



Hellcat News

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SIGHTS TO SEE

IN SAN FRANCISCO

No matter how many times you have been to San Francisco, there's always something else — or something brand new — to see.

Possibly the best way to discover what you missed last time is a trip on the cable cars. The Powell Mason route begins at Market and Powel and ends near Fisherman's Wharf, passing Chinatown, Russian Hill, North Beach and Telegraph Hill. Powell-Hyde is called the scenic route and runs from Market Street to Aquatic Park. The Calif-

ornia route begins at Market and goes through the financial district, over Nob Hill to Van Ness Avenue.

FISHERMAN'S WHARF is a bit of Marseilles in California — it's the landing point for the fishing fleet, the fishermen still mend their nets, and the crab pots boil furiously to provide the hungry sightseer with the wharf's famous delicacy.

CHINATOWN, the largest settlement of Chinese in the world outside of Asia, is a lively pot-pourri

of pagodas, lantern-strung streets, curlicued balconies and dragon-twined lamp posts. The crowded streets house shops, restaurants, tea rooms, temples, night clubs & business institutions. The different dialects, the exotic smells of incense and spices plus the sounds of Chinese music create an atmosphere all its own.

HYDE STREET PIER is a State Historic Park where admission includes use of a headset for a fascinating tour of the sailing schooner C. A. Thayer, the steam schooner Wapama and a side-wheel ferryboat. The vessels' restorations were based on ships' logs and diaries of the times they plowed the high seas.

BALCLUTHA, an old steel-hulled wind jammer is now a floating museum of early maritime history.

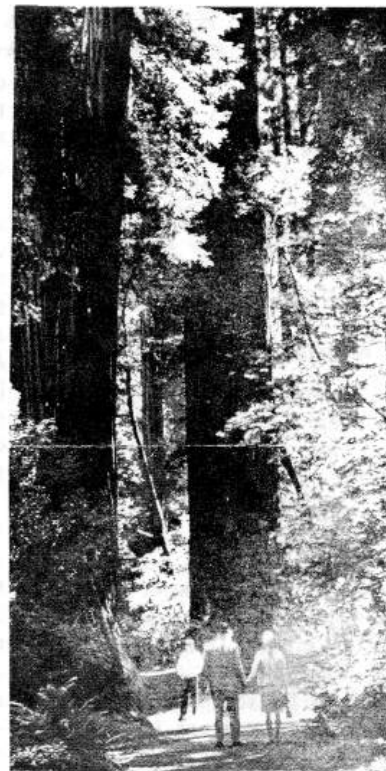
MISSION DOLORES, out toward Twin Peaks, is typical of the missions erected between 1769 and 1823 along the California coast. Only the church and garden remain from the original compound which was a self-sustaining unit, with shops, cloister, stables, kitchen and a barracks for mission soldiers.

GHIRARDELLI SQUARE, an old chocolate and spice house from the 1860's now converted to a complex with shops, galleries and restaurants plus a theatre that overlooks the Aquatic Park lagoon. Beautiful red brick buildings, restored or preserved, surround the lovely clock tower, a replica of the Chateau Blois in France.

JACKSON SQUARE, with access at Jackson & Montgomery Streets, is another of San Francisco's 're-claimed areas'. Six of the old brick buildings on Jackson Street are officially designated landmarks & Hoteling Place with its hitching posts and period look create a separate place in the heart of town.

UNION STREET, between the 1600 and 2200 blocks, is part of the old Cow Hollow, home to a number of dairy herds in the 1800's. Beautiful Victorian houses have been restored and tiny alleys lead between buildings to flower-filled courts.

NORTH BEACH has no beach but it has just about everything else. It's a "Little Italy" bounded by a mixture of French, Indian, Japanese, Italian, Greek, Mexican, German and Chinese restaurants, night spots, sidewalk cafes, cabarets, bistros, jazz cellars, cappuccino houses and espresso shops. All of this topped off by spectacular views from Telegraph Hill with its narrow alleys and cliff-hanging houses.



THE CANNERY a wild and way-out combination of an Italian gallery, parts of Copenhagen's Tivoli Gardens and an Elizabethan manor house transplanted in an old peach cannery, features roving musicians, a grove of 80 year old olive trees with a roit of flowers and plants which help create the atmosphere for this complex of shops, restaurants, markets, galleries and amusements.

GOLDEN GATE PARK, 3 miles long by 1/2 mile wide, covers 1017.4 acres with 7 1/2 miles of bridle paths and 27 miles of foot paths and trails. The Conservatory is a glass hothouse filled with rare plants, vines, ferns and tropical plants. The delicate and delightful Japanese Tea Garden is a superb example of the oriental art. The California Academy of Sciences, comprised of the Steinhart Aquarium, Morrison Planetarium and the Halls of Science, offers "everything under the sun."

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6 months to blast off, for S.F. and all systems are GO-GO-GO! Last year, at Dayton, we had a record breaking attendance — 550. S.F. will topple even that imposing record because we have a little kicker - our hole card - HAWAII! If that doesn't turn you on, nothing can. Your top Executive Officers and Directors make all the arrangements — "bake the cake" — for you. All you have to do is come and eat it. It's your party — don't miss it!

ROBERT J. McLAURINE — Shaped up! 10 big bux worth. Thank you, Bob. Put your white iat back on — welcome home! The McLaurine's living in the country now and really enjoy getting away from the big city, of Baltimore. As an old Brooklyn boy, your unit rep concurs, wholeheartedly. Oldest daughter, Sharon, married and expecting to make Lillian and Bob, Gramma and Grampa, in May. Hooray! Join the Group, fellas! Youngest daughter still at home plus a 117 lb. "watch-dog." If anyone breaks in and robs the house, the dog will watch them, Bob says. I'm supposed to make the jokes, Robert. Quit horning in — down, boy!

GEORGE VACHO — Moved again. Now at 2309 Kent St., San Mateo, Calif., 94413. It cost us 30c postage to find you, George and your HCN comes back, like a yo-yo, so PLEASE — all you good guys, when you MOVE, let us know FIRST. Thanx!

