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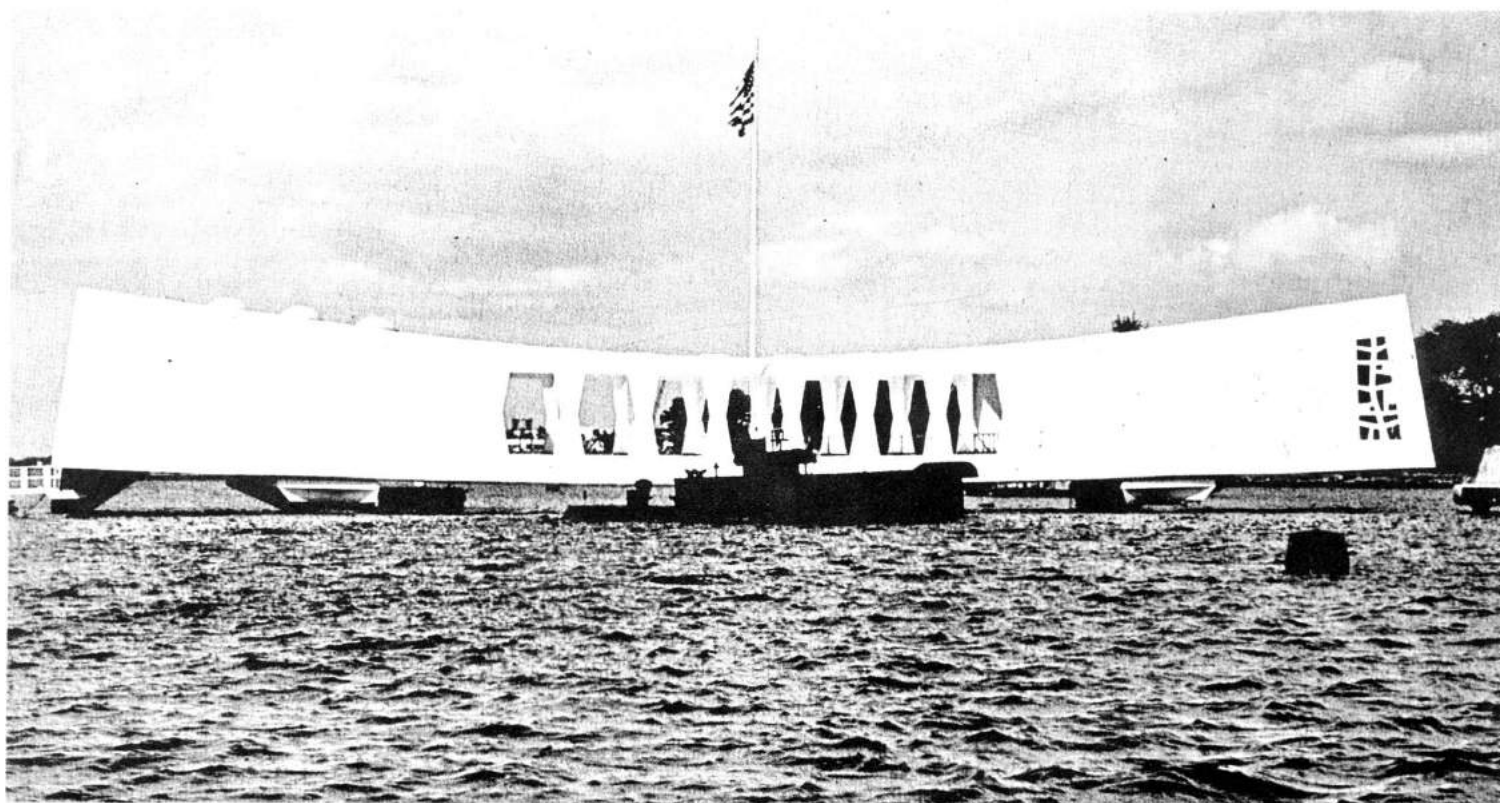
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IT WAS THE BEGINNING THAT  
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DEC. 7, 1941- A DAY THAT WE SHALL NEVER FORGET



THE BEAUTIFUL MONUMENT ABOVE WAS:

DEDICATED TO THE ETERNAL MEMORY  
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“MAY GOD MAKE HIS FACE TO SHINE UPON THEM AND GRANT THEM PEACE”

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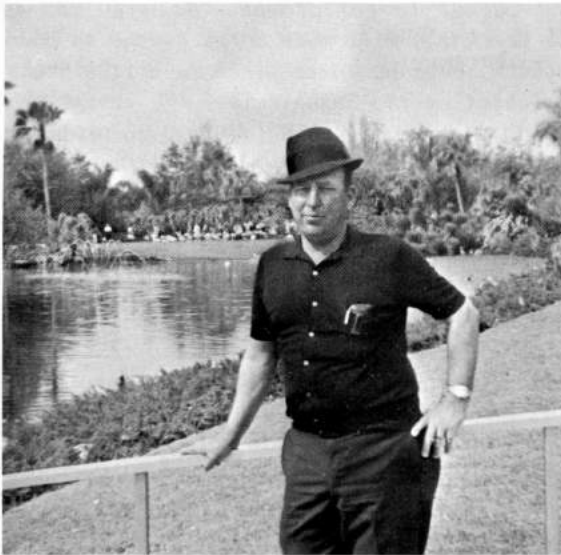
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## PRESIDENTS COLUMN

Here's hoping all of you had a very nice Christmas and will have a HAPPY NEW YEAR.



Christmas at our house was quiet but lots of fun. Enjoyed it with family and friends. Joe Downey and his mother from Virginia came by and spent the night with us. Also John Marsh came down from Elkton, Md. and stayed a few days. We all went to our Dixie Christmas Party in Greenville. These visits from friends can really lift the spirit and give you something to be proud of.

Now it looks as if 75 will really be a different story. Why can't our Government get off Watergate, C.I.A.-- leave our elected leaders in Office and be on with the business that effects us all !! This Depression is really something we thought would never happen again.

Our Dixie Chapter is still going strong and looking forward to August 1975. We are looking forward to seeing everyone of you in Myrtle Beach. Be sure to get your Reservations in. You can Cancel out with money refunded as long as Reservations will be cancelled 48 hours in advance. You do not, have to send money, if you don't want to.

God Bless you all and our love and best wishes in this NEW YEAR.

Dick Riddle, Pres.  
83rd. Inf. Div. Assoc. Inc.  
3 Bn. Hq. 329th. Inf.  
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This is the time of year when every working man must put in for his Vacation Choice. The Reunion in 1975 is in Myrtle Beach, August 14, 15 and 16th. Select your Vacation now, and be sure to be with all of our Buddies for the greatest Reunion ever.

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## EDITORS LINES

Seems like ages since the last "Thunderbolt" was sent to the Printer. Many things happened since then, some good, some not so good, but as with everything else, life still goes on. Only one thing really bothers me, and that is the fact that I keep getting inquiries about the Deadlines set to get your news into the "Thunderbolt". Even though an announcement was made at the Reunion that the first Issue Deadline would be the same as before, and the other Deadlines would be sent out to the Reporters at a later date, there is still this mixup.

FOR THE BENEFIT OF EVERYONE, THE NEXT TWO DEADLINES ARE APRIL 10 AND JULY 10. MARK THIS DOWN.

The front Cover of the first Issue was inserted by Yours Truly because the Deadline was missed by a month and now the same thing is happening to this book. As long as this situation exists, something that pertains to our History, our Association or anything of Military significance will be put on the Cover. I'm hoping that Bob Taylor is not on the "Sick List" and will do our next Cover.

As you can see, the print in this Issue is different from the other. I purchased a Vari-typer for this job and it was necessary for me to attend School to learn the operation in setting up the Columns. Even though they are not as perfect as they should be, in the future they will be. Hope this print is easy on your eyes. I'd like very much to hear your comments on this new book and the print.

Going to School and sitting there with the younger people felt odd to me, especially having the young lady Teacher. It will all be worthwhile, and be of benefit to this publication.

By doing the Editing myself, someday in the near future we just might be able to afford sending the "Thunderbolt" First Class with the savings. This would please everyone, I'm sure.

Speaking about our "Thunderbolt", some of our men informed me just how long it took for the book to reach them. The outcome was not too pleasing. Our people in Columbus, Ohio received theirs in 6 days and in Kentucky 8 days, North Carolina in ten days and a friend of mine just three miles away, never got his at all. As you can see, the U.S. Mail just doesn't move the 3rd. Class Mail too fast.

For the benefit of all of you, it is not a MUST for you to type your material in capitol letters as you have been doing for the previous Issues. When your material reaches me, I have to type it out one for a Character Count and then do the finished product. Because of the time involved in this method, my wish is that all of you will get as much news to me fast as possible so that it can be set up early. In this way, we can satisfy all the Readers.

In my letters to all the Reporters, a request was made for Black & White 2x2 Photos for the Heading of their Column, but to date this has not been done. Pictures are the most expensive feature in the book

and for that reason, it would be a good idea if we would all take photos with as many people on one Picture as possible. Group photos will cut down on the cost and bring us closer to the First Class Mail we have been talking about for years.

ONE CHANGE! If you get the regular news to me as early as possible, we can always insert the late items anytime and speed up delivery.

Yours Truly is still keeping up with his Travelling plans. Went down to S.C. again to pick up Dick Riddle and headed for Ft. Benning where we turned the Cashiers Check of \$5,000.00 over to the Executive Secretary of the Museum Committee, Col. Higgins. He gave us the grand tour of the area after we had a tour of the present Museum in the Old Barracks in the Camp area. We learned many things about facts concerning the Museum. They are hopeful that their completion date for the Centennial year of 1976 is met. When we learned that our check was one of the larger ones they received, we were really proud to be part of the 83rd. I don't know how many more of the other Associations made pledges, and succeeded as we have, but there is one thing for sure, everyone of you can be proud of your part. Because their Quota has not been reached as yet, I'll be accepting your Donations as before. Just make your check out to: Samuel Klippa-83rd. Museum Fund. All names will still be recorded as before.

