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The 164th INFANTRY News

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DECEMBER 1983

1983 Reunion Bismarck, ND

The 1983 reunion held on 14, 15 & 16 Oct. at the Kirkwood Motor Inn, Bismarck, ND was deemed by many as wonderful and a huge success. Those in attendance were registered in by Stan Pfau's capable and ready crew consisting of Ewald Heisler, Frank Weisgerber, Don Robinson with John Benzinger assisting in their effort.

A real good mixer was enjoyed by quite a group on Friday evening in the courtyard area of the inn. A Dutch Bar was seen to be in full operation (with temperance by most due to the average age I guess) and a set up of hors d'oeuvres which proved to be ample and very tasty. This along with an apparent comradeship absolute which reflected in many happy faces of those present.

The highlight of Friday evenings mixer was a concert expertly done by none other than members of the 164 Infantry II Island command 294th A.G.F. Band, better known to most present there as the 164th Inf. Band under the capable supervision of Art Nix of Moorhead, MN. There are no words that adequately describe the feelings that were felt and the enthusiasm shown by many who were there in attendance. We are happy to have had the opportunity to have heard them in concert which they accomplished with a gusto likened to a group much younger in years. It was experienced by many through emotion and revealed by their reactions that they became a very appreciative part of the jam session that followed with many of the old standards played in that festive atmosphere.

Those fellows certainly put out some toe tapping music but then they had done some previous practicing, would you believe some of it forty some years ago. The band members did have a reunion on the 30, 31 of July and 1st of Aug. 1982 in Moorhead, MN. wherein one of their members (Stanley Peterson and his wife Betty) as a result of postponing their vacation until that time came in from El Hofuf, Saudi Arabia to be in attendance at that reunion. Reports of that reunion acclaim it to have been a good one.

Saturday mornings business meeting proved to be quite interesting with normal business matters being covered. Three individuals were recommended for by motions being made from the floor to accept the adjutant general and his assistant in to the association as honorable members, these along with a state senator from Jamestown, ND. The justification given for this action was in recognition of their assistance to the associations activities and in the case of the senator for his efforts put forth in obtaining monies for the production of the North Dakota National Guards History of which the 164th Inf. Regiment will be a part of.

The individuals accepted into the association as honorary members are MG. C. Emerson Murry, Adjutant General State of North Dakota, Col. Raymond J. Bohn, Assistant Adjutant General State of North Dakota, and
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Letter

Dear Bill:

On behalf of all the men and women of the North Dakota National Guard, please accept my sincere thanks for your most generous gift. The generosity of the 164th Infantry Association is overwhelming and I can assure you it will be used to tell a story for which all present and former North Dakota Guardsmen can be proud.

The history of the North Dakota National Guard needs to be told. We all can feel pride in our nearly 100 years of service to our state and nation. The contribution must not be forgotten.

Truly, our motto continues to be "Je suis pret/I am ready". We continually strive to fulfill that motto. Thank you for being part of such a worthwhile project.

Sincerely,

C. Emerson Murry

Major General

The Adjutant General

COL William W. Tillotson (Ret)

Pres., 164th Infantry Association

P.O. Box 1111

Bismarck, ND 58502

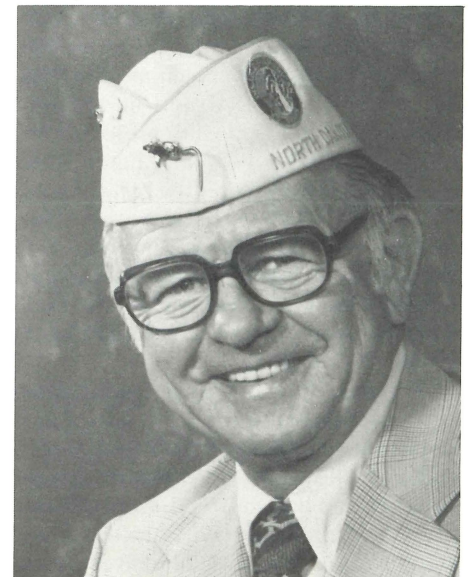
1984 OFFICERS

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Council	William Tillotson	Bismarck, ND
	Don Van Slyke	

Gordon Lamont of Dickinson, ND was elected president of our organization for the 1983-84 year. He says that the time and place is 12, 13 & 14 Oct. 1984 in Dickinson, North Dakota.

