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Attention! Ready Exercise! EXERCISE!!

Who can forget the stimulating Call to Reveille quickly followed by the detested command captioned above? Boy, what a delightful one-two punch to shake off the early morn cobwebs - and then to make absolutely certain the guts were sufficiently churned up for a nutrituous messkit load of s... on s...., the invigorating double-timed formation into the breakfast chow line by some stripe-happy, eager corporal. a now laughable memory of days long past for many - and a reminder to all, getting back to the business at hand, that now is the time to commence exercising, by the numbers if need be, ways and means for making Reunion No. 12. ing sat in on several meetings, your Company Clerk posts notice herewith to the effect the various committee chairmen under the direction of Maj Frank E. LaBelle, President, and Sgt Maj Charles E. "Chuck" Nault, Vice-pres., worked out the basics for "Ishpeming Bridge" during the winter months and are now well into the heavy construction phase of the operation. Work details functioning as separate units are diligently working on their assigned missions including the "abutments and placing, anchoring and bracing timber bents" into final position. several work parties will jointly lay "stringers and bolt same to trestle caps" whereupon the individual components will be linked into a solidly constructed structure - meaning of course the intricate yet substantial framework for the upcoming Ishpeming reunion. The finishing touches such as "decking, guard rails and approaches" will have the "bridge" operational well before the August 3-4 deadline when the convoys will converge on the Ishpeming armory - which incidently is a dandy! Dedicated in 1961, it is a beautiful military edifice that serves as home station for Headquarters and portions of Hq Co, 107th Engineer N.G. Bn. The armory is located on Hwy. US-41 so no sweat there whether driving in from the east or west. Just kidding about

the bridge so don't go looking for that. However, a real eye catcher is the beautifully constructed brick Engineer Castle in front of the armory. This work of art is the creation of said Maj LaBelle - a masonry contractor deluxe! As a matter of record, we can point out that the 1963 Ishpeming convention was the best attended of the 11 reunions held thus far. According to all indications, the '73 confab will even surpass that one. Hows about being a part of it?

STATUS OF ASSOCIATION MUSEUM

A 107th museum is a topic kicked around at practically every reunion only to be routinely shot down by still unresolved obstacles - where, available space and difficulty of moving the exhibits from a home base to the various reunion sites. However, through the efforts and perseverance of WO Leonard L. Lorge (Bn Hq NG's) the Ishpeming armory does have displays that constitute a mini-museum and a helluva good start towards a full scaled one. And he is eager to expand in spite of the space problem. So, at Len's request this appeal for help:

- Wanted -

Shoulder patches, cloth rank insignia, guns (any type or size), bayonets, swords, helmets of any country, for display in the historical exhibit in the Headquarters Armory in Ishpeming. Also, other material will be considered if it pertains to the 107th or 254th Engr Bn, but write first before sending to CW4 Leonard L. Lorge, P. O. Box A, Ishpeming, Mich. 49849. Shipping labels and instructions can be furnished upon request.

While on the subject of a museum, here is a deal that Ishpeming will try for the first time on a pre-planned basis. Something to make this reunion as interesting and meaningful as possible. Special tables will be there to receive displays such as weapons, scrapbooks, momentoes, pictures

or what have you that can be brought to the reunion by registrants - and taken home after. Please tag or otherwise identify each item. Pictures should be mounted on a board or in albums and identified as completely as possible. Sounds good - lets give it a go!

ATTENTION - RED ARROW VETS

We worked up a reciprocal deal with the 32nd Division Association staff — the following membership announcement in the B.S. in exchange for the publication of our reunion notices in "The 32nd Division News". Two bucks for a life, yes, life, membership will get you on their mailing list for the newsletter. Your application will include name, mailing address, 32nd Div. unit(s) served with, WWI or WWII and service dates. Mail to: Carl E. Kopischkie, Route 3, E. Clayton Rd. Madison, Wis. 53711.

