STAN HADDEN RESIGNED AS EDITOR OF GRAYBEARDS BECAUSE

I REPORTED THE TRUTH TO YOU last August: when the membership voted at the July reunion to instruct the officers and directors on the KWVA Council to do two things:

(1) Fight to have names put on the Memorial Wall; and (2) Fight the copyright on the Memorial. And as Editor I reported and waged a vigorous battle because the membership told me to do so.

I again simply reported the truth to you in Sept 1993 and Jan 1994 Graybeards.

I told you that Pres. Dick Adams had appointed Roger Stalff to be Secretary/Treasurer of KWVA ... and that Roger started giving orders to the Directors and Officers ... and the Board of Directors started bowing down and scraping ... Dick and Roger are apparently free to do and say anything they want to on KWVA official business.

IN PROTEST, I resigned as Editor of Graybeards.

THE RESULT was this -- at the Feb 1994 meeting of the Council in Baltimore, the majority of the Board gave the okay to reverse what the membership had said they wanted. (See story in a box on page 32 of the April 1994 newsletter, who wrote that resolution? We have not been told.)

AT THAT SAME TIME the Council held several secret meetings. No ordinary member was allowed to attend or to speak his/her opinion.

In this personal letter to you -- paid for out of my own pocket -- I am trying to AGAIN tell you the truth of what is happening to KWVA.

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June 3, 1994

Stan Hadden

A RESOLUTION was introduced at the Baltimore Council meeting last Feb 18, 1994. It simply asked for agreement of the Council to work toward the goal of putting names of K11/21A/PAT on the Washington, D.C. Memorial.

It was NOTHING TO DO with construction of the Memorial now underway in Washington.

All it does is simply say that in future the names will be put on a separate "Wall of Honor" -- after 1995.

The request was to follow the method used at Ellis Island as reported by me on page 3 of the Jan 1994 old Graybeards.

It is reported that Adams led the move to table the resolution ... and now is trying to tell me and you that he wants to do something in future about the names.

Yeah -- like put them on the back of the copyrighted wall ... several years after most of us have probably died.

PETITION WITH 7,000 NAMES

At the same meeting in Baltimore, a member came with petitions bearing names of nearly seven thousand people requesting the names be on the Memorial.

The Council/Board of Directors refused to let those petitions and names be discussed or admitted to order of business.

What does that tell you?

How Harley Coon and Dick Adams in a spot over 28 POW? Why not ask them?

THE TRUTH HURTS ...

Yes, the truth hurts those ...
with a closed mind ...
or with a guilty conscience ...
when they have to read the truth -- or
listens to the truth.

THE NEW NEWSLETTER ...

YES, IT HAS A PRETTY COVER -- but that pretty cover might be just a way to keep you from knowing or thinking about all the MEETINGS and spending of your money that apparently will not be reported in the new newsletter.

The new editor said that I was responsible in part for his long delay in getting the new newsletter printed and mailed. He claimed the postal mailing permit was "cancelled" by me in early 1994.

That simply is not true.

Postal law requires that enough money be kept in escrow to cover cost of mailing. When I finished the Jan 1994 edition there was $277.65 in escrow. I told the postal permit cannot be transferred from one postoffice to another. I found that out in 1968. And it takes 6 months to get a permit -- not 3 weeks as the new editor claimed.

Adams apparently instructed Stalff to send letters demanding all who handled KWVA monies to immediately return it to the Treasurer so all funds would be in one account.

So I returned the $277.65 I had in postoffice escrow. The permit then was cancelled.

THEY DID NOT WANT MY HELP

The Council could have asked for my help; they could have asked for my advice. They did neither.

I received a creepy letter from the Secretary "thanking" me for my six years of work in building Graybeards into a good magazine. And the secretary is not even a voting member of KWVA.

Only three members of the Council -- Dick Peppas, Kathleen Wysocki, and Ken Cook -- and many of the general membership who heard the news -- personally wrote or phoned to express their appreciation for my past efforts and years of dedication to KWVA.

I AM NOT AFRAID OF TOMORROW ...

FOR I HAVE SEEN YESTERDAY AND I LOVE TODAY.

THE COUNCIL AND OUR $100,000

ABOUT THREE YEARS AGO the KWVA Council voted to set aside and hold in escrow about $100,000 (one hundred thousand dollars) coming in as donations for the Memorial.

