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NEWSLETTER OF THE 13TH ENGINEER (C) BN.ASSN.

April, 2014

PRESIDENTS CORNER - BILLY D.QUINTON SR.



Greeting's One and All

Included in this edition of our newsletter is the registration form for our Reunion in St.Robert MO/Fort Leonard Wood area. I encourage you to register early, this would be of enormous help to the Reunion Committee and myself . Just a reminder that if you register and prior to the Reunion you find yourself unable to attend, any monies paid toward the Reunion will be refunded, no questions asked, just as we have done in the past.

You will find in this Newsletter different pages of information relating to the Reunion. Please keep these for future reference and information.



Hampton Inn has given us a good rate of \$80.00 per night plus tax and includes their Breakfast. Hotel reservations and Reunion registration cut off date is the 1st Sept. 2014.

For more information on the Hotel , I recommend visiting their Web Site at , www.hampton-inn.com/hi/strober. Some Hotel information .Check-Inn-is 3 PM , Check-Out - 11 AM ,Hotel is 100% non smoking ,Pets- Service Animals only , Self Parking- (Complimentary) No Valet Parking - Pool - Fitness Center and Business Center. Tel: number- 573-451-2353 , Fax #-573-336-3660.

Information on the Friday Bus trip to Fort Leonard Wood is not complete as the Protocol Office is furnishing the Guide and tour. The schedules for demonstrations are not scheduled as of this time.They have assured me that the Engineer Museum will be included as will lunch on post.

JoJo and I are looking forward to seeing you at the Reunion. Bill Q

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VICE PRESIDENT'S CORNER - RICHARD G.ELWOOD

Greetings from the Vice Presidents corner.

The Reunion is coming along fine for this fall at ST ROBERTS MO. Bill and AL are getting pretty well together ,It is nice area and the Fort is something to see,and the Hampton Inn hotel is a good place to have a Reunion and we hope to have a good turn out
VICE PRESIDENT ,RICHARD DICK ELWOOD

REUNION CHAIRMAN CORNER=ALLEN G. PHETTEPLACE

Hello members of the 13th,

Here's hoping to see a lot of you at St. Robert in Sept. I'm looking forward to a great time. Our president has done a lot of legwork and has come up with some very good events for us. I'm sure most of the events will be in this newsletter.

From all I hear the caterer does a very good job, so we should expect some very good meals. I would like to remind anyone who might have an idea on the location for our 2016 reunion,or any future reunions to please bring info along because we will be voting on this at our meeting. We are working on some great raffle prizes.

Sincerely, Al Phetteplace



"I don't give a damn how they are, Bandit-- you'll see the dinner best like everyone else!"



"Don Juan is here again, Sir."



"In case, Mitchell, it was, I and ... Mitchell, excuse me!"



"Dear Folks, Just back from R & R, and I met the most wonderful girl..."

INFORMATION REQUEST FROM WEB SITE

>Dec 21, 2013 at 1:50 PM
>Name: Corey Warren
>Email address: corey.warren@us.army.mil
>Subject: WWII Service
>Message: Sir, My grandfather passed away in 1985 before I got to speak with him. We only have a few leads on his WWII service, but the stories he told my father lead me to believe that he was an armorer for the 13th EN BN. Would you have the records from that period? His name is Jack Allen Warren. There was a road named after him in Delta Junction, but we are still looking for the records on all this as well. I would love to talk to anyone who may help. Thanks! MAJ Corey B. Warren

Name: Ed Wolff
>Email address: edlovesengland@yahoo.com
>Subject: Possible 13th Eng Cbr Bn member
>Message: Dear Sir, I'm writing you on behalf of a daughter of a Korean War veteran who was an enlisted engineer who constructed bridges in south Korea during the war. His name is CPL Thomas E. Freidhof. He was in Taegu on 6 Oct 51 completing drivers training then proceeding to the Yellow sea and then Seoul and Munsan. He was awarded an Occupation medal, a U.S Army Korean Svc medal w/a bronze star. He was a draftee serving fr Jan 51 thru Oct 52. I was hoping you could check unit records to see if he was a member. Thank You, Ed Wolff, LTC, FA-USAR, Ret.

News from the past

13TH ENGINEERS BLAZE ^{the} TRAIL FOR JUGGERNAUTS

On the ridgeline of a craggy 1200-foot high hill, four 31st Infantry "Polar Bear" Regiment tanks are now providing direct support for Seventh Division troops.

The tanks were able to maneuver into position when the 13th Engineer (C) Battalion's "Able" Company pioneered a winding trail up the rugged hillside to the summit in four days.

"The project looked impossible when we first started out," recalled 1st Lt. Howard L. Stoheker, commander of the engineer unit.

But just four days after bulldozers and demolition crews began hacking away, the project was completed and ready for the juggernauts. The trail is one mile long and 15 feet wide.

Pic.from Richard Creedon , anyone reconagize anyone-location ?? NO INFORMATION ??



