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Korean "Police Action" Claims Life Of Sgt. Wm. E. Timmons, Former Go-Devil

The Korean War casualty list has added another gallant name to its long list of American soldiers who are daily sacrificing their lives in order that we may have a peaceful world in which to live.

This time it is a former member of the 60th Infantry, Sgt. BILL TIMMONS, who was killed in action on September 11, 1950, near the Korean village of Igok-Tong.

Leaving his wife and two tiny children in Wheeling, West Virginia, last August 11th, M/Sgt. Timmons, a former Wheeling high school student, was killed on the Korean front one month later to the day.

A telegraph boy brought this tragic news to Mrs. CATHERINE TIMMONS, at her neat and modern apartment at 4122 Jacob St., in Wheeling.

Bill was inducted in the Second World War on November 11, 1943, and rose rapidly, serving the majority of the time with the 60th Infantry. His awards include the Purple Heart, The Bronze Star and Silver Star Medals and the Good Conduct Award. He re-enlisted in December, 1947, and was assigned to Fort Hayes, Ohio, where he served as an escort to over 100 World War II men whose remains were returned to the States for re-burial.

After a short tour of duty at

Dick Reeves—39th—Wounded in Korea

Word was recently received from Mrs. ALMA REEVES, wife of Pfc. RICHARD R. REEVES.

Dick was wounded again—for the third time—twice in World War II while serving with E Company, 39th and now once more on September 4, 1950, while serving in Korea, near Taegu. The bullet pierced the humerus bone and he is presently recuperating at The Philadelphia Naval Hospital, 17th and Patterson Streets. His home address is 1162 East Price Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

The Philadelphia Chapter has been notified and here's hoping that some of you fellows have been around to see Dick by this time.

Welcome to the New Members

Since the last issue, three new members have been added to our rolls. The New York Chapter is responsible for signing up FRANK E. SLAVIN (Anti-Tank Co., 47th), who lives at 166-08 23rd Avenue, Bayside, New York.

The other two new members are:

JACK L. AMES (Capt., Hq. Co., 60th Inf.), 15 Wiltshire Blvd., Dayton 9, Ohio.

ROBERT A. LEWIS, JR., (G Co. 60th Inf.), 2318-18th Street, Birmingham 8, Alabama.

1951 Convention In New York City

The dates have been selected—July 26, 27, 28.

The site has been selected—The Hotel Commodore, 42nd and Lexington.

This notice is being carried in this issue mainly as an advance warning—to give all of you ample time to make your vacation arrangements and also to afford each of you the opportunity of saving your "dough" so that you will be financially able to attend.

Fort Campbell, Kentucky, Bill and his family moved to Wheeling and set up housekeeping in their new apartment. The outlook for the future looked bright at that time. His ambition to make a career of the Army was being fulfilled. And then his orders arrived on August 11th, sending him to California, and later to the front. Only the day before he was killed he had written a cheerful letter to his family.

Three weeks before Bill left Wheeling, he and his wife, together with their three-year old son, Billy, Jr., witnessed the christening of their latest addition to the family, Patricia Irene.

Sgt. Timmons, who was 32, was born in Wheeling, the son of the late William and Irene Fry Timmons and once worked for the Wheeling Mold and Foundry. His wife is the former Catherine Bonenberger, also of Wheeling.

N. Y. Chapter To Install Officers

On Sunday, January 14, 1951, The Greater New York Chapter will hold its annual party for the purpose of installing its newly elected officers.

The setting for this gala occasion will be the TIMES SQUARE HOTEL, 43rd West of Broadway. The time is 3 P.M.

A most cordial invitation is extended to all 9th Division members and their ladies to attend. There will be refreshments, including sandwiches, tea, coffee, ice cream and cake.

The afternoon time—3 P.M.—is designed to give many of the New York members who cannot attend the regular monthly evening meetings an opportunity of visiting with their old friends.

Entertainment will be provided as well as the opportunity for dancing and to those who cannot arrange for baby sitters—bring your young ones along—they will enjoy the celebration, too, and still be home in time for bed.

The names of the newly elected officers appear elsewhere in this issue under "LOCAL CHAPTER NEWS."

Members Are Urged To Write

A plea was printed in the September issue requesting its readers to write a note to the editor. The response was not too good and so it is again requested that each of you sit down and dash off a few lines telling all about yourself.

Give us a brief story about what happened to you since leaving the Ninth. Such items will interest your friends and help to reacquaint you with each other.

Your letters need not be long ones unless you are so inclined, however, touch on the highlight, also mention your old outfit. It saves time in digging it out of the files.

Send all letters to: The Octofoil, P. O. Box 1704, Washington 13, D. C. If your letter does not appear in the next issue of the paper, it means one of two things. Either you did not write or so many letters were received that it was impossible to print them all in one issue in which case you can look for them in the following issues.

Malvin G. Johnson Dies In Kansas

A recent letter from Mrs. Malvin G. Johnson, Route 4, Manhattan, Kansas, informs us of the very sad news of the death of her husband last October 6th.

Mal served with I Company, 60th Infantry from June 1944 to January 1946 and at the time of his death he was in the process of returning to active duty, having received orders to report on October 16th.

In civilian life, Mal was the 4-H Club Agent for Reno County, Kansas, a job he assumed after leaving the Army in January of 1946. Prior to joining the Army he graduated from Kansas State College.

A Captain of Infantry during combat, Mal received wounds in action, however, he was able to retain his Reserve Commission after separation from the service.

After receiving his orders to report back for active duty with the Army, Mal left Hutchinson, Kansas on September 29th. The following day he was stricken and the disease was diagnosed as polio. That was on a Monday and the following Friday he died at The Bell Memorial Hospital in Kansas City.

Mal is survived by his widow, Dorothy; one son, Larry, age 2; and his parents in Moran, Kansas. His widow is expecting another child.

Since coming to Hutchinson, Mal was actively engaged in sponsoring a recreational program for Reno County 4-H members. He was president of The Kansas 4-H Club Leaders Association; and a member of the Kiwanis Club, American Legion and The First Methodist Church.