The idea was to hold it until we found out the truth about the Memorial design. Approximately that amount is in escrow today.

NOW AN INTERNAL ARGUMENT has started for that money. Some on the Council want to give it to AMG/KWVHA for use in buying the expenses of a few movie stars to appear at the 1960 dedication.

Others -- and I am one of them -- want that $100,000 to be used for putting names on the Memorial in a way similar to the one used at Ellis Island. After dedication.

WHERE do you stand on this money?

SEE PAGES 2-3-4 FOR TRUTHS THAT THE COUNCIL WANTED TO KEEP SECRET!

WE SALUTE those about 300,000 of our comrades who also served in WW II. I was in the Pacific Theater. D-Day was remembered.

Council spent $20,000 without asking for an expense report. Page 3.

OUT THERE?

SEEKING USS Worcester CG-144 B-Div shipmates Donald "Tex" Cowan, Donald Dresser, Felix Gorei, Frank Grudzen, Andrew "Al" Perigard, Raymond A. Pina, Lloyd "Bobby Lee Turner, Contact: Ronald J. Musiekowski, 5B Donna Terrace, Taunton, MA 02980 (508-824-0789).
SECRET MEETINGS HELD IN BALTIMORE

The Council wanted to talk about spending your money...but did not want you to know.

ON FEB 18, 1964 at the Baltimore Council meeting, Director Len Dube moved they go into Executive Session; the directors agreed. (NOTE: the words "Executive Session" mean "SECRET").

No other member of KWFA was allowed to be present in the room.

I WILL QUOTE FROM THE RECORD:

Pres. Adams has somehow given the appointed Treasurer the right to cast a vote. I do not agree with that decision...it has always been my opinion that only elected officers and directors can cast a vote in the official Council business meetings.

HOW DOES $6 EQUAL $8?

So now the Council had 14 to vote -- and they voted this way:

- On letting Adams throw Elsie Friedlander out of his position as Congressional liaison and KWFA legal counsel: "the vote was 5 for; 5 no: 1 abstain: 2 questionable." It takes 2 votes to be the majority.

- That based on this vote, Adams made the decision to throw Friedlander out. See Adams' remarks at bottom of page one in the April newsletter.

- "Emmett Benjamin headed President Adams his letter of resignation as Tell America chairman.

What you are not being told is that on the previous day there was a near-fight between two members of the Board of Directors -- and a challenge was thrown at Benjamin from an other member who was watching. That member apparently made it plain that he thought Benjamin was not doing the job as the member wanted it done. The unspoken is a newly-appointed chairman of the Tell America committee.

HERE WENT $20,000 PLUS OF YOUR MONEY

- "Roger Scalf moved that Scooter Burke, as a dynamic speaker, be named by the Board as Good Will Ambassador to travel and promote the KWFA -- and further more he be granted a travel allowance of $10,000 to reimburse his expenses. Len Dube seconded the motion.

Scooter Burke accepted with the understanding he will need more guidance. Vote on motion was carried."

- IT IS MY OPINION this timing and planning is a mistake because of the raw fact that an election campaign is in full swing.

- "Ken Bynum moved that President Adams also travel and speak and be allowed a second $10,000 to reimburse his expenses. Motion seconded. Discussion followed. Vote on motion was carried."

IN OPPOSE THAT MOVE. It should be noted here that Pres. Adams is running for re-election to his third term and reports are that he has been making appearances at some Western states chapter meetings in his campaigning.

IT IS MY PERSONAL OPINION that giving $10,000 of our money to a candidate for office is -- an appearance of breach of ethics by the Board of Directors.

- Kathleen Wysnack asked Board to also consider her to have allowance for trips as she is often asked to attend functions.

"In the discussion that followed, it was noted that other Board members made trips on behalf of the KWFA and paid their own way. Len Dube made motion that we reimburse Kathleen Wysnack for her air fare to the Florida dedication. Len Dube seconded motion. Motion carried." (NOTE: Kathleen Wysnack was invited to attend the dedication of a new Florida chapter being named after her late husband who was shot down early in the Korean War.)