SECRETARY CORNER - RONALD L. SALVADOR



Greetings to all from the Upper Ohio Valley where I think Spring has finally sprung, if only in short spurts. In fact, yesterday (15 March), I saw robins looking for nesting sites, and I saw my first gaggle of Canadian geese heading North.

As you will note in the TAPS column of the newsletter, we have recorded the final passing of several of our members during the past couple of years, and we send our prayers and condolences to their families.

We were compelled to drop five members to the Inactive list, having received no dues payments since 2012 and no responses to our correspondence inquiring about their status. On the other side of the coin, we have welcomed several new members to the Association, and we now count 211 Active members on our roster.

Once again, I seek your help in keeping our roster current ---- if you know of any member who has died or has changed addresses, please advise Bill Quinton or me so that we can maintain a correct contact list for all of our membership.

Our reunion in Missouri is just around the corner, and I really am looking forward to seeing many of you again. Our President and Reunion Committee have done a great job in setting up some interesting activities for us, and I can't wait to travel again. I hope you will consider joining us in St. Robert, that you will fill out the Registration Form in this newsletter, and that we make this one of our best-attended reunions.

NOTE: For those of you whose membership card expired in 2013, you will have been delinquent in dues payment for one year as of the time of our reunion, and you will be subject to being moved to the Inactive List. Please review your card and the mailing label on your newsletter. If it indicates 2013, you are delinquent and should submit \$15 directly to our Treasurer, Jes McIver, or include your \$15 with your reunion registration to bring you up-to-date for 2016.

St. Robert and Fort Leonard Wood, here we come!!!!

" FROM THE PAST "

HEADQUARTERS
13TH ENGINEER COMBAT BATTALION
APO 7, c/o Postmaster
San Francisco, California

200.6

27 February 1951

SUBJECT: Commendation

TO: Commanding Officer
Co "C", 13th Engr Cmbt Bn
APO 7

1. At approximately 1600 hours 23 Feb 1951, your unit closed on its present location. Immediately it embarked on the task of construction of three bridges across the P'yonch'ang River, totalling 184 feet. In less than 3½ days all of the bridges were completed and open to traffic. At 1700 hours 25 Feb 1951, your unit undertook the additional task of building a 2000-foot air strip capable of handling L-17 type aircraft. Over 975 feet of this strip, sufficient to handle L-4 and L-5 type aircraft, was completed in fifteen hours and within 48 hours the strip was able to take L-17 type aircraft, completed except for the finishing touches. These tasks required much work because of the adverse conditions under which they were accomplished, i.e., the swift current and the icy waters of the river and the inferior materials, locally procured, to accomplish the mission. Notwithstanding these obstacles, the job was completed in minimum time by working two 12-hour shifts until it was done, at the same time operating a ford and maintaining normal security of the area.

2. The energy and enthusiasm displayed by the members of your command in this task was of high order and demonstrated a high morale and esprit de corps in your unit. I desire to express my appreciation to your unit, and to its officers and men for the fine job done in this instant. Your unit may well be proud of the enthusiasm, hard work, and skill shown in this mission.

FERDINAND J TATE
Lt Colonel CE
Commanding

TREASURER CORNER = JES MCIVER

13TH ENGINEER COMBAT BATTALION ASSOCIATION INCOME AND EXPENSE

January 1, 2013 to DECEMBER 31, 2013

BEGINNING CHECKING ACCOUNT BALANCE		\$4,381.60
INCOME		
Account Interest (bank account)	\$2.21	
Dues	805.00	
Newsletter Fund	530.00	
Quartermaster Sales	189.50	
C. D. Interest (part of this year's income but deposited to the C. D.)	63.08	
Total Income Deposited in Checking Account		<u>\$1,526.71</u>
EXPENSE		
Bank Charges	\$14.95	
Newsletter Printing and Postage	1,312.84	
Quartermaster Supplies	168.69	
Website Expense	<u>249.98</u>	
Total Expenses		<u>\$1,746.46</u>
ENDING BALANCE		<u>\$4,161.85</u>
BANK BALANCE DETAILS		
NDBT CD 815563 (matures 6/17/14)	\$18,063.08	
Regular Account (including Member Care Fund of \$794.00 and Newsletter Fund of \$2,076.47)	<u>4,161.85</u>	
Total of Bank Balances		<u>\$22,214.93</u>

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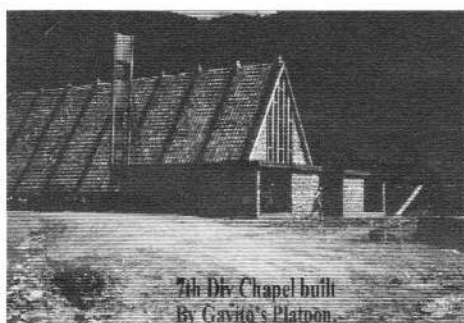
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The Governing Council of the Association gives a big thank you to these donors. Due to the generosity of Association members the newsletter fund is in good shape.

Korea 55-57 Pictures furnished by - Elaine Slaymaker-



Mel Kasper, Luke Oberwise & Chris Whemple



7th Div Chapel built by Gavito's Platoon.