Do you know someone who should be a member of 32d DIVISION VETERAN ASSOCIATION

LIFE MEMBERSHIP dues are S2.00, down through the years (since 1919) NO MEMBER HAS BEEN ASKED TO PAY MORE. This is an ''outstanding financial accomplishment.

THE OBJECTIVE OF THE ASSOCIATION:

To band together the RED ARROW Veterans, maintain correct mailing notices and conduct "annual Reunions and conventions" on LABOR DAY week-ends every year. The convention city alternates between Michigan and Wisconsin.

ELIGIBILITY FOR MEMBERSHIP

The active members of the Association shall be all persons of the military forces of the United States who honorably served with the 32d Division at any time during the following periods:

WORLD WAR 1 WORLD WAR 11 BERLIN CRISIS 15 Jul 1917 15 Oct 1940 15 Oct 1961 thru thru 5 Apr 1919 28 Feb 1946 15 Aug 1962

provided however, that all such persons pay the Life membership fee of Two Dollars (\$2.00).

ASSOCIATION HISTORIAN SPEAKS OUT

The position of the WWI vets in regards to the Armistice Day versus the universal Veteran's Day controversy has never been better stated than by this letter to the Winona Daily News written by Louis H. Giesen (Co C WWI), Adjutant, Winona Barracks 1082, to-wit: "No matter what you may end up calling it, Nov. 11 to the Veterans of WWI will always be remembered in our hearts as Armistice Day. Perhaps it was a gracious gesture to call it Veterans Day and to lump all veterans together for one single observance day and to have done with it for another But it appears that when you attempt to year. honor too many people at one time, you usually end up by honoring no one at all. They tried the same thing with Washington's Birthday by attempting to commemorate all Presidents in one lump sum. Veterans have their own wars to think about

and remember. We think of Verdun and San Mihiel, the Argonne, the Marne, and Flanders Fi-We remember Black Jack Pershing, Eddie Rickenbacker and Sergeant York. We think of Woodrow Wilson and Kaiser Bill, Marshall Foch and Von Hindenburg. We never forget the Red Baron who saluted as he was shot down. On Armistice Day we think only of WWI. Nov. 11th is certainly a day for remembering, especially for those of us who lived out those trying days the perhaps vain hope of making the world safe for democracy. We learned to sing with Katy's stuttering sweetheart, and of Madelon, of a Long, Long Trail Awinding, and of a town called We, too, packed up our troubles in Tipperary. our Old kit bags, and we, too, saw the roses blooming in Picardy. It was Over There and My Buddy and Hinky Dinky Parles Vous. what the Veterans of World War One remember.

DEFILLIPI, Anton (Co A WWI), Calumet, Mich. ESPOSITO, John F. (522), Brooklyn, New York GRAHEK, Joseph (Co A Mich Engrs), Calumet, Mich. HARRIS, Homer D. (Co A WWI), Dearborn, Mich. MIESBAUER, Joseph D. (Co C WWI), Shawano, Wis. MONDEAU, Jerome J. (Co C 254), Allen Park, Mich. PERRAULT, Lawrence R. "Bug Eyes" (H&S 254), Det. SAVINI, Joseph A. (Co A WWI), Calumet, Mich. SUINO, Bernard V. (WWI), Grosse Pointe, Mich.

ISSUE NO. 13 CRITIQUE

The football picture paid off in two respects, (1) reader interest as evidenced by some complimentary responses and (2) these items of updated information on the team members identified as "unlocated". A Poplar Bluff, Mo. address received for Richard E. Fischer (H&S 107), which, although unconfirmed, appears to be a good one; George Smith was a KIA in New Guinea; & Lionel Paquette (Medics 107) was killed by a machine gun burst while campaigning in Burma with Merrill's Marauders.

PICTURES ANYONE?

