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YOUR VOICES WERE HEARD: MEMORIAL COST ESTIMATE DROPPED TO 8.6 MM; DEDICATION PLANNED ONE YEAR SOONER

THERE IS NO GOVERNMENT COVERUP

DURING THE RECENT KWVA official visit to Korea, Dick Adams and Blaine Friedlander were suddenly asked to attend a meeting with RAdm L. G. VOGHT, Cmdr Nav For Korea and Senior Member of the Military Armistice Commission in command of all negotiations at Panmuniom.

The admiral freely discussed all efforts by the United States government to discuss anything - - including the MIA/POW issue - - with the North Korean delegations. He frankly stated that the Communists refuse to discuss anything, even the time of day. Also - - and this is important to KWVA members - - the admiral is willing to appear, or send his representative, at our July reunion where he will not only report fully and honestly on the classification of documents and their open availability, but he offered to answer questions from the membership present.

(Editor's note: we know this story conflicts to some extent with the report of Mark Sauter of Seattle, but this information supercedes any that he has been given. Mark has now been informed of this latest information.)

OUR LEGISLATIVE PLATTER IS FULL

There are many bills before Congress that command our attention, but two are most important.

First Is Our Federal Charter

H.R. 4175 is a bill to grant a federal charter to the KWVA. Introduced on March 5, 1990, the bill has been referred to the House Judiciary Committee, and its Subcommittee on Administrative Law and Governmental Relations, chaired by Congressman Barney Frank (D-MA). Congressman Stan Parris (R-VA) is the original sponsor of the bill. If 218 house members sponsor the bill, it passes and will be referred to the Senate for action.

If we concentrate our efforts on this bill, we may celebrate a federal charter by the time of our reunion in July 1990.

Please write to your congressman, U.S. House Representatives, Washington, D.C. 20515. Below is a copy of the letter for your guidance:

> The Hon. (Your Congressman) U.S. House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Mr. Wolf:

H.R. 4175 was filed by Congressman Stan Parris on March 5, 1990, for the purpose of providing a Federal Charter to the Korean War Veterans Association, Inc., a New York not-for-profit corporation.

The KWVA is a rapidly growing organization of Korean War Veterans with membership throughout the land, and indeed, our members span the globe. In addition to helping with the erection of the Korean War

(Please see PLATTER on page 2)

LET'S GET ON WITH THE JOB!

We have a law, signed by Congress, authorizing the establishment of a Korean War Veterans Memorial, in our Nation's Capital. No other Memorial has had such a law.

We have a site, a most prestigious area in our Nation's Capital. Initially, the Department of Interior wanted to place our Memorial in a remote area of Washington D.C., on Federal Property. The persistence of General Stilwell and his Advisory Board, your National Association, certain members of the Senate and Congress, assured selection of the present site.

We have a design. The model unveiled at the White House on June 14, 1989, was just that, a model, unfinished and crude.

No One Knows The Cost

All the letters, phone calls, and complaints will change "None of the Above". The cost of the Memorial, like the model, are coming from estimates. The Corp. of Engineers has appointed a Design Architect to begin the study of Costs. Their firm, Cooper & Lecky, are the same consultants who did the architecture for the Vietnam Memorial and the Martin Luther King Memorial in Atlanta. The cost may be \$6M or it may be \$10M. No one at this point can predict the cost, although the latest estimate is 8.6 million with dedication in1992. (See pg 12, minutes of Feb. 10 meeting.)

All Services Will be Shown

Most important, we must understand that this Memorial, when completed, will recognize all Branches of our Military Service. It will take its place among the great Memorials in the world. The story of the Korean War, the participation of all, will be seen and heard. The silent, calm, presence of our dead, will be experienced. This Memorial will touch generations not yet born and will generate inspiration for battles not yet fought. We, the Korean Veterans, will be proud.

Rather than fuss about what we have, we must now, more than ever, get behind the project. If we are not financially successful, we will have nothing. Please contact me for any information you may need. We will attempt to keep you up to date. You will then be fully aware: no one is forgotten, NOT ANY MORE.

Sincerely, Dick Adams, National President; Korean War Veterans Association; P O Box 127; Caruthers, CA 93609;

(209) 864-3196 after 5 PM Pacific Time; (209) 268-1869 Office

SPECIAL NOTICE TO CO. C, 120 ECBN, 45 DIV

"REUNION: CO. C, 120 ECBn, 45 DIV: I would like to host a dinner in Washington, D.C., on Saturday Evening, 28 July 1990, after the close of the KWVA Annual Reunion, for any and all who were assigned to Company C, 120th Engineer Combat Battalion, 45th Division, at anytime during the period 12 April 1953 to 10 December 1953, when I served as Platoon Leader and Company Commander. For every man who both registers for the Reunion and attends my dinner, I will contribute \$100.00 to the KWV Memorial Fund. RSVP

—BILL RAIFORD; 12011 Old Bridge Rd; Rockville, MD 20852."

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YOU WROTE IT...

NOTE: as space permits, we intend to publish those letters coming first to our editorial desk. We intend also to see that every letter gets answered in one way or another, from officers, directors, etc.

DEAR EDITOR: Please CHANGE MY MAIL ADDRI FROM:							
TO:							
PLEASE PRINT YOUR SIGNATURE							

(PLATTER continued from page 1)

Veterans Memorial near the Lincoln Memorial, the KWVA is working with Korea nationals for the unification of Korea and to recover our MIAs and POWs still in North Korea after thirty-seven years.

I would be glad to give you more information should you desire. Please accept my thanks in advance for your kind sponsorship of this bill. Kindly have your staff call Mark Robertson (5-4376) of Congressman Parris' office and be a sponsor for the this bill. Sincerely, (Your Name)

And On De-Classifying Information

This bill (H.R. 3603), filed last year and now with 85 sponsors, was reported in the last issue of Graybeard. It deals with the providing of information concerning POWs and MIAs and to make the task of recovery easier. Kindly write to your congressman to sponsor the bill.

Also write to ask that a public hearing be held for H.R. 3603; as follows:

Chairman John Conyers, Jr., Committee on Government Operations Legislation and National Security Subcomm. 2157 Rayburn House Office Building Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Convers:

As a Korean War Veteran I am working with veterans groups to secure information about those who are MIA and unreturned POWS. H. R. 3603 appears to lend support for this effort. It would be most appreciated if you would kindly schedule a hearing at the earliest possible moment on this bill. Please accept my thanks in advance for your kind attention.

Sincerely, (Your Name)

Members of the Conyers subcommittee are: Stephen L. Neal (D, N.C.), Ben Erdreich (D, AL), Gerald D. Kleczka (D, WI), Glenn English (D, OK), Barbara Boxer, (D, CA), F rank Horton (R, NY), Robert S. Walker, (R-PA), Jon Kyl (R-AZ), and Christopher Shays, (R-CT). If you know any of the above please write them.

If you do not know the name of your congressman, contact your local newspaper, library or city hall. Someone at those places should be able to help. You could call (202) 224-3121 (the Capitol phone number) and the operator will try to assist you.

TO GOLD STAR MOTHERS... HOW CAN WE PROPERLY SAY: THANK YOU!

"PLEASE PUT AN ARTICLE in the Graybeards concerning the efforts and dedication of two Gold Star Mothers from our chapter who donated time and energy towards helping us build our Memorial for our dead and missing. They both lost sons in combat in Korea.

"They are always working, sort of in the background - collecting funds, attending ALL parades, ceremonies, funerals, etc. concerning the Korean War veterans. Not just here - - but anywhere they are needed.

"To know them is to truly love them. They say: 'each time they look at the American flag, they see their sons' faces on it.'

"These two wonderful ladies live together now; their names and address are: REBA MELVIN and ELLEN L. RAYNOR; 950 Oliver St.; P.O. Box 1776; Riverhead, NY 11901."

-TOM KRZENSKI; P.O. Box 164; Southhampton, NY 11969.

To REBA and ELLEN - - you wonderful ladies are truly an inspiration and it is no wonder that your mail address is number 1776. Truly it is, and always has been, our parents who provide the real contributions to the struggles for Liberty in our nation.

EARTH DAY APRIL 22. Please help save our environment.

AN EFFORT WAS MADE TO RETURN THE REMAINS OF SOME OF OUR MIA

KWVA Pres. DICK ADAMS, on March 6, wrote the North Korean observer mission to the United Nations, as follows:

"I was informed that you have had a meeting with Representative G.V. "Sonny" Montgomery. In a meeting with our representative Blaine Friedlander, July 1989, you expressed at that time, your Country was willing to turn over five Remains of American Servicemen killed in the Korean War, if we arranged a meeting with a Congressman or Senator. This has been done.

"The Officers and Directors of the Korean War Veterans Association Inc. will be visiting Panmunjom Monday, March 12, 1990. If agreeable with your Country this would be an excellent time for the return of at least one of the remains or all five, to our nation.

"If the barriers between the North and South are to crumble, this historic event could be the turning point in crushing the barriers of division and open a door to Reunification.

"I await with interest your response to the proposed Return of Remains."

No response has been received as of March 27. However, when the KWVA group was at Panmunjom, it was noted that the Communists did blare out their propaganda and music for our benefit. Our soldiers there remarked that "it's unusual; they generally broadcast such stuff only at night."

THE ROAD TO NORTH KOREA

By BLAINE FRIEDLANDER

The last time Dick Adams saw Pyongnang, he was heading south. This year Dick is inviting a few of his closest friends to join him in his quest to visit North Korea again, being planned for August 15, 1990.

Several weeks ago, the U.S. Department of State told a delegation of KWVA officials that it would encourage old veterans to revisit North Korea and tour old battlefields. KWVA was given the latest governmental policy and plans are being made to determine how we would travel to North Korea, and what we would do once we get there.

At the present time it would be necessary to travel to North Korea from China and KWVA is determining the cost, itinerary, and the other details for a successful trip, but each tourist will pay his way.

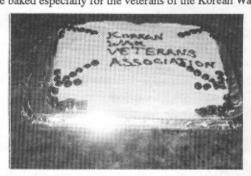
How do you qualify as one of Dick's closest friends? If you can read this article or you have someone read it to you, you are one of Dick's closest friends.

There will be some restrictions on who can go, so we are asking all interested members to send Dick a notice of their interest by writing him and enclosing a copy of their DD214. If the reader does not have a DD214, send Dick a letter asking him to obtain a copy and noting the name, rank, serial number and social security number.

APPLICATION FOR NORTH KOREAN TRIP

Dick Adams; President, KWVA; P.O. Box 127; Caruthers, CA 93609
Yes, I would like to go to North Korea on or about August 15, 1990.
Name
Address
Enclosed is a copy of my DD 214.
I do not have a DD 214, but
I was separated or discharged on
My rank was
My serial number was
My social security number is
To whom it may concern, I hereby request a copy of my DD 214.

AT THEIR OWN INDIVIDUAL EXPENSE-- the following KWVA officials and members visited Korea in an official capacity, March 10-17: DICK ADAMS, Pres.; HARRY WALLACE, 2nd VP; EMMETT BENJAMIN, Director (and his wife Virginia); KATHLEEN WYOSNICK, Director; WARREN AVERY, Director; STAN HADDEN, Editor; BLAINE FRIEDLANDER, Counsel; BILL OLTERSDORF, member; and BOB MITCHLER, member. This photograph records one of the warmest moments of the trip, when members of the forward outpost (where civilians usually are not permitted to visit) presented the group with a cake baked especially for the veterans of the Korean War.



HIGHLIGHTS OF THE OFFICIAL REVISIT

The eventful trip began on March 12 with a briefing by the 8th Army, followed by lunch on the DMZ with members of 503rd Inf Bn, LTC Allen D. Marple commanding. This was followed by a meeting with Col Michael Sherfield, commander 3rd Brigade, 2nd Inf Div; and a meeting with Col Geoffrey Buckley, Commander UN Command Security Force Joint Security Area. Visits to various outposts and to Panmunjom were included in this day's work. Our troops are outstanding and we found them in superb readiness.

Dinner with two members of South Korean Congress. A visit to National Cemetery, and a shopping aside to a folk village. A dinner with the International Director of Lions Club, Mr. Yo Chul Shin.

A courtesy conference with Gen Menetery, CinC ROK/US Combined Forces Command. He failed to inform us of an already-planned memorial ceremony within his compound and did not invite us to participate in the memorial tribute to those who died in the Korean War.

A discussion with Lt. Gen Lee, president War Memorial Service/Korea. A visit to Korean national exhibition hall. An aside trip to Itaewon shopping center used up one afternoon, and was followed by an evening dinner at the 8th Army Officers Club, sponsored by Dick Adams. Many dignitaries were present.

A highlight was a sudden meeting with RAdm VOGHT -- see related story on page 1.

A by-invitation courtesy call was paid upon US Ambassador to Korea, Donald P. Gregg. We regret to report that the ambassador's apparent lack of knowledge of the Korean War, its dates and its casualties, did not impress any of the group of veterans. On the contrary, it did create a vague feeling of uneasiness for the man.

A lunch was hosted by Rev. Dr. Chai Eun Lee, president of the Christian Broadcasting System. That was followed by an enjoyable evening with the Korean Veterans Association officers at which dinner was followed with presentation of medals to those from KWVA.

Breakfast on Friday was hosted by the Committee of Peoples Peaceful Unification, followed by a visit with the most impressive 11th ROK Division, on the DMZ line. We were most appreciative of the courtesies extended us there.

Friday evening dinner was hosted by the Korean CIA.

