

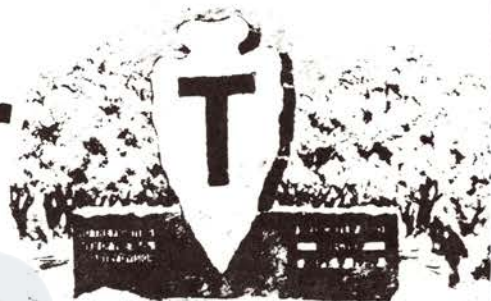
# DALLAS REUNION GREATEST IN DECADE

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## Walker Portrait Unveiling at Reunion Featured On Four Dallas/Fort Worth Television Stations



The man responsible for the portrait of General Fred L. Walker: Col. Oran C. Stovall, Bowie, Texas shown above with his granddaughter Kathryn Keese Latham who did the unveiling at the Dallas Reunion general assembly, Sat. Sept. 2, 1972.

### Artist Captures True Likeness of Walker In Fabulous Oil Painting

This is the 3rd major project for the 36th that Col. Oran C. Stovall has taken on, and after six months work we have a fabulous new oil of our beloved Gen. Fred L. Walker.

Other projects were the huge T-Patch granite on the State Capital grounds, and the "From Texas to Rome" book which came out on schedule Sept. 1969, only weeks before the general passed away.

Using several photos of Gen. Walker's favorite pose, Stovall commissioned Mrs. Juanita Gleghorn of Durant, Okla., to render the finished oil portrait. This was in March 1972.

Months of preliminary sketches were made and studied, plus a poll to many T-Patchers who knew the general best for proper description as to coloring etc.

Stovall contacted the widow of Gen. Walker, his two sons, Fred L. Jr., and

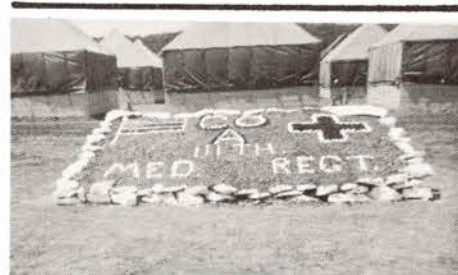
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## Over 500 Attend Gala Reunion Dinner Dance At Royal Coach Inn, Dallas

In a random poll taken hurriedly after the reunion in Dallas, we find that the Dallas Blowout was about the best we've had in a decade. In attendance and FUN! Those two items cover the whole reason for it! Those who missed this one, really missed it.

The turn-out at the Dinner Dance which is the one function where "everybody" shows up. The crowds kept coming, and even additional tables had to be set up (this is because some failed to register earlier). All of this took alot of coordination and hard work. Our thanks to Amil and family who maned the registration table, Ken Nixon, and others. Roger Cannon, Earl Higginbotham all worked hard to see everything went according to schedule. But now, it's time to think about HOUSTON in 1973.

OFF THE PRESS and in the mails: "THE TEXAS ARMY" by Robert L. Wagner of Austin, Texas. Five years in the making and featuring a "cast of thousands"...you'll want this book. See COUPON for ordering on page 9.



REMEMBER? All those fancy rock displays that fronted the Company locations at Camp Bowie back in the early 1941s. Here is Co. A, 111th Medical Regt. (when we were a square division White paint and alot of back bending, and you had it made. Thanks to R. C. Markham, Jr., 3002 Senator Ave., Texarkana, Ark 75501 for sending in this little jewel.



Mrs. Juanita Gleghorn, who painted the portrait of General Walker is shown here with Col. Stovall moments after the unveiling.

## A New Portrait Was One Of General Walker's last Requests

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Charles. All three were very helpful in this department.

Those who knew Gen Walker all were pleased with the true likeness that artist Gleghorn has captured.

At the reunion general session when the portrait was unveiled, this was filmed by all four television stations that cover the great Dallas/Fort Worth metroplex.

Since the reunion, the Walker painting is now in Austin, awaiting arrangement for another unveiling which will be announced this fall by Earl Higginbotham, your new president of the Association.

All T-Patchers are grateful to Stovall for his untiring work in behalf of such a worthy project as this. We salute you, Colonel!



Liz Rucker, wife of the new 143rd chief, and Robert Richie, re-elected 142nd leader pose for this one to give you an idea of the "size" of the Walker portrait.

**SALERNO FOOTNOTE:** 36th Infantry Division Medal of Honor Winner, Sergeant Charles E. Kelly, recalled after the feat that won him the award that he saw the bodies of 80 German officers in one building in the Italian mountain city of Altavilla, which overlooked the Salerno beaches invaded by the Texans.

It was discovered later that Altavilla was the site of a German officers' artillery school. This meant the site selected by the Allies for their Italian beachhead already had been established as a "casebook" of defensive tactics. The Texans gave the student officers and their instructors a failing grade. (James E. Farmer, Hqa. 36th

## 144th Has Big Turn Out During State Fair of Texas, Oct. 14th

William J. Hefner reports a big crowd of 400, representing twenty states turned out for a reunion held in a large tent erected on the fair grounds for the occasion. The 144th was part of the old "square" 36th, was relocated when we went triangle. Hef's address is: 1212 W.Drew, Fort Worth, Texas 76110. He would be glad to hear from you.

## Sneden Quotes From Letter Received From Admiral Hewitt



ADM. H. KENT HEWITT

R. NEWTON SNEDEN, Roaring Brook, Rockleigh, N. J. 07647 sends in this item about Admiral H. Dent Hewitt who died in September. Adm. Hewitt was naval commander in the two invasions made by the 36th Division, Salerno and Southern France.

Newt quotes from a letter he once received from the Admiral regarding chain of command in amphibious operations, who said: "In the system, the Admiral was in supreme command until the troops were safely established ashore, whereupon the command devolved upon the General in our case (Walker and Dalhquist) and it became the Navy's job to 'support' the army as per the General's orders.

Thanks for this valuable part of our history, Newt. (We always admired the Navy in a way, they ate real good, and drank coffee out of china mugs instead of canteen cups).

Dallas Morning News Sunday, Sept 3, 1972



Dolph Briscoe, Democratic gubernatorial candidate for Governor of Texas points to T-Patch on shirt of young daughter of Col. Charles Wilson (141st) of Fort Worth. Photo was made after Briscoe's address at the general assembly, Dallas Reunion, Royal Coach Motor Hotel, Sept. 2nd.

# "What You Have Always Wanted To Know About REUNIONS, But Were Afraid To Ask"

The 1972 Dallas Reunion, our 47th, will have to be recorded as one of the best...the turnout was the biggest in years! We will attempt to give a blow-by-blow account:

Thurs. Aug. 31: Early birds arrive from all-over. Mostly the V/P's in charge of CP's. Reason: it takes a little doin' to set up one of these for business. President Roger and Ruby Cannon were there when we arrived at noon, in the "Queen's Suite" with a wagon load of boxes, cartons etc. (Here is where we need a good quartermaster)

Zeb Sunday arrived with enough cases to open a branch liquor store (of course the 143rd is thirsty Then ole Robert Richie and wife arrive even the night before, driving in from Pensacola, Florida. The 141st headed by Tex Higginbotham brought in 3 carloads of artifacts, and were the first to open for business

Note: The early-birds that arrive on Thursday have a decided edge on the rest of us. They get out their maps and chart a plan of operation that the late comers can't understand. In fact, it is highly recommended, that if you really want to "get with it"... be an early bird, and show up on Thursday.