In spite of the running battle with space restrictions, the B.S. staff feels that appropriate and timely pictures & other reproductions can be utilized on a modest scale. So, we are in the market for black and white, clear photos of historical and general reader interest - 10" x 12" or smaller. Color photos cannot be used. Identifying and descriptive comments should accompany all pictures—we promise to return anything sent in on a loan basis. Should the subscriptions start dropping off we'll make like the now defunct Life for a B.S. revival!

ores to tremendous open pit operations and sophisticated milling processes of the lower grade ores for beneficiation and agglomeration into high quality pellets - the now basic feed of steel mill furnaces. The surface plant and open pit of the Empire and Republic Mines are fantastic sights. Here is your chance to take a look at that next new auto in its infancy. Additional information as to how and where will be available at the reunion to anyone interested. And as a related, worthwhile side jaunt, we would suggest a look at Marquette's ore loading dock on lake Superior where the iron ore is loaded into boats for conveyance to steel mills.

SHORT SNORTS

This most welcome "field report" accompanying current and future year's dues as follows: "Now that I am retired completely I seem to be busier I slipped on the ice last March and than ever. succeeded in breaking both legs. Am now fairly well recovered but still have a bit of difficulty playing golf. Visited my daughter and family in Guam last year. While there we toured the Orient. Traveled "Space A" as much as possible. That is an experience in itself. Kindest personal regards to all, Philip C. Satterthwaite, Colonel AUS Retired (Hq 107, CO 234th Engr Bn).the Guard's new Army Advisor is Maj Fredrick R. Orchard who, we understand via the unofficial grapevine, is the most or one of the most decorated Engineer officers of the Vietnam War. predecessor, Maj Henry V. Greenwood, is now doing a tour in Korea after some pre-conditioning at the Calumet reunion a picture snitched



from"The Michigan National Guardsman" announcing the '71 retirement of Colonel Erwin C. Pond from the Mich. N.G.'s and assignment as Bn CO of a Tank Bn. Coming to the 107th in the snaffued Camp Livingston 107th Engineer/Infantry exchange, the roster listed him as Corporal Pond back in the days Co B 107th Engr Bn was doing the forming and concrete work on the large supply depot at Moneymore, Ireland. It was from here or shortly after that Erwin qualified for Stateside OCS training and the 107 lost still another good man. attendance at the 1963 Ishpeming reunion indicated a residue soft spot for his old outfit....Russell DeMars (Co F 107), another whose 1941 furlough was a ticket to the 128th Inf., 32nd Div, when the 107 was hastily moved to Ft. Dix after

Pearl Harbor, was recently located in Westland, Mich. Russ promptly expressed his enthusiasm