- "Roger Scalf moved that we provide Quartermaster Gene Young with $1,000 expense advance with the stipulation that he provide monthly expense reports to account for those funds, and when those funds are exhausted, advance him another $1,000. Motion seconded and carried."

- Here you -- as a member of KWFA -- ever been notified that we have a Quartermaster? Was the need advertised for competitive bidding? Have you ever been asked to vote on the matter? I have never heard of this until reading these secret minutes of a secret meeting.

- "Roger Scalf talked about problems with the IRS and tax returns, and informed Board that the IRS told him how serious it was to certify a false document and being personally responsible. Discussion was held on getting accounting of all funds. Scooter Burke agreed to be the emissary to contact Harry Wallace to try to get the records."

Roger Scalf has been asked, many times, to clarify his remarks about the IRS. He has always refused to respond and the "problem" -- whatever it is supposed to be remains a secret. It is my personal opinion that we members MUST BE TOLD THE TRUTH because it is our money that Roger is handling. It is my personal opinion that his talk of an IRS audit might not be true. But the majority of the Board of Directors apparently refuse to ask for full explanation of this matter -- so long as Pres. Adams goes along with Roger being SPECIAL NOTE: The comment "emissary to Harry Wallace" is puzzling to me. What is the Council trying to do?? Harry Wallace is the elected second vice president of KWFA and has served on the Board since 1963 in various capacities. What's going on here??

IS THERE A GUILTY CONSCIENCE?

- "Roger Scalf informed Board he had spoken with our D & O insurance company and was told they ill not cover any defense or any damages as a result of any actions taken on this matter due to the inaction of the Board and failure to follow bylaws."

(Note: I do not understand this reference by Roger Scalf to "damages as a result of..." Has the Council/Board of Directors done something that can be deemed improper when revealed -- and thus could make them liable to lawsuit for high damages? Why is this kept secret from the members? It's our money they are talking about.)

WHY KEEP ALL THIS SECRET?

- "Len Dube...reminded Board they have the power to change bylaws and present them to the membership as recommendations." Len Dube went through the proposals submitted for changing the bylaws. Motion was made, seconded and carried to accept proposal to add
description of Judge Advocate to the Bylaws." **

(NOTE: this is another part of the secret minutes that I find confusing: they claim all changes to bylaws must first be voted on by the membership. I AGREE WITH THAT. Then they proceeded to add something about a judge advocate. What did they say or do?)

**Publication of election notice was discussed. Nick Pappas told board about election form he signed that he and his opponent to pay his own way to attend meetings and that he will attend meetings. **

(NOTE: Hurrah for Nick Pappas).

**"Hansel Hall was asked to be the emmisary to contact Tom Clemson to get full accounting of Minnesota reunion funds. The Secretary was instructed to write letter to Tom Clemson, with copy to Hansel Hall, that we need full accounting of funds within 30 days. The Secretary was instructed not to send letter to Harry Wallace." **

(NOTE: Please see page 4 of this letter showing how (Roger? The Council?) has handled the matter with Harry Wallace. It is my personal opinion that Adams has allowed Roger Scalf to take over KWA management and bad things are happening to an organization that once held good promises for veterans.)

(NOTE: I have known Tom Clemson for several years and worked closely with him on the Minneapolis reunion. Tom was co-chairman with Harry Wallace, aided by Dick Adams. I know very well the problems of trying to assemble all facts and reports for reunion -- and I do not understand what Roger Scalf and Hansel Hall are trying to do.)

**"Discussion was held on changing the name of the newsletter from The Graybeards. Motion was made, seconded and carried to use Korean War Veterans Association News (formally The Graybeards)" **

(NOTE: In 1965 when KWA was formed, we -- the membership -- VOTED approval on the name "The Graybeards" for our newsletter. Bill Norris stated it -- I carried it on. I OPPOSE any change in the name -- will you please join me in that protest?"

**(EXTRA NOTE: It appears that the new editor has already been hearing some static on this move -- I see he calls the newsletter "The Graybeards" -- but in little bitty type that you have to hunt for to see.)

**"Dick Adams appointed Kenneth Cook and Billy Smith to the Internal Audit Committee, and they are to meet with Roger Scalf periodically." **

(NOTE: Fine -- except that I believe that both Billy and Ken are not auditors or trained in accounting procedures. We really need to give that committee authorization and the budget to hire an outside CPA to audit the books -- with Ken and Billy doing the over-sight. As it is -- so I have been told by Dick Adams and others -- Adams lets Roger use his own personal CPA to audit OUR BOOKS."

