the registration desk for the entire three days, providing information and assistance to Thunderbolts who came from points as far away as California and Massachusetts. An interesting sidelight of the women's activities was the bingo party held on Friday night. Many prizes were won and all came away happy. Highlight of the reunion was the TV program originating out of Cincinnati, Ohio where Pres. Harry Lockwood appeared as guest and told the TV audience about the Division Association and some historic facts about the Division in WW II.

Reunion Personalities: Col Bob York received a big ovation when he arrived just in time for the banquet. Col. York can always be relied upon to bring along some 83rd man who had no idea that he was going to a reunion. This time it was Maj. Dwight Adams (329) as young looking as ever . . . everyone in attendance missed and asked about our ever popular Ralph Nepple, CMH. Sorry you couldn't make it Ralph, we will look forward to seeing you in Detroit in '59 . . . Walt Edwards, Jr. brought along Walt, Sr. "Old" Walt, Jr. had a time trying to keep up with "young" Walt, Sr. . . . "Beau" Titus was in his glory surrounded by so many of his buddies from "G" - 331. His many years of keeping after the boys is starting to pay off. The boys all wondered when they will see Capt. Mac. (how about it Mac?)

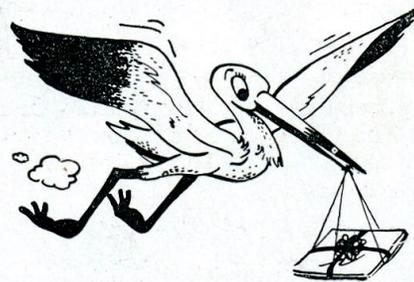
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## Attention All Div. Artillery Men

At the past reunion in Dayton, Ohio, quite a bit of interest was shown by 83rd Artillery men in forming an association to meet at the annual reunions such as the 331st Regt. has been doing. If interested, contact the following men: Bill Shuman, 162 E. Madison St., Greencastle, Pa. (Div. Arty.); Sam Aiello, 1128 Durfor, Philadelphia, Pa. (908); Joe Minotti, 536 Home-wood Ave., Warren, Ohio, (324); Eugene Desh, 9120 Crane, Cleveland 5, Ohio (323); Ted Karageorge, 3211 Parklane Drive, Parma, Ohio, (332). Write to these men, tell them of your ideas on this and maybe we can get together in Detroit.

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## STORK COLUMN



Baby boy Robert, 7 lb. 6 oz., September 16 to Mildred and Dick Kelly, 908 FA Bn.

Baby girl, Janet Mary, 8 lb., October 8, to Mary and Joe Sotak, 322 FA Bn.

Our hearty congratulations to both children and parents. (Interesting note — both artillery and from Warren Chapter.)

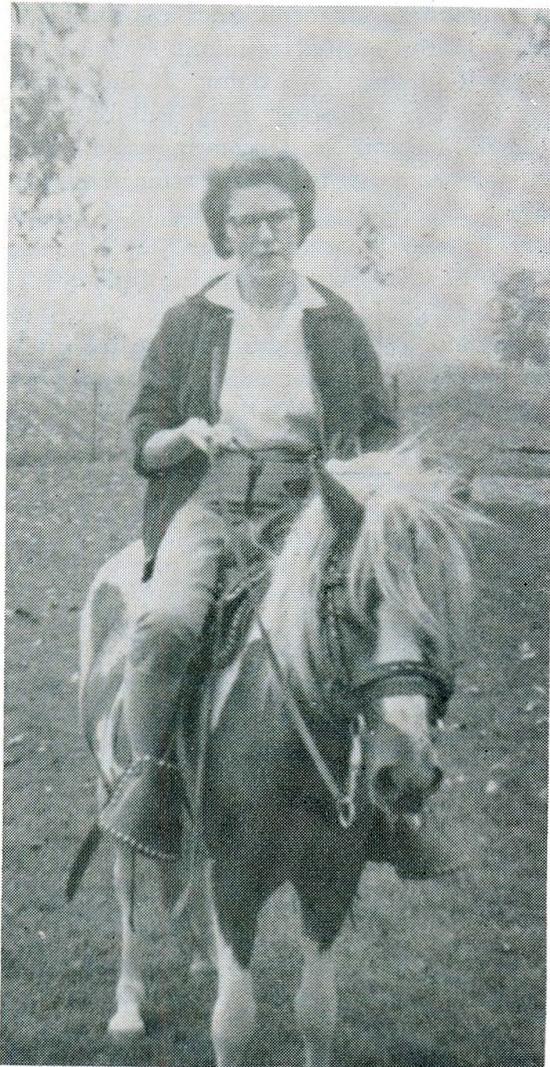
**PICTORIAL REVIEW  
OF  
DAYTON CHAPTER PICNIC**



Ed Fink, Bob Hedger, Del Rinehart, Leo Monnin, Maynard Stonerock, Bill Washburn.