On Saturday, March 17, the last breakfast was again hosted by the Unification Committee. That event is more fully reported on page 4.

KWVA PLANS OPERATION JERICHO WITH SOUTH KOREAN GROUP

By BLAINE FRIEDLANDER

KWVA officials ending an official visit to South Korea, agreed to work with The Committee of Peoples Peaceful Unification Consultation and seek the peaceful unification of Korea. President Dick Adams affixed his name to an understanding with The Committee for the Peaceful Unification Consultation on Saturday, March 17, 1990, at the Hotel King Sejung, Seoul, Korea.

It was contract first, details second. After everyone was stuffed on breakfast steak, Kim Ho, Secretary General of the Committee, and Blaine Friedlander, Counsel to KWVA met with interpreter Park Tae-Woo to work out the details.

By the end of the morning Blaine was able to report to KWVA directors present, and Operation Jericho was thus put on the drawing board. As this is

being written, a copy of the proposal is being distributed to KWVA officials, U.S. officials and South Korean officials.

IT IS A REAL SEARCH FOR PEACE

The KWVA proposal for Operation Jericho recognizes as goals the unification of Korea, the recovery of the 8,000 remains of United States servicemen believed to be in North Korea, and the identification and location of over 2,000 (including 389 Americans) POWs not returned by North Korea, to reunite the families split by the division of Korea, and to further strengthen the ties between a Korea and the UNited States.

This action is believed to be unique. A major American veterans organization is working in the international arena with a private foreign group to effect a change in international relations; and forty years after a war, to solidify a peace and reunite divided families.

The proposal suggests that on August 15, 1990 and for seven years thereafter, symbolic ceremonies be had to demonstrate the need for peaceful unification. Unification is the stated desire for both South and North Korea.

The language used by the Korean people is National reunification or CHOKUK TONGIL. In 1976, Korean President Park Chung Hee said, "If there was one ardent and consistent desire which our fifty million people could never forget even in our dreams, it was beyond doubt the desire to reunite the divided fatherland and achieve eventual peaceful reunification."

In 1975, Kim il Sung wrote in a book, For the Independent Peaceful Reunification of Korea, "What is the best gift I could give to our people. . .it is the reunification of the country."

So why is the country not unified? It is because the rulers of the north wish to impose their form of government on the south and to-date there is no means of having a free and fair election.

During April, 1990 North Korea's borders will be closed to all visitors in order to finalize the "election" of Kim il Sung's son, Kim Jung IL, to the leadership post his 78-year-old father now holds. North Korea is perhaps the poorest and most withdrawn nation on this earth, while South Korea is reported to be the seventh richest.

South Korea is about the size of Indiana with a population of 40,000,000 people. It is a vibrant nation. The mud hut with a thatched roof has been replaced with a modern home. The rice paddies are now mechanically farmed and the dirt roads of the fifties are now modern highways. The traffic jams last all day and it appears that each South



姉妹結緣書

平和統一國民協議會 美·韓國参戰勇士協會

上記 두 團體는 韓國의 自由, 民主, 무和를 守護하고 統一定 英統하이 나아가 世界平和의 自由를 高揚시키는 트로은 理想에 습인 - 放되어 神林結紮을 맺습니다. 우리 두 剛體는 의원의 범의 아스 무역하다.

우리 두 團體는 영천히 변치 않는 兄弟愛소의 시조의 安寧과 舊藏者 折報하며, 韓國 國民의 美國 國民 분 아니라 人類 全體의 영천한 自由의 平和, 禁伏과 福祉者 鳥레 현재 나찬 것을 활ୟ합니다.

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national president Richard Sulant

Korean is driving two cars. . .at the same time! The cities are extremely clean and the people friendly.

The citizens seemed to be genuinely appreciative of the American efforts during and after the Korean War. One U. S. official described South Korea as a nation raped by the North and apprehensive of another attack. The 600,000 soldiers in the Korean Military appear to be well trained and possess a high morale.

On the other side of the Kimchi Curtain is North Korea. We saw several of their soldiers at Panmunjom. There are 900,000 men under arms in North Korea, the size of New York State, with 19,000,000 population. In briefings, KWVA officers were advised the people of North Korea have shortages of food and clothing in their sparse economy.

The vast differences in the two Koreas make unification difficult if not impossible, and KWVA members are being asked to help resolve the differences and bring about reunification.

Another aspect of the joint venture is to have tours of Korea by the American Korean War veteran and of the United States by the Korean citizen.

Operation Jericho is a chance for the Korean War Veteran to finish the task we started in the 1950s, and to participate in a program that will tear down the Kimchi Curtain, disburse armed forces numbering 1,500,000 men and women and restore Korea to its original title, The Land of the Morning Calm.

Many share the belief that this concerted effort to gain a real and lasting peace will have another major effect: it will call media attention in the United States to the Korean war and to the KWVA. That is one way for us to attain our mission of raising the awareness of the American people about the Korean War and those who served in it.

As usual, your comments will be appreciated.

THE PRIMARY PURPOSE OF THE ASSOCIATION

- Raising the awareness of the American people about the Korean war and those who served in it.
- Raising and contributing funds for establishment of the Memorial in Washington, D.C.
- To seek out the truth about our 8179 M.I.A.'s and 389 P.O.W.'s that didn't return.

THE LATEST INFORMATION coming to your editor is that the earliest dedication date for the memorial is projected for July 27, 1992, due primarily to legal and congressional requirements. Also, there is a more conservative estimate of cost at about \$8.6 million. The manager of sculpture is expected to be selected on or about June 1, 1990. Don't hold anyone to these projections. . .and please don't jump up and down if we do miss part of the timetable planned. After all, a lot of people are struggling with mountains of problems in order to see the Memorial become a material fact. The following story will bring some things into focus. . and if you want more definitive information. please write The Korean War Veterans Memorial Advisory Board; US Dept of Int; 18th & C Sts.; Room 7023; Washington, D. C. 20240.

THE KOREAN WAR VETERANS MEMORIAL (...What's it REALLY gonna' look like?)

By Jan Jackson

This memorial has been the subject of much discussion. As project, it has virtually rescued an almost "Forgotten War" from the pages of history by bringing to the American public an awareness of the war's geopolitical significance, the enormous cost of participation, and the very real need to honor those who fought so bravely to secure freedom for millions of people on the far off Korean peninsula.

From an architectural standpoint, it is seen as a prime example of the trend swing from landscape architecture (pool, ponds, gardens, plaques) to the more traditional memorials featuring statues, pillars, and buildings; indeed, the Korean War Veterans Memorial will provide a unique combination of both.

Great care has been taken to ensure that all branches of the Armed Forces will be represented, that ethnic ratios are properly reflected, and that the equipment and uniforms of the 38 larger-than-life statues are historically accurate. The expressions and physical attributes of the statues are based on actual photos of US forces during the Korean war; walking through those statues, visitors of the immediate and distant future will, by simple observation, be aware of the bitter realities of that war and, given time for appropriate meditation and reflection, "feel" the emotions - positive and negative - which are so much a part of the psyche of war.

To emphasize both the rugged terrain and the severely adverse weather conditions endured by Korean vets, water rushes around the feet of the figures. Hostile planes of barberry slope to two alternating rows of arbor vitae, forming a semi-circular perimeter designating its rightful place as the indispensable fourth arm of the cruciform pattern formed by the Washington Monument, the Lincoln memorial and the Vietnam Veterans Memorial.

The 120' wall supporting the 8' drop to the plaza below is divided by a downward ramp. To the left, the wall depicts, in mural form the major conflicts of the war, thrusting remembrance to Inchon. . .Pusan . . .the banks of the Yalu. . the US Forces who gave courageously of life and limb and the 21 other nations who fought beside them. The last third of the wall is best described as an "Open Chapel." Here those who gave "the last full measure" will be forever committed to the memory of the nation they so nobly served.

Walking the 2.2 acre span of the memorial, the visitor has experienced the ravages of war; rejoiced in the victories of its heroes; reflected on its tragedies, mediated its terrible, terrible cost; given thanks for and paid homage to those who never returned to share so precious a moment. It is fitting that, at journey's end, Old Glory flies (magnificent!) o'er the land of the free, home of the brave.

IF YOU HAD, OR HAVE, HEMORRHAGIC FEVER as a result of the Korean War - - please contact as soon as possible the following: Joel M. Dalrymple, PhD; Chief, Dept. of Viral Biology; Virology Div., USAMRIID; Frederick, MD 21701.

WHY DIDN'T YOU SIGN YOUR LETTER?

YOUR EDITOR, Stan Hadden, received a letter with a Milwaukee postmark. There is no return address; there is no signature. It is hand-written. So - - since you either forgot, or lack the courage to sign it, I will not print it.

MEMORIAL DAY GOLF WEEKEND

The purpose of this project is to raise funds to help establish the Korean War Veterans Memorial in the Nation's Capital through the conduct of a National Hole-In-One contest May 26-28, 1990. The records show that there are about six million rounds of golf played in the United States over the Memorial Day weekend. Statistically, this number of rounds will produce 90 holes-in-one.

KWVA will consider sponsoring a National Hole-in-One Competition May 26-28, 1990. Every golfer playing round of golf (some play several rounds) over that weekend will be given the opportunity to register his/her round of golf for \$5.00 donation to the KWVA Memorial Fund. Registrations to be sold by KWVA or local volunteers. If a golfer scores a hole-in-one during a registered round, he/she will be transported to a major golf course (to be selected) to play a round of golf with a cooperating major pro player. If he/she scores another hole-in-one during that round the KWVA will award him/her with a \$1,000,000 prize. All net proceeds go to the KWVA memorial fund for further donation to the Korean War Veterans Memorial Fund.

Please contact TOM MAINES, 1st VP; 1801 Saw Mill Run Blvd.; Pittsburgh, PA 15210 for more information.

A NEW OPTION IS OFFERED FOR REUNION ACTIVITIES

In an effort to make it easier for everyone, we have changed the form for making your reunion reservation. Please see the enclosed information printed on a separate blue sheet of paper; it offers a "Pickand-Choose" for individual meals as well as the standard "Pay-All" choice. If you have already sent in your payment but now prefer to change it to the Pick-and-Choose, let us know and arrangements will be made for your choice.

This year it has been decided that the Hospitality Room open bar will not operate after certain established shorter hours.

Special Entertainment Planned

THERE IS ANOTHER CHANGE in planning right now: we are arranging SPECIAL ENTERTAINMENT for the afternoon/ evening of July 26, to include the Korean-American community of Northern Virginia. Probably we will go by bus to a separate facility for the program and meal.

I'LL ASK DICK, TOM, AND HARRY

I have been a member of KWVA now for about a year and a half and would like to see an article (or maybe there has been one) about how the KWVA got started, one that we can use for reproduction purposes. (EDITOR'S NOTE - good Idea! Will pass on to Dick, Tom and Harry for processing.) Every time I receive an issue it brings back some beautiful memories. I arrived in Korea in November 1951 as an 18 year old kid and went home in January 1953 as a 20 year old adult.

While in the States I was with the 420th Engineer Dump Truck Company stationed at Ft. Bragg, N. C. in the RTC Area. It would be nice to hear from some of the guys from that outfit such as Bill Kilby, Leonard Quimby, Winslow Martin, Bob Nusman, Frank Bruzzese, Jack Israel, Bill Winchester, Louis Boyd, Joe Gratteo and Sid Stein. In Korea I was with the 504th Transportation Truck Company and in my last letter which appeared in the Greybeards I didn't hear from one person from my outfit but I heard from someone stationed across the road from us.

--LAWRENCE HOCHFELD; 120-9 Co-Op City Blvd.; Co-Op City, NY 10475

7th CAV CANTEEN & COVER, pistol belt and empty .45 holster- - will be offered to lucky donor holding winning stub at the July reunion. ALSO an eye-catching lapel pin with "Korea" against a black ribbon will be offered for sale with all profits going to the Memorial fund. Offered by EMMETT BENJAMIN of Miami.



TOM MAINES, On left, and JOHN KENNEY at right, set up this special display to advertise KWVA, at the IAFE show in Las Vegas.

FUND RAISING PROJECT, FAIRS AND EXPOSITIONS

By TOM MAINES, 1st Vice President

General Richard G. Stilwell, who commanded the 15th Inf. Regt., 3rd Div. during the war and later commanded Eighth Army, has tasked himself and his Memorial Commission Board to soliciting corporate donations. The admiration and respect of the Korean People for General Stilwell is evident. Of the seventy two (72) corporate contributions, totaling \$1,580,317.22, donations from fourteen (14) Korean-American Corporations total \$1,330,300,00. Corporate America has donated only \$250,317.22, so it is evident that we need to find a way for them to contribute more. A complete list of corporate donations will appear in the next newsletter.

Our Association was founded to remember our comrades who died and to create awareness of the American people to the Korean War. Later, as an Association objective, we identified helping to raise money for the Korean War Veterans Memorial in the nation's capital. It appears that a grass roots effort will be the primary source of raising the balance required to construct the Memorial. Approximately \$5,200,00 is now on deposit with the Treasury Department. It is estimated that the total cost of the Memorial may be \$8.6 million.

For us to help in this project we must have the exposure of large number of people. These people must be family oriented since patriotic virtues stem from that environment. We feel that one place to find this combination is at fairs and expositions. To that end John Kenney and Tom Maines established a booth at the 99th Annual Convention of the International Association of Fairs & Expositions. This convention was held in Las Vegas the latter part of November 1989. We met with fair managers and directors and were well received. Many expressed that our participation at their events would help to put a little of America into the events and that we should develop a program that would be educational in nature. Our primary purpose is to solicit donations; however we can expand on the primary goals of our Association at the same time. The opportunity to create awareness and to increase membership is a golden byproduct of our presence at fairs.