Ladies Luncheon

Our hats are off to Mrs. Gil (Marge) Shirley and the deft crew of ladies that helped put the ladies luncheon together just to mention a few are Mrs. Ray Patton, Tillie Parsons, Dorris Thomas, Margret Brown, Dorris Tillotson and the many others whose efforts were put to use in formulation of the noon luncheon provided for on Saturday held in the courtyard of the Kirkwood Motor
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1983 Reunion . . .

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Robert (Bob) Melland, Senator State of North Dakota. And the latter being accepted a big thank you goes to Douglas B. Campbell of Mayville, ND for the diligent efforts he put forth in getting funds for use in preparation of the Guards history.

One of the subjects that came up was the one of dues being due. There was an amendment made in the bylaws to the effect that all dues in arrears of one year will be cause for that individual to be dropped from the mailing list. See the notice by the Secretary listed elsewhere in this paper. The winners in the 164th Drawings were F.W. Greenagel, Grafton, ND, William A. Parker, El Cajon, CA, and R.M. (Bob) Murry, San Luis Obispo, CA.

Some motions made but did not pass were one to increase the dues, this one did not pass. A motion to change the time of the reunion to an earlier date did not pass. Some of the resolutions made by the resolutions committee were to thank the city of Bismarck for the courtesies extended to the reunion members and the organization. A resolution in the form of a recommendation that the organization contribute the sum of \$5000.00 to the Adjutants Generals office to be used in support of a film that is being made by the National Guard depicting the Guards growth and use. Also that a thank you be made to the state legislative body for their appropriation of funds for research and writing of the National Guard History. All reports acclaim the ladies luncheon to have been tremendous. The mens luncheon (Dutch Bar) at the Bismarck Elks club consisted of a sea food lunch which was very tasty to most. I'm sure many of you know that by that time of day there is for some that time for sack duty which really is preparation time for more festive things scheduled. Such as cocktails served in the Essen Room at the Inn followed by the Memorial service under the guidance of LTC Vern Fetch. The advance of colors presented by the 191st MP Co NDARNG with Father Hill Chaplin NDARNG presenting the dinner prayer. Some fine entertainment was provided by the Bismarck Elks Mens Chorus under the able direction of Mr. Don Roloff.

This was followed by introductions and recognitions and a very tasty banquet dinner to tantalize your taste buds, reads as follows: Hot Popover, Tossed Salad, Home Baked Bread, Boiled Choice Filet Mignon, Baked Potato, Green Beans Armandine, Carafe of Rose' and

Chablis on each table for eight, Creme De Menthe Sundaes with Coffee, Tea or Milk served in adequate proportions to more than satisfy most any healthy appetite.

Our very able speaker was Mr. Don Erickson, Makoti, ND, who delivered a talk very fitting the festive event to include a depiction of Professor Schnitzles jokes. Our new President Gordon Lamont was introduced and the official gavel was presented to him by President William Tillotson. This was followed by the Benediction by Father Hill and of course an evening of dancing followed with music provided by the Key Notes playing 30's, 40's, 50's, and some 60's, 70's country along with some old time for those who requested it.

Sunday a superb buffet brunch was available for all to partake of prior to departing to their respective homes. So in the quietness often one's to say this year is not only special to just us who attended this wonderful reunion but should be of interest to many for 1983 is the centennial year of the North Dakota Military Units. It was on 14 September 1883 that the first independent unit of what is now the North Dakota National Guard was formed at Bismarck, Dakota Territory. The Unit was designated the "Governor's Guards". So with that let us say a fine reunion and may we all meet in Dickinson, ND next year.

Letters . . .

October 17, 1983

Dear Sir:

Relative to articles for the 164th news letter I am enclosing a poem that some G.I. wrote while in the hospital.

As you know many G.I.'s had girlfriends back home and thinking about them helped keep the G.I. going — I married one as soon as I got back and have been happily married for over 38 years. So here it is:

A SOLDIERS PRAYER

Dear God watch over her for me,

That she may safely guarded be,

Help her each lonely hour to bear,

As I would Lord if I were there.