Marion Beard.



Mrs. Leo Boyd.



Cowboy Ed Fink.

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# BY-LAWS OF 83rd INFANTRY DIVISION ASS'N.

## Membership

*Active*—Any person assigned to the 83rd Infantry Division during the period 8 August 1942 to 30 April 1946.

*Associate*—Members of designated units attached to the 83rd Infantry Division during the above specified period long enough to qualify for a battle star shall be entitled to all privileges of active membership except voting and right to hold office. The next of kin of any person qualifying as an Honorary Member is eligible for Associate Membership.

*Honorary*—Any person who would qualify for Active or Associate Membership and is deceased shall be an Honorary Member of this Association.

No person who has been dishonorably discharged from the service of the United States Army will be eligible for membership.

## Officers

This Association shall have an Executive Board composed of the first eight National Officers and four Members-at-Large.

The National Officers shall be:

1. President
2. 1st Vice-President
3. 2nd Vice-President
4. 3rd Vice-President
5. Secretary
6. Secretary-Treasurer
7. Secretary for Publications
8. Asst. Secretary for Publications
9. Chaplain
10. Historian
11. Assistant Historian
12. Judge Advocate
13. Sergeant-at-Arms (3)

Commanding Generals of the 83rd Infantry Division during the period required for membership shall be Honorary Presidents of the Association.

## Election, Term of Office and Duties of Officers

Election of Members-at-Large to the Association Executive Board and the National Officers of the Association will take place at the annual meeting.

The term of office of the above named will be for one (1) year.

A member of the Association in good standing will be entitled to one (1) vote. Voting by proxy will not be permitted.

In the event that an annual meeting is not held the annual election shall be conducted by mail in a manner prescribed by the Executive Board.

## President

1. The President shall preside at all meetings of the members and of the Execu-

tive Board and shall assist in the formation of all policies of the Association. The President shall have all of the other usual duties of the Office of the President as well as such additional powers and duties as may be prescribed from time to time by the Executive Board.

## First Vice President

2. The 1st Vice-President shall in the absence of the President assume the duties of the President. He shall also have such other powers and duties as may be prescribed from time to time by the Executive Board.

## Second Vice President

3. The 2nd Vice-President shall in the absence of the 1st Vice-President assume the duties of the 1st Vice-President. He shall also have such other powers and duties as may be prescribed from time to time by the Executive Board.

## Third Vice President

4. The 3rd Vice-President shall in the absence of the 2nd Vice-President assume the duties of the 2nd Vice-President. He shall also have such other powers and duties as may be prescribed from time to time by the Executive Board..

## Secretary

5. The Secretary shall read at the annual meeting all reports submitted by the Secretary-Treasurer. The Secretary will assist the Secretary-Treasurer with Association correspondence..

## Secretary-Treasurer

6.. a. The Secretary-Treasurer will be responsible for the Association's funds from all sources.

b. The Secretary-Treasurer will establish an address which shall be known as the headquarters for the Association.

c. The Secretary-Treasurer may be paid a salary in an amount to be determined yearly by the Executive Board.

d. The Office of Secretary-Treasurer may or not be held by a member of the Association.

## Secretary For Publications

7. The Secretary for Publications shall supervise and be a member of the Editing Staff of all publications released by the Association.. He shall have additional powers and duties as prescribed from time to time by the Executive Board.

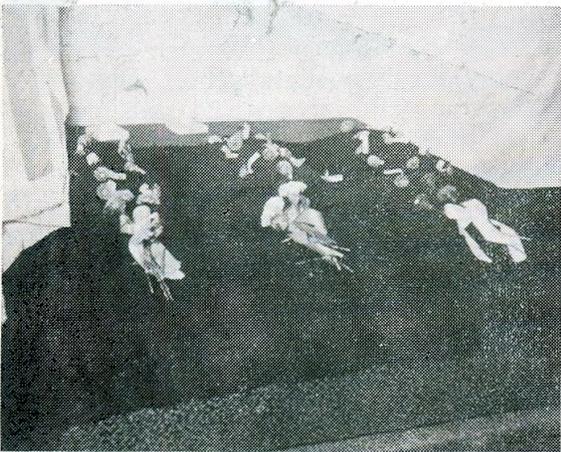
## Assistant Secretary For Publications

8. The Assistant Secretary for Publications shall help supervise and be a member of the Editing Staff of all publications released by the Association. He shall have additional powers and duties as may be prescribed from time to time by the Executive Board.