Earl Higginbotham, our new president promises that "special" facilities will be available to ALL who arrive a "day" early...so write that on your cuff, and plan to be in HOUSTON next Labor day week end...a little early, arrive on thursday.

Friday Sept. 1st: Registration opened at 9AM and did a land-office business til 5 PM. All CP's were off-and-running all day, but the big event was "Social Hour" in the ballroom with all the beer you could drink. This is one of the true events where you get to "see everybody". By 10:30 the troops had then moved on to the CP's and other watering holes

Sat. Sept. 2nd: The general session started at 1:00 PM with a large attendance. Guest speaker, Dolph Brisco, democratic gubernatorial candidate did about 25 minutes, recognized all our statistics, then highlighted the problems that confront the State of Texas. He was introduced by Gen. Carl Phinney, Dallas.

The unveiling of the portrait of General Walker was a treat for all (see story elsewhere), a true likeness of our beloved leader. This project was the work of Col. Stovall who handled it from start to finish. (Our thanks, Col).

Maj. Gen. Ross Ayres told of the "Honorary" memberships now available for out-of-state T-Patchers (see story in this issue). Upon adjournment at 3:45, most everyone attended their own CP for more visitation and laughs.

The unit CP's are always the highlite of the reunion. (note to you guys who have never attended a reunion)...you are never a stranger in your own unit cp's

A fabulous steak dinner and all trimming was served at 7PM, and it was



Famous singer and great entertainer (and Sausage King) JIMMY DEAN, just happened to be in The Royal Coach Inn same time as the Reunion. He was quickly captured by the T-Patchers, and is shown here with Eloise Sunday (at the 143rd C.P.) Time did not permit Jimmy to attend the big dance. Maybe next time.



Col. Clifford Snow having a ball with the wild-one, Billie Jary, who they say rode her own motorcycle from Fort Worth to the Dallas Reunion.



Lois Snow shown here with Armand G. Jones, "The Spaghetti King", who had to sit this one out. Armand's unfortunate accident last winter had him on crutches. He's the new Artillery V/P but will be dancing at the Houston Bash.

wall-to-wall with 500 plus sitting at tables for 8 (not banquet style). Door prizes and limited speeches followed the dinner. And speaking of door prizes. There must have been 40 winners, a real bonanza this time for the troops. Buddy Sinclair donated at least 2 dozen beautifully wrapped packages of spirits, compliments of area liquor dealer. Thanks Buddy.

A great group of musicians who played boogie, Bach, rock and western keep the large dance floor swinging until 1:00. The hail and hearty returned to their CP's and who was the last one to close up shop (we don't know) but we recall hearing the "break" of day.

E. Paul Mansell, the coaxial-cable tycoon from O'Donnell, Texas won the title for his 'closing' the TOP OF THE CASTLE (night club) three nights in a row. He was awarded a years supply of Alka-Seltzer.

Sunday, Sept 3rd: Memorial services with a coffee, at 10:00 AM concluded the official reunion activities, but many lingered on to enjoy the other events available in Dallas.

Footnote: A good time to start planning next years HOUSTON REUNION (our 30th Anniversary of Salerno Landing) in NOW. Start saving a dallar a day, and you'll have over \$300 by Aug. 31, 1973.



Top right: Earl Higginbotham presents plaques to WWI 36thers. Roger Cannon and Bob Richie witness the event, a highlight of the general meeting.

# Earl 'Tex' Higginbotham, New Grand Marshall Starts Big Round-Up of Drop-Outs And Strays

## Membership Drive Underway With Higg., Zeb & Amil



The two characters shown below, Dudley Dropout and Sammy Stray have been causing us alot of trouble.

These critters have got to be rounded-up and "branded" with a redhot T-Patch brand (\$3.00).

The BIG DRIVE is on, and your officers and directors are working with AMIL on a list of delinquent members he has passed on to all . . . so its go-get-these-Mavericks.

There's a BIG REWARD for their capture. All you have to do is: send in name of former 36th Division man that you may know, who has not joined up...and the trigger-boys will go after him with an 8 cent stamp, and maybe more.

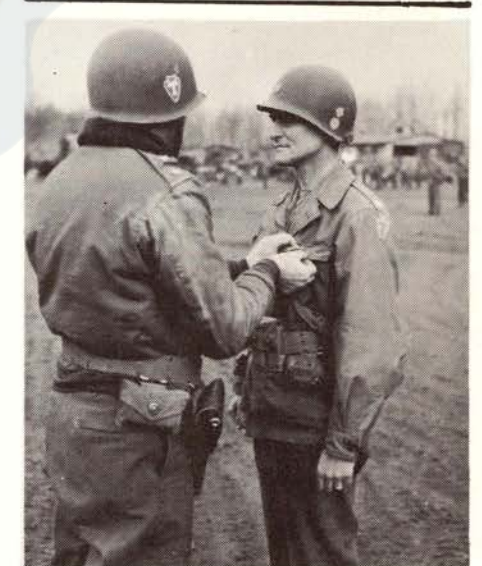
We'll send him alot of info, a copy of a recent issue of the T-Patch and get down on our knees to get that varmint to join. He really does not know what he is missing. So get out your phone book, and check listings of some T-Patchers in your town. Send in the names to:

AMIL KOHUTEK, 2404 Lincoln Ct., Irving, Texas 75061. And mucho oblige., from "Tex" Higginbotham.



ZEB 'The Hat' SUNDAY, that jet-propelled go-getter from Pasadena, Texas is shown here in his 143rd CP at the Dallas bash. Zeb brought a pickup truck ful of goodies for the troops. His CP was wall-to-wall troops for three big days. Shown at right is one of the beautiful aluminum trays that were presented to all the WW1 36thers.

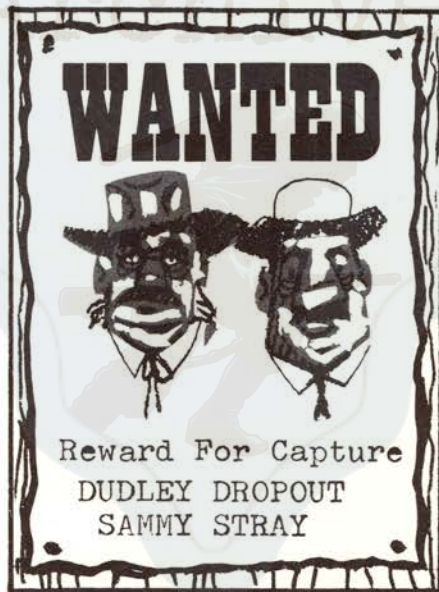
Zeb is your new Executive-Vice President and promises big-diggin's for the 1973 Houston Reunion.