When she is sleeping guard her than,

That fears may not her dreams offend,

Be ever near her through the day,

Let naught but goodness come her way.

Sweet faithful girl that waits for me,

Beyond a wide and spacious sea,

Be merciful oh God I pray,

Take care of her while I'm away.

by Anonymous.

Also, a poem that I had with me and I read when I could was an inspiration — the name of it is: "IF" by Rudyard Kipling — if interested you might want to use it in the newsletter.

Sincerely,

V.R. Powers

109 Sweathouse Road

Victor, Montana 59875

Ladies Luncheon . . .

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Inn. Marge says about 140 to 150 attended the ladies luncheon.

The tables in the courtyard were bright with garden flowers and there were many door prizes presented. We were entertained by "The Capital Sounds Quartet" who presented songs from our era i.e. songs that we know and have sung many times. Yes, songs we at our age can relate to.

All of the ladies thought and concurred with the idea and suggestion that there be a hospitality room after the luncheon, in fact it was generally thought by most to be a great idea. The weather didn't exactly cooperate but even so a few ladies thought that shopping across the street would be a fun idea so some headed in that direction. Your attention is directed to the pictures located on the lower left column and center column of the page starting with the welcome sign where some of the pictures depict the good time that was had. This is reflected in the faces of some of the ladies present. Is it possible? Or are those really wine glasses amongst the table settings, hmmm! Possible to sum it up in Marge's words which are very fitting. Just a fun afternoon! On behalf of the reunion committee our president says many thanks to you gals for a job superbly done.

NOTICE PLEASE

This is your paper and it needs your support. It needs your stories, letters, and pictures to make it as good and readable as you desire. When sending in stories or photos of news interest, please identify all photos. Black and white glossy prints seem to reproduce best. Color prints may be used to a lesser degree of clarity if they are sharp photos. Photos used will be returned to sender when requested.

Thank you respectfully,

KEITH P. PARSONS

Editor

Letters . . .

Nov. 26, 1983

Dear Herbert Mack:

Enclosed is a check for life membership in the 164th Infantry Association.

LaVerne and I really enjoyed the reunion in Bismarck. We think it was well organized, very good facilities and wish to express our congratulations to all of the good people that had any part in the planning and carrying out the activities of the wonderful reunion.

It was really good to see some of K-Co. friends like Gordon Holt, Bud Boisen, Earl Chase, John Berger, that I had not seen since the 40's. It was also good to meet other friends that I had met at previous reunions at Jamestown in 1980 and St. Paul in 1982.

I am looking forward to the reunion to be held in Dickinson next year.

Sincerely,
Harry Dolyniuk

Oct. 25, 1983

Dear Mr. & Mrs. Tillotson,

Tim and I really enjoyed ourselves in Bismarck. We thought it was a very successful convention. Tim reunited with Bud Boisen of Park Falls, Idaho. They hadn't seen each other in 40 years.

I particularly enjoyed the band concert on Friday evening, I always get goose bumps when a band plays "Salute to the Sul-ton", sure a good band comprised of old friends.

The banquet was delicious and the entertainment was funny. That brunch on Sunday morning was outstanding. The best one I've ever had. The Kirkwood did an outstanding job with the food and service and I'll never forget the large suite Tim and I had. It was fun to entertain there. I had 20 women up to visit before our luncheon and seated them all easily.

Thanks to both of you and your committee for a very pleasant weekend.

Sincerely,
Betty B. Sullivan

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Nov. 17, 1983

No. Hollywood, CA

Hi fellas!

Sorry I didn't make the reunion this year but have all intentions of making it in 1984.

I always seem to have a problem remembering if I have paid my dues or not. So to combat my senility I would like to join so many of my old buddies in becoming a life member. Hope this covers it.

See everyone again in 1984. God willing and the creeks don't rise.

As ever,
Lloyd A. Weber
12122 Stagg St.
North Hollywood, CA
91605

Sept. 12, 1983

Dear Mr. Gilbert,

I am sending in my donation of \$5.00 and card. I am also sending in \$5.00 for dues for Lawrence Moser of Edgeley, North Dakota for a member. He was in Co. H. from Jamestown and would be a very worthy member. I just located him so thought I better sign him up.