HOMER DALE — Same as George — new pad — 2009 Dale Court, Crawfordsville, Indiana, 47933. Let us know, Homer, even before your hair dresser — ok?

PETE & VI BLOZIS — Received your Christmas ad too late but we added your very welcome donation to our BOOSTER pot — thank you! Still not too late for New Year wishes, so all Pete's old buddies — a happy and prosperous New Year to you all, from Pete and Vi! Which we ALL reciprocate!

JUNE & JOE BUNNING — DUES and an ever lovin' BOOSTER — thank you! Last we heard of Charlie Garone, he was still in Brooklyn, Joe. Anyone have any poop on Charlie? Devers - Emen - HELP!

Charlie may be in the next office! Everything just fine, in Hawthorne, Noo Joisey. See you good guys, at our big bash, in S.F. kiddies.

LOU & ADELE KOCI — Dirlam and Krauthem are IN, Lou. That's what the BOOSTER pot is for — no problem — the Brotherhood takes care of it's own. Appreciate all the info on air fares, to S.F. Al, the Lip Schultz, is working on it and that boy never heard of retail, so don't worry your pretty little head about it. You and Adele just be there!

HOWARD & ESTHER EMEN — Howie tripped and tore some ligaments, in his leg. Must have gotten hold of some bad ice, in his toddy. Dam! Just getting over a serious operation and now this. A man ain't got no more business out of a hole, in the ground, than a mole — always something! Sweet Lorraine, inadvertently, brushed her teeth, with Prep H. No ill effects but it did kinda shrink her gums up. Get back on your feet soon, Howie. Mozeltov, baby!

RICHARD J. ANDERSON — DOOZ — no NOOZ. What's happening, in Medina, N.Y.? All your old buddies want to hear from you. We thank you kindly for re-uppin' Richard, but NEWS is the name of the game . . we can't play without a full team.

FRED H. JAACKS — Same as Richard — sent the bux but no news. Thank you, Fred. Las Vegas is on the agenda, so we'll see you, in August. Maybe a few little drinkees will make you a little more talkative, you son of a gun.

BERNARD & LILLIAN MEZEY — Dues, BOOSTER and news. That's the way to come on — strong! Julius Bernstein (Div. Hq) and Bob Schwartz (C-495th) and Bernie are working together on our BIG ONE, in S.F. Right in their back-yards, practically! Wants especially to see Herb Sheir, Martin Kurtz and Lou Koci — so do we and that's on the emiss, macushla.

GABRIEL TUCHSCHERER — Hi Gabe! Thank you for a new member Andrew Tweten. That gives us 82 and a ½ according to great Bwana Harold's computer — sure hope I'm not the ½ but wouldn't bet on it. If you guys get thawed out, by August, be sure and make the scene, at S.F. Sure would like to know just what you guys DO, in North Dakota, in the Winter. Hasn't snowed here, at all, for a couple of years but an inch of that stuff brings everything here to a shuddering halt.

Christmas Cards from Emen, Wolff, Mehle, Dunning, Devers — with a beautiful 20 buck BOOSTER

REMEMBER WHEN?



15TH ANNUAL REUNION IN TOLEDO, OHIO, JULY 1961



**82nd
Armored
Medical
Battalion**

CHARLES KOTULA

Box No. 423 — Jackson Road
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We received so many nice notes for Christmas, I really don't know where to start! First we received a letter from Mr. and Mrs. Louis Koci. They were with us on bus three on the European Tour. They sent us a Photo Stat copy of a letter that they received recently from the "Lord Mayor of Herrlishheim", along with a picture of the mayor. The letter reads in part - Your visit was all to short! Our hospitality reflected our thanks to you for helping to bring about the defeat of Hitler and the end of the terrible programs he imposed upon this part of our country. The members of the 12th. Armored Division I know, will remember the suffering and indignities experienced by all Frenchman during World War II. — We on bus three were honored to have the Mayor as our host on the tour of Herrlishheim.

Joe and Gwen Nicholson were sorry to have missed our Reunion this year as they enjoyed the one in Milwaukee so much. Their Son Bruce graduated in June and has a job as Cost Estimator for a large Housing Corp. Daughter Claire is going to Beauty School. Joe is President of the Kiwanis club this year. He says he'll probably go to summer school this year so can't

— THANK YOU, Frank! The Gesins and lots more but demmit, we're out of our allotted space, already! When ya gotta go, ya gotta go! Keep them cards and letters comin' — stay beautiful and God Bless . .

count on California. Sorry about that Joe!

Walt and Eileen Desmond also missed Dayton, their son had knee surgery the first day of the reunion. They hope to make San Francisco in '73.

Kenny and Stella Zaraco send greetings to all you Hellcats of the Division. All dues should be sent to Harold Hendricks, our Sec. After I had mailed a batch of cards asking for dues and received notices back they were already paid, I wrote to Harold and he was kind enough to send me the list of all those already paid. Thats putting the horse behind the cart, so to speak, sorry about that too. But you got to admit I'm learning!

Wm. F. Gerdovich, your dues are paid from 1970 just as you said. My wife sent dues notes to everyone, she said just to make sure. The dues that we received we forwarded to Harold Hendricks. Thank you all.

We wish to welcome Wm. Lundgren back home. He was expecting to depart from Japan on 12-9-72, and report to his office on Jan. 11, 1973. His address will be — 209 Dudley Rd., Wilton, Conn. 06897.

Hank and Irene Kwiatek celebrated their 25th. Wedding Anniversary with family and friends on November 22nd. Congratulations and best wishes for many more.

Your reporter and Unit Reps. will celebrate their 31st Anniversary on Jan. 1, 1973.

I hate to end on such a sad note, but our thoughts are with Kitty Adelman, 19 Barbara Drive, Fairfield, N. J. 07006, whose Husband passed away suddenly on Dec. 22 1972. Ruby and Kitty attended a lot of reunions, we've had good times together, we have lost a real good friend. May the name of Ruben Adelman be placed upon the pages of the immortal great book of Hero's for all time.