After taking Pictures with Col. Higgins, Dick and I took off for Tampa, Florida to see Col. George White on a business item that Dick wanted to clear up. The Col. sure looks great and if any of you ever get to that area, look him up. He'll be glad to see you.

Next in line was Orlando where we met with Mr. John Marshall the Sales Manager of the Sheraton where the 1976 Reunion will be held. The Sheraton Towers are set in a Complex called Florida Center, just fifteen minutes from Disney World. There are seven Lounges and seven Restaurants in the immediate area, 7½ acres of parking and other Hotel and Motel accommodations in the area. This is really the best place for our 1976 Reunion and I'm sure all of our Members will be happy with it.

From Orlando, it was a very long ride back to Dicks place in Saluda, S.C. but we made it with just an hour or so to spare, enough time to get ready for the Dixie Meeting in Charlotte, N.C. Those of our Members in the Dixie Chapter, really put in a lot of miles to attend their Meetings and they always have a good turnout. Each Meeting is like a small Reunion. It was a pleasure being with them and as long as they keep on meeting and working as they do the Myrtle Beach Reunion has to be a success. Don't miss this one!! Get your Reservations in!!

After getting just a couple hours sleep, it was time to head for Lexington, Kentucky to visit for a short time with Ritchie (Rebel) and Clyde Roe. We had Dinner together and a little time for B.S.

Next morning I stopped to see the Gundersons in Covington. Its always a pleasure to visit with them. At

noon it was Departure time again, this time to see the Noltes in Columbus, Ohio. Spent a wonderful few hours with them and we had Dinner together that evening along with a wonderful Lady from Guatemala. Our friend Gene looks quite well now but Mrs. Nolte must use the walker to get around. Sometime in early part of March she will have Surgery done to correct her problem. We hope to see them in Myrtle Beach and see her enjoying the Sunshine.

On departing from Columbus, it was my intention to make the rest of the mileage home. Between the rain and the darkness, it was necessary to turn in just 60 miles short of home. It wasn't worth chancing it all the way because the eyes were tired.

Had four days at home, enough time to get some clean clothes together and head for Hawaii. Of the many thousands of miles I had travelled in the past, this was the place I loved the best. Paradise of the World is what it should be called. Met John Braz of Cn. 330th. Inf. there on my last couple of days and he turned out to be the best Guide of the bunch. He went out of his way to show me around the better and most interesting places. John enlisted three weeks before Pearl Harbor and was sent to the 83rd. when it was decided that the completely Hawaiian Group, should be separated.

Those of you that know John, or belong to Cn. Co. of the 330th., ought to correspond with him because he is anxious to hear from you. Who knows, maybe someday you can get together with him as I did.

My only gripe on the Hawaiian Tour was the Air Line that took me there. For all sorts of reasons, mainly poor management, we arrived there 11½ hours late and this was like losing a "Day in Paradise." Hope to go back someday and pick up where I left off.

Yesterday, I returned from New Orleans where it was my pleasure to see our Steelers become the #1 Team for the first time in 42 years. Believe me, no one could have beaten them that day. My trip was not in vain.

Met Captain "Mac" of "G" 331st. while there and he showed John Guzik and myself around the place one evening. Met his wife and family too. Always pays to have an 83rd. around when you are away from home. "Mac" and his wife are planning to be with us in Myrtle Beach. They look just great, and pass along their greetings to all their friends.

BOY!!! If I don't stop this chatter, the book might never get printed. Hope all of you are enjoying a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

SAMUEL KLIPPA  
Co. "D" 331st. Inf.

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DON'T BE ONE OF THOSE THAT PUT OFF PAYING THEIR DUES AND FIND OUT THAT YOU WILL NOT BE RECEIVING THE NEXT ISSUE OF THE "THUNDERBOLT."

PAY UP NOW, WHILE THE REMINDER IS BEFORE YOU.

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## WARREN CHAPTER

Having missed the past Reunion Issue of the Thunderbolt, we of the Warren Chapter wish to express our belated Thanks to the Philadelphia Chapter (Lou Volpi, Bill Chavanne and their lovely ladies, and all others) for a wonderful Reunion and a super time. Our attention is now on Myrtle Beach in 1975.

Congratulations and best wishes to all newly elected Officers for the coming year.

The Bus trip to and from Philly with the Cleveland Chapter added much to our enjoyment—Casey and Ted, along with Warren's Mike Skovran, can take all the bows. Jokes were great too, Al.

Our first event after the Reunion on Sept. 28 was the Annual Steak Fry, hosted by Mike and Liz Skovran. They had it all: food super and refreshments plentiful in a most congenial atmosphere. Congratulations went to John and Olga Teringo who recently celebrated their 25th. Wedding Anniversary, and they were presented the Chapters gift of Silverware.

At the October Monthly Meeting, Officers re-elected for another year were: President, Mike Skovran, Vice President, John Teringo, Secretary-Treasurer, Joe Nuzzi, and Chaplain Joe Phillipone. Best wishes and we know we will get continued excellent performance. Norm Glaze was Hospitalized for a short time and is slowly winning his bout. He is at home but must take things easy.

On October 19, Joe Nuzzi Jr., son of Joe and Mary Nuzzi, was married to Cheryl Bertolini at a beautiful ceremony; and a great reception followed. Our Congratulations and Blessings to them both.

Ray Voracek Hosted the November 3 Meeting, which was again well attended. The Business Meeting was followed, as usual, by food, refreshments and good fellowship and opinions expressed.

This being the month of November, High School football is fast approaching an end, and with two Warren Schools being in State Contention, our interest is high and we are busy attending games.

Likewise, the Holidays and the year's end are right around the corner, and we can anticipate a busy Season ahead for all. Looks like time to sign off on this note: From all of us in Warren to all of you all over the land, Happy Thanksgiving, a Very Merry Christmas and a Wonderful and Prosperous New Year. SEE YOU IN THE NEXT ISSUE.

C.J. TOMAZIN  
"B" 322 F.A.

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## WARREN CHAPTER LADIES REPORT

We got off to a good start this Fall with our Annual Steak Fry, which was held at the home of Mike and Liz Skovran. A great time was had by all who attended.

Our Thanks and appreciation to Mike and Liz for having us once again. A Gift of Silverware was presented to John and Olga Teringo for their 25th. Wedding Anniversary. We trust they will have many more to come.

Joe and Mary Nuzzi had a Wedding in their family in October. Their son, Joe Jr. was married to a lovely girl from Youngstown. This Wedding took place in St. Columbo's Cathedral in Youngstown with the Reception following at the Serbian Hall. As usual, the 83rd. Chapter was well represented. We trust that a good time was had by all.

We are happy to report that Cloyd and Alma Whitman will soon be proud Grand-parents. Their daughter will be having a little one in December.

Soon the Christmas Season will be here and also the round of Christmas Parties. The Ladies Auxiliary are busy making plans for their Annual Dinner Dance. It will be held at the Brown Derby's Luv Pub. The Party will be for all Members and their Husbands. It will start off with Christmas Spirit (and a few other spirits—I might add.) We all have a good time and look forward to our Christmas Party. Of course, the Ladies will have their night out this year for their very own Christmas Party, which will be held at Cherry's Top of the Muff. There will be Dinner, and Floor Show and a secret-sister gift exchange.

MARY NUZZI  
WARREN, OHIO

P.S.

Then we mustn't forget the New Year, which will be here before we know it. Another year, another Birthday--- you can stop right there. I think we've had too many Birthdays already. Never-the-less, we all join together in wishing you and yours-Christmas Blessings, A Happy New Year and many more.

Sincere Thanks to Mildred Kelly for taking over the Last Column. I appreciate it.

MARY NUZZI

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## DIXIE CHAPTER NEWS

We of the Dixie Chapter are well on our way of getting ready for 1975 at Myrtle Beach and the 29th. Annual Reunion. Since the Reunion in Philadelphia we have had two Meetings. Dennis and Elizabeth Dunn made the arrangements of the first Meeting in town of Winston Salem on September 21st., which was my Birthday, the 39th., for the 17th. time. There were between 45 and 50 present, including Julius Boyles, our 1964 Association President.

Our second Meeting was at Charlotte, N.C. on Nov. 2, 1974, with Al Starling making the arrangements and 38 attending. These Meetings are like small Reunions with a one night GO at the Hospitality Room Goodies. Sam Klippa was at this Meeting and it sure was a pleasure to have him.

In moving our Meeting to North Carolina, we have

missed some of the South Carolina Members at the last two Meetings. Come on gang, what is a few miles? The next Meeting, our Christmas Party, will be held, December 7th. at Greenville, S.C., the short trip for me, 360 miles round trip.

Come on Buddies, if you are not a paid up Member, send Larry your Dues. Join the Chapter nearest you and get the Cob out and let's keep the best Outfit in the World going strong. I am damned proud to be a 83rd. Member.

Thanks to Philadelphia for a grand time at the Reunion and all their hard work. It couldn't have been better, everything was perfect. SEE YOU IN MYRTLE BEACH IN 1975. YA'LL COME.

JAKE L. GLENN SR.  
Co. "L" 330 Inf.

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#### CLEVELAND REPORT

##### HELLO BUDDIES:

We had a Meeting in September at Casey Kowalec's home, which in effect was an Octoberfest. Casey took charge of the Sausage making (and we took care of the refreshments..) It turned out to be a good time had by all attending. Warren Chapter was to participate, but they had another thing going, so our get together will have to wait.

Stella Gurgol is in fine fettle again after some Surgery, nothing drastic, just the usual thing the women must face one time or another.

Chester and Emily Czech got back from Philly to a big surprise, their daughters Patty and Denise broke the news to them, that they got married during the Reunion.

Our October Meeting was held in Dover, Ohio in Joe and Julie Lanza's home.. This was sort of an Italian Octoberfest, the Lanza's really turned the gang on with that home made "Dago Red" and Spaghetti.

