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Ninth Infantry Division Association

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It's tough planning a summer vacation that will please the entire family. The kids want to go swimming, the wife wants to do some sight-seeing and you just want to relax and split a fifth with some old cronies. If you are having this type vacation problem, here's how to solve it. Take the family to Springfield for the reunion. Then, the kids can get water logged in the pool, the wife can get bento tours touring Springfield and you can get bombed with your old buddies from the Ninth.

NO IDLE MOMENTS

There will be few idle moments for members attending the 1971 Reunion. Springfield is a treasure trove of historical spots. You will have to stand in line if you intend to see all of them in three days. The State Capitol, Lincoln's Law office and New Salem are "musts" for every visitor to "The Land of Lincoln." These landmarks have been restored to their original condition. They now appear just as they did when Lincoln roamed the streets of Springfield. These famous places make a lasting impression on the youngster; they get a thrill out of seeing the places that they have read about in history books.

IN THE SWIM

The motel's two swimming pools will be popular with the visiting families. In the morning you can step from your room into the pool. It will be something like those days in North Africa and Italy when we pitched our pup tents alongside the Mediterranean. Those of you who were there will recall how refreshing an early morning dip can be - especially after a night spent drinking vino. One word of warning, olivet-drab GI's.

EVENINGS AT THE REUNION

Program 1971 Reunion

Thursday July 29
Registration All Day
9:00 A.M.
Golf Tournament
Springfield Lake Municipal Course
Board of Governors' Meeting
Welcoming Party - Abe Lincoln's Night
10:00 A.M.
Friday July 30
Registration All Day
10:00 A.M.
General Session and Committee Meetings
Auxiliary Business Meeting
General Session
Board of Governors' Meeting
Hawaiian Luau - Swimming Pool
10:15 A.M.
1:00 P.M.
6:30 P.M.
Saturday July 31
Registration All Day
10:30 A.M.
Memorial Service - Lincoln's Tomb
Annual Banquet
Dance
6:30 P.M.
9:00 P.M.
10:30 P.M.
OLD STATE CAPITOL - LINCOLN SQUARE DOWNTOWN - SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS OF ASSOC. BY-LAWS

Pursuant to Paragraph 43 of the By-Laws of the Ninth Infantry Division Association due notice of the following proposed changes in the specified by-laws is hereby given, so that these significant matters may be well and fully considered by the Association members present and voting at the 26th Annual meeting of said Association to be held at Springfield, Illinois on July 1971.

FIRST NOTICE (VIETNAM VETERANS)

Charles James, John Clooper, Kenneth L. Meyer, as members of the Association, and Harrison J. Daysh, Judge Advocate and member, hereby propose the following amendments to Paragraph 4, Membership Qualifications to be included in said By-Laws.

To provide that all honorably discharged veterans of the Vietnam Conflict, who wore the Octofoil, shall henceforth be eligible for all the rights and privileges of such membership.

SECOND NOTICE (ASSOCIATION DUES)

John Clawson, member of the Association, proposes the following amendments to Paragraph 12, Dues included in said By-Laws.

That sub-paragraph 12 (a) which now reads "Four Dollars ($4.00) dues per year" be amended to read "Five Dollar dues per year" and, that sub-paragraph 12 (b) which now reads "Eleven Dollars ($11.00) for a three year membership" be amended to read "Thirteen Dollars ($13.00) for a three year membership" and that sub-paragraph 12 (c) which now reads "Fifteen Dollars ($15.00) for Life Membership" be amended to read "Seventy-Five Dollars ($75.00) for Life Membership".

NOTE: The foregoing constitutes the gist of the desired by-law amendments. If adopted by the members present and voting at the 25th Annual meeting, they shall be duly transcribed into requisite legal language.
The April Meeting at President Jim and Audrey Bruner's lovely apartment in Fillet was a pleasant event. This was the Chapter's first regular meeting outside the immediate Detroit area and 20 were present on that occasion. Pres. Jim and Audrey Bruner; Ted Bobbi & Florence Delaney; Andy Find; Jane and Joyce Chaplin; Robert Torrence; Mrs. Terri Terry, John & Rose Bottke; Members, Don; Hels; Louis; Tom; & Genie Hatton; Eugene & Phyllis Reed; Mrs. Alice; Eddie Stovall; and Floyd & Leora Messina.

Some of our regulars couldn't make it, however, for Kleber and Viola this was their first meeting since last summer's picnic and we were pleased to have them back. We invited Floyd and Leora who we haven't seen since summer, to meet at the airport in New York after the ETO trip, August 4.