**495th
Armored
Field
Artillery**

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THE YEAR OF THE BIMi FOR THE 495th

Go West young Hellcats, Go West. Two days after Christmas and believe me, we are all just bushed with the New Year just ahead of us. You know it's going to be just fine to get back to the old reliable grind again. Hope that everyone had wonderful Holidays.

Clarence Locke "B" . . . We are all just fine. Our youngest son left the ministry for a meat cutting school in Toledo, Ohio. After finishing there he went to work for a market in Syracuse N. Y. Our three grand-daughters and their moms and dads will spend the Holidays with us . . . Cynthia Herrick also had a hip operation. (Cynthia, hurry and get well soon).

George Kibler "B" . . . Just made my first move in 16 years toward a new job and new residence. Will be making my yearly trip to New Market, Va. soon to look up some

of the old buddies.

Gene and Lee Degliantoni "A" are hoping that we have better luck making Frisco than they had making Dayton. Certainly are and I have that old feeling that it's going to be a good one. So, what else is new, that's the usual feeling a-round reunion time.

Pete Seidel "A" . . . Just a few lines with my dues. Sure enjoy every copy of the Division paper. Would love to make one of the reunions but they are always during our busy season and usually quite a distance away. I do get to hear a lot about the boys when we visit the Ostraats' . . . Those were very good pictures in the last Hellcat News. Best regards to all.

Okay you guys, don't flip . . . we'll sign off early this month and be in with more news come next month. In the meantime . . . be good and take care. God bless you . . .

Carl Tielseh, Div. Hq. "Thanks to the various individuals for doing a tremendous job on the "Book" and the Association."

George M. Frost, 134th & 714th: "I sure enjoyed the history of our 12th."

Paul Koenigsberg, Hq/92nd: "25th Book is terrific. Brought back many wonderful memories."

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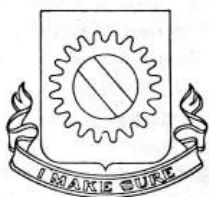
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DEATH NOTICE

JACK M. CABLE, Div Hq., passed away in November 1972. He was survived by two sisters.

RUBIN ADELMAN, B/82nd, passed away suddenly on December 20th, 1972. Rubin and Kathy had attended nearly every reunion over the past years. Our deepest condolences to Catherine.

VERNON FLANIGAN, B/714th, passed away from a heart attack in July, 1972. He lived in St. Louis.



**134th
Armored
Ordnance
Battalion**

DELBERT BREWER

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Received so many cards with news over the holidays, I'll have to do some fast cutting and writing to get it in the space allowed.

Ted and Flo Putman will be in San Francisco for the reunion. They were just blessed with their 4th grandchild, Nicholi, a girl born Aug. 14th. Their last son home is planning marriage the end of this year. Flo's mother, age 80 was at the Dayton reunion, and is making plans for Frisco.

Herschel and Marjorie Richardson are having bad weather problems on their farm in Indiana. He has the soybeans cut but Marjorie is way behind on her corn.

Herb and Fay Pinno are planning on Frisco. He has been visiting many of Texas 134th'ers.

Tony and Bernice Rask had the McNauls' as visitors. The kids saw John and Tony taking about WW 2 and remarked: "I bet their planning a new war."

Jesse and Essie Gunsburg sure are enjoying life in Arkansas.

Kenny Ray hasn't been feeling too well. With all the children married he can't get use to the quiet. Melba will get him to the reunion in August.

Ray Rules oldest daughter, Cheryl was married in Nov.

P. D. Mullendore is doing just great.

Martin Senczek is feeling better and hopes to make a reunion.

Fred Snyder is doing real well in

Syracuse, N. Y. He sends his best to everybody.

Barney & Marie Galloway sure enjoyed the reunion in Dayton and plan on more.

The 134th sure is on the move: Al and Eleanor Varady moved into an apartment and plan to move to Florida or Arizona later this year. Joe and Kay Blasevic retired in Hot Springs, Ark. Harrison and Maxine McGinnis to Lake Kiowa, Texas, Wayne Dozier to Atherton, Australia, Walter Eckstein to Middle Island, New York. Joe Zagorac to Cedar Lake, Ind., Herb Price to Rt. 7, St. Cloud, Minn. Arthur Weare to Avondale, La. Ben Zabrowski to Arlington Hts., Ill., and Harold Hendricks to the County Poor Farm.

Leigh West is a new member to the Asso. He visited Earle Hoyt in Illinois and with Bill Smith they had a ball.

Worth Stewart is expanding and remodeling his super market in Uvalde, Texas.

Sorry, Clarence Buckley. We had you listed under B Co., when you belonged in C Co.

Conrad Purdy, Ralph Lingafelter, Albert Gaynes, H. T. Barnard, Art Weare and Fred Viggiano, George Sheffer are just a few that send dues but NO news.

Many of you haven't paid your 1973 dues yet. Please: DUES with NEWS.

Clarence Johncox, 17th: "I sure enjoyed the "Book". It brought back old experiences and memories."

Clarence Tucker, Sv/494th: "The book sure brings back memories. Thanks for a job well done."

Albert Lasda, C/493rd: "I tip my hat to those dedicated people who keep our Ass'n strong. The 25th book is great."

THE MIDWEST CHAPTER IS WAITING FOR YOU

SATURDAY, MARCH 10TH
AT THE HOWARD JOHNSON MOTEL
IN JOLIET, ILLINOIS
ON I-55 (U. S. 66) AND U. S. 52

Friday, March 9th: Early Bird Get-to-gether

Saturday, March 10th: Noon registration with FREE drinks and Snacks, from 1:00 P.M. to 4:00 P.M.

