



The Burman News



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Kissimmee Reunion

Another year and another reunion has come and gone. We missed many of you who did not make it for whatever reason. But those of us who did come - enjoyed the camaraderie. And some of us are getting a little touchy in our aging process. We had one post-reunion letter from Richard W. Hale, 475/3/1/HW/MG, 813-472-4590, expressing some thoughts about the Merrill's Marauders Association and how it is operated. We passed his letter on to the B/D members for their guidance. Have not heard from any of them since.

Friday night, we had an address by Ranger Duke Dushane, P/75, who is well-known in the Ex-Ranger Veterans Organizations. He presented a painting he had created of Roy Matsumoto to Roy. It was a very kind gesture on his part that was most appreciated.

The Saturday night banquet was as usual the best attended 359 men, women and children. Our guest speaker was Brigadier General Frank J. Toney, Jr., who is the Commanding General of Special Operations Command, MacDill AFB, Florida.

GENERAL BUSINESS MEETING, August 30, 1997, Kissimmee FL Ramada Plaza, Gateway Hotel, Salon 1, 51st Annual Reunion.

Called to order by President Philip Piazza at 12:45 PM.

ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS: Present: President Phil Piazza, Treasurer Herb Clofine, Executive Secretary Ray Lyons, Liaison Officer Dave Richardson, Historian Bob Passanisi, Historian Emeritus Dave Quaid and Chaplain Logan Weston.

READING OF MINUTES: Recommended that the reading of previous reunion minutes be dispensed with since everybody got a copy of them in the BURMAN NEWS. Accepted.

REPORTS: Reunion Chairman: Charles R. Ketcham - See you all again next year.

Treasurer: Herb Clofine.

Balance 8/21/96	\$ 7,979.82
Deposits	15,448.55
Interest	68.39
TOTAL	\$23,496.76
Less Checks	11,128.21
New Balance 8/22/97 .	12,368.55
Plus Executive Sec'y Account	427.45
	\$12,796.00

Merrill's Marauders 50th Reunion 1996 at Arlington, VA

Receipts	
Registration	\$ 5,248.00
Sales	7,925.00
	\$13,173.00
Expenses	
Hotel	442.60
Band	800.00
UPS	187.73
Misc.	5.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$1,435.33
GROSS INCOME	\$11,737.67

Motion by George Rose to accept Treasurer's Report. Seconded and approved.

Executive Secretary: Ray Lyons
Donations received at this year's reunion.

Thursday	\$1,305.00
Friday	2,051.00
Saturday	327.00
TOTAL	\$3,683.00

Last year's donations at reunion \$5,098.00
Expenses year to date 4,370.06
Last year's expenses 5,055.99
Expenses include postage, stationery, Burman News printing, mailing, book purchases, etc.
Sent out 424 pieces of mail + 5,238 copies of the B/N.

Balance in Exec. Sec'y Account \$ 427.45
Compared to last year \$211.04

We still have the ability to compile copies of Col. Hunter's book, "Galahad" - cost \$30.00. Also can re-print copies of the B/N going back to the first ones printed. Cost: 20 cents per page.

Membership Totals:
Regular members - 1,407
Honorary members - 366

As you may recall, the VFW did not want to use our reunion notice unless I was a dues paying member of their organization. I heard from Emma Piazza that they called
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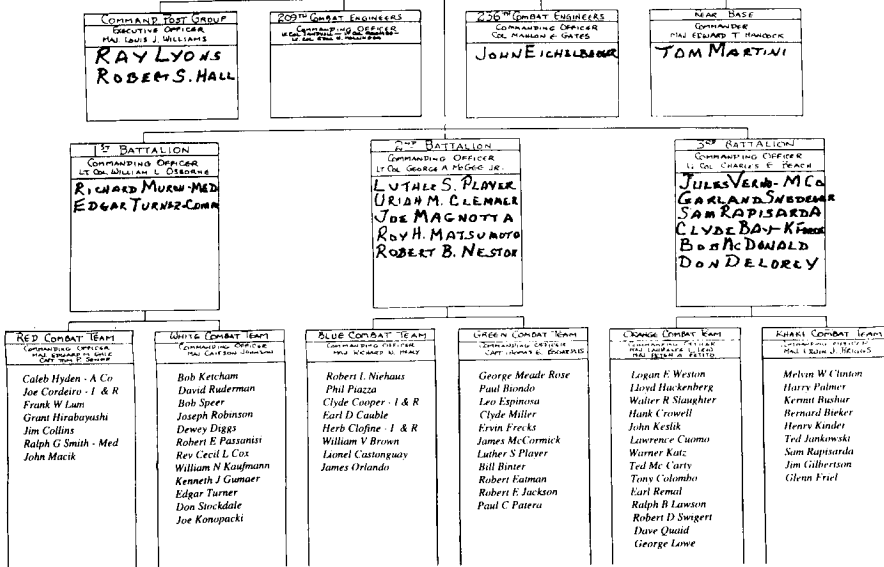
Military Intelligence Hall of Fame Ceremony, Ft. Huachuca, Arizona. L-R Harry Akuno, Grant Hirabayashi, Roy Matsumoto, Col. Harry Fukuhara, Phil Piazza.