Mel Kasper & Don Bonnell



Geralds

Softball Title Won By Co. B

HQ. U.S. 7TH INF. DIV., Korea (PIO) - Two teams from the 13th Eng. Bn. wound up in the finals of the 7th Div. Special Troops softball tournament, with Co. B winning the championship of a three-day series 8-1 on three-hit pitching of Saturnino Menchaca over Hq. and Svc. Co.

Menchaca, displaying almost perfect control, was touched for two hits by Tom Holmes. One was a solo homer in the bottom of the final inning with two outs to spoil Menchaca's shutout bid in dramatic style.

Co. B drew first blood in the initial frame when Leroy Webster lined a single to left field, followed by catcher Mel Kasper's walk. Mike Shanley tapped a grounder that should have been a doubleplay ball, but a throwing error to first base allowed Webster to score from third.

BUNCHING FOUR RUNS on a pair of two-run homers in the fourth and sixth frames, the Baker engineers coasted the rest of the way with Menchaca on the mound.

In the fourth, first baseman Dick Slaymaker slammed a round tripper and pitcher Menchaca aided his own cause in the sixth with a two-run blast down the left field line.

Leading up to the finals, which had the two top teams from the American and National divisions playing, Co. B topped 7th QM S-1 and then bounced Hq. and Svc. Co., 13th Eng., 7-1.

All three wins were on the righthanded performances of Menchaca, who was undefeated during the Troops softball season.

Other results included Hq. and Svc. Co.'s win over 7th Sig. Co. 1-0 and the 7th QM's second-round victory over 7th Sig. Co. 5-7 to round out the double elimination tournament.

We beat H/S Co twice in two days

After Winning Special Troops Championship



Back Row: Manager, Martin S.S. Webster, 3B, Woodford 2B sub, Jonas CFSob, Bell CF, Slaymaker 1B, Shanley RB, Straggs 2B sub, Long Manager. Front Row: Lt Rich C.O., Deshaies RF Sub, Leatherwood C sub, Marshall LF, Menchaca P, Kasper, C. Schaefer 2B

Pair of 1-Hitters Highlight Opening Play In Division Co.-Level Softball Tourney

Two one-hit pitching performances highlighted the first two days of the Division company-level softball championships. The double elimination championships, running from the first to the fifth, will see the champion journey

to Ascom City for the AFFE Eighth Army tournament. Monday, the first night of play, Kenny Reid, Ashville, Ohio, fire-balled Tk. Co., 31st Inf. Regt., to a one-hit, 7-1 victory over Tk. Co., 32nd Inf. Regt.

The 32nd Tankers failed to touch Reid until the last inning when they scored their only run.

In the meantime, Reid and his battery mate, Catcher Richard Giltrop, Westfield, Mass., battered the 32nd, each going four for four, and collecting a total of six runs batted in.

In the companion game, Spe-

Dick Slaymaker in fatigues



(Earlier story on Page 3)

cial Troops' B Co., 13th Engr. Bn., went down to defeat, 3-2, as the 17th Inf. Regt.'s O Co. scored two runs on center fielder Stewart Namm's single in the second, and another in the fifth on a single and two-base throwing error.

Menchaca Stars
Pitcher Saturnino Menchaca was the big gun for Special Troops with a two-run homer in the first inning.

Thursday, Aug. 2, pitcher Menchaca came through again as he pitched a one-hitter and hit his second home run in defeating the Tankers of the 32nd, 6-0, thus eliminating them from competition.

Special Troops scored two runs in the first inning as Dick Slaymaker, Cedar Rapids, Ia., reached first on a fielder's choice and scored on Mike Shanley's single and had fielding by the 32nd.

Pitcher Menchaca singled home Shanley with the second run.

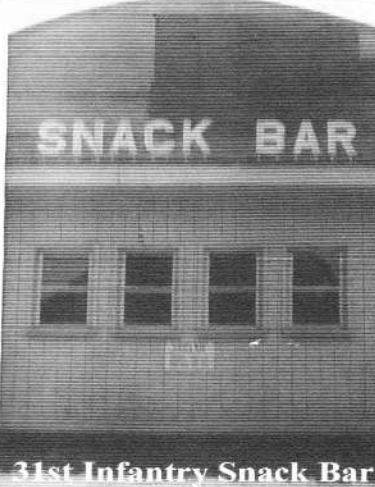
More Scoring
After scoring one in the fourth, Troops finished it off with three in the sixth, one on Menchaca's homer and two on Shanley's single following a flyout and successive singles by Joseph Bell, Battle Creek, Mich., and Leroy Webster, Detroit.

In the night's other game the 17th's G Co. moved into first place with a 2-0 record as they defeated Division Artillery's Hq. Btry., 31st FA Bn., with one run in the last inning, 4-5.

The 17th opened the scoring with a home run by Alnoy Christian, Lajas, P.R., in the second, but Artillery pitcher Ken Hattery, Macy, Ind., hit a three-run homer in the bottom of the second to jump them into the lead.