T-PATCH OVERSEAS FILE: Here's old photo of Lt. Col. William O. Green receiving Legion of Merit from Maj. Gen. John E. Dahlquist, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services. Col. Green, now of Houston, was CO of 736th Ordnance. (Germany 1945).




Top photo is a rare shot of our two new leaders: On left is Grand Marshal, Tex Higginbotham and Chief Deputy Zeb Sunday. Both are dedicated "Texas Rangers" who are out to 'round-up' all the 36th dropouts and T-Patcher Strays. Lower photo shows the other vice-presidents who are sworn to support the cause of their leader. CHARGE! The tall one on left is none other than ole Amil himself.



### BLOWHARD...

THE GREAT EGG TRICK . . . REUNION HIGHLITE: Watching Lee Allison take a hardboiled egg, making a small hole on each end — placing it in his mouth, and with a giant blast, blows the egg right out of the shell. (You might think this is a windy story, but true).



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# Heard from

**WILLIAM H. OLSEN**, 2317 Hall Ave., Marinette, Wis. 54143 who has been out of pocket all these years received a T-Patcher from Amil, enjoyed it so much he sent in dues, Sustaining Fund, The Texas Army Book and order for roster. Served in Co. A, 143rd at the tail end of the war. Welcome to the clan Bill, round up some more of your buddies and send 'em in.

**JOHN B. PARKS**, 100 Moss Drive, San Antonio 78213 was in Houston recently and called on sons of his late buddy, and old 111th Engineer Bill Moore. His widow and both sons, Donald and Bill Moore joined up, and promised to be at the '73 Houston Reunion. Thanks for the great gesture, John.

**H. E. "Press" PRESNALL** showed up after 2 decades of absence at the Dallas reunion. Formerly with Div. Hqs., and native of Olney Texas, Press is money-grabber with Cornerstone Financial Services of Dallas.

**PAUL J. BORELLE**, 553 Williams St., Painesville, Ohio 44077 told us at the Dallas reunion he would get some strays, and did just that: bagged 2 old buddies of Co. E, 142nd: Anthony Daiello, 374 Sanford St., Painesville and Anthony Nasca, 4658 Highland Drive, Willoughby, Ohio 44094. Good shootin' Paul (Co. H, 142nd).

**ROSWELL A. PILKINGTON**, 3418 Adie Road, St. Ann, Mo. 63074 sends regrets he could not be in Dallas...promises to be in HOUSTON.

**ANTON FANELLO**, 10316 S. 73rd Ct., Palos Hills, Ill. 60465 who did a stretch with Co. B, 142nd couldn't make Dallas, but did attend the 142nd B Reunion at Dewey Mann's home, Nitro, W. Va.

**FRED W. PHILLIPS**, 56 Victor Ave., West Long Beach, N. J. 07764 sends in dues. Served with Co. A, 143rd Inf.

**VERNON REID** sends in new address and a \$10, new address is: William F St., & Fisher Ave., Rehoboth, Del. Last address was Washington D.C. Vernon served with 144th in WW1.

**MRS. W. C. SIMMONS**, 11236 Main Rd. Fenton, Mich. 48430 advises this reporter that her father **JOHN C. DRAKE** of Lockhart, Texas, a T-Patcher of WW1 died last March. Wants to know how she can get a Texas flag for his grave. Can anyone help?

**A. B. CROWTHER**, president of Bexar County Natl. Bank, P.O. Box 300, San Antonio, Texas 78291 sends in dues and 3 others, sends regrets he could not be in Dallas. Gen. Crowther was G-2 during WW11 all over Europe, later became commander of 36th postwar Division Artillery.

**NOTE TO THE TROOPS:** The heard-froms are edited from letters, mostly sent to membership chairman, Amil Kohutek. Some of these are hard to decipher, and by all means, please give your old unit, it helps us put you in the right slot (cause our computer is busted).

## Unit Reunions



### Co. B, 142nd Meet In Nitro, W. Va

There are many unit reunions in the make-up of the 36th, but I suppose Co. B, 142nd tops them all. They have a EAST and WEST unit. The smaller of the two met Aug. 4-6 at the home of Capt. DEWEY MANN, Nitro, West Va.

The western group met in Coleman, Texas this past August (as covered in the Aug. T-Patcher), with 47 members in attendance.

In a special report from BARBARA DAVIDSON, better half of VICTOR, says everyone had a great time. Next year's gathering will be in Brecksville, Ohio, Aug. 3-5, 1973.

Dempsey Albritton is the new president; Dewey Mann, V/P, and Mrs. Vic Davidson, 22 Queen Ann St., Friendship, N. Y. is still Secty.

### 131ST FIELD ARTILLERY

Thirteen members of the 131st met in Tulsa, Okla. in June for a pow-wow at the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Williamson. And they came from all over: John Conlan, Dubuque, Iowa; Dillonn Wilkes, Florence, S. C.; Arthur Beats, Marvin Williams, Plainview; Tom Wells of Lubbock; W. W. Stokes, Bonham, Texas; Tomm Mullinns of Okla. City; William Short of Amarillo; Harry Filder, Fort Thomas, Ky.; Robt. Borchardt, Lometa; Earl Hobbs of Pampa, Texas; Ed Miller of Maryville, Tenn.



### Sinclair to Head 141st Inf. Activities

Your new V/P 141st is an old timer in this great regiment. He entered service Jan. 1941, Co. D. at Camp Bowie, Brownwood, Texas.

Buddie has quite a record of 13 medals, including 3 bronze stars, 2 Purple Hearts...and is a most devoted T-Patcher and 141st member. Has given generously with his time and money in its behalf.

He was one of the first to come home on the high-point system, had more than anyone else in his unit, discharged on June 28, 1945 (and that was fast).

Buddy is lifetime member of VFW, Amer. Legion, and Disabled Amer. Veterans, and has his 3rd degree in "Military Order of the Cooties", an honorary degree of the VFW.

All you 141st guys should write to him now: his address is: L. M. Buddy Sinclair, 2025 Culpepper Ave., Dallas, Texas, 75235.

## WANTED

**DON'T BE BASHFUL MAN**, if you have an item, or an old photo of some overseas activity, send it in. We promise to return it to you too. The readability content of this rag is solely dependant upon your response.

### CO. G, 143rd WW1

Co. G, 143rd veterans of WW1 will hold their annual reunion Nov. 11, 1972 in the Gold Room of Moncla's Cafeteria, 535 Mariposa St., Beaumont, Texas. R. R. Cahal, 205 Eleanor St. Jasper, Texas 75951 says they expect 30 or more.

For more info, write: M. P. Stewart (Secty) 1475 Cartwright St., Beaumont, Texas 77701.

*30th Anniversary of Salerno Landing Sept. 1973 - Houston*



## Richie Re-elected For 142nd Infantry

Back in saddle for 1973 is hard-working ROBERT C. RICHIE who will again lead the "Rotate" boys. Bob reports his CP at Dallas was wall-to-wall with troops, even his old outfit "H" Company 142nd increased from 4 in previous years to 24 at Dallas.