INDIA-BURMA CAMPAIGN
(1ST CAMPAIGN)

5307TH COMPOSITE UNIT (PROV)
COMMANDING GENERAL - BRIG GEN THOMAS F. PERAZZILLI
SECOND IN COMMAND - COL. CHARLES W. HUNTER

RAY LYONS - HQ
JACK POKRESS - HQ PHOTO
DAVE RICHARDSON - YANK
JOHN D. GRIFFIN - FA DET

51ST REUNION
KISSIMMEE, FL
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them to complain to Phil about the large number of complaints that they had gotten. One of our members, Ken Gumaer, wrote to them stating that he was a dues paying member and was designating me to be his representative. They sent me his letter without any comment as to their acceptance of his proposal. But we will try that next year.

Audit Committee: The committee consisted of Bob Ketcham, Roy Matsumoto and Phil Piazza. Satisfactory result of examination of financial records of Executive Secretary and the Treasurer.

Military Liaison Officer: Dave Richardson.

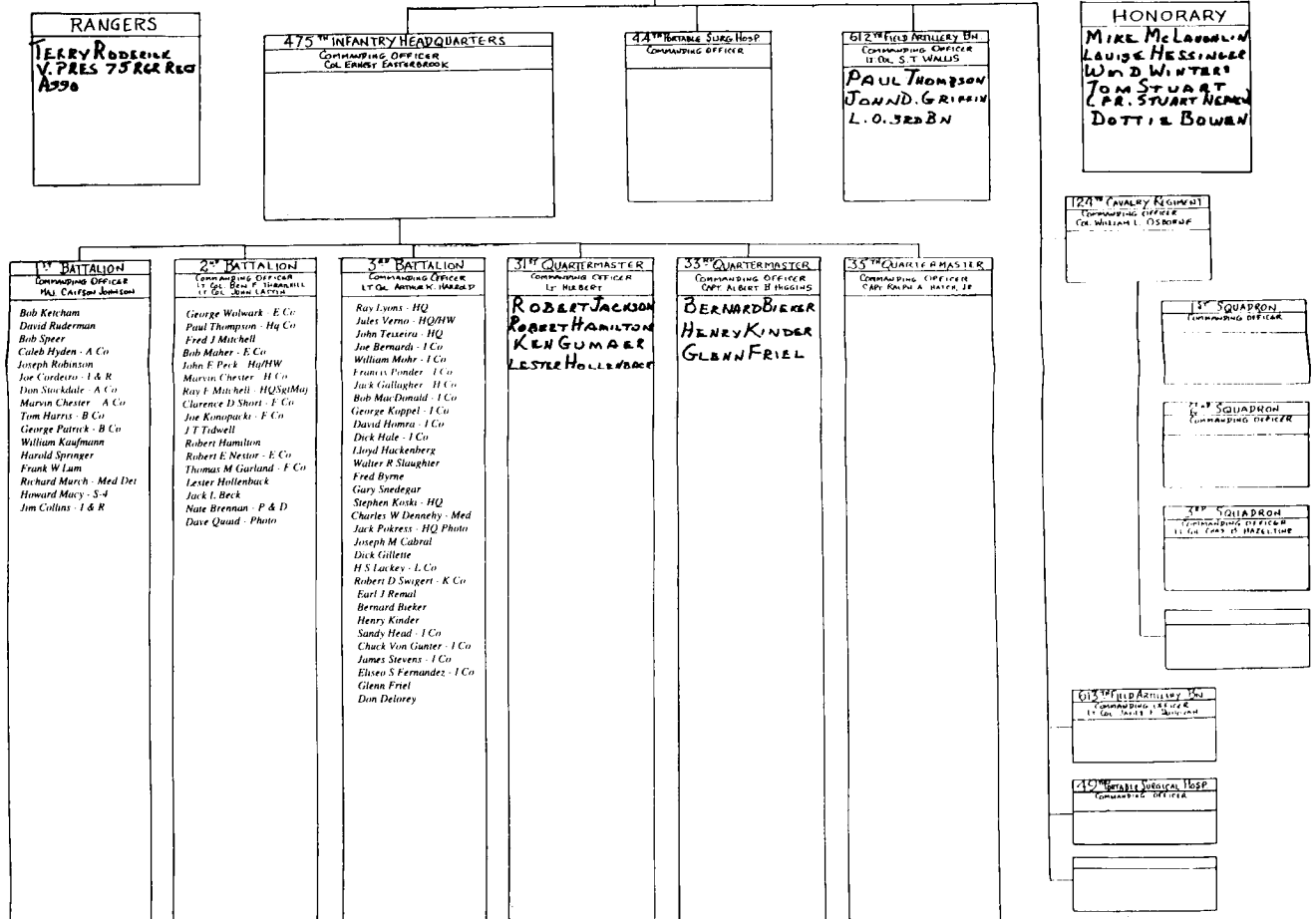
Attended the Ranger Hall of Fame Ceremony in which Don Delorey was awarded the Hall of Fame Medal, the first member of the New Galahad to be so honored.

