

# The Burman News

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## Charlotte Again!

The 42nd Annual Marauder Reunion, Sept. 2nd to 4th, 1988. At the CHARLOTTE MARRIOTT HOTEL, 5700 Westpark Drive, Charlotte, NC 28217; phone 704-527-9650. A warm welcome awaits you in this five-year-old, 16 story hotel with 300 rooms. Easily accessible off I-77 at Exit No. 5, (Tyvola Road).

This Marriott features lounge with live entertainment, two restaurants serving ex-

cellently prepared food, wine bar, game room; two swimming pools, sauna/whirlpool, fitness trail and tennis courts. Free parking. A special parking area for campers and RV's. Free limousine service to and from Charlotte Airport, 15 minutes away; a gratuity for the driver is expected. At baggage area of the airport there is a free phone to hotel. Call and you will be picked up quickly. Free ice available.

The 1988 rates will be lower than last year's. For two nights lodging two in a room, the rate is \$263. It will cover Friday buffet dinner, sit-down luncheon Saturday, cocktail hour followed by our annual reunion-banquet, featuring prime ribs of beef. Then music-dancing. Brunch Sunday A.M. For single occupancy the price is \$172. Kids to age 18 sleep free in parent's room. Food program for children to age 12 is \$40. Those over 12 pay adult rate of \$80. Prices include all taxes and gratuities. Extra nights, hotel room rate is \$41, single; and \$45 double occupancy, plus 8 percent tax.

For the economy minded, there are many fast food and medium priced restaurants within walking distance or a 5 to 10 minute car ride. McDonald's, Wendy's, Shony's, Burger King, Waffle House, Sonny's Bar-B-Que, Real Pit Bar-B-Q, Pizza Hut, Taco Bell, Ryan's Steak House, Jackson's Cafeteria, Sizzler Restaurant, Western Sizzlin', etc. A Kroger Supermarket within walking distance. Some stores give Senior Citizen Discounts.

Prominent shopping areas: South Park, Eastland Mall, K-Mart Shopping, Outlet Square, Outlet Market Place, Windsor Square, all short distances away. Interesting places: Spirit Square, Discovery Place, Mint Museum, Carowinds with many rides and entertainment for children. History buffs may be interested in the log cabin where John Polk, the 11th U.S. President was born and Andrew Jackson Memorial (7th U.S. President), both of these on Route 51. A very interesting place for children is Buffalo Ranch, Concord, North Carolina, where buffalo roam and the deer and antelope play. Along with many other animals and a stage coach ride. If lucky, you may be HELD UP by robbers!!!

Many on our mailing list have never attended a reunion, others seldom. Remember time is getting shorter for us all. If you want to see some of those buddies with whom you shared the Burma jungle experience, plan now to attend. The reason Phil Piazza founded the MM Association in 1947 was to provide the opportunity to bring us together. ONLY YOU can make this a great event. Reservation card is enclosed. So make your reservations quickly. You can call the hotel at 704-527-9650. Deposit of \$50 per room is required for reservations or give the hotel your credit card number. After August 19th, rooms will be on a space available basis.

COME EARLY & STAY LATE. Call a buddy and ask him to join you in Charlotte. Tom Martini, Reunion Chairman, 5680-P Grand Canal Way, Charlotte, NC 28226; phone 704-365-4667. Phil Piazza, Co-Chairman, Rt. 3, Box 358, Seneca, SC 29678; phone 803-972-3239.

WOULD YOU BELIEVE?

## Sharing the Story

That 118 EM of the 98th FA Bn (pack artillery) volunteered from the 32nd Division in the Southwest Pacific for the 5307th, 1 October 1943. Of that group, we still have the following men on our rolls.

Sgt. James F. Russell, Cpl. John A. Acker, Cpl. George B. Lowe, Privates Charles F. Baase, Henry E. Baldwin, Willis S. Bates, Stanley L. Benson, Lewis W. Bliss, Timothy T. Buckley, Walter M. Capper Jr., Charles I. Clurman, Henry M. Crowell, John E. Devine, John W. Egan, Thomas A. Emanuelson, George E. Harmon, Howard A. Holmes, Ralph B. Lawson, Joseph C. Martinez, Ervin A. Matthis, Robert W. Mitchell, John D. Molett, Clarence J. Rainey, James F. Richardson, Jesse C. Stephens, James C. Sadowsky, Spencer J. Tedford, Emmanuel G. Valderama, Edward A. Wade, Fred Toth, Dean K. Voltz, and Harold J. Weinberg.

Hey, they could have their own reunion. Or, maybe Pinky Wade ought to talk them into getting together one more time at one of our regular reunions. I have on hand a photo copy of the entire list. Some of them are, of course, deceased. But here are some of the others, that we do not know the whereabouts: Sgt. Gilbert R. Shelton, Cpl. Jessie C. Langley, Leo Pugh, James S. Scott, Philip H. Tinsworth, Privates William R. Alsup, Jack G. Arms, Thomas W. Averett, Lawrence J. Baker, Fred H. Battcher, Keaster W. Blackstock, Dellon E. Bone, Einar H. Borreson, Robert F. Bougie, Charles F. Brady, Robert L. Carr, Raymond W. Chubbic, Frank W. Church, Richard E. Cooper, Dallas E. Daley, Jack

C. Davis, Richard W. Dudgeon, Leo A. Dunton, George F. Eacock, Roy L. Fisher, Richard D. Gesner, John J. Gross Jr., Leslie L. Gump, Robert H. Hastings, George R. Hicks Jr., Clarence C. Howell, Frank E. Jarred, John A. Jerome, Hershell E. Jones, John A. Kerr, Stephen Komar, Joseph A. Kot, Leon L. Lanphere, Harry F. Lay, George E. Mace, John M. Machado Jr., Bernard J. Marshall, William C. McGregor, Vaughn J. Miller Jr., John A. Mills, Clinton E. Mooers, Arvid Nordgren, Chester C. Norton, Glen E. Norvelle, Wiley A. Olmstead, Roy H. Olson, Kenneth W. Parsons, Fred Pfeiffer, George W. Presley, James M. Priest, Herbert Riffe, Edgar Robertson, Warren A. Robinson, Bruce L. Ross, Roy W. Ross, John M. Schaeffer, Adam Schemp, Jess W. Scott, John W. Seegars, Benjamin D. Skibinski, Harold C. Smith, William E. Smith, James C. Synder, Harold R. Stevenson, Paul J. Steward, Swen J. Swenson, Robert D. Swigert, John W. Therkelson, Ernest L. Tranbarger, Robert T. Trimbo, Howard C. Wassinger, Leo B. Wildman, Ellis L. Wilson, William W. Worstell, Charles A. Bias.