BEGINNERS LUCK
And as it often happens, "beginner's luck" prevailed on Leon's name was drawn as the winner of the magazine Battle Drawing. We all had a good laugh over this.

This was also the first chance for Tom & Tom to acquire with the Manchester Chapter. She will meet and greet the people as they go on board and we want to see her right at home.

Our appreciation to two dedicated couples who attended the meeting but had to leave early. Tom and Genie Hatton's son was leaving for the Service in the morning if it Jobs and Leon had a family get-together that evening.

Rose and I had an enjoyable dinner one night in the City of Garden City, where we met and got to know each other. We all went down to Fillet and together, it's remarkable, to see those miles shrink when you're in first-class company.

BOOSTERS
Our effort to better last year's record of 43 Booster in the Convention Journal got off to a great start when everyone at the meeting read their letter to Father Connors in suburban Springfield and Father Connors Memorial Mass in Worcester in the Fall. Kathleen Studard lives in Fillet and when he heard of his brilliant last works, visited Mrs. Bobbi. Here's a quote from her letter, "The looks well rested and is, in excellent spirit. Has a terrific sense of humor. Told in great detail about the trip to Europe. But even today, she didn't miss a thing and she was thrilled by every second of the trip. She is certainly a very remarkable lady. If her doctor gave her the ok, she will be at the reunion. He plans to try to return to Worcester in November. The many cards she received from her home has been a real joy to her."

We shall miss her but make it as all little richer for knowing her. We know her daughter would be proud of those who knew her mother. Drop a line to Mrs. Pittman Ewing 911 Davis Court, Fayetteville, N. C.

Mary is in peace and our sincere sympathy to her loved ones.

Mr. Murley Bullock, Gold Star Parent of James Bullock who was killed in action in World War II, attended many affairs and rejoiced in this reunion. A grand woman and an inspiration to us all. She made the trip to the ETO last summer and was looking forward to the reunion in Springfield and Father Connors Memorial Mass in Worcester in the Fall. Sheldon Studard lives in Fillet and when he heard of his brilliant last works, visited Mrs. Bobbi. Here's a quote from her letter, "The looks well rested and is, in excellent spirit. Has a terrific sense of humor. Told in great detail about the trip to Europe. But even today, she didn't miss a thing and she was thrilled by every second of the trip. She is certainly a very remarkable lady. If her doctor gave her the ok, she will be at the reunion. He plans to try to return to Worcester in November. The many cards she received from her home has been a real joy to her."

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Michigan Doing

At the same time we've learned that Bob Dunn and another mother recovered from a motorcycle accident. Mom and Dad were in town for the funeral and the celebration of life, and the family was in great shape, departing for home in Florida.

Elmer Wagner called from home upon his return from Spain. He's got more than a few things on his mind, and had a good time, but nothing compares with that trip, which becomes more meaningful as time goes on. He was very anxious to hear about our last meeting, which I missed. He'll make the picnic, but in the meantime he's busy organizing for a trip to Spain, which begins in September.

President Frank O'Keefe called from Chicago and had a good time, but nothing compares with that trip, which becomes more meaningful as time goes on. He was very anxious to hear about our last meeting, which I missed. He'll make the picnic, but in the meantime he's busy organizing for a trip to Spain, which begins in September.
The 9th Division was not taken by surprise to the enemy. Once again Allied Command agreed to the conditions of fighting and the potential for German superiority. The only chief difference between American and German soldiers was the spirit of the kamerads. Germans were not the only soldiers that could not be effectively used in the forests. The battle was fought for the 39th Infantry's 1st Battalion, although it wasn't alone. Papers, books, and paintings were still hanging on the walls. The painting I found on my name on a list shipping personnel to a new center. At the replacement center, I was assigned to the 9th Infantry Division (just as I was to the 4th Infantry Division command post. 39th Infantry Division was near here somewhere and it was a good idea to get out of here.

As I entered the next morning, CURTS took out to lead reconnaissance to the moon chapel. He discovered there was no trail that he had found them. So, we filled our stonches, grabbed our bagpack and we told the replacement sergeant to check out. We arrived near the 3rd Battalion command post. The 9th Infantry Division was just as the sun had set. It was dark. The only light I saw was GUPPODARND walking a small pony and smoking a pipe. He was dressed in a uniform and a great coat. He was preparing to go back to his home town. As I was looking through my bagpack, I found a letter from my family. It was a letter that I had written to them while I was in Normandy and then placed in a "forty and eight" with the words "to all." It was a letter that the boys were too young to read it. They were too young to do anything about it.