Would you please see to it that it goes to the Secretary Treasurer as I lost his name and address. Thank you.

Ralph E. Heagy
E 8703 Harrington
Spokane, WA 99212

30 November 1983

Dear Keith:

I have just received a letter from Al Bonney requesting information on the present whereabouts of LTC Arthur C. Timboe (CO 2d Bn, 15 September 42 to 10 November 42). Al was recently in Australia to renew his acquaintanceship with W.F. Martin Clemens at whose request for information on LTC Timboe he wrote to me. Clemens was with the British Solomon Islands Protectorate Forces during the Guadalcanal campaign. Please send your information to: Al Bonney, P.O. Box 633, Brunswick, Maine, 04011. Info sent.

Not long ago, while attending the West Coast Americal Division Association meeting, we were taken to the California Merchant Marine Academy, Vallejo, CA, and visited the training Ship *Golden Bear* which had been the *Delta City* on which 3rd Bn. moved from Fiji to Bougainville. There was not much left by which to recognize her except that the Officers Ward Room remained intact.

While at the Academy, I saw a model

(about 4 ft long) of the *Buenos Aires Maru* which was the sister ship of the *Montevideo Maru*. The latter having been sunk by a US Submarine off the coast of Luzon in July 1942 with over 800 military and civilian POWs from Bougainville and New Britain (Rabaul). Among those lost were Rev. D.C. Alley, Methodist missionary, and Fr. Hennessey, S.M., Catholic missionary and an American citizen. They were enroute from Rabaul to Japan; the Japanese had informed the International Red Cross of the route; the ship was marked; the *USS Sturgeon* sighted the ship off the Northwest coast of Luzon and sank her. You will not find a "kill" listed for the *Sturgeon* on 1 July 1942 nor will you find the transport listed in Japanese sources printed in English. My source is Clair Blair, Jr., author of *Silent Victory* (which book does not include the "incident" either). According to Fr. Lamar, S.M., Rev. Alley was "... one of God's men ..." as a missionary on Bougainville. Fr. Hennessey was stationed at the most northerly tip of Buka and was (falsely) accused, by the Japanese, of radioing information to Australia about the location of four Japanese warships. This story gets a bit worse in that it was actually Australian soldiers who had sent the message and then left tell-tale signs of their radio in a shack near the mission. To top it off, the Australian press go hold of the story and printed the information about the location of the ships.

Weather report tonight says that you are a bit cool in North Dakota.

