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WARREN CHAPTER PLEDGES 100% REGISTRATION AT REUNION

"500"

500TH "THUNDERBOLT" JOINS ASSOCIATION THIS YEAR

Meet John M. Moran, Service Company 331st Regiment, who, on June 9, became the 500th paid up member of your Division Association in 1955. John Moran, who is single, and will be with us in Philadelphia in August, is a Postal Clerk with the Long Island Post Office in New York. He was a Master Sergeant - Supply with "Fox" Company of the 331st and is the proud holder of the Bronze Star. Congratulations, John.



John Moran in front of his home at 3051—43rd Street, Astoria, L. I.

**DON'T STAND IDLY BY . . .
GET INTO THE ACT
GET A NEW MEMBER**

LOOKING FORWARD TO OTHER CHAPTERS TO FOLLOW SUIT

By LEE TITUS—G-331

The Warren, Ohio Chapter at its May meeting voted unanimously for 100% registration at the 9th Annual Reunion in Philadelphia, Pa. this year.

Every Warrenman who attends this year's reunion must register in order to enjoy any benefits from the Warren Chapter.

In the next issue of the "Thunderbolt", members of the Warren Chapter expect to read about the Philadelphia, Washington, Pittsburgh and Cleveland Chapters pledging their 100% registration.

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**MAKE OUR RESERVATIONS
FOR ROOMS BEFORE
TIME RUNS OUT**

DUES ARE PAST DUE

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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

By LARRY REDMOND

Hello, Buddies:

Here we are another step closer to our reunion. The months are really rolling by and our reunion committee is hard at work trying to plan a never to be forgotten reunion.



Well, fellows, to those of you who answered the letter sent out by our Secretary-Treasurer I would like to extend my sincere thanks and appreciation to you. It is men like you that help make our Association the great organization that it is. We are about to reach an all time high on paid up members. I know that there are several more of you fellows, who through no fault of your own, except carelessness, have become delinquent in your dues. It is very easy to set it aside and forget all about it, so let's all try making a last minute check of our membership cards, and see if we are a 1954-1955 member, and if not, send it today. Remember that \$4.00 dues is the thing that we need to make our Association grow.

During World War II, the strength of our great Division could not be bought at any price, but the strength of our great Association can be bought with your \$4.00. Let us try to build our Association to a point where we will grow so strong that we will

WASHINGTON CHAPTER NEWS

By RUSS HITE (Div. Hq.)

Our Chapter members have commenced a very important undertaking, that of bringing the 1956 Convention here to the Nation's Capital.

We have selected Jack Levin (83rd Q. M.) as Convention Chairman. Jack is presently engaged in the practice of law here in Washington and we feel he is very well qualified to formulate a program which everyone will enjoy. He will present this program to you at our coming convention in Philadelphia and we would appreciate your support in selecting our City as your next Convention site.

Please bear in mind that our Chapter members, although few in number, are behind this venture 100% and would not undertake this endeavor unless we were sure we could make this convention measure up to, if not exceed, any convention in the past. The possibilities are great here in Washington and with our enthusiasm and willingness to cooperate, cannot fail.

Melvin Staff, our President, through the courtesy of Col. J. D. McLaughlin of the Quartermaster Corps, has secured the film "83rd Across Europe" which will be shown at the coming convention in Philadelphia.

Since Fred Brewer has moved to his new split-level home in Lincolnia, Virginia, we have not seen too much of him. Hope he will be settled soon and get back with us.

Ben Kohlep has been busy with his contracting duties and we hope his business will ease up just enough to allow him to join us now and then.

To the D. C. Chapter members who have not been attending our meetings, we bid you a cordial invitation to become active and enjoy an evening of fellowship with your 83rd Buddies.