and furnished some interesting historical data. He and Lionel Paquette, friends in school and in service, were volunteer members of the famed Merrills Marauders and were together when Lionel was killed in Burma. If everything works out OK he plans to attend both the Colombus, Ga. M.M.'s convention and our own '73 wingdinger..... "Enclosed find five bucks for my annual dues and keep the B.S. coming. I enjoy it. I am now 78 years old and feeling good - still living on the old farm, drinking lots of beer, catching plenty of fish and bagged myself an eight point buck last Fall." Mighty inspirational these words from Andrew E. Little (Co A WWI, Rosebush, Mi... "Please note corrected address. I have been working for the Louisiana State Employment Service here in W. Monroe, La. since my discharge in fact it was the experience gained in the Army (Personnel) that helped me get the job. Thrilled to get the BULL SHEET and see many names that are familiar to me. It is almost like renewing old friendships with people like Eddie Hoornstra (Co C 254) who, I can vouch, was a corporal at one time, and Gene Hamlin (H&S 107-112). I left the Soo with Co B 107, transferred out in Ireland and served in H&S 112th the remainder of my service time." William G. "Bill" Douglas..... still a virgin in the reunion department but the dues paying record of Raymond D. "Bill" Reed (Co B 254) is absolutely perfect. "Hope to make a reunion soon because the years are flying by fast. I am now a retired active army reserve M/ Sgt after 27 years service, and must admit Imiss it very much, but still working as Supt of the water meter department for Sac City, Iowa. old buddy, Wilbert Rohde, lives just a few miles from here on a farm near Wall Lake - he and I hope to make a reunion together."....reprint from local paper's 30 years back column: Iron River athletes participated in a football game in Ireland, Nov. 21st between Yarvard and Tech, two service teams, and a third was the re-Playing for Tech, which lost a 14 to 0 decision were Ernest W. Passamoni (H&S254-deceased) and Joseph E. LaMuth (Co A 254), Manistique Mich., while S/Sgt Alex Zukowski (107-H&S 112), Iron River, Mich., handled the whistle.....that should be about enough football for awhile!.... HQ processes many interesting checks - interesting in appearance that is besides the main intent. One such eye-catcher was captioned "Registered Professional Engineer" with the imprint of the familiar Engineer's Castle attractively backgrounded thereon - signed by Meidell H. Frimodig (Co A WWI) of Grawn, Mich. when he is not in Florida....an oldie that somehow worked down to the bottom of the stack was the payment of dues and request for information by Harold J. Faust (Co A 254), Marshfield, Wis who commented: "Enjoy reading the BULL SHEET and hope some day to attend a reunion.".....and identical words

SPECIAL REPORT ON 1121st GP HQ CO

As promised in Issue No. 13, the B.S. staff sent a special "get acquainted/invitation to join up" to all 1121st Gp Hq rostered names not previously contacted by one means or another. The following is an early-bird report on the results of the mailing with emphasis on the "early" because these are by no means final results. More will be located or otherwise finalized as we go along. The 15-20 heretofore "signed up" and mentioned in the B.S. at one time or another are not list-Our only means of adding names and addresses to the active mailing list is via personal appeal and response - you ll21st blokes have to carry the ball from here on in so lets get cracking and get yourself reorganized once again.

Responses received from: Chaplain John M. Bailey, Waco, Texas; Protestant Chaplain presently out on early retirement in the Methodist Church; Joseph B. Battaglia, New Brighton, Pa., Truck Driver who is now an insurance advisor; William H. Masters, Germansville, Pa., Chaplain's Assistant; Virgil C. Mitchell, LaPlata, Mo., Medic and now a dairy farmer, paid a Life Membership by check appropriately captioned "Drink Milk - Nature's Wonder Drug"; John T. Ozburn, Jr., Andrews, S.C., Motor Sgt & Actg 1st Sgt; (Capt) Robert F. Skelly, Elgin, Ill., Asst. S-2 to V Corps and presently the Assistant Superintendent of Schools in Elgin; Durwood J. "Woody" Smith, Peoria, Ill., Company Clerk, Actg Motor & 1st Sgts.

Believe contact established with: Stephen L. Beganyi, Cleveland, O.; (Lt) Don G. Benson, Pender, Neb.; Carl R. Chabowski, Cleveland, O.; John N. DiGregorio, Philadelphia, Pa.; Louis M. Fisher, Cleveland, O.; Chester T. Jack, Toledo, O.; Francis W. Jenney, Portland, Ind.; William C. Joyner, Blairsville, Pa.; Stephen E. Kranicz, Westlake, O.; Joseph N. Leible, Bayside, L.I.; N.Y.; Thomas A. Maran, Euclid, O.; Frederick L. Marcosson, Willowick, O.; Hubert L. Matthews, Effingham, S.C.; <u>Francis McCarty</u>, Philadelphia, Pa.; (Lt) <u>Stanley Pivarski</u>, New Kensington, Pa.; Arthur Prellwitz, Ripon, Wis.; Charles E. Ritter, Sparks, Nev.; Paul R. Schmidt, Anaconda, Mont.; William L. Sisk, Austin, Tex.; Cecil B. Thedford, Dallas, Tex.; Daniel J. Wustenhoff, Ozone Park, L.I., N.Y.