6:00 P. M. Cocktail Party (Cash Bar)

7:00 P.M. Dinner

9:00 P.M. Dance

Cost: \$8.00 per person

DOOR PRIZES NEEDED, Please, Please, Bring or mail to:
Chairman: "Bomby" Bombasaro
113 Arizona Ave.
Joliet, Illinois 60433

Overnight Guests, Room Rates

One person
\$15.00

Two persons
\$18.00 (Double Bed)
\$21.00 (2 Double Beds)
Extra Person, \$3.00

Reservations to: Howard Johnson's Motor Lodge
Interstate 55 & Route 52
Joliet, Ill. 60435



You'll meet Fred Hancock and Lou Koci at the Eastern Chapter Party.

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43rd

TANK

BATTALION

MAURICE E. GLENDE

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WOWIE - HAPPY NEW YEAR to everyone, (I think).

Things are starting to get back to normal here, after a hectic Holiday Season, sure do hope every one had a wonderful Christmas and will have a very fulfilling New Year.

I have a little correspondence from a few of the Bn. members, so I'll try and get it in this issue. Membership dues were sent in by: Louis Cosans Hq. Co.; Louis and Marion Fitzwater - C Co.; James Thompson - A Co.

We also received dues and Boosters from: Franzese Gennaro and wife Ann - B Co.; Gordon Grant - Ser. Co.; and D. E. Lawrence of D Co.

I had a nice letter from Jim Corcoran "B" Co. and as usual he's a good supplier of news for me. He had a newsy letter from Eber Lansback. Eber has a son in the Marines stationed in Japan, one in school in Michigan, a daughter married last August and another daughter married the 9th of December and still another working in Washington, D. C. Now that the kids are all gone, the peace and quite around the house of Lansback, Eber has developed an ulcer. Take care Eber and drink a lot of milk. Milk?

Jim, about the mistake in your company designation, it must have been a typographical error by my typist, yeah. Old Andy Migola would really chew me out if he thought I had made an boo boo like that.

Our good Secretary, Harold Hendricks, sent me some correspondence from George Gaiser a former member of Hq Co. George now lives in the State of Washington and should be a member of the Governors Committee on state publicity. He sure loves that wonderful place - I know, I've been there.

By now he's probably had an operation on cataracts on his right eye. Sure hope George is doing fine. Let us know, will you George?

Guess I'll knock this off as my secretary, Ada, must type this now and tonite is her bowling (bowling?) night, and nothing interferes with that. Hope I have more news from all you 43rd Bn. members.

Nedwin M. Slater (C/714th)

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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Midwest Chapter Dinner & Dance

Sat., March 10th, 1973
Howard Johnson Motel
Rt. 52 & U. S. 66
Joliet, Illinois

Chairman

Bernard Bombasaro
113 Arizona Ave.
Joliet, Ill. 60433

Eastern Chapter

Sat. & Sun., March 31 & April 1
Berkeley Carterel
Asbury Park, N. J.

Chairman

Ed Muscavage, A-714th
605 87th Street,
No. Bergen, NJ 07047

Western Chapter

Jointly with 27th Annual Reunion in San Francisco

27th ANNUAL REUNION

Thurs. - Sat., Aug 16 to 18, 1973.
Jack Tar Hotel
Cathedral Hill
San Francisco, Ca. 94101

Chairman

Leonard P. Dooley
P. O. Box No. 33
La Salle, Ill. 61301



23rd

TANK

BATTALION

FORREST SMITH

16929 LeClaire Ave.
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First off, to all who sent Christmas cards, thank you from both of us. I closed out the old year and saw in the new year working the 11-7 shift. Can't think of a safer way. Received the following communications, Roscoe Mikoff (Sv.) Dues - but no news. Leo More (B) dues - no news. Michael De-Matt (Hq) dues - no news.

Charles Patz (Hq) retired and spends his time hunting and fishing.

Ben Cassara (Hq) - Will send you addresses. Hope to see you in San Francisco.

John Russell (Sv) has 2 girls and 1 boy. The girls are 22 and 18. The boy is 16.

Lou Koci sent pictures 27 years old. Will get some to Harold when they are enlarged.

Norma Brouse enjoyed the holidays in Florida.

Raymond Webb (D): His son Doug just graduated from Armor school at Fort Knox. Chip off the old block! Yes send the pictures. We will get them in the Paper.

Joe Mester (Sv). Will try to make one of the reunions.

Vern Thomas (Sv) Planning on Joliet in March. Took a Thanksgiving holiday in Colorado. Went skiing in the mountains and got caught in a blizzard — marooned overnite in an emergency shelter.

Alex Allen (Hq) Never has gone to any of the reunions. Try it you'll

like it.

Leland Winand (Sv) Wife has been in the hospital. He is in the process of selling his cab business. Hope to see you too, in San Francisco.

Cliff Bourie (D) Still have not come to since Europe.

Jack Lawless (B) Jack works for G. E. as a winder in the Turbine Dept. 25 year man.

Don Dietz (B) Looking forward to seeing their oldest daughter and husband. He is stationed in Tuscon, Ariz. Also to see their grand daughter for the 2nd time. Their youngest daughter is doing her student teaching and will graduate college in May.

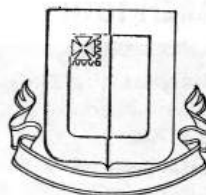
They had visited in Rochester N. Y. and took a tour thru the Taylor Wine Co.

Paul Lozden (S) Says they are having a real bad winter in Medford, Ore. Sold his home — bought

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66th
Armored
Infantry
Battalion

FLOYD CHEATUM

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Would you believe that I made it to the day after Christmas and then was reminded that there was a column to do. I thought all that had to be done this month was Christmas.

We have received a few cards, and a lot of the Hellcats would

another and is fixing it up to sell.

Chris Mugavero (Sv) Says he hasn't done too much this past year, except they did go to St. Regis Falls in Oct. for hunting season. And to Messina, N. Y. to see the locks. Spent the summer and fall week ends at their cottage in Sodus Bay, N. Y. Sorry to hear of yours mothers death, Chris.

Woody Russell (Sv) Sent me several names and addresses. Thanks Woody.