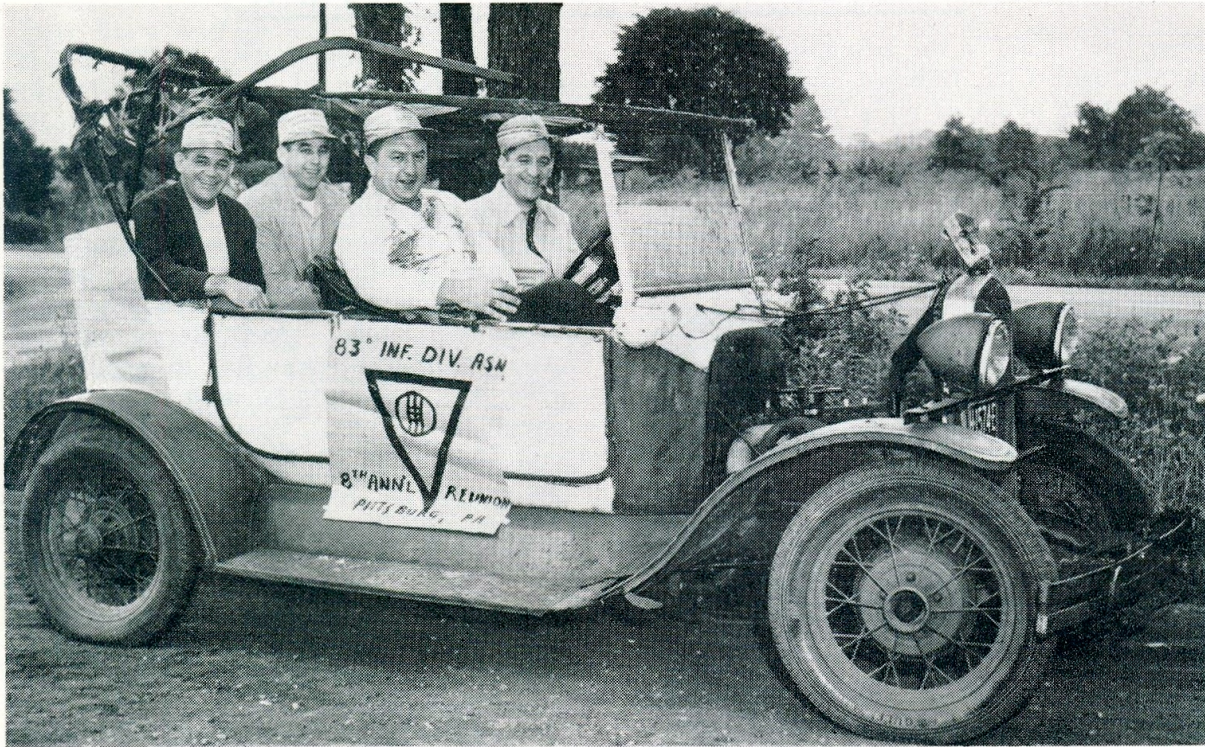
No election of officers was held by our Chapter, but the members agreed that Melvin Staff and yours truly would serve a second term as President and Secretary-Treasurer, respectively.

all be proud to be a member of such a great organization.

We would like to extend a cordial invitation to the women. We sincerely hope to make them feel welcome at this reunion.

**HELP CARRY THE LOAD
REGISTER AT THE REUNION**

AND AW-A-A-A-Y WE GO!!!!



Pictured above is positive proof that if your heart is really set on going to the reunion you'll do most anything to get there. The boys of Warren, Ohio Chapter dreamed up this stunt (for publicity) for the 8th Annual Reunion in Pittsburgh, Pa. last August, and believe it or not, they drove the jalopy all the way (in only six hours) a distance of 90 miles. Pictured left to right: Lee Titus, George Cooley, Ray Voracek and Joe Minotti.

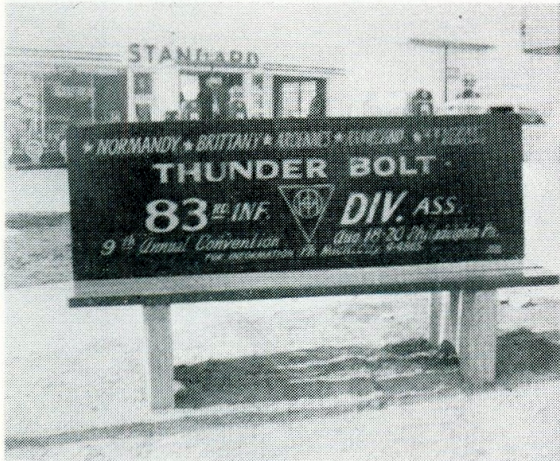
PLAN NOW TO MEET YOUR BUDDY

**BEN FRANKLIN HOTEL
Philadelphia, Pa.**

AUGUST 18 - 19 - 20

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Sir: I am in the advertising business in Michigan City, Indiana, and am enclosing a photo of an ad on a bus stop bench. I thought it would help advertise the convention in Philadelphia this August.



I have had several calls about it and I hope to get some new members. I am a former member of F Co., 329th Inf. I am married and have three children, Dennis 8, Joann 6, and Glen 8 months. I, and my wife Ailise have attended every convention, and hope to see all the fellows in Philadelphia in August.

Sincerely,
Bill Nickell F-329
2821 Tilden Ave.
Michigan City, Ind.

. . . I missed the last few reunions since I moved to the Pacific Northwest from Ohio. I read the article about our reunion in the Jewish War Vets newspaper. Please send me all the information that you can. I'll have to make plans now so that I can arrange with the company that I work for to take my vacation then. I'll have to fly up, with my mother, to make it.

Sincerely,
Charles M. Lesser, B-331
14604 - 20th Ave., SW
Seattle 66, Wash.

Hi, Buddy: I don't know why I missed sending my dues, but here they are, and from now on I'm going to be steady. I hope I can make another reunion soon. We have a baby girl, Cynthia Jean, who keeps us pretty busy. I hope I can see all you guys real soon.

