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FATHER MURPHY'S DEATH SHOCKS 9TH MEN

A TYPICAL SCENE IN CONNORS COFFEE SHOP NIGHT BEFORE SERVICES



Scores of pictures might be made of scenes in Connors Coffee Shop on Saturday night preceding the Memorial Services—but the warmth of the good people who arrange for these get-togethers cannot be conveyed in print. A personal visit is necessary to really understand and feel the warmth of welcome that is extended to all former 9th men, their friends and families who visit Worcester for the 9th Division Memorial Service which has become the highlight of Ninth Infantry Division Association activity each year.

New England Group Pay Respects By Attending Father Murphy's Wake

Only those who have attended the Memorial Services in Worcester and have had the pleasure of knowing Father Henry Murphy can really appreciate the kind of friend the Association lost when Father Murphy passed away. It was most fitting and proper that members of the New England Chapter turned out as a group and paid their respect to a grand fellow—whose dry wit was always a source of pleasant moments. He was great and yet most humble and modest.

Among many other things Francis Maher, New England Chapter President, had to say about Father Murphy. The Octofoil takes the liberty of quoting the following:

"He was a real friend to the men of the Ninth and really looked forward to meeting them each year. . .

"A large delegation of New England Chapter members attended the wake and led in prayer by Father Connors, who was his very close friend.

"Members from the New England Chapter met Father Murphy's sisters who were pleased beyond words that they had finally met the 9th Division men who they had heard so much about from Father Murphy. They said that they would get a blow by blow description of the banquet after he returned home. We will all miss him."

—SEND IN 1966 DUES N-O-W!—
JACK SCULLY IS NOW "MAN OF THE YEAR"

According to notices that members of the New York Chapter received "The Chapter Man of the Year" will be honored at the Fall Dance—and that man is the likeable JACK SCULLY—one of the hardest workers any Chapter was ever blessed with.

Board Will Meet On November 6

Secretary Dan Quinn has sent notices to all members of the National Board of Governors that a meeting will be held on Saturday, November 6, at 5:00 P.M. The meeting will be held at the Holiday Inn, Worcester, Massachusetts.

A report will be submitted from the 1965 Convention Committee. A Progress Report will be submitted by the 1966 Washington Convention Committee.

Chapter reports will be submitted. Scholarship awards will be a matter also slated for discussion.

Other matters for the welfare of the organization will be brought before the Board.

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ADOLPH WADALAVAGE UNDERGOES SURGERY

Word has just reached The Octofoil that on Sept. 24 Adolph Wadalavage of the New York Chapter was admitted to the New York VA Hospital, 1st Ave. and 24th St. He was operated on for a hernia condition.

Adolph is one of the hard workers of New York Chapter and a regular participant in the Memorial Services conducted by Father Connors in Worcester, Mass., each year.

The Octofoil joins with Adolph's many other friends and wish for him a speedy recovery.

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MacDougall Lad Is On Overseas Duty

William MacDougall, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur MacDougall is with the Armed Forces and stationed in Viet Nam, near Saigon. Art is a member of the National Board of Governors, and Mrs. MacDougall is National President of the Association's Ladies' Auxiliary.

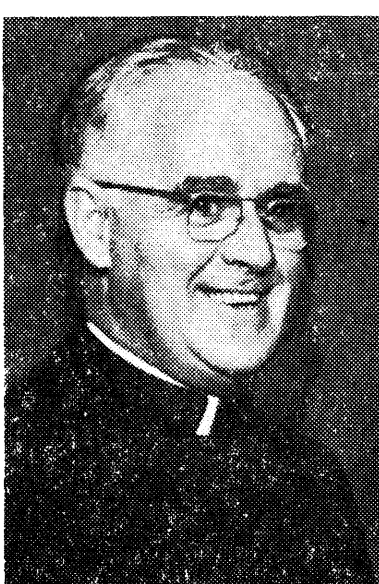
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December 10 Will Be Next Issue Deadline

It is hoped that the Christmas rush will be over when the next issue of The Octofoil enters the postoffice. Pictures for that issue must be received on or before Dec. 5, and copy must be in on or before December 10. It is hoped to enter the papers in the postoffice on December 15.

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A True Friend Has Gone



FATHER HENRY MURPHY

Pictured above is a likeness of Father Henry Murphy which was used a few years ago in the Worcester (Mass.) Gazette. The news of Father Murphy's death brought sorrow to all former 9th men and their families who had met him at the annual Memorial Services. All who had met him loved him because of his wit and sunny disposition.

—SEND IN 1966 DUES N-O-W!—

PLANS FOR NOVEMBER 7th SERVICES OUTLINED BY FATHER CONNORS; MAHER THINKS THE ATTENDANCE TO BE LARGER THAN IN '64

The Octofoil is in receipt of a beautiful letter from Father Ed Connors, dated Sept. 23. He sends the sad news of Father Henry Murphy's death. Father Connors writes as he talks. He can fulfill his duty by relaying sad news—and very shortly thereafter he can inject a remark or a sentence that never fails to cheer a person. Parts of his letter which covers several subjects, reads:

Dear Paul: At the meeting in New York I announced that Father Murphy, our Navy Chaplain, was very ill. On Monday, September 8, Father Murphy entered Eternity. I was with him an hour before he died. Until he became unconscious, he never lost his sense of humor. Not long before he became unconscious, a nurse asked him: "How are you feeling, Father?" And his answer was typical of Father Murphy's wit: "I don't know," he said, "You know, I never died of cancer before." . . . A month before he died he said to me: "If I am in Eternity next November, I hope that the Good Lord will in some way allow me to do something to embarrass Connors and the 9th Division." Our gathering here each November was a high light in the life of Father Murphy—and I know that all of you are grateful to him for the fun and laughter he brought to our get-together. God rest his gallant soul—for me this is a true human loss—and may I say a word of the great spirit of the men of the 9th Division: About 30 of our men attended Father Murphy's wake—and Father Murphy's four sisters were deeply impressed, and are prayerfully grateful."