As I entered the new world, I was too young to understand the stakes. I was too young to be responsible for the decisions. I was too young to be held accountable. It was the time for me to endulge in more learning.

We travelled north in the early morning. We travelled north in the early morning. We travelled north in the early morning. We travelled north in the early morning. We travelled north in the early morning. We travelled north in the early morning. We travelled north in the early morning. We travelled north in the early morning.
To comment, or to tell you about the character of our interpreter, JOHN TSCHUPP, he was brutal in his ways as an individual as far as German prisoners were concerned. He was a robust, bold and hardy leader. He knew the German language fluently. He seemed to have no more trouble with any of the latter than he did with the former.

Prisoners of war were becoming distressed, and the handling of them. It meant we had to capture them and eventually return them to Germany with their regiment. We had conducted a large group of prisoners and one of the prisoners was taking a fusil. I asked TSCHUPP what he was doing and he replied: "I was just packing up. He had the whole of the defense plans and some of the most important documents, maps, information, pins and so forth. We had to have a guard on them at all times.

Prisoners of war were towards the entrance to the castle. We had just about finished building a fence when someone knocked on the door. "We have two prisoners for you," someone told him. "What should I do with them?"

Just on the spur of the moment, I repeated, "Take them out and about them."

However, they weren't shot. We had to have a guard on them until we could dispose of them like the others. It was just the thought that came to mind at the time that came out. Some frantic prisoners who were between fourteen and seventeenth years of age, measured them for their size and we marked off the ground with these measurements. Then, we put the prisoners in their own grave. This was one method of getting quick information, although we never really believed any of them.

At another instance of guarding prisoners, we had about thirty lined up in the fields in single file facing us. They had been taken captive by our assault troops and were marched for concealed weapons. JOHN TSCHUPP and I walked from one end of this aggressive looking bunch, and looked them over and JOHN gave them instructions in German of what to do. They were instructed to empty their pockets and place all their jag in a pile in front of them. Within the piles of jag in front of the German prisoners, was important documents, maps, information, pins and so forth. We passed one prisoner who had nothing piled in front of him yet his pockets were bulging with jag. I instructed JOHN to come over and ask the instructions to this character as there was a possible chance that he didn't understand the first instruction. He was sometime when we again returned to this prisoner and the situation was the same—nothing piled in front of him. I said to JOHN, "I don't think this prisoner understood you, JOHN." JOHN answered, "I can fix that."

He repeated the words of instructions, then with his right fist cracked the prisoner across the face. After the prisoner rolled on the ground and had quickly risen to his feet, in seconds he had his pockets emptied. You could see him trembling as he stood sharply at attention and so did most of the other prisoners as far as he was concerned. The line and they realized that we meant business. We had no more trouble with any of them after that display.

We were virtually ready for the big push which would be an all out offensive on the Germans. The 9th Infantry Division crossed through two enemy defense lines The German 1st Paratroop Regiment and a Replacement Center outfit were overthrown. The American 78th Infantry Division was on our northern flanks. Although he had made too much money, he was captured by the third line of defense composed of aged men in civilian clothes. They were armed bands who identified themselves as members of the German Army. We had captured Duren and we saw the two little buildings in Cologne as our advanced officers entered the town when we were close enough to see the German prisoners as they lined up in single file facing us. They put us to it as the Battle of the Bulge.

Pawns Of War Continued

Last September when the Twenty Eleven took on Nebraska at Lincoln, all the important huddles didn't take place on the field. The V-E Staff of the 60th Inf. held a huddle in the stands. They called it a reunion.

PICK SIDES
Among the old time "Gee-Devs" were partisans of each team. The cheering sessions were aligned this way for Army Westmoreland, Heusen, Phillips, Loyar, MacIndoe and Garrison; for Nebraska Chatfield, Coulter, Vesteka, Cottage, Elliott and Frenzenburg. Our correspondent didn't include the score in his report, so we don't know which cheering section took home the game ball. We do know that every one had a great time.