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CENTRAL BURMA CAMPAIGN
(2ND CAMPAIGN)

MARS TASK FORCE
33RD BRIGADE HEADQUARTERS
COMMANDING OFFICER
BRIG. GEN. JOHN P. WILLEY

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He had been awarded the Distinguished Service Cross, two Silver Stars, Bronze Star, three Purple Hearts. Henry Goshu was also posthumously awarded the Ranger Hall of Fame Medal. He was a S/Sgt. with the I & R Platoon of the 3rd Bn, 5307.

Grant Hirabayashi was awarded the Distinguished Member of the Regiment award. Three of our members have been recipients of this honor.

The new chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff has commented that he has admired the 5307th since he was a boy.

Historian Emeritus: Dave Quaid

Still working on project, the exhibit which was requested by the People's Republic of China. Stilwell's old headquarters is now the Stilwell Museum, which was opened by Nancy Stilwell Easterbrook. At that time, she asked, "Where is my Father's Infantry?" As a result, we have been visited by high level representatives from China about this upcoming exhibit. The exhibit will open at 6 PM on November 10 in the Doric Hall of the Massachusetts State House. It will be there until November 21. Then it will be moved to the Milwaukee War Memorial Bldg in Wisconsin and then to the Hoover Institute at Stanford University at Palo Alto, California. At this time, it is anticipated that the Secretary of Defense Cohen will attend the opening reception. Invitations to be present will be sent out by Suffolk University.

Historian: Bob Passanisi.

Starting a Home Page on the Internet, going through the Ranger procedure.

President: Phil Piazza

During the past year, I have made 38 trips to Ranger, Special Forces affairs. The Merrill's Marauders Association gives a Kukri Knife to the Best Ranger Competition - NCO and Enlisted Man each Battalion, Regiment Brigade. Also giving on behalf of Jack Benfield, a Kukri award to the Clemson University ROTC each year. Jack was an ROTC graduate of Clemson. The Ranger Olympics competition is scheduled for the last weekend in April. The Ranger Rendezvous and Hall of Fame Award is held annually with a barbecue dinner on Saturday night. These are both affairs worth

attending. However, if money problems make it a choice of which to attend, I recommend coming to the Marauder Reunion. We have added an Honorary Member, Mike McLaughlin, to the Board of Directors. He was voted in out of three nominees which included two women.

Old Business: None

New Business: None

Election of Officers: Nominations - for President, Phil Piazza. No objections, unanimously elected. For Executive Secretary, Ray Lyons. No objections, unanimously elected. George Rose proposed from the floor that all present officers be reelected. Motion for the secretary to cast one vote for the entire slate.

Reunion Site: Phil Piazza

We have three proposals. Biloxi, MS, is off the list. Tony Bushur is presenting Site #1. He is presenting this on behalf of Allan Hines and Hoffman. The Holiday Inn Motel, Springfield, MO. It is nine stories high. The proposal is for August 1st, 2nd thru the 3rd. This is the date for a Victory Celebration of the Fall of Myitkyina. There is a problem with the State liquor law. Missouri is a dry state. The package rate for two person, two nights, four meals, including tips and gratuities, \$267.00. The package rate for one person is \$102.30. Extra night charge is \$63.50. There are two major airlines into Springfield. Free Shuttle to hotel. Restaurants nearby. Branson, MO, is 35 miles away.

Phil Piazza presenting Site #2. He is presenting the Huntsville Hilton, Huntsville, AL, up in the

mountains. Airlines available. The package rate for two persons, two nights, four meals is \$297.00. The rate for one person is \$205.00. Extra nights charge - \$55 for single, \$59 double.

Sam Rapisarda representing Site #3. He is suggesting the Radisson Hotel, Cincinnati, OH. It is near the airport. The package rate for two persons, two nights, four meals will be \$290.00. The rate for one person is \$225.00. Extra nights before and after package rate \$69.00. Breakfast on Saturday and Sunday. Banquets on Friday and Saturday nights. One hour cocktail party, Saturday night, open bar. Tea and cookies for spouses Friday afternoon reception. Free parking. There is a shuttle bus a block away from the hotel that takes senior citizens into town and the shopping malls for only 35 cents. Directions to the hotel: From Kentucky - Take I-75 north to I-275 west to Exit 48, then follow the hotel signs. From Indiana - Take I-275 east to Exit 4 Right, then follow hotel signs. At this time, the hotel intends to provide registration cards for us to mail to everyone. They do not want to use the 800 number for registrations. Their local phone number is 606-371-6166. FAX 606-371-9863.

Vote:

Site #1 Springfield, MO by Tony Bushur - 27.

Site #2 Huntsville, AL by Phil Piazza - 26.

Site #3 Cincinnati, OH by Sam Rapisarda - 57.

Cincinnati awarded the reunion for 1998. Same Labor Day weekend. Meeting adjourned 2:10 PM.

FALL IN - Here are the latest additions to our assembly.

Remember them? Get in touch.

ROY BOATMAN, 187 Paddle Wheel Rd., Fayetteville, NC 28314-0332;

Ranger N/75.

DUKE DU SHANE, 4085 Harris Rd., Ellerslie, GA 31807-5819;

Ranger P/75.