PREPARING FOR NOV. 7, 1965

And now we are preparing for our 21st Memorial Mass and Service at the Immaculate Conception Church, Worcester, Mass., on November 7, 1965. The Mass will be at 10:15. After the Mass we shall hold a brief Memorial Service at our outdoor 9th Division Memorial—which as you know was designed by a parishioner, Franz Steiner. Franz also did the very beautiful and impressive Mosaic, depicting a 9th Division Chaplain reciting prayers at the grave of a 9th Division soldier.

DINNER AT WACHUSETT CLUB

"This year the Sunday dinner will be at the Wachusett Country Club—the same place as last year. I believe this is the only place large enough for us. And again price of the dinner will be \$3.50. Last year 441 persons were served.

ECUMENICAL MEAL

"Be sure to remind the troops that a very enjoyable part of this November gathering is the party on Saturday night at Connors Coffee Shop. Tell the gang to save their appetites and their money—there will be plenty of food prepared by the women of the parish. There will be cold cuts and spaghetti and Italian meat balls, Boston Baked Beans, Lobster Newburg, and salads, Jewish Rye and Polish Ham—ecumenical, even in our eating. There will be cakes and pies—and ice cream—and plenty for all. And to wash down this food, there will be coffee, tea and milk—and also may I say, "the drink of moderation." This buffet meal, of course, is "on the house." In fact those who come honor the parish—and my parishioners—who anticipate joyfully the invasion of the 9th Division.

FINE PRESIDENT

"The New England group is gathering at Connors' Coffee Shop on September 30—and again I am grateful that the men have agreed to meet here. We have another fine president of the National Association—John Bonkowski—a truly ded-

icated 9th Division man. I was speaking with John and I know how thrilled he is that the Association has elected him. To me personally, John has been most kind."

CONGRATS TO JOHN CLOUSER

"Congratulations to another fine gentleman . . . I received word that John Clouser has entered the holy state of matrimony. That girl whom John has married should be most grateful. She couldn't do any better. And if such a fine man as John loves her, she must be very special. I have just written John a word of congratulations—and have offered a Mass for their happiness."

PRAISES OCTOFOIL

"Congratulations to you, Paul . . . Through The Octofoil you have done a tremendous job in keeping alive and active the spirit of the 9th Infantry Division. God bless you for the good work you do for all of us."

MORE ATTEND EACH YEAR

"There is no doubt why attendance at our Memorial Service gets larger through the years. Our motive is spiritual. We come to pray for our Beloved Dead and to pray for one another. Spiritual things never die—spiritual motives are indeed the strongest. God bless you, Paul, and all the men of the 9th Division. Let us never forget those who have entered Eternity—and pray for one another.—FATHER CONNORS.

Father Connors added a postscript to his letter requesting members planning to attend the Memorial Services to send requests for room reservations direct to Francis K. Maher, 14 Davenport St., Worcester, Mass., who, Father Connors adds, does a great job in taking care of this along with many other details in helping make a success of the services.

COMMENT ON CONVENTION—

Quoting from Father Ed's letter further, it reads:

"Even though my visit to the Convention in New York was necessarily limited, I thoroughly enjoyed my short stay, a great crowd, a wonderful evening. The New York Chapter deserves our thanks and our congratulations. Lindsay Nelson was in fine form. It must be a thrill for him to be with a winner like the 9th Infantry Division—after a season with the Mets. I should talk—My team is the Boston Red Flops. Our Commander, General Craig, still looks fit. For good reason, we all revere this man."

—SEND IN 1966 DUES N-O-W!—

NEW YORKERS HOLD DANCE ON OCT. 30th

On Saturday, October 30, 1965, the New York Chapter will hold its Fall Dance at the Elks Lodge, in Union City, N. J. A buffet supper is planned for the dance.

This dance is always a gala affair, and this year's affair will be no exception to the rule.

In President Fazio's call for the Oct. 1 meeting he enclosed tickets to each member on his mailing list. A well known band has been engaged for the evening.

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About the only decent thing we ever did for the Indian was name a summer after him.

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An extract from the certificate of incorporation of the 9th Infantry Division Association reads: "This Association is formed by the officers and men of the 9th 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 of means of educational activities and to serve as an information bureau to former members of the 9th Infantry Division."

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PRESIDENT BONKOWSKI MAKES AN APPEAL

TO THE GOLD STAR PARENTS, THE MEN AND THEIR FAMILIES OF THE NINTH INFANTRY DIVISION ASSOCIATION —

This is my very first appeal to you as your President. It is brief but sincere.

This year we have not only one, but two main reasons for making that annual pilgrimage to Worcester. The first purpose is, and always will be, to honor the men who we knew and miss so much. The second, to honor the man that we all know and means so much to us.

The former, to meet and pray together so that our departed comrades will find the eternal peace that our Lord can grant unto them.

The latter, to show our appreciation to our wonderful Chaplain, who came to spend at least a couple of hours with us at the last Reunion when he had every excuse not to be present.

I'll be waiting and hoping to see each one of you there in Worcester, Mass. on November 7th, 1965, so that we can pay our due respects together.

Sincerely yours,

JOHN BONKOWSKI, President,
 Ninth Infantry Division Association.

19941 Hickory St., Detroit 5, Mich.

MAHER COMPILES HELPFUL DATA FOR THOSE ATTENDING SERVICES

Dear Comrades: Time is now drawing near for the annual Memorial Mass for our deceased members which is held each year by Father Connors at the Immaculate Conception Church in Worcester, Mass. This year the date will be November 7.

This past July at our annual reunion in New York there were a lot of people who have never attended but have shown to be very interested and said that they would make every effort to attend this year, so from what we hear this could be another large gathering for a very worthy cause, that of honoring our fallen Comrades.

I know that the following information will be helpful to those planning to attend, and that the New England Chapter will be very happy to assist anyone in their plans. This will be coupled with our wonderful Octofoil paper and the dedicated men who staff it, Paul Plunkett and Dick Pestel.

There were three or four Motels listed in the last issue of The Octofoil that seemed to suit those who were here last year, but it was also asked by many if it would be possible to have everyone under one roof. I am happy to say that it will be, and that is why I secured the most rooms at the Holiday Inn, but you are still free to register at any of the Motels listed.

The Banquet this year will be at the same place as last year. Father Connors has made arrangements with the Wachusett Country Club, and I believe from the reaction of the people last year that they were pleased and satisfied, and when you have that you have harmony which is hard to buy these days.

