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# The 164<sup>th</sup> INFANTRY NEWS



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August, 1966

## Fargo Expects to See You October 14-15-16



### Report from Reunion Committee

The Reunion Committee reports that reunion plans are progressing according to schedule. As tentative plans are being formulated, it is anticipated that the agenda will be as follows:

Registration and fun-time, Friday night, Oct. 14, 1966; memorial services, business meeting and get-together-time, Saturday morning, Oct. 15; unit reunion time is Saturday afternoon; happy hour and banquet, Saturday evening; Sunday morning brunch at approximately 10:00 a.m. Reunion sections will be held at the Armory, Hector Airport, Fargo. More details will be announced soon. Every effort is being made to hold the registration cost to a minimum.

The committee reports that they

have not yet been able to obtain a keynote speaker but are making an effort to obtain Maj. Gen. William E. DePuy, a native of Jamestown, now in command of the First Infantry Division in South Viet Nam, but due to the war effort, it may be impossible for him to make a special trip back to Fargo. However, it is hoped that we will have definite information on this subject in the next issue of this paper.

Col. W. C. Johnson, reunion chairman, says that the committee's next meeting will be held 15 August 1966 at 1930 hours at the VIP Quarters, unless outranked. In that event it will be held at the O&T Building or Base Supply. They invite the Board of Directors for the Association to attend this meeting or the one scheduled in September, whichever is the most convenient to attend.

Members of the reunion committees are as follows:

Chairman: W. C. Johnson.

Co-chairman and Master of Ceremonies: Don Fraser.

Finance Committee: John Korsmo and Glen Heaton.

Banquet and Brunch: William Mjogdalen, Jin Beaton, Don Cameron, John Holt and John Benzinger.

Registration and Dues, Housing and Greeters: Art Ulness, Duane Munter and Dave Rutland.

Publicity, Programs and Printing: Don Staley, Pat Cosgriff, Orlyen Stensgard and Roy Pedersen.

V.I.P., Transportation and Membership: Bud Kane, Howard Erickson, Melvin Heyne and Huston Galyen.

Ladies Luncheon, Mrs. Howard Erickson, chairman; Mrs. Melvin Heyne, co-chairman.

The chairman announced that the next full meeting of the committee will be held Aug. 15, at which time he hopes the present Robert Moran will be able to attend. He also invites any other members to attend who care to do so.

### Robert Baird, Former Dickinson Officer

It has been reported that Robert Baird, another one of our past presidents, has been on the sick list for some time in the past, and is now at the Mayo Hospital at Rochester, Minn. where he recently underwent major surgery. We have not been advised of the nature of the operation but understand that it was quite serious. We hope that Robert will make a speedy recovery. I am sure that all of the former members of Company K will regret to know of this.

### Reunion Committee



Seated left to right: Donald Staley, Mrs. Howard Erickson, Mrs. Melvin Heyne, Col. W. C. Johnson, Chairman; Melvin Heyne, John Holt, Howard Erickson. Standing, left to right: John Benzinger, Glen Heaton, Wm. Mjodalen, Bud Kane, Huston Galyen

## Company D Reunion

Former members of Company D, 164th Infantry, of Rugby, N. Dak., who served in WWII had a reunion at Rugby 24-26 June, 1966. It is reported that it turned out to be a real success. We are sure that Charles E. Schlieve of Leeds, who did most of the publicity work, deserves a lot of the credit for the success of the reunion.

Presiding over the banquet, held at Andrew's Steak House, was Charles Schlieve, Leeds, chairman of arrangements for the reunion.

Among those holding positions of honor at the banquet table were Mrs. Grace Fox of Rugby, whose son, Edward Gleason Fox, originally a Co. D member, was killed in Germany with the 63rd Division, which he helped organize, and Al-  
phee Boucher of Dunseith, father of Olard Boucher, killed while serving with Co. D on Guadalcanal.

Blankets carrying the emblem of Rugby, Geographical Center of North America, were awarded to George Larson of Farmville, N. C., originally from Leeds, and Gilman Iverson of Stafford, Va., for coming the longest distance; Lial Brewer, Hershey, Nebr., 65, for being the oldest member, and to Mr. and Mrs. Max Foerster, Fargo, for having the largest number of children — four boys and four girls.

Foerster enlisted in the company from Grafton, while Brewer joined the unit in February, 1942 at North Platte, Nebr.