CLAYTON E. HALL, 402 Grandview Dr., Granbury, TX 76049-5703; 5307.

HARVEY W. JOHNSON, RR 1, Box 67, Montgomery, PA 17752-9801, 717-547-2114; 475/3/L Co.

ARVIL E. MONHOLLON, RR 3, Box 191A, Stanton, KY 42302, 606-663-4383; 475/3/I Co.

ROBERT G. PERRY, PO Box 212, Kaycee, WY 82639-0212, 307-738-2242; 5307/1/WCT.

JOHN K. REED, 800 N 15th St., Mexico Beach, FL 32456-6102; 5307/1; 475/3/L/3 Platoon.

ALTON H. SHAW, Box 4070, Eupora, MS 39744; 5307/1/A Co.; 475/1/A Co.

RICHARD I. SMITH, 513 N Lakeside Dr., Andover, KS 67002-9777, 316-686-3538; 5307.

JAMES C. WARMAN, 8611 Coran Dr., Cincinnati, OH 45255, 513-474-2123; 475/3/I Co.

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Art Wilson diary 1st plat A Co. and P&D plat, HQ Co. 1st Bn 475th Infantry Regiment—Central Burma campaign, 18 Nov 1944

Date:		Map Miles
Feb 2	Artillery above moved. Maybe the Nips will lay off his area now. Not that it makes much diff, word is that 1st Bn will attack tomorrow in Bn strength 2d Bn has not as yet been able to take Loi-Kang. Some good news. Col Osborne, with 2 howtzrs from A btry 613 FA and a rifle plat from the 124th Cav, got within 1000 yds of the Jap 150, knocked it out with direct hits.	0
3	Attack at 0600 preceeded by massed fire from our 75s, 81 & 4.2 mortars Interesting time. Section was detailed to bird dog Col Johnson, keep out of his way but make sure no Jap got to him. Somebody should have told him. He was everywhere, one active man! Took Loi-Kang, one man KIA, 4 wounded. Remaining Japs retreated into a ravine. They were destroyed by 37mm AT cannister fire. Got two holes through fatigue jacket, but lost no skin. Consolidated with 2d Bn psn this AM after wiping out few remaining Japs N of Loi-Kang. 8 Japs with MG had been left to hold while other Nips pulled out (except those trapped in ravine). Those 8 didn't last long either. Area turned over to 2d Bn. We went back near old area and put in new trail block to cut off any fleeing Japs trying to work south. Chinese now just 6 miles north of us, moving south. We, the anvil, they the hammer.	0
5	Back in old psn. We patrol to B Co psn every 2 hours. Took the 0700 and 0900 patrols. Saw no Japs. Killed a beef. Whole plat had steaks and roasts tonight. Some wise guy called me the Burma Butcher. Japs still shelling us, but now only with 77's. Sic Col Osborne on them!	0
6	Took 1100 and 1300 patrols. More Xmas package filled with goodies. Also some B rations and 10-in-1s. Japs low on 77 ammo? Only 46 rounds today	0
7	Same position. No patrols. Played pinochle. No more 77s. Japs now using a 47mm AT with HE rounds. Deadly little bastard. Can't hear it coming.	0
8	Same psn. Two patrols today. Saw one Jap. He was fast on his feet. Three of us snapfired at him. We all missed! Our artillery claims to have gotten the last 77, but that dirty little 47AT is still murderous. Next!	0
9	Same psn. Patrols penetrated Jap psn and wiped out that 47mm AT. Hallelujah! Chinese are now but one half mile north of us. It's almost over.	0
10	Moved into Nan Mau valley. Set up in paddy field. Chinese moving thru us in pursuit of Japs. They have 155s and are shelling Nips transport moving south on old Burma Road, now open now as far as ManSak, 4 miles north of South Mong-yu.	3
11	In paddy field. Rained like hell last night. Muddy, miserable, stinking paddy field. Only flat ground in all of northern Burma is paddy fields! Tomorrow we build mule corrals for our jug eared peers.	0
12	Built corral. Lt Gen Dan Sultan showed to review the troops. Now I know the shooting is over. The brass show up. Complimented us on a good job and went back to Delhi, or wherever the big shots shack up.	0
13	Built rifle range. Taylor, Jacobs and I should be the first to initiate it after that patrol episode when we all missed that Jap.	0
14	Col Caifson Johnson took 1st Bn to top of Loi-Kang Hill and gave resume of	0

(Art Wilson Diary concluded on page 5)

- what each plat and Co. had done in the attack. Saw Jap dugouts we had tried tried to take before the 4.5 rockets arrived to blast them loose. Looking down on where we were, I wondered why they hadn't killed us all. Would have been a different story if we were up here and Japs were attacking. Even so, sure made me say a prayer of thanks to those guys with their 4.5s. Col J gave us "Lessons" of the attack. We are blessed with a fine Bn CO. None better. 0**
- 15 Orientatlon this AM. Saw truck convoy moving north on Burma Road. Took Jap PW to Honau for interrogation. He was one miserable little specimen. 0**
- 16 Word is Chinese are pushing retreating Nips toward Lashio. Big tank battle. Chinese now in Kutkai. We now have movies, meat and B rations. 0**
- 18 Lord Louis Mountbatten reviewed us today. Same old bullshit. He must have read the orations of Julius Caesar. The way he was going on, I expected him to order us to clash shields and yell, "Ave, Imperator". Broiling sun. Several guys passed out. Rumor is that we will soon load on C-47s for China. 0**