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# Pictorial Revue of Reunion.





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## BY-LAWS OF THE 83rd

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### Chaplain

9. The Chaplain shall have all of the duties of the Office of Chaplain as well as such additional duties as may be prescribed from time to time by the Executive Board.

### Historian

10. The Historian shall keep a record of events of the Association. He may, at the discretion of the Executive Board rewrite a Division History, collect from members and maintain a file of published and unpublished unit histories, pictures, papers, and, in conjunction with the Chaplain, conduct contact work between the War Department, deceased members' families, and Association Members to establish the full stories of the deceased members' deaths.

### Assistant Historian

11. The Assistant Historian shall help keep a record of events of the Association and shall assume the duties of the Historian when required.

### Judge Advocate

12. The Judge Advocate shall be the legal advisor of the Association and, in particular, of the Executive Board and shall have such additional powers and duties as may be prescribed from time to time by the Executive Board.

### Sergeants-at-Arms

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13. The Sergeants-at-Arms shall maintain decorum at the annual meetings and have such other powers and duties as may be prescribed from time to time by the Executive Board.

### Dues

The annual dues of the National Association shall be payable in advance before 30 June each year.

### Chapters

The National Association shall grant charters, at its option, to geographic sectional chapters who agree to operate under the provisions of the National Association's By-Laws. A Membership of not less than ten (10) members in good standing shall be required in order to obtain such charters.

### Committees

A nominating committee of five members, holding no office in the Association, shall be selected by the President, subject to the approval of the Executive Board, for the purpose of yearly selecting a panel of members to be voted upon for positions of Executive Board and National Officers. This committee shall be charged with the specific duty of nominating adequate rep-

resentation of former enlisted personnel and officers for offices in the Association.

A membership committee of five members appointed by the President will assist in the securing of new members, and carrying out the policies of the Association in matters concerning membership.

Other committees may be established by the Executive Board.

### Amendments

The By-Laws of this Association may be changed by a three-fourth (3/4) vote of members present at the yearly meeting.

Amendments should be submitted to all members in written form no less than thirty (30) days prior to the annual meeting. This will not prevent submission of amendments of an urgent nature to the Executive Board for its approval and presentation by the Executive Board to the assembly for immediate action.

No. 30926

## CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION OF THE 83rd INFANTRY DIVISION ASSOCIATION

FIRST. The name of the corporation is:  
THE 83RD INFANTRY DIVISION  
ASSOCIATION

SECOND. Its principal office in the District of Columbia is located at 1115 Seventeenth Street, N. W., Washington, D. C. The name and address of its resident agent is The Infantry Journal, 1115 Seventeenth Street, N. W., Washington, D. C.

THIRD. The nature of the business to be transacted, promoted or carried on is:

The object of this Association shall be to exist permanently as a national organization and to bring together men who have served with the 83rd Infantry Division, United States Army during World War II.

It is hereby expressly provided that this corporation shall also have the following powers, viz:

To prepare and maintain at all times records of all members of the association as well as records of those persons who are eligible to membership in this association.

To furnish information and assistance to its membership with respect to any and all matters affecting their rights and benefits under any present or future legislation enacted by the Congress or any State Legislature.

To acquire, erect, equip, maintain and operate such buildings, club rooms and other facilities for meetings of members, maintenance of records, preservation and exhibition of historical documents, books, paintings, prints, war material and other objects as well as for the administration of the affairs of the association as may be deemed advisable.

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**Co. F 329  
REUNION ATTENDANCE**



*Front Row* — Ado Langekamp, Ed Zerucha and Bill Nickell.

*Back Row* — Bill Cotter, Jim Fowler, Crabtree and son, Victor Landish, Bill Cotter's son and Mrs. Crabtree.



*Front Row* — Ed Zerucha.

*Back Row* — Cotter, Miran Drake, Sgt. Jim Fowler, Hank GolemBiewski and Ado Langekamp.



*Front Row* — Ado Langekamp, Bill Nickell and Hank Golembiewski.

*Back Row* — Bill Cotter, Sgt. J. Fowler, Crabtree, Vctor Landish and Mrs. Crabtree.

**Certificate of Corporation**

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To enter into, make, perform or carry out contracts of every kind with any firm, person, corporation or association; to do any acts necessary or expedient for carrying on any or all of the objects and purposes of this corporation not forbidden by this certificate of incorporation, or in its by-laws, or by the laws of the District of Columbia, but only through such officers or special agents as may be designated.