Wedding Bells Ring For Paul S. Plunkett

Saturday, November 18, 1950, marks another milestone in the life of PAUL S. PLUNKETT, for it was on that day that he and Miss Frances Rummell, 36 Northmoor Place, Columbus, Ohio, were married by the Rev. Raymond W. Hibbard.

Mrs. Plunkett is a life-long resident of Columbus. She attended East High School and Ohio State University. For the past several years she has been a valued employee of the Finance Department for the State of Ohio.

Aside from editing The Columbus Labor Tribune, Paul edits and publishes several nationally known veterans' publications at the Capital City Typesetting Company, 216 South Grant Avenue. He is the senior partner of this firm.

Paul has been most active in the affairs of the 9th Division Association and for several years edited and published The Octofoil. He is at present a member of the Board of Governors, being elected at our last convention to a three-year term.

On behalf of our entire membership, The Octofoil extends to Mr. and Mrs. Plunkett best wishes for many, many years of happiness together.

Churchill Refers To Ninth In New Book

"The Second World War," the latest work from the pen of Winston Churchill, mentions the Ninth Infantry Division twice in reference to The African Campaign.

His first mention of the 9th concerns the action in and around Kasserine on February 17th, 1943 and the second reference to the 9th entails the action during the following May when the 9th reached Bizerte.

The book contains some very interesting pictures and maps which should bring back a few of those faded memories that are everlasting to all of the 9th men who fought in the actions of North Africa.

See your nearest bookstore for further details.

Happy New Year



AS THE NEW YEAR MAKES ITS ADVENT IN A DIZZY, WAR-TRoubled world, it is our earnest hope that the next twelve months will see the resolution of the difficulties that beset us. AND BE TRULY A HAPPY NEW YEAR FOR YOU AND YOURS.

Have You Paid Your 1951 Dues?? If Not—Do It Now!

1951 Dues are coming into the office of the National Secretary at a very good pace, however, from past experiences, we know that several of you will let this important matter ride and will put off payment until the second or third notices are sent out.

Add this item to your New Year's Resolutions: PAY YOUR 1951 DUES NOW.

The collection of 1950 dues was very disappointing. Only a few over 2600 members paid their 1950 dues. This number is not enough

to keep your Association on an even keel. We need at least 1000 more members paying their dues to make the financial ends meet.

Many of you are paying more than the actual amount of annual dues, thus becoming a sustaining member. To those of you who are doing more than your share we extend our most sincere thanks, but likewise, if you just the pay the sum of \$3.50 you are doing your full share in keeping this Association alive. The same type of membership card is issued, whether you pay \$3.50 or include

an additional sum and become a sustaining member.

If you haven't paid your 1951 dues, take time off right now and get them paid. Use the self-addressed envelope which was sent to you—it requires no postage.

The March issue of The Octofoil is the last issue that will be sent to members who have not paid their 1951 dues. This gives you a couple of months, however, to make certain that your name stays on our mailing list, send your dues in NOW.

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Extract from the certificate of incorporation of the Ninth Infantry Division Association: "This Association is formed by the officers and men of the Ninth Infantry Division in order to perpetuate the memory of our fallen comrades, to preserve the esprit de corps of the Division, to assist in promoting an everlasting world peace exclusively by means of educational activities and to serve as an information bureau to members and former members of the Division."

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DIVIDEND THROUGH DUES

There comes a time during the fiscal period of an Association when it is necessary to solicit payment of dues from it's members for the approaching year. That time is at hand. **Payment of dues for the current year, 1951, are now due and payable.**

The amount requested is a modest sum. If you consider the expenses of the Association that arise each month from the secretarial services provided the members, and the publication of the monthly Octofoil, you can not help but agree that the yearly dues of \$3.50 is spread a long way. Many members have stated that the pleasure derived from renewing old friendships through The Octofoil each month is well worth the amount of dues alone.

Your dues, however, do not merely cover the expense involved in publishing The Octofoil. This is a sizeable amount by itself. Your dues have enabled a central, secretarial clearing house to be established at the Association office. Through this office come requests for information of many categories—from locating the address of Joe Doaks, formerly with "C" Company, to tracking down witnesses to testify as to a service incurred disability. These are only some of the many, many items that are handled each day by the Association's office.

In view of the work and the responsibility attached, it is necessary to provide a National Secretary at full time capacity in the office of the Association to properly handle the daily correspondence. The National Secretary also doubles as editor of The Octofoil. The dues, therefore, must go a little further to provide a salary for the National Secretary.

The Annual Convention that takes place each summer must be provided with financial backing. Naturally, it is the aim to have the conventions show a profit and this has been done, although, sometimes small. However, the probable status of profit or loss is not known until after the last expenses have been paid. The dues must be able to provide a cushion upon which to settle if necessary.

The main essential that can not be overlooked is that the Association is only as big as its members. The Association was quite wealthy when it was originally formed, due to the large number of initial members. The purchase of the Histories substantially reduced this figure. Operating deficiencies, caused by reductions in numbers of dues being paid, have made the Association end several fiscal periods slightly in the red. It is still a wealthy Association. It cannot, however, survive the years unless it can operate as any normal business should. The income must equal the expense.

Your prompt and continued payments of dues each year will return to you dividends far exceeding your investments. You will know that you have helped create and perpetuate a firm foundation upon which rests our Ninth Infantry Division Association.

DO YOUR SHARE — PAY YOUR 1951 DUES NOW

News of Members—Here, There and Everywhere

News from the 39th Infantry

HERBERT BLAKER (Serv. Co.) writes in to request a correction on his new address which appeared in the November issue of The Octofoil. 101 North Black Horse Pike, Bellmawr, New Jersey, c/o Mt. Ephraim Postoffice is the correct address. After Herb's address appeared in the November issue, he received letters from a couple of his old friends and he is looking forward to seeing many more of them come next summer when the annual reunion takes place in New York City—July 26, 27, 28—at The Commodore Hotel.

GEORGE ROSEN (B Co.), 5001 8th Avenue, Brooklyn 20, New York, was among the few who failed to receive his copy of the November issue of The Octofoil—thanks to the poor service of the postoffice department.