Failed to establish contact with: (Lt) Gar W. Aikens, no address; Gerald H. Anderson, Detroit; (Capt) William B. Anderson, Provo, Utah; (Maj) Edward J. Bateman, Baltimore, Md.; Raymond W. Bechtold, Platte, S.D.; Martin Bigler, Chambersburg, Pa.; Joseph Blackburn, Detroit; (Lt) Glenn H. Burghardt, Durham, N.C.; (Capt) Barton Childs, M.D., Hinsdale, Ill.; (Lt) Francis Clark, no address; Paul L. Cropper, Mansfield, O.; Lester J. Davis, Campbell, Mo.; Robert J. Drews, Cleve-

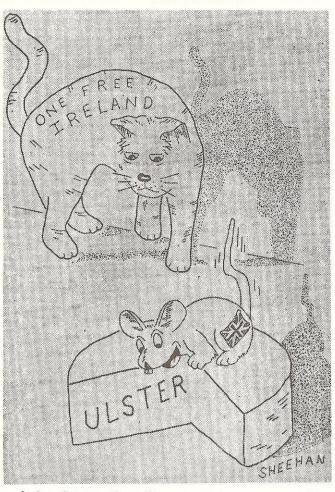
land, O.; (Maj) Joseph B. Edelstein, Toledo. O: Lorenzo "Larry" Englebrecht, Wausau-Athens, Wis; (Lt) Philip Epstein, no address; (Lt Col) Gerald E. Feidt, Cleveland, O.; James F. Finucane, Chester, Pa.; Felice A. Fornatoro, Jackson Hts. (Capt) Abraham Geisner, Yonkers, N.Y.; Clyde Glazer, Negaunee, Mich.; (Lt) Leo E. Gorka Cleveland, O.; Dix Graham, Athens, O.; (Lt) Morris Greenbaum, no address; (Capt) John E. Griffey, Collingswood, N.J.; Armas L. Haapanen, Worcester, Mass.; Harry G. Hunter, Atlanta, Ga; Francis Jackowski, Flint, Mich.; (Capt) Charles K. Jolly, Atlanta, Ga.; Charles H. Josephson, Maspeth, N.Y.; William B. Kincaid, Hochatown, Okla.; John Kovachik, Kenosha, Wis.; Robert E. LeMonds, Cleveland, O.; RaymondC. Lesler, Wil loughby-Painesville, 0.; Jack Levitan, Los Angeles, Cal.; (Lt) Harold W. Lomax, Culver, Ind; Marvin Martin, Carbondale, Ill.; Dominic A. Messina, New Orleans, La.; Joseph Mottle. Cleveland, O.; Edwin W. Murphy, Grand Rapids-Kalamazoo, Mich.; John L. McAleese, Coatesville, Pa.; James M. McClure, Wingo, Ky.-Detroit; Robert B. Nichols, Greenville, O.; Matthew W. Panek. Cleveland, O.; Herman O. Schpansky, Flint, Mich.; Jan J. Sut, Indiana Harbor, Ind.; Oscar Swain, Dallas, Tex.; George L. Wanger, Pottstown, Pa.; William H. Watson, Cleveland, O.; Benjamin G. White, Oswego, N.Y.; Harry J. White, Roxborough, Pa.; Clarence R. Winstead, LaPorte, Ind.

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HISTORY REPEATS ITSELF FOR 254: The only east-bound transport sunk in WWI was carrying a supply train of the 107th Engr Regt. One of the earliest east-bound transports sunk in WWII carried the equipment and records of the 107th Engr Bn - now the 254th commanded by Lt Col Loren W. Jenkins.