What do you think about that arrangement?

**"Don Byers asked about business cards for the Board members. Roger Scalf was given several cards as samples and instructed to have cards printed for all Board members." **

(NOTE: another expense of our money. A business card is one thing -- but a card for your ego is something else. I personally would oppose that expenditure.) **

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**NEBRASKA KOREAN WAR VETERANS REUNION**

... will be held in Grand Island, NE at RiverSide Inn on Aug. 25, 27, 28, 1994.

It's for all who served in any branch of service from June 25, 1950 to Jan 31, 1955.

Contact: HENRY V. ADEN
Rt. 1, Box 78
Wynnew, NE 68466
Ph.: 402-697-5318

**"THERE'S NONE SO BLIND AS THOSE WHO WON'T SEE."**

KOREAN WAR VETERANS GATHERING
ARLINGTON, VA
JULY 24-27, 1994

Contact: William "Bill" Norris;
308 Middletown Road;
Waterford, NY 12188

Call toll free: 1-800-468-9000
Sheraton National Hotel
Arlington, VA
make reservation for rooms -- IF they are available.

There will be a FULL 4 days of ceremony -- meet old friends -- talk old times -- tell white lies -- and above all:

The solemn ceremony at the Tomb of The Unknowns in memory of those who died in the Korean War.

If you cannot make any reservations then consider simply being at Arlington Amphitheater on July 27, 1994 at 10:00 A.M.

You will be welcome.

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**WHO DREAMED THIS ONE UP?**

WHO WROTE the "goals" shown on page 24 of the April newsletter? THEY ARE NOT THE AIDS OF KWA, AS STATED IN OUR CHARTER -- as voted on in 1965 by the membership, and never changed. Besides -- that talk about "maintaining the memorial." That is the job of the Nat'l Park Service -- and if you don't believe me -- then read page 6 of the new April newsletter, left-hand column top of the page -- Gen. Davis said it.

**WE NEED TO ASK QUESTIONS ON THIS REPORT...**

LAST APRIL 12, in a telephone conversation, Harry Wallace told me he had just received "instructions" from Roger Scalf (appointed by Dick Adams) that checks being received for "dues more than 30 days unpaid cannot be accepted unless the Board of Directors votes to re-admit."

Contact Harry Wallace (the elected Second Vice President) if you want to know more -- at P.O. Box 12205; Baltimore, MD 21281. Phone home after 9 P.M. is 410-327-4854.

YOU AND I have not been given the chance to vote on whatever powers the Council just gave a new Judge Advocate. According to what was said in the secret meeting, those powers are not effective until voted on by us.

So what would happen if ???

The April and June 1994 newsletters somehow are not received by all members before the members can judge the candidates, ask questions, and vote before the deadline?

Could our ballots be ruled out of order?

I dunno -- I'm just asking questions.

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**MY PERSONAL SAMPLE BALLOT**

**FOR PRESIDENT**

(Vote for one only)

Nick Adams.................

**NICK PAPPAS**

Daniel R. Smith............

**FOR FIRST VICE PRESIDENT**

(Vote for one only)

Tom Clawson.................

Leonard Dube................

**FOR SECOND VICE PRESIDENT**

(Vote for one only)

Donald Byers.................

Paul Martin................

Harry Wallace..............

**FOR DIRECTOR**

(Vote for four only)

Jerry Bey...................

Edward Grayier.............

Ron Jekout................

Andrew "Andy" J. Lynch....

William "Bill" Van Ost....

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I ASK: WHAT IS GOING ON WITHIN THE COUNCIL?

I show here two letters: (1) from a lawyer in Illinois claiming she has been hired by the KWVA Council. She says that Harry Wallace (our elected 2nd Vice President) is in danger of facing criminal prosecution unless he turns over to Roger Scalf all his membership records.

(2) The reply from Harry Wallace to that lawyer. Harry says very clearly that he is the only KWVA official authorized to use the equipment and data base.

Harry is right -- that authority is in our By-Laws approved in July 1992.