We need your ideas for execution of the KWVA fund raising at fairs and expositions. Your suggestions on matters like local sponsors for our booths, the form of educational material, who can produce this information, can we expect sponsors for the printing costs, what is the best form of direct solicitation for donations, etc. Think about this and send your suggestions to KWVA, 1801 Saw Mill Run Blvd., Pittsburgh, Pa. 15210.

THE MEMORIAL MODEL WILL TRAVEL

We do not have full information, but the Memorial model is scheduled to travel from Washington, D.C. to St. Louis this coming June. KWVA member RAY DONNELLY is one of those who will make the arduous trip to transport the heavy model and see to its care. Here's what we know:

The St. Louis Last Man's Club is planning its second annual Mid-American All-Veterans reunion to be held at Jefferson Barracks Park on June 22, 23 and 24 1990.

"As with last years reunion, we honor veterans from all wars and this year is no exception. We do understand that the Korean War has been called the" Forgotten War" and we will try to change that. We have been successful in convincing the Korean War Veterans Memorial Advisory Board to allow us to bring the ONLY model of the Korean War Veterans Memorial to our three day reunion. This will be the first time the model has been out of the Washington D. C. area. The memorial will be built in Washington D. C. in the 1990's. The theme for our reunion is "Vietnam Veterans Salute the Korean Veteran". Along with the memorial model will be General Ray Davis as spokesman for the memorial. General Davis is also a recipient of the Congressional Medal of Honor from Korea." --ED WINSETT; P.O. Box 169; Chesterfield, MO 63006-0169.

PA AND NJ MEMBERS, NOTE:

In the Philadelphia radio listening area, I was traveling down Highway 95 one day and listened to Radio Station WWBB, with Susan (Breigh, or Bray) as monitor. She had a host discussing a movie on Viet Nam, and listeners were invited to phone in with questions or comments. One caller asked if she knew of the Korean War. She knew practically nothing about Korea, but went on at great length about the sufferings of the Viet Nam soldiers.

My thought is this: why don't one of you contact that radio station and be her talk-show guest, and ask for questions about our war. I believe she and the station will be happy to help.

THE MAN AND THE HOUR ...

From Miami, Fla, we learn that our own EMMETT BENJAMIN has cast his hat into the ring for election to the Florida House of Representatives. He says he is "against the shame of forgetting what Veterans have done for our country." Go get 'em, Emmett!

YES, LET'S GET ON WITH THE JOB — but I see ample reason why we should put pressure on to make certain there is no cost - overrun or corrupt kick - backs on the contracts. Our Memorial does not need HUD thievery or the mismanagement that buys \$900 toilet seats.

Dear Dick (#76):

Thank you for letting me attend the Delegates meeting on Feb. 10. It was worth the 5 hrs drive down from Long Island just to meet with old friends again. Not only are you all dedicated members but I can see the fantastic job you are doing. Keep up the good work. See you in July. Happy to be a KWVA member. BOB SNIDER, #73; 138 Fairview Road, Massapequa, L.I., NY 11758

KOREAN WAR VETS SOUGHT FOR BIKE TRIP

The International Korean War Memorial (Chosin Few) has planned a bike trip to honor the 40th anniversary. Vets are sought to join the special bike trip carrying the memorial model from Virginia to California.

If you want to participate at any time in the trip, lasting from May 7 to June 24, contact GORDON GREENE; 5939 Bartholomew; Lincoln, NEB 68512 (phone 1-402-423-7130).

IT'S FIRST COME, FIRST-SERVED AT REUNION BANQUET SEATING

At our banquet for July 24-28 Reunion, the only reserved tables will be for our Gold Star Mothers. Should someone such as President Bush arrive at the last hour, there will be a change in seating plans.

In order to give everyone an equal seating arrangement, this year we will allocate table seating on a first-come, first-served basis. The first reservation request we receive will be assigned to Table #1, and we go from there. Each table will seat 10 people. If you want your special group to sit together, one way is to make ten or more reservations, with payment, right now.

There is another way to re-arrange seating: we plan to have some kind of information chart available to you at the registration desk as you check in, whereby you can look at your assigned table number and see who else will be there. Likewise, you can scan the other tables and decide whether--on your own--you want to contact someone and make a trade. That will be up to you.

When you send your registration form with payment (full or partial), you will be assigned the next numerical table. You will be notified of that number by return mail. Your actual TABLE TICKET will be in the envelope handed you at the registration desk. Thank you for your support and understanding.

	VAR VETERANS ASSOCIATION	
	NG STATEMENT 2-1-90 TO 2	
BALANCE ON 2-1-90		\$78,601.67
REVENUE IN FEBRUAR		
Membership Dues	\$4,892.00	
Life Membership	1,370.00	
Memorial Fund	1,571.00	\$7,833.00
EXPENSE IN FEBRUARY	:	
Board Meeting	\$795,49	
Postage	196.40	
Telephone	1,094.43	
Office Supplies	155.01	
Travel - Friedlander	762.59	(\$3,003.92)
BALA	ANCE ON 2-28-90	\$83,430.75
BALANCE COMPOSED O	OF:	-
OPERATING FUND	W1012 511	
1990 Dues	(\$4,047.51)	
Miscellaneous	80.00	
Reserve	34,224.25	\$30,356.74
LIFE MEMBERSHIP		
Cash	\$5,671.48	
Certificate	27,380.73	33,052.21
MEMORIAL FUND		
Cash	\$3,890.17	
Certificate	16,131.63	\$20,021.80
TOTAL		\$83,430.75
		905,130.75

TO SUBMIT AMENDMENTS AND RESOLUTIONS

Any member of the Korean War Veterans Association may offer a Resolution, or propose a By-Law Amendment for consideration by the Membership at the Annual Business Meeting of Members. This is provided for in Article VI, Section 1, of the By-Laws of the Association.

A proposed Amendment to the By-Laws must be submitted, in writing, to the Board of Directors in advance of any Board of Directors meeting. (NOTE: next Board meeting is July 24).

A Resolution must be submitted, in writing, to the Secretary at least twenty four hours in advance of convening the Annual Membership Business Meeting (Reunion). (NOTE: next Business meeting is July 26).

FOR THE LADIES OF KWVA; special things to do and see in the Washington, D.C. are being planned by MARY ANN ADAMS. You might choose to contact her in California for more information.

TO NOMINATE FOR OFFICE

ART. III, By-Laws includes this: "... The officers shall be elected biannually by the membership at its annual meeting.... the members retaining the power to make additional nominations from the floor." (We have a nominating committee composed in 1990 of Stan Hadden, Emmett Benjamin, and W.B. Woodruff).

"To be elected, a candidate must have a majority vote of those members voting (at the annual meeting, or reunion). Should there not be a majority vote for the candidates for any office, the two candidates with the highest vote shall have a run-off election with the candidate with the highest vote being elected."

PUBLISHERS OF ARMY, NAVY, AIR FORCE, AND FEDERAL TIMES WILL GIVE 15% TO THE MEMORIAL FUND

Army Times Publishing Company, publishers of Army, Navy, Air Force, and Federal Times Newspapers began a subscription promotion program in September with the Korean War Veteran's Memorial. Army Times recognizes the need to honor the courage and sacrifice of the millions of Americans who participated in the Korean War and feels its eminence will also enhance our selling efforts. This program entails no work for the Korean War Veteran's Memorial. Army Times simply donates 15% for every paid order generated under this program to the Korean War Veteran's Memorial. To date Army Times Publishing Company has generated over \$4000.00 for the Korean War Veteran's Memorial with orders coming in daily.

It's your turn, now

Anyone who is interested in receiving Army, Navy, Air Force, or Federal Times, this is the perfect opportunity to not only receive vital information on your career or retirement weekly but also help the Korean War Veteran's Memorial. If interested, call Army Times Customer Service Department on our toll- free number: 1-800-368-5718

TAPS

EDWIN L. WORKMAN; July 31, 1989; Gilbert, AZ

NEIL C. THIENES; Tucson, AZ.

A. J. MIRABELLI; Freemont, CA; Nov. 15, 1989

ALLAN MOODY; late January 1990; was the Chairman of British Korea Veterans Association. Wife MORIA; at home 46 Rees Gardens

Croydon, County Surrey, England

ROBERT DORDELMAN; Feb. 1, 1990; East Hampton, N.Y.

IRA L. JONES; Oct. 9, 1989; Peyton, Colo.

SGT. ERWIN L. BECKWITH, Oct. 3, 1989; USMC.

ROGER CRENSHAW; Oct 2, 1989; Silver Springs, FLA. Cpl; 25th Inf,

Co. B, 701st Armd. Inf. Bn, 1st Armd. Div.

MAURICE LEPAVSKY; Oct. 15, 1989; Villa Park, ILL.

WHERE ARE YOU? We tried to mail your newsletter, but these were returned as "MOVED"...

JOHN S. GRANGER; Lakeland, FL. MARTIN C. GUERRERO; San Antonio, TX. CHARLES J. CHAMPION; Hunstville, TX.

JOSEPH C. VANCE; Lexington, KY. JERRY J. KING; San Marcos, CA.

CARL WOOLWORTH; Kentwood, MI JOHNNY E. OWEN; Aberdeen, MS.

RALPH MALPESO; Coconut Creek, FL.

ROBERT MARTIN; Sun City West, AZ. RAY ZELLER; Miami, FL. PAUL MINICHUK; Naples, FL. ARTHUR VIGNE; New Orleans, LA. HENRY TAYLOR, JR.; Atlanta, GA. JOHN WALSH; Rochester, NY.

CHARLES INMON; Bourbonnais, IL.

JACK FRY; New Orleans, LA.

Please contact Stan Hadden, Editor; P.O. Box 131; Harpers Ferry, WV 25425.



JOSEPH R. HEMS, National Junior Vice Commander of the Military Order of the Purple Heart, left, presents a check to General Adams of the American Battle Monuments Commission for the Korean War Memorial. MOPH, National Commander Ernest Brown, right, and Joseph Hems are both Korean War Veterans. The Military Order of the Purple Heart has contributed over \$26,000 to the Korean War Memorial.

—JOE HEMS, MOPH Nat. Jr. Vice Commander; 1271 Stockton Drive; North Brunswick. NJ 08902

159TH FIELD ARTILLERY

I would like to contact (Korean Vets) who served with the 159th Field Artillery, C Btry, 155th outfit, between January 1952 and May, June of 1953.

-- BRUNO JIM DAROS; 79 Flamingo Rd.; Levittown, NY 11756.

WERE YOU IN...

25th Div, 35th Inf Regt, Co G - - from April 1949 to August 1950. Please contact JIM BOWIE; 1 North Railroad; Greenwick, Ohio 44837 or phone me at the Veterans Home: 419-752-2311. I am unable to attend the reunion in July and would like to hear from anyone who cares to contact me. Thank you.

MY RECORDS BURNED, AND...

I NEED INFORMATION to help in my case now before the VA, to prove an injury received in Korea. My only means of proof is to locate some of the men who were injured at the same time I was, or some others there who would remember. I served 1951-1953 with 8th Army, 24th Group, 79th ENG CONST BAT, Co. A. Please contact MICHAEL L. GAGLIA; 49 East 4th St.; Brooklyn, N.Y. 11218

DID YOU KNOW CAPT. ARTHUR HEISE?

I have a request for information from a Mrs. Jeanette Earl, 154B. West Spain St., Sonoma, CA 95476. Her "late" husband, Capt. Arthur Heise ":was the AC of a B-29 based on Okinawa from August 1952 until 1-10-53 when his plane was shot down over N. Korea. All 12 of his crew bailed out and were taken prisoner, and later returned when hostilities ceased. We have never learned exactly what his fate was, although it was presumed he went down with the plane. He is still 'unaccounted for' although declared dead." She is "always looking for more information from all sources....".

Please add this request to the others that I have forwarded in hopes that someone know about this lady's husband. We have TOO many in this category!

--CHARLES COLLINS; 3931 Shamrock Dr.; Huntsville, ALA 35810-

DO YOU KNOW ALLAN STANBERRY?

If you were in 1st Platoon, I Company, 5th Cavalry Regiment, please contact DAVID ALAN BAIRD; 121 East Williams St.; Ft. Wayne, IND 46803. He seeks Allan as well as others.

REUNIONS

32nd "Queen's Own" Inf Regt Assoc, August 12-16 at the Sheraton Hotel, Columbus, GA. Contact Chester Bair, 1022 Howell Ave, Brooksville, Fl. 34601. Phone 904-796-6219.

1/92 Arty IFFV: anyone who served with the 1/92 Arty in Viet Nam, Ft. Bragg or Ft. Hood, or with any part of the 92nd Field Arty, WWII or Korea, Reunion: 30 May - 1 June 1990 at Ft. Hood, TX. Contact: Chuck Gall, 1277 S. 2nd Ave., Des Plaines, IL 60018-1528, (708) 298-7071

204th Field Artillery Battalion (Li'l Joe), Korea, 1950-1954, San Antonio, Texas, Sept. 7-9. Contact Nick Vanderhave, 1333 Littleton Road, Morris Plains, N.J. 07950, telephone: 201-887-9259.

U.S.S HS-CONSOLATION. Oct. 5-7, Memphis, TN. contact JOHNNY W. YOUNG; 3655-2 Houghton Lane; Memphis, TN 38128. (901) 372-3235.