Julie Lanza couldn't believe that the Cleveland Ethnics could eat so much Spaghetti and consume so much wine.

Joe has his own little Wine Cellar with a quantity of Wines you wouldn't believe, and a beautiful home to go along with it. Thanks Joe and Julie for showing us a wonderful time.

Bill and Alma Herhuth drove up in their Concord Motor Home. Bill has his plans all laid out for his retirement, and the Motor Home is right in the center of those plans. Happy Motoring Bill and Alma.

We missed Don and Betty Clark at the last Meeting, this if I recall correctly, is the first Meeting they missed. Hope nothing serious happened to Don.

Earl Lindsey, going all out for our Spirits Raffle, has already sold 150 Tickets, and still going strong at selling more.. Keep up the good work you big sellers, and take up the slack for those that can't push too many.

The Florida Reunion is being tossed around during our Meetings and from all appearances, we should be

going down with a full compliment of Members. Rollie Warner and I are planning on a Fishing Trip while there, hope we aren't disappointed.

Well, nobody has given me any News to write about, so I'll close with best wishes and the best of good health, and the Happiest of Holidays to all you "T" Bolts and your families.

AL URIDEL

Cn. Co. 329 Inf.

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#### CHICAGO REPORTS

Well, the Chicago Chapter is off and running for the '74-'75 year. Our first Meeting was held at Lottie and Henry Kukulski's home.. As always, they were the perfect Host and Hostess - the food was delicious and the drinks flowed freely.

We Elected our new Officers for the coming year and they were as follows: President, Bill Bogacz, Vice President: Frank Phillips, Treasurer: Bill Doty, Sgt. at arms: Joe Gallanty, Chaplain: Bill Bogacz, and Secretary: Tony Novak.

Lois and I now have a lovely new daughter-in-law named Vikki. She and our oldest son Kenneth were married on October 26th. We consider ourselves very fortunate - the Bride was very beautiful - the weather was perfect - and everyone seemed to enjoy themselves at the Reception.

A hearty Welcome to Sam Klippa for the new look of the "Thunderbolt". I know I like it -and comments from other Members of the Chicago Chapter bear me out on this.

Our second Meeting was at a Japanese Restaurant in Downtown Chicago. The food was good but those of us who attended, felt it was a bit overpriced for the amount of food served. Never-the-less, we all had an enjoyable evening.

Mentioning the Activities of the various Chapters in our News Letters, may wake up some of the Members who are slow in joining in the Activities of their Chapters and supporting their National Organization. You all know men - in Unity there is strength, so let's get on the ball and support both your National And Chapter Activities.

Well, Thanksgiving has passed and I'm sure we all had many things to be grateful and Thankful for.

In closing, may all Members of the Chicago Chapter take this opportunity to wish all our 83rd. Buddies A Very Merry Christmas and a Prosperous and Healthful New Year.

Until our next report, the Windy City Chapter hopes we'll see all of you in Myrtle Beach in August. Till then, may the good Lord be with you one and all.

YOUR CHICAGO BUDDIES

and

HAROLD DOPP - REPORTER

"M" Co. 331st. Inf.

## MISCELLANEOUS

### CHICAGO CONT.

P.S. Don't forget - do your best to support one of the best Organizations any of us have had the privilege of belonging to: and make your plans now to be at Myrtle Beach in 1975.

### THANK YOU

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### NEW JERSEY CHAPTER

Hi: Buddies:

On October 18th., instead of holding our Meeting at the Garfield V.F.W., we were all invited to Charlie and Mary Sihlanicks for the evening. Everybody came with their wife or girlfriend. The food was out of this World. You name it: it was there and all you could eat.

The drinks were better than any I ever had and as soon as your glass was empty, it was filled again by Charlie's top notch Bartender.

We, from the Jersey Chapter, want to really thank Charlie and Mary for a Evening we'll never forget. Well, the Holidays are coming up on us fast, and even before you know it, they will be gone. The time is going so fast, Summer will be here and we'll be heading for Myrtle Beach again. If we have as much fun as we had the last time down there, the trip should be worth it.

Stan Bielen and Yours Truly have been playing Golf almost every Saturday and by the time next August comes, we should be ready for all COMERS.

We still miss quite a few of the boys from the Jersey Chapter who we haven't seen for some time. They are: Ed Russell, Dave Beneck, Paul Chin., Joe DePeri. If you guys get a chance to come around, we would sure be glad to see you. We still meet at our new V.F.W. on Outwater Lane, Garfield, on the third Fri., of the month. Hope to see you soon.

Well, Thanksgiving will be gone when you read this Column, so I hope you all had a fine one, and on behalf of the Jersey gang, I would like to wish you all a Very Healthy and Happy Christmas and New Year. May God Bless you and keep you till we see each other again in Myrtle Beach.

JIM BOWIE

'B' Co. 330th. Inf.

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### GLADNESS

I took a ray of Sunshine  
from my life the other day,  
And sent it down the Valley  
along it's shadowed way.  
It met a little sadness  
a little doubt and fear.  
But in It's lovely gladness  
left a path of smiling cheer.

Mrs. Fred Kiger writes that her husband was unable to make the last ETO Tour because his Boss was ill and he had to take his place. Now Fred has suffered a Stroke and after spending much time in the Hospital, is recuperating at home. One side is Paralyzed and he has to use a Quad Cane and needs assistance at all times. The Lord Willing, Mrs. Kiger said, he will try to make the 1976 Tour.

Mrs. Kiger writes this Quote: "You all paid a heavy debt, and I know you don't regret it, but sometimes it's hard for me a wife, and mother to accept it when you see so many running from Service to their Country."

Fred was in 'T' Co. of the 330th. Inf. Albert Tartaglia of Serv. Co. 331 paid him a visit and said in a letter to me that the visit must have added 10 yrs to his life. It would be a good idea if all of Freds Buddies would visit with him to cheer him up. If you can't visit him, drop him a letter or maybe send him a Card. Write to Fred O. Kiger... Route #2 Box 166... Rural Hall, N.C. 27045. I'm sure he'd enjoy it.

### HELP PLEASE!!!

Col. Del Guru Jr. (Ret.), whose brother served with the 83rd. in World War II writes:

"I would like to contact men who served with the 'Flying Dutchman' in World War II. My Cousin Pat Margareto Padilla was KIA November 10, 1942 in New Guinea when the Flying Dutchman crashed in the bad Jungle. A group of Dutch American Explorers in 1962 found the wreckage. It's been 32 years since 1942. My Aunt thinks her son must still live in the Jungle. PLEASE HELP US. Run this AD for me.

### VA. ELECTION NEWS!!!

Joe Downey of Hq. 330th. Inf., writes that he lost out in the Elections down in Virginia, but not without a good fight. Says that he will see us all in Myrtle Beach next year. (I saw Joe in Charlotte N.C. at the Dixie Meeting. He's still the same as ever, carefree and always fun. Met his wife and son also.

Along with another \$5.00 Donation to the Museum Fund of the 83rd., Walter Fasczewski wrote for more information on the ETO Tour and sent the following bits, of News for John M. Folsom who is seeking information about the 'Battle of Stromberg Hill.' "We of the 330th., first in the 83rd. Inf. Div. to enter the Shell Torn Huertgen Forest, were also the first to attack the Germans in their Homeland. On Dec. 9th., Companies A. and B. took Hill 375 then called (Stromberg Hill), causing considerable and extensive damage to the Enemy and capturing some 22 prisoners, including the German Commander.)"

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IF YOU ARE NOT A PAID UP MEMBER, PLEASE SEND YOUR DUES TO LARRY REDMOND AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.!!!



## PHILADELPHIA CHAPTER NEWS

On Saturday Evening, November 9th., Our Philadelphia Chapter held it's Annual Banquet at the Hotel Sheraton, the site where we held our National Reunion last August. Our Cocktail Hour started at 6:00 P.M. and lasted until the wee hours of Sunday morning. Need we say a good time was had by all Thunderbolts and friends. Our new slate of Officers for the year 1974-1975 are: Frank McGrogan, 'D' 330; President, Bill Chavanne, 'C' 308 Eng., Vice President; Secretary, Joseph Ponzio - 'L' 330; Treasurer, - Joe Gioia - 'C' 323 F.A.; Chaplain, John Piscitelli - 'C' 323 F.A.; Sgt. at Arms, Lou Volpi - 'A' - 324 F.A.

A Plaque was presented to outgoing President Al Belvedere by our new President Frank McGrogan, for the great job Al did for our Chapter the past year. Al Belvedere is still keeping up the good work, by volunteering for Bus detail for our trip to Myrtle Beach next August.

After Dinner and installation of Officers, we entertained our Buddies and guests with Square Dance time led by our good Buddy Bill Appleby of 783rd. Ord. Again, hats off to Bill and Martha, for their time and patience - they give to help our Chapter in Square Dancing.

The Chapter also salutes Nick Taglianetti with his lovely wife Millie. Nick of 'D' 331 did above and beyond the call of duty to help our National Assoc. and our Chapter in many ways.. Again, we thank him.

On Saturday Evening December 21, 1974, a Polyann and Coffee Clutch was held at our Chapter Home. Being as it was so close to the Christmas Holidays, we missed a few Thunderbolts and wives. We hope to start off, 1975 with full crews. A plea to all our Buddies: SEND YOUR NATIONAL DUES. We of the Philadelphia Chapter hope that you all enjoyed a Merry Christmas. From all of us from Philly; A Happy and Joyous New Year to all.

Philadelphia Reporter  
John T. Piscitelli  
'C' 323 F.A. Bn.

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## CHAPLAINS STEEPLE MEMORIUM TO OUR DECEASED AND LIVING COMRADES

Almighty God, our Heavenly Father

In whose hands are the living and the dead,  
We give Thee thanks for all those Thy servants

Who have laid down their lives in the Service  
Of our great Country.

Grant to them Thy Mercy and the light of Thy presence

That the good sork which Thou hast begun in them  
May be perfected, through Jesus Christ Thy son;

Our Lord. AMEN.