Richie has pledged fire-power to Higginbotham's big roundup on strays and drop outs. Bob batted a 1000 last year in getting dues from his 142nd group.

Col. Stovall reports that O. W. Crisman (his Ex. Off. 111th Engineers) missed the reunion because of open heart surgery; now on the mend in Longview, His address: 32 Brownwood Place, Longview, Tex. 75601.

Anybody have a roster of Regt. Hqs. 143rd? Jean LeMoulllec, 425 E. Main St., Bay Shore, Long Island, N. Y. 11706 needs one for VA. And, thanks.

# OUT OF THE MAILBAG

## Calling All Buzzards

One of our comprodies needs help. HUGH U. GEORGE, 374 East 9th Ave., Chico, Calif. (who admits he is 81) sends in this message: URGENT, Attention All Buzzards (WW1 that is). Has asked for info about books etc about Co. I, 2nd Texas Inf., which was probally merged with Co. G. 132nd Machine Gun Bn. Hugh enlisted in Laredo, Texas under Capt. Ed Matson (clue) served on the Rio Grande, Camp Bowie in Fort Worth. If you have info, send it to him, and thanks.

### 'HOMINEY GRITS' FERRELL BIG T-PATCHER BOOSTER

Dear Amil: "Hi", from an adopted Texan. Sorry I couldn't make the Dallas reunion. I surely look forward to all the T-Patcher newsletters. I am proud that I served with the 36th Division. Would love to hear from any of the old buddies. My nick-name was "Hominey Grits". Served with Co. C, 142nd and Hqs. Co., 1st Bn. God bless you all and our good troops".

Preston R. Ferrell, 135 East 38th St. Blvd., Erie, Pa. 16504.

PS: I'm going on 21 years service at the Veterans Hospital here in Erie.

Dear Pres: "You should know such notables as Price Middleton, John Cook, Jimmy Russell and Henry Nedapod up N.Y. way. And how about J. B. Dick Walker? And, Raymond C. Lyendecker, 606 Lewis Ave., Lancaster, Pa., another Co. C. 142nder. Amil.

# HOUSTON in '73



HANK GOMEZ (right) sends in this picture of his pal, William O. Wottlin, Houston, Texas who recently visited at Hank's new home on LBJ Lake (near Austin). Wottlin was Capt. in 1st Bn. 141st, suffered severe injuries when his Jeep ran over a landmine near Capus, Italy. Please note the snazzy license plates on his dunebuggy..."RONDO" (how 'bout that?). Hank is one of the best-known Lt. Col's that ever came out of San Antonio.

# Heard from

DON STIL, 415 Beech St., Berea, Ohio 44017 sends in dues and was happy to see his old outfits picture in the T-Patcher. He means Co. B, 142nd who reunited in Coleman, Texas this past summer.

MAX E. SHAFFER who was official cameraman for the 36th during that was in Europe has been transferred to Seattle. Max is chief of Air Transportation Security of FAA. What this means is he is the guy that goes after those skyjackers (in typical T-Patch fashion). He was missed at the Dallas reunion and particularly his camera expertise. Sent in dues plus extra \$ for the cause. His address: FAA Bldg., Boeing Field, Seattle, Wash. 98108.

GEORGE WEINSCHHEL, P.O. Box 1278, Corsicana, Tex sends in payment for 8 memberships [how 'bout that]...this is what keeps the old ball rollin'. George served with 142nd and a good loyal T-Patcher he is. Thanks, buddy.

HERMAN ROSENTHAL, 6623 N. California Ave., Chicago, Ill. 60645 sends in dues and regrets for not being able to make the Dallas reunion. As an ole Co. L, 142nd trooper he did attend their unit reunion in Breckenridge. Received his 20 year pin for service with Walgren Drugs; is active in Amer. Legion, Amvets, VFW and USO volunteer (how does he do it)...but keep up the good work, Herman. Maj. Gen. ROSS AYERS, Adj. Gen. of Texas was honored recently as Distinguished Alumnus of Texas Tech University, Lbbock. Gen. Ayers, a T-Patch artilleryman will retire in Jan. 1973.

WM. C. BILL NAGLE, Hidden Lake Drive, Princeton, Ill. 61356 and ole "Rondo Whiter" couldn't make the reunion cause he was in Alaska at that time (attended Fort Worth reunion 1969) sends in dues and cash for 2 others...sends greetings to all who made his visit to Texas a great '69 reunion.

CHARLES L. PRICE, 51 Marmora Rd, Parsippany, N.J. 07054 sends in his dues plus one, and laments the fact he had not make a 36th reunion, looks forward to it someday. Hope you can be in Houston, Chaz.

JAMES MARINOS, 3311 Virginia, Houston, Texas 77006 of Svc. Btry. 131st sends dues and also for: leo vames, 7522 Orion Ave, Van Nuys, Calif., and BEN RUFFALO, 6316 Olcott Ave., Chicago, Ill. Good work, Jim.

This man led us to victory in 1945. Get a handful of these 8¢ little jewels and paste'em on some envelopes addressed to some of your old T-Patch buddies. WRITE NOW!



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# Heard from

WALTER H. SHELtz, 159 Walnut St., Columbia, Pa. 17512 sends in ten for dues and other items. Thanks Walt.

DAVID SCHUBERT, 13 Stirrup Lane, Levittown, N. Y. 11756 [not unit given] drops cash for the cause. Dave is chairman of the Odd Fellows Grand Lodge of New York.

HERBERT E. McCLENAGHEN, 42 Colonial Road, Havertown, Pa. 19083 comes in with dues and bonus, served in 133rd F.A.

E. LYNDON CREWS, 7506 Teasdale, University City, Mo. 63130 couldn't make the Dallas reunion cause he teaches voice at a college and they start on Sept. 1st [how foolish]. Wanted to know if ZEB SUNDAY was called "Billy" in Italy; and was RILEY TIDWELL called "Big Nasty" or "Little Nasty". [Can anyone help?] Lyn also sent some sweetin' for the Sustaining Fund. Hey! Served with Hq. & Hq. Co. 1st Bn 143rd.

HERMAN SHREFFLER, 214 Tioweska Ave., Kane, Pa. 16735 says the T-Patcher brings back alot of memories. Amen, brother. Pays dues and sends regards to all.

WALTER H. OLTMANNs, 713 First Ave., Dallas, Texas 75226 of Co. D. 142nd in WW1 sends dues and best wishes to the Assn.

GIL C. RUSSI, Col. USA Ret. (former member of Co. D, 141st) sends new address: 2135 West Granville, Chicago, Ill. 60659. Col. Russi is with Loyola University of Chicago.

GEORGE W. McCLoUD, Miami, Arizona of Co. B, 142nd comes in stornig, did make the reunion at Coleman of this great unit, but missed Dallas. Set your dial for Houston in '73 George.

JOHN ARN, 218 Maple St., FLushing, Mich. 48433 who did time with 36th Div. Hqs. via his wife Eleanor sends regrets they could not be in Dallas, but they did send dues and extras. Thanks.

