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Ninth Infantry Division Association

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THE CITY THAT WORKS

CHICAGO REUNION REPORT

The Chicago Reunion Committee continues to make plans for the reunion. Decisions have been made on the Memorial Service and Parade, the entertainment for Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights.

Memorial

The Memorial Service will be held on Saturday morning at the memorial Eternal Flame on the Plaza of the Richard J. Daley Center. The parade will be approximately a mile long, forming at the plaza of the Hyatt Regency Chicago Hotel, proceeding along Wacker Drive, Clark Street, and Washington Boulevard to the Eternal Flame.

Beside the Eternal Flame the Plaza has the world famous steel sculptures by Picasso. It was created by the renowned artist on special commission of the Fine Arts Association of Chicago.

The entertainment will follow the usual pattern of our reunions.

Welcoming Party

Thursday night will be a welcoming party with beer, pretzels, and music from a cornet. The program for this night is designed to permit the "Old Reliables" to renew acquaintances and catch up on their friends' activities since the last reunion.

Grand Ballroom

Friday night will be a dance with music by the Ralph Berger Orchestra. This orchestra knows how to play the type of music the Ninth Division members enjoy. The dance will be in the Regency Ballroom, the Hotel's grand ballroom.

Banquet

The traditional banquet will be held Saturday night for the presentation of awards, announcements, etc. Following the banquet will be a dance with Tom Fitzsimmons' band.

The entertainment should provide plenty of fun for everyone.

For those members coming in early or staying after the Reunion the hotel has agreed to grant the convention rates for room rentals.

Registration

Registrations will start at 9:00 AM on Thursday July 28, 1977. The registration area will be announced in the next issue of the Octofoil.

At their meetings between now and the reunion the committee will continue to develop their plans for the various activities. The Concurrent Activities Committee will have all kinds of information on what to see and do inside the hotel during the Reunion. Everyone should have a good time in Chicago, the City that works.

SHOPPING IN CHICAGO

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Precora Lake Rd.,
Bradenton, Fl.

A.D.C. 60th

32nd Annual Reunion
July 28-30, 1977
Chicago, Illinois

Arthur Schneider
39th Inf.
Bramford, N.J. 08044

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First of Meeting ’73 at Closer’s

The January meeting was well attended as members and their ladies got down to the serious business of planning for the reunion. The Illinois Chapter is anxious to make the year 1977 memorable for more than just the severity of the weather. As a matter of fact, Chuck Kueck was unable to attend the January meeting because of the demands of his present estatates business. Lorraine Clark and Lorraine Largen attended the meeting and Lorraine Clark are doing their share in planning for the reunion. Weather. Jerry Fajnor sent his regrets and was unable to attend the meeting but was unable to attend because of an injury.

Meeting at Lucki’s Lair

Joe Call and Lacie hosted the February meeting which was a healthy combination of business and good fellowship. Few stimulus20__ing beverages and looking over the Chapter party, Chapter president Bill Hemmert said the name to the order. John Closter reported that the site for the Memorial Service had been approved and also that he had received a parade permit. The 81st Army Band is scheduled to keep the Old Follies Band during their short march to the “Eternal Flame” at Ft. Wayne Civic Center. Dance bands of the two area groups have been selected and menu choices for the banquet have been made. Lorraine Clark has made arrangements for the Ladies Auxiliary meeting.

Chuck Kueck’s treasurer report is now available for all to read and to keep their personal accounts up to date. The Coffee Shop and at the hotel.

The soldiier of the year: a good looking, well built young man and wearing the striped which in our time were corporate apparel. The Ninth which is now at Ft. Lewis, Washington. It was a serious mistake for me to not say “Thank You” to the officers of the Immaculate. In no other parish on this earth did they serve you as they do and do it so graciously. May you continue to have good health in your many years. Thank you very much.

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Elmer Wagner, Pres.

Joe Mosier has been transferred to Madison, Wisconsin. He said that there is quite a difference in temperature and amount of snow between Chicago and Madison. Planning for deer in the wilds of Western Pennsylvania and meteorologists their report forecasting very cold weather but we expect to see a mild winter. Their spirit, enthusiasm, and enjoyment at the coffee shop were well the worth the sacrifice many had to make in order to be in Worcester that weekend.