U.S.S. Boxer, CV/CVA/CVS-21, LPH-4: ALL former shipmates, carrier air groups, U.S. Marines, and other units, in Pensacola, Florida, Oct. 11-14, 1990. Contact our Michigan director: EARL DUNCAN; 3039 Vincent Road, North Street,; MI 48049 (313) 982-5437.

USS WISCONSIN BB-64, 2nd Reunion. August 30th-Sept. 2nd, 1990, Norfolk, VA. Contact Committee, P.O. Box BB-64, Rudolph, WI 54475

765 TRSB is having its annual reunion at Williamsburg, VA, Sept. 13-15. Any buddies out there contact JOE ARONICA; 162 Burlington Ave.; Deer Park, NY 11729; or phone 1-516-667-4163

THE MOSQUITO ASSOCIATION, INC.

Members of the 6147th Tactical Control Group "Mosquitos" who served with the Fifth Air Force in the Korean War will hold their annual reunion on September 20-23, 1990, at the Best Western Landmark Resort Hotel, Myrtle Beach, South Carolina. Contact: John N. Webster, 610 1st Avenue (N), Surfside Beach, S.C. 29577, (803) 238-0560.

EASY Co., 2nd Bn 5th Reg 1st Marine Division Korea 1951-52. All personnel. Sept 1990; Las Vegas, Nev. Contact BART DAUBERMAN; 301 Clearwater Dr.; Goose Creek, SC 29445. Phone 803-553-4677.

USS McGOWAN DD678 Association; San Antonio, Texas, Oct 11-13 1990. Contact DON ROGERS; 30 Hurd St.; Lynn Mass. 01905. (617) 595-1137.

USS MORRISON DD560; 3rd annual reunion May 1-4, 1990 at Pensacola, FLA. Contact JOHN W. SCHURMELER; 8291 Grange Blvd. S.; Cottage Grove, MN 55016 (612) 459-4823

KOREAN WAR ERA VETERANS; Oct. 18-21, 1990; Phoenix, AZ. Jim Bork; 3301 W. Encanto; Phoenix, AZ 85009. (602) 272-2418.

C BATTERY, 1st 4.5 ROCKETS, 11 Marines (Korea); Nashville, TN; Oct 11-14 1990. Contact JOHN J. MURTAGH; 8 Albright Place; Delmar, NY 12054.

CO. C, 516 AIRBORNE INF at Camp Breckenridge, Ky Nov 1950 -March 1951, Possible mini-reunion (call it the 40th). contact DONALD MIGHT; 310 Island View Rd.; Willard, Ohio 44890 (935-4491). Or: HAROLD LONEY; 3679 SR-598; Willard Ohio 44890 (935-0375).

106TH ORD CO, KOREA 1951-55; Aug 18-19, Springfield, MO. Contact: ROBERT J. WEEKS; Rt. 6, Box 135-A; Rogers, ARK. 72756.

Co K-38th Inf. June 13-17 1990 June 13-17, 1990, at the Executive Inn Rivermont, 1 Executive Blvd., Owensboro, KY 42301. Contact: Mrs. Coy Durham, 1407 W. 12th St, Texarkana, TX 75501, Ph. 214-794-9615, John T. Trammel Box 415, Noline, KS 67353, Ph. 316-674-3479, Mrs. J.L. Robinson, P.O. Box 549, St. Charles, IL 60174, Ph. 312-377-2252.

G/3/1 USMC PLANS RETURN/REUNION: George Company, 3rd Battalion, 1st Marines-Korea plans its sixth annual reunion with a return to Korea 10-20 September 1990 - Pusan, Masan, Taegu, Naktong River, Hwachon Reservoir, Panmunjon, with anniversary banquets at Inchon and Seoul. contact: Capt. G.G. Pendas, U.S.M.C. Ret.; 26 Fermac Street; Albany, New York 12205-4705.

EDITOR'S NOTE: A limited number of reunion notices will be accepted for publication here. Your cooperation will be appreciated. Deadline for June edition is May 24.

SHE SEEKS HER HUSBAND'S BADGE

I have just received your recent newsletter and enjoyed reading it. My husband, Roger Crenshaw, was the Korean Vet. He passed away on Oct 2, 1989. Served in the Army from Oct. 1949 until Oct. 1952. Was in Korea for 61/2 months until he was wounded in September 1950. He was 25th Infantry - CoB, 701st Armd. Inf. Bn 1st Armd Div. Rank Cpl (T). I am trying to gather up all the patches, medals, ribbons, etc. to put them in a framed display for his son. The government has supplied me with all the items I was missing except for one item. I was wondering if a "small ad" or something in your next issue might put me in touch with someone who may have a duplicate badge of the kind I am looking for. I remember my husband saying that the badge he was missing had a Korean symbol or "Pagoda" on it = similar to or something similar. The Army told me he was eligible for "The Republic of Korea Presidential Unit Citation Badge". I have the Korean service medal, but this Badge, they say, was a foreign award not issued by the Army and for me to try private civilian dealers.

I don't know if this was the badge my husband was referring to or not. He was in Korea in 1950 for about 6 months before getting wounded. If you or your other readers can help, I'd appreciate it.

I will continue to be an Associate Member, and presume the notice for dues payments will be sent to me yearly. Keep up your good work.

--CAROLE CRENSHAW; 18381 SE 18 St. Rd.; Silver Springs, FL 32688.

HE SEEKS AIR FORCE BUDDIES

I'VE READ THE GRAYBEARDS thru and thru in hopes of running across someone I knew as a Korean War buddy. But no luck. I was with the Air Force in P.I. on June 25, 1950. Three airplane loads of us were flown to Japan and was there when the USS Boxer carrier docked after a record Pacific crossing of 8 days and 7 hours. Shortest time ever, and loaded with fighter planes just out of mothballs.

All MOS's went over and made necessary repairs. By the time they finished, the planes had been refueled and filled with ammo and flew on to Korea.

I'm making a list of names, some with serial numbers, and a few last known addresses. If recognized please contact LAWRENCE W. (Larry) BURGER; RR 1, Box 121; Oconee, ILL 62553 (originally from New Berlin, ILL).

Capt. COY J. SIMONS AO590656; Capt. PRICE D. RICE A0792786; S/Sgt DEWEY R, GORE, AF14367622; PFC HARRY S. VITTITOW, n/a; Sgt. WILLIAM E. HINSHAW, n/a; Sgt. ALFRED ROLDER ORTIONVILLE, Minn. Rt. 2; THOMAS C. KIRKLIE, Box 483, Bowbells, ND; THEODORE P. BARTOCK, Rt. 2, Box 57, Raylord, Ohio; A/2c R. SCHUMANN 16384534; A/3c TONY BARRACHINA n/a; A/2c LEONARD H. ZALATOREWICZ AF12379853; Sgt. GERLIN J. HILLIS, RA44171986.

ARE YOU OUT THERE?

WOULD LIKE TO HEAR FROM ANYONE FROM THE FOLLOWING:

CO B 86 HV TK BN 3RD ARMORD DIV. FT. KNOX, KY 9/14/49 -12.21.49.

BTRY A 41ST FA 3RD INF DIV FT BENNING, GA 1/7/50-7/27/50.

BTRY A 37TH FA 2ND DIV KOREA 8/50-12/50. BTRY A 63RD FA 25 INF DIV 8/51-11/51.

--MARSHALL H. COLLINS; 1026 7th Street; Glen Burnie, MD 21061; Tele. 1 (301) 760-4237.

YOU ARE WELCOME!

Thanks for printing my request for information from GRAYBEARD readers concerning action in September, 1951 on Hills 682 and 717. I received responses from five fellows, who provided me with more details than I expected. And our correspondences are continuing with a good exchange of info and artifacts. This is what makes GRAYBEARDS and membership so valuable.

--HAROLD E. LONEY; 3679 SR-598; Willard, Ohio 44890 (935-0375).

KOREA BATTLE SITE TOUR PLANNED

Sept 11-24: The 2nd (Indianhead) Division Association is planning a two week tour for its members and family. We'll tour Battle Sites from Pusan Perimeter to Heartbreak Ridge and the Iron Triangle areas. Side trips to our Div. and Panmunjom. For information contact Joe Hess, P.O. Box 1049, Tiburon, CA 94920. Call 415-435-5725 or leave message at 435-5260. 2nd Div. Assoc. membership required.

SEND HIM YOUR STORY

IN early September 1989 a friend of mine asked me to help him put on a Korean War program. This was the first time I had heard of KWVA. It's great; long overdue. I served with Co C, 14th Inf Regt, 25th Inf Div, in 1953-54.

In early April 1990 and possibly late June thru July 1, we are working one, maybe two programs. "In Remembrance of Korea." To put these on we are very short on material from the nurses and the Navy, but I could use all branches of service. If anyone wishes to write or tape their stories, I would greatly appreciate it. This can be mailed to the address: LESTER LINDQUIST; RR 1, Box 310; Newfelden, MN 56738 (phone 218-874-7705).

YOUR HELP GAVE NEWS OF HER FATHER

LAST SEPTEMBER we published her plea for help in finding information about her father who was killed in Korea. He was Maj. GEOFFERY LAVELL, 82nd AA, Auto Wpns Bn, Self Propelled. Here is the letter we recently received:

"I wanted to write and let you know that because of my request you published, and the handout of last July's reunion, I have heard from a number of veterans. Some of them knew my father; some of them didn't, but wrote to suggest names or organizations to write. I am very grateful to you and the Graybeards.

"Since my original contact with you back in June, I've learned a great deal. The single most important fact was that Dr. William Shadish did indeed care for my father at the Death Valley camp and could assure me that he died there in February 1951. It gave my sister and me great peace to finally learn, beyond doubt, that our father was not still held as a prisoner.

"I still hope to learn more about him, and I enjoy hearing from all the POW's. Thank you so much for your help and efforts." --TERRY LAVELL; 445 Riverside Dr.; Burbank, CA 91506

RED BLOOD. . . PURPLE HEARTS

THIS APT TITLE of a book compiled by JOSEPH A. SALUZZI, D/2/7, Korea, tells the stories of more than 330 individual combat accounts of U.S. Marines in Korea. All are based on official citations and personal interviews. Also, there is a complete listing, with dates, of all Marine Medals of Honor, Navy Crosses and Silver Stars awarded in Korea.

The author says: "I pledge to send two dollars per book sold to the KWVA Memorial fund."

For your copy, send check or money order for \$14.95 plus \$1.05 shipping to: J.A. SALUZZI; P.O. Box 1872; Dept KWVA; Church Street Station; New York, NY 10008-1872.



SAYONARA
PARTY for an Air Force
Chaplain. If you know
the whereabouts of
WILLIAM A. BROWN,
serial n/a, at left, please
contact LAWRENCE
BURGER; RR 1, Box
121; Oconee. ILL 62553.
Thank you.

PLEASE WARN YOUR CHILDREN AND GRANDCHILDREN

Beware of a "Blue Star Tatoo"

A form of tatoo called "Blue Star" is being sold to school children. It is a small sheet of white paper containing a blue star the size of a pencil eraser. Each star is laced with LSD. The star can be removed and placed in the mouth. The LSD can also be absorbed through the skin by handling. In addition, there are bright colored tabs resembling postage stamps that have pictures of Mickey Mouse, Butterflies, and other Disney Characters.

These drugs are packaged in red cardboard boxes wrapped in foil. This new way of selling acid is appealing to children. If a young child happens upon these, they could have a FATAL TRIP.

It was also learned that little children could be given a "Free Tattoo" to have some fun and cultivate new customers. PLEASE WARN YOUR CHILDREN about these drugs. Handling these items is dangerous. These drugs are known to react quickly and some are laced with strychnine.

SYMPTOMS: Hallucinations, severe vomiting, uncontrolled laughter, mood changes and change in body temperature.

OTHER TYPE OF TATOOS: Red Pyramid (Red Stamp)

Micro Dot (Various Colors)

window Panes (Grid that can be
cut out)

GET AN AUTOGRAPHED "ABOUT FACE"

DAVID HACKWORTH was no different than many other young men when he went off to the killing grounds of the Korean War. He fought; he went to the Viet Nam war; he became the most-decorated living American soldier. He amassed a large fortune over the years and has written his story titled "ABOUT FACE", a revealing testimony of the thoughts of an articulate man.

We received this note from Col Hackworth: "Thanks again for checking into my book distribution. Don't want 'em to think I ripped 'em off. You can tell members if they want an autographed hardback copy of About Face, send \$16 and SASE to Santa Monica, with a note outlining what they want me to write, and I'll do it."

--DAVID "Hack" HACKWORTH; 2652 29th St. #1; Santa Monica, Ca 90405

> Here's an idea: include "Korean 85 War Veteran" on your bank check. "All of our members could do this," said Guy.

SOME IMPORTANT RAMBLIN' THOUGHTS:

HOW MANY MORE MEMBERS of KWVA also are state commanders of VFW? We know of one; he is: JOHN MOONEY; New Jersey Dept. Commander; 564 Broughton Ave.; Bloomfield, NJ 07003.

WHEN YOU SUBMIT YOUR APPLICATION to start a chapter, it is required that you include a copy of your form DD-214. Send all to BILL MASON; P.O. Box 382; East Taunton, Mass. 02718.

WHEN YOU SEND IN YOUR DUES PAYMENT please please mark your check with the word RENEWAL and your present membership card number. Send to HARRY WALLACE; P.O. Box 12205; Baltimore, MD 21281.