To have offices and promote and carry on its objects and purposes within or without the District of Columbia, in other states, the territories or possessions of the United States, and in foreign countries.

Acting through its executive board, its president, its secretary or special agents herein designated, subject to the powers and restrictions of this certificate of incorporation, and its by-laws, this corporation is empowered to do all and only such acts as are necessary or convenient to the attainment of the objects and purposes herein set forth, and to the same extent and as fully as any natural person might or could do.

In general, to have all powers conferred upon a corporation by the laws of the District of Columbia except as herein prohibited, or forbidden by the by-laws of this corporation.

To provide a means for collecting and disseminating information and for making studies of and reports on important subjects of interest to its members.

To print, publish and distribute, or arrange for the printing, publication and distribution to its members, of a magazine, newspaper or other periodical with full power to sell advertising space therein.

**FOURTH.** This corporation shall be a membership corporation and shall have no capital stock. The corporation is not organized, and shall not be conducted, for profit, and no part of its revenues or earnings shall inure to the benefit of its members.

Except as otherwise provided in the certificate of incorporation, the conditions, method of admission, qualifications and classifications of membership, the limitations, rights, powers and duties of members, the method of expulsion from and the termination of membership, limitations upon or qualifications of voting power, and all other matters pertaining to the membership and the conduct, management and control of the business, property and affairs of the corporation shall be as provided from time to time in the by-laws of the corporation.

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## "B" COMPANY, 331, NEWS

Mr. Cooley, please put this in the next issue of the Thunderbolt, or no more free liquor and beer at the Caparanis residence.

Co. B 331st had a very nice gathering at the 1958 Dayton Reunion. We were in the running for the whiskey award for the most attended by any company, but were beaten out for the 2 fifths or liquor that Harry Lockwood put up for first prize. We do not bow our heads in shame, for Co. G. 331st nosed us out by about 2 heads, and as long as it is kept in the 331st, then no complaints. Was very good to see some of the boys, including Jerry Morelli, Esposito, who traveled from Brooklyn way, and the ever reliable Reverend Hugh Edwards from Baloney, or I should say Ebony, Virginia. Palm and Guzik from Pttsburgh, Stewart from Springfield, Gundy from Toledo, and Insurance Man Deisher from East Pennsylvania way. Several of the boys tried to call Bernard and give him their best, I don't know if they did, but hope they did. Traveling such a great distance to attend a reunion as some of the men did, can only mean one thing, that there is nothing like getting together with your buddies again. The gathering at the Beer party and Banquet was nice, but could have been much nicer if some of these guys would have showed up, such as (Balder than I) DiSiena, Powell, Kruse, Squadron (Teeth Jerker) Klotz, Bernard and quite a few of the other fellows that had made it in the past . . . So for you fellows that didn't make it this year, try your damndest to be up at Detroit for the 1959 Reunion, and lets come out in full force and take the liquor away from G Company . . . Oh yes, until I see you yardbirds again, this is Bee Company Staff Reporter Johnny Capistrano Caparanis signing off . . . See you in Detroit in 1959.

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## OBITUARY COLUMN

We were sorry to hear of the passing away of Raymond B. Bennett on October 1. Ray lived at 48 Irving St., Worcester, Mass. and was a member of "H" Co. 330 Inf.

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## Certificate of Corporation

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FIFTH. The names and places of residence of each of the original incorporators are as follows: all residents of the District of Columbia and citizens of the United States

Alan F. S. MacKenzie, 3717 "T"  
Street, N.W., Washington, D. C.

Gurney S. Jaynes, Company "C",  
712th M. P. Bn., Army War College.

Daniel G. Hagman, 1465 Columbia  
Road, N.W., Washington, D. C.

SIXTH. The existence of this corporation is to be perpetual

SEVENTH. The private property of the members shall not be subject to the payment of corporate debts to any extent whatsoever.

EIGHTH. The affairs and business of the corporation shall be managed and conducted by an executive board, members of such board to be known as directors, the number of such board to be as set forth in the by-laws (but not less than three), the members of which shall be originally named, chosen, appointed or elected by the incorporators and thereafter any and all vacancies in such executive board occasioned by death, resignation or otherwise, shall be filled from time to time by the method provided in the by-laws of the corporation. Such executive board shall have the power to adopt by-laws for the regulations and government of the affairs and business of the corporation and to amend, alter, change or repeal such by-laws from time to time and, within the limitations of this certificate of incorporation, to fix and alter the number of members constituting the executive board to fix the terms of office of the board; to manage, regulate, govern and conduct the affairs of the corporation, its operations and property either directly or through such committees, officers and agents as it shall elect or appoint; to appoint such committees, officers and agents as the business or purposes of the corporation shall require or permit, to delegate to them such powers and authorities as the executive board may deem desirable and for the best interests of the corporation; to designate their duties, and to provide for their compensation; for and on behalf of the corporation to purchase and convey real and personal property and to mortgage or lease any of such real or personal estate.