Crucial 7th

Each team scored one in the third; the 17th got two in the fourth and DivArty one; an unearned run by the 17th in the fifth tied the score at 5-5, and in the seventh inning Al Kelley, Jackson Heights, L.I., singled and scored on John Dickerson's single and a lead throw in by the Artillery right-fielder to win the game for the 17th.



31st Infantry Snack Bar

NEWSLETTER EDITOR = BILLY D.QUINTON SR.**"MEMBERSHIP"**

A note on our status with members. Since our reunion in 2012, we have lost 20 members due to death. On a good note we have gained 21 new members, 1 from the 40's ERA , 2 from the 70's ERA , 3 from the 50's ERA and 15 from the 60's ERA. As of this newsletter we have 211 active members .Thanks to the individuals that helped recruit new members and note that some new members came from the WebSite and some from a advertisement in the Military magazine. At present we have members from the 40's,50's,60's,70's, 80's and one from the 90's. If anyone has knowledge of a database or listings/WebSite of members in the years mentioned above please contact me so I can try to locate prior members and get a membership drive started. Our members that were in the 13th in to 40"s and 1950 to1953 time frame accounts for about 50% of our members, that would indicate the age of these members to be 80 years +. We continue to loose more members from reunion to reunion due to age, and we are not getting any younger !! So if anyone has any ideas on how to get more members,please let me know.

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"BANQUET RAFFLE "

Most prior attendees remember the Raffle we have at the Reunion Saturday Night Banquet, in conjunction with the 50-50 ticket sales. Members and others donate items to be given away during the raffle. Some will remember the hand grenade paper weights that were donated by member, Gene Romer. I remember one of the best raffle's we had were when members donated items/crafts from their local area/county/state. I hope members attending the Reunion will bring in items for the raffle. If you are attending or not attending the Reunion and would like to donate something, you can send it to me and I will see that it gets to the Reunion

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"VUMS"

In the December news letter information was included about the Under Age Military Service Association .I requested any of our members that joined the Service when they were underage to contact me so I could include them in my 13th History file. I had one member to add his name to the three I had . ROBERT E. HULBERT , JOHN RIVERRA MENOR, RONALD J. NIMCOCK'S, and myself, BILLY D.QUINTON SR. Three of us are members of VUMS. Please if they are any other members that joined the Service while under age let me know. From the individuals listed above I would love to have accounts of when and why you joined while under age to post in a future Newsletter. (www.oldvums.org)

This is all the information I have regarding the Tram built by the 13th. This was published in the August 2004 Newsletter, (NEED PIC) Any information from individual names, platoons, dates and pictures, as you can see the newsletter articles are hard to read, please send information to Newsletter Editor-Bill Q

Articles & letter from William H. Watts H&S 51-52

THE AERIAL CABLE LIFT

This project was put together with various talent in the 13th Engr C Bn with supply help from Ordnance. The cable drive wheels and frame were manufactured in the 13th motor pool by a master welder, (I wish I could recall his name) and assembled by the mechanics. On site installation credited to "C" company. The "cars" were also manufactured in the motor pool and designed to handle a casualty down and supplies up. The 13th had excellent personnel with great inventive attitude and support from the top (Col. Matthew Harrison and later Col. Clifton Lindsey). The welding specialist was also a great teacher and we therefor had two extra qualified welders trained in house - very necessary with reconditioned WW II equipment, difficult terrain and roads - lots of stress fractures and metal fatigue. I remember a broken front main spring on a Lorrain truck crane. We were advised there was no replacement part. Our master welder said "I can weld that". I didn't believe it but with the other option to turn it in with no replacement in sight, I said go ahead. It worked and was still performing when I left for home. (Sorry again for the 50 plus years' memory loss.)

William H. Watts
Then Captain CE MTO
8/7/51 - 3/17/52

Express Elevator, Korea Style



There's no charge for this high ride thrill in Korea, aboard a makeshift cable car rigged by Army Engineers for hoisting men and supplies to defense positions 1539 feet up. Engineers, after trip from valley below, are getting ready to step out on the landing platform. The Army says the device has been instrumental in saving lives and supplying ridge defenders with food and ammunition.



"YO HO HEAVE HO"—Engineers of the 7th Division tug on the cable that will complete the longest aerial tramway in Korea. The 3800-foot cableway, built by the 13th Engineer Combat Battalion's Company C, will save United Nations 40,000 man hours daily in transporting supplies to the frontlines. (U.S. Army Photo)

Aerial Tramway Boosts Supplies to 7th's Units

By Sgt. Herb Levin
WITH U.S. 7TH DIV.—The longest aerial tramway operating in Korea, constructed in 78 hours by the 13th Engineer Combat Battalion, is now supplying mountain-topped 7th Division frontline troops.

Army and Marine Corps engineer officers in a surprise visit to the east central front recently commended the battalion and its commander, Lt. Col. Matthew Harrison, Bradenton, Fla., "for a job well done."