W. Mark Durley, Jr.

Hi Stan,

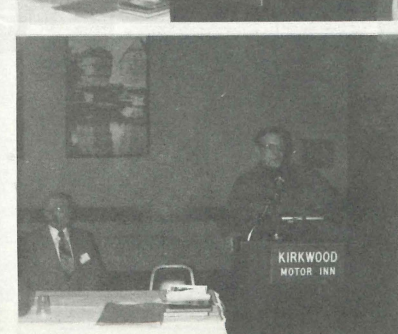
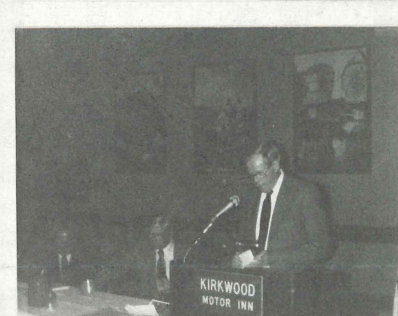
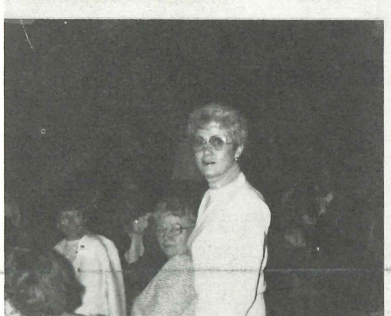
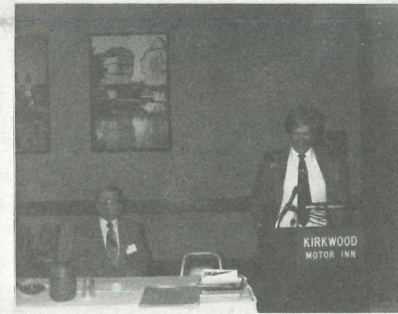
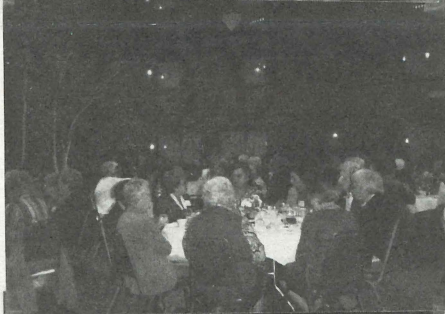
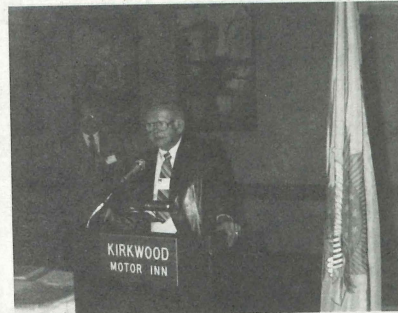
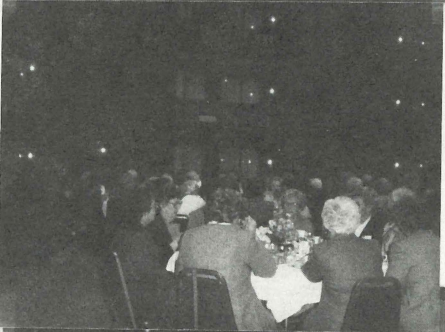
I sure would like to make one of the reunions. That is impossible with my present health.

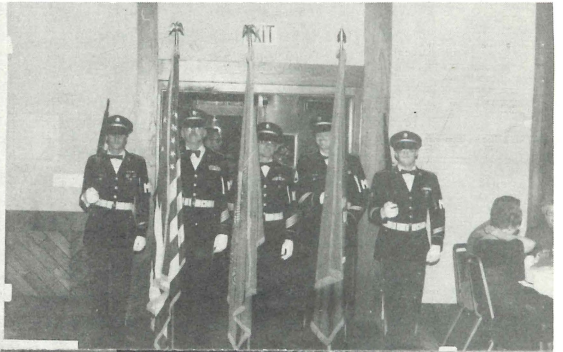
I lost my right lung over a year ago. My left lung is full of small tumors. I'm on oxygen about 80% of the time. I'm in a wheelchair. When I leave the house I can walk only 10 to 15 steps by myself, after that I need help. Sorry! You all have a good time! Greet all the fellows from the Rugby and Bismarck and Williston area Keith Parsons, Wm. Tillotson, etc.

Leonard J. Massine
2601 West Central Ave.
Minot, ND 58701

Sorry you couldn't make it Len but many of us thought of you and hope the best for you and maybe you can make one in the future.

Respectfully,
Keith P. Parsons





November 14, 1983

Dear Editor,

About two years ago Bill Dunphy, Past National Commander, Americal Division Veterans Association wrote to me from Boston and asked if I would volunteer to set up a West Coast Chapter of the ADVA. Not having learned my lesson well enough in the service (221st FA Bn) about volunteering, I took the bait.

It really has been a rewarding experience and I am not sorry I accepted the challenge. One of the most rewarding things I have encountered is the participation by former members of the 164th Inf. Reg. Whatever the reason, cold winters in North Dakota or something, there are a lot of 164th members on the West Coast. They now form the backbone of the Far West Chapter and their camaraderie and loyalty to their unit is something to see.

In May 1983 we had our first West Coast Convention and it went over well. Everyone wanted another one, so they are being accommodated. We hope to make this a big one. Hopefully the 164th will be well represented from North Dakota. I know they will be from the West Coast and this will be a good chance to get the old outfit together again. The following article will appear in the next issue of the ADVA Newsletter and is included here to reach any 164th members who do not belong to the ADVA. Incidentally, I would be glad to provide information to you if you do not already belong to the Americal Division Veterans Association. It is a vibrant organization and growing continually.

various points in the country, such as Boston, Chicago, Bismarck, West Coast cities and maybe Florida and New York-Philadelphia, if the interest is there. I already have some pretty good rates from Boston and Chicago but want to make sure I get the lowest fares. These may be ready by the next issue of the Newsletter.