Regards,
Anthony Provenzano, B-330

Dear Sir: Hope you'll forgive me for taking advantage of your stationery, but since Al is busy and may overlook this, just want to say how much Al (me too) enjoys getting the "Thunderbolt". We don't want to miss any either. Al is now purchasing agent for the Shone Mfg. and Uniform Co. We have a little girl, Lois Anne, who was two last February. We moved into a new home last October - 3837 Herrmann Road. Any 83rd buddies traveling through Evansville, Ind. we would be most happy to see, telephone 3-4339. We have enjoyed several visits from A. Christianson from Des Moines, Iowa, and Al always enjoys rehashing "old times". Thanks for your good work on the "Thunderbolt".

Sincerely,
Mrs. A. R. Shrawder
(Al Shrawder, D-331)

Dear Thunderbolt: Enclosing check for 1954-1955 dues. I would like to suggest that each year when dues are due, a membership card be sent to each member as a reminder.

Thank you kindly,
Anthony J. Civetelli, B-331

Dear Sir: Enclosed please find check for 1954-1955 dues to the 83rd Infantry Division Association. Name, Fred E. Barrett; address, Chester, Montana; unit, Company Commander, Co. "D", 330th Infantry. Best wishes for a successful year and a "bang-up" reunion. Would like to hear from some of the Co. D boys who might still remember me.

Sincerely yours,
Fred E. Barrett

(Fred Barrett is the Representative from Liberty County in the State Legislature of Montana and is Chairman of the Education Committee, Vice-Chairman, Appropriations Committee and serves on the Committees for Highways, Military Affairs, Privileges and Elections, and Aviation.—ED.)

. . . Milan and I were married on June 20, 1953 and became the proud parents of a daughter, Sandra Louise, July 25, 1954. I have always been sorry that he never wrote in the two announcements to the "Thunderbolt". He was sorry to miss the '54 reunion and hopes to make the '55 reunion.

Yours sincerely,
Mrs. Milan Guinn, (K-331)

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Sir: I read the notice in the American Legion Magazine, searching for 83rd Division men. The last card I had received was in 1952. I had the pleasure of attending one reunion, in 1949 in Pittsburgh, Pa. It was one of the greatest times I have ever had in my life. I am now looking forward to coming to Philly in August. I served with B Co. 331st under Capt. Danny Moore, the greatest CO, I believe, that ever lived. He was wounded on April 12, 1945, I think he died on the 15th of April. I know every man who fought under him will always remember him as the best and feel honored to have fought alongside such a man. I am a postman here in Dalton, Ga. If I can get my vacation scheduled, I will see the gang in Philly in August.

Respectfully yours,
Raymond L. Carr, B-331
12 Main St.
Dalton, Ga.

Hi, George: Larry Redmond suggested that every man that intended going to the reunion drop a line to let you know he is going. Well, I'm going, so you can tell the boys of Regt. Hq. Co., 330th that I'll be checking on them. P.S. If you see Bill Hrushovsky ("Hoot"), tell him that I called him on Memorial Day but no answer. I only wanted to say "Hello" and to make sure he goes to the reunion.

Thanks,
Emil Wehling, HQ-330

Dear Buddies: I want to thank you for the "Thunderbolt", the official news of the good old 83rd, which I think was done up very neatly, one, which you can be very proud. I don't know if you have a friend of mine on your mailing list, his name is John Hankins, E. Main Street, Greenville, Ohio, also, Skeeter Siebert, Greenville, Ohio. I would like to talk these two buddies into coming to the reunion in Philly.

Yours truly,
Thurl L. Henning, B-323 FA

Dear Mr. Cooley: I saw the article in the American Legion Magazine asking former 83rd Division men to contact you. I was Communications Sergeant with the Anti-tank Company, 329th Infantry Regiment. I hope you will put me on the mailing list

and also send me all the information you have about the reunion as I would like to see some of my old buddies again.

A former "Thunderbolt",
Harold Schoenberg, A-T, 329
RD No. 1,
Flemington, N. J.

Dear Sir: I see by the American Legion Magazine that the 83rd Division is going to hold a reunion in Philadelphia, Pa. I am a former member of the 83rd and would like some information on joining the old outfit again as I would like to attend the reunion this year. I served with the 83rd from October 1942 to October 1945, being with them at Camp Atterbury, Ind., Tennessee maneuvers, Camp Breckinridge, Ky. and all through Europe. I was a Staff Sergeant with Battery B of the 324th F.A. Bn. I would appreciate it very much if you would send me an application form for membership and cost of dues.

Thanking you very much,
A former buddy,
J. L. Piercy, B-324 FA
513 Central Ave.
Oil City, Pa.