DOMINICK S. RACE, 120 Hascall St., Omaha, Neb. 68108 put in time with Co. I, 143rd sends in dues.

JOHN TRAVIS REEVES, 3719 Atlas Dr., Denton, Texas 76201 was rounded up by Cookie Kohutek Cox (everybody works at Amil's house). Reeves served with I Co., 142nd. Welcome aboard.

GERRY GRONEMAN, 516 Kyles Lane, Covington, Ky. 41011 an ole 36th Signal man sends regrets he could not be in Dallas. Says his five youngsters back-to-school detail limits his travel. Amen. Hope you can be in Houston next year, Gerry.

LYNN W. COONEY, 5049 Mt. Alverno, Cincinnati, Ohio 45238 sends air mail letter to Amil address Royal Coach Inn, got there 'on time' during the festivities. Lynn was in Co. M, 142nd from Oct. 1943 until June 1944 when he received a skull fracture...says the one thing in his life that he proud of is that he was a member of the "fightin' 36th". We missed you, Lynn...try for HOUSTON!

Although no definate arrangements have been made with a hotel, since several are bidding...announcement of the hotel selected will appear in the next issue. Dates are Aug. 31 - Sept. 2nd 1973.



SCRAPBOOK: Here's that devoted 36th Division A.P.O., taken at Vairano, Italy, January 1944. This dozen mailmen keep the Morale'up' with their letters and packages from home. The tall one on the right is Capt. Harold Johnson, postal officer. Thanks to Floyd Yockey, 6960 Kenwood Ave., Dallas, Tx 75214 for sending in this one. A great bunch of guys.

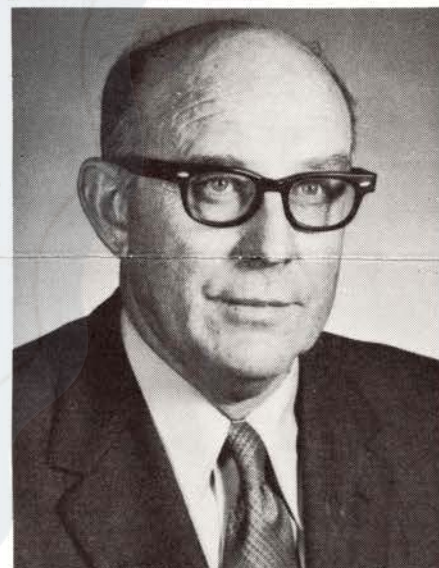
## Payne Rucker New V/P of 143rd Inf.

You "guys" really surprised me at our Reunion here in Dallas, by voting me as your leader of the 143rd for the ensuing year. The friends that I have from the 36th Division are more like a family and it would be disappointing to me if I had to miss even one of the great Reunions.

I became a member of this great organization when I joined the TNG unit in Temple, Texas, in 1940 when 18 years of age, and since that time and after my discharge in June of 1945 have many, many friends whom I consider as brothers and also sisters.

Many of the men had wives that followed along with us until we left for overseas and these are also close as they also shared in the many discomforts shared in the travelling around with the army and have been to all of the Reunions since that time. Many of the "T-Patchers" sit and wonder what has happened to an old friend from the 36th Division since the war years, but feels that he cannot afford to come to a Reunion, or may not have the time. If this person would just attend one Reunion, he would never miss another one.

I have two letters this past year from an old buddy that had not heard from me or seen me since we left Europe. He saw a picture of me in one of the "T-Patchers" and immediately wrote to me. I certainly hope that he saves his pennies this next year and can find his way from New Jersey to Texas next September. Here in my area I am lucky to have so many of the fellows residing within 100 miles.



VICE PRESIDENT OF THE 143RD

Since the 36th Division is so much a part of my very being, I will certainly serve the 143rd to the best of my ability this coming year and hope to see a number of "new-comers" in the 143rd "C P" in Houston, next year.

Payne V. Rucker

P.S. Some of you fellows may not recognize my photo.... The blonde curly hair is missing.

Mrs. Hazel Sparkman, widow of Fred H. Sparkman, WWI T-Patcher of Supply Co., 142nd saw an item in the Itasca paper about wanting "artifacts" on the 36th. Says she has paybook, pictures, gasmask, helmet etc. All of these are welcome, and our historical committee will take it from here and see they end up at Camp Mabry Trophy Room. Mrs. Sparkman's address is: 2708 Reuter Ave., Waco, Texas 76708.

# Houston '73

## 36th DIVISION LOSES A GREAT FRIEND:

# Wick Fowler Donates 400 Recordings of Famous 1945 Radio Broadcast With General Walker



WICK FOWLER at the head table, Dallas Reunio meeting. This is probably his last photo. He returned to his home in Austin Sept. 3rd, was shortly hospitalized and died on Wed. Sept. 27th of amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (same lethal disease that claimed life of baseball's Lou Gehrig).



HARRISON J. FULLER (second from left) who did time with Co. D, 142nd sends in this one of his crew who handled displaced persons at Bad Warshafun (near Stuttgart). On left is Polish interpreter, a 2nd Lt. from Grosse Point, Mich., and a German speaking interpreter. Fuller attended the 1969 reunion in Fort Worth while enroute to the West Coast. Gets his mail at: 42584 Hammill, Plymouth, Mich. 48170.

1973 REUNION TO BE HELD IN HOUSTON

ROBERT L. WAGNER, author of "The Texas Army" new book on the 36th in Italy reports he has over 200 pre-publication orders, and sends his thanks to all T-Patchers. We wish him ever succes (after 5 years of editing and writing, he deserves it).

Fortunate indeed was the 36th Division. We were, as far as we can find out...The ONLY combat division in the entire ETO, Pacific or what have you, that had a war correspondent assigned exclusively to cover the men of that particular unit. Intensive research has proved none other.

WICK FOWLER, was such a man. He was sent to cover the T-Patchers for the Dallas Morning News. They, in turn released his column to other Texas newspapers.

He filed hundreds of daily stories about these Texas warriors.

His devotion to the men of the 36th is legend. He joined the TNG 36th in 1927, served for six years. Made practically every reunion the past 27 years and gave generously of his time and money to the 36th. No one knows how much he really gave as he did this for many, but we know, his heart was always with the men of the T-Patch.

Wick Fowler was known by cabbages and kings...he was a great American, and a booster of the 36th. Yes, we have lost a great friend.

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These 12" discs, two sides, 33 1/3 high fidelity recording contains the complete 30 minute radio broadcast of Wick Fowler, guest speaker Gen. Fred L. Walker, and Madeleine Carroll's Christmas Story.

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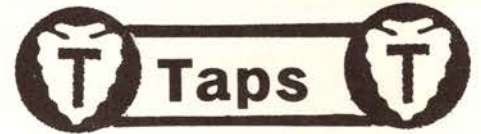
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36th NOT INFLATED!

JUST in case someone has forgotten, the annual membership DUES is still \$3.00. Probably the biggest bargain for your money you can find anywhere these days.

ONCE A T-PATCHER,  
ALWAYS A T-PATCHER!