This year the New England Chapter members will again act as M.P.'s in guiding you from the Church to the Country Club. All you have to do is follow the Octofoil signs—don't let any other signs steer you away from your destination. I know from my own experience that it does happen, but we are handicapped in this area because we do not have enough recon boys with us to go looking for anyone.

MENTION 9TH DIVISION

Once again I would like to remind all those who are planning to make room reservations to identify yourself as 9th Division guests because we are receiving a special rate on the rooms, and we can keep a better account on how many rooms are taken; sometimes we cannot identify a person belonging to the 9th Division just by the name so please make yourself known.

RATES . . .

The rates again are as follows:
 At the Holiday Inn we have a guarantee of 75 rooms and more if needed. This new Holiday Inn is located on Southbridge St., just across the street from the main post office. Phone 791-2291. Single rooms, \$10.50—\$14 for doubles or twins. No charge for children under 12 staying in the same room with parents.

The Esquire Motel, West Boylston St., West Boylston, Mass.: Singles, \$8; doubles or twins, \$10, and \$2 for a cot; 30 rooms. Phone 835-4641.

Wachusett Motor Lodge, West Boylston St., West Boylston, Mass.: Phone number 835-4416 and we have 20 rooms. Singles, \$8; doubles \$12—\$2 extra for each person in a room.

Howard Johnson located next door to these two Motels. They have 43 rooms. Phone number 835-4456. Singles \$9 and \$10.50; doubles, \$14 and \$15 and \$16.50. Difference in price is the size of the room and if you prefer black and white or color TV. If no TV maybe you get an extra blanket.

That just about covers it, fellow. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to drop me a line. I will be away on vacation from Oct. 9 to 25th. If you write in between those dates please be patient if you do not receive an immediate reply.

Let's make this another Banner year, and pay tribute to our fallen Comrades as a true and dedicated 9th Division always has done—and remember, a real Parish welcome awaits you.

Yours in Comradeship,
 FRANCIS K. MAHER,
 President, N. E. Chapter.
 14 Davenport St., Worcester, Mass.

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Dan Quinn, Natl. Secretary, 9th Infantry Division Assn.,
 412 Gregory Ave., Weehawken, N.J.

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HAPPY THROG FROM PHILLY TO FILL BUS(es)

Victor Butswinkus, member of the live wire Philadelphia - Delaware Valley Chapter, writes The Octofoil that commitments for bus riders to the Memorial Services in Worcester Nov. 7 have been beyond expectations. A chartered bus to Worcester is assured. Vic promised The Octofoil during the banquet in Worcester in 1964 that if the bus dream the Philly lads and lassies were toying with come true he would speak for two seats for the editor and Tippi.

He has kept his word but in his letter he warned "You better let us know quick—there are others who will be glad to take those two seats."

A letter was sent to the Philly lad immediately asking him to reserve the two seats.

Since this letter was received from Butswinkus, a well-founded rumor reached The Octofoil that there was a strong possibility that not one bus but TWO would be pulling out of Philadelphia loaded with former 9th men, their friends and families, all headed for the 9th Div. Memorial Services. Capacity of each bus—49.

Father Connors will laugh and be so happy he'll have to cry a little when he sees those wheels come rolling up to the Immaculate Conception Church—filled to capacity with former 9th men and their folks.

—SEND IN 1966 DUES N-O-WI—

A Beloved Gold Star Mother Hospitalized

One of the Association's beloved Gold Star Mothers—Mrs. Lillian McAvoy is confined to General Hospital, Blackwood, N. J. A card from any of the Ninth Division Association members would no doubt be greatly appreciated because Mrs. McAvoy is devoted to the Association and its members. She has been a guest at the Memorial Services in Worcester, and will be well remembered by members who attended the Philadelphia Reunion.

Father Connors was first to advise The Octofoil of Mrs. McAvoy's illness. Then Mrs. McAvoy wrote a few lines requesting a back issue of The Octofoil.

The prayers of members of the Association are for a speedy recovery for this lovely Gold Star Mother.

—SEND IN 1966 DUES N-O-WI—

Lots of people who aren't being paid what they're worth should be happy about it.

—SEND IN 1966 DUES N-O-WI—

DOC ROBERTS TO VISIT IN "REBEL" TERRITORY

Doc Paul Walton writes from Rt. 7, Old Dalton Rd., Rome, Ga., that he has a letter from Dr. Donald Roberts, Elkins, W. Va., advising that the doctor will visit the cracker state of Georgia over the Christmas holidays. He will visit a daughter who attends Agnes Scott College, near Atlanta, Ga.

Walton's business venture raising goats was a flop—the area is to be used for something else now.

Young David Walton is at Fort Jackson, Communication School, and hopes to be home in November. But old Doc remembers being packed to go home from Bragg one time when Uncle Sam changed his mind and kept him and sent him on a European cruise. He hopes that doesn't happen this time.

Walton has made two unsuccessful efforts to locate Walter Victor—even trying the lake where Walt is supposed to go and relax occasionally—but no luck. Doc claims Victor is doing a better job of hiding than the 9th Ord. ever did.

—SEND IN 1966 DUES N-O-WI—

Mrs. Frank E. Heikkila Advises of New Address

Mrs. Frank E. Heikkila has advised The Octofoil that her new mailing address will be 31 Delamere Road, Williamsville, N. Y. 14221.

The Octofoil is happy that Mrs. Heikkila is still interested in affairs of the Ninth Infantry Division Association.

Hanging conspicuously in The Octofoil Editor's home is a picture of Frank and a group of his buddies taken in Connors Coffee Shop the November before his untimely death while changing planes in Chicago.

Frank Heikkila will be missed at all Reunions and Memorial Services held by former 9th men as long as two men are left to hold a get-together.

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Gen. Don Clayman Has a New Address

The Octofoil has been advised that henceforth Brig. Gen. Donald C. Clayman's Octofoil should be sent to 805 Bay Colony Drive, Virginia Beach, Va. 23451. The general's former mailing address was Fort Monroe. Those who saw Gen. Clayman at the New York Reunion say he looks and acts just the same as the Col. Clayman all the old gang knew.