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**WRITE YOUR BUDDY
AND MAKE YOUR
RESERVATIONS NOW**

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IRON CITY CHATTER

By HENRY HINE—M-330

Members of the Pittsburgh, Pa. Chapter that are going to this years reunion in Philly are:

Henry S. Hine, M-330
Walter Poland, I-329
Joseph B. DePalma, K-330
Martin P. Propst, Cannon-330
Wilber Campbell, D-331
Samuel Klippa, D-331
L. P. Capacasa, D-331
Charles R. Navish, I-329
J. K. Shaughnessy, L-329
Ezio F. Alicandri, D-329
Paul B. Diethrich, Cannon 330
Rocco Catalfamo, C-330

May be more, but haven't had time to contact all of them yet.



"ITS A GIRL" - yes, its a daughter, their third, to Leo Schneider, Hq.-331, and his pretty wife, Shirley, born on May 20. Both Mommy and baby, Wendi Kay, are doing real well at last report.



is not a sentiment ~ it is an economic necessity. ----- Charles Stemmets

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OBITUARY COLUMN

Dear Sir: This is to inform you that my son, Claude H. Brown, (Co. B-330) passed away April 4th. Poor boy put up a wonderful battle and was his smiling, happy self right till the end came. He had only been home from the Vets hospital in Seattle for one week. He weighed only 107 pounds, so you know he had lost considerable. I do miss him so, as I was left a widow just 18 months ago. I guess it is God's will, and I know I would be very selfish and cruel to wish poor Claude back to his life of suffering, but, Oh God, it was hard to give him up. If you know any of the boys that were his buddies in the 83rd, would you notify them of Claude's passing away?

Sincerely,

Mrs. Gladys M. Clive
2711 Humboldt Street
Bellingham, Washington.

BUDDIES IN NEED OF ASSISTANCE

Dear Sir:

I see in the American Legion Magazine that my old outfit, the 83rd Division, is having a reunion in Philadelphia, Pa. I am in dire need of contacting some of my old buddies who were with me in the 331st Infantry, 2nd Bn., Hq. Co., A-P Platoon. I was in a house in Normandy in August, 1944, when a shell struck the house and I was hurt by debris. I am trying to get a pension from the V. A. They say that there is nothing in my service or medical records showing that I was injured. If you could find anyone who knew me or knew of my injuries, I would appreciate it very much. I cannot find any other way to contact anyone who knows of my injuries. I have appealed the decision of the V. A., as I am in urgent need of this help. Anything that you can do for me will be appreciated.

Yours truly,

John E. Anderson, Hq.-331

(Send all replies on Anderson to 1459 Beechwood Street, N. E., Warren, O.—Ed.)

DON'T FORGET THE DATE . . .

August 18, 19 and 20

PLACE . . . Ben Franklin Hotel

9th and Chestnut Sts., Philadelphia, Pa.

PHILADELPHIA TO BE STRUCK BY "THUNDERBOLT"

By DAVID ROSENBERG—F-331

Philadelphia will be struck by a "thunderbolt" on August 18, 19 and 20th, 1955. This prediction is as certain as death itself. Yet the Philadelphia Populace fears not this invasion. The "Thunderbolt" is not a phenomenon of nature but the Hard Hitting 83rd Infantry Division which will descend on Philadelphia to celebrate its 9th annual Reunion. The City of Brotherly Love joins with the Greater Philadelphia Chapter and makes all welcome. Elaborate plans have been formulated to make this Convention the biggest and best. Convention Chairman Tony Adelizzi and his committee have arranged a schedule of events that will be attractive to all. A highlight of this meeting will be the march to the new Independence Mall where an impressive Memorial Service will be held. This parade will be lead by one of Philadelphia's leading Color Guards and will strike a note of observance that will capture the city for the Thunderbolts. In between Bull Sessions, dances and banquets and entertainments will be the regularly scheduled business meetings. Unit meetings and unit luncheons are all afforded first place on the program, for it is there that the battles are fought again. The Ben Franklin Hotel is providing free meeting rooms for each Unit. Now is the time for every 83rd Man to make plans to march on to Philadelphia for the annual Clambake. Make your Hotel reservations now. Bring the wife and kids; there will be things to do for all.

THUNDERBOLT PERSONALITIES

MAJOR GENERAL ROBERT M. MONTAGUE

Washington, June 4 — The Army announced that Major General Robert M. Montague, former 83rd "Thunderbolt" Division Artillery Commander, and recently Continental Army Deputy Commander will report to the Far East Command in Japan June 21. His assignment was not specified.

Several weeks ago, the Continental Army Command announced that Gen. Montague would succeed Lt. Gen. John W. (Iron Mike) O'Daniel as Chief of the U. S. Military Assistance Group in Indo-China.