Wayne Alderman (Sv) Waynes suffering from arthritis. Hasn't worked since Oct. 8. Goes to the Doc in Feb., til then - exercise and rest. Will try to make the reunion in Joliet in March.

Wayne Hooper. Wayne II home for the holidays from Western Ill. Univ. Second daughter Carol and her husband moved to Terre Haute, Ind. Daughter No. 1 home the month of Nov. Waynes youngest son, Rich is looking forward to Christmas. The date for Joliet is March 10. Hope to see you there — If not then San Francisco.

like to go to Frisco, but too soon to tell yet.

We have a new address for Charles Fitts, which you will find in the paper. John and Mary Nemeth (C), thought Dayton was one of the best reunions and said you never can tell about Frisco. The Ralph Davis Family (C) hopes to see all in Frisco. Joe and Ruth Palmeri (C), enjoyed the last reunion, but as things look now, they will not make Frisco. Harold and Viola McCormick, (C) missed the last reunion, because of vacation mixups, and next year the vacation is in November. One of these years you will get back on our schedule.

Leo and Marie Maurer (A), "sorry to miss the last reunion, but our eldest son Jim was quite ill with a kidney disorder, and have to have a transplant. I went through Mayo's to get checked out as a donor. I passed — and the transplant was set for July 26. The transplant turned out real successful and both of us are doing fine."

Stan and Helen Schwartz (A), made a trip to Mayo's to see the Maurer's. Glad all is well with you now.

The Bob Hands' (494th), would like to make a return trip to Frisco. They spent a month there and Hawaii, and think it is worth a return trip. This reporter spent a little time there a couple of times and would like to go back again.

Lester and Pat Smith (494th) let us know that Lester is still carrying the mail but would like to quit at times but if he carries till April he will have 34 years in. Now that is time to quit.

Always glad to hear from Uncle Bob in Nashville, well just a hoot and holler out, and I am going to get there.

THE 82nd AT DAYTON

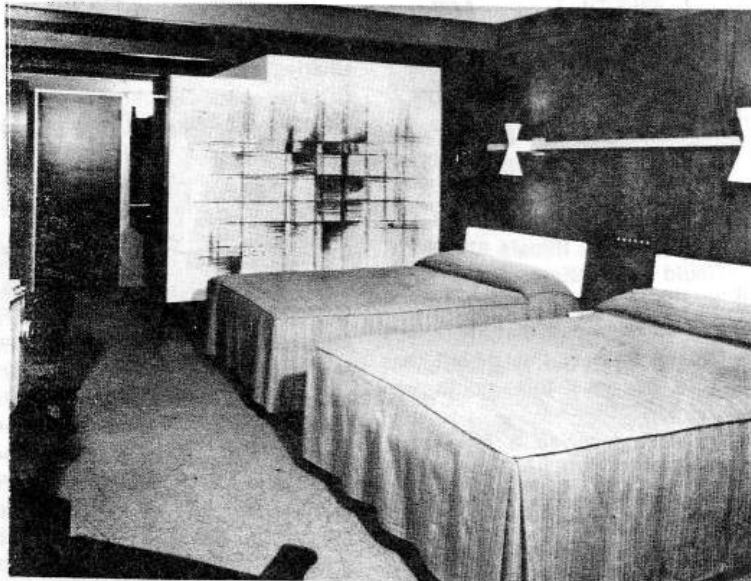


THE WOMEN



THE MEN

AT THE MIDWEST PARTY ON MARCH 10TH



THE ROOM IS READY



THE POOL IS READY



THE DINNER DANCE IS READY
YOU BETTER GET READY



**56th
Armored
Infantry
Battalion**

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Hi Folks,

Hope you all have recovered from the hectic Holidays. We did not. Dot has been ill and can't seem to shake the Bug, I've had a cold and a few back complications. I hope Harold can get this column in as we are late.

Raymond Therrien; Noticed you have my name spelt wrong in paper. Not Now Ray.

John Lydick; Havin trouble receiving news, Harold has taken care of this now.

James H. McCormick; Late again with my dues, No excuse, ran into Frank Simmons, lost his address, Inclosed is a BOOSTER, Thanks Mac we forgive you.

Robert Egness; No News but a nice BOOSTER, Thank you Bob, drop a line or two.

Jack Begley; Dues but No News. Jack used to have a lot of info, What happened?

James M. Read; New address, 2232 Military, Dearborn, Mich. 48124. Thanks Jim.

Delos C. Force; Sent me the address of Francis Drass and James R. Withers, he also sent the info to Elmer Bright. Jake sent a real fine letter which we deeply appreciate. (As we do all your letters.) Jake the best to you and Edith. Jake said Drass was going to be in Frisco.

C. K. Maddox; Col. Ret. Called me and told me to give these people who are calling us old men to get off that kick. He has two youngsters and is still going all out. Well Boss, you might have the old ball rolling, and a lot of the gang do. I just manage to keep step. We don't have the old get up and go like most of the Men. Thanks for the call and get in touch with Len Dooley for the convention.

Bob Gustafson; Janet wrote us a wonderful letter, and we sure are glad to hear that Joyce and Lois are doing so well. Tell them we love them both. More Later.

Chester Bragg; Had a Ball in Dayton. Nice to have seen you, hope you had good trip after the convention. We had a real ball and can't wait for Frisco now.

Hank Figurski; Very nice letter. See you in Asbury or Frisco. Love you all J-D.

Don White; Daughter Pat married

DIVISION GROUPING

□ NEWS □

HAROLD HENDRICKS

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PAUL HEMPLING, Trns. "Received the Dec. issue of the HELLCAT NEWS, and this is the first I knew about our Association." Your name was turned in by Woody Shuster, Trns.

PAIGE BROOK, Band, is still playing beautiful music with the New York Symphoney.

Charles Woodward, Hq/44th, is Adjutant of Dist. No. 4, V.F.W., New York. He was also elected Commander of the Central New York Council of the disabled American Veterans. He invites any of the old gang to drop in for a visit when near Copenhagen, N. Y.