If any of you men have them on your Christmas card or other list, let us know and we will be glad to write to them.

I should also mention that Paragraph 4 of the same Special Order No. 254 listed the following volunteers for the 5307th: Major Edwin J. Briggs, Captains Lawrence L. Lew, Frank A. Johnson, Louis J. Williams, 1st Lt. G. Clare Thomas. All Infantry Branch and we still have all of them with us.

## Citation of Corporal Firenze

EDITOR: In my last letter to you, I mentioned the brave men of the 124th Cavalry, both officers. As we are all aware, all brave men are not necessarily officers. I am enclosing a citation of Corporal Anthony Firenze a member of the 5307th.

"The DSC and Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart went to Cpl. Anthony Firenze, Geneva, New York, for exceptional bravery during the Myitkyina action. Firenze and his company, driving forward in support of Chinese troops, ran into Japs dressed in Chinese uniforms. The onslaught of the Japs forced the Yanks to retreat. Firenze, with the rear guard, fought a delaying action for eight hours, thus helping most of the men to get back to safety. Although he was wounded early in the fight, he manned his MG until the last Jap attack was broken up and all but one man of his gun crew killed. When the rear guard withdrew, Firenze acted as a second scout, in spite of wounds."

The action that Firenze was involved in took place on July 2nd, 1944. The citation in no way indicates the total contribution of Cpl. Firenze during the action and during the withdrawal, when the Japanese broke off after the Corporal killed the Japanese Commander with his service pistol.

It is unfortunate that the twenty odd men who stayed with the Corporal and me could not have been recognized for their bravery also. I noticed in Charlton Ogburn's book, that six DSC's were awarded to the 5307th. It would be very satisfying to see all the citations printed in a future issue including that very un-military like picture of the medal award ceremony by Gen. Stilwell, identifying all the men shown.

I also noticed in Ogburn's book that the Japanese had used the trick before of representing themselves as Chinese, on Logan Weston. The story indicates the Japanese sprang the ambush too soon and Weston was able to withdraw.

On July 2nd, the Japanese used the trick to perfection.

I was interviewed at length on this action by an officer compiling information for the Historical Section that compiled the American Forces in Action book, "Merrill's Marauders." Ogburn indicates a publication 113 pages long.

As you have probably noted, I have not identified the Bn, Company involved or the spot the action took place. This omission is deliberate. Those soldiers involved will recognize the date and the action. I am sure they all have their own thoughts about it that have lasted these forty-four years.

To continue in a lighter vein, perhaps some of the incidents of life at Camp Landis could be told. One that comes to mind, is the one I remember as "The Second Battalion Staff and the Buffalo." It goes like this.

The 2nd Battalion Staff was out of Landis on a training exercise and the Colonel decided to take his entire staff on a short reconnaissance. We made our way toward a cart track that showed on the map and just as we broke out of the brush near a bend in



Robert W. Landis, center foreground with back to camera, is the first American infantryman killed in action [KIA], in Asia in World War II. He was a member of the 5307/2/I&R from Youngstown, Ohio. This is the only known photo of Landis available to Merrill's Marauders.

the track, a herd of buffalo came around the bend. They were about two dozen strong and obviously headed for the small river to our left. There we stood, Staff versus Buffalo about 50 feet apart staring at each another. A scary sight for a city boy. After a moments hesitation, the Colonel issued his "Battle Order" as follows. "For God's sake, stand still." Finally, after what seemed a very long interval of staring, a large bull broke for the river and the rest thundered after him. The staff got its breath back and went on with its reconnaissance. Capt. Frederick Jones, 16 Hide Away Ln., West Winter Haven, FL 33881, 5307; 475 / 2 / S-2.

## Letters

EDITOR:

I need to hear from anyone who remembers my getting my helmet shot off my head on the night of 23 May, 1944, at Charpate, when the Japanese penetrated 3rd Bn positions. S. Komar was next to me and was shot in the arm. I need this information to substantiate a claim. C. J. Rainey, 1245 West Eldredge Rd., Pocatello, ID 83201. 208 237 1554. 5307 / 3 / OCT.

EDITOR:

I wish to thank you for sending my mother the February 1988 issue of the BURMAN NEWS, listing my father,

Charles E. Stover, in "Pass in Review." My father would not speak of his campaigns, etc. I have tried to gather what I can but have been running into dead ends. Can anyone help me to find out about my father? I do know that he was in the Horse Cavalry in Hawaii when it was bombed. He was at Schofield Barracks. He was attached to a Division Pack Train. I understand that he was involved in training Philippine Scouts and escaped in a small boat or raft. They were spotted by an Australian plane and picked up and taken to Australia. He later joined the 5307th. I was named for his best friend, Leslie Wright of Maine. Wright had saved my father's life and later lost his own. Dad's knees and shoulder were metal due to wounds. Please reply to Leslie Stover, 1039 Brownstone Dr., Pottstown, PA 19464; phone 215-327-2996.

EDITOR:

A short note to tell you of the storybook ending to my article in the BURMAN NEWS of May '87. The day after delivery to my home, I received a phone call from my foxhole partner that I didn't know or remember. But he knew me and after 43 years we talked and talked and talked. Then I went 900 miles round trip to see him and got another surprise. Lewis Day, Silver Star recipient, had called him (John Hartwell) both in Columbus, Ohio. We met

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and Lewis Day just happened to be the Medic that treated my M. Gunner after I got him back to a safe spot at Mankrin and we knew to be a fact because I had helped to carry my gunner to a litter by crossed hands with Lew who mentioned this in our conversation without realizing that I was the other man.

So, you see, the Good Lord does answer prayers even after 43 years. I had hopes that some day I would meet my foxhole buddy and it happened in good measure.

So, tell those Marauders to keep letting people know you still seek them even after 43 years.

Now, if only my gunner who was shot in the butt and still carries the bullet in there could be found. Wow! Bill Brader, Rt. 3, Bethlehem, PA 18015, 5307/1/D; 475/2/E Co.

EDITOR:

Really enjoyed the Nov. issue of BURMAN NEWS and wanted to tell you. Items that caught my attention. Col. Holland's trip to Burma. If this materializes, I would like to be on it. Also, Col. Holland's article re: New Galahad. He mentions Major Lattin only, as Commander 475/2 Bn. This is tragic to me, because I have carried in memory all these years the picture of LTC Trailkill, as the ideal battalion commander, and the model I would aspire to be if I should find myself holding such a high command. He was killed on Loi Kang Hill. I have often thought that, had he lived, he would have become a general in Korea, and maybe a senior general in Vietnam. Of course, all the officers of that rank in the Marauders were outstanding soldiers. It was just that I had a chance personally to observe Thrailkill and he was impressive. I have never forgotten him.