I ALSO WANT TO KNOW THE NAMES OF THOSE MEMBERS/DIRECTORS ON THE KWVA COUNCIL WHO ARE SPENDING OUR MONEY IN WHAT I CONSIDER TO BE AN ILLEGAL ACT. WHO HIRED THAT LAWYER? WHO OKAYED HER PAYMENT? WHO IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THISieri Play to take over the $420,000.01 said to be in our treasury?

Dick Adams appointed Roger Scalf.
The majority of the Board of Directors openly supports Adams and Scalf.
Is there a conspiracy within the Council?
I would like some answers -- in public.
We -- the membership -- are entitled to all the answers in this serious matter.

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Harter and Larson
ATTORNEYS AT LAW

May 12, 1994

Mr. Harry Wallace
514 South Clinton Street
Baltimore, MD 21224

Dear Mr. Wallace:

On behalf of the Executive Council of the Korean War Veterans Association, I am writing to ask your compliance to the following demands within thirty (30) days of receipt of this letter.


2. The computer system purchased by Stan Hadden is to be forwarded to the Secretary/Treasurer.

3. Current back-ups of the membership roster are to be supplied to the Secretary/Treasurer.

If you do not comply within thirty (30) days, the Executive Council will decide what further action to take at their next meeting. I have advised the Council that it would be appropriate to contact the Attorney General's Office regarding possible criminal violations and filing a civil lawsuit as well.

We wait with eager anticipation for your prompt compliance. Although a peaceful resolution of this matter will save time, money, and anxiety for all parties involved, the organization is ready to take whatever steps are necessary to correct this situation.

Sincerely,

Nancy R. Larson

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KOREAN WAR VETERANS ASSOCIATION, INC

May 17, 1994

Gary R. Harter
Nancy A. Larson
Harter & Larson
219 East Main Street
Mascoutah, IL 62256-2136

and

201 South Jackson Street
Belleville, IL 62220-2254

Dear Mr. Harter and Ms. Larson:

I received your letter yesterday. It is rude and wrong. All of my records were mailed to Dick Adams in August, 1992. The computer is being used for KWVA business. I have supplied Roger Scalf with several up-dates since last August, the latest being last week. In fact, I enclose a fax from Roger on Sunday which indicates no complaint. Why did you write such an outrageous letter?

For your information, I am the only KWVA official authorized to use the equipment and data base by the by-laws approved by the membership in 1991 and affirmed by the Executive Council at its meeting in Gulf Shores in 1992.

As a member of the Executive Council since 1997, I have never heard of you. I was not aware the Executive Council had hired you. Please send me a copy of the resolution hiring you and tell me how much the Executive Council paid you.

why are you threatening me? Please send me the names of each Executive Council member you advised that I was possibly violating criminal laws.

Sincerely,

Harry Wallace
514 South Clinton Street
Baltimore, MD 21224
IT'S SO RIDICULOUS THAT IT'S FUNNY!

IN A LETTER sent to the Executive Council on May 21, 1994, Director Dick Wainwright of Arizona says he "must present a solution."

He then asks that Pappas, Wallace, Friedlander, and Hadden be "removed" or "expelled" -- and get this -- BECAUSE THEY "FAILED TO ANSWER OFFICIAL CORRESPONDENCE."

How more silly and childish can one get?

And this from one of our "leaders" ??

I ask: WHAT official correspondence? Also -- in FREE AMERICA as I know it we have the right to answer a letter -- or ignore it if we want to.

Wainwright, known in close circles as the "cry baby" after his exhibition at the executive council meeting in Bloomington last July -- has chosen to attack Harry Wallace. My friend Harry is lying flat on his back in a hospital. He is trying to recover from surgery treating his serious war wound that has never healed. It is my opinion that Wainwright's action here is reprehensible.

He also has ignored our United States Constitution whereby each of us is entitled to face our accuser and to have a hearing.

I won't bore you with the laughable details of Wainwright's letter -- apparently supported by Sec/Treas Roger Scalf. Because Pres. Dick Adams is Scalf's boss, I assume he knows of this letter and the "ballot" -- and I would like to ask Pres. Adams about that "support" -- but time does not permit getting an answer.

Wainwright's letter asking the Council to vote "yes" closed with this: "In my opinion the Executive Council must take this stand or be ridiculed for the patsies we have become."

