Taps Sounded
This is the last part of this job when trying to put a paper together and we come to this column "Taps Sounded" and have to add the names of a few more buddies.

Ray Cwil, Service Co 29th Inf.
John R. Pulli, A-T 60th Inf.
William M. Messersmith, 9th Q.M.

We also received word that Mrs. Harry Flint, widow of Colonel Harry "Paddy" Flint of the 29th had passed away.

May they rest in peace. On behalf of the members of the association we extend our deepest sympathy in their loved ones.

Ray Cwil's daughter Mary writes: "My dad Ray Cwil who was a member of the Ninth Infantry Division, passed away on September 29, 1981. He hadn't been ill, for a long time just biding for a week or so for a rest. I had left the house for an hour or so and when I came home I found him dead from a heart attack. All very sudden-no one expected it. Daddy had had a good run and an extra thanks to the Ladies Auxiliary who were very generous to this fund."

Mary A. Cwil
3444 Hayes Street
Kingsport, N.Y. 12085

Tip of the Hat
Many thanks to John Thornton who every year at this time remembers the Memorial Fund and an extra thanks to the Ladies Auxiliary who have been extra generous to this fund.

Welcome in the Greatest City in the World
The National Executive Board made the logical choice when they selected New York as the 1975 Reunion City in the Bicentennial Year. New York is making a special effort during the Bicentennial Year for a memorable reunion and a wonderful vacation for you, your family and friends.

ATTRACTIONS
Here are some of the outstanding attractions in New York City that you are attending the Reunion:

One of the most outstanding places to visit is Radio City Music Hall, the world's largest theatre with over 6,000 seats. In addition to a film, you will see the world's famous Rockettes who will thrill you with their rhythm and precision dancing. Radio City Music Hall should be a top priority.

Rockette Center is a marvelous place to visit. It has a sunken plaza which is used for dancing in the summer and ice skating in the winter. Rockette Center covers a wide area which includes tall buildings, shops and restaurants. There are many varieties of flowers on display adding to its beauty.

UNITED NATIONS
Many visitors coming to New York visit the United Nations which provides a guided tour. Through the Museum, you will learn about the different roles of the General Assembly and the Security Council. Chamber members and very often visitors are invited to sit in on an interesting session. The beauty of the buildings, the appearance of the art and the architecture are some of the many interesting features to enjoy. You can take a three-hour Sightseeing Cruise around Manhattan Island and see the Manhattan skyline, the Statue of Liberty, the New York harbor, the Empire State Building, the United Nations buildings, and many more points of interest. You can take a bus tour around New York with the guide explaining points of interest, such as, Chinatown, United Nations, St. Patrick's Cathedral, the Statue of Liberty, Wall Street, famous museums, and many more historical points of interest.

SHOPPING
For the ladies who like to go shopping there are a great variety of department stores, in addition to shopping areas and gift and souvenir shops throughout the city.

Our Reunion Chairman Emil Langer and Co-Chairman Harry Orenstein are handling the Reunions in New York. The 1960 and 1965 Reunions were outstanding, the 1970 Reunion and others previously, and once again the New York Chapter is selecting them for their experience and know how for the 1975 Reunion. We have confidence in Emil to see that this Reunion being in the Bicentennial year the Ninth Division Association will have another unforgettable Reunion.

GREAT WHITE WAY
Of special interest is 42nd Street and Broadway-the Great White Way, the greatest entertainment Center in the world. In attendance is outstanding theatrical performances. For sport fans, there are the Yankee Stadium and the Mets at Shea Stadium, and nearby is the Statler Hilton in Madison Square Gardens where sporting events and shows are held.

The 1974 Detroit Reunion also had many of the attractions that would be of interest to the Association ever had. A watermelon, that was donated, was the coveted prize given to the chapter that out- did the best Reunion the Association had. A watermelon, which was presented at this Reunion will be held at the Statler Hilton on July 22, 23, and 24. The best watermelon will be awarded to the winner. In addition to a trip to Europe 25 years later, to revisit the cities visited during their tour, the ladies will have their own special dining room that can accommodate everyone.

Largest Reunion
The 1975 Reunion in New York would find many supporters as the best Reunion of all time. It was a combination of the Silver Anniversary, and a trip to Europe 25 years later, to revisit the places they had seen previously. It was the largest attendance at a Reunion. There is going to be plenty of reminiscing as they recall that evening, the dinner, the luggage and buses waiting downtowns that were to take them to the airport, across the Atlantic to Europe and their safe return home. It was an enjoyable Reunion that the ladies will never forget. DeLaura as Toastmaster and Limberry Nelson as the Guest Speaker.