CLIFFORD A. SMITH, CCB, had no news to report, but sent his best wishes.

That Julius Bernstein, Div. Hq. keeps sending postcards from all the warm countries in the world and I'm up to my rear in snow, ice and a snow plow that don't work.

Len Dooley, Div. Hq., has the 27th Reunion all ready for you, guys, so lets start planning. Do a little letter writing to your buddies.

Speaking of letter writing. There are still quite a few of you guys without your 1973 "PAID" membership cards. Please, send \$4.00 and some news.

Oct. 20, beautiful wedding. Will try to make Frisco.

William Clifford; Cliff pick a reunion, and go, then you won't be able to cuss me.

John Ribar; John and Ann send Best Wishes to all the Hellcats and Kittens.

Blanchard Leacy; We appreciate the fine job done in the Hellcat News and for the 56th which was the best, at least we think so. Good luck to the 12th AD.

Warren Backs; Haven't had a chance to read your letter as it arrived today. Will read it tonight. Hope it contains some good news, everyone around here is hacking.

Robert Frenz; He can't write. Poor Martha how she puts up with him we'll never know. We can't even find out if he shot a deer this year. We'll go to Bradford.

Joe Ross; Mary Francis sent the greetings, Joe was you out playing Santa?

Nick Hardony; Nick is a man of action, Wizard, but No News.

Walter Stanton; Walt hopes to make a reunion one of these days. Walt Pappy has found.

Best to all the Virgin

Here is a "HELLCAT BOOSTER" Donation \$.....

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**17th
Armored
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It is nigh onto Christmas time, so I'd better get on the ball before Harold finds me delinquent. First, there is much appreciation for you fellows sending in the dues, news and boosters.

Clement Beaulieu (B) sent in dues for Stan Snock (B) at Clements Bridge Rd., Runnemede, N.J. Clement had lost the complete address.

Dave Wells (B) says that he hopes to see someone I recognize in the San Francisco reunion. From all indications, that should not be a problem.

Loretta Wawrzyniak sent along a note with Clarence's (Sv) dues and says that Clarence is quite busy with his work and the V.F.W.

Thomas W. Davies (A) writes that Clayton Campbell (A) stopped by the house on his way to Upper Michigan for bear hunting. We had a very nice visit here. It was really a surprise to me to see him. He got my name from the Hellcat News. I would like to see more of the members stop by as we live where we can fish or hunt in season. Dan Carter of El Paso, Texas has been writing to me. As you will remember, Thomas is housebound thru his WW II disabilities.

Thanks for the boosters from Bill Holly (Sv) Clement Beaulieu (B) Thomas Davies Sr. (A) David Wells (B) and Paul Leppo Jr. (Hq.).

And now for some news gleaned from the Christmas Cards; Paul Belshoff (Hq.) writes "I retired from the active reserves Sept. '71. Now "in limbo" will have to live till I'm 60 in order to receive monet-

ary benefits. We continue to receive the Hellcat News and enjoy reading it very much. How about our Pictures in this last issue. We don't look 28 years older. Received a note from Cunningham (Hq.). He said he had visited Jim Logan (Hq) and the Logans were going to try to get to the S. F. reunion.

Lee Jeter (Sv) says that he might just make the Frisco deal. This retirement is OK except there are too many jobs to be done around the house.

Bill Holly (Sv) has been at their summer home near Strasburg, Pa. from the last of April to the last of October. The home is about 7 miles from Lancaster. The summer was very poor. There was too much rain and the hurricane tore up the state but they were not hit even tho they were cut off for several days. It is an interesting place and full of historical sites and a seven mile steam railroad. Bill is past 73 now and probaly one of if not the oldest member of the association.

Charles Galli (B) is always happy to hear from the lads in his old outfit and enjoys reading the Hellcat News.

Bruce Arndt (B & Sv) writes "I retired from the FAA last March 31st. Was able to retire early due to a Reduction in Force situation. Had a busy and prosperous summer surveying. Very good way to supplement the retirement income. Currently am studying to get a CFI (Certified Flight Instructor) Hazel and I are flying to Phoenix by commerial airline to visit our son, Fred, a Jr. at ASU. May look up Lee Jeter."

The Calvin R. Camp's (B) write; "Nice surprise visit from Ed Grant and wife this month. Am finding jobs around home I enjoy and all's well at our house. Second son finished college and on the job. Enjoying our first grandchild. Youngest son is growing fast. Oldest son with City of Atlanta. Traveled to Jasper, Tenn. recently trying to

locate Dozen Phippen. Talked to the P.O., American Legion, Police, Court house. No one knew of any Phippen's." So, if any one knows the whereabouts of Phippen — Please let Calvin know about it.

Dan Carter (B) and his wife plan to go to the S.F. reunion. He has had a couple of letters from "Tex" Condray (B) and was surprised to know that he had lived in Texas for years. Also located a D/714 tanker, Billie L. Powell in El Paso.

Col. Carl J. Helton USA RET (A) has opened his own real estate office in Orlando, Fla. in July. All of us wish the Colonel the best of success in his new venture. The office is located in the Palmetto Bldg. 1040 Woodcock Rd. 32803. As usual, no charge made for advertising in the Hellcat News.

John Finley (C) has been a hunting in S. Dak. and stopped to see Bombasarro on the return trip. Their son, Johnny, is teaching the 5th grade at Mayfield Heights, near Cleveland, Ohio. Jane is at Shippensburg State in Business Administration. Ann is still at home. The Finleys' plan to be in S.F. for the reunion.

The Fred Bixby's (A) are also planning to go to the S.F. reunion and on to Hawaii. They enjoyed the visit from the Maue's. Paul Graden came over and everyone enjoyed Paul's viewpoints of the war — which happen to differ from some others. Ruth has been under the doctors care since Sept. with some intestinal troubles which the doctors can't seem to find the origin. Their daughter, Sandy, is coming home for Christmas.