At the 1987 Reunion of the 612 FA at Fairmount, WV, it was voted to invite to next year's reunion, members of its sister battalion, the 613th to try to form a joint association to be called the Mars Task Force Mountain Artillery Association.

The Mars TF Artillery Assn (612th and 613th FA) meets in Dayton, Ohio, Sept. 16-19, at Rodeway Inn. Ken Chestnut, 226 Sycamore St., Somerset, KY 42501 is contact man for 613th Men and I am representative for 612th. W. B. Woodruff, Jr., 100 N. Trinity, Decatur, TX 76234, 475/2/Hq.; 612 FA, 817-627-3545.

EDITOR:

Now, after all these years, I come across a story in the BURMAN NEWS, November 1987, in which the writer tells of experiences similar to mine. I'm referring to the "New Galahad" story by Col. James D. Holland, USA Ret. He speaks of "GH 770, a mish-mash of some 3,000 more volunteers." I don't know if I was in GH 770. All I do know is my barracks bag had stenciled on it, "5307 Composite Unit," in large white-painted letters and figures. I had no idea where I was going when I went aboard ship at Hampton Roads, Virginia. Several days earlier I had answered a call for volunteers for "exceptionally hazardous duty." At the

time, I was in Camp McCoy, Wisconsin, as a member of the cadre of the Anti-Tank Company, 417th Inf., 76th Division. I was in the Mine Platoon, a surveyor, with a T3 rating. Apparently, my commanding officer wanted to keep his cadre intact, because when I told him I wanted to answer the call for volunteers, he told me I would have to take a "bust" to private. But, on the other hand, he added, if I stayed he would give me another stripe.

He flushed when I asked, "Captain, are you putting a price on my patriotism?"

I left the very next morning, as a buck private.

Out of the entire 15,000 man 76th Division, only 12 volunteered! I remember thinking, "How the hell are we going to win this war if only 12 out of 15,000 have the guts to volunteer?" But, what really rankled me (and it does to this day) was to learn that all the eleven others were transferred in grade.

It was on board ship that I learned we were "hot." We zig-zagged across the Atlantic (taking about 30 days) to avoid falling victim to subs, stopped at Capetown and Durban, South Africa, Mombasa in Kenya, and then over to Bombay, India, where we immediately boarded a train.

For five days, we slept fully clothed on wooden bench-seats. When we arrived at our destination — Ramgarh — we thought we would finally get a chance to recover from our "Sea-legs."

But, no. We were immediately given British equipment. I got a Bren gun (the British version of our light machine gun, the BAR) which had an odd-sized bullet. In combat, the Bren gun proved useless, because we Americans had only 30 caliber bullets!

I believe we were in Ramgarh just a matter of 8 or 10 hours. I recall being shook at 2 a.m. to board a C-46. We sat in bucket seats and were given oxygen masks, which we used when the plane rose to 27,000 feet, going over the now famous "Hump."

It was daylight, about 10 a.m., when we arrived at our destination, a little airstrip in Burma. As we circled and slowly descended, the shooting below us got louder and louder. Suddenly, the co-pilot rushed out of his cabin and yelled, "Boys, you'd better load your guns! The Japs are on one side of the strip and our men are on the other!"

I peered down from the little plane window at my shoulder as we circled and saw

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FALL IN

Here are the latest additions to our assembly. Remember them?

- JAMES E. ALLEY, Rt. 4, Box 425, Waynesboro, Tennessee, 38485, 722-5112, 5307/236/A/3 SFC (P) MICHAEL J. AQUINO, Ranger, B Troop, 3/12 Cavalry, APO NY 09076 LESTER C. BARBER, 615 East State St., Alliance, Ohio 44601, 5307/3/L/M-GNR; 475/3/L/MRTR SGT. URIAH "JACK" CLEMMER, Rt. 3, Box 145, Chuckey, Tennessee 37641, 5307th. RAY CRAWFORD, 15898 Springwater Rd., Oregon City, Oregon 97045, 503-631-2378, 5307/475/1/A/1/4 CHARLES W. DENNEHY, 6880 Cascade Spring Place, Tucson, Arizona 85718, 5307/3/I/3; 475/3/I/3 JESSE T. FORD, Rt. 1, Box 687, Canton, North Carolina 28716, 5307/236/A/1 CHARLES WILLIAM JOHNSON, 646 W Rio San Pedro, Green Valley, Arizona 85614, 5307/2/H Co. GEORGE KOPPEL, 7721 St. Andrews Ch. Rd., Louisville, Kentucky 40214, 502-935-6364, 5307/3/I; 475/3/I WILFORD L. LOUNSBERY, 11 Thomas St., Galesburg, MI 49053, 5307/2/GCT/F Co. ROBERT T. MAC DONALD, 77089 NE, Seattle, Washington 98115, 5307/3/I Co.; 475/3/I Co.

PASS IN REVIEW

Deaths Reported Recently

Table with 3 columns: Name & Hometown [Where Known], Organization, Where, When Deceased. Includes entries for EDWARD J. BLOCK, MURRAY P. CLAYTON, STANLEY G. COBB, PAUL FIELDS, COL. ARTHUR K. HARROLD, RICHMOND D. HOCKER, ROBERT S. JENKINS, COL. CAIFSON JOHNSON, JOHN D. MOLETT, GEORGE T. OAKLEY, WALTER M. OLLILA, and WATSON WILBUR.

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the landing strip — just a little strip — full of shell holes and with wrecks of planes scattered on both sides.

As we came in for the landing run, bullets ripped through the plane and it literally bounced along. When it finally came to a jolting stop, the door flew open and someone yelled, "Out! And take cover!"

One at a time, but in rapid succession, we jumped the four feet down from the plane and scattered for cover. Shortly thereafter, we dug in, right there at the strip.

I didn't know it then, but we had landed at Myitkyina, the "Pearl of North Burma."

"The rest of the story" is too long to relate here. What I have written thus far is only the beginning of a year's duty in Burma. But, what I would like to know is whether or not, Col. Holland thinks my experiences agree with his.

Also, does he know what happened in Capetown when we were given shore leave for several hours?