ONE OF THE first to ride the tramway was Col. W. C. Baker, Clinton, Tenn., Eighth Army engineer officer. Col. R. B. Oxley, Granville, Ohio, X Corps engineer officer, followed.

Both officers were impressed with C Company's speed and skill used in the construction of the elevated cableway system that carries supplies over impassable terrain.

MINUTES AFTER visiting

officers finished their ride, Hourglass Division ammunition and other supplies were ready for the ride up. The total length is 3800 feet.

Wounded soldiers can now be carried down to waiting ambulances within five minutes. Previously three hours was required to lug the stretchers down the mountain path.

POWERING THE fast climb is a motor from a three-fourth-ton truck. The longer second haul is controlled by a motor taken from a two and one-half-ton truck.

Modified by ordnance, both engines were especially designed for the purpose of handling the rugged grind.

Harrison estimated the funicular system would save 40,000 man hours daily. "It would be almost impossible to keep supplies rolling on a regular timetable by carrying parties during the winter," said the colonel.

QUARTERMASTER CORNER = HAROLD SMITH



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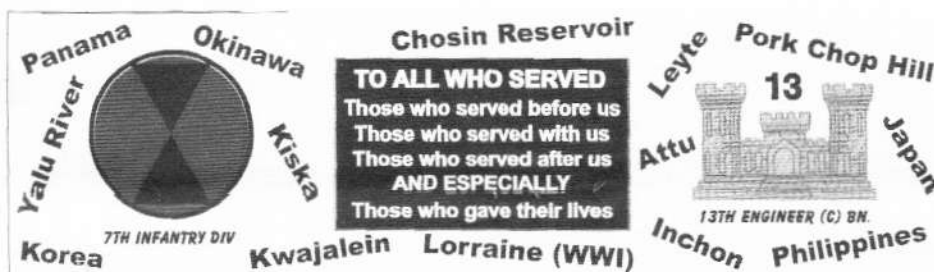
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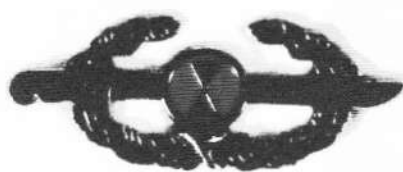
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3 INCHE LONG - \$ 7.50



SML ENGINEER PIN
1 1/2 INCH \$ 7.50

THE BATTALION EMBROIDERED CREST PATCH IS 3" DIAMETER, THE BAYONET PIN IS 2" LONG WITH HOURGLASS LOGO IN THE MIDDLE, THE BUMPER STICKER IS 3' X 11" WITH HOURGLASS AND CASTLE LOGOS, THE BATTALION CREST PIN AND BAYONET PIN ARE BOTH METAL, ENGINEER PIN IS METAL WITH RED STRIPE AND GOLD CASTLE, ALL PRICES INCLUDE SHIPPING/HANDLING.

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Article, 7th Div. Bayoner, Korea December 20, 1955, Sent in by Robert E. North. Pic. Below



SGT JIMMY FAUSETT, Columbia, Mo., of H&S Co, 13th Engr Bn, fills tank trucks at a Division water point. The average water point processes 40,000 gallons of water a day.



Here, look. The Division has water in case of battle but I'm sure when he really needed it, he was making out all the other...



"These are regulars, by God!"



"I was on my way to the top, gentlemen, with all the money, connections, etc., and then they put me in charge of the NCO club..."

Water, Water Everywhere—Plenty to Drink

Story by PFC Wayne Legge

ALCHEMISTS of ancient times included water with their list of the earth's essential elements. Although we know today that water is not an element, we can agree that water has a very significant role in the life of man and the world around him. Wherever there is life, safe, disease-free water is essential.

When the 7th Division came to Korea

in 1945 and again in 1950, a plentiful and healthful supply of water was needed. At first, personal sanitation and purification of raw water was dependent on the individual soldier. Then as conditions eased and camps were established, water supply points were set up to furnish the troops with safe and potable water.

THERE are three trained personnel and one man who is receiving on the job training assigned to each water point. Their duties are to keep the unit functioning properly and to make periodic checks on the water to determine relative acid, alkali and chlorine content. The Water Purification Foreman, SFC Melvis Morgan, Brooklyn, N.Y., H & S Co, 13th Engr Bn, frequently visits all units to see that they are maintaining proper standards.

Each water supply point has two 3000 gallons, rubber portable tanks. One tank is used for water storage while the other tank of water is being treated. By alternating the use of these tanks, a continuous supply of treated water is available 24 hours a day.

During the months of heavy rains and floods, the streams become very turbid with mud, so two extra tanks are used as sedimentation tanks to settle out the heavy suspended matter. Before the raw water

enters the processing tanks, it is filtered through a very fine sand where 98% of the suspended matter and impurities is removed.

THE chlorine used for killing harmful germs is checked every one-half hour by a color comparison test. If the chlorine content is not sufficient to meet specifications, calcium hypochlorite in solution is added to the tank. The condition of the raw water changes frequently due to the dirt, dissolved minerals and impurities that flow in the mountain streams, especially after a heavy rain.