IF YOU WANT IT PRINTED in the Graybeards, please send to STAN HADDEN, P.O. Box 131; Harpers Ferry, WV 25425.

THE BERGEN COUNTY (NJ) Korean Veterans Memorial Committee has set June 24 as the date for dedication of the county monument to honor our Korean War veterans. Send your contribution to the Bergen County Korean Veterans Memorial Fund; P.O. Box 57; Harrington Park, NJ 07640.

For a copy of chapters on record, contact BILL MASON; P.O. Box 382; East Taunton, MA 02718.

KWVA BY-LAWS, updated as of Feb. 10, 1990, and consisting of four printed pages, can be had by sending a SASE to your editor, STAN HADDEN; P.O. Box 131; Harpers Ferry, W. V. 25425

It is planned to hand a copy to each member registering at the July reunion for convenience in the business meetings.

AS OF MARCH 24 - - results from the KWVA ad that ran in the VFW magazine are as follows: 937 replies asking for information were received; 275 paid applications came back, and more are coming in every day.

WHILE IN SEOUL in mid-March with the KWVA contingent, VIRGINIA BENJAMIN (wife of Emmett, a director) gave an application blank to one of the ladies met in the American Embassy. The result was membership for GRACE MAXINE WADE, who served as sergeant with the USMC 1951-1954. Grace joins a few others of KWVA who are members in Korea. And thank you, Virginia.!

HERE IS THE BIBLE SOURCE FOR OUR "MIGHTY MEN OF VALOR"

Since I am a late comer to KWVA, I don't know if the news letter has pointed out where the phrase "Mighty Men of Valor" comes from. It is in Joshua 8:3 and 10:7:

So Joshua arose, and all the people of war, to go against Ai': and Joshua chose out thirty thousand mighty men of valour, and sent them away by night. (Joshua 8:3)

So Joshua ascended from Gilgal, he and all the people of war with him, and all the mighty men of valour. (Joshua 10:7)

On another matter, it is hard to tell from Picture #2 of the Memorial design (the photo in Vol. 5, No. 1 Sept. 1989 is slightly better than the one in Vol. 5 No. 2 Jan 1990, but it looks like Old Glory has 50 stars. Of course, during the Korean War it had only 48 stars as Alaska and Hawaii were not yet states. Some one should check.

--NORMAN SCHWARZ: 7901 Oakwood Rd; Glen Burnie, MD 21061

GUY W. COMLEY KOREAN WAR VETERAN PO BOX 315, 986-3638 BEREA, KY 40403

POW/MIA FACTS YOU MIGHT NOT KNOW

In 1946, after World War II, the US government declared all MIAs dead, even though many were known to be held in Siberia. To declare these personnel dead, the government used the authority of the one year clause of the Missing Persons Act of 1942.

In 1954, one year after the end of hostilities in Korea, all US MIAs (Including 389 Americans known to have been POWs) were declared dead under the Missing Persons Act of 1942. This included 15 other Americans, shot down during the Korean War, who were released by the communist Chinese in 1955. These 15 returning prisoners told Air Force Intelligence, the CIA, and the State Department, that other American prisoners had been left behind. They were told to "forget about it, they didn't see them; and to never talk about it to anyone."

A mass of US Government documents that might help in determining the status of some of the MIAs are still classified TOP-SECRET by the Government.

Two bills have been introduced in Congress dealing with these issues. Bill HR 1730 was introduced April 6, 1989 to correct the present law. It would change the method by which the Government accounts for missing service personnel. The Government would no longer be allowed to declare the missing "dead", when there is a possibility they are prisoners.

Representative Denny Smith (R-OR) has introduced HR 3603, the "1989 POW/MIA Public Accountability Bill." This bill would require the US Government to release information concerning military personnel classified as POW or MIA from World War II, Korea and Vietnam. It is being called the "truth bill" because it would declassify all government documents dealing with POWs and MIAs. It would not force the Government to reveal sources and methods of gathering information, nor would it automatically release sensitive personal information without the expressed permission of the family.

This information was supplied Jan. 30, 1990 by DON BARTON, Sec. ex-POW Korean War; 1501 N. Hayden Island Drive, #17-B; Portland, OR 97217. Phone (503) 289-7360.



Pres. HANK WHITE left, listens as Chapter Historian Col (Ret) DICK THOMAS, right reads citation for the Korean Medal of Freedom, being presented to Hank by TAE HI NAM, president of the Midwest Chapter Korean Veterans Association.

On Saturday, Feb. 14, Greater Chicago Chapter hosted a dinner dance in remembrance of the 40th year anniversary of the Korean War. Among approximately 200 Korean War veterans, family and friends who attended, were the Consul Generals of ten Korean War allied UN nations: Australia, Belguim, Canada, France, Great Britain, Greece, Republic of Korea, the Netherlands, the Philippines, and Turkey.

Guest speaker was Medal of Honor recipient Allen J. Lynch, Chief of Veterans Advocacy, Office of the Illinois Attorney General, who delivered a moving tribute to the Korean War veterans.

As a result of the affair, which we hope to make an annual event, Chapter President Hank White plans to present a check at the National Convention in July to National President DICK ADAMS for relay to the War Memorial Commission.

The Greater Chicago Chapter, less than a year old, now has 42 members and has set the goal of doubling its membership in 1990. The Chapter meets on the second Monday of even numbered months, at 7:00 pm. For more information, contact KWVA, Greater Chicago Chapter, Suite 111, 8 South Michigan Avenue, Chicago, Illinois 60603. Telephone (312) 236-2222.

THIS SEATTLE NEWSCASTER IS TRYING TO FIND THE FACTS:

"SECRET PRISONERS OF THE FORGOTTEN WAR"

ON NOV 28 AND 29, 1989, MARK SAUTER, INVESTIGATIVE REPORTER FOR KIRO Eyewitness News of Seattle, Wash., did this two-part TV broadcast on the subject of our POW/MIA. A lot of public interest was sparked, especially in the Northwest.

WARREN AVERY; 836 Middletown Ave.; North Haven CT 06473, KWVA POW/MIA action director, secured a copy of that newscast and, at his own expense, made a number of copies which he mailed around the membership. In conversation with Mark Sauter in Seattle, it has been decided that if you -- the individual member of KWVA -- would like to see this newscast repeated in your own area, here's how you can go about getting it: contact your local CBS television station, and tell them of your request. If they agree to air the tape, then contact must be made with Seattle for permission (which they already have agreed to give) and a suitable tape will be sent to your station.

The station address is: KIRO 7 News; attn Mark Sauter; Broadcast House, 2807 Third Ave.; P.O. Box C-21326; Seattle, WA 98111-7777, or phone (206) 728-7757.

As best we can with our limited space, we will here list some of the highlights of the newscast:

"At least 389 Americans last KNOWN to have been alive and in enemy hands, never came home. In 1953, Communist negotiators said they had given back all U.S. prisoners, but an unconvinced American government launched a world-wide intelligence search, hoping to execute a clandestine recovery effort - - or prisoner rescue. And they soon began to piece together a sinister pattern. . .a pattern that HAS BEEN KEPT SECRET to this very day.

"American C.I.A. reports revealed the existence of several secret POW camps in China. . .in Canton, Mukden, Shanghai. . .camps with hundreds, perhaps thousands of Americans. The CIA source said those prisoners "would not be exchanged."

"Indeed, almost all the Americans who DID come home, returned from North Korea--not China.

"A report indicated that trainloads of American POWs were being shipped into the SOVIET UNION from the Chinese border town of Manchoui.

"Later events led Sec. of State Dulles to order the American Embassy in Moscow to request the earliest possible return of the prisoners. The Soviets responded by denying they had any American POWs, calling the allegations "far-fetched."

"Many live sightings have been reported over the intervening years, and by reliable sources. But our C.I.A. declined to confirm or deny. . . . reports possibly lie buried in the huge mass of still-secret documents . . . the government has even recently REMOVED some documents on the subject, from the National Archives. Could those documents prove that American POWs survived long after the Korean War?"

Mark ended his broadcast with this: "Along with the proposed declassification law we told you about, the Senate Foreign Services Committee is looking into the Korean War POW situation."

For more on this story, contact Warren Avery at the above address.

BUT WHO SENT THIS?

"STAN -- if you could put in next paper that I mailed out \$100 for Memorial; Watkins-Killett Post 277; American Legion; SI NY." We thank you much. . . but you forgot to tell me your name or address.--Stan Hadden. Editor.

MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

A meeting of the Board of Directors was held at 9:25 A.M. on February 10,1990, at the Sheraton National Hotel in Arlington, Virginia, pursuant to written notice mailed to Directors on January 18, 1990.

Constituting a quorum for transaction of the business of the Association, Directors in attendance were: Richard Adams; Harry Wallace; Joseph Perc; Emmett Benjamin; Kathleen Wyosnick; Col. (Ret) William Weber; Tom Maines; Charles Dawson; Al Rudy; Arthur Patterson; Wes Worsham; William Smyers; William Mason; Warren Avery; W. B. Woodruff; Blaine Friedlander. Directors absent were: Bill Coe; and Hershall Lee.

Richard Adams, President, presiding at the meeting. William Smyers, Secretary, recorded the minutes. The President announced that the meeting would also be recorded on tape by Arthur Patterson, and Patterson would provide a copy to each Director; cost to be borne by the Association.

Minutes of the meeting held in Arlington, Virginia, on July 24, 1989; July 26, 1989; and July 28, 1989, were approved.

There was then discussion of liberalizing the qualifications for Regular Membership in the Association. A motion was made, seconded, that the By-Laws be amended to permit any person who had served in the Korean Theater of Operations from February 1, 1955 to date, as a member of the uniformed forces of the United States to become a Regular Member. The motion carried by a vote of 12 to 2.

President Adams announced that the Central Long Island Chapter, Korean War Veterans Association, had presented four written proposals for consideration:

- The Korean War Veterans Association provide for an auxiliary organization entitled "Sons and Daughters of Korean War Veterans". After discussion, a motion was made, seconded, and carried, to decline the proposal and leave it to individual chapters to decide whether to institute such a proposal at the chapter level.
- The metropolitan area of New York be allowed two seats on the Board of Directors of the Association on the basis of population. after discussion, this proposal was tabled.
- A number be assigned to each State Chapter for identification purposes. After discussion, a motion was made, seconded, and carried, not to approve the proposal.
- 4. The national Association collected both national and local dues from Members and remit to each chapter it's portion of the dues collected. A motion was made, seconded, and carried, to reject the proposal as not feasible. Emmett Benjamin requested his vote in favor of the proposal be recorded.

There followed a general discussion of state chapters. It was noted that some state chapters were not maintaining a current list of names and addresses of officers on file with the Secretary making proper communication difficult. A motion was made, seconded, and carried, instructing the Secretary to write each state chapter requesting current names and addresses of the officers and remind them to notify the national secretary when a change occurred.

The President stated he had received a proposed resolution from Billy R. Smith, President of the Charles Parlier Chapter, Korean War Veterans Association. The proposed resolution, entitled "The Right to Keep and Bear Arms" was in opposition to restrictions of gun owners' rights. Smith requested the proposed resolution be presented to the Membership at the Annual convention. There followed considerable discussion of the proposed resolution. It was noted that neither the Secretary, nor William Mason, chairman of the Committee for State Chapters, had any record of the Charles Parlier Chapter. The President

then appointed W. B. Woodruff and Kathleen Wyosnick to be a Resolutions Committee. The purpose of the resolutions committee would be to study the present proposed resolution, and any other resolutions which may be proposed in the future and report back to the Board of Directors at the next meeting. The president stated that he would contact Billy R. Smith to determine if they intended to file an application for a state chapter.

Next, the President stated he had received a letter from Ted Morford, Jr., of Dallas, Texas. The letter contained a donation of \$100.00 for the Korean War Memorial and pledged to donate an additional \$900.00 within one year. Morford proposed adoption of a pledge system for raising funds for the Memorial. He suggested Members be asked to pledge an amount of their choosing and a time period within which Members would honor the pledge. Much favorable discussion of this suggestion followed. Tom Maines stated such a pledge system could be managed on the computer on which membership records are kept. Then, a motion was made, seconded, and passed, that a pledge system be instituted by the Association for raising funds for the Memorial.

There was general discussion of the American Battle Monuments Commission, which is the repository for funds collected for the Korean War Memorial. It was noted the Korean War Veterans Association was not credited for funds raised by Dear Abby. However, the funds raised by Dear Abby were the result of letters from Association Members printed in her newspaper column. A motion was made and seconded, that a letter be sent to the American Battle Monuments Commission requesting the "Dear Abby Funds" be acknowledged as funds raised by the Korean War Veterans Association, The motion carried.

Ray Donnelly announced the model of the Memorial would be on display in approximately ten cities in the East and Midwest. He indicated that Korean Veterans groups could possibly arrange to have it displayed in their city during the tour. The president instructed the Secretary to notify all State Chapters of the tour.

The President then asked Blaine Friedlander to report on progress in obtaining a National Charter for the Association. Friedlander reported that Congressman Stan Paris, (VA) was sponsoring a bill to accomplish this. He said the bill would receive a file number in a few days and would then begin the process of congressional consideration.

Robert Hansen, Executive Secretary of the Korean War Veterans Advisory Board, reported on progress with construction of the Korean War Memorial. He said preliminary detailed design work was continuing and that \$4.6 million had been raised to date. He reported the Education Department would be mailing 4.5 million Korean War Memorial information inserts to schools. The United States Corps of Engineers estimated the construction cost would be \$8.6 million., plus 10% for maintainence. The projected date for dedication of the Memorial was July 27, 1992. Following the report, a motion was made, seconded, and carried, to endorse the actions of the Korean War Veterans Advisory Board and the American Battle Monuments Commission and pledge continued support of the Association.