Brig. Gen. Walter W. Hess, Jr., formerly of San Antonio, was Division Artillery commander after Salerno, died recently in San Jose, Calif. Burial was in Arlington National Cemetary. He was 80 years old.

Maj. Gen. Julian W. Cunningham, (ret) who commanded the last horse cavalry in the US Army (112th of TNG) age 79, of Washington, D.C. died Aug. 22, 1972 at Woodbine Nursing Home. (these two sent in by W. J. Smyth, 81 Maple Ave., Blairsville, Pa. 15717).

Mark Wallace, 911 Walnut St., Erie, Pa., of Co. L, 142nd died last month. Made 142nd reunion in Breckenridge.

Fred Sanders, died in Temple, Texas (time not given) served with Co. L, 142nd.

J. B. Cotham, Bonham, Texas of Hqs. 132nd died in August. Had made reservations for the Dallas reunion.

Kermit Duecker of Hqs. 133rd F.A., later served with 636th TD Bn., died San Antonio, Aug. 1972. Sent in by George Echols, San Antonio, who said Kermit was called old Coon Dog back at Camp Bowie.

Leon Arnold, Houston, Texas passed away Dec. 1971 according to word from his widow, of 2422 Preist Dr., Houston, 77016.

Jack Spratt of Rockwall, Texas and H. Beechham Gerrish of McKinney, both WW1 T-Patchers died recently, according to Paul K. Wilson, McKinney.

James E. Suley, Eustis, Florida on Co. B, 142nd died of heart attach June 9, 1972.

Roy Simmons, Houston, Texas died July 1972. Item sent in by Frank A. Heimann, 529 Woodland Ave., Houston, Texas 77009. Seems that Frank was about to mail in dues for Simmons when he read about his demise in the paper the same day he was to mail it to Amil.

Greely Aston, Abilene, Texas, Feb. 3, 1972, per letter received from his son, Ken Aston, insurance man of same city. Greely had told Amil in January that he would be at, the Dallas reunion.

Ralph Sledge, Dallas, Texas, died Apr. 11, 1972. Served with Co. H, 141st, was in the real estate and oil business.

Richard F. Shearer of Freeport, Pa., died last year according to report from Herb McClenaghan, 42 Colonial Rd., Havertown, Pa. 19083. Shearer like McClenaghan were in Hws. 133rd F.A.

Mrs. Pat Banse, wife of John Banse, San Antonio, died Oct. 7th of 1109 West Russell, San Antonio, Texas. John served with 155th Med. Det., and Pat had attended all reunions.

## Here They Are: Your New 1973 Officers & Directors of Assn:

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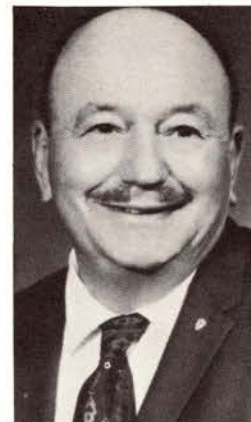
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### Traveling Man!

First six weeks in office, and your new president, Earl Higginbotham has clocked about 3,000 miles traveling around on weekends on Association business: Houston, Dallas, Austin, Waco, San Antonio, back to Dallas etc.

You can look for some great new features this year with this kind of effort. More to report next issue.



Address all mail (except memberships) to EARL A. HIGGINBOTHAM, President 36th Div. Assn. P.O. Box 91 Burnet, Texas 78611

# The Texas

## A HISTORY OF THE 36th INFANTRY DIVISION IN THE ITALIAN CAMPAIGN



The Texas Army contains over 300 pages including photos and maps beginning with the landings of the 36th at Salerno on September 9, 1943. It continues with the capture of San Pietro in December 1943 and the Rapido River disaster the following month. One entire chapter is devoted to the successful planning and execution of the attack against Velletri by General Fred L. Walker, leader of The Texas Army, which enabled General Clark to enter Rome in June of '44.

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Maj. Gen. Ross Ayres, the A/G of Texas will send to any 36th veteran who lives outside the state a certificate making you a HONORARY CITIZEN OF TEXAS. Do it now, after Jan. 21, 1973 is all over.

A list of these paid-up members has been prepared by Amil Kohutek and send to Austin. If you have not heard from them, then write:

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I was in \_\_\_\_\_ unit of the 36th Div.



The Gold Dust Twins (so says Amil who sent this in from his scrapbook) Col. Pete Green and Col. Cliff Snow, taken in Italy 1944. Col. Green directed affairs of 132nd all the way, Col. Snow was Bn, Ex. Off., then CO of 155th. Two great artillerymen, both got start from Col. Bey and Gen. Louis Hibbs.

### LADIES AUXILIARY

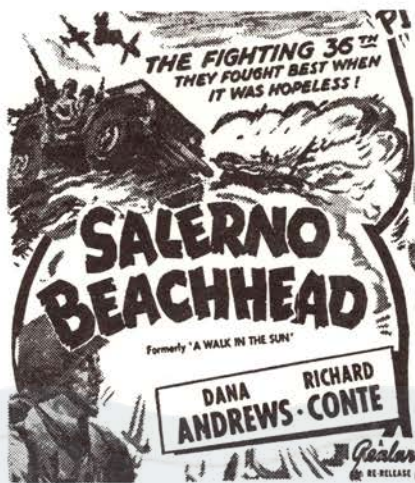
I want to give thanks to the Ladies of the 36th Division Auxiliary for their help and corporation. Each one worked very hard. The elected officers were just wonderful to perform their duties so well.

I know that I can speak for the Ladies as well as myself to thank each and every individual and group who contributed in any way to the success of this Convention.

Our thanks to the City of Dallas for their corporation in making our visit enjoyable and especially to our T-Patcher for such complete coverage of the convention.

Let us also express our thanks to all of our visitors for honoring us with their presence. **MARY SIMONS,**

Immediate Past President,  
Ladies Auxiliary, 35th Div. Assn.



As fate would have it, movie star DANA ANDREWS was appearing in play at Inn of Six Flag during late August. Since he was the star of the famous movie: "Walk In The Sun", it was only appropriate that he attend the Dallas reunion (only a few miles away as the crow flies).

This reporter had contacted sir Andrews with an invitation to meet all the guys he had portrayed in the 1952 film classic. Due to the fact that his show at the dinner theatre had been such a success, a special matinee was scheduled for the Saturday afternoon which he had been invited (Sept 2), therefore, he called to express his regrets.

He was asked if his "Walk In The Sun" was a big hit. He said it was one of his best. He made some 50 movies, most famous of course was "Laura". The film was retitled "Salerno Beachhead" (see above) and had many re-runs. He admitted that it had been a tremendous success, and had been shown on thousands of late movies, which all proves that the ole 36th was exposed to millions of viewers.

Thanks, Dana Andrews, we hope someday we can meet again, in the flesh.



**IT'S MUSIC WITH CHOW for a 36th (Texas) Division Infantry company on the 7th Army front in Germany.**

SCRAPBOOK: Here's an oldie from Star & Stripes, 1945 vintage. Sorry we have no identification, but if you do, send it in for next issue recap.