The health of everyone in the Bayoner Division is in the hands of these men at the water points. Theirs is an exacting job and constant alertness and diligence assure you of a safe, healthful supply of potable water.

Photos by Sp2 Robert Wolfinger



PVT DONALD E. MICHAELS, Richmond, Ind., collects a sample of water to test its chlorine content. The chlorine in the 3000-gallon tanks is checked every half hour.



SERGEANT FAUSETT fills another tank truck at one of the Division's water points. It took approximately 20 minutes to fill the tank.

HEADQUARTERS
13TH ENGINEER BATTALION (INF DIV)
APO 7

1 August 1958

SUBJECT: Battalion History and Coat of Arms

TO: All Personnel, 13th Engineer Battalion

1. For the information of all concerned, below is shown the 13th Engineer Battalion Coat of Arms. (Figure 1.)

2. GENERAL HISTORY OF THE 13TH ENGINEER BATTALION.



COAT OF ARMS OF THE 13TH ENGINEER BATTALION
Figure 1

a. Although the Battalion traces its history through parent organizations back as far as the Civil War, it was not until World War I that an Engineer Unit carrying the number "13" was formed.

b. This was the 13th Engineer Railroad Regiment which was

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organized at Chicago, Ill., on 9 May 1917. After serving through some of the bitterest fighting of World War I including the Meuse Argonne Offensive it was deactivated in 1919. In 1932 this unit was transferred in a paper status to the 13th Engineer Combat Battalion.

c. On 15 January 1921, the 13th Engineer General Service Regiment was activated at Fort Humphries, Virginia, from Headquarters Detachment, the Band and 1st Battalion of the 9th Engineer Regiment which served during World War I with the 7th Infantry Division in France. The rest of the 9th Engineers joined the "13th" in September of 1921.

d. In September 1926, the Battalion insignia was approved by the office of the Quartermaster General in Washington, D.C.

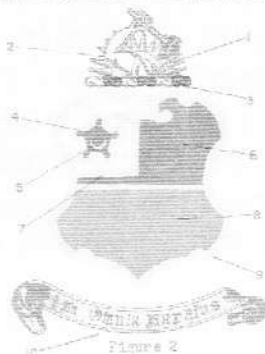


Figure 2

e. The reorganization of the "13th Engineers" as a Combat Battalion occurred through War Department Orders on 6 September 1928, and then in February 1936, it was deactivated.

f. The "13th" was reactivated at Fort Ord, California as the Engineer Troops for the 7th Infantry Division on 2 July 1940.

g. World War II Service included the campaigns on Attu, Khasan, Itoya, Philippine Islands and Okinawa.

h. As a part of the liberation forces sent to Korea, the "13th"

Battalion History, 13th Engineer (C) Battalion and Coat of Arms

Letter in August 1958

Signed By : John M.Frank

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Engineer Combat Battalion arrived there in September 1945 and for three years performed a construction mission, leaving there in November 1948 for Northern Honshu, Japan.

3. The following is in general a history and detailed explanation of the 13th Engineer Combat Battalion Coat of Arms.

a. Parts of the Insignia:

- (1) Numbers 1-10 in figure 2, comprise the Battalion Coat of Arms.
- (2) Numbers 4-9 comprise the Battalion Shield.
- (3) Numbers 1-3 comprise the Battalion Crest.
- (4) Number 10 is the Battalion Motto.

b. Detailed explanation:

- (1) The Rising Sun, in a yellow-orange tint, stands for the 13th Engineers working from dawn to dusk, the thirteen rays of the sun standing for the 13th Engineers should also be noted.
- (2) The Arm and Hammer stand for being skilled in the manual arts.
- (3) The rolled scarlet and white cloth shows the colors of Corps of Engineers.
- (4) Companies C and D of the 1st Battalion of Engineers our predecessors from the Civil War in 1861-5, also fought in the Philippine Morce Campaign, Philippine Insurrection 1892, for which the Golden Crescent #4 is used, and the Santiago Campaign in 1898, is depicted in #5 by a Five Battered Fort, the Insignia of the 5th Corps which fought in Cuba.
- (5) The scarlet portion of the Battalion shield is the scarlet of the Corps of Engineers Colors.
- (7) The white portion of the Battalion shield is the white of the Corps of Engineers colors.

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- (8) The pea green portion of the Battalion shield is the white of the Corps of Engineers colors.
- (9) The Battalion shield in itself was designed for the 5th Engineer Regiment during World War I, but with the scarlet and green colors reversed.
- (10) The Battalion Motto on the scroll is "In Omnis Paratus", which is Latin for "In All Things Prepared".

4. On 1 July 1957, the Battalion, while stationed at Camp Casey, Korea, was reorganized under 1/02 S-1ST (ROOLD) with an authorized strength of 40 officers, 4 warrant officers, and 747 enlisted men.