YEP.

So take this advice, fellow veterans: ANSWER ALL YOUR MAIL because if you don't . . . it is my opinion that Col. Dick Wainwright and Col. Roger Scalf will try to expel you from the KWVA.
ABOUT THAT LETTER ON PAGE 4:

IN RESPONSE to the letter on page 4 from the lawyer to Harry Wallace, DICK ADAMS said:

"... at no time did Secretary Scalf speak to me about this letter or hiring this law firm. Also at no time has 2nd Vice President Wallace turned over any financial records to me."

SO... it appears that Adams is saying Scalf hired the law firm. How can he do that without permission of the president and the Council? NOTE: that Adams is not saying one word about looking into the problem -- and neither does he offer a solution.

Adams just sits there -- in a management pose that, in my opinion, is absolutely non-productive.

So far, Nick Pappas is the only Council member known to me who has had the foresight and grasp of reality to step out and question Scalf's actions.

POINT NUMBER TWO -- if it is true that Adams never received any financial records from Harry Wallace (a doubtful claim by Adams) -- then the Council should immediately hire an outside CPA to examine the bank records, deposits, etc. between Baltimore and California/Arizona.

WHAT CAN YOU DO?

I AM TELLING YOU THE TRUTH about what is happening within the KWA Council. You ask: WHAT can be done about it? YOU CAN DO THIS:

1. Vote for NICK PAPPAS for President.
2. TOM CLAYSON for 1st Vice President.
3. HARRY WALLACE for 2nd Vice President.

WRITE members of the Board of Directors and tell them your opinion. Watch them.

A MAN BOUGHT A NEW GADGET, unassembled, of course. After reading and re-reading the instructions he couldn't figure out how to put things together. Finally, he sought the help of an old handyman who was working outside.

The old fellow picked up the pieces, studied them, then began assembling the gadget.

"That's amazing," said the man, "and you did it without even looking at the instructions?"

"Yes," said the old man, "I can't read, and when a fellow can't read he's got to think."

SO THERE YOU ARE:

Think about what I am writing here.

ROUNDTABLE

120TH ENGINEER (7) BN, H & S Co., 45th INF.

Planning our 12th Biennial Reunion for Sept 29 and 30, 1994 in Oklahoma City at Saddlesback Inn. CONTACT Woody Harris;
20 Preston Circle;
Stillwater, OK 74075.
(405-392-1068).

2nd Association will hold its annual reunion Sept 15-18, 1994 at Camp Lejeune, NC. CONTACT:
Batt Major Pete McNeill;
401 Greenbriar Drive;
Jacksonville, NC 28546.
(910-333-4937 or 415-396-0778).


CONTACT:
Bob Speight;
P.O. Box 142723;
Austin, TX 78714.
(512-836-0466).


CONTACT: Nick Lott;
7421 Med River Road;
Dayton, OH 45459.
(513-433-4175).

WE CARRY THE RESPONSIBILITY for our government -- not for the sake only of our own country's future... and we must be trained (and willing) to bear it if freedom is to survive.

--Teddy Roosevelt.

LOOK AT THE SECRET report to you on page 2 and 3. In our KWA Council ignoring the people -- just like Congress does?

LOOK AT the charges against Congressman Dan Rostenkowski of Illinois and see why we voters need to work together and change the political system that lets people run government the way he does... to a system of govern- ment BY AND FOR THE PEOPLE.

YEAW... I'M TIRED OF ALL THIS INTERNAL FIGHTING!

"I'm spending my hard-earned money to tell you the truth... and THIS TIME FOR A CHANCE!

VOTE FOR NICK PAPPAS

TOM CLAYSON

HARRY WALLACE

and let's get on with plans for a big parade and celebration at the 1995 dedication.

NICK PAPPAS has consistently maintained that secret Executive Session are wrong.

BLAINE FIGHTS BACK!

"To: The Executive Council of KWA --

"After reviewing the new April 1994 Gray-beards, it is my impression that it represents a wishful, wanton, and malicious attack upon me. The material contained therein appears to be not true -- or if属实, presented in such a manner that the truth is wrongfully distorted.

"Most of the time one disregards such attacks but this attack, coupled with other Executive Council actions, requires that I proceed against those who are involved in presenting me in a false light, wrongfully removing me from office, taking my work and using it as their own.