## Heard from

**JULIAN C. BERNARD**, 4489 Harvard Rd., Detroit, Mich. 48224 writes for some more T-Patch window decals. He got 'em...cause they are FREE and Amil's got 'em. Julian tells about driving thru northern Michigan and stopped for gas. The attendant noticed his T-Patch decal and started talked. Found out he was also a 36th Division artilleryman [formerly of Fort Worth] his name: **JESSE L. BARROW**, 6286 Genaw Rd., Algonac, Mich. 48001 was with 133rd. How 'bout that! Juat goes to show, you ought to have a T-Patch decal on your car...it's a small world, and never under estimate the power of the "T-Patch".

**LEO VAMES**, 7522 Orion Ave., Van Nuys, Calif. 91405 sends a vital message that he really enjoyed the Dallas Reunion. OKay Leo, we're looking for you in HOUSTON, so be there!

**THOMAS MITCHELL**, 400 Calgard Rd., Azle, Texas 76020 of Serv. Co., 142nd sends regrets he could not be in Dallas but sends best wishes to the troops.

**ARLONG O. ADCOCK**, 3603 Cette St., Houston, Tx 77009 sends in dues, was pill-roller with 111th Medics. Surely you will be in toe next Labor Day when we do out thing in your town.

**ELVA POTTER**, 43 Pearl St., Mattapoisett, Mass. 02739 writes that her husband **ARTHUR [Bat. C. 132nd]** suffered a heart attack shortly before reunion time. Sends best wishes to all, and we send our wishes for speedy recover.

**HERMAN W. SMITH**, known as Yardbird, 3026 67th St., Lubbock, Texas sends in a ten spot for dues and postage, sends regards to buddies of Cannon Co., and K of 143rd.

**BILL BAILEY** [same one the song was written about] 3309 Moylan Dr., Bowie, Maryland 20715 was in Houston in '71, sends in dues and more, with apologies to Stovall for there being another town by the name of Bowie elsewhere in the U.S. Bill was with AT 143rd.

**GEORGE COOK**, Cambridge, Ohio paid his dues 3 times this year. We call that devotion. George recently underwent surger, so could not show up in Dallas. George served with Co. B, 142nd and a good T-Patcher he is.

**ALBERT RICCI**, 91 Humbert St., N. Providence, R.I. 02911 did a stretch with Co K, 143rd couldn't make the reunion but did send a whole bunch of jewelry which were used as prizes at the reunion. This kind of thoughtfulness is greatly appreciated, Al.

**SHAFFE T. COUREY**, 121 Carolyn Drive, Pittsburg, Calif. 94565 who was S/Sgt. with Co. A, 143rd, past national commander of the Military Order of the Purple Heart (chartered by Congress) sends in dues for himself, his wife and more. Regrets he could not be in Dallas, but sends best wishes to the old gang.

**HARRISON J. FULLER**, 42584 Hammil, Plymouth, Mich. 48170 drops a ten spot and pix [see elsewhere in this issue Thanks, Harry.

## Three T-Patchers On Executive Committee Of Proposed National Infantry Museum

### Ex-141st Man Chmn. of Chicago-Illinois



Thomas A. Lewis (right) of Co. L, 141st is shown here presenting the original "walkie-talkie" and Original Bill Mauldin cartoon to Gov. Winthrop Rockefeller and Maj. Gen. Orwin Talbot, CO Commanding General of the Fort Benning Infantry Center. Photo made May 1972 at Benning.

Col. GEORGE LYNCH (now a general) WWII boss of 142nd is donating his copy of "Rotate Review" to the Archives of the Texas Library (where the other stuff is). We have photostat copy of this 16 pager printed in Germany...a fine history.

The 36th Division is quite active in the National Infantry Museum scheduled for construction at Fort Benning, Ga. Tom A. Lewis (Co. L, 141st) is chairman of the Chicago and Illinois Executive Committee with a mere \$ 1/2 million to raise.

Other T-Patchers on the big board are: Col. Gil Russi and General W. H. Wilbur.

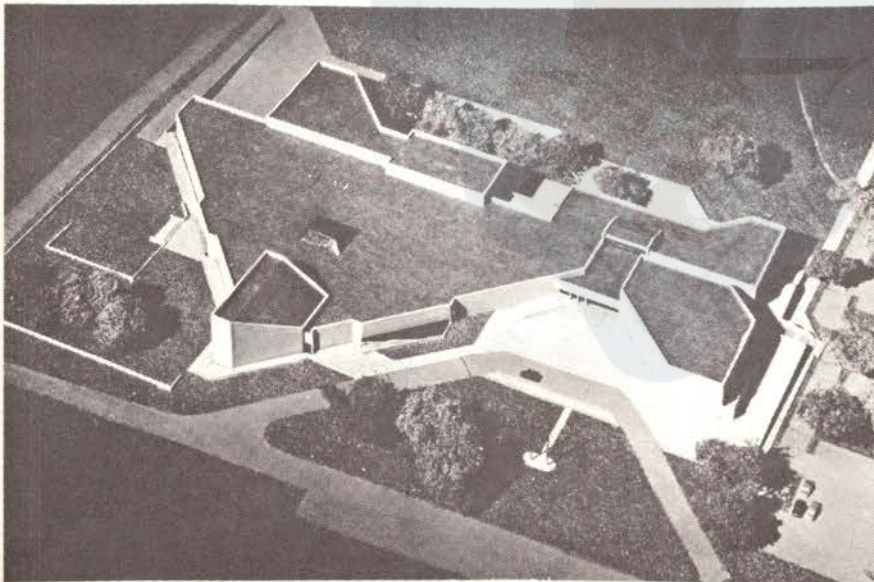
At the Dallas Reunion a display and presentation of the proposed multi-million dollar infantry museum was presented by the Dallas campaign office, headed by John W. Dixon. Special prizes for those who signed up were raffled off at the reunion dinner.

This great project will be of interest to all who served in the infantry. The present facility at Benning is outmoded and inadequate, was opened in 1959 and consists of two small, converted barracks, is neither fire-resistant nor weatherproof.

The proposed new building as shown here will have more than 12,000 artifacts and 200,000 books, documents, exhibits and dioramas that show weapons, insignia, uniforms and other tools used by the infantry since colonial days.

All T-Patchers that want to contribute, should write for complete information, booklets etc to: NATIONAL INFANTRY MUSEUM DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM\* P.O. Box 2506, Columbus, Ga. 31902.

In the mid west, write to your ole T-Patcher, Tom Lewis, Natl Museum Assn. 332 S. Michigan Ave., Chicago, Ill. 60604, and in Texas, write to: Box 6030, Dallas, Texas 75222...and be sure and mention that you served with the "Fightin' 36th".



Here's a view of the scale model of the proposed National Infantry Museum. The structure will have 71,000 sq. ft. of space with exhibits that will illustrate how the INFANTRYMAN used his ingenuity and resources to build and defend our nation, since colonial days. Also included is a 600 seat theatre and huge library.