Reservations
So, send in your reservations as soon as possible to the Statler Hilton Hotel. We are looking forward to seeing you at the 1975 Reunion.

Harry Orenstein
114th Meeting National Board of Governors

The 114th meeting of the National Board of Governors was held in Warsaw, Mass., on August 6, 1975 at 7:45 P.M. at the Sheraton-Lincoln Inn, attended by Messrs. Walter O'Keefe, Herbert O'Brien, William Reinsch, William Hemmoch, Don Green, Elmer Wagner, Everett Tipp, William Klitz, Michael Devers, Anthony Chacos, Ralph Creag, and Al Perna. Also in attendance were: Treasurer Thomas Boyle, Judge Advocate Harrison Dayson, First Vice-President Walter O'Keeffe, and Second Vice-President Francis Maher.

President O'Keeffe asked the members to stand for a moment of silent prayer for the departed members of the Ninth Infamy Division.

Upon a motion duly made by William Klaus and seconded by William Bergstrom, it was voted to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the 114th meeting.

Thomas Boyle the Treasurer was called upon for his report and gave the membership copies of the quarterly report of the September 1975 income and spending for the quarter Upson/motion duly made by Al Perna and seconded by Ralph Careg it was voted to accept the report of the Treasurer, William Bergstrom, for a vote of thanks from the members to Thomas Boyle for a job well done.

Profitable Reunion

Elmer Winger reported for the 1975 Michigan Reunion and submitted the members with a financial report that realized a total of $355.12 for the Detroit reunion. The Michigan chapter had turned this money over to the national society, accompanied with a check for $347.50 representing the donations collected for the Memorial Fund.

Upon a motion duly made by William Klaus and seconded by William Bergstrom, it was voted to accept the report of the 1975 Michigan reunion.

President Walter O'Keeffe thanked Elmer Winger and the Michigan chapter members for their efforts in making it a great reunion and a great profit.

Upon a motion by Michael Bergstrom, seconded by Al Perna, the motion was voted to accept the Michigan chapter a check for $347.50 to be used for a job well done.

Michael Devers reported for the 1976 New York chapter that the conference had selected the date of July 22 and 23 with plans finalized for room rates, etc. details will appear in the October issue of the magazine. President Walter O'Keeffe thanked Devers for his report.

SITE FOR 77 REUNION

President Walter O'Keeffe opened a discussion on the legality of the vote by the Board of Governors, at the last meeting, when they selected Fort Lewis, Washington, as the site for the 1977 reunion. O'Keeffe cited the vote lacked the necessary majority and should be voted upon again. Upon a motion duly made by William Bergstrom and seconded by Al Perna the motion was voted to: Rescind the vote of the last meeting, on the selection of the 77 site, and called for a new vote.

Al Perna submitted a bid for the Detroit-Warren Valley chapter to be held for the 1977 reunion.

William Hemmoch submitted a bid for the Illinois chapter with the reunion to be held in Chicago with the city of Chicago.

Anthony Chacos submitted a bid for the Fort Lewis Area.

ILLINOIS SELECTED

The Illinois chapter was selected by a majority vote and upon a motion made by Herbert O'Brien and seconded by Michael Devers, it was voted to: Make the vote unanimous and instruct the secretaries to cast one ballot for same.

Respectfully submitted
Daniel Guns National Secretary

There must be something to the idea of a reunion, judging by the way some people come back to life at quitting time.

23rd Annual Reunion

REQUEST FOR SPACE IN SOUVENIR PROGRAM

Attached is copy for an ad in the color-printed 1976 New York Reunion of the Nineteenth Infantry Division Association Program.

Fall Page $26.00

Half Page $12.00

Quarter Page $13.00

One Eight Page $7.50

Booster ads $1.00 name and unit

Send all copy, and names and orders to the New York reunion Committee, Nineteenth Infantry Division Association: Mail to Ralph Wicken, 100 Summerhill Road, Springfiled, N. J. 08001.

REQUEST FOR ROOM RESERVATIONS

NINETEENTH INFANTRY DIVISION ASSOCIATION

July 21 - 23, 1976

114th Meeting National Board of Governors.