VAN BRUNT HEADS FOURTH DIVISION

Heidelberg, Germany, May 22 — Major General Rinaldo Van Brunt, former 83rd

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By DAVE ROSENBERG—F-331

The spirit of camaraderie that only the Doughboy knows is truly prevalent among the men who assemble for our Monthly meetings. Long before the scheduled meeting hour the men assemble. Our host is good old "GI" Walter Reardan, an old hand at "quartering parties". "GI" goes all out to see that the boys are strictly at ease. An early and enthusiastic Walt Sammler greets each man with the familiar "What will you have?" cry, and no sooner said than done, a glass of beer is in the hands of the newcomer. The prompt arrival of President Frank McGrogan is the signal to advance to the meeting room. Secretary Jim Logue's minutes are accurate, precise and to the point. The adoption of the minutes is the signal for President McGrogan to sound out for "Old Business", in the last few meetings this has always been our coming reunion. The Convention Committee under Tony Adelizzi's guidance has formulated a program of events that will be long remembered by all who attend. A general discussion of all points of the Convention schedule is

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"Thunderbolt" Division Chief of Staff, was appointed commander of the United States Fourth Infantry Division at Frankfurt today.

Major William G. Marks (I-329) is now Lt. Col. Marks and is living at 691 Mayland Ave. SW, in Atlanta, Ga.

Effective this month Lt. Col. Norman A. Campbell's address will be: Student, Army War College, Carlisle Barracks, Pa. Col. Campbell (331) sent us a new member, Major Paul E. Garthwaite, (329), 709 Kelly Ave., Charles city, Iowa. Thanks, Colonel, and now that you are so close to Philly we expect to see you at the reunion.

Charles R. Hadley, Hq.-330, operates the Hadley's Electric Shop in Stewartsville, Mo. . . . Edsel F. Giffin, 329, operates a restaurant in Capon Bridge, W. Va. . . . Joe Eberle Jr., 2nd Bn.-329, manages a "Five and Dime" (5c & 10c) store in Portsmouth, N. H.

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PHILADELPHIA

HOST TO 9th ANNUAL THUNDERBOLT REUNION

PROGRAM FOR 9th ANNUAL REUNION

THURSDAY AUGUST 18

A. M.
REGISTRATION
WELCOME MEETING

P. M.
FASHION SHOW (LADIES)
COCKTAIL PARTY AND DANCE

FRIDAY AUGUST 19

A. M.
REGISTRATION
BUSINESS MEETING

P. M.
TOUR VALLEY FORGE
BEER PARTY



REUNION HEADQUARTERS THE BENJAMIN FRANKLIN

THE BENJAMIN FRANKLIN, Philadelphia's largest modern hotel, 1,200 large comfortable bedrooms each with a private combination tub and shower bath, located in the center of the shopping, business, theatrical and historic Shrine district. See the magnificent glass memorial windows to Benjamin Franklin, depicting historic events of his life.

SATURDAY AUGUST 20

A. M.
REGISTRATION
BUSINESS MEETING
UNIT AND ORGANIZATION LUNCHEON

P. M.
MEMORIAL SERVICE
TOUR OF HISTORICAL SITE
BANQUET AND DANCE

REGISTRATION

MEN \$10.00
WOMEN \$6.00

(Plus 1955-56 Association Dues \$4.00)

**USE THE HANDY
ROOM RESERVATION
CARD - DO IT NOW**

CLEVELAND NEWS

By WILL ZACK—Hq. 330

In February, the Cleveland Chapter held election of officers and the following men were elected:

President—Bob Uher, Co. B 329
Vice Pres.—Mike Demko, Hq. 3 Bn. 331
Secretary—Joe Bellock
Treas.—Jack Gannon, Fa. 323 Bt. C
Sgt. at Arms—Al Uridel, Cannon Co.329
Reporter—Will Zack, Hq. 330

As is customary, the past President Ray Vorasek turned the gavel to Bob Uher. Under this new leadership, the Cleveland Chapter goes forward, We wish all the newly elected officers "Good Luck".

Have you heard of swimming in a ice covered lake. Well, we have and by one of our members, Frank Balzerzak, Co. H 329. It seems Frank joined the Mid Town Rod and Gun Club some time back. One day, in February, he and Ray Erne, another member of the club, were riding along on the ice covered Lake Erie, when the ice cracked under their Model A sedan. Both men went into the lake along with the car. Frank was trapped when the car rolled over on him. Being an open car and the air in his clothing, helped to bring him to the surface where Erne grabbed one of his legs and pulled him out. They ran across the lake to the club cottage, dried their clothes off and went out to fish. You can be sure that it will be a long time til Frank lives this down. His little nephew had a good question when he heard about his experience, he asked, "Uncle Frank, while you were down in the water, did you see any fishes swimming around?" Well, how about it, did you, Frank?

We would like to congratulate Mike Demko Hq. 331 on his promotion at work. Nice going, Mike. He recently purchased some stock in General Motors, got himself a new 1955 Buick. What a "baby".

Like to report that Ben Gasiorek has recovered from his operation and is back at work in his father's Auto Garage. Ben still has to take it easy, but its good to see him up and around.