And, does he know what a Lt. Newman did the very first night we dug in at the airstrip? John W. Schiefele, Rd. 1, Box 1692, Mt. Bethel, PA 18343; 5307/3/I Co., 475/3/I Co.

## EDITOR:

Reaching back 44 years through a fading memory has been and is quite an experience for me, but also a great pleasure.

During a drive in November, through the north part of Seattle, I spotted a car in front of me with a Marauder decal on the back window. I was stunned into an obsession of following the car and its male driver for three miles until he pulled into a small business area.

The person I followed was Donald W. West, of Seattle. We then had a very informative visit in his office. We were both strangers to one another prior to my "tailing" him to this "chance in a million" meeting.

Briefly, my experience in the CBI: Left the USA, April 24, 1944, from Newport News, Virginia, on the ship, USS Gen. Boatner. Arrived Bombay, May 25th. Traveled five days thru India on narrow gauge train to Ramgarh or Dinjan, India. Was loaded on a C-47 headed to Burma and the airstrip under Jap bombardment, at Myitkyina, June 1, 1944.

The ensuing weeks until mid-August when Myitkyina was finally ours, were pure scary hell. After about a month of rest and some training on the banks of the Irrawaddy River, we headed south toward Bhamo, Namhkam, Namtu and Lashio. Many unaccountable skirmishes with the Japs, weather, wild life and the terrain until December 14th. Somewhere between Namtu and Lashio after dawn, we confronted a strong Jap force in an ambush with snipers surrounding us from tree perches and ringing us (a platoon) with Jap Nambu light machine guns.

Casualties were heavy and I was one who got it all at once. Bullet thru the jaw and grenade thru both legs along with dysentery, jungle rot and malaria.

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HEADQUARTERS  
5307TH COMPOSITE UNIT (PROV)A.P.O. 487  
17 April 1944

## GENERAL ORDERS)

NUMBER 9 )

1. Under the provisions of AR 600-20, as amended, the undersigned assumes command of the 5307th Composite Unit (Prov) effective 28 March 1944.

CHARLES N. HUNTER  
Colonel, Infantry  
Commanding

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HEADQUARTERS  
5307TH COMPOSITE UNIT (PROV)A.P.O. 487  
25 April 1944

## GENERAL ORDERS)

NUMBER 10 )

1. Under the provisions of AR 600-20, as amended, the undersigned assumes command of the 5307th Composite Unit (Prov), effective 15 April 1944.

FRANK D. MERRILL  
Brigadier General, USA  
Commanding

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HEADQUARTERS REAR ECHELON  
5307th COMPOSITE UNITS (PROVISIONAL)A.P.O. 487  
c/o PM, New York, N.Y.  
2 May 1944

## GENERAL ORDERS)

NUMBER 11)

## Section

Awards of the Purple Heart ..... 1.  
Awards of the Purple Heart Cluster ..... II.

## 1. AWARDS OF THE PURPLE HEART:

Under the provisions of par 11, AR 600-45, dated 8 August 1932, as amended, the O's and EM indicated below are awarded the Purple Heart Medal for wounds received in combat against the Japanese forces in North Burma.

LAWRENCE L. LEW, 0401329, Major, Infantry, Co. K, wounded 4 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Keating, Oregon.  
FRANK G. ASHBY, 0419031, Captain, Infantry Co. E, wounded 4 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Rushville, Indiana.  
JAMES K. SANFORD, 0470288, Captain, Infantry, Co. F, wounded 4 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Tucker Hill, Virginia.  
WILLIAM Z. SCOTT, 0375971, Captain, Infantry, Co. F, wounded 4 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Lansford, Pennsylvania.  
AUBREY H. CLARK, 01298194, First Lieutenant, Infantry, Co. F., wounded 13 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Oakwood, Georgia.  
EDWARD A. McLOGAN, 0468313, First Lieutenant, Infantry, Co. F., wounded 4 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Flint, Michigan.  
NATHAN (NONE) GOLDSTEIN, 01306836, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, Co. C, wounded 28 March 1944, south of Jambu Bum Pass, Burma. Hometown: Brooklyn, New York.  
WILLIAM V. MURRAY, 01307736, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, Hq. Co. 3rd Bn., wounded 7 April 1944 near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Chelsea, Massachusetts. — 1 —

ELIHUE (NMI) CAMPBELL, 6647304, First Sergeant, Co. E, wounded 5 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Hazard, Kentucky.  
OLIN D. ASKEW, 34200705, Technical Sergeant, Co. E, wounded 3 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Birmingham, Alabama.  
JOHN J. BARRANCO, 6719358, Technical Sergeant, Hq. Co., 2nd Bn., wounded 3 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Salisbury, Maryland.  
JAMES J. CARR JR., 38268019, Technical Sergeant, Co. G, wounded 3 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Lawton, Oklahoma.  
VINCENT J. CODAMO, 6841653, Technical Sergeant, Co. G, wounded 2 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.  
ALFRED J. CURTIN, 20201150, Technical Sergeant, Co. I, wounded 5 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Watervliet, New York.

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Evacuated to 20th General in Ledo. Four operations, then to Karachi for flight to Coral Gables, Florida, for eight months at Dibble General Plastic Surgery Hospital. Discharged at Ft. Lewis, Washington, Feb. 24, 1946. Robert T. MacDonald, 7708 14th NE, Seattle, WA 98115, S / Sgt., 475 / 3 / Co., I / 3 Platoon.

## EDITOR:

Received a pleasant surprise today. I saw the movie, "Good Morning Vietnam" and would you believe it showed our Marauder emblem. About 90 minutes into the picture, the General had a lieutenant and a 1st sergeant into his office and there it was, as big as can be, our emblem on the back wall. I have to believe that the 75th Rangers may have had some influence on it being in the scene. C. Matt Matlovich, 1228 Worthington Ave., Clairton, PA 15025; 5307 / 2 / BCT / 3 Platoon.

## EDITOR:

I came from the 161st Infantry, 25th Division. I volunteered for "Galahad" after New Georgia Island was secured. Our commanding officer was Col. Beach. We were in Casual Unit 1688-C. We were in New Caledonia for a couple of weeks waiting for the SS Lurline to pick us up. I was transferred to Headquarters Detachment after the 5307th was formed. This was the Rear Echelon under Major Hancock. We remained behind, cleaned up the camp and moved all the supplies after the outfit left for Ledo. So, I did not go with the men into Burma. I was hospitalized before the Battle of Myitkyina and subsequently was evacuated to Calcutta. I came home to the States on a medical evacuation plane. I was the only Marauder on the passenger list. For the past 40 years, I have not met any former members. Lawrence Lim, 4532 Willowbrook Ave. 101, Los Angeles, CA 90029; 5307 / HQ / RE.