The President then requested a report on Quartermaster activities. Al Rudy said that for the past year, Sales were \$21,840.; Expense was \$13,388.; Cash on hand was \$3,462.; and Inventory was \$6,600. He said he had transferred \$1,500 to the Treasurer. There followed discussion of quartermaster activities. The President said he had received complaints from suppliers that there were serious problems in collecting for supplies ordered by the Quartermaster department, and this was a serious negative reflection on the Association. He said he had been contacted by a firm that sold mail-order quartermaster supplies. The firm offered to take over the Association's quartermaster operation;

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expeditiously handle orders from Members; pay to the Association a 20% commission, monthly, on membership orders; and was willing to enter a contractual agreement with the Association on these terms. Adams said he had also had many complaints from Members concerning problems with the Quartermaster Department. There was further general discussion of the Quartermaster activity, but no further action was taken.

There was discussion of the various funds and bank accounts used to conduct the business of the Association. Smyers stated that the accountant he was using had advised that the various funds and bank accounts should be reported to the Treasurer on a quarterly basis. After further discussion, a motion was made, and seconded, that accounts be centralized with the Treasurer and checks be drawn by dual signatures. The motion carried.

There was discussion of the need to reduce mailing costs of the Association's Newsletter. A motion was made, seconded and carried, authorizing Stan Hadden, Editor of the Newsletter, to proceed with plans to mail the newsletter by Third Class.

The President requested a report on fund raising activities from First Vice President, Tom Maines. Maines stated that plans were in progress for a "Hole-In-One" contest and Raffle of an automobile and other items at large fairs. The fair booths would be managed by Association Members resident in the states where the fairs would be held. Blaine Friedlander commented on Federal law pertaining to raffles and said each state had it's own laws. Colonel Weber stated he had a ruling from the Department of Justice which stated that it was not illegal to mail raffle tickets to Members of the Association. After further discussion, a motion was made, seconded, and carried, to proceed with a Membership Raffle at fairs and a Membership "Hole-In-One" Contest for the purposes of raising funds for the Korean War Memorial, but these activities to be conducted in compliance with all applicable laws.

A motion was made, seconded, and carried, that all Association fund raising activity should be in compliance with all applicable laws.

Tom Maines announced that a breakfast was being planned to honor Congressmen who were veterans of the Korean War; to encourage passage of a resolution designating the week of July 27th as a National Week of Remembrance for those who served in the Korean War; to increase public awareness of the Korean War and those who served. After considerable discussion, a motion was made, seconded, and passed, that the Association host the breakfast, but the cost was not to exceed \$3,000.00. (Actual cost was about \$300.)

The President next requested a report from Warren Avery, Chairman of the POW-MIA committee. Avery presented a video tape produced by a Seattle, Washington, television station investigation of Korean War MIA's. He reported legislation was pending which would declassify documents pertaining to POW-MIAs and this would be helpful in clarifying the issue. He further reported on many other efforts being made to settle the issue. There followed a general discussion of the problem. Then a motion was made, seconded, and carried, that the Association provide each State Chapter with a copy of the video tape that had been viewed.

The president then asked Second Vice President Harry Wallace to report on plans for the 1990 Reunion. Wallace reported that the Reunion would be held at the Sheraton National Hotel in Arlington, Virginia, from July 25, to July 28, 1990. He said preliminary arrangements were being made for registration of Members and Guests; meals; bus transportation for events requiring it; and events planned for the ladies. The "Mainstreet Entertainment Group" had offered to perform for Members at no cost except for hotel rooms and meals (that offer was turned down because other arrangements already were being made). There had been discussion with members of the Korean Community about

the possibility of providing Korean food one evening. Blaine Friedlander reported the Fairfax City Band was prepared to give a concert for Members one evening. After considerable discussion, a motion was made, seconded and passed, to proceed with the arrangements as discussed.

The President then asked for the Treasurer's report from William Smyers. Smyers presented a Review of the financial position of the Association prepared by a Certified Public Accountant for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1989. He also presented an Operating Statement for the period January 1, 1990 to January 31, 1990. A motion was made, seconded, and carried, to approve the financial reports.

The President announced that Mary Posner, of Missouri, and Donald K Chung, of California, had been nominated for Honorary Membership in the Association. Both nominees were noted for their exemplary conduct in raising funds for the Korean War Memorial; for support of the Korean War Veterans Association and it's aims; for outstanding efforts in increasing public awareness of the Korean War; and in honoring those who served. After discussion, a motion was made, seconded, and passed unanimously that Mary Posner and Donald K. Chung be given HONORARY MEMBERSHIP in the Korean War Veterans Association and that the award be made to them at the Association's Annual Reunion.

There was considerable discussion of ideas for improvement of the Association, but no further action was taken.

The President then asked if there was any other business that should be considered at this time. There being none, the meeting was adjourned at 6:15 P.M.

WE HAVE A NEW QUARTERMASTER

Starting May 1st, 1990 ALL QUARTERMASTER SUPPLIES will be handled by: Commissioned Sales INT'L

P.O. Box 1533 Puyallup, WA 98371.

They will attend our National convention and set up a table for the duration of the Convention. They will assume the responsibility for our current inventory and pay us 100% for it as it is sold. On future sales, we will receive 20% of gross dollar sales, on each dollar sold. After our inventory is gone we will receive a monthly check.

If you have not received what you have ordered from our Quartermaster, please let me know: Dick Adams; P.O. Box 127; Caruthers, CA 93609

DONATED IN HONOR OF ...

These contributions came, in honor of Col. SCOOTER BURKE, CMH, after he made a speech to the American Legion post on the Legion's birthday:

Gulf Shores American Legion— \$100 John & Margaret McCormack— 35

"The carpenter who built his house" -20

I put this message on our Local Cable Company's Community Bulletin Board:

HONOR A KOREAN WAR VET. HELP TO BUILD A NAT'L MONUMENT. SEND CK. OR MONEY TO: KOREAN WAR VETS, MEMORIAL FUND c/o KOREAN WAR VETS. ASSN. INC. P.O. BOX 65330 WASHINGTON, D.C. 20035 THANK YOU

We were limited to 6 lines and 32 spaces. They have been very good to us Vets, it has been running for two months.

I think this idea, used by other members across the country

WE HAVE THESE CHAPTERS ON RECORD

LOUISIANA: Louisiana Chapter KWVA; P.O. Box 8481; Anthony A. Birkel, Jr.; New Orleans, LA 70182 Phone (504) 947-1611 MASSACHUSETTS: Mass. KWV Committee; Robert Nolan; 100 Cambridge St.; Room 1002; Leverett Saltonstall Bldg.; Boston, MA

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MINNESOTA: Frozen Chosin KWV Chapter; Donald G. Hanson; 121 S. Front St.; Mankato, MINN 56001.

Minnesota KWV Chapter #1; Donald Parrott; 3431 Grand Ave. S.; Minneapolis, MINN 55408.

MISSOURI: James F. McDonnell; 2580 Stirrup Lane; Florissant, MO 63031.

NEW JERSEY: The Edward C. Benfold Chapter; Edward Hoth; Pres.; mailing: Tag M. Jensen; Box 6346; Bridgewater, NJ 08807

KWVA at South Jersey; Thomas W. Daley, Jr.; 26 Knox Blvd.; Marlton, NJ 08053

NEW YORK: Sgt. Erwin Lowell Beckwith Chapter KWVA; Joseph A Ricker; P.O. Box 977; Sag Harbor, NY 11963.

Central Long Island Chapter KWVA; Bob Morga; P.O. Box 835; Bayport, NY 11705.

Dept. of New York Northeast Chapter KWVA; John T. Edwards; 12 Sunset Ave.; Troy, NY 12180.

Monroe County #1 KWVA; James P. Scahell; 142 Barberry Terrace; Rochester, NY 14621.

38th Parallel Chapter; Lawrence M. Bottino; 59-30 108 St., Apt. 3 cc; Corona, NY 11368.

OHIO: Greater Cleveland Chapter KWVA; Robert D. Hass; 343 W. Bagley Rd.; Cleveland, Ohio 44017.

Ohio Chapter KWVA; Frank DiLeonardo; 1443 Station Rd.; Valley City, Ohio 44280.

CANADA: The Korean Veterans Association of Canada (KVA-CAN); Unit #13; P.O. Box 1164; Cambridge, Ontario NIR 6c9

ARIZONA: Jim Bork; 3301 W. Encanto Blvd.; Phoenix, AZ 85009.

CONNECTICUT: KWV Chapter #1; Walter H. Trasks, Pres.; L. F. Dube, Sec.; 410 Funston Ave.; Torrington, CONN 06790-6223.

CALIFORNIA: Northern California Chapter #1; Kenneth R. Green, Pres.; 1650 Oregon, #111; Redding, Ca 96003.

KWV of Santa Barbara; Juan S. Calderone; 112 W. Cabrillo Blvd.; Santa Barbara, CA 93101.

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KWV Santa Clara County Chapter; Ron Jabaut; 1346 E. Taylor St.; San Jose, CA 95133.

COLORADO: Colorado Chapter of the KWVA; Ellsworth Nelsen; 812 Orion Drive; Colorado Springs, CO 80906.

FLORIDA: KWV of Greater Ocala Area; Amelia Carafano; 1893 S. E. 183 Ave. Road; Silver Spring, FLA 32688.

KWVA Dept. of Florida, Miami; Emmett Benjamin; 12431 S. W. 195 Terrace; Miami, FLA 33177

GUAM: Marianna's Chapter KWVA; Willis C. Cannon, Jr.; P.O. Box 25433 GMF; Barrigada, GUAM 96921.

ILLINOIS: The greater Chicago Chapter KWVA; Henry N. White; 6223 S. Kenneth; Chicago, ILL 60629.

The Robert Wurtsbaugh Chapter; Hershall E. Lee; P.O. Box 1983; Danville, ILL 61834.

Charles Parlier Chapter KWVA; Billy R. Smith, Pres.; #6 Mac-Cory Drive; Oreana, ILL 62554.

Lester Hammond (CMH) Chapter KWVA; Norbert Bentele, Pres.; Phone 217-222-1525; 711 South 16th St., Quincy, ILL 62301.

Juluis Kosary - President. Korean War Veterans Association; South Suburan Chapter; c/oVFW Post 2791; 17147 Oak Park Ave; Tinley Park, Illinois 60477.

INDIANA: Indiana KWVA Chapter #1; Arthur N. Flotow; 5120 Chepequah; Fort Wayne, Indiana 46819.

REQUEST FOR INFORMATION: CONCERNING SGT. LEWIS "BILL" SOWLES

Lewis "Bill" Sowles, Jr., 23715 Woodway Park Road, Edmonds, WA 98020, is looking for info from anyone who may have served with or known his father, Sgt. Lewis "Bill" Sowles in Korea, 38th Medical Co., 38th Inf. Regt., 2nd Inf. Div., who became missing (MIA) on 30 Nov 1950 in the vicinity of Yongdang when the Regt. encountered roadblocks as it was pulling back from a defensive position North of the town of Kuni-ri. It is believed his commanding Officer was a Capt. Bill Donovan.

Just prior to Korea he was an x-ray technician and may have gone to Korea with the 2nd from Tacoma, WA in late July, 1950. Most likely, he served in Korea as a Medic at the Battalion Aid Station or as an Aidman with a rifle company and may have become a prisoner of war during the unit withdrawal from Kuni-ri.

Anyone with any information about Lewis "Bill" Sowles, Please contact his son, Lewis "Bill" Sowles, Jr., at the address above, or telephone him at (206) 542-0712.



THE R.M. "BILL" DAVIS STORY

A TRUE DOCUMENTARY VCR VIDEO ABOUT A 15-YEAR-OLD RUNAWAY WHO BECAME A KOREAN WAR VETERAN, WAS A P.O.W.- AND 38 YEARS LATER KEEPS THE PROMISE HE MADE TO A BUDDY WHO DIED IN HIS ARMS

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IN CHICAGO, at 113th and Western Avenue, on the southwest corner of Kennedy Park, stands this Memorial to the Korean War veterans. "It truly is beautiful. I only wish our MIA's and dead were here to see it, for it is solely for our buddies that came back in body bags and for those still missing. I guess that when we came home, we were too quiet. We did not raise hell about the police action as our politicians

called it. We don't have movies all over the country about Old Baldy, Inchon, Heartbreak Ridge, Pusan, Chosin and many others. The American people have not been told what we went through . . . our young people never heard of the Korean War; they think Korea is some new kind of coffee cake. It's enough to make a fella feel more bitter every day."—DICK WYSOCKE; 4242 So. Grove; Stickney, ILL 60402.

YOU HELPED THIS GOLD STAR MOTHER

. . . AND SHE NEEDS POSSIBLY a little more: in the January 1990 Graybeards, on page 14, we ran Mrs. Coppola's story; this is the letter we received last week:

"Guess what? About a week after the article appeared Mrs. Coppola received a letter from a guy in Missouri who knew Lester, whom he met in a POW camp in N. Korea in Nov 1950. The guy was Air Force, shot down, and said he became friends with Lester. He also said that Lester was very sick and was taken to a hospital and a little later when he checked on him, Lester had been moved. He was under the assumption that he may have died in the POW camp.