—SEND IN 1966 DUES N-O-WI—

The only time liquor makes a man go straight is when the road curves.

A "SNOOPER" GETS THE "LOW-DOWN" ON BONKOWSKI

There are many members of the Association who are unable to attend every Reunion, but as interested in the welfare of the Association as those who are able to attend regular. These members who haven't met their President personally like to know all about him anyway. For that reason The Octofoil asked a Detroit member to furnish a thumbnail sketch of the Association's 1965-66 President. That member sent in the following information about the Association's new president — John Bonkowski:

INDUCTED IN 1943

Inducted into the Army in January, 1943. Served with Tank Destroyer Battalions at Camp Hood, Texas. Joined the Ninth Infantry Division as a radio operator with the Recon Troop and served during the Rhineland and Central European campaigns. Returned home in March, 1946.

John is a past President of the Michigan Chapter and at present is its Chaplain. He has served as a 3-year member of the Board of Governors before being elected President of the Association.

ACTIVE IN OTHER GROUPS

Bonkowski finds time to help in many other activities in his area. Listed are a few of those activities:

He served as one of the original solicitors for the new St. Raymond's Church Building Fund, where he is a parishioner; Marshal of the Holy Name Society and active in the Dads' Club. He is very active in the local Home Owners' Association, serving as block captain, a member of the Athletic Club and a former manager of the Boys' Baseball Team. He has been active in circulating petitions in behalf of desirable candidates for public office in Michigan.

John is employed at the Fishca Body Division in the General Motors Technical Center, where he is a Leader in the Template Dept.

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Reiman Is Going "Great Guns" On Membership Drive

During the past month Walter H. Reiman, 6310 Polk St., West New York, N. J. 07003, has been working overtime reminding former buddies in all parts of the country that they should be a part of the Ninth Infantry Division Association if they are not now members. He not only has been directly and indirectly responsible for many new members signing up with the Association, he's working with the Ladies' Auxiliary and getting his buddies' wives to become affiliated with the Auxiliary.

Reiman recently sold the tavern he has been operating, leaving him with a luncheonette to keep open. This seems to be giving him even more time to contact many delinquent buddies.

One of the new Auxiliary members Walter signed up was Mrs. Donald Roberts, Elkins, W. Va. Dr. Don Roberts was commanding officer of the 47th Regt. Med. Det. The doctor recommended Reiman for a bronze star—and finally he received it—the certificate arrived during the later part of September, 1965.

LOCATES SILMINSKI

Reiman offers The Octofoil a bet that he'll have Leon Silminski in as a member of the New York Chapter before the next Reunion. Leon was commanding officer of Reiman's Company—Cannon Co., most commonly known as the Cannon Company Eight Balls. Reiman says they were never behind the 8 Ball—they were always ahead of the Infantry—keeping the Krauts on the run. Historians have fouled up and not told the whole true story about these Cannon Eight Balls, so says "Doc" Walter Reiman.

The latest Auxiliary member Doc has signed up is his sister—Mrs. Viola Heemskerck, 341 70th St., Guttenberg, N. J.

A few more pushers like Doc Reiman and the Association would be growing by greater strides than it is.

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A great oak is only a little nut that held on.

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New York Chapter Welcomes New Members At Meeting Held Sept. 10

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Thirty-five members attended the Sept. 10 meeting of the New York Chapter. Among that number were two new members—Mr. Joseph Uschak, 111 E. 26th St., New York—60th, and Mr. Charles Vandermark, 1364 Hancock St., Brooklyn, N. Y.—Cannon Co., 39th. Both were attending their first meeting, but both had taken a part in the '65 Reunion.

President Frank Fazio mailed out his call for the Sept. 10 meeting and labeled it "Welcome Back Party." He expressed sincere gratitude to all the Chapter members who had made it possible for New York Chapter to chalk up the greatest Reunion ever held by the 9th Division Association.

The meeting was held at the Statler Hilton and was held on the second Friday night since many members were planning long week ends beginning with the 1st Friday (regular meeting date), because of Labor Day.

The meeting was opened by the Chapter Chaplain, Harry Orenstein, offering a prayer. Dominick Miele, Secretary, read minutes of the last meeting. They were approved. Irving Feinberg, Treasurer, reported the treasury had a favorable balance.

LETTER TO BERT CRANDALL

The writer's uncle, Henry Ruhl, advised that he heard Bert Crandall, announcer for radio station WNBC, state he was a former 9th Division man. Armed with that information the writer has written to Mr. Randall, soliciting his membership into the Association and asking his cooperation in helping circularize news of the Chapter and Association functions.

ORENSTEIN REPORTS

One of the highlights of the September meeting was a report on the Reunion that was submitted by Harry Orenstein. He also gave a report on the last meeting of the National Board of Governors. He reported on the election of Tony Varone to the National Board and advised the next Reunion would be held in Washington, D. C. in 1966.

FAZIO'S REPORT

Following Orenstein's report, the Chapter President, Frank Fazio, gave his report on the Convention. He praised Emil Langer, Reunion Co-Chairman, for his ever ready helping hand. He praised Dave Gelman for his good job on the Reunion Journal. Ed Egan was given due credit for his job organizing the parade and memorial services.

POST PHOTOS

Numerous photos were posted on the bulletin board which were sent to Fazio by Walter Victor. The photos had numbers on them so mem-

bers could order duplicates. Fazio advised that batches of the pictures had been sent to Philadelphia and The Octofoil for eventual distribution to other chapters.

THANK RIZZO

John Rizzo was praised for the job he did on arranging the seating at the Reunion Banquet.

Tony Varone was thanked for the good job he did on the Little Old New York Beer Party. . . Tony also was praised for his job on the beer party held Thursday night. President Fazio also thanked all the men who worked on the various committees, including the Gold Star Committee, the Publicity Committee, the Golf Committee, etc. Dave Gelman was given a big hand for his work with the Journal that proved such a big success and a beautiful job.

Many letters have been received from all parts of the country expressing thanks to the New York Chapter for the swell job they did. Highlights from a few of the letters was read by President Fazio. Just to mention a few: John Bolin, Jr., Greenville, S.C.; Gen. Randle, Gen. Craig, Benjamin F. Lockwood, George A. Whitney, former New York Chapter President; the Vatican Exhibit at the World's Fair; Doc Walton, "Duco" Bodin and many others. Past National President Walter O'Keeffe also received many congratulatory letters.