HOUSING & LOCAL ATTRACTIONS

For the sharpies wondering how come all the "bivouac areas" are in Marquette - which is 15 miles distant from the Ishpeming armory. First, we'll qualify that by explaining the two towns are connected by a divided 4-laner which makes for an easy 15 minute jaunt. Secondly, Ishpeming is not overly endowed with good motels and what there are happen to be jam packed with construction workers presently erecting a hugh iron ore pellet plant (Tilden Mine) some 6 miles from Appropriately, we mention the reunion site. here as a special plug for the local Chamber of Commerce the historical fact that iron ore has been mined under and around the Ishpeming-Negaunee area since the 1850's. In fact, the two towns exist because of the iron ore deposits. The past decade has seen the evolution from deep shaft, underground mining for high grade iron from William A. Vorel (522) out of Bridgman, Mi. Maybe this is the year, Harold and Bill?.....



A reprint from the Evening Echo published in Shannon, Erie: CARTOONS TO SOLVE IRELAND'S PROBLEMS? Mr. Francis Sheehan, am American cartoonist, and his wife, Lucille, arrived in Shannon this week and are at present staying inCork. Mr. Sheehan feels that he can draw cartoons which would solve some of Ireland's present troubles. I think he is pretty good." This after Fran's. better recalled by the Co B 254 gang as "Skinpersonal visit to HQ at which time he plunked down a half C bill for a Life Membership and all the trimmings - to make up for lost time he said inasmuch as this was his first response to "work call". Informed us he was due to celebrate early retirement with a return trip to the Ol' Sod, home of his grandparents, and here is the proof of both his visit and cartoonist tal-And made the Gladstone reunion to boot! ents.

P.S. Ye editor just couldn't resist this bit of nostaglia also clipped from the Echo. Wonder what the G.I./Irish exchange would be now in coin not butts? "a short note to inform you I haven't



been able to make any reunions but hope to in

the future. I look forward to getting the B.S. I read the name of Lt Adams. If I'm not mistaken he was killed while out on patrol near St. I recall that Harland Abbey (Co C 107 Bn) was killed in England when we were clearing invasion mine fields on the beaches. (Note: Correct on both points as since verified. Harland was awarded the Bronze Star (Posthumously) per G.O. 62, V Corps, 12 Oct 44). "I also have a new name to add to your list of former members of the 254. I just finished talking to Ludwig Hofmann, Jr. on the phone." Signed, Joseph Danesi (Co C 254)....the above prompted this response: "I thought I was the only one from Providence, R.I. in the 254th until I got a call from Joe Of course I did not know him but sure was glad to receive this call. Its been a long, long time since those days in service. read the BULL SHEET again; seeing a few names brings back a lot of memories. Ludwig B. "Hoppy" Hofmann, Jr. (Co A 254).....honors in bunches for the N.G. Bn recently with the official notification that three of its companies had earned Superior Unit Awards for outstanding performances turned in during the 1972 training year. HULL SHEET congratulations to the personnel of Company A (Calumet-Baraga), Company B (Iron River-Ironwood) and Company D (Kingsford-Manistique) for their fine accomplishments. Makes the "old sweats" feel good, too!.....not often but substantial payments of dues is the Ira W. Miller (Co C-522), Neenah, Wis. system for maintaining his perfect membership record...... Jacob W. Rachki (Co E 107) promptly volunteered for Association duty after being cornered in Milwaukee. Reports he left the 107 in 1942, thence to the 459th Engrs in Oregon and finally to the 440th Engrs for service in Texas, England and the First Army till wars end....."I am enclosing a couple pictures of myself and boat to show the boys that I am still around & kicking. I do a lot of fishing now since my retirement. The other photos were taken in Florida lastyear. Sorry to learn about my old buddies Billie Bernier and Ralph Pellow. Give my regards to Duke Duquette, Mike Mertes, Johnnie Kovachich and Clarence LeVeque and the rest of the Co B 254 gang." Your friend, Eddie Kozinski, Brooklyn. And thanks to you, Eddie, for the news and a whole bunch of dues - the retirement living must be pretty good judging from the "deposit", the classy looking "barge" and fancy yatching duds. Only hope that the minnow on the line is what we figure it to be - BAIT!....a consistently early bird dues payer after the annual reunion notices go out is Kermit L. "Marty" Martinson of Bloomington, Minn. - another Co B 254 quiet, faithful supporter of the cause out of Pequea, Pa.: "Happy to receive the BULL SHEETS and also for the opportunity to get the picture of the Victor Bridge - I've been wanting one for a long time. I would also like to have a history of the 254th