## EDITOR:

The BURMAN NEWS is interesting, such as the short history of 612th FA Bn (Pack) written by Capt. Ness. I understood the action march from Myitkyina, Tonkwa to Hosi Valley of Mars Task Force. As we were in the area south of Nampakka, maybe east of Hosi, around 76 mile stone on Burma Road at the end of Jan. '45. Our Infantry companies, 56th Division, attacked the Loi Kang Ridge and failed with many killed and wounded at that time. My three light tanks were destroyed by your, maybe 612 FA Batteries, direct hit also.

I hope you and your comrades remain in good health. Shinichi Murano, 61-6-301 Itasbashi 2-chome, Itabashiku, Tokyo 173, Japan.

## EDITOR:

After all the letters about the NEW GALAHAD by Col. Holland in your Nov. '87 issue, I hope it is not too late to add my two cents worth! It's about who was C.O. of the

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JOHN KESLIK, 20610727, Technical Sergeant, Co. L, wounded 3 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Schiller Park, Illinois.  
LUTHER L. BOWMAN, 15054484, Staff Sergeant, Co. F, wounded 31 March 1944, near Auche, Burma. Hometown: Floyd, Virginia.  
KEITH D. CARNS, 19000838, Staff Sergeant, Co. I, wounded 8 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Aldrich, Missouri.  
CHESTER N. DULIAN, 36217812, Staff Sergeant, Co. K, wounded 2 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Canton, Wisconsin.  
JOSEPH F. DUNLEAVY, 13027170, Staff Sergeant, Co. F, wounded 29 March 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.  
GERALD R. FEATHERINGILL, 16016092, Staff Sergeant, Co. G, wounded 22 March 1944, near Htingnankawng, Burma. Hometown: Gibbs, Missouri.  
MARSHALL W. HURLOCKER, 14009121, Staff Sergeant, Co. G, wounded 2 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Concord, North Carolina.  
GLENDON W. KENNEDY, 34428442, Staff Sergeant, Co. G, wounded 3 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Philadelphia, Mississippi.  
WALTER E. LAWHORN JR., 7083986, Staff Sergeant, Co. F, wounded 4 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: West Palm Beach, Florida.  
CHARLES W. MAPLE, 6562709, Staff Sergeant, Co. K, wounded 7 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Oakland, California.

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JAMES L. MARSH, 38056042, Staff Sergeant, Co. G, wounded 9 April, 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Whiting, Texas.  
THOMAS B MATNEY, 13018166, Staff Sergeant, Co. A, wounded 28 March 1944, south of Shaduzup, Burma. Hometown: Glenalum, West Virginia.  
WALTER J. MIKOLAJCZYK, 36012765, Staff Sergeant, Co. L, wounded 2 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Chicago Heights, Illinois.  
KARL G. OSIECKI, 33293345, Staff Sergeant, Co. F, wounded 28 March 1944, near Auche, Burma. Hometown: Natrona, Pennsylvania.  
SALVADORE F. RAPISARDA, 35009154, Staff Sergeant, Hq. Co., 3rd Bn., wounded 6 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Cleveland, Ohio.  
RICHARD M. SCHNEIDER, 33240146, Staff Sergeant, Co. E, wounded 3 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.  
EDWARD H. STINE, 12022224, Staff Sergeant, Co. G, wounded 3 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Ozone Park, Long Island.  
HOWARD N. ENGLERT, 37200755, Technician Third Grade, Medics, 2nd Bn., wounded 30 March 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Harwood, Missouri.  
MORRIS (NONE) AUERBACK, 33170181, Sergeant, Co. G, wounded 3 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.  
JOSEPH J. CODISPOTI, 33335712, Sergeant, Co. G, wounded 3 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.  
KENNETH DEWHURST, 31031238, Sergeant, Co. L, wounded 1 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Somerset, Massachusetts.  
EDWARD F. GALLANT, 32428002, Sergeant, Co. E, wounded 3 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Bangor, Maine.  
WILLIAM L. HANNEY, 17057599, Sergeant, Hq. Co., 2nd Bn., wounded 30 March 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: El Dorado, Kansas.  
HAROLD F. KALLHOF, 15010523, Sergeant, Co. G, wounded 3 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Cleveland, Ohio.  
GORDON E. MACKIE, 20647323, Sergeant, Hq. Co., 3rd Bn., wounded 8 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Oshkosh, Wisconsin.  
WILLIAM B. MORTIMER, 11018277, Sergeant, Hq. Co., 2nd Bn., wounded 31 March 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Lowell, Massachusetts.

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WILLIAM D. MUELLER JR., 20508060, Sergeant, Co. I, wounded 8 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Cincinnati, Ohio.  
EMIL P. OLENIK, 33302514, Sergeant, Co. F, wounded 4 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: McKeesport, Pennsylvania.  
LEON PAVLOSKI, 6981763, Sergeant, Co. G, wounded 3 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Yonkers, New York.  
SIDNEY (NMI) SAVITT, 13115383, Sergeant, Hq. Co., 2nd Bn., wounded 31 March 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.  
GILBERT R. SHELTON, 19032761, Sergeant, Co. I, wounded 8 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Prescott, Arizona.  
PAUL E. TIBBS, 36429160, Sergeant, Co. I, wounded 7 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: New Holland, Illinois.  
PHILIP H. TINSWORTH, 35160436, Sergeant, Co. I, wounded 7 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Buffalo, New York.  
MARVIN K. VICKROY, 36044335, Sergeant, Hq. Co., 2nd Bn., wounded 30 March, 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Moline, Illinois.  
HAROLD D. WAGNER, 35402941, Sergeant, Co. E, wounded 2 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Flushing, Ohio.  
ERNEST E. BEAUSCHESNE, 31023968, Technician Fourth Grade Medics, 3rd Bn., wounded 8 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Manville, Rhode Island.  
PETER P. GUZAITIS, 16002160, Technician Fourth Grade, Medics, 1st Bn, wounded 22 March 1944, near Htingnankawng, Burma. Hometown: Chicago, Illinois.