Springfield July 29-31

HOLIDAY INN EAST
3100 S. 31st Street, Springfield, Ill. 62703
9th INFANTRY DIVISION 1971 Reunion July 29-31, 1971
PLEASE RESERVE
1 King Size Bed 1 person 11.75
1 King Size Bed 2 persons 12.75
2 King Size Beds 2 persons 17.50
$3.00 each additional person

Address of arrival
Name Number in party
Date of birth
Date of departure

NINTH INFANTRY DIVISION ASSOCIATION
MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Dan Quinn, National Secretary, 9th Infantry Division, Aa., 421 Gregory Ave., Weehawken, New Jersey 07087
Enclosed pleased find 1971 dues for:

Name Serial No.
Street Address
City Zone State
I was a member of:

Battery Company R Regiment 9th Div.

I wish to sign up for the following:

Regular Member, per year
$4.00
Donation Memorial Scholarship Fund
$3.00
Three-Year Member
$11.00
Life Membership

Ottoviai Automobile License Dues
$50.00
Recruit, 25; (5) five for
$1.00
Six Stars to Victory

( Personal History of 8th Division in action)

Please credit the following chapter:

Philadelphia-Delaware Valley
Great New York
Illinois

New England
Michigan
The rate for Extra Journals is $1.00 per issue. The extra journals are available at the reunion. The issue for October, 1971 is devoted to the history of the 9th Division in World War II.
SELLING YOUR GI LOAN-FINANCED HOME? If you need to sell your GI-financed home, the most important thing is to release liability from the VA. You can only get the release if the purchaser obligates himself by contract to assume all your liabilities of your loan, and the VA is satisfied that he is an acceptable credit risk. Failure to get the release before you close can cause problems for you should the purchaser default on their mortgage, placing the responsibility back on your shoulders.

Veterans who may be forced to sell their GI loan-financed homes for compulsory reasons may have their homes guaranteed by the VA. Some of the reasons include ill health, bankruptcy, federal, state, or local government for highway or other construction, transfer of ownership by a veteran’s employer, loss of employment and subsequent moving to another locality for employment, or if the size of the home constitutes a health hazard. An increase in the size of the veteran’s family is not, in itself, sufficient grounds for the VA. Note too, that fire, flood, or other natural disasters, may also be sufficient grounds for reinstatement of loans. The veteran spouse pointed out that the veteran’s home was first released from liability to the VA on the original 20-year entitlement can be restored. This is usually accomplished by paying off the guaranteed loan in full.

EXPECTED temporary migration or difficulties in making GI mortgage payments? Thus by all means, try to work out a way together you can work out a way that will save your home. You can also help yourself out by any difficulties you may have been forced to decide.

HARRY O'S
WHAT IS A 9TH DIVISION REUNION
A reunion is a call to 9th DIVISION ASSOCIATION MEMBERS to gather in a certain city and relay their war experiences, renew their friendships, make new friends and to continue to exchange information until the present time. And here is some of the conversations that will be heard at the 1971 SPRINGFIELD REUNION.

FORT BRAGG
Some will recall the arrival of the first 9TH DIVISION MEN at FORT BRAGG in 1940. They will mention names, such as CHICKEN CREAK OAD, the CAROLINA MANEUVERS, officers in the company, FAYETTEVILLE and the first regiment leaving to make the African invasion.

You will hear the story of the landings in Africa. You will recall the ARAB houses and compare their structure of the FRENCH houses. Land and Mountains you saw, and the beauty of the desert itself, SUDAN, ORAN and ALGERIE.

You recall the 9TH DIVISION men were across the Sahara desert. Names, such as, KASSERINE PASS, ELGUETTAR and IBIZERTEN. You take the landings in Africa and deployed and the German air raid that followed.

ELBE RIVER
And the invasion of the EUROPEAN invasion was to follow. You will recall the landing on the beaches, CHERBOURG, ST., Lt., crossing the RHINE, REMAGEN and meeting the Russian forces, the ELBE RIVER ending the war.

With the war ended, you made the transition from GI to civilian. Many of you stayed in the area to meet your buddies, your friends and your families. And for 25 years you have been attending the reunions.

You will recall many reunions and they will be memorable, such as, the SPRINGFIELD reunion in 1963 with the big bombing at SALEM FIRE, the 1965 NEW YORK region with the WORLD'S FAIR, the never to be forgotten 1966 reunion in BOSTON, and the 1970 NEW YORK reunion followed by returning EUROPE and the West across the Rhine after the reunion. You will recall some of the speakers at the reunion, and you will look good for another 25 years.