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LORD:

We men of the 83rd. Inf. Div. Assoc.

Pray for our deceased Comrades.

Joseph B. Stoy Jr. died on March 29, 1974. He was a Member of the 83rd. Signal Company.

Peter Cannoni died on August 29, 1974 and he was a Member of 'D' Co. 331st. Infantry.

Bob Costello died on June 10, 1974. Bob served with 'M' Co. of the 330th. Infantry.

Joe Eberle served in Hq. 2nd. Bn. of the 329th. Infantry and died on September 4th. 1974.

Emory Bruce of 'G' 331st. Infantry died on Aug. 18th. 1974.

Lyle D. Plumey died October 10, 1974. He served in Service Company of the 331st. Infantry.

Lord:

In times past, when Courage was needed

You Blessed us men who offered their lives  
And did not doubt it was good.

We Thank you for their Courage

And we commend them to Your kindness.. AMEN.

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Lord, welcome into your Kingdom,

All our departed Comrades,

And bring them into the light of your presence..

AMEN.

NATIONAL CHAPLAIN

John T. Piscitelli

A HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ONE AND ALL. FOR A JOYOUS ONE  
SEND YOUR NATIONAL DUES FOR THE LATEST NEWS.

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John Sullivan writes that Reubin Jensen of Hq. Co., 329th. Infantry died on April 9, 1974. His residence was in Woonsocket, South Dakota and he was an original Member of the 83rd. from it's days at Atterbury. To my knowledge, Reubin has never been a Member of our Association. His wife now lives in Arizona. Those of you that knew him and would like to send Sympathy Cards, the address is:

Mrs. Edna Jensen  
7010 E. Continental  
Space #71  
Scottsdale, Az. 85257

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Col. Ernest McLendon, past Regimental Commander of the 329th. Infantry passed away on October 27th. of 1974. Cause of death was Cancer of the Prostrate & Liver. He was in Walter Reed Hospital and interned in Arlington Cemetery.

He requested his wife to notify the Association if anything happened to him. Mrs. McLendon resides at 610 Tony Tank Rd. - Salisbury, Md. 21801.

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## PITTSBURGH CHAPTER REPORT

Our best wishes to our new Officers Elected at our last Meeting. They are: President, Bill Mattes; Bill Jacobs, Vice President; and the two Incumbents are: Al Gruber, Treasurer and Steve Blasko, Sec't.

It's a little late, due to the publishing date, to wish our friends a Merry Christmas, so instead we will extend a wish for A PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR TO ALL. Our Christmas Party this year was held at the Elks in Etna, Pa. and I believe everyone who attended will agree it was the best ever. I hope this location is considered for all events by the Committee in the future.

Congratulations are in order for our new Grandparents Vic and Marge Premro on the Birth of their Grand-daughter Rebecca Sue born October 27, 1974. She weighed in at 8½ pounds. Also Larry and Sue Leonardi are to be Congradulated on the Birth of their Grandson, Anthony Lawrence weighing in at 6 pounds and one ounce.

John Caruso spent a wild time in Las Vegas only to come home and spend a few days in Oxygen. He says it was worth it.

Hank and Elena Golembiewski were both Hospitalized, not at the same time, and it was good to see them at our Christmas Party. Hank was laid up for 2 wks. and Elena for several days with Pneumonia. Both are looking just great now.

Bill DeMarino was also on the Sick List. He spent a week in the Hospital, but you wouldn't know it by looking at him. Can't keep a good man down.

Our very best wishes to Louise and Joe Danylo on their 25th Wedding Anniversary January 28th. Hope you have many more of them. Joe is still having much pain in his neck after that car injury last Spring. He has been working out at the Spa and it does help a little.

Paul Diethrich had an unfortunate accident by wrecking his new car. He was fortunate in not getting hurt physically..

Our man Sam the travelling man just had a nice Vacation in Hawaii. He just can't say enough about it, but would like to go back. A Member of the 83rd., John Braz of Hawaii, showed him around.

Sam drove down to South Carolina where he picked up Dick Riddle, and together they went to Ft. Benning, where Sam turned over a Cashiers Check to the Executive Secretary of the Infantry Museum Fund.

From there they went to Tampa, Florida and a short visit with Col. White of the 329th. Infantry.

Orlando was their next stop, to visit with Mr. John Marshall of the Sheraton Towers, the site of the '76 Reunion for the 83rd.

After leaving Orlando, back to Saluda, S.C. for just a couple hours; and on to Charlotte N.C. for the Dixie Meeting. Next day Sam drove to Lexington--Ky. where he had Theodore Ritchie and Clyde Roe dine with him and a real enjoyable evening. Next morning, he spent a few hours with Ralph Gunderson and Geraldine, his lovely wife, before heading out to Columbus

Ohio and a visit with the Gene Nolte's. These were 8 wonderful days for the tour, he said. Hope we can hear nothing but good news in 1975. Until the next time, best of luck.

ED REUSS

'I' Co. 329th. Infantry

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## EXECUTIVE BOARD CORNER

ALBERT BELVEDERE

CO. 'K' 331ST. INF.

CHAIRMAN of the BOARD

We hope that all the Members of the 83rd, their wives and families had happy Holidays.

The following is a breakdown of our plans for the Orlando Florida 1976 Reunion up to this date:

On Friday, November 15th. Casey Szubski and I met in Orlando, Fla. to check the facilities at the Olympic Villas and the Sheraton Towers.

We found the Olympic Villas which was our Original planned Reunion site, was not suitable because the Sleeping Rooms, Eating Facilities and Banquet Room were not in one Complex. They were spread out like a Motel would be. From previous experience, I know the Members of the Association would not be happy with these facilities.. However, the Sleeping Accommodations are excellent for families and singles if by chance any of you are not pleased or accomodated by the Sheraton Towers. Mr. Mutt, Sales Manager assured us that Reunion Rates would be available if notified within two weeks prior to Reunion.

Casey and I went to the Sheraton Towers and talked with Mr. John Marshall, Director of Sales and Marketing. He showed us all facilities available. He informed us he would avail our Association with one of the Towers with Meeting Rooms and Banquet Room in the same Complex.

Scheduled Reunion dates are from Thursday, August 19th. to Saturday August 21, 1976. Reunion Rates will be honored for the Early Birds.

The tentative Room Rates were stated:

\$20.00 ----- Single, per night

\$24.00 ----- Double per night

There was a misunderstanding and Mr. Sam Klippa grabbed the ball and as he stated in the last Thunderbolt, went to Orlando, Florida to see Mr. Marsh - all. The Room Rates were quoted \$2.00 a night higher to him. I got Mr. Marshall to give us the same Rates the Olympic Villas quoted.

This is to inform everyone in the Association that the Executive Board is setting up the 1976 Reunion as voted in at our Business Meeting in Philadelphia.

Casey and I also discussed, although the Board is coordinating the Reunion in 1976, we definitely must Elect a National President and Convention Chairman. Two men highly deserving of such Offices are Casey Kowalec and Glen (Doc) Keeler. Doc is

presently residing in Florida and he and his wife Lola honored Casey, Lou and Lucy Volpi, my wife Anna and I with their excellent Hospitality. Being in the area, he would be able to keep in close contact with the Hotel, and he is willing to do so. I would hope all of you keep one thought in mind that there are a great deal of capable men who have not held Office, but are worthy of these positions. If any of you have other men in mind, their names should be brought up and voted upon in Myrtle Beach. The above information has been sent to Members of the Executive Board, Judge Advocate, present National President, Secretary-Treasurer and present Editor of the Thunderbolt. I am waiting for their Concurrence.

I spoke with Dick Riddle and he informed me that all the parts of the 1975 Reunion in Myrtle Beach are falling in place. He said he would have additional information on our Reunion in this Issue. Even though our Reservation Cards are not Issued, you should make Reservations early. Quite a few in the Phila. Chapter have sent Reservations in with the \$35.00 Deposit.

I was pleased to read you had a good time at our Phila. Reunion. On behalf of our Past President, Reunion Chairman and all of the Philadelphia Chapter it was our pleasure to have you all in Philadelphia. GOOD HEALTH AND GOOD CHEER TO ALL, from the Belvederes and the Philadelphia Chapter.

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#### “FRANKLY SPEAKING”

To all the men of “D” Company 330th, I received a Christmas Card from one of our good Buddies, Paul E. Smith who was our Supply Sargent, telling me of the loss of his wonderful wife who died of Cancer, although she put up a good fight for the past couple of years.

My wife and I had the pleasure of spending a couple Reunions with Paul and his wife and she was a very nice girl.

If you care to write to Paul, his address is as follows: 3929 Paseo St., Kansas City, Mo. 64110..

Now that I gave you the sad news, I would like to tell you that the Reunion this year will be held in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina and hope to see a lot of you “Dog Boys” from the South, attending this Reunion, which will be August 14th., 15th and 16th. This past Reunion, here, in Philadelphia, “D” Co. certainly did have a good showing.

YOU ALL COME!

FRANK McGROGAN

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TIME WAITS FOR NO ONE. THOSE THAT HAVE NOT PAID UP THEIR DUES THIS YEAR, WILL NOT BE GETTING THE NEWS THAT IS PUBLISHED QUARTERLY.

SEND YOUR DUES FOR THIS YEAR TO LARRY REDMOND AT: 132 ROCKWOOD DR., HAVERTOWN, PA. 19083.