Eric Revling of Rugby was introduced as a Spanish-American War veteran and Harold Walland of Rugby as one of the key men in forming the company, also former commander of North Dakota State Guard during WWII.

A total of 61 former members of Company D were present at the banquet together with their wives.

A printed program, including a short history of Company D, 164th Infantry, in WWII and several rosters of the Company, was presented to each person present. It is believed that for those old Co. D members who were AWOL and would now like to have a copy of this record, may be able to obtain it by writing to Charles E. Schlieve, Leeds, N. Dak.

Editor's Note: We are mailing a copy of the 164th NEWS to each member of Co. D attending the Company Reunion, who are not members of the 164th Infantry Association. We hope that you will enjoy the NEWS, which is published once each quarter, when funds are available. We hope you will become members by filling in the printed application form in the NEWS. — H.A.B.

Members of Company "D" 164th Infantry who were present at the reunion at Rugby, June 24:

Victor Gronvold, Barton; Edward Hochalter, Bowman; James Nelson, Bowesmont; Joseph Weigel, Burnstad; Howard Welch, Cando.

George Lynch, Dunn Center; Jake Schwab, Esmond; Anton Herding, Rt. 2, Fairmount; Max Forrester, 105 22nd Ave. North, Fargo; Wm. Mjodalen, 1541 Broadway, Fargo; Leslie Skar, 2123 North 10th St., Fargo; Isadore Kasprick, 1423 Manvel Ave., Grafton.

Robert Amstrup, 2001 Chestnut, Grand Forks; Emmett F. Fee, 2013 1st Ave. North, Grand Forks; Eugene Hill, 912 Sunset Drive, Grand Forks; Leigh Steward, 1424 University Ave., Grand Forks; Albert Martin, Kief; Melford Halvorson, Knox.

Fred Ludvig, Langdon; Andy Mitzel, Leeds; Charles Schlieve, Leeds; Henry Violet, Leeds; Edward Rebson, Manning; Joseph Poleschook, Rt. 1, Box 19, Max; Howard Holter, 619 11th St. N.W., Minot.

Douglas McMahan, 24 9th Ave. N.W., Minot; Joseph Score, Minot; Clinton Hamilton, Rugby; Glenn Fleck, Rugby; Manfred Gullickson, Rugby; Edwin Kjelstrom, Rugby; William Love, Rugby; Don Monger, Rugby.

Joseph Schall, Rugby; Wesley Spillum, Rugby; John Tuff, Rugby;

## Gold Star Mother, Father at Reunion



Gold Star Mother Mrs. Grace Fox, Rugby, and Gold Star Father, Alphee Boucher, Dunseith, foreground. In the background are Col. Wm. Mjodalen, Fargo, former company commander; Major General LeClair A. Melhouse, Bismarck, State Adjutant General and one of the main speakers at the convention; Rev. Lommel, Fessenden, a chaplain in the North Dakota National Guard. Photo courtesy, Minot Daily News.



Left to right: Charles Schlieve, Leeds, congratulates Eric Revling, Rugby, and looking on is former Postmaster Harold Walland, one of the key men instrumental in forming Company "D". Revling is a Spanish-American War veteran.

Photo courtesy, Minot Daily News  
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Casper Aamodt, Rolette; Walter Duchscher, Silva; Robert Carter, Valley City; Walter Johnson, Wolford; Lawrence Hanson, York.

Ingar Sellin, 8827 Oseola Ave., Morton, Ill.; Clemment Fox, Felton, Minn.; Squire Holmes, Meddle River, Minn.; Herbert Lauth, 5625 Tracy Ave., Minneapolis, Minn.; Douglas Murray, East Grand Forks, Minn.; Emil Oelschlager, Kenyon, Minn.

Leland Swensgard, 720 Glendale St., St. Paul, Minn.; Glen Vick, 4020 Colfax Ave. North, Minneapolis,

Minn.; Claude Avens, 2426 Custer, Billings, Mont.; Ingvald Mygland, Box 19, Black Eagle, Mont.; Randolph Gronvold, 910 Colorado St., Butte, Mont.; Ralph Roberts, 324 4th S.E., Cutbank, Mont.

Lial Brewer, Hershey, Nebr.; George Larson, Farmville, N. C.; Rex Nelson, Sisseton, N. Dak.; Leonard Pederson, Clark, S. Dak.; Alvin Waxdahl, Garden City, S. Dak.; Harry Schulte, Gary, S. Dak.; Gilman Iverson, Rt. 1, Box 506, Stafford Va., and Clayton Brown, 2902 North Boeing Road, Spokane, Wash.