Wonder whether it will happen? I have received over 20, repeat 20, definite commitments from Boston in this weeks mail (Nov. 7th). I have received assurance that there is considerable interest around the Chicago area (132nd Reg. group). I would be very, very surprised if the 164th is not well represented.

I will be calling on some West Coast members to assist in getting the convention together. If you are willing to volunteer let me know what your interest is and how available you are. Group Commander Norm Mullens wife Mae didn't know about this volunteering stuff and stuck her neck out at the last convention to take over the ladies portion of the affair. So ladies, if you have any ideas drop a line to Mae at 1428 East Adams Ave, Orange, CA 92666.

Without any obligation or commitment, if this convention is of interest to you why not drop me a note, so that I can get encouragement. It scares the hell out of me to get into something like this without knowing if there is any interest.

Lloyd J. Morrell
Regional Commander
Far West Chapter
47 Collins Drive
Pleasant Hill, CA 94523

ADDED: Just after the typing was

“VIVA LAS VEGAS”

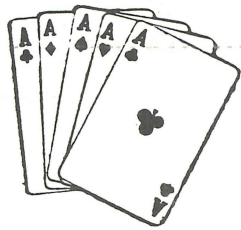
Far West Chapter 2nd Annual Convention Labor Day Weekend Sept. 1-2-3, 1984

Don't know where to go on your vacation next year? Pssst . . . Buddy, have we got a deal for you. Just don't tell your wife about the dancing girls, the crap games and the unfinished poker games you started 40 or so years ago. Maybe she won't notice when she gets there. She will be having too much fun to care anyway.

About the convention in "84". This is definitely ON. Arrangements have been completed for a large block of rooms at the Showboat Hotel. The rate is still \$33.00, single or double. I am working to get the best possible airline rates from

FAR WEST CHAPTER

California — Oregon — Washington —
Nevada — Idaho — Utah — Arizona — Montana —
Wyoming — Colorado — New Mexico — Alaska — Hawaii



finished on this article I received some of the quotes for airline travel from Bismarck to Las Vegas and return. This is not the final, as it may get lower later, but does give you some idea of what it may be.

Round trip Bismarck to Las Vegas, through Denver \$309.00.

October 19, 1983

Dear Sir:

Attached is a check in the amount of \$5.00 for the 1984 164th Infantry dues for Clayton W. Hewes. My wife and I spent about five weeks touring the New England states this past summer and we looked up Clayton and his wife Gladys at New Castle, Delaware.

He is very much interested in joining the 164th Infantry Association and to get on the mailing list for the subscription to the 164th news. You had published a letter from him in your September 1981 issue where he was interested in getting in contact with anyone who had served in Company G. Clayton joined the Americal Division, Company G 164th Infantry in New Caledonia and remained in this division until his return to the U.S.A. from Japan at the end of World War II. It was through this letter that we got in touch with him.

If at all possible send him an address listing of 164th Infantry Association published in your March 1982 164th Infantry News.

He indicated to us that he was interested in coming to North Dakota for a 164th reunion or the Company G reunion. At the time we visited him he was recovering from surgery on his hand and was hoping to return to work shortly. They showed us a grand time during our overnight stay with them — also saw many pictures of the fellows.

Would appreciate if you'd get him on your mailing list. Thanks.

Yours in comradeship,
Carl Tait
450 4th Ave. NW
Valley City, ND 58072

Sir,

Enclosed check for \$8.00, \$5.00 is for dues and the \$3.00 is to be used as you see fit.

Will not be able to attend the reunion due to my health. Best wishes to all 164th members. Thank you.

Roger H. Phillips
213 3rd Ave W
West Fargo, ND 58078

Request Help On Addresses The Old One Doesn't Work

Alvin A. Graff
8624 2 Ave South
Minneapolis, MN 55420

Dr. Cecil O. Fergusson
2671 East 3rd St.
Tucson, AZ 85716

Pat Bednary
Rt 4 Box C
Fairmount, WV

Dear Members,

On behalf of the 1983 Reunion Committee I would like to express my appreciation to all the members who attended the reunion in Bismarck for their enthusiastic support. The Registration Chairman Stan Pfau reported that with 343 people this was the largest attendance in his experience.