Those who Mass knew they were welcome. From the expression on some faces one could read that someone was thinking of me and thought I was left on the field of battle. Many new faces were at our outdoor group meeting. Among them were General Motors of Rochester, and the new President of our association along with Ralph Workman, Fr. Flanagan and Fr. Connors had small but impressive parts during the service.

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Signs of Spring

Schooling applications are beginning to come in. This is one of the signs of Spring, immoral. Classes are starting up at all colleges with the students standing in line for the best slots. The March meeting will be at Tredemmars restaurant. All favors will be welcomed, business will be conducted, and it will be a St. Patrick’s celebration. The old favorite Irish tunes for our enjoyment.

Mr. & Mrs. J. Closter

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412 Gregory Avenue
Elwood Park, N.J.
1 wish to thank the New York Chapter members for the scholarship I received.

2nd Bn. 60th Inf.
John Campol
20th Farehale Ave.
McKeenport, Pa.
Enclosed my check for dues and I have 5 weeks vacation this year. I hope to spend time at the con-
vention in Chicago. Wishing you all well.

My wife lived 18 years in Chicago and graduated from High School there. It will be like old home week for her.

Buck Basz
Box 2061
Port Charlotte, Fla.
News of your death hit us hard. So very glad we got to see you for a couple of days last summer at Cape Cod.
A post card from Millstone and Forrest from the Bahamas. I hope to see you all at Chicago this next summer. Dues enclosed for 77 and 78.

Leny Droulis
1011 San Remo Cir.
Largo, Fla.
I hope this will be my last subscription to the Octofoil as my vision is failing due to Glaucoma, Emphysema and asthma. The medications blur the vision.

Please put this in the Octofoil as I use to attend all the meetings prior to our move to Florida. We have been down here 14 years and only attended one. That was the one in 76.

Now my wife is more or less confined to a wheelchair and I'm losing my vision, what will become of us?

Enclosed please find check though the doctor made a crack about wearing glasses that I would see again, it is very distracting.

I was a member of the 39th and have the credit to Washington.

15th Engs
Maurice N. Tougas
111 Aetna St.
Central Falls, R.I.
Enclosed are my dues for 1977.

Thank you and the Association, A Happy and Prosperous Year.

C. Co., 417th
Ted Youngquist
1704 Howard Ave.
Maple Plains, Minn.
Not a word about who wrote 417th. I suppose it was, on the inside track.
First to Better Fathers. Hope I am still a "7-F" man.

Ed Note: The story about the 417th that appeared in the last two issues of Octofoil was written at the time by the begin-ning, and no other names appeared with these records.

41st Bn. 6th
Edward Sloan Sr.
42 Sherwood Pl.
Enclosed my check for 1977 dues New York Chapter.
Please note new zip code.
Best regards to your family.

41st Bn. D
Ron Frank
Rd. No. 1 Box 122-D
Climax, N.C.
All is well with you. We are both enjoying the developments of those lovely girls last Sep-
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ber 11-- bottles of 5-6 Flin' Looks nice-- and we can do so, and watching them grow. Enclosed are dues for 1977.

41st Inf.
Boardman F. Lockwood
2421 Township Street
Hartford, Conn. 06106
Happy New Year!

As the years pass by we are more inclined to remember the past than to remember the future. But in any case the enclosed of the Buster, published by the Rotary Club of Hartford.
I am gaining in wisdom and may be of interest.

Sgt. Bob Salque is a replacement to "L" Company. Of the men we arrived in Normandy and was wounded in the vicinity of St. Lo. After being with us for only a couple of weeks. My connection with him goes back to the days when we had a Conn. Chapter and met at the old Bond Hotel, at which Rotarly met until became a nurse residence for the local hospital. Wilfred's recollections of the Division are somewhat sketchy but his long and devoted service to Rotary is an indication of the stability of his character and this tribute to him is a nice recognition by an organization whose motto is "Service above Self." I also heard of another "Willie" in the world but perhaps there might be space in the OCTOFOIL for a brief story about him.

C. Co. 417th
John Schiffer
309 18 St.
New York, N.Y. 10014
I am sending my check for dues 77, 10 for Xmas party on books. I was too sick to go to the party. It seems to me every Friday night party is raising and my driving on nights is not too good. I am hoping to see the gang some Friday night, in New York City.

John Downey
12 Center St.
Jersey City, N.J. 07302
Enclosed please find check for dues 1977.

I have a new address which is: Center Street. Jersey City, N.J. 07302.

We send our good wishes for a very happy, healthy New Year to all.

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