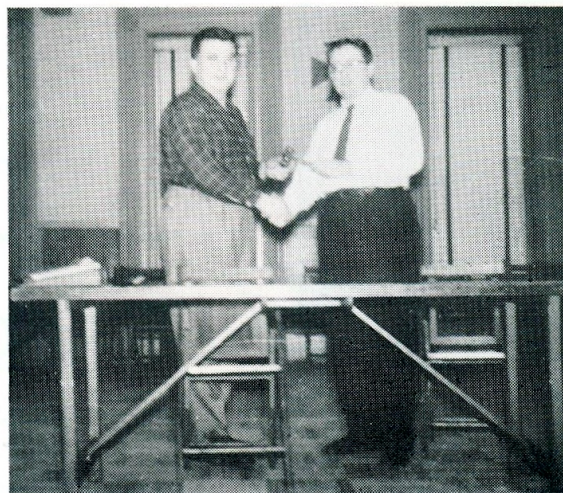
The last time this reporter saw Edmond Glinka, was on Memorial Day. His young son paraded with the "Cub Scouts". What a wonderful way to instill Americanism in our children, to teach them what Memorial Day stands for. Ed told us too, that his wife had been ill in the hospital, but now was on the way to recovery.

We had a surprise last month. Kid

Williams Hq. 330 and his pretty Mrs. became the proud parents of another baby girl, Anita Frances, born May 17. The reason her arrival was a surprise was that we didn't know the William's had a planned visit with the stork. Kid has two other girls, Kathy and Dagmar. Congratulations, Mom and Pop.

Your reporter, Will Zack , Hq. 330, and his Mrs. have been planning their vacation for the summer. It includes some fishing, which is our best sport, and a trip to Kentucky to see a "Buddy" of mine. I have spoken of him many times at home, so after 10 years, come the first week of July, we'll be headed for the blue grass country.

Last month, the Cleveland Chapter held a "Get together party". All who attended had a grand time. The laugh of the evening was supplied by Jack Gannon. There was one prize which was auctioned off. The bidding was hot and heavy. It was finally "Sold" to Jack for the highest bid. When he opened the box, imagine his surprise to find, not one but two large suckers.



Ray Vorasek turning over the gavel to Bob Uher.

Be Aggressive!
Form A Chapter
In Your Area



Your reporter, Will Zack and Bob Uher, President.



New officers left to right standing, Joe Bellock, Mike Demko,. Kneeling, Al Uridel and Jack Gannon.

THUNDERBOLT THANKS . . .

* * * Jewish War Veterans,
 * * * The National Guard Magazine,
 * * * A. M. V. E. T., for the prompt and courteous consideration that these Veterans organizations gave us in publishing the notice of the Ninth Annual Thunderbolt Reunion.

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always in order and everyone chimes in with helpful suggestions and many "volunteers" are appointed to iron out questioned items. Each meeting of the Greater Philadelphia Group has been interesting and enthusiastic. Fred Taylor brought to the last meeting motion pictures of the World Series 1954 and they were most interesting to watch, more interesting were the side comments of the spectators.

Our next meeting will be in the form of a Dutch Supper. Albert Bucher is donating the hot dogs and rolls. Tony Adelizzi is "springing" for a Half of Beer, so you can see a good time will be had by all. Also on the program will be a film of the Philadelphia Eagles Football Team highlights of 1954.

Oh yes, we must mention that a steady and enthusiastic member is Al Bucher's son, Junior, who was unanimously elected Mascot of the Greater Philadelphia Chapter. Another booster of the Chapter has been Norman Glaze. Norm's suggestions are sound and often heeded. Vice President Frank Kemery becomes the official score keeper when by a show of hands an attempt is made to see which unit the 329th, the 330th, the 331st, or attached units combined have more men present at the meeting. This rivalry still prevails and many a glass of beer is wagered and won on the respective support of each man's favorite unit.

Here are a few more notes about Philadelphia Chapter men—

William J. Groff, Co. G-331st INF.—Bill will celebrate his wedding anniversary on June 20. His wife Doris surely must merit a decoration for putting up with Bill so long. Seriously, Sgt. Bill is a good husband and most proud of his children, Michael and Diane. Bill is a real estate broker and takes time out only to attend baseball and football games.

Samuel Cohen, 329th Inf., 1st Bn., Med.—Sam is an old hand at mixing concoctions to ease the pain of his Buddies, so its natural for him to help out at The Manhattan Bar where he dispenses liquid cheer to one and all. Sam has a piece in the business and welcomes one and all to his place for one on the house. Sam is trying to catch up with Eddie Cantor in reverse. He is the father of three boys and proud as punch of his wife, Minnie, and his boys, David, Neil,

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By LEE TITUS—G-331

The following is a list of men from the Warren, Ohio, area who have indicated their definite intentions of attending this year's 83rd Division reunion. Plan to meet us in Philly.