There was much discussion concerning the Memorial Services that will be conducted by Father Connors in Worcester, Mass., on Nov. 7.

There was some discussion about chartering a bus to take the members to Worcester.

SCULLY IN ATLANTIC CITY

It was rumored that Jack Scully was in Atlantic City judging a beauty contest, so Al Orletti took over the job of providing refreshments for the meeting. It was decided to run the 50-50 Club again this year.

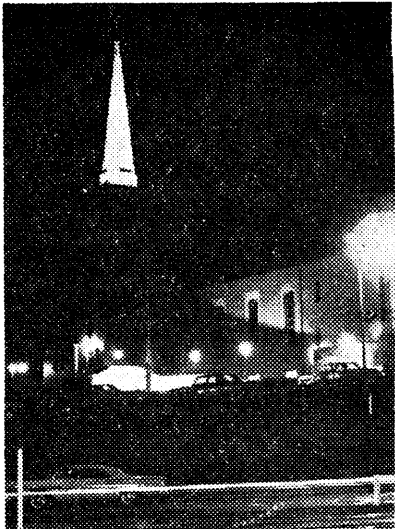
Harry Orenstein commented favorably on the last 12-page issue of The Octofoil.

MAY MEET ELSEWHERE

Much interest was shown in the possibility of changing meeting location. The Armory on Lexington Ave. between 25th and 26th, New York City, was mentioned. It is said that this is a good deal with expenses a great deal less. There was no dark horse raffle in view of the fact this meeting was held in recognition of the good job done by the membership on the Reunion. Fazio reported that some 40 new members were picked up at the Reunion. Forty-one M.P.s were kept on duty during the Reunion, but they had little to do—a compliment indeed to the caliber of men who make up the roster of the New York Chapter and the National Association.

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Night View of Church



The above photo will give some of the Immaculate Conception, Worcester and lighted to greet visitors who gather each year to pray for try Division who have answered it

BOYLE REPORTS MEETING IN NEW

Under date of Sept. 22, Thomas J. Boyle, Secretary of the New England Chapter, 39 Hall Ave., Somerville, Mass., sent out the following letter to all members of the New England Chapter announcing a meeting of the Chapter for Sept. 30, 1965:

Dear Friend: The New England Chapter of the Ninth Infantry Division Association will hold its Fall meeting on Thursday, Sept. 30, at the Rectory of the Immaculate Conception Church (Connors Coffee Shop), 353 Grove St., Worcester, Mass. At this meeting the chapter will hold its annual election of Officers. The meeting will start at 8:30 P.M.

The Annual Reunion of our Association held in July was attended by many members of the New England Chapter. The Greater New York Chapter as usual did a marvelous job of conducting this reunion. This was one of the better ones. The last five or six reunions have been attended and enjoyed by a larger group of members than in years

day aside and let nothing interfere with the day that we honor the 4581 men to whom you and I owe so much.

Sincere best wishes,
THOS. J. BOYLE, Secretary.
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SWIMMING POOL DECORATED FOR PHILADELPHIA MEETING

By JOHN BODEN
President, Philadelphia-Delaware Valley Chapter
Box 58, Chester, Pa.

Man, this Philly Chapter is really a swinging chapter. There is no other chapter that holds dances as often as this Chapter does.

The writer was unable to attend the sumptuous picnic held August 22 at Hoppy Hopkins' home. It has been reported that Hoppy's wife, Jean had BOTH—yes BOTH of the swimming pools designed especially like the 9th Division insignia. How is that for true love of the Division? The outfit that did the catering service rate tops in the books of many members—the girls serving were very short, short shorts. Dick Wilson and Marty Krasovetz were both served extra portions of chicken by a cutie wearing a flesh colored bikini. It is rumored that both wives—Ann Wilson and Lilly Krasovetz haven't let these two smoothies go out alone since. Some of the others who were able to attend were Al and Theresa Cuprys, Art and Betty MacDougall; the Thomasons were in the half mile foot race and were just about tied with Vic and Ann DeCusaru. Old Fat Cat Himself, Frank Alcorn, and wife, Theresa, won hands down in the egg rolling contest.

The New York Chapter was represented by Bill Kreye and his family. They're always welcome. John and Mrs. Sabato played bridge with the Sarnicis. Vic Butswinkus slept part of the time—but his wife did okay in the chow line.

The members feel mighty grateful to Mr. and Mrs. Hopkins for their gracious hospitality and generosity.

Our Chapter welcomes two new members—Dominic Rapuno and Willard Bisbing, both of the 39th.

O'SHEA WINS?

Many of the members visited Jack O'Shea's Church in Folsom, Pa., on Oct. 2 for a buffet dinner and dance. Who do you think won the door prize of a quart of booze?—JACK O'SHEA himself. Jack's mother was a wonderful hostess. The old regulars were there—the Wilsons, the Cuprys, the MacDougalls, Butz was a bachelor—and the Bodens.

BODEN "WHEELS" CHAIRMAN
The Philly Chapter will go up to

Worcester on a Red Arrow Lines bus—a big union company. "Silver Fox-Duco" Boden is Chairman of the Committee and you can bet that bus will be outfitted for the kings and queens of the 9th Division—because his pride and joy is this Philadelphia-Delaware Valley Chapter. It is regretted that Father Kines will not be able to go with the group. However, the editor of The Octofoil and "Tippy" Plunkett, secretary-treasurer of the Ladies' Auxiliary, will park the Falcon in Philly and come over to the Smooth Side—and ride the Red Arrow bus to the Memorial Services.

LEAVES AT 9 A.M.

The bus leaves the Philadelphia-Sheraton Hotel at 9:00 A.M., on November 6th.

Immediately after the banquet at Wauchussets Country Club in Worcester, about 5 P.M., the group will head back to Philly, arriving at approximately 2 A.M.