"Mrs. Coppola received notice in 1951 that he had died but had no details. At the present time she still does not know if and where he is interred. She did say that someone told her she saw Lester's name on a wall in a cemetery in Hawaii.

"We made a mistake in the info I gave you for printing - - his regiment was the 19th, and NOT the 9th (24th DIV). Here is his name again: Cpl LESTER E. BISHOP 12283542; 19th Inf Reg't; 24th Inf Div.

"Anyone having any information please write: Mrs. Beatrice Coppola; 106 Maple St.; Black River, NY 13612."

-- DENNY AMBROSE; Box 111; Black River, NY 13612.

PLEASE SAY IT IS RENEWAL OR NEW

HARRY WALLACE, Membership Chairman, asks that you PLEASE mark your check clearly and say whether it is a renewal or a new membership. IF YOU ARE RENEWING, PLEASE STATE YOUR MEMBERSHIP NUMBER. Thank you.

MINT ASKED TO ISSUE SPECIAL COIN

"To DONNA POPE, Director, U.S. Mint: I suggest to you that the Mint consider issuing a Commemorative Coin for the Korean War Veterans. --HERSHALL LEE; 212 S. Kentucky Ave.; Danville, ILL 61832."

The Mint replied: "... we are not authorized to strike a commemorative coin or medal without congressional legislation signed into law. The Mint does not comment on individual suggestions until such time as a bill has been introduced in Congress. You may wish to contact. your congressman,"

Hershall further states to KWVA membership: "Please join with me in immediately writing to your Congressional representative and ask that a bill be introduced for the purpose of issuing a special coin or medal honoring the Korean War Veterans."

AT A CONGRESSIONAL BREAKFAST...

IN KEEPING WITH KWVA goals, especially that of "Raising the awareness of the American people about the Korean War and those who served in it", our First VP, TOM MAINES, on Feb. 27 hosted a breakfast meeting with those members of Congress who served in the war.

Tom said: "to tell you who we are, what we are about, and what we have accomplished to date" and "to ask for your help in achieving" our early success. After an interesting explanation of KWVA founding, and its accomplishments to date, Tom added:

"One of those who attended our annual banquet in 1987 was Congressman Stan Parris - - who is with us this morning - - and who with now Gov. James Florio of New Jersey and Senator William Armstrong, is responsible for the enabling legislation for the Memorial."

"Today, in conjunction with the American Legion, the Catholic War Veterans Association, the Congressional Medal of Honor Society, and The Retired Officers Association, we are hosting this meeting to accomplish three purposes. I am delighted to see that we have been joined this morning by representatives of several other veterans organizations, and we seek their active support, as well, for the following objectives.

To give special recognition to those Members of the Congress who served in our Armed Forces during the period of hostilities in the Korean War and to show our appreciation for those other leaders of the Executive and Legislative Branches who have shown a continuing interest in support of the activities of the Korean War Veterans Association, or the Korean War Veterans Memorial in the Nation's Capital. We thank you all and appreciate what you have done for us.

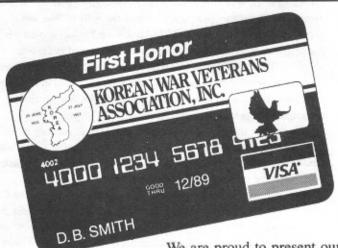
To present for the consideration by the Members of the Congress the draft of a Joint Resolution to set aside the week, July 22-29, 1990, as a period of recognition and remembrance for those who served in the Korean War, especially those who died, who are missing, and who were prisoners of war. The text of the Joint Resolution is the same as that used in the past two years for the same purpose. A copy of the draft resolution is at your place at each table.

With the Korean War Veterans Memorial Advisory Board, we have asked the Congress to approve a Joint resolution calling on the President to issue a proclamation declaring the week which includes July 27, the anniversary date of the signing of the Cease Fire which ended active hostilities in the Korean War, as a time to recognize those who served in our Armed Forces during the War. This resolution commemorates the service of all who served in the war and is not necessarily limited to those who are members of our association or any other veterans or unit organizations.

Each year we have hoped that the joint resolutions would gain enough co-sponsors in the Congress to ensure passage in time for us to notify the Governors of the States so that they might issue complementary proclamations, and also in time for us to coordinate special activities all across the country to commemorate the anniversary of the termination of hostilities in Korea.

"This year we decide to get started a little earlier. Because this is a key anniversary year in the history of the Korean War, we also decided that it would be appropriate to invite those who have a specific interest in the War and in our Memorial to meet with us for the purpose of seeking ways to expedite the passage of this year's joint resolution. Once it has passed, we can make the Governors of the States aware of its message, and we can coordinate our special activities across the nation well in advance of the commemorative week, itself. If our timing is right, we may be able to give the President the opportunity to issue the proclamation on June 25, the fortieth anniversary of the start of the Korean War. We look forward to your support this year, and we hope that you will all look favorably upon putting forth your enthusiastic support for this measure."

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"...ONLY BY THE SACRIFICES OF THE VETERANS"

PAUL G. MARTIN; 434 Marine Ave.; Bay Ridge, NY 11209: wrote a letter and we especially want to publish a part of his remarks:

"For those who complain that we did not seize all Korea I must say the sentiment was not in the American people to liberate all Korea and to do this it would require a great sacrifice in men to do this. I can remember the 1952 presidential campaign with one candidate complaining about the war while the other said nothing.

"It has been said that Kim Il Sung (dictator of North Korea) promised Stalin that he could seize all Korea. After Stalin's death. Malenkov realized that continuation of the Korean War would be a strain on the Soviet economy and informed China's Mao Tse Tung that he would not further support China's war effort. China did receive military aid from Russia but never used it in Korea. The loss of Korea might have left Japan unstable under a Communist threat. . .

"All this was accomplished only by the sacrifices of the Korean War veterans during 1950 - 1953."

Paul was with Recon Co 1st MarDiv Nov-Dec 1950.

ON DR. CHUNG'S BOOK

"NOEL ROBERTS; Star Route 3; Crocker, MO 65452 said this: " I bought two copies of the book: The 3-Day Promise" by Dr. Donald Chung as soon as I read Dear Abby's letter about it. With the books came a thank-you form from American Battle Monuments Commission for receipt of \$12.50 commission on each book, for the Memorial fund. I want to assure any reader that it is a fine book, well-written, and will give an entirely different viewpoint of the war, and what an amazing country we have here in the USA to let in fine working people and let them advance to their full potential as Dr. Chung has done. I invited him to join KWVA and hope to meet him in July at reunion."

Well, Noel, you write a nice letter. And you will be interested to know that Dr. Chung will be at our July reunion, so you and others will have the chance to meet him in person.

KWVA SENDS MESSAGE FOR PANAMA VETS

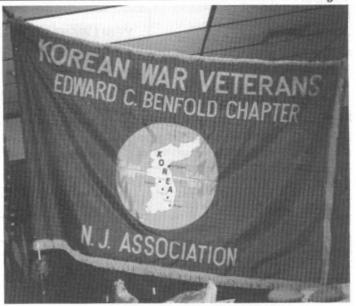
IN A LETTER on Feb. 12 to SecDef Cheney, KWVA Pres. DICK ADAMS compared the attacks by Noriega upon the United States to those attacks faced by the Korean War veterans four decades ago. He said in part:

WE "faced the same attacks when we were proud to serve our nation. . . Regardless of one's opinion of the (Panama) cause, we feel that all citizens should speak out and recognize the professionalism and bravery of the members of our Armed Forces who fought for all of us; not only those in Panama, but also those who manned the pipeline in the United States.

". . .Please convey our great pride and thanks to our Armed Forces. . . and our condolences to the families and comrades-in-arms of those who gave their lives so that our nation will continue to lead the way until that time when the use of force gives way to world law and the eternal universal peace flowing therefrom."

YOU WROTE IT...

A NUMBER OF CALLS and letters have come in, asking about the ads appearing in the NY Times, Money Magazine, and other prominent and expensive publications across the country. There was some concern that the ads were being paid for out of KWVA funds. Well, rest easy. . .those ads were paid for by a PRIVATE ANONYMOUS donor and KWVA was not a part. We do thank that unknown donor as being a fine and generous person.



"...BY THE SACRIFICE OF SO MANY"

This is a photo of our new flag which was displayed for the first time at our monthly meeting in Kearny, New Jersey. The acquisition of this flag was made possible by a proposal from our service officer Robert Wacker and the joint efforts of officers and members throughout the state. Our organization is alive, well and growing. We participate in many parades and memorial activities as possible to keep our organization in the public's view. Our Commander; Tag Jensen, generates a lot of exposure for K.W.V.A. by using a van replete with large signboards as he travels about. Out 1st. V.C., Vic Gerst handles all affairs in the southern part of N.J. Our 2nd. V.C., Richie Alexander administers to affairs in the central district, and is adept at running displays at shopping malls to further our cause. The 3rd. V.C., William Cavanaugh oversees the northern district and is very dedicated.

Though our numbers are not yet large; I feel that through our joint determination we will carry our campaign to victory and have the honor to stand alongside the surviving Gold Star Mothers at a great dedication of a fine monument. Perhaps someday our "Forgotten War" will be remembered and the public will know for all time about our bright page in history; where a whole country was rescued from Communism by the sacrifice of so any of ours and our U.N. allies.

-- Kenneth F. Erckenbrack; 115 Grant Ave.; Harrison, N.J. 07029

FREEDOM FLIGHT BALLOON IN THE AIR

Minnesota's veterans have spear-headed a hot-air balloon project that took awhile to get going, but now is flying. It will appear in the skies over Danville, ILL the first weekend in June. Its purpose is to make everyone aware of American POWs and MIAs still unaccounted for.

PEWTER MUGS W/LOGO CAN BE BOUGHT

Here's your chance to buy a pewter mug, especially cast for KWVA, and using our logo on its side. We regret not having a photo to show you. The established price of \$20 is well below the retail price of similar mugs sold in department stores nationwide, and it allows a fair profit which will go to the Memorial Fund.

There is a good chance these mugs will also be available at the July reunion, but there is a delay time of 6 to 8 weeks for delivery at this time. So, ORDER YOUR MUG NOW - - send a check or money order to the following: KWVA, South Jersey Chapter; 26 Knox Blvd.; Marlton, N.J. 08053. Include your name, full address, number of mugs wanted, amount enclosed, and whether or not you will attend the July reunion.



PLEASE CLIP AND MAIL THIS. THANK YOU.

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YOU SENT US A THOUGHTFUL LETTER,

FRANK ALEKSANDROWICZ, of 343 Canterbury Road; Bay Village, Ohio 44140. . . and I wish I could supply all the correct answers.

On: How to identify the applications resulting from your recruiting efforts - - I suggest you distribute blanks with a code of your own choosing somewhere in the heading. Notify our membership chairman in Baltimore of your code; then he can track results for you.

On donations: I suspect that more "little people" give proportionately more of income to the Memorial than do the so-called "big people". You are right in saying "If everyone in the organization contributed \$5 or \$10 or \$25 per month for the next 12 months, we would certainly get mighty close to raising the needed funds without gimmicry, to honor a cause for which so many unnecessarily died."

On the film A YANK IN KOREA: I don't have any idea how to utilize a film. I have sent your letter on to those whom I think might have better ideas. Is there a reader out there who will get interested in asking what this film is all about, and to explore the possibilities of using it? If you are interested, please contact Frank at the above address.

On the delay in receiving your membership card: please forgive our tardiness. If your card has not arrived by now, contact HARRY WALLACE, membership chairman, at the address shown on the application blank. Or phone me, if you wish. 304-535-2259, STAN HADDEN, Editor.

AND, THANK YOU! ED

Just received the latest issue of "THE GREYBEARDS", and as always have enjoyed it tremendously. You deserve a lot of credit for putting out such a fine publication. I do appreciate the great amount of work which must go into putting out each issue. Keep up the good work!

I hadn't realized until this issue that there other members of KWVA who were not completely happy with the design of the memorial. Now that the cost seems to have appreciably increased, and we have only a limited time to get these moneys together, I think further thought should go into the design. I do feel that fewer figures could be used, if the current design is kept, but there should be figures representing all branches of the United States military, and perhaps one or two to represent our ROKA comrades in arms.

I have been a contributor in the past, and hopefully will continue in the future, regardless of which design is finally erected. Thank you very much for at least reading this and letting me feel as though I have had my say.

--ED FENTON; 260 N. Elm St.; N. Massapequa, NY 11758

AND, THANK YOU! ROY

"My belief is the Navy, Air Force and Marines should be included on the Monument. They were all in combat the same time we were. I support the idea of the monument. There are many of us that are gone. Those that are left are unable to make the long trip to the annual July reunion in Washington due to medical and financial problems."

--ROY NEAMAN; 2421 Clay St. Sp. 17; Sacramento, CA. 95815

REDDING IS AN ACTIVE CHAPTER

Northern California Chapter #1 had a busy 1989 and looks forward to a better 1990. We were in six parades and the Shasta County Fair. A petition was sent on the flag burnings. We are involved with all local officials on veterans affairs. We had a very successful Christmas party on Dec. 17.

Our monthly meetings are on Saturday with a combined dinner and business affair. Our wives attend and express their own thoughts which are so beneficial to all. We intend, in 1990, to intensify our efforts, form more chapters, get more members, and have our Christmas party around the middle of December, with the election of officers to be held at that time.

--KENNETH R. GREEN; P.O. Box 991418; Redding, CA 96099.