President: O'Keeffe, Herb; Herbert O'Brien, William Reinsch, William Hemmoch, Don Green, Elmer Wagner, Everett Tipp, William Klitz, Michael Devers, Anthony Chacos, Ralph Creag and Al Perna.

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NEW YORK Stailler Hilton Front Office Manager

17th Floor, 32nd Street, N.Y. 10001

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FIRM NAME

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RESERVATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED

Not later than 2 weeks prior to opening date of convention and will be held until 4 P.M. on day of arrival unless later hour is specified.

CONVENTION ROOM RATES

Singles: $65.00

Doubles-Twins: $65.00

Triples: $65.00

Quads: $80.00

EXECUTIVE TOWER FLOOR

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APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP IN THE LADIES' AUXILIARY OF THE NINTH INFANTRY DIVISION ASSOCIATION

I would like to become a member of the Ladies' Auxiliary to the Ninth Infantry Division Association. Enclosed is the money order for $1.00 for 1976 dues. Please mail my membership card to:

Name

Address

City

State

While attached to the 9th Infantry Division relationship to the Ninth Infantry Division was a man's husband, father, brother, etc.) , was with:

All members must submit their applications immediately after the reunion.

Make checks or money orders payable to Ninth Infantry Division Association. Mail to Phyllis Perna, 200 South Jasper, Philadelphia, Pa. 19104. A counter signed membership card will be sent immediately.

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Harry O’s Corner

The Worcester Memorial Services

Father Connors Annual Memorial Services has a special meaning to the New York Chapter members as we remember our departed comrades, so it is an opportunity to renew our friendships, reminisce, attend a great social get together on Saturday November 28th, 7:30 p.m. at the Hotel. The City of Worcester honors the 9th Infantry Division Association unforgettable 9th Infantry success.

The 1974 Reunion

The election of the 1976 Officers will be held at the December meeting. Our special thanks to John Parlot for the excellent job he is doing in setting up such delicious refreshments after our meeting adjourned.

Personal Things

The late Jack Scully’s sisters and family of the 9th Infantry have a Scholarship Fund named after him. We wish to thank them and to Emil Sculli for his generosity in offering a donation to this fund.

Open House

A letter was read from Michael Deresh’s daughter thanking the New York Chapter for the excellent job he is doing on behalf of her father. Mrs. Stanley Primmer with her daughter Kathy, John & Rose Miller, Gene Reedy and the usual large turnout of the 6th Division members attended.

APPLYING FOR SCHOLARSHIP

APPLICATION PROCEDURE

The following procedures must be followed by those wishing to apply for the scholarships:

1. Send a letter of application, written in expository form, to the chairman of the scholarship committee stating the following: name, address, and sex of the applicant; name, address, and occupation of the applicant’s parents or guardians; the name and address of the secondary school the applicant is attending or has attended; and the grade level or the address of the college the applicant expects to attend. The applicant must also indicate the grade and type of relationship to a former member of the division. The usual large turnout of the 6th Division members attended.

2. A transcript of the applicant’s high school record must be included with the letter of application. The transcript must include at least the first seven semesters of the student’s record.

3. The applicant must be the spouse of a former member who served in the U.S. Army during a period of hostilities.

4. The applicant must be at least 18 years of age and must have been in attendance at the high school from which the applicant expects to graduate during the last year of full-time attendance at this high school.

5. The applicant must have a minimum of 15 college credits and must be enrolled as a full-time student for the fall term of the school year in which the scholarship application is made.

6. The applicant must be a U.S. citizen.

7. The applicant must be a member of the 6th Division Association, and must pay a minimum membership fee of $15.00 annually.

8. Recipients of the scholarships may apply for renewal of the scholarship each year. A copy of the student’s college grades, including a financial statement, and a letter requesting renewal of the scholarship must be sent to the Scholarship Committee after the applications have been received.

9. All applications must be sent to: John J. Clouser, Scholarship Chairman, Ninth Infantry Division Association, 301 Graceland Street, Des Plaines, Illinois 60016.
McKenzie’s 26th Field

Our Appreciation

Gentlemen:

What can we say or do to express our appreciation to Father Connors for his dedication and spiritual devotion to North May? He has attended most all national conventions. His first Mass back in 1946 was a Mass of Thanksgiving after his safe return and a reminder that we should not forget the 1,200 men who died in the battle of Iwo Jima.