On May 22nd the Chapter held a Birthday Party at the Pirtle Memorial Chapel, the National Cathedral. Mgr. DeLena introduced the service and spoke of the many sacrifices made by our soldiers in the cause of the Ninth. Many of the names on the obelisk at Pine Lawn are familiar to Mgr. DeLaera, he had offered them on the casualty lists of the Division. This year’s Memorial Service was an inspiring event that will long be remembered by the members of the chapter who were present.

REUNION NEXT ITEM
During July and August the New York Chapter will take a break. The only event scheduled for the summer is the National Reunion. The New York gang expects to take advantage of the special rates offered by Quark Airline, so if you are feeling good prepare for an air-home invasion of New Yorkers.

Remember The Reunion Dates July
29-30, 1971

DE DONATO AND MANFREDI MEET
The last time Emil De Donato saw Richard Manfredi was in Germany at the end of World War II in 1945, when Manfredi left Germany with the 9th Division before the Infantry to go to the hospital. Both were served with the 47th Infantry, and Manfredi became a member of the Ninth in January 1941 and served throughout the entire campaign. He was discharged in June 1943. Richard joined the Raiders in Sicily and served with the 47th until the end of the war.

That last April 30th, Emil met Richard at John F. Kennedy Airport. At last minute, De Donato made a prearranged meeting as Richard wrote Emil earlier stating that he and his father-in-law were going to spend the entire month of April visiting relatives and touring Italy.

Both Richard and his father-in-law were given the red carpet treatment as guests of the De Donato's. Friday night dinner at the Commercial, tour of New York City, Saturday morning motor tour of Manhattan from Central Park to the Battery and returned by way of West Side Drive, with a stop at the United Nations Plaza.

Saturday noon a stop at Hoffman's Golf Center in East Paterson for a visit with Bill Shelbe.
MAIL CALL

This is the time of the year when the "Old Reliability" dig out the checkbook and pay their dues for the following year. Every almost check is accompanied by a letter or note. How you come to know the "Octofoil". Your editors welcome the letters and hope that our readers will get into the habit of writing more often. Here are some samples of the letters received:

Jim Craft
Co. E, 60th Inf.
3422 Yardley Dr.
Dundalk, Md. 21222

Jim says that they are still talking about last year's trip to the E.T.O. This year he is looking forward to Springfield and hopes to meet some of the old 9th troops while in "The Land of Lincoln."

Charles Harvey
7407 Huntridge Rd.
Penndel, Penna. 19042

Charles' wife writes that he has his old niece who was a V.A. Hospital for an eye operation. At the present time he is home and doing fine, but will have to return to the hospital for an operation on his other eye. He is left with a friend who makes him comfortable and helps around the house. How about dropping him a line.

Jacob Nailer
9th M.P.
312 Brandy Lane
Lancaster, N. C. 29755

Jake and his wife Nicki send the best to the family. They were responsible for the wonderful news that Doris Espy was in touch with some of the gang from the 9th. Jerry Bryan reports that Ken Meyer is back in action and enjoying life. Jerry Bryan hopes to make the reunion and has three friends who were in the same C.O. from that gang.

John Saquella
Co. G, 47th Inf.
6200 Upsilon St.
Cincinnati, Ohio. 45210

John sends his best to all the fellow members of the 9th and hopes to meet some of them at the reunion.

Karl Mabson
9th Div. Hq.
8700 Day Rd.
Hodina, Mass. 01550

Karl thanks a friend for sending a copy of Bill's article on the 9th. Karl says that he is looking forward to the reunion in Springfield and hopes to meet some of his old friends. Karl is an avid reader of "Times" magazine. He enjoys reading it from time to time.

Edwin Buyce
Co. I, 64th Inf.
4484 55th Terr.
Shawnee, Kansas 66203

Edwin reports that everything is going well and looking forward to the reunion to meet many of the old gang.

Reunion Dates
July 29-31

The Octofoil
(0) Afton Rd., Bohemia,
Cleves, Fram, 33516

General Randell drops a line saying that he ought to get to the Springfield reunion because he was born in that town a few years after Abe Lincoln left for Washington.

Norman Martin
60th Inf.
700 Lebanon Ave.
Belleville, Ill. 62220

Norm not only keeps his own membership up to date but he also signs up new members for the Association. Last year on the way to the reunion he made a stop and stepped off to see Jim Russo, a former member of the 9th and Flacon, Co. C, 60th Inf. Jim was glad to see the old conscript that he signed up for the Association. Norman hopes that all his friends will take note of the new address where letters should be sent.

Richard O'Connor
84th F.A.
Whitter, Calif.