CARLOS B. ESTEVA (G Co.) pays his 1951 dues from Box 248, Arecibo, Puerto Rico, and takes the opportunity to wish all of the members of the Association a Very Merry Christmas and a Very Prosperous New Year. Carl is associated with the firm of A. Esteva Vidal, manufacturing contractor for children's dresses. The main factory is located in Arecibo, P. R., with a branch located at Hatillo, P. R. The telephone number, in case you are interested, is 329-549.

THOMAS FUNKHOUSER and family (C Co.), 1421 Myrtle Avenue, New Brighton, Pa., sent in a very nice Christmas greetings card.

WARREN W. BENNETT (Co's I and L—Dec., 1943—Sept., 1945) is now located in Greensboro, North Carolina—1013 Latham Rd., however, he expects to be transferred back to Florida the early part of 1951. In sending in his '51 dues, best wishes to all for the New Year were included.

PETER P. OGOREK (H Co.) wrote in last October requesting information concerning treatment he received on his teeth back in

1944. He wanted to know the name of the dentist and from the information we were able to furnish him it is hoped that he has been successful in contacting the right party.

SIDNEY KAZDOY (A Co.) is still living at 3303 Foster Avenue, Brooklyn 3, New York, his proposed transfer to Washington failing to materialize.

Here's a few changes of address on the 39th gang:

GEORGE HOLMES, c/o U.S.F.I., White Sulphur Springs, Montana.

HENRY H. COOK (H Co.), 1629 Fort Dupont Street, S.E., Washington 20, D. C.

PRESTON A. SCHEFFEL, 61 North Prospect Avenue, Baltimore 28, Maryland.

JAMES E. ELIAS (Moved from Box 113, Nomongan, W. Va., left no forwarding address).

CARL E. ECKMAN (Moved from 1020 South 9th St., Grand Forks, North Dakota, left no new address).

47th Raiders

ANTHONY C. REPETTI (Hq. Co., 2nd Bn.) is among those living in Newark, N. J., 164 Vermont Avenue—and paying his 1951 dues.

Best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year—to all—were received from Mr. and Mrs. LEON D. ROBINS and family. Leon (Hq., 47th) is with the Field Office, 39th C. I. Detachment, Room 450, P. O. Building, Baltimore 2, Maryland.

JOSEPH J. POTOSEK is working at the V.F.W. Daly-Solomon Post 923, Turners Falls, Massachusetts, as a bartender and steward, and extends a cordial invitation to any of the 9th gang who might be in town to stop in and say "hello." His letter includes best wishes to all for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

BILL BUEMI (F Co.) sends in a very interesting letter from 11913 Cromwell Avenue, Cleveland 20, Ohio—they are just getting "dug out" from the snow-

storm. A three-page letter previously written and sent to the wrong address went astray, so after a bit of cussing Bill decided to write another, though not three pages this time. Anyhow, we are glad to hear from you, especially about the announcement of the arrival of your baby girl—Ranee—last September 22. This makes a total—so far—of two, the other, being five-year-old son, Billy. Congratulations! Bill recently spent a couple of weeks with a buddy of his who lost a leg at Anzio. They met in the hospital and lives in Staten Island, New York. Bill states that he didn't leave the 9th—the 9th left him in Sicily and the 3rd Division took him to Italy, where he was shot "dead" at Anzio. Anyway, while Bill was in Staten Island he tried to contact some of his former 9th friends via telephone and after giving the operator headaches for two hours he gave up. He only succeeded in locating AL MUNATORE (his A. W.O.L. partner) and ANDY GERMAN who lives in Guttenberg, N. J. After a visit with Andy and his wife for a couple of hours, Bill was on his way back to Cleveland. In closing his letter, Bill says to "Dust off your uniforms, boys, whether you like it or not"—could be, could be.

EDWARD J. FRANCE, 947 Arrott Street, Philadelphia 24, Pa., included a short note along with payment of his 1951 dues. Ed joined the ranks of the married men last November 11th and he and his new bride took a honeymoon trip to Canada. On the way back they stopped by to say "hello" to NORMAN STOLLMAN, who lives at 115 Chestnut Street in Fairfield, Conn., and found Norman and his family, including a young baby, all fine. Ed sends his best regards to all of his former M Company friends. (Incidentally, Ed, the next time you see Norman, how about asking him to pay his dues).

MILTON SCHNEIDER, 322 Alabama Avenue, Brooklyn 7, N. Y., has been trying his hand at various jobs since leaving the service but he has finally landed in the television racket and is enjoying it very much. He sends his best regards to all of his friends from D Company and would like to hear from them.

A very interesting letter from Dr. B. STUART HORODAS, 601 East 20th Street, New York 10, New York, including payment of his '51 dues. Doc, formerly with the Medical Detachment, 47th, is now practicing dentistry in New York at 101 West 57th Street, and extends a most cordial invitation to any of the 9th men to drop in to see him. (He guarantees to make it a "painless visit"). Doc was with the 47th from December, 1943, to December, 1945, and shortly after returning from the ETO he got married. At the present time they have a year-old daughter, Susan. Having been unable to attend any of the previous conventions, Doc is looking forward to the next one—and provided the town is still on the map by that time—he'll be there. His best wishes for the New Year and for a strong, active Association are appreciated.

Here's a few new addresses for 47th members:

WILLIAM J. NICHOLSON (M Co.) Clay's Auto Court, Blackstone, Virginia.

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PERRY KAYE (formerly KUNIANSKY), 1168 Briarcliff Road, N.E., Apt. 1, Atlanta, Georgia.

Go-Devil Activities

LENNART E. JOHNSON (G Co.) reports a new address—South State Street, Route No. 4, Ottawa, Illinois—where he is able to join his wife, who has been working in Wisconsin before she moved to their new address. Now it really feels like home once again. Len would like very much to hear from any one of the old 60th gang and promises to answer any and all letters.

Its back in the army for ALBERT W. HURTGEN—now a Sergeant—and his address is as follows: DMD, U. S. Army Hospital, Camp McCoy, Wisconsin. Al would like to read more about the 3rd Battalion men in The Octofoil—Medical Detachment to be more exacting. He recalls that when LES RONAY was in New York, there used to be quite a bit about these fellows in the paper, but not so much since Les has moved away.