## Report from Our California Outpost

Richmond, Calif.  
22 April 1966

Dear Colonel Beer:

Receipt of the April issue of the 164th Infantry News acquainted me with the fact that, out of the bigness of his heart, or for other ulterior motives our new president of the Association, Bob Moran had promoted me to the Membership Committee for this area. A frenzied search of my wallet failed to turn up a membership card for 1966, so the enclosed \$3.00 will adjust that discrepancy.

There is not too large a number of former members of the 164th Infantry in the San Francisco Bay Region that I am aware of, but Bob is assured that I will work to the limit of my ability to get those that I am acquainted with lined up.

The majority of us here will celebrate the 50th anniversary of our Association with the Armed Forces of the State of North Dakota on June 19th of this year. This was the date that the National Guard was called into service for duty on the Mexican Border.

Most of my time during that tour of duty consisted of polishing the main street running through our camp at Mercedes as a form of Company punishment for various and sundry misdeeds or because the First Sergeant thought this would expedite my recruit training. The Third U. S. Cavalry stationed nearby used the main street of the camp to get to their training site, and so help me, at least 100 of their horses would pick that part of the street in front of "K" Company's Mess Hall to relieve themselves. This added to my burden and did not do much toward making me happy.

In an effort to remedy the situation I hit on the idea of insulting the "Regulars" from a hidden position in the vicinity of the Mess Hall. I would hide and wait for them and when they came by would shout at them to "pull in their ears, the Army needs mules." After two days of this the Third Cavalry chose a different route, but don't think that an effort was not made to discover the identity of the insulting "civilian soldier."

Your City, Mandan, recalls to memory the fact that my parents made their home there in the early '70's. They lived on the road to old

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## The Arrangements Committee



Left to right: William Love, Rugby; Melford Halvorson, Knox; Charles Schlieve, Leeds, Chairman; Manfred Gullickson, Rugby; Joe Schall, Rugby

## Edward Feininger Jr. Rites Set Wednesday

(Bismarck Tribune, 26 July 66)

Dickinson — Funeral services for **Edward Feininger, Jr.**, 46, Dickinson, who died in a Bismarck Hospital Saturday at 10 p.m. after being in failing health for several weeks, will be conducted Wednesday at 10 a.m. at St. Patrick's Catholic Church with The Rev. John E. Garvin officiating.

Burial will be made in St. Joseph's Cemetery. **Military rites** will be by the Veteran's Drill Team.

Pallbearers will be Dale Jurgen-son, Adolph Lisko, Delmont Gal-yan, Eddie Steckler, Louie Riedl and Louie Lenhardt.

Mr. Feininger was born Jan. 3, 1920, in Dickinson and attended schools here. **He served with Company "K" from Dickinson in WWII.**

He had been employed by Montana-Dakota Utilities since his discharge from the service. He married Win-nefred Sailer in 1946, who pre-ceeded him in death in 1959. In 1963 he married Alice Henke. He was a member of the Elks, American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars.

## On the Ball

Col. Anton C. Beer, 211 Seventh Avenue Southwest, Mandan, our hard working adjutant, advises that the following members have already sent in their 1967 dues:

Norvin A. Hendrickson, 2770 E. Minnehaha, St. Paul, Minn.; Russell Rapp, Cleveland, Minn.; Ralph L. Gaugler, 227 W. Owens, Bismarck, and J. A. Brown and Robert Moran, Williston.

Thanks, fellows, we need your help. Hope to see you all at the reunion at Fargo next October.

Fort Lincoln at a point south of the Motsiff farm. I recall their telling me of witnessing the departure of the Seventh Cavalry in May, 1876, for the Little Big Horn country where they met with disaster. I did not make my entrance until 20 years later at Dickinson where I spent my childhood and misspent youth.

There was a time when I felt that I knew many of the residents of Mandan. But time has taken its toll and that is no longer true. In fact it no longer applies in Dickinson. The ranks of my old friends there are very thin.

I have had the pleasure of attending two of the 164th Annual Reunions over the years, both of them at Bismarck. I still get the urge each year to be with you but, the barrier of distance and the passage of time makes it impossible.

Please greet Colonel Brocopp for me when next you see him.