George Bellay, Cannon 329
George Cooley, A-322 FA
John Dillon, C-329
George Kilpatrick, C-330
Joe Minotti, Hq.-324 FA
Tony Sudano, Hq.-324 FA
Mike Skovran, Hq.-331
Joe Nuzzi, 331
John Teringo, G-331
Lee Titus, G-331
Bob Piette, G-331
Charles Tomazin, B-322 FA
Harold Wetzal, C-908 FA
Richard Kelly, Hq.-908 FA
Andy Pankovich, Service-330
George Begalla, F-329
Bill Hrushovsky, Hq.-330

Many other members are uncertain as yet due to vacation arrangements, business connections, etc, but are trying desperately to make certain they attend.

The ladies auxiliary of the Warren Chapter held a spaghetti dinner at Joe Minotti's Club "83" last May 22. The dinner was very successful with better than forty persons being served. (We didn't count the children who just refused to stand still to be counted.) The following is a report from the publicity chairman, Millie Kelly; Dear Lee:

"The Woman's Auxiliary of the Warren Chapter, 83rd Infantry Division Association were busy as beavers on Sunday, May 22.

It was a big day in the auxiliary as the woman were putting on their first affair, a spaghetti dinner.

Due to the time and effort of the following committee, the dinner was a huge success. The woman on the committee were:

Christine Minotti, Chairman
Mildred Kelly, Mary Nuzzi, Co-chairmen
Mary Ann Cooley, Tickets
Clarabelle Pankovich, Elizabeth Skovran,
Ann Tomazin, Hostesses

Two very delicious cakes were donated by Christine Minotti and Mary Ann Cooley.

Of course it was a family dinner and the children really had a great time afterwards.

Mr. R. J. Voracek, past president of the

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and Howard.

— Paul Straff, Signal Company—Paul is one fellow who applied his military training to civilian use. Paul is a thriving electrical contractor with a bent for electronic controls. A throwback to his signal company days. Paul and wife, Helen, are to be congratulated for their latest addition, a son Seth, who joins Judy, Ira and Gail to round out a fine family. Good luck, Paul.

Warren A. Fisher, 331st Service Co.—Warren is a real 83rd Inf. man. He is postponing his July 29 Anniversary date so he can celebrate it with his many friends during the Annual Reunion in Philadelphia in August. Please be there to help him. Warren is a full fledged Mechanical Engineer, and among other things when not sharing household chores with wife, Myra he tends to the wants of his two darling children, Margo and Robert. Warren also serves on the Chester, Pa. School Board.

Robert Thompson, Co. D 330th Inf.—Bob is a skilled worker and is employed by the Philadelphia Gear works as a pattern maker. He is also a model husband and his wife, Dorothy, rewards him by permitting him to attend all Chapter meetings.

Frank R. Loeb, Div. Arty. Hq. Btry—Frank recently celebrated his first Wedding Anniversary. May 8th marked the big day Frank and wife, Connie, are like two honeymooners yet, and that explains why he finds it hard to get away to meetings.

Michael A. Catrabone, Hq. Co. 2nd Bn., 331st Inf.—Mike lives in Lancaster, Pa. and still considers himself a good Philadelphia Chapter man. Mike will have double occasion to look forward to on August 20, besides being the Banquet night of the reunion it is also his and Bernardine, his wife's wedding anniversary. Mike is a linotype operator and employed by The Lancaster Newspaper, Inc. Mike and Bernardine also are the proud parents of Michele, Gregory, Kathleen and Mark, four adorable kids.

Cleveland Chapter, and his family were out of town guests, and with R. J. here, there was quite a bit of conversation about the forthcoming reunion in Philly."

Mildred Kelly, Publicity
(Richard Kelly 908 FA)

DUES ARE PAST DUE

PHILADELPHIA CHAPTER CELEBRATES FIRST ANNIVERSARY

A banquet commemorating the first anniversary of the activation of the Philadelphia, Pa. Chapter of the 83rd Infantry Division Association was held on February 18.


135 people were in attendance and enjoyed a fine dinner, floor show and dancing. Special guests from out of town were Mel Staff, 783rd Ord. Co., President of the Washington, D. C. Chapter, and Mrs. Staff and Henry Hine, M-330, Secretary of the Pittsburgh Chapter.

The Philadelphia Chapter presented a plaque to Walt Sammler, 308 Eng., (which came as a complete surprise to Walt) the first president of the chapter for his fine work while in office. Larry Redmond, H-330, National President of the 83rd Division Association, presented overseas caps to each of the Chapter Officers for the splended cooperation that they afforded Larry in organizing and carrying on the fine work of the Philadelphia Chapter.



Pictured left to right are the key figures at the Philadelphia, Pa. Chapter Anniversary Banquet Tony Adelizzi, Jim Logue, Walt Sammler, Paul Powell and Larry Redmond.