Here's news from R. McARTHUR (SCOTTY) HIRST, formerly a member of George Company of the Go-Devils, and later NCOIC 2nd Bn. Medics, same regiment. Scotty left the outfit at Manching, Germany, on 18 August, 1945, for

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the long awaited trek back to the land of malted milks and Milwaukee beer. Discharged from the service on 28 September, 1945, it took him exactly seven days to make the 316-mile journey to his mother's cottage just outside of Merrill, Wisconsin. Well, after all, he had not become "re-civilized" as yet and just had to have another. But then he had a most glorious reunion and thought that civilian life was about the most wonderful thing in the world, until he made application to attend the University of Wisconsin at Madison, at which time he received the joyous reply that he could not be considered for entrance until "well, about the year 1947." That was all, and with the other dull tools, he re-enlisted on January 25, 1946, and to this date has become a permanent member of Uncle Sam's pay lines and bulletin board enthusiasts.

Reenlisting as a Pfc, the most they would offer Scotty after being out over the prescribed limit of ninety days, he immediately shipped out for Europe and found himself on a most enjoyable assignment with the 369 Bomb Squadron by Istres, France (no more of that gravel agitating for him). This was but a short run though, as the USAAF evidently established that the base was situated too close to the temptations of Nice and Cannes and decided that they would be better off as MP's in Weisbaden, Germany, where he found himself by July of 1946 with the 979th MP Company (Aviation)—do not forget the AVIATION. This was a most enjoyable tour until he believes he must have matured or something and was transferred to the 970th CIC with a duty assignment with the Third Region at Fulda, and later at Hersfeld. It was also about this time that he discovered that life became monotonous alone and plans were slowly formulating in his mind to trip off the deep end with a Fraulein. That happened on 23 October, 1948, and like all good little "alien wedders," within sixty days they were on their way to spend Christmas 1948 on a rocketing "special" between New York and Chicago.

Back home on 27 December, 1948, Scotty again became involved with the decision of "out or in." That was a quick decision and now he is on an indefinite enlistment as of 4 February, 1949. Following a quick assignment with OSI in Detroit, a short tour of duty at Wright-Patterson in Dayton, an even shorter stay at Kelly, he now finds himself the First Sergeant of a happy lot of hot rodding vehicles chauffeurs of the 25th Motor Vehicle Squadron at Hill Air Force Base, just 12 miles south of Ogden, Utah.

Quoting directly from Scotty's letter (its among the best your Editor has received): "I must admit that I am now a more stable citizen than I was during my tour with the Ninth, but I often allow the memories of those days at Dreibern, Remagen, Bitterfeld and Wolfen, along with Manching and Ingolstadt to drift into my memory hour. They were undoubtedly the most memorable years of my, as yet, young life. I re-visited Ingolstadt and Manching in Aug., 1948, and surprising enough there were still recognizable faces about and many who would gladly converse about the days in which the 60th spent in the vicinity (without the temptation of a cigarette). Odd, how a man will drift back upon occasion to the spot of fond memory, not with the inclination of visiting any particular person but to stand and look upon the terrain which once before you dreamed.

"But then here in the 'west,' I have practically lost all contact with the Division. While in Detroit I did belong with the Chapter and had the opportunity of keeping up contacts and relationships but here, well I guess we just never dug any of these miners or sheepherders out into the world. Since my arrival here in May I have not been able to find any one who was with any component of the Division or attached to it. I should certainly appreciate it if there are any members of the Division living in this vicinity to receive their address so that I might contact them. I do believe that in the days to come (amateur's opinion only) that the Division might see the fury of battle and to know that the bunch still had enough spirit to hang together is most gratifying.

"I did see MUGERDITCHIAN'S name in the paper last month and wondered if he still recalled the walk from Schmidt to the Roer when the mortar fire dropped in on the tail of the column and all one could see were the butts of he and Hirst, then to the memory of racing over the Remagen Bridge, not realizing what dire results could have materialized had one of those boxcars unloaded as you ran, or being relieved by the 99th on the bluffs above Linz (nice clean uniforms and such big men), or our summer "encampment" by El-

senborn, or the greeting of the Russkies by Jessnitz, or the long jaunt on the autobahn from Bitterfeld to the land of beer (and believe me they did have good beer when you were fortunate enough to barter for some). Yes, all of these memories will make my membership in the Association permanent and my esteem for the Division the highest in the world, bar none. Although I did not serve with the Division from Bragg on out, I do believe that I know it's history quite well from the few old timers who were left when I joined them at Elsenborn on 1 January, 1945.

"So, Dear Sir, I shall bring this thesis to a halt and if you would but pass on my fondest regards for the holidays to all present and former members of the Ninth and their loved ones, I should be most happy. This Association of ours is the best in the world, bar none. We made it that way and we shall keep it that way."

Signed—

SCOTTY.

P.S. Also regards from my lil' one, Inge.

Scotty's address is as follows:
Tech Sgt. R. McArthur Hirst,
25th Mtr. Veh. Sq., 25th A/B Gp.,
Hill AFB, Utah.

Sgt. ROBERT I. VOSBURG is now back on active duty, being assigned to Detachment "C," 6217 ASU Replacement Center, Fort Lawton, Washington. Bob was assigned to King Company, 60th in March, 1945, and in June of that year he was transferred to the G-2 Section at Division Headquarters. Leaving for the States in April, 1946, he was discharged and joined the reserves and was recalled to active duty on the 11th of October, 1950. Taking 15 days training at Fort Lewis, Washington, he was later transferred to Fort Lawton, awaiting overseas shipment. During the time he has been back on active duty he has met several who were with the 9th in Europe and recently a bunch from Fort Dix's 9th Division began to arrive on the scene. Bob would like very much to hear from Sgt. Chuck Baker, G-2 Section, Sgt. Hank Gruner, G-3 Section and Captain David Silberberg from M.I.D.—also anyone else.