Sincerely,  
 William E. Littlehales  
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 646 40th Street  
 Richmond, Calif.  
 5 July 1966

Dear Colonel Brocopp:

The attached Special Order was recently sent to me by James M. Connors, a WWI member of Company "K" now making his home at San Jose, Calif. Connors also served with the 16th Infantry of the "Red One" and resided for a period of years at Valley City, N. Dak.

The copy of the special order originated with Connors son, a Field Officer with an Armored Division at Fort Knox, Ky.

Having the feeling that the article might prove interesting to readers of the 164th Infantry News, it, being your literary effort, I am passing it on to you.

I might add that those of us here, with North Dakota ties, look forward to receiving the News with much pleasure. It so happens that whenever I am successful in lining one of them up in the 164th Infantry Association, and they are not placed on the News mailing list they never fail to rake me over the coals.

Those of us here who have their anchors firmly established in San Francisco Bay, trust that our North Dakota comrades have fully recovered from the chilblains incurred during the snow storms of last winter.

Sincerely,  
 W. E. Littlehales

Office of Acting Commandant  
 Federal Defense of Yorktown  
 and New York Harbor  
 Yonkers, New York

6 July 1779

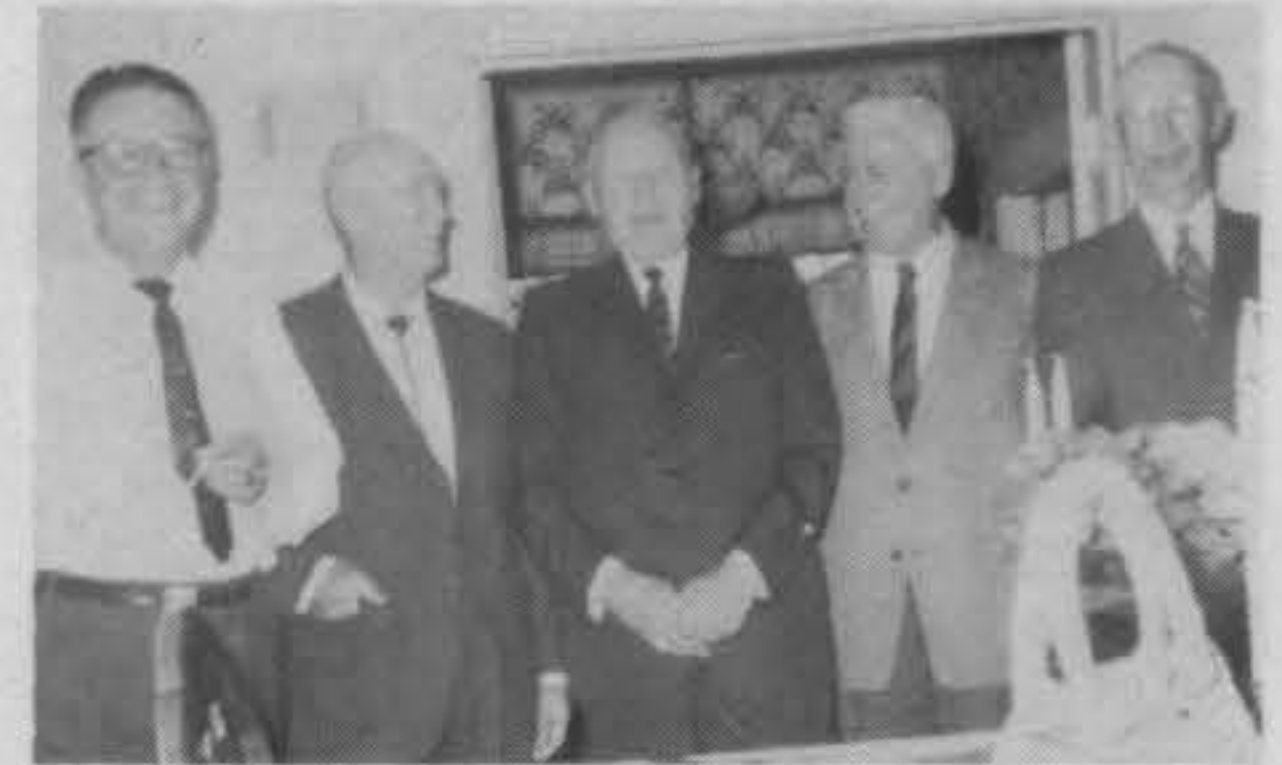
To: Commanding Officer  
 Light Infantry  
 Braddock Barracks  
 Millers Junction, R. I.