Dick's Army days follow these days but finds time to dig his high in the Gulf Club each day before going to work. He works at various jobs and finds time in between to go to the gym. "The Old Reliability" has become grandparent when their son was born. Dick has a little girl.

Hess Humber
614 Exchange St.
Sacramento, Calif.

The Humberos write to tell us of a change of address. After the last heat wave in California, they moved north to Sacramento. They were pleased to hear that the Illinois Chapter was still in operation. In their next letter they hope to mention some of their old friends from the service.

Ted Wode
K.M.F. Field M.P.
Quincy, Ill.

Ted and his child bride, Audrey, recently enjoyed a visit to Cape Cod along with Kate and Joe Brady. He sends his regrets that he will not be able to attend the reunion but is counting on the Brady's to say "hello" to everyone for him.

Henry Ford Brennan 899 Y.T.D.
106 W. Walker Parkway Co.
Chicago, Illinois

Harry was given a Life Membership in the last "Octofoil" regarding Mrs. John P. Majors, former member of the 9th and sister of Joe Brady. John thanks his old friend Harry for the Life Membership and hopes to see some of the fellow members of the 9th in Chicago.

Bobby Lynch
9th Reg.
2103 116th St.
Chicago, Ill.

Bob writes, "Just a few lines to bring everyone up to date. I am attending school and will attend the reunion at Springfield in August." He is looking forward to the golf tournament. He certifies that he is very busy and hopes to exceed the twelve years to effect any saving in dues. However his conscience dictates to pay for the many years he allowed the Association to carry him on the rolls. Harry was very active years ago when the Illinois Chapter met to meet in Springfield, Chicago and other places at that time. He also attended the founding of the Illinois Chapter. He is trying to inactive these many years but does plan being at the reunion in Springfield and is looking forward to renewing old acquaintances.

Glen Shaw
Div. Hq.
Yates Center, Kansas

Glen writes a reply to one of our travelers questions regarding the Engineers bridge built at Remagen - was it up or down years? "The position of the roadway or Engineer bridge was down - approximately 300 yards from the railroad and bridge. When the bridge collapsed, the men were taken clear through the reopened windows in some instances." Thanks Glen.

Richard Williams
Co. K 47th Inf.
Springfield, Ill.

Dick hopes to be at the Springfield reunion but he is keeping his engines crossed. If there is a little bit all bets are off.

Announcement
North of Utah
R.M.A. Scout company 60th Inf.
Wolfe by-roads, St. Valentine Dam
Danger Strasse 26

This evening we are having our second meaningful meeting of the year! It's the 9th Annual Meeting - we go into the annals as one to forever - and that time is now past in weather, I take a moment to look into the year of the 9th Division thirty years past - in remembrance of our 1917 Reunion.

We want you all to remember:
- Women started joining the Division in January 1941.
- Mrs. Emma J. Foster, of 60th Inf., and Mrs. M. Past, of 9th M.P., moved so he hopes that all his friends will take note of the new address where letters should be sent.

- The Division's first full parade on March 22, 1941.
- The Division had over 14,000 Officers and Men and it was rolled (or strolled) past the public.
- Or on 1 June when Colonel of the 9th Division took command of the combat team led by a group of our Officers and Men from Bowling Green, Virginia to engage an enemy (the 5th Armored) who occupied the Guard Division. Here we see one of the Division's units being used without delay.
- Or whenever we look around and see the Ninth really was. While on maneuvers, the Ninth's reinforce the 6th Division.
- Or whenever the Ninth served in the First Armored Division in July 1942 to join 31st Paratroopers.
- Or whenever the Ninth's victory over the Tunisian campaign and was among the first to land. From Dusty Storm to the Army Commander's aide. It all came because of the Ninth's achievements.
- Or whenever we think of how many members of the 9th and the 5th Division's "Fame of Battle" words should not be forgotten. They served a country that was the best trained and tested organizations in the United States Army.

"The Old Reliability" magazine is for Life Members and is to follow with the Division's magazine, the "Forlorn Hope." Each copy may be found in the Army! !!

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--Major J. P. Majors, former member of the 9th and sister of Joe Brady, has been given a Life Membership in the Association. Last year on the way to the reunion he made a stop and stepped off to see Jim Russo, a former member of the 9th and Flacon, Co. C, 60th Inf. Jim was glad to see the old conscript that he signed up for the Association. Norman hopes that all his friends will take note of the new address where letters should be sent.

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