GLENN R. TAFF (1st Lt., L Co., and Hq. Co., 2nd Bn.) has been enjoying a southern winter, North Carolina style as compared to Wisconsin. His present address is Route No. 4, Brevard Road, Hendersonville, North Carolina, where he is assisting in the expansion of a gauge weaving mill. This will take about a year and then he expects to return to Wisconsin. His best regards are included to all of his old friends.

MERTON H. BEEBE (K Co. Staff Sgt.) extends a most cordial invitation to his friends to visit with him at his new home purchased last year at 176 East Robbins Avenue, Newington, Conn., located just off the Governor Cross Highway. He is presently employed as a claim adjuster with the Aetna Life Insurance Company, and recently celebrated his 25th anniversary with them. He has seen Col. Fred DeRohan on several occasions. Col. DeRohan is the National Guard Instructor for the State.

JOHN F. HUGHES (S/Sgt., 2nd Bn. Hq. Co.) is located at P. O. Box 1364, Charlotte 1, North Carolina. He doesn't have any children, nor any oil wells, but his time is well spent as the representative for the Lee Sonic Ear-Valv, a device which eliminates loud harmful noises, yet lets one hear voice-level sound. The price is only 95 cents a pair.

JIM HART (2nd Lt. K Co.) 1805 Woodlawn Avenue, Wilmington, Delaware, proudly announces the arrival of a son last November 29th—after fathering two prospective members for the Ladies Auxiliary. He was able to hold the old stomach up as a chest for twenty-four hours, but not being in the same condition he was in back in 1944, it has slipped down again. The christening took place on December 17th—the name James F. Hart, III, of course. Jim has been busily occupied in preparing and giving lectures in his ORC outfit and right now they are acting back and waiting to see what happens next as far as being called back to active duty is concerned. He extends his best wishes to all of his many friends of 9th Division days and hopes that 1951 will see our Association band even closer than ever before and more and more of the old boys sign aboard.

ANDREW J. SMITH was one of the 60th gang who attended the Southeastern Reunion last November 18th and he hopes that we can have another gathering next year and have a larger turnout. In the meantime he is going to try to make it up to New York next July for the National Reunion.

Andy is living in Trussville, Alabama, and he and his brother run the W. L. Smith Produce Co., Inc. Andy is president, and his brother handles the money and answers the letters and together they make quite a team. It is about the large business of its kind in the state and they are getting to the point of producing everything that they sell. Right now they produce their own hatching eggs, hatch them, then grow the chicks up into broilers. They have their own dressing plant and sales force for the State of Alabama, and are now growing and selling around 2,000,000 chickens per year. They also have their own feed mill to mix their feeds. Andy would like very much to see or hear from any of his buddies in the 9th and in case any of you happen to be down his way he is located about 18 miles east of Birmingham on highway 11, at Trussville.

JOHN BACHMAN, RFD No. 2, Oregon, Illinois, isn't married as yet, nor does he have any oil wells, however, in paying his '51 dues he extends best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy Year to all.

HAROLD W. SMITH (Capt.) 7026 Deerfield Road, Baltimore 8, Maryland, would like to locate the address for Clarence (Larry) Dalton. Hal saw Dalton in Chicago last convention time but misplaced his address and as Dalton is not a member of the Association, the National Secretary does not have a record of the address.

BILL BATEMAN (60th Inf., also 9th Div. MP's) recently purchased a home in Maywood, Illinois—a suburb of Chicago. The full address—2404 South 13th Avenue. Their new home is located just four block west of the Hines Hospital. He is looking forward to the convention next year in New York and hopes for a better turnout than the last one in Chicago. Bill is working for the Railway Mail Service and is located in the new postoffice at Van Buren and Canal, in Chicago. He would like very much to hear from any of the former 60th or MP gang and if by chance you ever get to Chicago, give him a call—the telephone number is Maywood 8264.

Here's a few address changes for men of the 60th:

MICHAEL PANUTHOS (S/Sgt., I Co.), 3604 Avenue K, Brooklyn 10, New York.

WILLIAM C. SCHNEIDER, 73 Starrett Road, Lynn, Mass.

RUSSELL C. HICKEY, 263 Steko Avenue, Rochester 15, New York.

PAUL D. CLARK, R.R. No. 2, Charlestown, Indiana.

JAMES A. KOTOWSKI (G Co.), 7610 Carson Avenue, Baltimore 24, Maryland.

JOHN GRILL, JR. (A Co.), 233 Cranz Place, Akron 10, Ohio.

Pfc. ROLAND E. POPE (Med. Det.), 1st B.P.O., APO 971, San Francisco, California.

9th Signal

FRANK HEIKKILA sends in his 1951 dues together with a Christmas card, wishing everyone a most enjoyable Christmas and a Happy New Year. Frank also asked when the next convention will be held. It will be held in New York City, July 26, 27, 28, 1951, at the Commodore Hotel. Here's hoping you can make it this time, even if you have to close down shop for a few days.

As soon as this paper is "put to press," your Secretary will make up records on a new member—D. C. MARTIN (T/5), who lives at 2828 Ninth Avenue, Hickory, North Carolina. He is now a driver for Carolina Freight Carriers, Inc., out of Cherryville, N.C. Thanks are due to RALPH J. HALL (709th Ord.) for obtaining this man as a member.

9th Medics

Dr. A. S. KAUFMAN, M.D., former C.O. of the 9th Medical Battalion, wishes to announce the birth of his third son—STUART MYRON—on July 15, 1950. The event is the fulfillment of a prediction made by him while in Africa and later, that he would have three sons. This can be confirmed by some of the former officers and men of the 9th Medical Bn. That's really calling them, isn't it. The letter is signed with best wishes and holiday greetings. The address, in case you want cigars, is 4546 North Broad Street, Philadelphia 40, Pa.

LOU ZACHIAN, 2432 South 7th Street, Philadelphia, Pa., wishes to all a very Merry Christmas and a very Happy New Year. He had a grand time at the New York Chapter's annual "get-together." His companion, who is a Canadian, but making her permanent home in Philly, also enjoyed the occasion very much, being one of the lucky prize winners. Lou would like to hear from Charlie "Rebel" Davis—also, any of you other 9th Medics.

Division M P's

ADOLPH J. WADALAVAGE (Cpl.), has moved to 79-02 Woodside Avenue, Long Island City 1, New York.