NINTH. Both members and board shall have power, if the by-laws so provide, to hold their meetings, and to have one or more offices within or without the District of Columbia, and to keep the books of this corporation (subject to the provisions of the statutes), outside the District of Columbia at such places as may be from time to time designated by the executive board.

TENTH. The corporation reserves the right to amend, alter, change or repeal any provision contained in this certificate of incorporation, in the manner now or hereafter prescribed by statute, by the affirmative vote of two-thirds of the members present given at any annual meeting, or at any special meeting of the members called for the purpose, at which a quorum is present, and all rights conferred upon members herein are granted subject to this reservation.

## NEW JERSEY CHAPTER NEWS

by HARRY LOCKWOOD, 329

The August meeting of the New Jersey Chapter was suspended, the reason being that it was scheduled for Friday the 22nd, during which time the association was having it's annual reunion.

The Chapter did itself real proud in it's fine attendance at the reunion, crossing the finish line in a dead heat with Warren Chapter.

The plaque was awarded to Warren Chapter nevertheless and with their own chapter rooms in which to hold their meetings they can hang it on the wall conspicuous for all to see and at the same time brag about it as the first time that a plaque of it's kind was awarded in the association.

The September meeting was held at the VFW Post in Garfield, N.J. on Friday evening Sept. 19th. Most of our meetings are held at the VFW post although occasionally we will have a combined meeting and get together at one of the member's homes just to break up the usual routine.

Before the meeting we usually have a few drinks and afterward we all go to Bob's restaurant in Garfield where mus-sels, pizza pie, antipasto and the usual Italian foods are very much in evidence.

The meetings, for the most part, are short and to the point and mostly a matter of enjoying each other's company for a few hours one day a month. Quite often the ladies are present as it is an evening out for them too.

Any former 83rder interested and would like to be with us just come to one of our meetings where you will be most cordially welcome and in all probability enjoy the evening once a month like the rest of us do. Or get in touch with me at 43 Oakland Ave., Jersey City.

Over the weekend of September 13 Manny and Adeline Martin came down from fall River, Mass. to spend a couple of days with the Lockwoods in Jersey City, N.J., who decided that they would call the gang in Philadelphia to see what, if anything, was cooking for that weekend.

It all wound up with the Lockwoods and Martins driving to Ed Paulino's place in Bristol, Pa. where the gang was waiting.

Drinks were served, there was dancing by music from records, home made pizza pie and meat ball sandwiches were served and everyone had a chance to show his or her proficiency with the hula hoop.

Movies of the proceedings were taken by Walt Sammler who came away with two reels of good film that will always be good for a laugh.

Everyone at the party, which included Frank and Mary McGrogan, Bill and Pam Skerbetz, Ruth and Ed Paulino, Larry and Mary Redmond, Squeaky Sammler, Art and Emily Minguez, the Lockwoods and the Martins agreed that a good time was had by all and that little get-togethers like that are good for what ails you.

Little social gatherings like that are among the things that help keep this wonderful association of ours alive.

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## CO. G 331 WINS BOOZE

by LEE TITUS

The men from Co. G 331st wish to thank Harry Lockwood for the two bottles of Booze that he donated to the company who had the most members at the convention.

As everyone knows Co. G has dominated all companies in the division for years both in total dues paying members and men in attendance at conventions.

Just for the sake of keeping alive the friendly rivalry existing between several of the companies who came in second and third and also to perhaps stimulate members of the association to get an early start toward company representation in Detroit, we of company G issue this challenge.

"Co. G, 331st will have the most paid up members of the Association for 1959 and also have the most men in attendance in Detroit next August."

Co. G would like to commend Leo Boyd and the Dayton Chapter for the fine convention program they worked so hard to arrange and also to thank members of the Warren Chapter who as always welcomed everyone to their C.P. They had a well stocked bar and most of us spent many hours there.

Following are the men and theid wives from Co. G who fought the war over again in Dayton.

Mr. Clyde Flanary, Mr. Bob Piette, Mr. Jim Porter, Mr. John Robson, Mr. G. B. Robinson, Mr. Don Schwartz, Mr. Gene Costanzo, Mr. and Mrs. Everett Singleton, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Ripley, Mr. and Mrs. Monte Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. John Teringo, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Phillipone, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Mizerock, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Guarneir, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Titus.

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