1. Issue necessary orders sending one man, on horseback, via safest and most convenient route, at Government expense, to Fort Von Steuban on the Ohio river, below the junction of the two great rivers at old Fort Pitt, for the purpose of carrying secret dispatches to Major Alonzo de Lafayette, who at last official roll call, is the Commandant of Fort Von Steuban. If upon arrival, Major La Fayette is either dead or resigned, the soldier will deliver the dispatches to the immediate commanding officer.
2. The expense section of the Finance Department will supply this courier with the necessary cash to buy himself sufficient food supplies to subsist him the entire journey. If the Finance Department at the destination is not functioning, the enlisted man is authorized to barter with the Indians for necessary salt and other miscellaneous necessities for the return trip. Uniform buttons and musketry may be utilized in connection with bartering. If the situation warrants fraternizing with the Indian tribes, due care will be taken insofar as the relief teepees are concerned, soldier making use of his medical kit immediately after exposure. The expedition is considered necessary in the Military Service. Government mounts and subsistence will be furnished, and if used for bartering, uniform buttons and marksman medals will be replaced upon application for same by the enlisted man concerned.
3. Upon return to his home station, soldier will submit a written report showing the full names and ranks of Commanding Officers of all Military Forts visited, so that the Department of War can be informed and bring their roster up to date.

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This is a copy of the oldest special order on file with the Adjutant General's Office in Washington, D. C. The original copy is in the Archives in Washington, D. C.

## Members of Company 'K', 164 Infantry, of Dickinson, N. D., 1917



Left to right: James M. Connors, Paul Erb, Leon Struck, Joseph F. Brodie, William E. Littlehales

## Lt. Col. Henry Brown, Rt., 57 Dies Suddenly

Lt. Col. Henry T. Brown, retired, 57, 1100 S. Highland Acres Road, Administrative Assistant for the North Dakota State Highway Department, died unexpectedly in a local hospital at 7:38 p.m., June 29, 1966.



Brown

A requiem high mass was held at 8:30 a.m. Saturday morning, July 2, 1966, in the Cathedral of the Holy Spirit with the Rt. Rev. Msgr. William F. Garvin celebrant.

Pallbearers were Walter Hjelle, Anthony Beer, Carl F. Fryhling, Lester Kelley, Dan Heitzman and James Wamsley. Burial was made in St. Mary's Cemetery.

He was born October 21, 1908, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer J. Brown, in Bismarck.

He was graduated from Bismarck High School and attended the University of North Dakota.

Lt. Col. Brown enlisted in the 164th Infantry, North Dakota National Guard, in October, 1932, and attended infantry school at Ft. Benning, Ga., in 1940. He married Margaret Arnett Feb. 3, 1937, in Bismarck. He served with the 164th Infantry in the Guadalcanal campaign during World War II and in the Korean Conflict.

In addition to his widow, Col. Brown leaves two sons, Capt. Henry T. Jr., U. S. Army, Ft. Belvoir, Va., and Patrick, Bismarck; one daughter, Mrs. Richard (Marlene) Peck, Bismarck; five grandchildren; one sister, Mrs. Daniel Burroughs, Portland, Ore., and two brothers, R. Fay, Bismarck, and Dale F., Sante Fe, N. M.

His father, Elmer J. Brown, 83, passed away 14 June, 1966.

## 164th Infantry Band at Langres, France, 1918



1527 Cedar Avenue  
Long Beach, Calif. 90813  
24 April 1966

Col. H. A. Brocopp  
716 North 25th Street  
Bismarck, North Dakota  
Hon. Col., Dear Sir, Brother,  
and Historian — I salute you!

By now, you no doubt have my letter written to Tony Beer a short time ago. As I stated in that letter, I did not know about the good old 164th Association until a short time ago when my old buddy, George Smith, in Washington sent me the December 1965 issue. I enjoyed every word and all "pics" and then sent in the dues and "enlisted" again. Would have done it long ago had I known.

Noted that Alfred Molstad, Rt. 4, Minot, gave you a "pic" of the 164th Infantry Band taken in France in 1918 and you stated that it is the only picture of the Band at that time that you know of. I am enclosing a "pic" taken also in France in June 1918 at "Langres", also a small "snap" of about half of the gang soon after we had our heads shaved. Though it was a good precautionary measure, it sure was a laugh to see the funny "noggins" on some of us, which had been hidden by hair. I took these "pics" out of the diary I kept and would ask you to kindly send them back to me at your convenience. I have quite a lot of "pics", articles, dates, places, etc. of home side before leaving for "over there" and during time in France. Would be happy to let you use anything I have at any time. Will look forward to receiving issues of the "News" and would hope

I can meet you this fall when we plan to "come that way" on our trip to Lansing, Mich., where we go to visit our "kids" each year.