And before someone calls my attention to the error in the January issue, in the third paragraph — it was Warren and Edna that had the small group to the Civilian Club. (Not Howard and Edna). This hired help that one gets for typists etc. just can't be depended on — I'll just have to talk to myself.

Hoping that all you folks had a merry and happy holiday season, and until next month when I'll start again.

Art Naimy, Sv/495th: "Have enjoyed the 25th "Hellcat" book. It's a great job."

Marty Kurtz, 152nd: "Congradulations on the 25th year Book. It is also my 25th Wedding Anniversary. Daughter, Patti, presented Faye and I with a grandson, so it is a time to rejoice. Bless all our wonderful members with good health."

Jack Cable, Div. Hq. "Dooley did a marvelous job on the year book."



714th

TANK

BATTALION

RALPH PHILLIPS
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Hi Gang;

I hope you all had a very nice holiday season, and that New Year will bring you all the joy and happiness that everyone of us of the 12 A.D. deserve. We have come a long way since the Christmas and New Year of 1944 and I hope and pray that we will all be together for many years to come. Got a lot of cards from you guys of the 714th and it sure makes a fellow feel good. Got a nice letter from my good buddy Ivo Horney and wife Ann and also John and June Bramlett (Hq.) I expect to see you guys at the East Coast Reunion in Asbury Park, N. J. in March. Inez and Ken Warnes (Sv.) dropped a card and Ken wants to know how many of the original 12 A.D. Cadre there are on our roster. He was from the 4th A.D. Can you help him out Harold? Marie and Ed Buscavage (A) plan on a meeting after the holidays to make final arrangements for the East Coast Reunion. Hope all you "Hellcats" plan on being there because it will be a blast.

A card from our "Pres." Stan (A) sends his best wishes for the New Year and Irv Horowitz (B) new address is 30 Lawrence Circle, Abilene, Texas 79605. Forrest Wilcox (B) sent in his dues and Charles Brettell (Sv.) new address is 17 Richard St., Hicksville, N. Y. 11801. Charlie you should be able to make this reunion in March, bring along the wife and you will find plenty to do, meeting old friends and just reliving the years of Army life that we are so proud of.

I want to thank Harold Hendrich for the nice card he sent, and please find enclosed a clipping I got from Horney (Hq.) in Cincinnati about Jack Cable (Div. Hq.) who passed away in November. Our ranks are slowly but surely getting smaller and smaller. I hope everything is well with "Col. Mac (A) and Bill O'Neal (Hq) and the rest of you "Hellcats." My wife Connie will be going in the hospital for a minor operation on Jan. 2 and the rest of the clan Nina, Mike and Debbie are all fine and healthy. Will close up now and hope you guys will send me some news real soon.

**Twelfth Armored Div. Assn.**

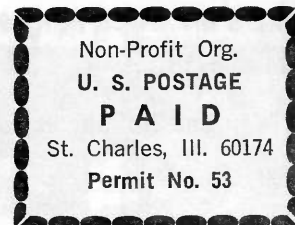
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5TH MONTH MEMBERSHIP REPORT

	To Date 1973	Total 1972
17th	174	218
714th	155	183
56th	154	177
Div. Group	133	168
134th	131	165
92nd	118	148
66th	105	146
43rd	96	116
495th	93	117
152nd	92	101
119th	74	105
82nd	72	102
23rd	66	87
494th	64	67
493rd	36	51
TOTAL	1563	1950

IMPORTANT

DO YOU HAVE YOUR 1973 PAID MEMBERSHIP CARD?

If you have a 'dues envelope' enclosed, your dues are not paid for '73. If you paid within the last few weeks your membership card will be in the next HELLCAT issue. If just per chance your dues are paid and you receive a envelope, drop me a postcard. Don't want to cut off your delivery because I 'goofed'.

HELLCAT BOOSTERS**Div. Group**

Julius Bernstein
Charles P. Brook
Clifford A. Smith

17th

Thomas W. Davies, Sr.
Paul Leppo, Jr.
Clarence Wawrzyniak
David L. Wells



HELLCAT DOINGS ARE FUN

23rd

Roscoe Mikoff
Leo More

43rd

Frank Geraine
Gordan Grant
Scott W. Hall
Robert G. White

66th

Robert Egness

134th

Jesse Gunsberg
Harry Malcolm
Hershel Richardson
Willis Simons
Duane E. Taylor

92nd

T/Sgt. A. B. Comingore
Anthony J. Fama
Joseph Kachuba
Eldon H. Kohler

119th

Ray Saehloff
Grant E. Trappe

82nd

Clayton Davis
Richard Hendry
William Lundgren
D. L. Lorenzo

152nd

Joseph E. Dunning
Uncle Bob
Robert McLaurine
Bernard Mezey
Oscar Thomas
George B. Vacho

493rd

John Babcock

495th

Chester A. Larson
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**92nd
Cavalry
Recon
Sqn.**

RICHARD M. BUCY
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Hi 92nd:

Happy Valentine's Day to you all! I have a few more letters to share:

First I received a wonderful letter from Dot Rall (the late Wm. A. Rall, Med. Det.) she and the children are all well. Barbara is married and has a nine month old boy, she is also teaching school in Aberdeen, Md. Young Bill is a senior in college, has made the Dean's list all four years, is a physics major and has spent several months at Oak Ridge, Tenn. Dot now has the title of Assistant Manager at the Valley Bank of New York, Rankoma Branch. Dot sends her best to the 92nd.

Got a nice card from Marianne and Bob Koch (D), they had a great vacation in Florida.

My thanks to W. Schuch (C) for the snapshot taken in Dayton.

Al Zimmerman (C) sent dues and hopes to make San Francisco. Earl Adams (B) will try to join us in San Francisco. Hope you and Al both make it, Earl.

Eugene Eastham (A) sent dues and a booster for Trine R. Espinoza (A). Does anyone have Trine's recent address? (Note, 1947 Roster lists him at 317 G St., Le Moore, Calif.)