"The Executive Council must either disavow the actions of those participating in the attack upon me, or ratify said actions.

"During the 1994 midwinter conference in Baltimore the Executive Council and I -- based on Scooter Burke's request -- reached an agreement: I was to remain in office. Dick and I shook hands to seal the agreement.

"A week later Ray Donnelly called me to say that I no longer had a position with KWA and invited me to work with the Memorial Advisory Board.

"Later I found out the secret ballot to remove me failed by two votes. The results were distorted and the reported minutes incorrectly represented the consequences.

"If there is any doubt about the conduct of the executive branch of KWA, the current assault on Harry Wallace by attorneys in Illinois asking "on behalf of KWA" should convince you that our leadership no longer represents our members.

"The choice is yours!!

"I am proceeding against the individuals who have made my life a living hell the past several years. With this letter I ask the Executive Council, for the last time, to take a firm position.

"This time do not use secret ballots. Decide by taking a public position so that I shall be better able to take proper and appropriate action.

"Either remove Dick Adams and Roger Scalf or ratify their actions and those associated with them.

"If you do nothing, I will deem your silence as ratification. I suggest you do not consider this as bluff and bluster. Ask one of your number who should be able to advise you that I am proceeding."

-- BLAINE FREIDIANER; 2341 Dale Drive; Falls Church, VA 22043. Phone 703-560-4715.
Do I Stand Alone in Saying This?

NO CANDIDATE has been asked to agree with me on this subject.

But a lot of veterans have written and phoned me, to say they agree with me.

Those "SOFT GOALS" shown on page 84 of the new April 1994 newsletter -- in my own personal opinion -- fail to recognize that our country is "going to Hell in a handbasket", as the old saying puts it.

They really are not attainable because we -- as an organization -- do not have national recognition. That kind of clout comes from being very strong at the voting booths. This batch of "Soft Goals" won't do the job.

They apparently have been drawn up to give a favored few within top KWA a chance to win-and-dine people in Congress.

And they want to do it on our dues money ... a sort of private PAC fund for them.

It again is my personal opinion that we veterans -- with our families and our friends -- must fight back. We must understand the King-of-the-Hill rule in the House of Representatives. We MUST take action making Congress govern FOR THE PEOPLE.

I have mentioned this several times in the old Greybeard; especially in the Jan 1994 edition. That's apparently part of the reason Adams et al have criticized me strongly. I feel sorry for those who cannot see the dangerous situation our country is in now.

We could help save it -- but not with the poor leadership we now have in KWA.


| YOU WROTE IT |
| What can we veterans do to preserve our ideals and our country ?? |
| I have a suggestion: |
| We veterans share many characteristics in common. The more important are love of country, discipline, respect for authority, and following orders (obeying the laws). |
| We must instill these qualities in the young people with whom we come in contact -- co-workers, employees, children, etc. We must not look at these young people as being the intellectually unwashed, or the work-inexperienced -- but as citizens in the making. |
| Teach them to love this country, teach them discipline and respect for authority. |
| Teach them to follow orders whether the orders are laws ... company rules ... or simply a mother's command to "do your homework." |
| "Let us veterans resolve to get involved in the politics of government that makes better citizens for all -- including the young who are" the people that Mr. Lincoln referred to when he said: |
| "... the government of the people, by the people, for the people shall not perish from the earth." |
| -- Jack Albertson (Col Ret USA), writing from West Virginia. |

SOMETHING IS radically wrong with the way the House of Representa- tives is operating.

"And it must be changed to restore the integrity and respect our Founding Fathers intended for their institution."

-- In a letter to me from Congressman Michael D. Crapo of Idaho, 1993: responding to my suggestion that the veterans of America ought to get involved in national politics.

The manager said to his secretary: "I have a message of great importance. Please connect me with the grapevine."

Fellow veterans -- YOU ARE THE GRAPEVINE, Please pass the word.

OUR KWA MANAGEMENT is in big trouble -- so let's change things.

"IT'S IN THE HOME THAT CIVIC DUTY BEGINS -- WITH THESE ELEMENTAL QUALITIES:

HONESTY -- COURAGE -- and COMMON SENSE."

-- Pres. Teddy Roosevelt.