Many thanks are due to Lt. Col. CLAIR H. THURSTON for the very wonderful letter he recently wrote to Mrs. BRIDGET A. LYONS. Mrs. Lyons is the mother of Pfc. WILLIAM E. LYONS, who was killed in action during the period 8 to 15 March, 1944, at Remagen, Germany.

Col. Thurston is still a part of the Military Police Corps and is stationed with the Office of The Provost Marshal, Headquarters First Army, Governors Island, New York 4, N. Y. His official title is—Chief, Plans and Operations Division. He extends his best to all of the 9th.

Division Headquarters

A very nice letter from a fine person who signs her name as the wife of an old member, SAMMIE JOBE. The National Secretary was about to give up on the Jobe family as the postoffice department sent in a notice that they had moved and had left no forwarding address, however, Mrs. Jobe came to the rescue and we now have their new address on file—2025 Ravenswood Drive, Evansville, Indiana. The Jobes have moved here and there so much and have had quite a few problems that they just never got around to sending in the dues until now, so Sammie is o.k. for 1951. The Jobes have purchased a new home, so are planning on staying put for sometime to come. As Sammie had often mentioned to his wife that he would like to hear from some of the old gang, the Mrs. took it upon herself to pay the 1951 dues as part of his Christmas gifts and Sammie would like very much now to hear from you fellows. Both Mr. and Mrs. are working six days a week and consequently don't have much time to get around, therefore, your letters would be greatly appreciated.

Colonel ERNEST O. LEE (Finance Officer) is now located at 7890 Hq. Gp., EUCOM, APO 403, Postmaster, New York, N. Y.

Lt. Col. GEORGE H. GARDE (AG) is now with the Casualty Officers Personnel Center, Camp Stoneman, California. As a matter of fact that address is probably out of date by now as he is supposed to be in Japan.

RAYMOND F. ALLEN has a new address—c-o Renker, 650 West 177th Street, New York, N. Y.

ROBERT S. BARBAGALLO (AG Section), also has a new address—516 Anderson Street, Baldwin, L. I., New York.

ALOIS E. PANFIL (T-4, Div. Band) has moved to 3427 East Lesch Avenue, Cudahy, Wisconsin.

Brig. General JESSE A. LADD is still enjoying the life of a retired gentleman at 2300 Cowper Street, Palo Alto, California.

TOM GOOD is stationed at Headquarters First Army, Governors Island, New York 4, N. Y., on duty as a Master Sergeant in the Inspector General Section.

9th Recon Troop

ANDREW A. APELLO (T/5) is living at 6735 Hudson Blvd., North Bergen, N. J. In response to his notice for 1951 dues—he paid them—Andy informs us that he is doing "nothing," has no children and has no water wells. He'll be more than glad to receive any letters you care to write.

A very nice letter from EDWARD A. BRIDY enclosing two bucks for a Belgian Fourragere. Ed is part of the color guard of his local VFW Post. The other guard member is from the 1st Division and he wears the Croix de Guerre, which was awarded to the First Division, therefore, Ed is obtaining the Belgian emblem in order to make things even. He is planning on seeing a lot of the old gang this coming year in New York during July at the convention. Ed is working for the Johnston Corporation, Richmond Hill, Long Island. His home address is 6142 Linden Street, Brooklyn 27, New York. Also included in his letter is some "poop" on MURRAY RUDIWITZ and J. SUS-SLAVIG. Rudiwitz is now working for the Sunset Electrical Supply, Jamaica, L. I., New York, and Susslavig is slaving for the Lipman Plumbing Supply, also of Jamaica, L. I., New York.

As a matter of interest to your National Secretary—how do you fellows who were in the 9th Recon Troop feel about the Division History, Eight Stars To Victory? Do you think it a good book and do you consider yourselves as a part of the Ninth Division? How about dropping a line to Postoffice Box 1704, Washington 13, D. C., so that we can know just how you feel about the History.

Division Artillery

EGERTON W. DUNCAN (1st Lt. Div. Arty. Hq.) has moved to 14 West Elm Street, Chicago, Illinois.

EDWARD M. COTTEN (Cpl. Div. Arty. Hq.) has changed his address to 403 North Wilmington Street, Raleigh, North Carolina.

Lt. Col. ALVIN SUNDIN is now over in Greece—exact address unknown.

Colonel DOUGLAS PAGE is on duty at The Pentagon in Washington, D. C.

JOHN CLOUSER (T-4 26th) is on his way to Korea. Being in the active reserve he was recently recalled to active duty. John was elected to the National Board of Governors at the Chicago convention and he recently wrote to the National Secretary to inquire as to the status of his application for a reserve commission as 2nd Lieutenant. Upon checking with the powers that be in The Pentagon, it was ascertained that his application had been approved as of November 6th, so by now we hope that John is a brand new shave-tail.

A letter of complaint from MILTON LANDER (S/Sgt., 34th FA), now living at 112 Fremont Street, Wayland, New York. Milton has not been receiving his copies of The Octofoil, and therefore doesn't feel like paying his dues. His feelings are understandable, however, all that your editor can do is to mail The Octofoil and if the Post-office Department doesn't feel like delivering the paper it develops a problem of what to do next. We are very happy to remail any of the missing copies—just drop us a penny postcard and the paper will be on its way as soon as possible. As to your suggestion of stuffing the papers in envelopes, that would not only be costly and time consuming but it is doubted if it would make delivery any more certain.

A recent letter from J. N. PICCIANO (T/Sgt., 26th FA), asks for the address of the Greater New York Chapter. This information has been furnished and we trust that you and the Chapter have been able to get together.

It's now Pvt. LOUIS N. BLUCHER (Pfc. 84th FA), who is back in uniform with Btry. B, 176th F.A. Bn., Camp Carson, Colorado. Lou sent in a Christmas card extending his best wishes to all of the 9th men.

9th Quartermaster

A new address for HARVEY R. SHROUT, who has moved from New Jersey back to Kingwood, West Virginia.