Sunday, at 9 30 a.m. at the Field Artillery Memorial Mass in the presence of all our members and guests.

After Mass is the Memorial service and we meet again next year. The hope is that all of us will be able to meet in person. I would like to attend a Memorial Mass celebration by Father Connors.

To those who have never attended a Memorial Mass do not let that prevent you from coming. The first year you will be amazed at the feeling of being among such devoted friends. It will be a memorable experience.

Next week the community will be celebrating the 30th anniversary of the founding of the American Legion Post 393. It is a proud moment for all Legionnaires and visitors who will be coming to join the festivities.

The last activity of our week is the Annual Banquet in the Prime Time Room of the Embassy Suites. It is a high Mass because there is so much to be celebrated. It closes with a toast to all of the men who were lost in action and a remembrance of those who are still missing.

Next year, the 32nd Memorial Mass, will be held on February 18th. It will be a time to remember and honor those who gave their lives for our country.

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Mail Call

George Berkey
Deer Track Park
Mount Holly, N.J. 08060

George sends his dearest wife and children, "This time we'll clean the house! Wish you wouldn't do it so fast this time! Remember the weather on Sunday? It was a real one with a bottomless cup of coffee." All very nice.

Robert J. Mason
1928 Garbell Ave.
Meckinsport, Pa. 18332

Bob sent a beautiful Christmas card and added "happiest of new year's. Christmas. Thank you for the Octofoil. It keeps me posted on the latest I have heard from you. Have a very Merry Christmas and a very Happy New Year.

John B. Lavaty
137 Faust Avenue
Parma Heights, Ohio 44130

John writes "The time really flies by. I hope in the low 80's. I'll have to be ashamed in which we have none. I sure would appreciate it if you could send us a few copies. See you in New York. I have been sending the Octofoil out to all of the people I know who are members. I would like to know if there is any way that the Association can help me to get in touch with those people or can forward word of this problem to them. It is a real problem."

Merry Christmas and a very Happy New Year.

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Paul Poti
369th Co.
620 Ninth Lane
Bedford, Ind. 47421

A few lines along with my membership dues. I'm in fair condition for a 44 year old with 15 years in the Ninth and 28 years with General Motors. I take this time to wish all 4th Division members (especially Regt. Hq's 9th) a good Holiday Season and a successful 107.

Al Sebock
44th Inf. Bn.
1421 Mark Avenue
Burnham, Ill. 60103

Al writes for his wife Betty, "I was really thrilled to see that picture of the boxing team that the latest issue of the Octofoil. He took it to work and some one got away with it now we have none. I sure would appreciate it if you could send us a few copies. See you in New York. I have been sending the Octofoil out to all of the people I know who are members. I would like to know if there is any way that the Association can help me to get in touch with those people or can forward word of this problem to them. It is a real problem."

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James Giansante
27 Big Tree Street
Livingston, N.Y. 10532

Dear Secretary Quinn,

I'm writing in the hope that you will be able to help me with a problem that I am having. My son recently received his master's degree from Syracuse University in the field of advertising and was recently advertised. With the job market so tough, I have a very difficult time finding work. I am enclosing a copy of my resume and I hope that our association has people who can help me with this problem. It is a very difficult time finding work and I am hoping that your association can help me with this problem.

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Winfield, Va. 22698

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Don’t pine for us at Christmas: don’t let the tears drop well in eyes that brought us laughter and wove us in their spell.

Don’t think of us as absent, though miles keep us apart. For there can be no barrier to your place in my heart.

The stars still shine, the sun still sets, the clouds still drift along: and Love and Laughter know not Time: and God won’t still Song.

This is to wish all those who sent the beautiful Christmas Cards and best wishes for the New Year. We would like to wish all the members and their families a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.
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that you do.
Co D 60th Inf
2401 Pennington Road
James T. Canada
PO Box 416
Shannon, Ga. 30272
Jim sends his dues and
writes "Sorry that I didn't get to
attend the reunion in Atlanta in
74. One of my old buddies
(Ralph "C radar" Neal) and
Carl Sloane, I hadn't seen or
heard from since before I
left the outfit to come home. He
was in the hospital with a
broken leg.
It was such a surprise to have
his letter. He said that he'd
seen me on his way to Florida
that I hadn't written him an
address, or if he belonged in the
National 9th Inf. Association,
that he could have written to
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