## Heard from

LUTHER E. KLUTTS, 625 Adelaide, Terrell, Texas 75160 gave no unit, asked about the reunion, and he got it. If he was there we missed him.

ROBERT RICHIE the hard working VP 142nd of Pensacola, Florida bags ASA C. O'HARRA, 1265 Alto Road, Galloway, Ohio 43119 of H Co., 142nd.

ANTIONE PELLERIN, 3731 Avalon Ave., Port Arthur, Texas 77640 of Co. H. 142nd sends dues plus one for JOHN L. KIRKPATRICK, RR1, Fortville, Indiana 46040. Thanks Tony.

JOHN CURTIS, WW1 T-Patcher sends dues for two buddies: WM. M. FORBES, 3113 S. Villa St., Okla. City and WM. B. Ross, P.O. Box 641, Pecos, Texas, both 141st. John, now over 80 picks up his mail at: 517 S. Farley St., Whitewright, Texas 75491.

L. B. BUSH EASLEY of Dallas located FRANK C. MOORE, 2110 Republic Natl. Bank Tower, Dallas as part of his round-up of strays. Moore was in 141st, now a legal-eagle.

G. W. EPPERSON, Coleman, Texas ole Co. B. 142nder pays dues for ROBT. C. FUTRELL, 15207 Jupiter, Whitter, Calif. 90603 (please note: Richard M. Nixon).

ALLEN J. CRABTREE, 2974 S. Eaton St., Denver, Colo. 80227 sends in dues, regrets about not going in Dallas...wants to go to Europe if we have a nother one of those trips.

JAMES E. TAYLOR, 2402 Rockmoor Ave., Austin, Tex. 78703 sends regrets he could not be at Dallas reunion but best wishes to all ole T-Patchers.

GEORGE E. GEBHART, 1008 2nd St. NE, Watertown, S. D. 57201 served in Co. B, 142nd needs to hear from some of his buddies regarding trouble he had with knee surgery. If anyone can help write him now, he needs the info for the V.A. Help, help!

JAMES EVANS, 120 E. Cheltenham Road, Syracuse, New York 13005 another Co. B, 142nd man sends in dues plus one. Good work, Jim.

PAUL K. WILSON, 418 W. Louisiana, McKinney, Texas of WW1 is a devoted T-Patcher, has made many reunions the past 50 years, sends in dues for himself and another. Sends in a package of wood-carved T-Patch emblems to Amil and thanks for a good job on keeping the troops posted on what's going on.

ANTON A. FENELLO, 10316 S. 73rd Ct., Palos Hills, Ill. 60465 sends in dues but failed to give unit. Let us hear from you Anton so we can put you in the right slot.

TOM BIRKHEAD, of 143rd sends in new address: 3642 Merrick, Houston, Texas 77025.

CHARLES R. WEAVER, 2771 Warner Drive, Orchard Lake, Mich. 48033 orders '72 Roster and pays dues. Says he likes the T-Patcher he says. Served with Co. L, 143rd, so not you are one of Payne Ruckers boys.

FRANK VONDRA, known as the "Bohunk from Omaha" and a damn good T-Patcher sends in some extra loot for expenses & dues, and greetings to all his buddies of Cannon Co., 143rd.

# Sustaining & Memorial Fund In High Gear; Doner To Receive Beautiful Certificate For Framing

Probably the most important item on the agenda (besides membership dues) is our SUSTAINING & MEMORIAL FUND. Here is a project, initiated last year in November by Ken Nixon who made the first contribution on Nov. 8, 1971.

Being a new concept to raise funds, it naturally got off to a slow start. But now, it's different. By reunion time we had crossed the \$1,000 mark, and this has been salted away in a C.D.

The introduction of the "CLUB 36" application (as shown here) did quire well at the reunion, thought it was not pushed...twelve of these were purchased at the reunion \$36.00 each. Some were in "Memory of" others just members of "Club 36"...a magic number.

As we go to press, we have \$1,527.60 in this fund. This is good. But we need twice, or three times that to see that we can stay in business for the years to come. Our \$3.00 dues is hardly more than a token (unless we had 3,000 members, which we do not). There are many T-Patchers who can help, and now that we have a vehicle to do it, we solícite your contribution.

There are 2 ways you can help. ONE: Send in your Pledge for \$36.00, with check for \$6.00 pay balance in 3 \$10 payments between now and Aug. 31, 1973. Or, 4 payments of \$9.00 ea.

TWO: Contribute \$36.00 in "The Memory Of"...a buddy, brother, husband, son, etc. You will receive a beautiful

certificate with names lettered on it suitable for framing.

The SUSTAINING & MEMORIAL FUND is the only way we can be sure to carry on our association that has survived for the past 27 years (generally by hook or crook). This plan is "insurance" money that we can survive. GIVE IT SOME THOUGHT. It really makes alot of sense. We know that all T-Patchers who feel like we do will support this project. To date, only 74 individuals have sent in their contributions.

Tear out the blank shown here, write that check and send it to: EARL A. HIGGINBOTHAM, P.O. Box 91, Burnet, Texas 78611.

It will be acknowledged...and appreciated.

We're looking for news items and photographs. Send it in, and we'll see you get your pictures back. Write: T-Patcher, P.O. Box 1816, Fort Worth, Texas 76101.

NOTE: Since the Sustaining Fund is kept in a separate bank from the general fund . . . please make out your check to read:

36th Div. Assn. Sustaining Fund  
It will be dispatched to Col. Oran Stovall, Bowie, Texas who is custodian of this special account.

... DO IT NOW


## Heard from

Col. Julian H. Phillips, 11817 Pandora Dr., Houston, Texas 77019 [Co. G. 143rd] sends in dues to cover 14 troopers. Wow. The Col. promises more members and more dues, gave Amil a company roster or Co. G, and will be big booster for Houston reunion.

Glen Beckett, 515 Walnut, New Richmond, Ohio 45157 sends in two checks of \$30, one to cover dues for ten buddies, the other to apply on cost of car window decals. Glen, who is still single, is in the construction business, served with Co. M, 142nd Inf.

Ernest Bier, 30 S. Jefferson St., Beverly Hills, Lacanto, Fla. of A.T. 143rd sends \$10 for info on anyone from that company. Birddog Amil comes up with: Rosalio A. Rangel, San Antonio; Owen Wells Parker, Irving, Texas; Robert L. Taylor, Eddy, Texas; D. W. Pollack, 3515 Shelby, Waco, Tx 76711; Elmer Patrick, 3211 Harrison, Waco 76705; Sam King, 202 S. McClendon, Waco. 76706 and Willi T. Markum, 2214 Summer, Waco 76708. How 'bout that?


William J. Jorn, 81 Buchanan Ave., Parlin, N. J. 08859 (Co. C, 143rd) is one biggest boosters on the East Coast. Joined 36th at Blanding, and went all the way...sends regards to all old buddies.





## SUSTAINING FUND

# 36th Division Assn.

## "CLUB 36" PLEDGE







I want to support our Division Sustaining Fund.  
I PLEDGE to contribute the sum of THIRTY-SIX Dollars  
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