Am also enclosing "marked" article from December issue Re Brother Molstad and good old Joe E. Brown, whom I have known for many years. I have been a professional musician from 1920 to 1960 when I had to "retire" owing to loss of hearing, which, of course, was very necessary in that game. I played in most of the movie studios, starting in the old "silent pic" days, 1920 up to 1929, when the "talkies" started, then played in many "shots and sound." I got to know many like Joe Brown, Bing Crosby, Ben Turpin, Wally Berry, Charlie Chaplin, Will Rogers, and many of the females who also got their start to "stardom" in the good old "silent days."

Here is a little note Re Masonry which may be of interest. I started getting the degrees in fall of 1915 in the Lodge upstairs over the Lenhart Drug Store and received the third degree there in January, 1916. About a month ago I got my nice 50-year pin in Gardena, California Lodge not far from here, where I had demitted to in 1950 from the Bismarck Lodge. Will be nice to visit my old home Lodge when there. Sad part will be that many of the old members will not be there, many have passed on, some moved away.

Am wondering if you were in that area anytime before WWI. Am sorry to say I do not remember too well now (just a youngster — 76)

and would love to be brought up-to-date Re any old timers there during those before WWI years. I was well known then, played in "Mickey O'Connor's Orchestra," dances, shows, etc. Had charge of the shipping of mag "Jim Jan Jems" for several years; was conductor on the "Capitol Street Car" during "Leg" sessions; was on the fire department (still had only horses); had Harley-Davidson Motorcycle Agency (home town boy making good) which all was finished when the 164th left there, summer or rather fall of 1917.

This is getting quite lengthy so will "fall in line for chow", sign the payroll, and clock out.

Do hope you and yours are enjoying best health and are getting all of the best things out of this kinda up-set time. Has been nice "chatting" with you per pen. Will look forward to a line from you.

I was well known by nickname "Pete."

Cheerio,  
Lloyd F. Harmon  
Serial WWI 84888

Editor's Note: Yes, we remember "Pete" even though he doesn't remember us. We remember when you worked for Sam Clark, editor of the "Jim Jam Jems" and also when you served as part time conductor on our "Capitol Street Car" with Micky O'Connor as motorman. Also when you played in Micky's Orchestra, accompanied by Mrs. Cook. We also remember the Harley-Davidson Motorcycle you used to ride down Bismarck streets, which disturbed the Police Department to no end. Francis (Pin) Register, retired postal employee, says he still remembers that he purchased from you the last motorcycle you sold at \$450 and which he sold a few weeks later for a song.

The Editor was visiting for a few days at Anaheim 27 June 1966. Called you a few times but made no connection much to our regret, but we are sure expecting you at the 164th Reunion at Fargo. Thanks for the Band pictures.

### Teacher's Always Right

A traffic officer got irritated at an aging lady, who, after he had flagged her to stay on the sidewalk, strolled calmly out into the street.

"Lady," the officer roared, "don't you know what it means when I hold up my hand?"

"I ought to," she snapped back at him. "For the last 25 years, I've been a schoolteacher!"

## DAV Boosts Davis



The Bismarck Chapter, Disabled American Veterans, pledged to support John E. Davis, Bismarck, candidate for National Commander of the American Legion. Left to right: Marvin Konrad, a past commander of the DAV; Davis and Phil Hoghaug, commander of the local chapter.

Phil Hoghaug is a member and John Davis is an honorary member of the 164th Infantry Association. We hope to see John elected as National Commander of the American Legion this fall.

## Former Bismarcker Leads in Brain Research

Don't get sore if someone calls you an ol' flathead; he's really paying you a compliment, even if he doesn't mean it that way.



**DR. H. REX AMBERSON**

This bit of information is a by-product of research being done by

a one-time Bismarck resident, now a Chicago medical doctor, and his associates at the Northwest Hospital in Chicago.

Dr. H. Rex Amberson, better known in Bismarck as Henry Amberson, who was born in Bismarck and is a graduate of Bismarck High School, and three other doctors are involved in a study which may revolutionize the care and treatment for brain injury.