#### GENERAL GEORGE PATTON AND PFC. KENT O'CONNELL

*The day General George Patton came to visit the C.P. outside of Luxembourg City, our Generals were nervous as were the Colonels, Majors, Captains, Lieutenants, Sargents and me. I was selected to be on the door to (WELCOME) him to the 83rd.*

*He drove up in a 1942 Packard painted O.D., his Stars on a red Plaque. His helmet shone like the sun. It should, his Dog-robber told me he put seventeen (17) coats of Shellac on it.*

*When he came down from General Macon's quarters, the Dragon lost some of his fire. He had taken off his shirt and his Ike Jacket was open. He was old, his hair sparse and white and looked much shorter and thinner than I had imagined. He was a “Giant” by reputation but not in person. I don't remember him wearing his famous Colt 45's that day.*

*I later heard him speak to the Troops. As an ex-Cavalry man from the Guard, I thought I'd heard “Mule-Skinner” language but he had a tongue that would take the hide-off-a-dead-horse; McClennan Saddle, bridle and all.*

*Did you know that General Patton requested that the Top Brass give him the use of the 83rd Division???? He thought highly of our Fighting Spirit!! Maybe if they had -----?????*

*“WISHING YOU ALL HAD A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY AND HEALTHFUL NEW YEAR. GOD BLESS YOU ALL.”*

THE O'CONNELL FAMILY  
KENT - NANCY - ERIN  
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#### CO. “G” 331ST. REPORT

Hello Old Buddies:

After a few years Vacation from writing Articles for the Thunderbolt, I think it's time to get back to work. Somehow, through the years, we have lost contact with some of our people and it shows up both in Paid-up Memberships and attendance at Reunions.

We just returned from the Philadelphia Reunion and I'm sure all “G” Co. people who attended will join me in saying “Thanks Philly for a great Reunion.” We all enjoyed ourselves. There were a total of nine of “G” Co. men plus their wives in Philly. Loyal and Kate Pangle, John and Olga Teringo, Joe and Angie Phillipone, Monte and Dede Anderson, Lee and Birdie Titus, Bill Bogacz, Al Suess, Gene Costanzo and Don Schwartz.

Those who didn't attend this year, but let us know they wouldn't be there were: Joe Macaluso-“Mac” called and said his father was very Ill, but told me to say “Hi” to all “G” Co. men and he would see you all at Myrtle Beach in 1975. We certainly hope your Dad is much better by now “Mac.”

Mort Gaynors wife Jean wrote us a letter and said



that Mort had to paint his house during his Vacation and would try to see us all in 1975.

Bob Pietti- Bob wrote that he just Couldn't get off work as his Company had already shut down for some 2 weeks earlier in the year. If this happens in 1975 Bob, report off work sick and fly down to the Reunion. You used to go on sick call when a big hike was scheduled.

We had a total of 22 men in 'G' Co. who paid their Dues in 1974. A few years ago, we averaged 40 to 50 men each year and we always had 15 to 20 men at Reunions. May I suggest that we all take Pen in hand this year and write a few letters to our Old Buddies and try to encourage them to attend the 1975 Reunion in Myrtle Beach, S.C. or atleast get them to send \$6.00 to Larry Redmond for their Dues. Remember this because as of September 1974, if a man does not pay his Dues, his name will be removed from the 'Thunderbolt' mailing list. We do not want to lose contact with our Buddies.

That's all for now Buddies. Send me some news so I can write another Article to the 'Thunderbolt'.

Let me know if you have retired, or how many grandchildren you have. Birdie and I have eight grandchildren. Can any of you beat that? Send me a recent picture of yourself and your family. We will get it published in the 'Thunderbolt'.

LEE TITUS

'G' Co. 331st. Inf.

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William M. Gilbert of 'H' 330th. Inf. lost his wife after a brief illness and for that reason could not make the ETO Tour with us. He is now retired and has been married again. He plans on being in S.C. with us for the Reunion and intends to make the next Tour of the ETO in 1976. Mr. Gilbert has the same ideas as I about retirement --- travel while you can.

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Michael Brick wrote about my error in the past Issue concerning Myrtle Beach. The year is 1975 and not 1976 as was printed on page 16. PLEASE MAKE ATLEAST A MENTAL NOTE, MYRTLE BEACH 1975, and remember to make your reservations now as the demand by our Members has exceeded the Motor Hotels expectations. The last letter I received from them stated that reservations are pouring in.

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Robert E. Gotwalt informed me that I had him listed in the wrong Unit as a Donor to the Museum Fund. He was a Member of the 83rd. Recon., not the 308 Eng. I apologize to Walt for the error and the change was made. Thank you for the correction.

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Another error. Russell E. Davy informed me that he was the Gentleman that gave me the 7th. Annual Reun-

ion Program at the Philly Reunion and that the Highway Sign was given to me by George Hayes of Ohio. It was reported wrongly in the last Issue.

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Father McCartin (The Black Beret) has been in touch with me quite regularly and in one of his letters I was asked if it would be possible to change the date of our Reunions so that he could attend more of them in the future. For the Catholics, it is the Assumption of Mary to Heaven, (third week in August) he is obligated to serve Mass. He said that many of those that attend the Reunion, forget this fact. Just recently Father McCartin sent me the enclosed photo, showing him serving Mass. Being that he was so helpful with all of us on the ETO Tour and has made so many more friends in the Association lately, it is being published for all to see. Thank you Father McCartin for all you have done for this Association.



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#### IN MEMORIAM

Rev. Ernest E. Heuer of Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, Lockport, N.Y., for nineteen years until his Retirement in February in 1973, died on Thursday, August 22nd. after suffering a Heart Attack earlier that day. He was a Native of Bertha, Minn. and had made the move to Lockport in 1953. He was the Chaplain, of the 329th. Infantry. Along with all the Members of the 329th. and all of the Members of this Association, we extend our Sympathies to all his good friends and family.

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Anthony Madonna of Co. 'D' 331st. Infantry has left this world very suddenly after a very short illness. Tony had been in excellent health all these years. He

had four Cerebral Hemorrhages within twelve days, & put up a good fight but lost. His wife tells me that God was kind in taking him because Tony would never have regained consciousness.

He left behind his Wife Catherine, three children and four Grand Children. There were three brothers & two sisters. He is resting in St. Patricks Cemetery, in his home town of Kennett Square, Pa. His latest home was in Crisfield, Md.

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Z.V. Pearson of Charlotte, N.C. and a Member of 'D' Co. 331st. also, passed away in August of 1973 and this was learned in Charlotte when I attended the Dixie Meeting in November. I called his home to see if we could get together and this was when his wife informed me of his death. This shocked me, as did the others, as was said previously, in another Issue, We are losing many of our Buddies at a faster pace, for we are getting older. Mrs. Pearson, We extend our belated Sympathies to you and yours.

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James E. Barr passed away on July 27, 1972. This was the information received from his wife recently. She said she enjoyed reading his "Thunderbolt" so much that she would like to continue getting it. (This will be done.) James lived in Bellvue, Ohio at the time of his death. He was a Member of the 322 F.A. We of this Association are sorry, Mrs. Barr, and extend to all of you, our Sympathies.

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I was also informed that W.R. Church passed away. His Unit is unknown to me for he was never in my files.

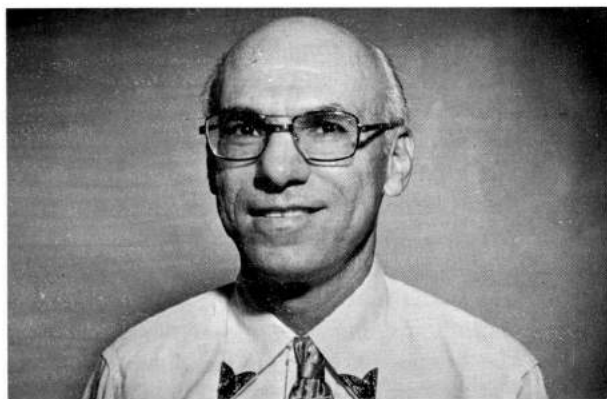
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Someone gave me the name of Louis Balka of "M" Co. 331st. Infantry but no details were available that would interest his Buddies. It is only known that he resided in South Bend, Indiana and passed away on December 3, 1974.

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#### OUR HAWAIIAN MEMBER

John Braz, Cn. Co. 330th. Infantry, of Hawaii, in the photo below, was my best Tour Guide recently when I visited his State for the first time.



John would like very much to contact his former Cn. Company Buddies and renew his correspondence with them. John is really a great guy.

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#### CLEVELAND AGAIN

Hello Buddies:

Our November Meeting was attended by Sam Klippa and Al Klugiewicz of Erie, Pa. Al was paying a visit and was invited to sit in. Sam was there to see how our Gang can "Juice it up."

Emily and Chester Czech are proud these days, son Jimmy finally presented them with a Granddaughter. Daughter Patty will present them a little surprise in 1975.

At this very moment, Christmas 1974 is about to end on some memories of the past. Remember where we were 30 years ago? Up to our tails in snow; wonder how in the hell we made it.

Everyone here is feeling good now. Chet Czech had a boil lanced on his butt and now knows where the expression came from. "Ha!"

Jo Evans is grateful to the Cleveland Chapter for placing John Evans name on the Museum Fund list of contributors.

February 1975 will be a wing ding of a month for Earl and Ronnie Lindsey, they volunteered their time their labor, and even the meat for a Venison Dinner. Earl shot a big Buck in Pa. this past season and can't keep it all in his freezer.

We are all anticipating a good meal. I hope those that never tasted wild meat before enjoy it so that Earl can make this an Annual Event. I just know the Lindseys appreciate me volunteering their time and efforts.

Just received word that Emily Czech's father passed away. This kind of news I don't like to hear or write about. Our Condolences to the family.

I would like to hear from Frank Albano of Mass. and possibly learn why he didn't show in Philly, hope nothing happened to Frank.

My good Buddy Rollie Warner is still limping like a footsore doggie and thinking of retirement more and more.

No other news coming from the men of our Chapter so I'll close wishing each and everyone the Happiest of New Years for 1975 - "and Dues are due."

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Cn. Co. 329th. Inf.

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#### SECRETARY-TREASURERS REPORT

Hello Buddies:

Well, here we are once again, I hope, going to re-



ceive another Issue of our "Thunderbolt". I suppose that many of you like myself feel that we have lost a great Christmas Present, the Christmas Issue of the "Thunderbolt". For the first time in over twenty years we didn't receive it. I sincerely hope that the next Issue will be worth having waited for.