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FYI

Investigators Warn of Website Scam Targeting Soldiers, Families

The Army's Criminal Investigation Command is warning about a new website scam in which criminals are attempting to take advantage of soldiers and their families. The "My Army Benefits" website at <http://www.usmilitarybenefit.org> is not an official website, officials said, and is neither affiliated with nor endorsed in any way by the United States Army. The Army does, however, have an official website called "MyArmyBenefits" at <http://myarmybenefits.us.army.mil> that is operated by the service's Retirement Services Office.

The primary purpose of the fraudulent site is to collect soldiers' Army Knowledge Online, or AKO, email accounts and passwords, officials said. It also makes the false claim that the U.S. military has granted access to unclaimed and accumulated benefits for active duty soldiers, and that benefits not claimed within the stipulated period will be available for claims after 60 months. Criminal Investigation Command officials strongly recommend that soldiers, Army civilians, retirees and family members avoid the website and ignore any information or claims posted on it. They also recommend deleting suspicious or unsolicited emails immediately, without response. Most online scam attempts are easily recognizable, officials said, because they usually involve unsolicited emails or text messages. Hoax websites often contain misspelled words and punctuation and grammatical errors, they added, and often ask for private information such as an email address and password. Officials noted that cybercrime and Internet fraud present challenges to law enforcement agencies, as criminals mask their true identities and locations and cover their tracks quickly. Websites and accounts can easily be established and deleted in very little time, they said, allowing scam artists to strike and then disappear before law enforcement agencies can respond. Because identifying the perpetrators is difficult, people must stay alert and be personally responsible for protecting themselves and their families online. Criminal Investigation Command provided the following advice for anyone who has received correspondence from the My Army benefits website or provided information through it:

- Do not log in to the website;
- Do not respond to any emails;
- Stop all contact if you have previously responded to any emails; and
- Immediately contact your local information assurance office if you accessed the website from a government computer or system.

From Armed Forces Press Service

IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT = EDWARD F. LARKIN



From the IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT'S CORNER

This is going to be a short and to the point message.

PLAN AHEAD

See you in St. Robert, Missouri in the Fall.

Ed

2014 MASTER SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

13th ENGINEER © Bn. ASSOCIATION

REUNION 2014

“ TEMPORARY AGENDA – SUBJECT TO CHANGE”

WENDESAY, SEPTEMBER-24th

3:00PM GOVERNING COUNCIL MEETING IN = Hospitality Room

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER-25th

9 AM Volunteers will meet in the Hospitality Room to arrange/set up flags & guidons?

12PM TO 5PM Hotel check in Main Lobby,

13th Reunion Registration Main Hotel Lobby from 1PM to 5PM

13th Reunion Registration for members that did not register between 12pm & 5pm can register any time the Hospitality room is open.

7PM TO 10PM WELCOME BUFFET in the Large Meeting Room.

Please be seated by 6:45 PM as dinner to be served at 7PM.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 26th

8:45 AM TO Approx. 3 PM

Members going on the Bus Trip to Fort Leonard Wood tour will meet in the lobby of hotel for bus loading. **Bus will depart at 9AM SHARP.**

Plans are to have the Hospitality Room open for individuals not on Fort Leonard Wood Trip.

Dinner meal on your own (Free Time)

REUNION REGISTRATION FORM

13th Engineer (C) Battalion Association

September, 25, 26 & 27, 2014

St. Robert, MO, Fort Leonard Wood Area, Hampton Inn, 103 St. Robert Plaza Drive, St. Robert, MO 65584

Your Name :	Name on Tag:
Spouse/Guest Name:	Name on Tag

Dues- For 2 years, 2014 to 2016 @ \$5.00 per year, total \$10.00 \$ _____

Registrations \$15.00 per person x _____ \$ _____

Thursday, September 25, at 7:00 PM Welcome Dinner Buffet, Rosemary & Honey Chicken, Grilled Beef Medallions, Green Beans w/Bacon & Onion, Roasted Yukon Potatoes, Fresh Fruit, Garden Salad, Rolls/Butter, Italian Lemon Cake & Red Velvet Cake. \$12.00 per person x _____ \$ _____

Friday, September 26, Guided Bus tour of Fort Leonard Wood 9AM to 3 PM includes the Engineer Museum and other activities to be determined by the Protocol Office, Lunch on Post at your cost. \$18.00 per person x _____ \$ _____

Saturday, September 27, Guided Bus Tour with Professional Guide 1PM to 3PM of parts of Route 66 both old and new, with stop at Elbow Inn, one of the most historic restaurant/bars on route 66, est-1929. \$14.00 per person x _____ \$ _____

Saturday, September 27, Banquet Dinner/Event, 6PM to 11PM +/-, Pictures starting 6PM, Dinner at 7PM, **GRILLED HERBAL CHICKEN BREAST**- Steamed Vegetables w/ Lemon Dill Butter, Roasted Garlic Smashed Potatoes, Caesar Salad, French Bread w/ Butter, Chocolate Cake w/ Raspberry Sauce, New York Cheese Cake. \$15.00 per person _____ \$ _____

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SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 27th

9AM TO 10:15 AM

MEMORIAL SERVICE in the large meeting Room Main Hotel area.