537 miles

OFFICERS ROW

PRESIDENT - Phil Piazza

This past year has been a very hectic, but fruitful one, with my attending 38 functions, representing the Marauders, with talks given at Officer's Professional Development Seminars at Camp Merrill, Ft. Benning and Savannah, GA. I also attended numerous balls, and at Christmastime was the guest of the Fifth Special Forces, 101st Airborne Ball. They had a terrific display of Marauder pictures and memorabilia at the Ball, and I was treated royally. We present Kukris to the Ranger Honor Graduates, as well as the Non-Command Enlisted Man of the Year, and at an Awards Ceremony at Clemson University. I have been presenting a Kukri at the ROTC in honor of our former treasurer, Jack Benfield, who is a 1941 graduate of Clemson. He meant so much to our group, as did Dave Hurwitt, our former executive secretary. Since returning from the reunion, I was the guest speaker at the Officer Candidate Dining In, and have just been asked to speak at Ft. Benning on Sept. 25th to the Long Range Surveillance Unit graduates at Brigade HQ. As you can see, amongst the Rangers, our members are held in high esteem. I wish that all of you could attend some of these functions to see that. And, all these Rangers are hungry for factual information on our campaign. The Best Ranger Competition will be held the first week in May next year, and the Ranger Rendezvous and Hall of Fame Ceremony will be

held August 18-21st, with Col. Anderson's Change of Command winding it up. We always have a good turnout at these events, and anyone wishing to go, contact me, and I will personally send you the information. Once again, if it is a question of finances, I still would prefer that you attend the reunion in Cincinnati. I am flying out there in a few weeks to meet with the Hotel, and Sam Rapisarda, to go over the minute details. I hope that those of you who attended in Florida had a good time. I think that we were blessed by two excellent speakers on Friday night and Saturday night. I thought that Ranger Duke Dushane and Brigadier General Frank Toney gave wonderful talks. We are certainly appreciative of them taking the time from their very busy schedules to honor us with their appearance.

Executive Secretary - Ray Lyons

Art Wilson, 475/1/A/Platoon Sgt. is still involved in selling his book about the Korean War, **FACES OF WAR, KOREAN VIGNETTES**, \$21 + \$4 postage and handling. But, he now has an 800 number for book orders. 1-800-433-4617.

A new book about MULES is out. Uriah Clemmer providing the following information: Dr. Emmett Essin, has written, "SHAVETALES & BELL SHARPS, THE HISTORY OF THE U.S. ARMY MULE." The book chronicles the mule's journey with American soldiers from the

Second "Seminole War of 1835-42 through the Korean War in the 1950's. The book is available for \$37.50 from East Tennessee State University's bookstore or the University of Nebraska Press at 1-800-775-1105.

Those of you who were at the reunion know that we did not get delivery (UPS) of the new Directories. We think you would like to know that they were delivered on Wednesday, a week late, to the wrong address in Kissimmee. The printer asked UPS to pick them up and redeliver them to me at my home. And, UPS loused that up also. They shipped them back to the printer in IOWA and he had to repack and ship them again to me at Phoenix. They and the reunion books all arrived on Wed 9/10. So we have mailed a copy to all who were on our reunion list. If you do not get them by now, let me know and we will take care of it.

Father Stuart's nephew, Thomas Stuart, Larchmont, NY, showed up at the reunion. Address is shown in new section, "Carrying the Torch."

LOST, STRAYED, STOLEN

Burman News copies returned by Postal Service for some reason to these men at addresses shown:

ROLAND M. FLETCHER, 4708 E Dixie Garden Dr., Holiday, FL 34690.

JAMES F. MC GUIRE, 4542 E Timrod St., Tucson, AZ 85711.

COL. KEITH NIGHTINGALE, Ventura, CA.

LETTERS TO EDITOR**EDITOR**

I was a member of Mars Task Force, 475/HQ/COMM SEC, from the end of 1944. I helped lead a mule from Myitkyina to the Burma Road. Encountered the Japanese there.

It's strange that I took my Basic Training at Aberdeen Proving Ground, Maryland, and was given an Auto Mechanic MOS in the Ordnance. When I got to Dibrugarh, India, I was sent through Cryptography school and given a Crypto (Code Clerk) MOS — in the Signal Corps.

I told the outfit that I did not know Infantry and that I did not know or had ever been around mules. Also, I was only a Marksman in Rifle shooting. Their reply was, "You are perfect for the Infantry, and will love our mules."

Needless to say, I didn't become fond of either one. But, they said, I was perfect, so what the heck. At 18, I didn't know much.

The 69th General Hospital rescued me with a bad dose of scrub typhus.

A perfect Infantryman — I served the next 17-1/2 years in the Air Force to retirement. Edgar C. Van Zandt, 1517 Eastern, Stillwater, OK 74074, 372-0951.