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475 / 2 Bn. In August of 1944, it was Lt. Col. Benjamin F. Thrailkill of Missoula, Montana. I joined the 475th on October 22nd after 13 months in China. After an interview with Col. Easterbrook, I was given temporary command of the HQ & Heavy Weapons Company of the 2nd Battalion. On Nov. 9th, 1944, Major John Lattin arrived (also from China) as executive officer of the 2nd Battalion. Lattin and I left Miami Beach on the same shipment, RI 705 CCC. Thrailkill was later wounded at Tonkwa, returned to duty, and later killed on Loi Kang Ridge, Feb. 2, 1945, when the Battalion CP took a direct hit from Jap artillery. I had resumed command of Hq Co. on the Ridge, Jan. 24, 1945. The Battalion CP was about 25 yards from my dugout. Lattin then assumed command of the Battalion and was later promoted to Lt. Colonel. Capt. Bob Maxon, F Co. commander was made executive officer. I turned over Hq. Co. to Lt. John W. Jones at Kweiyang, China, on April 14th, 1945, and proceeded home via Calcutta on the USS A. W. Greeley. Arthur T. Willis, Jr., C O Hq. Co., 2nd Bn, 475th, 814 Chattawka Ln., New Bern, NC 28560.

## Officer's Row

**Executive Secretary:** I would like to make a couple of comments about material in this issue. There is a letter from a Leslie Stover referring to his late father, Charles E. Stover. It is not feasible for me to go back over all previous issues of the BURMAN NEWS to determine whether or not we have listed him in Orders, or other documentaries. I hope that some one of you who have kept the complete file will take the time to do this research.

Then, there is the matter of WILLIAM (NMN) ASTLE. He is listed on page 7 of SO No. 11, as having a hometown at Barking, England. I, for one, never knew that we had a member from England. I do not know what to make of it. Was he an American who had an English address? Or was he an Englishman who volunteered to join the American Army? Perhaps some of you chaps who signed up with the Burma Star Association can enlist their help to resolve this mystery. It surely would be of interest. As always, we hope that this list will inspire some of you to check out names of men that we have not yet heard from. Ervin Frecks and a man named Peter Forty came from the same small town in Culbertson, Nebraska. We have Frecks but not Forty.

We also would like to advise the membership that we have on hand details about the funeral, family of the late Col. Caifson Johnson. Interested parties should write for them. We have also been advised by Margaret Ollila that Walter will not be buried until the ground thaws in Oscar, Michigan, in May.

**Historian:** I would like to suggest that we should print up in some fashion, the Father Stuart notes, the Chicago newspaper clippings from Sgt. Anderson, and the listings

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## GENERAL ORDERS . . . (Continued from page 5)

GERALD E. HALSEY, 35115728, Technician Fourth Grade, Co. G, wounded 1 April 1944, near Auche, Burma. Hometown: Mize, Kentucky.  
 ELMER J. KUCZOR, 16132373, Technician Fourth Grade, Co. K, wounded 28 March 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Milwaukee, Wisconsin.  
 VICTOR E. MEAD, 39376014, Technician Fourth Grade, Hq. Co. 2nd Bn., wounded 2 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Hawkins, Wisconsin.  
 ERNEST P. REED JR., 33240130, Technician Fourth Grade, Co. G, wounded 3 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.  
 EDWARD A. ZAINO, 36333623, Technician Fourth Grade, Co. G, wounded 4 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Cicero, Illinois. — 4 —

THOMAS W. HOWARD, 20133543, Corporal, Co. K, wounded 2 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Stamford, Connecticut.  
 GILBERT H. HOWLAND, 11027325, Corporal, Co. G, wounded 3 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Boston, Massachusetts.  
 GEORGE E. REED, 35492229, Corporal, Co. F, wounded 3 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Springfield, Kentucky.  
 NORMAN E. RICE, 7008031, Corporal, Co. E, wounded 8 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Jasper, Alabama.  
 JOHN L. TULLI, 7024345, Corporal, Co. B, wounded 28 March 1944, south of Jambu Bum Pass, Burma. Hometown: Nanticoke, Pennsylvania.  
 WARREN T. VENTURA, 15069130, Corporal, Co. F, wounded 5 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Cleveland, Ohio.  
 JOE V. ASHER, 38246275, Technician Fifth Grade, Co. B, wounded 28 March 1944, south of Jambu Bum Pass, Burma. Hometown: Houston, Texas.  
 INMAN N. AVERY, 14081840, Technician Fifth Grade, Co. K, wounded 5 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Live Oak, Suwannee, Florida.  
 DAVID BIELER, 37432776, Technician Fifth Grade, Hq. Co. 2nd Bn., wounded 6 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Arthur, Illinois.  
 JAMES W. CAMPBELL, 32536539, Technician Fifth Grade, Hq. Co., 2nd Bn, wounded 28 March 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Tottenville, Staten Island, New York.  
 IVAN R. DAYTON, 32375242, Technician Fifth Grade, Hq. Co., 3rd Bn., wounded 8 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: West Valley, New York.  
 RUSSELL V. FRESH, 13103618, Technician Fifth Grade, Co. F, wounded 3 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Cumberland, Maryland.  
 SALVADOR C. GARCIA, 39263575, Technician Fifth Grade, Co. C, wounded 9 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Oceanside, California.  
 EDWARD A. GILMORE, 17030822, Technician Fifth Grade, Hq. Co. 3rd Bn., wounded 8 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: St. Louis, Missouri.  
 PAUL M. GLOVA, 33395694, Technician Fifth Grade, Co. C, wounded 20 March 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: McClellandtown, Pennsylvania. — 5 —

JOSEPH M. GOMEZ, 18016224, Technician Fifth Grade, Medics, 3rd Bn., wounded 4 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Gallup, New Mexico.  
 LUTHER (NMI) HUGHES, 34430160, Technician Fifth Grade, Co. E, wounded 28 March 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Relief, North Carolina.  
 BERT E. JOHNSTON, 33159861, Technician Fifth Grade, Co. E, wounded 3 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Sharon, Pennsylvania.  
 FRANK J. KRASA, 33270561, Technician Fifth Grade, Co. E, wounded 3 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Meadville, Pennsylvania.  
 GLENN G. MADDEN, 35127871, Technician Fifth Grade, Co. F, wounded 2 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Hamilton, Ohio.  
 ROSCOE H. MEEKS, 16019591, Technician Fifth Grade, Co. F, wounded 3 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Colfax, Illinois.  
 ETHAM E. MURPHY, 34428785, Technician Fifth Grade, Co. F, wounded 3 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Starkville, Mississippi.  
 GEORGE W. RHODES, 34087998, Technician Fifth Grade, Co. E, wounded 3 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Hawkinsville, Georgia.  
 FRANK G. ROMANOSKY, 31193304, Technician Fifth Grade, Co. I, wounded 10 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Bridgeport, Connecticut.  
 RALPH G. SMITH, 5874125, Technician Fifth Grade, Medics, 1st Bn., wounded 22 March 1944, near Htingnankawng, Burma. Hometown: Moorestown, New Jersey.  
 CLIFFORD E. STIFFLER, 35413966, Technician Fifth Grade, Co. E, wounded 7 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Jackson, Ohio.  
 GEORGE D. VAINIKO, 37136780, Technician Fifth Grade, Medics, 2nd Bn., wounded 4 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: St. Louis, Missouri.  
 HAROLD B. WENTZ, 34172688, Technician Fifth Grade, Co. G, wounded 4 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Charlotte, North Carolina.  
 ELADIO A. ARIAS, 32509474, Private First Class, Co. I, wounded 4 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: New York, New York.  
 RALPH E. ASBURY, 35441856, Private First Class, Hq. Co., 3rd Bn., wounded 4 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Canebrake, West Virginia. — 6 —