10:30AM TO NLT-12PM

GENERAL BUSINESS MEMBERSHIP MEETING IN LARGE MEETING ROOM, All Members of the Association are asked to attend.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 27th

1PM to 3PM, Guided Bus Tour of Route 66

Bus will start loading at 12:45 PM, We will return to Hotel no later than 3PM

6PM TO 6:45PM PICTURE TAKING AND SOCIALIZING IN LARGE

MEETING ROOM: Please make sure your picture and all guest pictures are taken so they can be included in the Reunion Book. (Photographer set up 5:30PM, Come early if possible)

6:45PM TO 7PM ROOSEVELT ROOM Welcome, Introductions and Toast Time. Please be seated by 6:45pm.

7PM to 11PM LARGE MEETING ROOM, BANQUET

Dinner served starting at 7PM. Please place your meal choice ticket by your place setting so servers will know which meal you ordered.

Our speaker will speak after dinner is finished.

Raffle and 50-50 tickets will be sold and selected before and after dinner.

Please place your Name Tags in the box as you exit.

AFTER THE BANQUET IS OVER IT IS POSSIBLE WE WILL NEED VOLUNTEER'S TO ASSIST IN PACKING UP THE 13TH ENGINEER'S SUPPLIES.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 28th

JoJo and I will be having breakfast between 8am and 10 am. Taking advantage of the free buffet breakfast that is included in the hotel room bill.

We will have the box for name tags for Individuals that did not turn in their name tag holder last night, please bring it and turn it in so it can be used at future Reunions.

13th Engineer (C) Bn., Assn.
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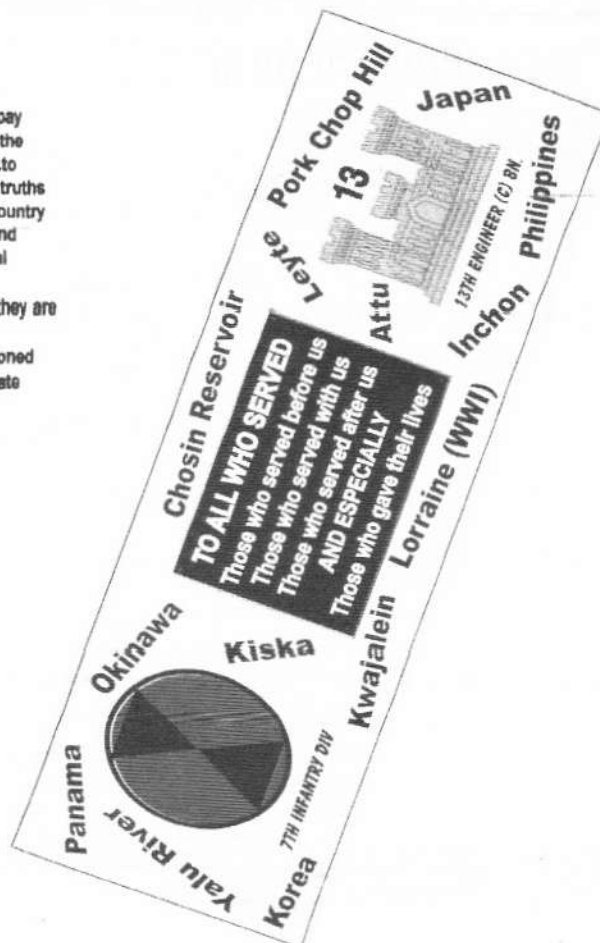
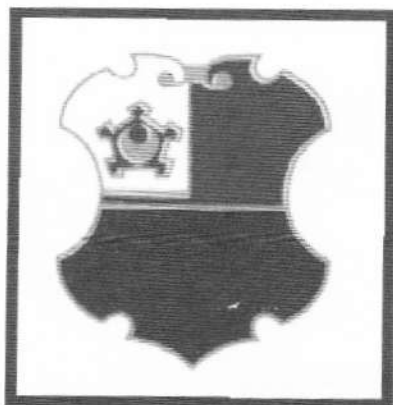


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Objectives

To preserve and strengthen the bonds of friendship and camaraderie among members through reunions, meetings, publications, and other social activities, to honor, revere and pay homage to the memory of those gallant comrades who paid the supreme sacrifice while serving in the 13th, Engineer (C) Bn. to enhance at every opportunity and by example spread those truths contained in the Constataion of the United States, love of country and flag, respect for human rights and due respect for law and order, to strive for the accuracy and correction of any official histories published concerning any campaign in which the battalion participated in, if in the opinion of the association they are in error, to support the activities of the 13 Th. Engineer [C] Battalion and to honor the annually selected non-commissioned officer and soldier of the year of the battalion in an appropriate manner.



TO ALL WHO SERVED

Those who served before us
 Those who served with us
 Those who served after us
AND ESPECIALLY
 Those who gave their lives