I am proud to report to you that as of this Issue, I wish to make a correction of the last Issue, we didn't go over the 1,000 paid up members in the past because of Sam Klippa, it was mainly because of men-like Jim Prentice, Frank McGrogan, Michael Brick John Piscitelli, and a few more devoted men that had contacted so many of their former Buddies.

To those of you that have been active in the Association over the years, know what a tough struggle Harry Lockwood had trying to keep this Association going, upon his death, I took over as Secretary-Treasurer and have tried to carry on from there. During these years both Harry and I have had our problems with Sam trying to take over. This year he was almost successful, with the help of a couple of his Buddies on the Executive Board of which he was the Chairman, a deal was pulled at a closed meeting to have the "Thunderbolt" taken away from me, along with that, they staged a nominating campaign to try to dump me as Secretary-Treasurer. Thanks to six of you, I was able to defeat him by five votes. Had I known such a thing was being put on, I could have used the same tactics as he and his Buddies did to try to overthrow me. I still feel that I have the backing of the membership.

Well Buddies, once again I am in here fighting and will continue to fight for the good of the 83rd Infantry Division Association. I don't have to get in there and fight for Larry Redmond, you, the members know Larry Redmond and the job he has done for this Association.

I would like to sincerely appeal to you the members to stand behind the 83rd Infantry Division Association, and lend your support to it. We can't jeopardize the Association because of personal grievances that may arise. I would like to ask each and every one of you to try and get at least one more paid up member to help get us over the top again.

There is one more thing that I would like to bring out to you members. Sam has written about all the money he has spent and was never repaid. He has never sent a bill to this Office to my knowledge that he wasn't paid for.

Gentlemen, again I wish to thank you for the support that you have given me over the years. I sincerely hope that I can show you another successful year. Please remember, the Dues are \$6.00 per year. If you are not paid up for this year, please do so at once or you will be dropped from the mailing list.

YOURS TRULY  
Larry Redmond  
Secretary-Treasurer  
Co. "H" 330th. Inf.

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#### FROM YOUR EDITOR

HOW DO YOU GO ABOUT ANSWERING SUCH A LETTER AS THE ONE PRECEDING THIS?  
CONSIDER ALL THE FACTS OF THE PAST AND MAKE UP THE ANSWERS YOURSELVES.

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#### JOSEPH MACALUSO WRITES

A letter received from one of the great Sergeants of the 83rd Division, Leroy Titus suggested that I write a Column for the "Thunderbolt."

In keeping with the request of men such as Beau Titus, I decided to make some contribution to the 83rd. Division.

As a matter of introduction, I am Joseph Macaluso "G" Co. 331st, better known to the men of George Co and the 2nd Bn as "Capt Mac" or as "Little Joe is our C.O."

In the past, I have been one of those that waits for someone else to do the writing. However, I now feel that I should try to assist in some way to keep the name of the 83rd Division in the minds of not only the men that served in this great outfit, but in the minds of all that come into contact with the 83rd Division Association.

Recently, I retired from the Army Reserve after 32 years of Military Service. In all those years the most rewarding memories are those of the two years I spent with the men of "G" Co. In Issues to come, I hope to share some of those memories with you.

Having joined the 83rd at Breckenridge Ky. the many long hours of training with men in George Co. molded us into a Unit that would become outstanding in Combat. In these months we learned to develop respect and devotion for each other. This respect and devotion was a two way street involving both the Officers and enlisted personnel.

This is the reason why it was easy for us to accept the replacements that came to "G" Co. and for us to be accepted by them during the 11 months of the European Conflict.

In May 1945, in my opinion, and the opinions of many in the 83rd Division, it was felt that "G" Co. 331st was one of the best, if not the best, front line Company in the ETO.

About this time I know there will be many raised eyebrows, some will fall off your chairs, and some will even make some remarks that should never be heard by human ears. These will come from men in other Units of the 83rd.

This is what made the Thunderbolt Division the outstanding Division that it was in Europe, and that still exists in the minds of all today. There were 27 rifle companies, heavy weapons companies, 9 Battalions, 3 Regiments, Field Artillery, the Engineers, the Signal, the Quartermaster, and the many other Units that made up our Division. We all felt that we were part of the best Company, the best



Battalion, the best Regiment, and the best Division in the ETO.

The esprit de Corps of the 83rd Division is, in the eyes of the men that served it, unchallenged.

To the men of "G" Co., we have two of our fellow comrades who are in need of your Prayers and some good words from you.

George Berlet has Lung Cancer-he can be reached at the U.S. Naval Hospital in Philadelphia (Broad and Pattison, SOQ 10, 19145). Mort Gaynor in Milford, Conn. is still suffering with his eyes. Let's give these two fellows some words of encouragement.

JOSEPH A. MACALUSO  
Co. "G" 331st. Inf.

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#### NEWS OF INTEREST

The fuel crunch and the Economy clouded Florida's Tourist Picture last Season, but the State has high hopes for this Winter. Here's a rundown on its new or improved attractions, beginning with all the 'worlds' of its most popular travel area, central Florida:

Walt Disney World, the area's prime magnet for fun-seekers, continues to grow.

Two new additions are: Treasure Island, a lush tropical isle featuring exotic birds and wildlife in a natural setting; and Pioneer Hall at Fort Wilderness campgrounds, a dining area featuring special dinner shows with an old west theme. A mid January opening is slated for Space Mountain, where visitors will board a Disney space capsule for a voyage through the heavens, complete with twinkling galaxies. Sea World of Florida, a \$20,000,000 attraction near Orlando, opened with a big splash this year. The attraction has two 300 seat air-conditioned stadiums featuring live animal shows. In addition a 400 foot Sea World skytower was recently completed.

During the year, Circus World also began operation in its preview center near Orlando. Housed in a structure resembling a striped Circus Tent, the center includes displays of Historic Circus trappings and memorabilia and offers elephant performances in a backyard arena.

Highlight of a visit is a 27 minute film presentation on a screen taller than a six-story building. It propels viewers into all the action of the Big Top.

Scheduled To Open in the area by next Summer, is six Flags, located just southwest of Orlando. Its movie-land attractions, Stars of Hall of Fame, is well into construction. Audio visual and animation-techniques will depict great moments in the world of Stage, Screen and Television. The Complex also will include more than 90 famous stage sets and figures.

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#### TIPS ON TIPPING

Here are tips on tipping from Tippers International founded two years ago by Travelling Salesman John Schein of Oshkosh, Wisconsin.

Money may talk loudest but a kind word may get you even better service. Find out the name of your Waitress, praise her to your Hostess, compliment the Chef and Bartender.

Standard Tip Schedule: 15% to Waitresses, Bartenders and Room Service (but up to 20% for exceptional service and down to 0% for rotten service.) 10 to \$0.25 for rest room attendants, 20% for Beauticians, and 50 cents for Barbers; \$1.00 for Wine Stewards, and 25 cents for Grocery boys, 50 cents for Bell Hops-per bag 75 cents for errands by Hotelmen.

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There was once a law in Kansas that could have stopped Railroad Crossing Accidents--permanently. It read something like this: "When two trains approach each other at a Crossing, they should both come to a full stop and neither shall start up until the other has gone."

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A Panhandler walked up to me the other day and said: "Hey, Mister, can I have 50 cents, I want to get something to eat?" So, instead, I offered him one cigar. He said: "No Thanks, I don't smoke. All I want is 50 cents to get something to eat." I said "Come on, I'll buy you a drink." He said "I'm sorry, I don't drink, I'm just hungry. All I want is 50 cents to get something to eat." "I'll tell ye what I'll do. I'll give you 50 cents, I'll also be a Good Samaritan and give you a dollar. Just come to my home with me and meet my wife." He said: "Me go home with you to meet your wife-- but I'm just a no good Bum, what's the idea?" I said: "That's just it, I want to show my wife what happens to guys who don't smoke or drink."

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#### AUTOMOBILE ENGINEERS SAY:

When you are stuck in a line of traffic, you are getting zero miles per gallon of gas. They suggest: shut the Engine off. A V-8 Engine on full size 1974 car burns .0125 gallons per minute, but only .005 gallons when started up for 30 seconds every three minutes

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Your Buddy, who was a paid-up-member last year, and has not paid his Dues for this year will not read, "Thunderbolt" news this year. REMIND HIM NOW TO SEND HIS DUES TO LARRY.

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HI 83RDRS:

Christmas is over with and 1975 is well on the way. First thing we know, August will be here and Reunion time will be here again this year in South Carolina. The news time is not good. Albert Garriepy died on April 12, 1974, which was Good Friday. Eleanor his wife wrote me at Christmas time and told me all about Albert. He was the father of four children, & Grandfather of four.

Frank Ciappennelli, known as "Chip" to most of us, died in August 1974. Erwin Erhart had a letter from Emily Ciappennelli and forwarded this information to me. Both these men came from Worcester, Mass. I sent our Sympathies to both these families.

Walt Dryburg tells me his son is graduating from Notre Dame this year. I am sure Walt and his wife are real proud of their son.

Walter Harding seems to be enjoying life in Florida. Walter made the trip back to Europe with the 83rd. a couple of years ago. He really had a blast going around our old living quarters. Walt, we will see you in Myrtle Beach in August.

Jerry Shaners wife Bonnie had a baby boy January 2nd. Bonnie is getting along nicely with their third-child. Bill and Lois Shaner are the very proud Grand parents.

Well Gang, I have to get this report in the mail. That's all for now.

AMBY TYNAN  
323 F.A. Bn.

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#### BOSTON CHAPTER

Well Buddies, time is around again to get a little News for the "Thunderbolt."

I hope everyone enjoyed their Holidays as much as the families of the Boston Chapter.

We have had no Meetings since the last Issue, however, it is because of so many Weddings, Anniversaries and Illnesses. We have been seeing each other at these occasions. Next week we are meeting and we will report on it in the next Issue.