HE USED AD FROM NY TIMES

Enclosed is a picture of a sign that I hung up in the shop. It was in the N.Y. Times, and I had it laminated, also this clipping that I cut out of one of the mailings from the Shriners. Maybe you can use it. Many people are under the impression that the Korean Vets had received the money left over from the Vietnam Memorial, naturally I set them straight on that. New York City is putting up its own Memorial, New York State is too. It's too bad we can't get that money for the real Memorial.

After reading the last newsletter, I agree with you, the purpose of the Korean War Veterans Assn. is to get a Memorial built in Washington, to honor the men that gave their lives to preserve democracy for the Korean people.

The war was forgotten because we went over there as boys and came home men. It was the patriotic thing to do to defend freedom. We were the first, and I hope the last Americans fighting for the United Nations Cause. Not too many of us talked about the war when we came home. At that time everyone was enjoying the prosperity of the American economy. I believe that we the veterans went back to work, and tried not to think about the war.

--JOE CAULFIELD; Rte 28-A, Box 36; West Shokan, NY 12494 (Editor's Note: The photo didn't work, Joe; your camera flash was in the wrong place.)



LEFT TO RIGHT: Bob Shepherd, Howard Wheeler, Norbert Bentele, William Perry

QUINCY, ILL. CHAPTER FORMED

OUR QUEST IS TO BE AN ASSET FROM THE COMMUNITY TO THE NATIONAL LEVEL. On January 21, Korean Veterans from throughout the area were in attendance at a meeting held in the old administration building at the Illinois Veterans Home. The purpose of the meeting was to elect officers for the newly formed "Lester Hammond Chapter" of the Korean Veterans Assoc. NORBERT BENTELE was elected president, HOWARD WHEELER Vice Pres., BOB SHEPHERD Secretary, and WILLIAM PERRY Treasurer.

Liaison officers appointed are: American Legion CARROLL VAN VELKINBURG; V.F.W. DONALD CARY; POW's CHESTER BODEN; Vietnam Veterans LES MILLER. Future meetings will be held at various service clubs throughout the area. Anyone interested in the organization should contact. NORBERT BENTELE; 711 South 16th; Qunicy, IL 62301.

ILLINOIS AMVETS SERVICE FOUNDATION WILL MATCH FUNDS UP TO \$10,000

WE NEED YOUR HELP NOW! If you raise \$350 for the Memorial, the Service fund will donate \$350. If you raise \$700 for the Memorial, the Service fund will donate \$700. If you raise \$1000 for the Memorial, the Service fund will donate \$1000.

Help us honor the courage and sacrifices of our Korean Veterans. Join the Program Now! — From Hershall Lee.

AMERICAN LEGION, DEPT. OF MAINE

In the Feb 1990 "Adjutants Letter", the Maine Dept. of American Legion reports that RON SAILOR, state commander, has launched a drive to raise funds for the Korean War National Memorial, subject to approval and support by the Department Executive Committee. Their goal is \$100,000; they asked KWVA to help and Tom Maines, our 1st VP, has already sent them materials for success.

This information was sent by JIM BURTON; P.O. Box 493; Houlton, ME 04730.

TAKES NEWSWEEK TO TASK

I came home two days ago from Korea to your March 19 issue and "Warriors Without War". A number of our national officers spent a very busy and emotional week at our own expense in an attempt to heighten the awareness of anyone who would listen to our concerns about the 8,100 plus MIA-POWs still unaccounted for. For Newsweek to denigrate the Korean DMZ by labeling it with "air of comic opera" galls me and trivializes the 54,246 dead and 104,000 wounded from our "forgotten War". We met with top officers of the US, ROK and UN forces, the U.S. Ambassador, and sundry politicians in the ROK legislature. They listened very carefully to our facts and sometimes emotional presentations. Not one of these persons wore a comic opera costume.

-EMMETT BENJAMIN; 12431 S. W. 195 Terrace; Miami, FL 33177.

FOR AN EXCITING RE-VISIT TO KOREA... Henry Ruskin Will Help You

SEND a self-addressed envelope with 50 cents in stamps on it, to: HENRY R. RUSKIN; 146 Byron Ave.; Kenmore, NY 14223 (phone 716-836-3784). If you want to phone, he is "always home after six in the evening Eastern time and can be reached by dialing direct."

He will send, in answer to your request, a 4-page brochure detailing the itinerary and the cost. The real point of interest, though, is that YOU PAY ONLY THE AIR FARE to and from Korea and your home. An official Korea government arrangement pays your first class accommodation in a 5-star hotel, three fabulous meals a day, and all transportation to and from points on the itinerary.

From time of your arrival at the airport, to your departure, you are treated almost as royalty. Air conditioned buses with English-speaking guides transport you. Guided maps to all shopping areas are yours for the asking. At the first evening meal your host will be General So.

Each veteran will be called individually to the front, where the general will hand you a leather folder inscribed to Ambassador Of Peace (that's you). The inside two parchments are printed in both English and Korean, with your name inscribed. He will pin to your lapel a large Korean War Veteran medal, plus handing you a case with miniature medal and a lapel pin. Then--he will hand you another case which contains a pair of gold cuff links and tie pin with their Korean Veteran Association insignia.

Limited space prevents including Henry's description of the changed countryside you will see on a 6-day tour but hark back to your wartime days and try to imagine what peace has done to the scenery, then get in touch with him.

SEND FOR SOME OF HIS POSTERS

"Stan, I dressed up your letter and had ten thousand posters printed up but managed only to distribute 3,000 of them due to illness and other problems. I had them blown up to double the size so they could be used as window displays. The smaller ones then were put inside barber shops American Legion halls, drug stores, restaurants, Watervliet Arsenal laundry mats, stores, etc. If any member would like some to distribute them I would gladly pay postage and mail to them. I also mailed about thirty of them to individual businesses with a letter asking for a donation for the Memorial in Washington. Any help would be appreciated."

--ROBERT ROY, SR.; Rd 4, Box 402-A; Troy, NY 12180.

RICHARD WROTE HIS FLORIDA SENATOR...

AND ASKED Sen. Connie Mack's support for the HR 3603 that was carried on the front page of the January Graybeards. The bill seeks release of "classified" data concerning our MIAs, among other concerns. Richard told Sen. Mack: "Please find enclosed a copy of a letter that was written to our organization (KWVA) by the above mentioned Cong. Robert C. Smith. We, the KWVA, are quite serious about this disgraceful situation. Please read the letter and it will explain what we mean."

To which Sen. Connie Mack of Florida replied with a letter consisting of two-plus pages, containing more than 805 words in which he: did not mention Korea or the war at all; did not mention Rep. Smith's letter at all; used expression of his own self-praise such as "I am" and "I did" and "I will" and similar gobbleddoogook in FOURTEEN places.

Richard further says: "In the Jan 1990 issue there is a line in the Smith article: 'Our government will always be subject to charges to (of) cover-up and conspiracy'. Some representative government, huh? Someday, perhaps 100 years in the future, this terrible conspiracy will come to light."

--RICHARD A. GORDON; P.O. Box 6454; Deltona, FLA 32728.

THIS VETERAN ASKS FOR YOUR HELP

I desperately need to find out how I can obtain medical info from the USS Manchester, at Chodo Island 11/5/51. Will a Navy medical man please help me?

Where can I get addresses of the Korean, Dutch, and Norwegian embassies? (Walter, write to the U.S. State Department in Washington, DC and ask them. Be specific in which cities you seek the location.)

What MASH unit was in the Wonju/Weonju area Feb 1951? I need to contact the squadron historian of 606th AC&W, 1951. What American military branch was in the retreat action via Hill 350 in the Hoengcheon area Feb 12, 1951? What American unit was in command north of Ichon/Yoju in March 1951?

-- WALT HENDRICKS; RR 1, D 148; Wolcottville, IND 46795.

WE HAD A REQUEST FOR LYNX RANGERS

IN THE JANUARY Graybeards, and this letter came in response:

From May through September, 1952, I was in fire direction of the 14th Heavy Mortar Co., 14th Infantry Regt., 25th Division. As a fire director our missions were all communicated by telephone land lines or radio. At that time fire directors had to know the code names of all units in our sector. The units of the 25th Division had code names starting with the letter "L".

I do not recall now all of the regimental numbers of the regiments in the 25th or the other support units. To the best of my knowledge the regiments were the 14th, 34th, 35th, and one other. Regimentals code names were: Lynx, Leopard, Lion and Lobo (wolf). The artillery battalion was Lanyard, the medical detachment was Linament, and the engineers Lumber.

Being in the 14th Regiment and using that code name most often, that is most firm in my memory and the 14th was "Lynx". But to the best of my memories, I do not recall the "Lynx Rangers".

I am sending a copy of the letter to Korean War Veterans Association, maybe if it appears in The Graybeards Newsletters it will stir other memories.

-GORDON RICE; 3168 S. Jackson Blvd.; Uniontown, Ohio 44685.

FROM CONNECTICUT AND LEN DUBE

Connecticut Chapter 1 of the KWVA-USA has been formed and chartered effective Oct 1989. We have had three meetings to date. Our elected officers are as follows: President- Skip Traska, #1368, Windsor Locks, CT; Vice President - Calvin Fordham, #0869, Stratford, CT; 2nd Vice President - Ed Mancini, #0770, Stratford, CT; Secretary/Treasurer - Len Dube, Charter Life, Torrington, CT. Connecticut charter chapter dues of \$10.00 for 1990 effective 24 Jan 90.

Brother Ken Fagan (#514) wife Katherine passed away on 27 Jan 90.

-- LEN DUBE; 410 Funston, Ave.; Torrington, CT 06790-6223.

KOREAN/VIET NAM VETS ENCAMPMENT

JULY 13-15 in Peekskill, Ny, the 2nd annual Empire State Veterans Encampment will be held. The gathering has been expanded to include Korean and Korean Era vets, and is sponsored by Chapter 49 of the Vietnam Veterans of America. The Encampment will also honor the men and women who gave their lives or are still missing in action. It is open to all Korean and Vietnam veterans and their families. For more information, you are encouraged to contact FRANK LAURIA, Encampment Chairman; P.O. Box274; Hawthorne, NY 10532, or phone the hotline information number: 914-592-4938.

WILL SEEK DONATIONS IN GERMANY

BILL ARNOLD. 1515 Memorial Ave. SW; Roanoke, VA 24015, came by and said he was on his way to Ramestein Air Force base in Germany for a few weeks. His purpose is mainly to solicit contributions for the Memorial Fund; he plans to push that through personal contact with personnel through the base commanders.

Among the many honors that Bill holds are: Past Cmdr. Chap. 3, DAV; Past Jr. Cmdr, State of Va., DAV; founder and chief fund raiser for Roanoke Valley War memorial, and Roanoke Korean War Memorial; VFW service officer; Master Cootie Va-Tenn; Trench Rats, DAV; 40 et 8 American Legion.

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP IN THE
KOREAN WAR VETERANS ASSOCIATION, INC.--- AMERICA'S FORGOTTEN VICTORY"

 Enrollment for membership in the "Korean War Veterans Association Inc.: is given to any man or woman who served in any of the Armed Forces from June 25, 1950 to January 31, 1955; you need not have served in combat to be eligible.

Associate member is offered to surviving spouse, children, parents and other.

 All Medal of Honor recipients and ex-Prisoner of War of the Korean War are automatic Life Time Members. There is no fee for dues.

MAIL TO: Korean War Veterans Association Inc.; Membership Chairman; P. O. Box 12205; Baltimore, MD 21281 K.W.V.A. Annual Dues - \$15.00. Life Membership - \$150.00 Associate - \$12.00

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OFFICIAL NOTICE JULY 25-26-27-28, 1990 OFFICIAL NOTICE

A wreath-laying ceremony will be conducted at the Tomb Of The Unknowns at 10 a.m., 27 July 1990. Immediately afterward, a Memorial Service will be held in the Amphitheater in remembrance of our fallen comrades, and those 8,177 men Missing In Action, and the 389 prisoners-of-war still unaccounted for.

This year's Reunion Fee is \$115.00 per person. This fee covers Friday and Saturday breakfasts; Thursday dinner; Friday banquet; bus fare to Arlington Cemetery; our flowers, etc. There will be a separate Cash Bar just before the

banquet. See Selections 1 and 2 below.

25 JULY 1990, WEDNESDAY

Sign-in registration starting 9 a.m.

26 JULY 1990, THURSDAY

Annual business meeting 10:00 a.m. Dinner 6 p.m. Awards to be presented. (Dinner arrangements might be changed).

27 JULY 1990, FRIDAY

Breakfast 7:30 a.m. Sharp. (Don't be late) Board buses about 9:00 a.m. -exact time will be announced. Arlington Cemetery ceremony starts 10:00 a.m. Open Cash Bar 6-7 p.m. Banguet 7 p.m.

28 JULY 1990, SATURDAY

Breakfast 8:00 a.m. Open discussion of this year's reunion. Adjournment

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MONEY ORDER

IF YOU PLAN TO ATTEND THE REUNION - - please fill out the below attendance registration form and return it to the Korean War Veterans Association with your attendance fee. Upon receipt of your attendance form and payment, we will mail you a hotel card for your reservation along with a hotel brochure of particulars.

There are rooms reserved at the SPECIAL RATE of \$62.00 (single or double) per day. Other rooms are available

and plentiful. In order to receive this special rate you must use this KWVA procedure and form.

There will be a Hospitality Room serving refreshments Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. Should you also wish to make a financial donation (regardless if you attend or not) it will help offset the additional cost of this year's reunion.

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