"Keep 'em rolling" pretty well sums up Combat Engineering. Equally true under mechanized, motorized, computerized, punch-buttonized conditions as was the case when a recalcitrant nag or an unwilling captive were the only things Basic Combat Engineer around for punching. missions never change - only the means to accomplish them. New equipment and more specialists for operating the completely mobile water points, helicopters and who knows what next? Portrayed above is a puzzling addition to the T/E of a Combat Engineer Battalion - a year's free BULL SHEET subscription to anyone figuring out just wotinthell its for or what it does .

SHORT SNORTS (cont'd)

or V Corps if there are any available." Frank H. "Mack" McGinnis (Co C 254)..... your editor and Albert "Bert" Salo (Co C 254) had a nose-to-nose confrontation on an Ironwood, Mich. street and after a brief eye-balling session

simultaneously recognized one another - even after the 25 years since they were compatriots in the same Weapons Squad. Bert, then a topnotch half-track driver, evidently became addicted to "tracks" for life cuz he is a bulldozer jockey now. Summer construction work has thus far made it impossible for him to follow through on his annual "hope to attend" responses. But, anytime, Bert!....a great deal of National Guard training time and effort is devoted to projects for the good of their local communities; so-called Community Projects. schedule/progress chart at Bn Hq covering them renders one quite amazed at the variety of the jobs which must certainly demand the ingenuity, skill and hard work of the Guardsmen plus the professional usage of machines and equipment. Determining the winner of our Association Community Service Trophy in 1973 (as reported on in Issue #13) will be difficult but certainly a pleasurable assignment for the committeemen appointed to make the determination on behalf of the Association.....a report on three more Co B 107 (Soo) boys, which group of course was the backbone of the 522nd Engr Co, include Paul Allen (an old Association vet) who sez he is at home in the Soo on Sundays and Mondays if any old buddies are up thataway - remainder of week he is in Flint, Mich. according to his business card. And two new recruits, again due to the keen nose of Lynn "Mac" McDonald, are Woodrow "Woodie" Wilcox who is now an Eastener with a Richmond Hill, N.Y. address, and Hilary A. Butler, Milwaukee. "It sure was a pleasure to receive the BULL SHEETS. I had no idea that these were being published and the reunions being held - am figuring ways to make a reunion. Spent a few days in the Soo last summer and enjoyed visits with Mac, other buddies and our old Company B CO, Capt John Adams." Your 522nd Buddy, Hilary A. Butler.....The good news: "Be seeing you at the reunion (which we have four times already) so hang in there." what we can only interpret as a sneaky reflection upon our accounting/banking procedures: "Here are my two bucks for a bridge picture: #G-93980972F and #D-49893309C. Ho! No!" of Allen Park, Mich. from Andrew J. Mezzo Very sorry to learn of Mrs. Mezzo's 254). death in 1972.....delving deeper and deeper into the stack of incoming communications uncovers still more pertaining to requests for pic-"Dunno why so many but by golly Ernest tures. G. Anderson (Co C 254) ordered 3 photos along with the info that he dearly wants to make a reunion but is unable to squeeze it in at that time of the year from Plymouth, Mich..... a bonanza for dues and picture along with report he is still driving truck in the Nashville Ill. area as he did with Co B 254 - Melvin E. "Pops" Voltmer. Whew! Still with us? Finis.