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Mrs. Cuprys' Picture Received a Little Late

Printed elsewhere in this issue of The Octofoil is a beautiful letter received by Mrs. Theresa Cuprys, and written by Lou Netta, Jr., in far-away Viet Nam. Lou, Jr., is the son of two hard working members of the Philadelphia-Delaware Valley Chapter and the Ladies' Auxiliary—Mr. and Mrs. Lou Netta, Sr. Young Netta was made PFC in July—and attended the last Philly meeting with his dad and mother.

Mrs. Cuprys, who is the hard-working president of the Philly Ladies' Auxiliary, has forwarded to The Octofoil a picture of young Netta with his dad on one side and President John Boden and Secretary Dick Wilson of this Chapter located in the City of Brotherly Love, also being shown in the picture.

Mrs. Cuprys' picture arrived on the day the forms were being sent to the pressroom—Saturday, Oct. 9. The Octofoil will be most happy to print this picture of this fine young soldier in the next issue.

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If you can't beat them, you can make them feel insecure
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makes the U. S. Marines a ready outfit.

I thank you all again for the card and I wish you all a great and fabulous time at your New York Reunion. It will probably be great, as they eventually all turn out fabulous—thanks to the work of the women. Well, have to get back to work on my uniform and rifle for inspection. Thanks again and God Bless All.
Love, the Son of a Loyal Ninth Division Member,
PVT. LOUIS S. NETTA.

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ARMY TIMES TRYING TO LOCATE EMMERT

The Army Times Service Department is anxious to contact someone who knew Frank Leonard Emmert while he was with Co. E, 39th Regt., at Fort Bragg, N. C., from Jan. 29, 1941 to Sept. 11, 1942.

Comrade Emmert was employed by the Army Times at the time of his death and The Times Service Department is trying to get some information needed in order to substantiate death benefit claims for the widow and surviving children.

The least anyone can do is drop a card to J. William Drach, Army Times Library, 2201 M St., N.W., Washington, D.C., 20037 and advise they knew Comrade Emmert. Mr. Drach will then contact the writer and advise of the questions he would like to have answered.

Any member who knew this former 39th man owe it to themselves to lend a helping hand to this widow and the orphaned children—it will only take a couple of minutes and a 4 cents postal card.

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Schmidt Going On Prolonged Vacation

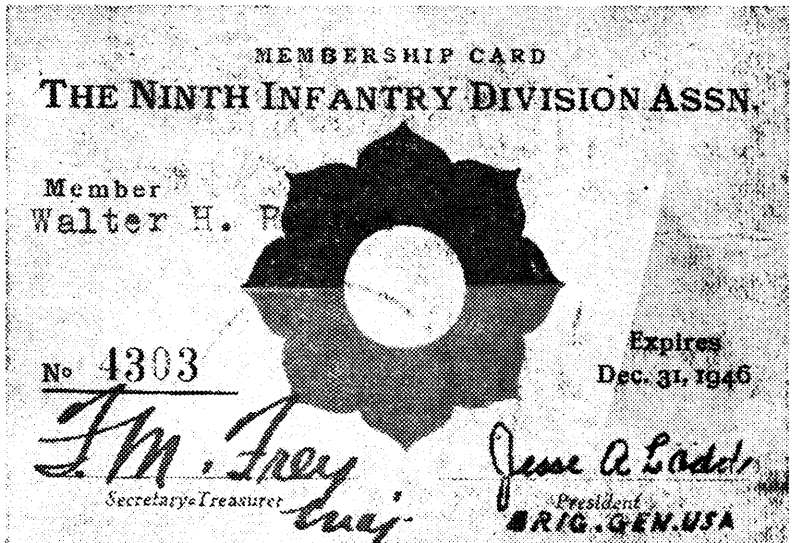
The Octofoil is in receipt of the following note from Arthur Schmidt, which is self explanatory:

"Beginning on Oct. 7, 1965 I will be going on vacation with my uncle. We plan to drive along the Blue Ridge Parkway to Asheville, N. C., and possibly to the Great Smoky Mountains in Tennessee and various cities in Virginia, North Carolina and Tennessee. I will try to get in a report on the Oct. 1 Chapter meeting—which I will have to write on my travels and you will probably voice complaints on my handwriting. I will be on vacation until Nov. 7, so I will not be able to send a report on the November meeting or the Father Connors Memorial Mass.—Cordially, Art Schmidt."

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Comments of one U. S. Senator on Daylight Saving Time: "Last week we passed a birth control bill. Now we are trying to pass a bill to put the people in bed an hour earlier."

Reiman Digs Up One of the Original Cards



Doc Reiman loaned The Octofoil the above membership card—showing that he has been an Association member since the day the organization was born. Natural wear and tear of the card prevents the possibility of getting the kind of reproduction The Octofoil would like to have been able to use. Naturally the original card "Doc" Reiman submitted was printed in the regular Octofoil colors.

Correction—\$25 Was a Direct Donation . . .

In the last issue of The Octofoil a story appeared that claimed \$25 of the money sent for advertising space in the Convention Journal by the 15th Engineers was donated to the Greater New York Chapter Welfare Fund. This is an error. All the funds sent in by the Engineers was used for space in The Journal. The \$25 donation to the Welfare Fund was a personal donation from Arthur Schmidt, a former Co. B, 15th Engr. man.

Thanks to Genuine Parts Company, Atlanta, Ga.

Many of the two and three-line "fillers" being used in The Octofoil are taken from the pages of Parts Pups. This is a house organ produced by Genuine Parts Co., 299 Piedmont Ave., N.E., Atlanta, Ga., headquarters for automotive parts and supplies. Through the good graces of Walter Victor, Atlanta, an old line Association member, The Octofoil has been placed on the mailing list of "Parts Pups."

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NEW YORK MEETING PLACE MAY BE 25th ST. AND LEXINGTON

The last meeting of the New York Chapter was held on Oct. 7 at the Statler Hilton Hotel. However, much discussion took place regarding the possibility of holding future meetings at 25th St. and Lexington Ave., New York City. Many of the members favor this location because the auto parking situation is not crowded as in the Hilton area. However, Art Schmidt has other reasons for supporting the move so strongly. He visited the 25th St. area and learned shots of liquor can be obtained much cheaper in that area than around the Hilton.