They described their research at a recent joint meeting of the American Academy of Mental Retardation and the American Association of Mental Deficiency. The four doctors started with the theory based on findings from autopsies performed on persons who died of brain damage. The report goes on to say, "Thousands of persons annually suffer brain damage, many in automobile accidents; in many cases the injuries are fatal."

## The Last Roll Call

It has been reported that the following named former members have answered the LAST ROLL CALL, since our last issue was published.

LT. COL. HENRY T. BROWN, W. W. II.....Bismarck  
EDWARD FEININGER, Co. K, W. W. II.....Dickinson

## Luther Monson



The above picture is Luther Monson as he appeared at his extra work while down on the Mexican border, trying to make a few extra dimes to supplement a soldier's pay of \$15.00 per month, and we had to furnish our own shoe polish, soap, tooth brush and paste as well as all other personal items.

## Visitors to Bismarck

Former Lieutenant Frederick M. Wanner of Company A 164th Infantry, Bismarck, N. Dak., and Mrs. Wanner spent several days of their vacation with Mrs. Wanner's parents up at Beulah and a few days with Mr. Wanner's sister in Bismarck. He called on the Editor and we had a few enjoyable hours. Fritz is still with the Kaiser Aluminum Corporation and has been all over the world in connection with his job during the past 15 years. At the present time he is enroute back to Africa, where he expects to be for another year.

Sergeant Clarence McClure, a former member of Company A 164th Infantry and now retired from the U. S. Marine Corps and living in Spokane, Wash., spent a few days in Bismarck. He did take time to call his old Company Commander Col. Brocopp by telephone last June 1. We regret that on that date the Colonel was out of town.

We expect several other old timers to visit Bismarck before the close of the season. We are always glad to hear from all former members of the 164th Infantry at any time.

## 40th Anniversary for Mess Sgt. and Mrs. J. Bride



The children of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Bride of Bismarck arranged for the celebration of their parents' 40th anniversary which was held at the Bismarck Eagles Club 23 July 66. It started with a reception for friends and relatives between 2:00 and 4:00 in the afternoon, followed with a smorgasbord from 6:00 to 8:00 and then finished with a dance from 8:00 to midnight. All of the children were present with the exception of a son who resides in California.

Sgt. Joseph Bride began his military career in 1923 when he first enlisted in the United States Cavalry at Fort Riley, Kans. He attended the Army Cooks and Bakers School there from which he graduated and on his return to Bismarck, he en-

listed in Company A, 164th Infantry, as a cook. He served in this position for a number of years under the then Mess Sergeant Frank Clausen. When the latter retired, Joe became the Mess Sergeant and continued to serve as such for many years. He was mobilized as such for WWII. After he was released from active duty, he was again returned to his National Guard status in Headquarters Detachment until he was retired in 1962, after completing a total of 34 years of service.

For several years Joe operated his own restaurant which is now known as the Lighthouse Cafe in Bismarck. Later he became the caretaker in a civilian capacity of the Bismarck National Guard Armory and is still on the job.

## Sperry Ends 60 Years As Committeeman



On Monday, June 6th, Lynn W. Sperry completed 60 consecutive years of service as a Republican Precinct Committeeman. The 89-year-old veteran served in Company "A" 1st N. Dak. Infantry (164th Infantry) during the Spanish American War and is a member of this organization. He served longer in the capacity of committeeman than any other man in the United States. Sperry, who now drives a classy red sports car, was first elected in 1906. We are sure that Lynn will again be at the 164th reunion at Fargo this year.

## Released from Hospital

Past President Col. Paul G. Hedstrom, Ret., Bismarck, N. Dak., spent most of the summer in the Fitzsimmons General Hospital, where he underwent two major operations. We understand that it became necessary to have one lung completely removed. We are very glad to report that he is now back in Bismarck and is back on his job with the North Dakota State Headquarters of the State Civil Defense set up.

The editor was on vacation to the West Coast during the latter part of June and made a special effort to call on Col. Paul in Denver but on arrival at Fitzsimmons Hospital 20 June we were told that the Colonel had checked out about an hour earlier and was enroute to North Dakota. Of course we were sorry not to have seen him then, but we were happy to know that he had recovered to the extent that he was released.

### APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP and/or ANNUAL RENEWAL

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code No. \_\_\_\_\_

Service No. \_\_\_\_\_ By \_\_\_\_\_

### 164th INFANTRY ASSOCIATION

DUES FOR 1966 — \$3.00, includes subscription to 164th News  
Send to: Col. Anton C. Beer, 211 7th Ave. SW., Mandan, N. Dak.



## Nubs and News

Cavalier, N. Dak.

Dear Col. Beer,

I am writing to invite any member of the 164th Infantry when in Cavalier to stop in and see me for one on the house.

I have been in the Bowling, Bar and Cafe business for 20 years. Once in a while someone that I served with drops in.

Yours truly,  
John Samson

Col. Anton C. Beer,

Enclosed is a check for 1966 dues. I enjoy reading the 164th Infantry News and ran across some names that are familiar from WWI.

I started with the Second North Dakota Regiment and transferred to Company H, Jamestown; then wound up in M Company 26th Infantry.

Wish notices of dues could be sent to remind us when they come due.

Hope you have a good reunion.

John Mosal  
4227 Russell Ave. N.  
Minneapolis, Minn.

14 May 1966  
3300 Gladstone Ave.  
Butte, Mont.

Dear Col. Beer,

Find enclosed \$3.00 for my 1966 membership and subscription for the News.

I was in Bismarck for a few minutes last month and tried to call my old buddy Red Welch on two different occasions but he was out both times. I always like to check on him as I figure he would not be around if I hadn't taken care of him in the early '40's.

We plan to make the reunion this year. We have planned for the past three years to make it but have been unable to do so. Hope to see you in Fargo Oct. 14, 15 and 16.

John Hackman

Dear Major Beer,

Enclosed is \$3.00 check for dues for 1966, and thank you very much for writing me. I tried several times to contact Mr. Henderson since I sent the check in Jan. 1965 but could not establish contact. I saw Bernie Wagner in Valley City last year while I was on vacation and asked him to put me in touch with the right people so I'm happy that you run through the old dead letter file.

I broke out my Viking Division book from Camp Rucker, Ala., and discovered I had seen you down there. Please make sure I receive

any and all news about the 164th Infantry.

Sincerely,  
James D. Orth  
728 North Fourth  
Corvallis, Ore.

Dear Col. Herb Mack,

Last year I was in Fargo for the 25th Fargo High School reunion. At that time I ran into Bob Hoff, an old school and army buddy. He gave me a copy of the 164th Infantry News. I meant to send in for membership then, but as we all do, I set it aside. Last night I found the copy so I am sending it in now.

I joined the 164th Infantry in 1939 served with them through the Pacific and was sent back from the Fiji Islands. I was with Reg. Hdqr. Co., Staff Sergeant in the wire section. Some of the boys may remember my brother, Morrie Horwitz. He was First Sergeant of Hdqr. Co., and left the Company when we shipped out of Fort Ord. He, Ossie Fredrickson, Tiger Kane and a few others, left at that time to go to O.S.C. Morrie also lives here in Dallas, Tex., and though we have both lived here since the war we consider North Dakota our state and Fargo our home.

We are sorry to have missed the last reunion but you can bet we will be at the next one.

I have seen Lt. Bill Boyd (Hdqr. 3rd Batt) a number of times. He now lives in Lake Charles, La. Bill Boyd is now a Lt. Col. and still very active in the Reserves.

I will be looking forward to getting the 164th News so I can try to catch up to some of the boys that mean so much to me in a very important part of my life.

Regards to all,  
Bernie Horwitz  
5824 Charlestown Dr.  
Dallas, Tex. 75230

P.S. His brother, Morrie Horwitz, lives at 11240 Hillcrest Rd., Dallas, Tex.

## Guadalcanal History

June 7, 1966

Dear Colonel Brocopp,

I have just finished reading "The Battle for Guadalcanal" by Samuel B. Griffith, II, Brig. Gen., USMC (Ret.) and I certainly wish to recommend it to every one of the members as good factual reading. The performance of the 164th Infantry in that action is not only given the recognition that it deserves but the whole campaign will be very much clarified and explained. In fact, the revelations contained in the book will scare the britches off of most everyone even after all these intervening years.

The author was a commander of a Raider Battalion and has only the best knowledge of what went on.

I have read several others of the general Marine actions but this book is a detailed account of only this campaign and I think it would be a very valuable and envied addition to the Association's library. The publisher is: Ballantine Books, Dept. CS, 101 Fifth Avenue, New York, New York 10003.

Hope to see you in October at the reunion.

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