*Co-operate; remember the
banana - every time it leaves
the bunch it gets skinned*
Olive Nold



HELP CARRY THE LOAD REGISTER AT THE REUNION

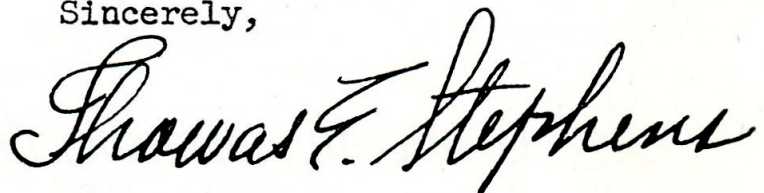
THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

February 9, 1955

Dear Mr. Redmond:

The President has received your recent letter and asks me to express sincere thanks for the cordial invitation you extended to him and Mrs. Eisenhower to attend the Ninth Annual Re-union of the 83rd Infantry Division Association in Philadelphia, August eighteenth to twentieth. While they would enjoy being with you on this occasion, the President and Mrs. Eisenhower regret that they cannot send you an acceptance as it is impossible for them to know so far in advance what their official commitments may be at that time. Please be assured, however, that they are most appreciative of your friendly thought.

Sincerely,



THOMAS E. STEPHENS
Secretary to the President

Mr. Lawrence J. Redmond
President
83rd Infantry Division Association
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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Dear Sir: My wife and I attended our first reunion in Pittsburgh, Pa. last year and we had a very nice time. I hope, God willing, we may never miss another one, no matter where it may be held. I felt out of place among the other members of the 331st as I did not know them too well. From now on, I want to make it my business to know every member of the 331st. Will you please print in the "Thunderbolt" that I want to hear from every 331st man. If I am to go to Philadelphia, I don't want to feel like a stranger as I did here in my own home town last year. The Philadelphia Chapter should see to it that they have one man from each unit to greet and make feel at home every man that attends this years reunion and make it their special business to see that no man feels out of place because of lack of companionship. This is not a complaint, I just want to feel that no one is ever lonely at a "Thunderbolt" reunion.

Sincerely yours,
George A. Dzadovsky, A-331
1333 Beldale St.
North Side Pittsburgh, Pa.

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Dear George Cooley: Cannon Company of the 329th Regiment held a company reunion in past years and I am planning to hold another one this year in conjunction with the Division reunion in Philadelphia. Since I have been in contact with most of the men of Cannon Company, I thought that you could send me the literature that will be going out concerning the forthcoming reunion, I will be glad to send a copy together with my own personal note to around 75 men of Cannon Company 329. If something like this could be worked out with every unit we can get everybody interested in coming to the reunions. After all, the only people that anyone is interested in seeing again are his former buddies from his own company. How about offering some kind of award or prize to the Company with the greatest attendance? (Adlizzi, take note.)

See you in Philly,
Mort Goldman, Cannon 329

Dear Editor: On May 28th, my wife and I were honored with a surprise party in commemoration of our 16th wedding anniversary. I have a son who is 14 years old and 5 ft. 9 in. tall, almost as big as myself. I live here in Philadelphia and would like to know if they are going to give out programs for the reunion. I may not come to the hotel to stay, but would like very much to come down in the evenings. Thank you.

John F. Wilson, (unit unknow)
(For info about programs, contact Tony Adelizzi or Larry Redmond—ED.)



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TIME

Time plays a tremendous part in everything that's done.
One of the most important things in life to everyone.
We awake by time, we eat by time, and at the end of the day
We look at the clock and then decide it's time to hit the hay.
We go to work according to time and at a certain time we leave.
You'll find that time plays a very big part in anything we achieve.
You plan a vacation according to time and no matter what you do,
It's over and done at a certain time, your vacation is all through.
Time, as you know, waits for no one, it goes on endlessly.
It passes you by unnoticed, it determines your age you'll agree.
Your teeth go bad, your hair turns gray, you get your aches and pains;
And yet with all your losses, you also have your gains.

You cement the bonds of friendship with buddies new and old;
You remember the many good times you've had, and life is not so cold.
The ravages of time of course may have taken their toll,
But beneath it all there still is Time for you to achieve your goal.
The goal in mind at the present time, as all of you will agree,
Is the success of our annual convention, which is up to you and me;
To be held in Philadelphia in August of this year,
At the big Hotel Ben Franklin; make it a point to be there.
Now's the time to make your plans, and above all don't be late;
Thursday, August 18th, that's the staring date.
We'll be there Friday and Saturday, the 19th and 20th too;
Bring along the Mrs., she'll find plenty to do.
That's it for now, you know the time, you also know the place,
All your buddies will be there; come meet them face to face.
Join in the fun and festivities and with the help of Him above,
See you at the Reunion in the City of Brotherly Love.

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