Over 35 members attended the October meeting, including two new faces: Ben Fredigel, 1st Bn., 47th, 553 Georgia Ave., Brooklyn, and Francis Smiles, Med. Det., 47th—29 Louis St., Staten Island 4, N. Y. Ben was attending his second meeting. While visiting Schmidt's office on business Fredigel noticed Art's 9th Division pen, and after a few questions were answered, he was signed up. Smiles was attending his first meeting. Meeting night, Oct. 1—was a miserable, rainy night. Considering this the attendance could be considered excellent.

Those who attended were amply rewarded because Jack Scully with his refreshments was back at his old stand.

Chaplain Harry Orenstein opened the Oct. 1 meeting with prayer in honor of departed comrades. Minutes of the last meeting were approved as read by Secy. Miele. Irving Feinberg reported the Chapter was in good shape financially, commenting on a \$25 donation to the Welfare Fund from "Philanthropist" Arthur Schmidt. Adolph Wadalavage, the Chapter Welfare Officer, was reported hospitalized himself—hence no Welfare Committee report was made at this meeting.

After reviewing prices submitted for a chartered bus to take members to the Memorial Services in Worcester, it was decided that a bus would not be chartered this year.

President Frank Fazio announced that the 50-50 Club would be held in conjunction with the Christmas Party. Plans are being made for the Christmas Party but the date is still open until the new meeting location problem has been decided on.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE
President Fazio announced the Chapter's nominating committee for next year's officers would be selected at the November 5th meeting.

Efforts are being made for a big turnout in November. Additional nominations may be made from the floor.

The dark horse prize was won by Stan Cohen. George Apar acted as Sergeant At Arms in the absence of Al Orletti.

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"POP" WOODSIDE IS "PLAGUED" BY BAD LUCK ON THE ROAD

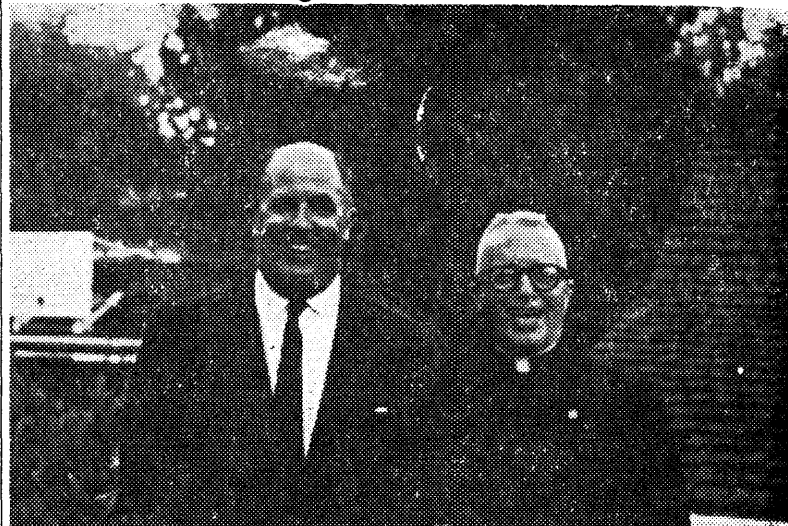
Poor old "Pop" Woodside, the famous 60th Regt. Jeep Driver, left his Florida home—12408 Florida Ave., Tampa, Fla. 33612—headed for the New York Reunion. He stopped off in Oneida, N. Y., to visit with relatives—then it happened—his auto conked out on him and by the time the garage bill was paid there was nothing left to go to the Reunion on. "Pop" opened up his heart in a letter to The Octofoil. He was able to visit two former Ninth men around Oneida while waiting to get his car repaired—Joe Romano, formerly of D Co., 60th is in charge of the Veterans Administration affairs for Rome, N. Y. and Oneida County—and then there was Leo Henery, another famous 60th Jeep Driver living in the same locality.

ATTENTION ILLINOIS CHAPTER
Woodside advises that just before he left Florida Bruce Burnett, of Champaign, Ill., called on him—the first meeting since the two were in Africa. Bruce's address is 1304 North Mattis, Champaign, Ill. He claims he is ready to pay dues into the Association and become reaffiliated with the Illinois Chapter.

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'TENTION!
Hudson County, N. J. Members —
When someone dents your car —
Stop and See
JOE PHILLIPS, Proprietor
E Co., 60th Infantry
J. & C. AUTO BODY
UN. 3-0882
1111 23rd Street
NORTH BERGEN, N. J.

Two Old 39th Regt. Buddies Meet in California



Father L. B. Kines, of St. Joseph's College, Philadelphia, spent a few weeks in California during the past summer. He experienced a great thrill while in California by being able to spend several hours with an old 39th Regt. Buddy—Dr. Kohlmos. The Medic is mentioned quite often in the diary of Father Kines that has been running serially in the Octofoil. The two are pictured above while enjoying a regular "gabfest" at Piedmont, California.

"THE DRUMS" PRINTED BY A SOLDIER-PRINTER

Brig. Gen. Edwin H. Randle, Ret., 503 Althea Rd., Belleair, Clearwater, Florida, recently printed a neat little 4-page folder, with the title "THE DRUMS," and the motto under his masthead, "Each Man Follows the Drums He Hears."

Prefacing the stories printed in THE DRUMS is noted the following quotation:

If man does not keep pace with his companions, perhaps it is because he hears a different drummer.

—Thoreau.

THE BRIGADIER

It was chess night at the Faculty Club. The hour was late and most players had gone home. The professor of physical education, a man named Lorenz, was starting a story. He was a muscular man about forty with thinning hair and a nose flattened in some youthful fight. In World War I he commanded a company in the Alabama Regiment of the Rainbow Division. Three night-owls had drawn up chairs and were listening.

"We were attacking," Lorenz was saying, "and had reached the far edge of a woods. On our left a narrow dirt road came from the rear, debouched from the woods, crossed a wide clearing and entered another woods. The road was my left boundary. Twice we tried to cross the clearing and twice were driven back by flanking machine-gun fire. I decided to wait. No use getting casualties for nothing. The troops on our left would eventually neutralize the machine-guns and we could continue then."

"I saw him coming up the dirt road. He wore expensive riding breeches, a short overcoat, boots and spurs, and a garrison cap with the wire removed. He carried a riding crop and was sauntering along as though looking for a Sunday School picnic, or something peaceful like that."