WILLIAM (NMN) ASTLE, 32297042, Private First Class, Co. E, wounded 2 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Barking, England.  
 GEORGE M. BALL, 35369370, Private First Class, Co. F, wounded 6 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Carthage, Indiana.

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of men who were awarded the Combat Infantry Badge. This latter amounts to 39 pages as presently constituted. It provides the names, grades, of the men who were in the Original MM's as well as those who joined the outfit up to June 1st. There are over 4,400 names on that list. It would be a big problem to try to work that into the BURMAN NEWS as we are presently publishing an eight-page format. The Sgt. Anderson news items are the finest collections of the first campaign that I have seen. We would like to hear from you on this matter. How many of you would pay for copies of the above material and how much would you pay? Please write to the Executive Secretary on this matter. Dave Quaid, P.O. Box 1617, Duxbury, MA 02331.

**The State of Matrimony in Great Britain**  
(From The Quebec Gazette, 1781)

Wives eloped from their husbands . . .	5,000
Husbands run away from their wives . . . . .	500
Married pairs in a state of separation . . . . .	10,000
Married pairs living in a state of open war under the same roof .	500,000
Married pairs living in a state of hatred for each other though concealed from the world . . . .	100,000
Married pairs living in a state of coldness and indifference to each other . . . . .	50,000
Married pairs reputed happy in the esteem of the world . . . . .	10,000
Married pairs comparatively happy	500
Married pairs absolutely and entirely happy . . . . .	100
And that's the way it was in 1781!	

One lifelong rancher was asked what he would do with the money if he won the Arizona lottery. "Oh, I'd just keep on ranching until it was all gone," he said.

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The big trouble with people who believe only half of what they hear is that they usually believe the wrong half.

**READERS RETREAT**

We have on hand copies of a new hardcover book, "Sitapur Incident" by Capt. Paul Tobey. It has to do with the 1st Bn, 42d Chinese Regiment infiltrating Jap lines north of Myitkyina along with part of a 1st Bn, I&R, Lt. Adkins. Then the supporting F Company was ambushed and the Battalion was left to their own devices.

It is based on cryptic letters that he wrote home to his wife, Sarah. She kept them and after the War he supplemented them with other materials and his recollections. Authentic story! Cost \$20.

Order from me or buy one at the Charlotte, North Carolina Reunion. Limited printing. Don't wait till they are all gone!

**GENERAL ORDERS . . .** (Continued from page 6)

- DAVID S. BERGER, 32494933, Private First Class, Hq. Co., 3rd Bn., 2 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Brooklyn, New York.
- WILLIE (NMN) BOUTIN, 34155605, Private First Class, Co. E, wounded 29 March 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Lafayette, Louisiana.
- RAYMOND (NMN) BROWN, 34319560, Private First Class, Co. I, wounded 30 March 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Broadway, North Carolina.
- JOHN D. CHOPP, 36657573, Private First Class, Medics, 3rd Bn., wounded 6 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Lyons, Illinois.
- ROBERT E. CLATTERBUCK, 33127206, Private First Class, Co. E, wounded 30 March 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Culpepper, Virginia.
- GRADY B. CLAYBURN, 38285708, Private First Class, Hq. Co., 1st Bn, wounded 29 March 1944, south of Jambu Bum Pass, Burma. Hometown: Dallas, Texas.
- JOSEPH D. CLEMENT JR., 11088980, Private First Class, Hq. Co., 3rd Bn., wounded 8 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Lawrence, Massachusetts.
- RALPH B. COLLEY JR., 33214137, Private First Class, Hq. Co. 2nd Bn, wounded 29 March 1944, near Kamaing, Burma. Hometown: Saltville, Virginia.
- ROY E. CONAWAY, 13070057, Private First Class, Co. E, wounded 29 March 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Bayard, West Virginia.
- GEORGE (NMN) CRANSTON, 12032007, Private First Class, Co. F, wounded 3 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Woodside, Long Island.
- THOMAS J. CROSS, 35365918, Private First Class, Co. I, wounded 10 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Indianapolis, Indiana.
- RALPH H. CUMMINS, 39263742, Private First Class, Co. C, wounded 28 March 1944, south of Jambu Bum Pass, Burma. Hometown: South Laguna, California.
- VICTOR J. CZERWINSKI, 36262985, Private First Class, Co. F, wounded 30 March 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Wausau, Wisconsin. — 7 —

- DONALD P. DARCEY, 34154552, Private First Class, Hq. Co., 3rd Bn., wounded 8 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Houma, Louisiana.
- JOHN B. DARLING, 6980548, Private First Class, Co. I, wounded 7 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Catskill, New York.
- CLAUDE L. DAVIS, 36320357, Private First Class, Co. L, wounded 5 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Northome, Minnesota.
- JERRY DE MILIO, 32634657, Private First Class, Medics, 2nd Bn., wounded 3 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Ossining, New York.
- REESE (NMN) DRATTLLO, 38059869, Private First Class, Hq. Co., 2nd Bn., 3 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Sealy, Texas.
- THOMAS A. DUBOIS, 16014271, Private First Class, Co. E, wounded 28 March 1944, near Auche, Burma. Hometown: Port Huron, Michigan.
- JOSEPH G. EDWARDS, 33211828, Private First Class, Hq. Co., 2nd Bn., wounded 3 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Winston, Virginia.
- STANLEY (NMN) ERRIS, 36044864, Private First Class, Co. C, wounded 9 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Chicago, Illinois.
- HERBERT J. FAHR, 32635347, Private First Class, Medics, 2nd Bn., wounded 11 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Port Chester, New York.
- JACK E. FERGUSON, 15321034, Private First Class, Co. F, wounded 4 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Osage, West Virginia.
- PETER (NMN) FORTY, 12182121, Private First Class, Co. L, wounded 6 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Culbertson, Nebraska.
- MARTIN E. GARDNER, 33139150, Private First Class, Co. I, wounded 2 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Harpers Ferry, West Virginia.
- JULIUS (NMN) GOLDMAN, 36019331, Private First Class, Co. G, wounded 20 March 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Chicago, Illinois.
- FRANK L. GRAHAM, 20901551, Private First Class, Co. L, wounded 2 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Nice, California.
- JOHN J. GROSS JR., 20744927, Private First Class, Co. K, wounded 7 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Cleveland, North Dakota.
- ERVIN J. FRECKS, 37145549, Private First Class, Co. G, wounded 3 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Culbertson, Nebraska. — 8 —