We want to thank the 164th Band for their extra efforts and their very special contribution. We hope that they will be a regular presence at future reunions.

I am looking forward to a great year for the association in 1984 and hope to see you all in Dickinson next year.

For Ralph Gaugler and the rest of the Reunion Committee, I thank you again for your support and wish you a very Merry Christmas and a happy New Year.

Sincerely,
Bill Tillotson
Retiring President

Notice! Notice! Notice

A special 164th Infantry patch was turned in to the Editor at the 1983 164th reunion by a fellow 164th member. The finder stated that it was found at the 164th reunion which was held here in Bismarck in 1976. The owner may have it after properly identifying it with a full description and area where it was lost. A big thanks goes to a concerned fellow member who found it and turned it over to the Editor, contact the Editor of the 164th Paper.

Thank you,
Keith P. Parsons

Dear Sir:

Enclosed is a check for \$5.00 to renew my membership.

We were unable to attend the reunion this year. Hope all had a good time.

The last I heard the reunion will be in Dickinson next year. We plan on attending that one.

Signed,
Bernard A. Scheer
Box 821

Gaylord, MN 55334

Your right Bernard the next one is scheduled for Dickinson, North Dakota.

Proclamation

WHEREAS, The 164th Infantry Association includes among its membership persons who served in the Militia of Dakota Territory or the 164th Infantry of the North Dakota National Guard at any time from 1883 to 1955; and

WHEREAS, Elements of the 164th Infantry Regiment then named the Dakota Militia were organized in 1883 and later reorganized in 1883 as the First North Dakota Volunteer Infantry; and

WHEREAS, The 164th Infantry as part of the North Dakota National Guard has been mobilized into federal service during five national emergencies in 1898, 1916, 1917, 1941 and 1951; and

WHEREAS, The Regiment served with distinction during these periods of national service, thereby bringing credit and honor to the people of North Dakota; and

WHEREAS, The 164th Infantry became engaged in combat on October 13, 1942, as part of the Americal Division against the Imperial Forces of Japan in the vicious jungle fighting on Guadalcanal in the Solomon Islands, becoming the first American Army ground forces in offensive combat in World War II; and

WHEREAS, The 164th Infantry Association is celebrating its 100th anniversary as well as commemorating its landing on Guadalcanal in Bismarck October 14, 15 and 16, 1983,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ALLEN I. OLSON, Governor of the State of North Dakota, do hereby proclaim the week of October 9-15, 1983, as

"164th INFANTRY CENTENNIAL WEEK"

and urge all citizens to show their pride in the accomplishments and contributions made by the 164th Infantry Regiment to help maintain and achieve our place of leadership in the Free World and to salute the sacrifices of those who valiantly served in the 164th Infantry each time their nation called them to duty.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of North Dakota to be affixed this twenty-eighth day of September, 1983.

ALLEN I. OLSON
Governor

ATTEST:
BEN MEIER
Secretary of State

The Last Roll Call

It has been reported that the following named members of the 164th Infantry have answered the LAST ROLL CALL since our last issue:

*Art Carlson 23 Aug 1980 ... Prospect Heights, IL
Gen Harold K. Johnson 24 Sept 1983 Arlington, VA
Harvey J. Schwer Sept. 1983 Pacific Jct, IA
Leo H. Dominick 9 Oct 1983 Fergus Falls, MN
*Eddie Beutler 6 Oct 1983 Drake, ND
Carl F. Hubbuck 10 Oct 1983 Chattanooga, TN
*Denotes individuals not presently members of the association at time of passing.

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP and/or ANNUAL RENEWAL 164th INFANTRY ASSOCIATION of the UNITED STATES

Name _____

Unit Served With and Dates _____

Mailing Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code No. _____

DUES FOR 1983 — \$5.00 which includes \$4.00 subscription to 164th News.

Send to: Secretary 164th Infantry, Box 1111, Bismarck, North Dakota 58502

Letters . . .