"I stared in surprise, then jumped up and trotted over. It was Brigadier General Douglas McArthur, our brigade commander. He stopped and I said, 'General, I wouldn't go any farther, if I were you.'

"Why not?" he asked, turning and gazing out of the woods.

"Enemy machine-guns, sir. Every time we try to advance they flank us."

"How many times have you tried?" he asked, turning back to me.

"Twice," I said.

"Hmmm. Well, I can't stop them, can you?"

"No, sir," I said. "Besides, they're out of my zone. The troops over there will have to get them."

"With that he walked right out in the open and stood gazing at the terrain all around."

NO MORE FIRING

"The machine-guns did not fire. Everything was unusually quiet. Only the stench of long dissipated mustard gas reminded us where we were. Then slowly he turned and walked back to the shelter of the woods, slapping his riding crop against his leg at every other step. He said nothing, just looked at me. There was a faint smile on his lips.

"General," I said, "there was machine-gun fire out there. Heavy fire. It came right across our front."

"Of course there was," he said and the smile widened, like at some private joke.

"I got the company up and we pushed on across the clearing. There was no machine-gun fire. Why, I'll never know. Maybe the guns had been knocked out. Or been pulled back. I swear to you I didn't imagine

them. No, sir. Those guns had forced us back twice before the general came. Twice."

—Edwin H. Randle.

THE OLD-TIMER AND THE LIEUTENANT

It was October, 1917. The regiment was in tents on the edge of Camp Merritt, Bergen County, New Jersey; now an area of shady streets and pleasant homes. I, a very green second lieutenant, commanded I Company. One night a tent caught fire. The next afternoon 1st Sergeant Ellis sent our recruit clerk to my tent with a set of forms. They told how the tent had burned through the fault of no one. There were many dotted lines. I signed all three copies.

Sometimes later the clerk returned with a new set of papers. "First Sergeant says the lieutenant signed in the wrong place," he grinned.

I selected a different dotted line and signed.

SARGE COMES BACK

Another forty minutes and I saw Sergeant Ellis coming. He was tough. His black whiskers bristled. He did not salute and his whiskey voice cracked on every word. Jabbing a third set of Report of Survey forms with a stubby and not too clean forefinger he rasped, "Here's where the lieutenant signs. Right here on this line!"

I took the papers, glanced over them with such deliberation as I could muster, removed the cap from my pen, signed all copies, and handed them back. Sergeant Ellis saluted, executed an about face and departed. Discipline and habits of years are not easily discarded, even under great frustrations.

—E. H. R.

The above literary gems were all set into type by hand and printed on a Kelsey Star Press, motorized, for circulation by the National Amateur Press Association, by The Eldnar Press, 503 Althea Rd., Belleair, Clearwater, Florida 33516.

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PRES. BONKOWSKI HAS BEEN BUSY

In a recent communication to The Octofoil from President John Bonkowski it was noted that he had been quite busy during the past few weeks. Highlights from the letter read, in part:

Attended the wonderful and successful picnic of the Michigan Chapter, when officers were elected.

Distributed extra copies of The Octofoil to prospective members.

Dropped a note to Father Connors.

Sent a letter to "Cappy"—a fellow who heads the Recon group. Invited he and the "boys" to join our Association. (They have been meeting on their own in Ocean City.)

Dropped Lindsey Nelson a letter, soliciting his help in appealing to the Recon group.

Wrote Frank Wade, thanking him for making the nominating speech—resulting in my election as president, and offering assistance in helping to make the 1966 Reunion a big success. Sent Danny Quinn a full report.

Working on agenda for the forthcoming Board meeting. A story is printed elsewhere about this meeting on Nov. 6.

Has issued appeals to groups and individuals to attend the Memorial Services.

Nelson acknowledged receipt of letter and the matter will be brought to the Board's attention.

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Cold girls seldom get fur coats.

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

in the LADIES' AUXILIARY of the

NINTH INFANTRY DIVISION ASSOCIATION

Mrs. Tippie Plunkett, Secretary-Treasurer
Ninth Infantry Division Association Ladies' Auxiliary
286 Zimpfer Street, Columbus, Ohio

I would like to become a member of the Ladies' Auxiliary to the to the Ninth Infantry Division Association. Enclosed is check or money order for \$1.50 for 1966 dues. Please mail my membership card to —

Name

Street

City State

While attached to the 9th Infantry Division my.....
(state relationship, whether the Ninth Division man was a husband, father, brother, son, etc.)

was with
give company, regiment, battery, attached unit, etc.)

Make checks or money orders payable to Ninth Infantry Division Association. Mail to Secretary-Treasurer Tippie Plunkett, 286 Zimpfer St., Columbus, Ohio. A 1966 counter-signed membership card will be sent as soon as possible.

By order of the President:

MRS. BETTY MacDOUGALL, President

RUSS BASSEL WAS DEEPLY IMPRESSED

Russ Bassel, 100 Burbank Drive, Snyder, N. Y. 14226 is a former 15th Engr. man. He was greatly impressed with the outstanding Reunion the New York Chapter capably staged in 1965. He has this to say about that Reunion:

"This past 20th Reunion was so outstanding, in my opinion, that I would like to personally compliment the group who so ably promoted it. "Starting with Reunion No. 2, we have managed to attend seven of the Reunions throughout the year. This one topped them all. Congratulations on a fine job."

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You should never give a drunk black coffee or you'll wind up with a wide-awake drunk on your hands.

—SEND IN 1966 DUES N-O-WI—
We're raising a generation of kids who believe that aging women turn blonde.

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Philly Group Welcomes Rapuano and Bisbing

Victor Butswinkus reports to The Octofoil that the Philadelphia-Delaware Chapter has two new members that the Chapter is mighty proud to have. The two new members are:

Domenick T. Rapuano, 110 Greenridge Rd., Wilmington 5, Del. He was with Co. F, 39th. Domenick was wounded while serving with the 39th in Sicily.

The other new member is Willard Bisbing, 222 Madison Ave., Collingswood, N. J., also a former 39th man.

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A career girl's mind moves her ahead, while a chorus girl's mind moves her behind.

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If all wives were as nice as air line hostesses and hospital nurses bars would have to close at 5 P.M.

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