EDITOR

This is to inform you of the death of my husband, Thomas A. Shriver, 5307/2/BCT. He died suddenly of a massive coronary attack at his home, on April 2, 1997.

He did not participate in the march to Myitkyina, as he became ill and was put in a British hospital with hookworm and malaria. However, when they needed men to hold the airfield, he was among the many ambulatory patients who were flown to the airfield to hold it. He again had fever and was flown back to the hospital after a few days.

He was never certain just where the hospital was; we would be interested in knowing of anyone in the association who could answer that.

We have also been unsuccessful in an effort to locate one of his buddies, Stephen S. Rogasky, from Philadelphia, PA. Anyone know anything about Stephen? We even named our second son after him. Josephine A. Shriver, 5787 Del Haven Rd., Bangor, PA 18013.

EDITOR

I was both a member of the 5307th and the 475/3/L/3 Platoon. Col. Hunter was our commander in the first campaign. Left USA from Riverside, CA. Took basic at Ft. Riley, KS, Horse Cavalry in July 44. Remember Camp Landis, Myitkyina, Bhamo and Lashio. John K. Reed, 800 N 15th St., Mexico Beach, FL 32456-6102.

EDITOR

I can't say whether I qualify as a member of your famous Merrill's Marauders. After you read the following recollections, maybe you can tell me.

I landed in India in the early spring of 1944, after my basic training in the Horse Cavalry at Ft. Riley, KS. Arriving in Calcutta, I was given a course to train me to be a radio operator. Upon completion, I along with several plane loads of other US Army Troopers were flown to Myitkyina to join the remnants of Merrill's Marauders and establish a camp at Myitkyina.

I don't recall what outfit I was in. I do remember I was told we were in a "bastard" outfit. I think it was

the 475th. After Myitkyina was secure, we went on to Bhamo and Lashio on the way south. We were on the way to Rangoon or Mandalay. Instead we flew to Kunming, where six of us were sent to a Chinese Army to be a communication squad to report to our HQ in Kunming. The Chinese Army or Battalion, it was not a large force, went behind the Japanese lines. I felt like I walked over every damn mountain in China. I believe I've been in villages where they had never seen a white person before. We must have been very effective because Chiang Kai-shek gave the Chinese Army unit that I was with the honor of taking over Shanghai. We flew in on the 16th or 17th of August. I don't remember all the dates and campaigns that I was in as all of my notes and personal effects were lost when I was shipped to the island which is now known as Taiwan (Formosa). I spent about four weeks on Taiwan before being shipped back to Shanghai from where I was sent back to the USA, arriving in San Diego Dec. 10, 1945. Robert L. Cayll, 958 22nd Pl., Vero Beach, FL 32960-5106.

Carrying the Torch!

Torch Carriers some new and some old. This will be a new feature of B/N

MRS. LAVELLE AVERY, 1211 Pine Av SW, Live Oak, FL 32060-4025.

MRS. DOROTHY BALDWIN, 5403 Pekin Rd., Mount Gilead, NC 27306-8513, Widow/Henry.

MRS. DOTTIE BOWEN, 1747 NE 17th St., Ocala, FL 34470-4603.

Dtr/Seabrook.

CECIL COX, PO Box 171, Newcastle, OK 73065-0171, Son/Cecil.

LINDA CUNNINGHAM, 2707 Mountain Green Trl., Kingwood, TX 77345-2214, Dtr/Larry Stephenson

WILLIAM D'AGOSTINO, 7 Perry Rd., Auburndale, MA 02166-1617.

HENRY ELLRICH, 3424 Saint Ignatius Ln, Saint Ann, MO 63074-2628.

LEONARD ESPINOSA, 2708 Pine St., Saginaw, MI 48604-2430; Son/Leo

MRS. MARIE F. FORTIN, 2666 San Medina Av., Dallas, TX 75228-3116, 328-1078, Widow/Maurice.

EARL A. HARRIS, 654 Andover Rd., Newtown Sq. 19073-1412, 2nd Troop Carrier Squadron

DAVID W. LOWE, 1910 Biltmore St, NW, Washington, DC 20009-1510, Son/George.

MICHAEL McLAUGHLIN, 2037 Churchill Dr., Anchorage, AK 99517-1311, 907-274-1189, Son of Captain John. Member of MM Board of Directors 1997.

NADINE MAHON, 102 Law St., Darlington, SC 29532-3912.

EVELYN STEPHENSON, 2606 Topsy Rd., Lake Charles, LA 70611-5726, 318-433-4722, Dtr/Larry.

THOMAS J. STUART, 23 Bonnett Av., Larchmont, NY 10538-3204, Nephew/Father Stuart.

ROBERT SYVERTSEN, 155 Thomas Rd., Port Lyden, NY 13433, 315-942-5483, Grandson/Col. Combs.

CAROL COMBS SYVERTSEN, 8 Dutcher Av, Pawling, NY 12564-1309, Sister/Col. Combs.

MRS. HARRY TURNER, PO Box 321, Gambrills, MD 21054-0321, Widow

WILLIAM D. WINTERS, 6826 Avenida Cala, Rohnert Park, CA 94928-3586, 707-795-3035, Son/Arthur.