The first part of October, Nick and Mary Francullo's son Nickie got married in Beachmont, Mass. A wonderful Reception followed at Kings Grant in Danvers, Mass. Mary looked like a young Bride herself and of course Nickie never changes. Everyone ended up back at the Francullo house and had a time that they will never forget. We said Goodbye to the Bride and Groom. Thanks to Mary and Nick from the Boston Chapter for a wonderful time.

My own son Charlie was married November 29th. Many of the 83rdrs showed up at the Reception. I want to Thank them for coming. Mike and Vera Caprio came up from Rhode Island. Charlie always enjoyed seeing Mike after attending several Reunions plus local Meetings of the 83rd.

We are glad to hear that Millie Elie is doing so well after her illness. Lucien Elie must be a good Nurse.

Pat DiGiammerino was sick for a little while with the Virus, however, I was talking to him last night and he is back in good shape. His Caddy is also back in good shape after it went on fire after his illness. The Fire Dept. had to put it out.

Larry Arrigo will have to take a few lessons from Mike Caprio on finding a Jeep for our next Meeting. Charles "Chuck" Abdinoor celebrated his 25th. Anniversary on November 30th. The 83rd. Boys that went, said they had a great time.

I'm sorry to report that I called Gloria Perry, wife of Antone Perry, over Christmas. She told me that Antone "Tony" Perry died two years ago. Tony, I believe, was a Member of the 908 F.A. Bn. Hq. Battery. I saw him two years ago. Gloria told me he died shortly after I met him.

Well Gang, I must get this report off to Sam. Until the next Issue, when I should have more news, take care.

AMBY TYNAN  
323 F.A. Bn.

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A letter was received from Richard Fletcher asking me to turn over last years "Thunderbolts" to the Freedoms Foundation for consideration, when awards are given by them. I'm sorry to say that the books were sent too late for their approval.

We'll try again next year, Richard, and see if we can get one of their awards. All the requirements, are in my hands now and a reminder was noted.

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Here is a photo taken in the ETO, during the War, of some of our "G" 329 men with German Horns that put out a lot of that "Hot Stuff."

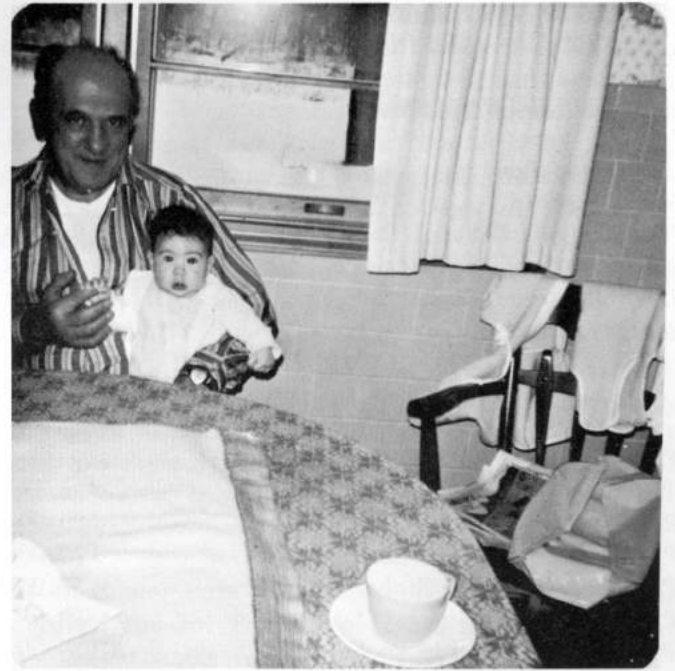


Keith Echerd sent me the photo for printing. In the top row are Joe Hudec, Keith Echerd, Freitag, Culey Fugate. Bottom row, Garnett Wilson with Arnold May.

If these guys could only have stayed together since the War we might have been a Division with a great Band to its credit. Lets go Keith, get a few of them together and see how well you can play now.

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ACCOUNTING FOR 28TH. ANNUAL REUNION  
83RD. INFANTRY DIVISION ASSOC. INC.

TOTAL MONEY FROM RAFFLES

T.V.	549.00
Ladies (Afghan)	451.00
50-50 Tickets	176.00
Program Book & Spec. Contributions	3,940.00
Bolo Ties and Pendants	435.50
83rd. Buttons	28.80
Registrations	16,352.00
TOTAL RECEIPTS	21,932.30

DISBURSEMENTS

RAFFLE MONEY AND PRIZES AT REUNION

T.V.	125.61
Raffle Money	125.00
Prizes Given Out At Reunion	110.00
Printing of Strip Tickets	57.24
Plastic Badge Holders	80.00
Printing of Program Book	1,225.00
Miscellaneous Expenses	
Leis -- Memorial Service Expenses	101.00
Two (2) Radios as Prizes	16.70
Liquor (Presidents Room) and when used for Hospitality Room	1,146.00
Flowers (for Ladies Flower Show, Corsages and Center Pieces	153.70
Entertainment	
Orchestra, Hawaiian Show and Square Dance Caller	1,295.00
Philadelphia Sheraton Hotel	11,874.00
8-15-74 Hawaiian Luau Night	
8-16-74 Beer Party and Square Dance	
8-17-74 Banquet, Gratuities and Bartenders	

LARRY REDMOND

Dues for 302 Men @ \$6.00 each	1,812.00
Reimbursement to start Reunion	100.00
Reimbursement to Michael Brick for Ad not published in Program	10.00
Postage and Phone Calls	125.00
Bolo Ties and Pendants:	
Profits given to Larry	435.50
83rd. Pins	28.80
Bank Charges (Checking 'ccount)	27.41
Cultural Loop Bus & Franklin Institute	180.85
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	19,029.41

TOTAL RECEIPTS	21,932.30
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	19,029.41
Balance Profit	2,902.89
Additional turned over to Larry	435.50
Net Profit	3,338.39

(NOTICE) I went over the figures sent to me by Lou Volpi and made corrections. You will find that the Profit is higher.  
Disbursements changed from 19,028.41 and the Total Receipts from 21,923.30. ED.

MUSEUM FUND REPORT

In my Article pertaining to one of my recent trips I had taken, you will note that Dick Riddle and I did stop at Ft. Benning, Ga. where I turned over a Cashiers Check in the amount of \$5,000.00 to Col. Higgins the Executive Secretary for the Fund. Larry Redmond was sent a Check for \$409.90 which covered the complete cost for printing etc. to get the Fund going. In Chicago it was agreed that the Association would contribute some money (unknown how much at the time) but as it stands now, the Assoc. has nothing invested in it.

You will note that late contributions are still coming in and are being accepted, and forwarded direct to the Museum Fund in Georgia. The only difference now should be in the Check you send me. Make it out to: SAMUEL KLIPPA - 83RD. MUSEUM FUND, so that I can have my check sent to them. Your names will be put in the "Thunderbolt" as were the others.

BOLO TIE REPORT

For the benefit of those of you that were wondering about the money paid to me for the expense of the Museum Fund and the cost of the Bolo Ties and Pendants, this report should clear the air once and for all. Yours Truly financed both the Museum Fund and the Bolo Tie deal personally in the hope of being reimbursed as was ruled by the Executive Board when the final figures were in. Because this was not ever put in the Minutes of the Chicago Meeting, trouble started and I had to wait many months to be paid. I was finally reimbursed and this report should make a lot of people happy and at ease because we showed a Profit, not a loss.

My first check to Larry for \$74.86 was sent soon after payment was made to me. Later, another check for \$150.00 was sent and another for \$177.00 was given to him at the Philly Reunion. The three checks came to \$401.86. There were 86 Bolos and 54 Pendants turned over to the Reunion Chairman in Philly, and they should have brought in \$455.00. In the Reunion Report, you will note that \$435.50 was reported. This leaves \$19.50 un-accounted for in Ties that we still have to sell. My figures show that the Assoc. made a profit of \$335.47.

If you were one of those having doubts about the vast spending in these two endeavors, this should clear a lot of the rumors you heard.

Those of you that were asking about more Bolo Ties in the future, the Board will have to decide this before more will be ordered.

\*\*\*\*\* SAM KLIPPA

It doesn't pay to take everything for granted. Most Stories are two sided. Learn the other side before final decisions are made.

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## LATEST DONORS TO THE FUND

James Burton	"D" 329	15.00
Fr. Francis McCartin	Guest	15.00
Raymond F. Bankowski	"A" 308 Eng.	10.00
Raymond C. Bowsher	"C" 330	10.00
John Evans (Memory)	"A" 331	10.00
Cleveland Chapter		
Ralph E. Godfrey	"I" 329	10.00
Ralph B. McCawley		10.00
Nyal M. Mullins		10.00
Malcolm O'Malley	"D" 330	10.00
Ralph C. Allen	"B" 908 F.A.	5.00
John Clevenger	"A" 908 F.A.	5.00
Walter Fasczewski	1 Bn. Hq. 331	5.00
George Kilpatrick	"C" 330	5.00
Robert W. Leach	324 F.A.	5.00
William S. Nickell	"F" 329	5.00

In the last "Thunderbolt" our Total was \$5,251.70 and the above comes to \$130.00, making the Total to date, \$5,381.70. We've come this far, lets keep it going until the Museum is completed.

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## THE AMERICAN CREDO

Political And  
Economic Rights  
Which Protect The Dignity  
And Freedom of The Individual

- \* Right to Worship God in Ones Own Way.
- \* Right to Free Speech and Press.
- \* Right to Peaceably Assemble.
- \* Right to Petition for Redress of Grievances.
- \* Right to Privacy in Our Homes.
- \* Right of Habeas Corpus - No Excessive Bail.
- \* Right to Trial By Jury - Innocent Until Proven Guilty.
- \* Right to Move About Freely at Home and Abroad.
- \* Right to Own Private Property.
- \* Right to Free Elections and Personal Secret Ballot.
- \* Right to Work in Callings and Localities of Our Choice.
- \* Right to Bargain with our Employers and Employees.
- \* Right to go Into Business, Compete, Make a Profit.
- \* Right to Bargain for Goods and Services in a Free Market.
- \* Right to Contract About Our Affairs.
- \* Right to the Service of Government as a Protector and Referee.
- \* Right to Freedom from Arbitrary Government Regulation and Control.