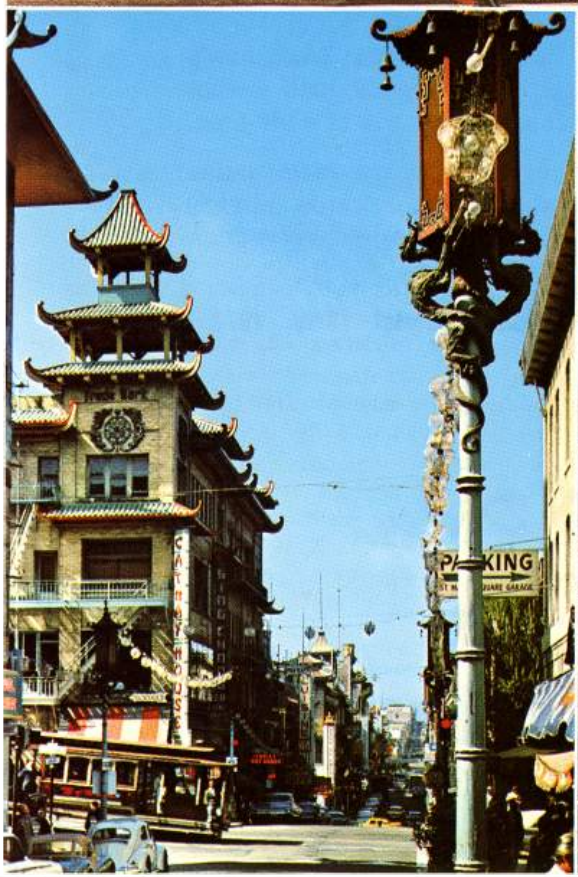
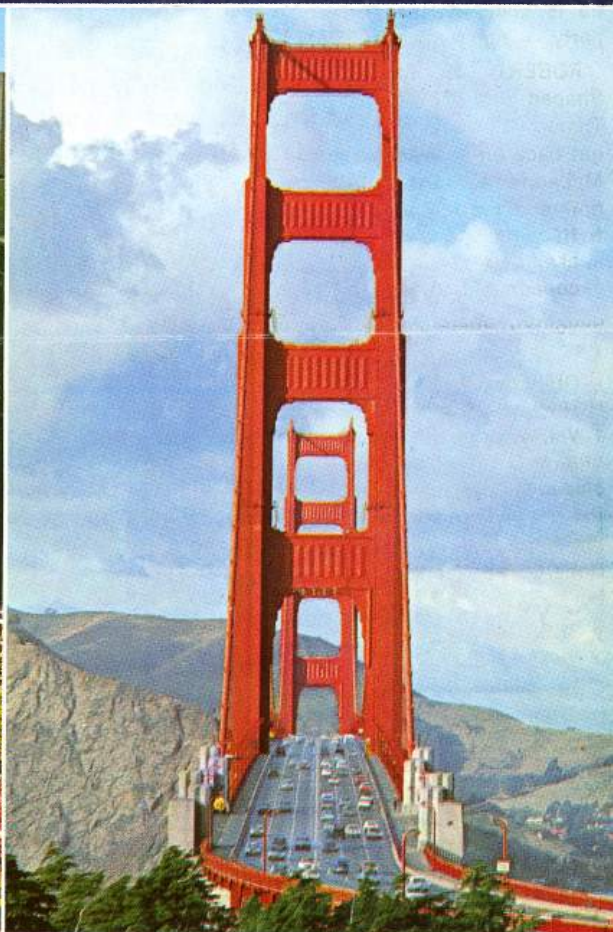
Received a nice note from Joe Kachuba (D), "Sorry couldn't make Dayton but had a great trip to Hawaii with the Catholic War Vets of Queens, NY." Maybe San Francisco, eh, Joe.

Will close for now. WRITE!

Hospital costs may be soaring, but where else can you get breakfast in bed.

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TWELFTH ARMORED DIVISION ASSOCIATION

Harold J. Hendricks, Executive Secretary

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Dear Hellcat:

With the holidays over, we hope your thoughts and plans now are directed to the 1973 Hellcat Reunion in San Francisco — "Everybody's Favorite City."

Several members have asked us: "Why a reunion way out on the West Coast?" Our reply is a question: "Why not?" For 26 years we have been holding our annual get-together in the East and Midwest. During all these years we have had good dues-paying members in the Western States, many of them "Booster" members who helped the association over some of its rough years. These members couldn't attend reunions regularly. Although we always seemed to have one or two - and in Milwaukee, SIX.

Fairness - if no other reason - now dictates a reunion to accomodate our western membership. (Incidentally, the West Coast Chapter has cancelled its 1973 meeting so that it will in no way conflict with the national reunion.). We have already heard from almost 60 members in the Western States, who will attend the San Francisco Reunion, for many it will be their first reunion. You will see buddies there whom you haven't seen since you left the Army 28 or more years ago.

Of course, there are other reasons you would want to go to San Francisco. Gene Fowler, the author, wrote "every man should be allowed to love two cities - his own and San Francisco;" Will Rogers describes it as one of the few cities of the world that is truly "different." San Francisco with its cosmopolitan variety, its verve, its comfortable year-around climate and its magnetism attracts over a million visitors every year from around the world.

For those of you in the East and Midwest, who have never been to our great West, now's the time to go. Make it a family vacation. If you have never driven across this great land - what an opportunity to see the great plains, the desert, the Rockies, etc. It will be the trip of a life-time.

It is hoped that flights at special rates can be arranged from some of the major cities of the Midwest and East. Watch for details in the Hellcat News. Hotel reservation cards, already printed, will be mailed with the May or June Hellcat News. Details of an advance registration plan will also be announced in a month or two.

**Start planning now to be in San Francisco (never say "Frisco") August 16-19, 1973.
SEE YOU THERE!**

Sincerely,

L. P. Dooley

Reunion Chairman

P. S. As soon as you are sure you sure you will be attending the '73 Reunion, drop a note to Harold. He'll announce it in the Hellcat News.