Rest in Peace

The Right Reverend Monsignor Edward R. Glavin, has left this earth and his many friends. Born on 24 October, 1912, in Albany, NY. Died 12 June, 1997, in St. Peter's Hospital, Albany, NY. He had a remarkable career. He was a graduate of Georgetown University and the American College in Rome. He also had three graduate degrees from Roman Universities. He was ordained into the Priesthood 8 December, 1935, in Rome. He was the Superior of the Graduate House of the American College in Rome from 1946 to 1960. In 1960, he became the Principal of St. Mary's Institute in Amsterdam, appointed Pastor of St. Mary's Church in 1964.

In the Military, he served as chaplain with the 475th and 124th Cavalry in Burma. In China, he served with the Chinese Combat Command and later with the Shanghai Base Command. He was

a trustee of the Montgomery County Historical Society and President of the Amsterdam Clergy Association. For 40 years, he was editor of the American College in Rome Alumni newspaper and for many years was chairman of the

Executive Committee of the Alumni Association of the American College.

In addition, he was active in many, many other organizations throughout his lifetime. He will be missed by all.

PASS IN REVIEW

Deaths Reported Recently

Name and Hometown (where known), Organization Where, When Deceased

- ROBERT BARRETT**, Gastonia, NC; 5307, Deceased 1994
PAUL K. BERGMANN, 12012 W Scherrei Dr., Franklin, WI 53132-1626; 5307/2/BCT, September 18, 1997.
SEABROOK BOWEN, 1747 NE 17th St., Ocala, FL 34470-4603; 475/1C, July 10, 1997. @ Dtr Suzette Gibson
JOHN E. CLARK, Box 420, Windsor, VT 05089; 5307/3 OCT/I&R, May 2 1997.
FURRILL R. CORDER, 4973 Millers Creek Rd., Pikeville, KY 41501, 606-432-2670; 5307; 475/HQ. Around 1994 @ Son Kenneth
IGNAZIO "TONY" DESCISCILO, 33180 Booth St., Lake Elsinore, CA 92530; 5307/1, March 14, 1997, Widow.
RICHARD W. DUDGEON, 10030 Timberlane Way, Santee, CA 92071-1626; 5307, March 3, 1996.
EGIDIO FRED FEDERIGHI, 2915 Nolana Ct., Antelope, CA 95843; 5307/3/L Co., February 19, 1997.
LARRY FURLAN, 7011 Falls Reach Dr. #102, Falls Church, VA 22043; 5307/2/F Col, 475/Hq Co., August 28, 1996.
MSGR EDWARD R. GLAVIN, 156 E Main St., Amsterdam, NY 12010, 518-842-4500. Chaplain, 475/HQ, 124th Cavalry/3 Troop, June 21, 1997.
GORDON GRIFFITH, 204 9th Ave North, Twin Falls, ID 83301-6354, 208-734-7035; 475/3/I Co., April 15, 1997.
DEWEY GUNTER, Box 99B, HC 78, Lerona, WV 25971, 304-384-7419; 5307/3/KCT/I Co., 1996, @ Widow
NORMAN JANIS, PO Box 653, Kyle, SD 57752-0653; 5307/3/OCT/I&R Platoon, June 21, 1997.
CHARLES C. JOYCE, 8155 Woodgate Ct., Greendale, WI 53129-1067; 5397/3/I Co., July 8, 1997, son John.
CHARLES "FRANK" KNAPP, 7130 Salt Creek Hwy, Casper, WY 82601-9611; 5307/1/WCT/MSGT; 475/1, March 25, 1997, @ Widow.
LORIMER J. KNOLL, 3512 West 89th St., Bloomington, MN 55431, 831-6242; 5307/209/Co C, May 1, 1997.
J. LEO LAFERRIERE, 4 Brisbane Dr., Charleston, SC 29407, 803-763-6763; 5307/3/OCT, June 1997.
JOHN R. LOHR, 20 Chestnut St., Spotswood, NJ 08884-2102, 201-251-3152; 475/612/B Batt., May 4, 1997.
VERNON L. PEARSALL, 4717 Benner St., Philadelphia, PA 19135, 215-332-1875; 5307/236, July 6, 1997.
RICHARD D. POWELL, 75 Simmons St., Rochester, NY 14606, 716-383-1373; 5307, 475, February 19, 1997.
CLARENCE J. RAINEY, 1245 W Elredge Rd., Pocatello, ID 83201, 237-1554; 5307/3/OCT, July 24, 1997. @ Dtr Pietra.
THOMAS A. SHRIVER, 5787 Del Haven Rd., Bangor, PA 18013; 5307/2/BCT, April 2, 1997.
WILBERT L. SOULE, 2909 Salado Tr., Ft. Worth, TX 76118; 5307/2/Co. E, July 19, 1997. @ Brother.
HENRY W. SPIELMAN, 4301 Belle Grove Rd., Baltimore, MD 21225-2632; 4475/3/L Co., November 1996.
COL. DANIEL E. STILL, 641 Old Liberty Rd., Sykesville, MD 21784; Training Officer/Operations Officer, 5307, Co. K Force, Myitkyina, June 7, 1997.
ROBERT E. VAN ALLEN, 3390 Arnett Ct., Westerville, OH 43081; 5307/3/I Co., 1993
LAWRENCE L. WATHEN, 411 Elm St., Rockport, IN 47635, 812-649-4138; 5307/2/BCT/B/4, September 2, 1997.