## FUNDAMENTAL BELIEF IN GOD

To personally understand and maintain the American way of life to honor it by his own exemplary conduct and to pass it intact to succeeding generations is the responsibility of every true American.

John A. Aller of "H" and "F" Co. 331st. Inf. writes that he did not receive his "Thunderbolt" and that he misses it very much. (It was sent on the 30th. of October.) He says: the fellows that actually fought, never show up at our Reunions. Could it be that they get the cold shoulder at a Reunion, that the men of the rear echelon, Div. Hq. etc. have all the say at the Reunions.

I don't have an answer to Johns question, but maybe you Readers can answer him.

Ed.

Ed McCouch writes to find out if any "Thunderbolts" have been sent out since June, July and August. He paid his Dues at the Reunion but never gets any of his books. A book was sent to him and another is being sent now.

Marvin Pieper says that the last "Thunderbolt" he received was for March, April and May of 1974. This is what he looks forward to always and misses it. I am sending him the last Issue, but have none of the others. His must have been lost too.

Does anybody have the new address for:

August Farias--formerly of 30 Allen St., New Bedford, Mass., or Jack M. Straus of 1721 - 21st. St., Santa Monica, Ca.

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## TTF ARTICLE

SOMEWHERE IN LUXEMBOURG

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 1944

These articles were picked at random from one of the TTF News Papers that my sister found among her many Souvenirs of World War II.

Holding every enlisted grade in the Army from Private to 1st. Sergeant of Co. A. Joseph Stranahan of Brookline, Mass., 34 years, was awarded a Battle Field Commission last week and became the second man in the Regiment to receive this recognition. Stranahan displayed his leadership during the Hedgerow Battles of the Normandy Campaign when he helped lead the Company in three successful attacks.

Stranahan joined the Regiment in Camp Atterbury in October of 1942. Assigned to the weapons Platoon of his Company, he rose through the ranks to become the Platoon Sergeant. He was promoted to 1st. Sergeant in July of this year. (1944)

A former professional ball player and an athletic coach for his hometown sports clubs, Stranahan also coached Co. A's Basketball, Football, and Softball teams to many Battalion Championships, and led the Battalions teams as well. In Battle he still believes in leading his men as a team with "myself as coach and the men as players."

In July, Stranahan was wounded in the leg and side and captured. He was taken to a French Hospital in



Rennes, staffed by Germans and remained there when the enemy pulled out after the American Breakthrough from Normandy. He was freed August 6th. by the first American Soldiers to enter Rennes. Stranahan said the treatment in the Hospital wasn't bad but there was a noticeable lack of food and Drugs. He likes to recall one incident in connection with his rescue, The second Yank to enter the Hospital was an old Buddy of his with whom he had engaged in competitive athletic teams in High School.

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#### THERE'S A WORD

Place the letter P in front of his name and you'll have another reason why Gen. Eisenhower is leading the Allied Armies to Victory in the ETO. For the word "Preisenhower" in Luxembourgish, Chaplain Jean P. Cosette learned, has meant for centuries "Hammer the boches down."

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#### BAR MAN LIES WOUNDED TWO DAYS IN NO MANS LAND

A fighting man's "Guts" is revealed again in the story of PFC Florencil J. Poso of San Francisco who lay wounded for two days and nights in "No man's land" during which time he was under bombing, strafing, artillery, tank and mortar fire. When he was found by five men of "D" Co. he was still smiling, his BAR at his side.

In an attack on a town at night, Poso was wounded in the leg by shrapnel and became lost from his Co. Following the attack, he was confused as to the direction of friendly troops and crawling by night and hiding by day, he tried to make his way to safety.

On the third day, A Jeep traveling through an open field from another Co. heard Poso calling and brought him back.

His rescuers were S/Sgt. Wm. E. Nagel of Youngstown, Ohio, Charles D. Pate, Durant, Oklahoma, a Sgt. PFC George Weigand, Pittsburgh, Pa., PFC Harry Copeland, Baltimore, Md., and Tec. 5 Paul Bishop, Medical Aid man who treated Poso's wound.

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T/Sgt. Charles E. Blauvelt of New Rochelle, N.Y. was the first man in the 331st. to set foot on the soil, of "Das Reich."

T/Sgt. Clyde W. Flanary was the first man in the 331st. to be awarded the Silver Star, the Bronze Star, the Oak Leaf Cluster, the Purple Heart and the Soldiers Medal. The Silver Star was awarded, for capturing an 88 MM gun position with his five man crew.

SAMUEL KLIPPA, HISTORIAN

November 13, 1974

Mr. Samuel Klippa  
Historian, 83rd. Inf. Div.. Assoc.  
1500 Mutual St.  
Pittsburgh, Pa. 15204

Dear Sam:

I finally received the prints of the pictures we took when you and B.O. Riddle were here on the 31st. and am enclosing them. I will send B.O. copies by separate correspondence.

I want to thank you personally for the great job you did in raising the \$5,000.00 from the Members of the 83rd. Division Association for the National Infantry Museum. I know the work involved in such an undertaking and it is a personal tribute to you that the task was successfully completed.

We sent a short story and copies of the pictures to Army Times in Washington and asked them to publish it on a National level. When it comes out I will let you know and send you a copy.

Again, it was nice meeting you in person and again Thank you for a job well done.

Sincerely  
W.J. Higgins, Jr.  
Executive Secretary

November 12, 1974

Mr. Samuel Klippa  
Historian, 83rd. Inf.. Div. Assoc.  
1500 Mutual Street  
Pittsburgh, Pa.. 15204

Dear Mr.. Klippa

On behalf of the Infantry Museum Association, I want to thank you for your contribution of \$5,000.00 to our Infantry Museum Development Program.

The support of Military Personnel such as yourself is instrumental to the success of our nation-wide campaign. Potential contributors throughout the Country are looking to the degree of support of the Military Community--both past and present, when deciding on their own gifts.

Please be assured that your gift is very much appreciated. Thank you again.

Sincerely  
W. Ford Pearce  
Treasurer

(The picture on the following page was taken next to the Monument of the Infantry Soldier in front of the Officers Training School.)





# AT THE VERY LAST MINUTE

Lee Titus sent me a note along with a copy of Captain Mac's letter for publication. Sorry Lee, Mac beat you to it and his letter is already in print.

## POSTSCRIPT:

Mac retired as a full Colonel last year and is now in the Construction Business.

Loyal Pangle retired from the Buick Division Of General Motors, January 2, 1975 after more than 30 Yrs. of service. He will now enjoy his two favorite and most loved Hobbies - Hunting and Fishing. He will also try his best to have Dinner ready for his wife Kate when she gets home from work.

Incidentally; Kate also works for Buick Division and will retire in June 1975.

CONGRADULATIONS TO BOTH OF THEM. MAY THEY HAVE MANY HAPPY AND WONDERFUL YEARS TOGETHER.

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We just learned that the Alfred Grubers became the proud Grandparents of a beautiful baby girl lately and both of them are on cloud nine. This is only a first one for them. The girls name is Becky Sue & she weighed in at 7lbs. 9 oz. Their son Rick lives in New York and all are doing well.

CONGRADULATIONS TO ALL OF YOU.

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According to my last update on Membership from the Secretary, we now have 654 paid up Members. It now seems that this would be the proper time for those of you that care to, to start writing to all your Buddies and remind them to send in their \$6.00 to Larry for this year. Its hard for some of them to remember, and a short note can do the job.

PERSONAL LETTERS ARE STILL OUR BEST FORM OF ADVERTISING THE 83RD. INF. DIV. ASSOC.

Let's start going up to that 1,000 mark again.

Don't just sit back and wish that someone else is going to take care of it.

YOU are the 83rd. YOU should do your share to keep us on top. All it takes is very little time every once in a while. Please do your share!

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The Cartoons on this page are taken from the old 'Up Front' publication by Bill Mauldin. These should bring back a lot of Memories. They helped to make a lot of us smile when we were really in some tough situations.

I have the entire book of these Cartoons and as space permits, I'll use them for fill-ins.

The next 'Thunderbolt' won't be out until after Easter so; HAPPY EASTER EVERYONE.

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"Must be a tough objective. Th' old man says we're gonna have th' honor of liberatin' it."



"You'll get over it, Joe. Oncet I wuz gonna write a book exposin' the army after th' war myself."

## REUNION REPORT

Dear Buddies:

Although our 1975 Reunion at Myrtle Beach is several months ahead, I wish to keep you informed on developments as they occur.

Dick Riddle and myself have been down to Myrtle Beach and conferred with Mr. Al Cooper, the Sales Director, and he has assured us that all our needs will be taken care of in proper form.

Piedmont Air Lines will be able to accomodate those traveling by air, however, there is a possibility that other Air Line Service will be in service by Reunion time.

Some controversy occurred on some of the early Reservation requests concerning the length of your stay and the deposit fee. I have personal assurance that Convention rates will prevail for your entire stay at the Landmark Motor Inn. Also, no deposit is required with your reservation. What IS very important

though is that you be sure to write on your reservation request that "THIS IS A GUARANTEED RESERVATION." Even though you do this, you will still have the option of cancelling the reservation by July 31, 1975. It is very important that your reservation be in by June 1, 1975, particularly those of you who wish to stay longer than the regular Reunion time. Reservation Cards will be forwarded to you as soon as they are available, but you can make reservations on your own stationery and mail to:

The Landmark Motor Inn  
1501 South Ocean Blvd.  
Myrtle Beach, S.C. 29577

I shall be reporting to you in future Issues of the "Thunderbolt" so plan NOW to be present at - Myrtle Beach - and lets all have fun. Ya'll come now.

Yours in Comradeship  
W.M. Minick  
Reunion Chairman

Convention Name .....

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Please check room desired. If not available, next price room will be reserved.

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