It's now Lt. Col. TONY MASON, and he has left the Quartermaster ranks and has joined up with the Transportation Corps. Probably thinks that he wasn't riding enough while with the QM. Mason is still stationed with the Army Field Forces at Fort Monroe, Virginia.

ALVIN GLAFKA has attained the rank of full colonel and is presently attending the Industrial College of The Armed Forces at Fort L. J. McNair, Washington, 25, D. C.

Since the last issue, a new address has been received on Lt. Col. FRANK R. HINKLEY. It's now with the Atlanta Quartermaster Depot, Atlanta, Georgia.

Another most welcome letter from LeROY DREIFUS, 3322 Greenmount Avenue, Baltimore 18, Maryland. Roy and his wife are planning on being up in New York for the next convention, and wants to see many of you Quartermaster fellows there. During the Christmas Season he has heard from quite a number of them, including BILL PALADY, GEORGE KOVALAK, ALAN WEBSTER, GUY McCORMICK and THOMAS PITZER. He is wondering what has happened to our friend ALPERT from the Connecticut Chapter. Al used to be right regular about sending in news from that part of the country, but nothing has been heard for sometime now.

376th AAA

THOMAS G. STECKLINE (1st Lt. A Btry.—also with 26th FA), has a new address to report. It's 231 Jameson Place, Reading, Pa. Tom recently returned from Newark, N. J., where he was on temporary duty for his employer, The Travelers Insurance Co. He wishes to say "hello" to all of the former 376 gang, and also to the 26th FA fellows who might remember him.

EARL CALDWELL is still keeping his chin up at The Veterans' Hospital in Dearborn, Michigan. He has received several letters from you fellows and is always looking forward to more. If you can't write yourself, tell your wife to write and sign the letter with an X. Earl's room at the hospital is located on the top floor, better known as the "penthouse." He expects to be there for about 15 more months—so don't forget to write to him once in awhile.

709th Ordnance

A letter from Lt. Col. JEFFERSON D. CHILDS, 1224 North Florissant Road, Ferguson 21, Missouri, giving us the latest dope on OLLIG SCHOLLE, who is now working in the St. Louis Ordnance District office. Ollig is doing morning reports, keeping the sick book, and other personnel work and doing very well. He lives with his wife at 811 Oak Street, St. Charles, Missouri. (Editor's note—Jeff—you said St. Charles, Illinois, but I know that's a mistake, so took the liberty of checking my files and found Missouri to be correct. St. Charles, Illinois, is a little too far to commute).

Col. Childs reports that things are really busting wide open and he is busier than the proverbial paper hanger.

RALPH J. HALL is now living at P. O. Box 9138, Richmond 27, Virginia. In paying his 1951 dues, Ralph wishes to inform his friends that he is doing fine. He and his wife adopted a little girl which goes a long way towards making a happy family. Ralph owns and operates three service stations, all on Route 1, two of them are north of Richmond, and the other is south of Richmond. They are operated under the name of Hall's Service Station, so if any of the boys are ever this way, it would be appreciated if you would stop in and say hello. He has seen several in the five years that he has been home.

15th Engineers

Three address changes are reported as follows:

SYDNEY LEVISON (B Co.), 38 Waumbeck Street, Roxbury, Mass.

RONALD V. MURPHY, 24 Carver Street, Cambridge, Mass.

LOYD WOFFORD (B Co.), Stop 6, Lost Hills, c/o Gen. Pet. Corp., California.

Incidentally, the address change for LOYD WOFFORD was sent in by our good friend WILTON M. TAYLOR (M Co. 47th), who also is located at the same address. Loyd would like very much to hear from any of his former friends.

Units Unknown

A change of address for WILLIAM F. GROVES to 122 Ellsworth Street, Alexandria, Virginia. JAMES BAUER has moved to 3716 Tenth Avenue, New York 34, New York.

ROBERT D. FLANAGAN has changed his address to RFD No. 6, Box 332, Schenectady 3, New York.

Local Chap. News

Greater New York Chapter

Once more DOC STERNLICHT was reelected President to lead the New York Chapter. By a very close margin, Doc just managed to nose out the very popular MIKE GATTO. Mike was elected 1st Vice-President and VINCE GUGLIEMINO took over the job of 2nd Vice-President.

The new additions to the Board of Governors include HARRY ORENSTEIN, representing Special Troops; DAN QUINN, the 47th; ABE FEDDER for Division Artillery and HARRY WAX to represent the 39th.

DICK O'CONNOR did a swell job of selecting and conducting the elections and everyone was very pleased at the turnout and the fine manner in which the elections went. Of course, at times one was almost convinced that Tammany Hall was operating in the guise of the 47th block. (Ask Danny Q) . . . Never-the-less every one was very satisfied with the results.

The next meeting will be devoted to the installation of our new officers. This subject received much comment and a committee was formed headed by AL BRUCHAC to locate a suitable place to hold this affair.

Definite plans have been made for January 14th—Sunday afternoon at 3 p.m.—the place—The Times Square Hotel, 43rd west of Broadway. Bring your family and enjoy the gala party that has been arranged.

The New York Group is composed of some of the finest guys in the world, but believe me each meeting date brings out the fact stronger and stronger. This time from our MEMBER EMERITUS, to the Board of Governors, Mr. SPENCE, came a motion that was really a very magnanimous gesture. Mr. Spence offered to give one solid gold button in honor of the Gold Star parents each year to someone whom the group selects and also to give an additional pin to those members who attend 12 straight meetings a year.

A new member was welcomed into the ranks—one FRANK E. SLOVIN, AT Co., 47th.

MIKE GATTO, after DICK O'CONNOR'S suggestion will start making up the New York Chapter scrapbook and each member will add, if he so desires, to all material pertaining to the Chapter. All those who are interested in contacting MAJOR M. S. SHUMACHER can find him at 3111

Crestview Avenue East, Decatur, Illinois. Major S is now an instructor in the National Guard.

AL BRUCHAC was the lucky boy to win the pair of South Pacific tickets at our last meeting (and I overheard Al to say that he has two tickets to Kiss Me Kate).

How about our boy ED EAGEN, who won two Annie Oakley's at our last meeting and then donated them back to the organization at our last affair. . . . Boy, this outfit is loaded with swell guys, Brother LASKOW won a small hangover.