LETTERS TO EDITOR

EDITOR

3/29/97. It's that time again to count years from the liberation. It has been a long time but the memories are as vivid as if the events happened yesterday. Use the enclosed notation as you see fit. As I look back at my handwriting, I wonder, first of all, if you are able to read it. Then I wonder if I am still certified to teach the Palmer Method of Writing as I once was. Alas - time and Parkinson's disease has done its worst. Phil Christner, 499 Darwin Dr, Cheektowaga, NY 14225, 5307/2/I&R Platoon Sgt.

EDITOR

Seeking SEABORN OWENS, Platoon Sgt. of 1st Platoon, Company E, 475th Infantry, in February 1945, on Loi Kang Ridge, or any information of his whereabouts. He was originally from Texas. Also seeking anyone of 1st Platoon, Company E who served with this company on Loi Kang Ridge, and especially who was on this trail block action of 2/3 Feb 1943. Appreciate any information as to names of these participants, location, address, phone number, etc., and whether still living. Send to W. B. Woodruff, Jr., PO Box 515, Decatur, TX 76234-0515, phone 940-627-3745.

Ranger Column

Fifth Annual Ranger Hall of Fame

On June 19, 1997, the following members of the Merrill's Marauders Association were inducted into the Ranger Hall of Fame.

CAPTAIN DONALD W. DELOREY, entered the Army on 2 June, 1941. After completing Basic Training at Camp Wheeler, GA, he attended Infantry OCS at Ft. Benning, GA. He then volunteered to fight with Merrill's Marauders in the China-Burma-India Theater of Operations.

On 29 July, 1944, he was the platoon leader of a machine gun platoon attached to Company K, 5307th, in action near Sitapur, Burma. Machine gun fire from the right flank of the company held up its advance. After the leader of the right platoon was killed, Lieutenant Delorey, although wounded, went forward at great risk to his life and using a sub-machine gun, killed the enemy machine gun crew. This action allowed the company to continue to advance. Lt. Delorey secured the right of the line until a defensive perimeter was established. He was sent to the rear that night for medical care, but returned to action the following morning and led his platoon with skill and daring until he was wounded a second time and forced to leave the field. Lt. Delorey's gallant actions were an inspiration to all his comrades and

reflect great credit upon himself and the U. S. Armed Forces.

Captain Delorey was awarded the Distinguished Service Cross, two Silver Stars, Bronze Star, three Purple Hearts, Combat Infantryman's Badge and numerous campaign ribbons. He retired from the U. S. Army on 26 April, 1947.

STAFF SERGEANT HENRY GOSHO, was a member of the I & R Platoon, 3rd Bn, 5307th CUP. Staff Sergeant repeatedly exposed himself to extreme danger by infiltrating the Japanese perimeter and listening to the Japanese officers giving their orders. He was able to return to his platoon and inform his commanding officer of what was going to happen, so they were well prepared for any attack. He was fired on so many times by machine guns, that he was nicknamed "Horizontal Hank" for the number of times he had hit the ground.

Prior to his enlistment, Staff Sergeant Gosho and his family, including his pregnant wife, were forcibly relocated from their home in Seattle, Washington, to a Japanese Internment Camp in Idaho. Even under these circumstances, he volunteered to fight for his country.

The intelligence that he repeatedly received was largely responsible for the success of his unit. He was seriously wounded, lost a kidney, and suffered innumerable attacks of malaria, typhus, and jungle rot, and was medically dis-

charged from the Army. Staff Sergeant Gosho is the recipient of the Bronze Star, Purple Heart, Presidential Unit Citation, Combat Infantryman's Badge and numerous campaign ribbons.

After the war, he was the first Japanese-American to be selected by the State Department, and served brilliantly for 17 years until retirement. In 1954, he entered the U.S. Foreign Service and was assigned to the Public Affairs Office at the American Embassy in Tokyo, Japan. In this position, he was very instrumental in cementing relations between the United States and Japan during a period when it was crucial to the success of U. S. activities in Japan.

Other Inductees in 1997

Ranger Battalion Association WW II: LTC Richard P. Sullivan and PFC William E. Anderson.

Ranger Infantry Companies (ABN) of the Korean War: LTC Charles G. Ross and Maj. Warren E. Allen.

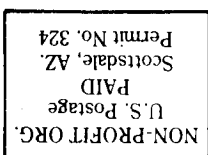
United States Army Ranger Association, Inc: Col. Herman W. Dammer and Col. Lewis L. Millet.

75th Ranger Regiment Association, Inc. (LRRP): Col. John P. Lawton and SSG Cyrille J. "Duke" Dushane.

25th Infantry Division: 1st Lt. Stephen H. Doane.

75th Ranger Regiment: Col. Robert B. Nett and CSM Mariano R. C. Leon-Guerrero.

101st Airborne Division (AASLT): CSM William T. Mixon.



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