- ALVIN (NMN) HARRELL, 34357608, Private First Class, Co. F, wounded 3 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Folkston, Georgia.
- CLYDE E. HAWKS, 37200739, Private First Class, Co. G, wounded 29 March 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Hume, Missouri.
- JOHN W. HENRY, 35129329, Private First Class, Hq. Co., 2nd Bn., wounded 3 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Crittenden, Kentucky.
- PETER L. HERVOYAVICH, 33405649, Private First Class, Co. L, wounded 8 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.
- FRANK J. HUS, 36524822, Private First Class, Hq. Co., 3rd Bn., wounded 8 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Pinconning, Michigan.
- JOSEPH P. HUTCHISON, 35401604, Private First Class, Co. F, wounded 30 March 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Columbus, Ohio.
- NICHOLAS L. INDELICATO, 33027621, Private First Class, Co. E, wounded 31 March 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Bristol, Pennsylvania.
- WILLIAM M. JEFFERSON, 34319742, Private First Class, Co. E, wounded 6 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Bath, North Carolina.

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RAYMOND W. JONES, 36002803, Private First Class, Hq. Co., 2nd Bn, wounded 3 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Waukegan, Illinois.

JOHN W. KAST, 32196444, Private First Class, Co. I, wounded 30 March 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Hamilton Beach, New York.

HENRY C. KING, 34428932, Private First Class, Hq. Co., 2nd Bn, wounded 3 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Water Valley, Mississippi.

MILTON (NONE) KOFF, 19099761, Private First Class, Hq. Co., 2nd Bn, wounded 2 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Hawthorne, California.

THEODORE I. LANGLOIS, 31170636, Private First Class, Co. F, wounded 4 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Putnam, Connecticut.

FACUNDO C. LEAL, 37341828, Private First Class, Co. G, wounded 29 March 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Springer, New Mexico.

JEAN P. LE BRUN, 20144705, Private First Class, Co. K, wounded 4 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Auburn, Maine.

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ARVIL (NMN) LEWIS, 35471481, Private First Class, Hq. Co., 3rd Bn, wounded 2 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Hydon, Kentucky.

ERNEST H. LEWIS, 34338456, Private First Class, Co. K, wounded 4 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Fayette, Alabama.

WILBER R. LITTLER, 37268696, Private First Class, Co. E, wounded 28 March 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Cass Lake, Minnesota.

BERNARD J. MARSHALL, 31112506, Private First Class, Hq. Co., 3rd Bn, wounded 8 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: West Barrington, Rhode Island.

ELBERT V. MC KINNEY, 38333411, Private First Class, Co. A, wounded 28 March 1944, near Shaduzup, Burma. Hometown: Sims, Arkansas.

PAUL V. MICHAEL, 15010345, Private First Class, Co. F, wounded 3 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Fayetteville, West Virginia.

JOHN R. MYERS, 20509123, Private First Class, Co. I, wounded 7 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Middletown, Ohio.

JOHN J. ONIE, 35423724, Private First Class, Co. G, wounded 3 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Shelby, Ohio.

ROBERT (NMN) OXENDINE, 34451527, Private First Class, Co. F, wounded 3 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Rowland, North Carolina.

NORMAN (NMN) PAGE, 11019972, Private First Class, Co. B, wounded 28 March 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: New Milford, Connecticut.

LEONARD G. PORATH, 35015322, Private First Class, Hq. Co., 3rd Bn., wounded 7 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Curtice, Ohio.

MONTIE H. POTTER, 34142334, Private First Class, Co. I, wounded 8 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Unicoi, Tennessee.

JOHN L. REED, 34384807, Private First Class, Hq. Co., 2nd Bn., wounded 3 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Belton, South Carolina.

ARTHUR J. RICHARDS JR., 33353539, Private First Class, Co. E, wounded 30 March 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Scranton, Pennsylvania.

JAMES F. RICHARDSON, 34378000, Private First Class, Co. E, wounded 6 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma, Hometown: Jacksboro, Tennessee.

JESS W. SCOTT, 6988926, Private First Class, Co. L, wounded 6 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Portsmouth, Ohio.

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JOHN W. SEEGARS, 34097016, Private First Class, Co. L, wounded 4 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Kershaw, South Carolina.

AMOS J. SMAHEL, 37212325, Private First Class, Hq. Co., 2nd Bn., wounded 28 March 1944, near Auche, Burma. Hometown: Hutchinson, Minnesota.

CREIGHT SMITH, 6985943, Private First Class, Co. F, wounded 8 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Zebulon, Kentucky.

JOHNNIE (NMN) SMITH, 34398554, Private First Class, Co. I, wounded 7 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Warrior, Alabama.

JAMES W. SPEARS, 34038775, Private First Class, Co. F, wounded 3 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Lenoir, North Carolina.

JAMES G. SPROAT, 36191542, Private First Class, Co. G, wounded 3 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Grand Rapids, Michigan.

JOHN T. SPURGEON, 34428924, Private First Class, Hq. Co., 2nd Bn., wounded 3 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Coffeeville, Mississippi.

EDWARD L. STIETZLE, 12014174, Private First Class, Co. G, wounded 6 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Brooklyn, New York.

ROBERT O. TAYLOR, 14151062, Private First Class, Co. F, wounded 30 March 1944, near Auche, Burma. Hometown: Star, Mississippi.

WALTER J. WALCZAK, 33184311, Private First Class, Hq. Co., 2nd Bn., wounded 6 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

CARROLL D. WALSH, 20710750, Private First Class, Co. L, wounded 5 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Bismarck, North Dakota.

OSCAR (NMN) WALTERS, 35123050, Private First Class, Hq. Co., 2nd Bn, wounded 9 April 1944, near Nhpum Ga, Burma. Hometown: Corbin, Kentucky.

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