Was informed that MORLEY T. EGAN, formerly Capt. with Div. Hqs., is now back in as a Captain at Fort Totten. . . . Brother PEPPER still sporting his red unmentionables and claiming nothing beats them in frigid weather.

Last October 22, 1950, the following article appeared in the Sunday Mirror—"The engagement of Helen Francis Mizwa to Warren Harding Reynolds will be announced at the 25th anniversary dinner of the Kosciuszko Foundation. Reynolds is a veteran of World War II, and served in the 9th Infantry Division, spending more than three years in Europe, receiving wounds in the Normandy Campaign."

If POP AVERY of St. Louis, is receiving The Octofoil, please get in touch with WADLOVITCH in New York City.

Don't forget the next affair—January 14th, Sunday afternoon at 3 p.m. at the Times Square Hotel—installation of newly elected officers. You'll have a wonderful time.

Illinois Chapter

Santa Claus paid an early visit to the Illinois Chapter. The Chapter inaugurated a new idea by extending invitations to "Pop" to bring the family along. This solved the post-war problem of "baby sitters wanted." The occasion was the Annual Christmas Turkey Dinner, complete with all the trimmings.

St. Nick presented gifts to all of the kids and there was enough for seconds and thirds in hand-outs. Each child received at least five presents. That old gentleman's part was ably enacted by SHIRTS MATUSIK (M 47th), without the help of the proverbial pillow stuffing.

If JOHN NOVAK (M 47th) gets back into the Army, he's liable to be court-martialed by his fellow chapter members. The guy brought his 13-month son along, and Junior was dressed up in a sailor suit, complete with cap emblazoned, "US NAVY." Novak, that's treason.

President HERB WAPLES announced during the dinner that all dues paying members for 1951 will be issued an Illinois Chapter membership card in addition to the regular membership card issued by the National Association. The Chapter card was a pet idea of Waples and carried through by the president.

The January meeting will be a business session while plans are being drawn up for a "Hard Times" Party for February or March.

Tentative plans are also being made for a Midwest Reunion, to take place sometime in the fall of 1951.

Columbus, Ohio Chapter

The December meeting of the Columbus Chapter was held on Friday night, the 15th, at the home of DICK SCHUMANN. The meeting was very well attended and everyone enjoyed the concoctions mixed up by GLENN MOORE, resembling, both in looks and taste, Tom and Jerries of long ago. MABEL (Glenn's better half) brought along a big bowl of baked beans which helped to absorb the distilled spirits.

DICK PESTEL played the part of St. Nick. Everyone brought along a small Christmas gift and all of the presents were thrown into a duffel bag—without names—and then Dick presented everyone with a Christmas present.

One of the best entertainment features of this affair consisted of remarks by everyone present dealing with individual experiences gained during service with the 9th—and what tall stories were dreamed up.

PAUL PLUNKETT showed up, accompanied by his very charming bride and everyone promptly offered their sincere congratulations to Paul, and their condolences to Mrs. Plunkett.

New England Chapter News

The newly elected officers of the New England Chapter include the following:

President, SYDNEY LEVISON
Secretary, GEORGE BENDER
Treasurer, FRED B. D'AMORE.
All mail should be addressed to: New England Chapter, 9th Inf. Div. Ass'n., P. O. Box 892, Boston, Massachusetts.

The chapter holds its meetings on the last Monday of each month at the Y D Club, 200 Huntington Avenue, Boston, Mass.

Christmas Party---Illinois Chapter



ST. NICK, played by "Shirts" MATUSIK, shown with the children of the Illinois Chapter members attending the annual Christmas Party.

The Chow Line At The Christmas Party



Left to right: Gerald Linder, Herb Waples, Mrs. Lindner, Mrs. Bob Winkelman, Lorraine Lewis, Mrs. Herb Waples and Mrs. William Conley.

Philadelphia Chapter

The task of electing new officers to guide our fortunes through the year of 1951, having been accomplished at our last business meeting, we herewith publish the results:

To be our top man, we have selected JOHN CHRISTIAN (47th) and we feel sure that John will do his utmost to further the policies of his predecessors, and perhaps, inject some new ideas which will help swell the already mounting active membership.

JOHN SABATO (39th), as a result of polling the second highest number of votes on the presidential ballot, takes over the job of Vice-President. The newly created post of Secretary-Treasurer was awarded to JACK O'SHEA (39th).

To serve a three-year term on the Board of Governors, the following named men were elected to fill the vacancies: JOHN FARSON, RAYMOND CONNOLLY and VICTOR BUTSWINKUS.

Well, fellows, that's our Executive Body for the next twelve months, so let's one and all get behind them and show them, by your support and co-operation, that you appreciate their every effort in your behalf.

We are greatly concerned over the recent absence from our meetings of some of our sturdy pioneers of the early days at the old RIDGE AVENUE Clubhouse. To those of you, whom we feel, will realize that this is a direct appeal; we say, come on out to our next meeting and start the New Year off on the right foot with the Association.

MART KRASOVETZ has recently acquired a new service station over in Jersey, and we have asked Marty, an old Battalion Operations Sergeant, to pin-point his exact location for us so we can

pass on the information to any of the boys who may be conveying the family bus down his way, come warmer weather.

Some of our boys, who still prefer Uncle Sam's employ, though not the Military type, are DOMINIC CAREY, who is with The VA Branch Office at Pottstown. BOB RODDY, also with the VA at the Philly office in the life insurance division; and ED GERMAN, who keeps a watchful eye on the proper registry of mail, as Postal Clerk over Jersey way.

Helping to keep Philly's hospital kitchens, restaurants and bean-erys looking modernly up-to-date, we have our JOHN CALLAHAN, outgoing prexy, as a very successful salesman with Philly's most well-known Kitchen Equipment Company.

A hearty vote of thanks to the outgoing officers is the order of the day, and a fond wish to those who replace them. A wish that their efforts be rewarded with full capacities at every meeting and function during the ensuing year.

We hope to see all of you at The Hotel Essex, any first Friday of the coming months. Drop around for a good time among old friends.

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