May the meaning of the season be deeper. Its friendship stronger and its hope brighter as your Christmas comes to you this year.

A QUOTE!

"We trained hard . . . But it seemed that every time we were beginning to form up into teams we would be reorganized. I was to learn later in life that we tend to meet any new situation by reorganizing, and a wonderful method it can be for creating the Illusion of Progress while producing confusion, inefficiency and demoralization."

PETRONIUS ARBITER
210 B.C.

Ah! How true, Editor.

A poem written in memory of Sgt. Newton Lovell who was from Crosby, North Dakota. He died in France in 1918.

By E.H. TOSTEYIN

To have lived, to have loved

Now to die, good God
Can this be the end of it all?

Of life's ambitions, hopes and plans
Must I now answer thy call?

Are the years of a loving mothers care

My schooling and all to prepare
Me a place in the history of man

All lost because I did dare
To do and serve as a soldier should
For the love of his country, and right?
am I but a pawn in some great game
To be lost in this futile fight?

My eyes grow dim and I breathe a
prayer;

I'm home again, yet far away,
But hope eternal flies from my breast.
Death, couldn't thou thy hand but
stay

And I might brighten this veil of tears,
Might do things to win a name,
Instead of a place in the hills of France
Hardly marked and this is my fame!

I grieve not for self, but for those who
love

Will be drowned in a torrent of tears
For those who have tried and given to
me

The best they could through the
years,

I go as a soldier, I answer my name

And God — Thou will pity me

I've fought like a man,

done the best that I can

Now I pass to Eternity.

Oct. 26, 1983

Gentlemen,

Enclosed you will find my check for
\$10.00 for dues and what ever you can
use it for.

Because of poor health to the wife
and myself, we have been unable to
make the past three reunions. The wife
passed away Jan. 10th, and I was coming
along pretty good and thought for
sure I could make it to Bismarck. But
things were not to be. I sure missed
seeing some of the old Buddies.

Sincerely,
Albert J. "Bud" Luther
Glen Route Box 210A
Aitkin, MN 56431

Oct. 15, 1983

Dear Sir,

I am sorry that my wife and I were
unable to attend the Bismarck reunion
it is too far to drive that far anymore
and my wife does not drive, and cannot
afford to fly.

So am sending \$5.00 for my 1984 dues
and hope you have a nice reunion.

Sincerely,
Vincent J. Schmitt
1003 6th Ave NW
Rochester, MN 55901

*Thanks Vince for your letter and con-
tinued interest in the 164th Association.*

*Your Editor,
Keith P. Parsons*

Dear Member:

At the annual business meeting of the
164th Infantry Association of the Uni-
ted States held in Bismarck, ND on 15
October 1983. The Constitution and By
Laws were amended to require all
members in arrears for one (1) year be
dropped from the rolls and removed
from the mailing list for the 164th Infan-
try News.

If our records indicate that you are
now in arrears, your name has been
removed from the mailing list.

If you wish to be reinstated, please
remit your dues. Annual dues are still
only \$5.00.

We need your support.

Sincerely,
HERBERT J. MACK
Secretary/Treasurer



Mr. Herbert J. Mack
Secretary Treasurer

164th Infantry Ass'n
Dear Friend Herb,

Enclosed is my check for \$5.00 for the
current year dues. I have written Presi-
dent Tillotson that due to a conflict of
dates much to my regrets I will not be
able to be with you this year. This is a
real disappointment as I sure you know
as I have not missed many of them.

Also enclosed is a picture of Col. Bro-
copp and myself taken at the reunion in
Valley City 1967. This brought back
many fond memories of my years of
association with Brocopp in the interest
of the association and the many years of
dedicated service Col. Brocopp gave to
the organization.

I recall one year at the completion of
one reunion the treasury of the associa-
tion was at such a low ebb there was
some question as to the survival of the
association. Following that reunion it
took three years to fully pay the caterer
of the banquet in full due to an over
estimated number of guaranteed plates
at the banquet.

But due to the untiring efforts of Col.
Brocopp and some other members the
organization survived and is now a very
fine viable association.

Most sincerely with regrets,
Floyd E. Henderson
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Fargo, North Dakota 58107

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