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"LEST WE FORGET"

One hundred and forty five 69th Infantry Division members are buried in American Military Cemeteries in Europe. Ninety-two graves are at Margraten in the Netherlands and fifty-three graves are at Henri-Chapelle, Belgium. Each year on the 25th day of April a floral offering consisting of one red rose is placed on each grave in memory of our departed comrade.

It is a credit to our country and to the American Battle Monuments Commission to see the beautiful cemeteries which are so meticulously maintained in these foreign lands. It makes a visitor feel very proud to know that these heroic men are enshrined in such tranquil surroundings.

If ever you have the opportunity to visit Europe, make it a part of your trip to see these two cemeteries. There is a representative of AMC on duty 24 hours of every day who will assist you in locating any special grave you might want to see.

If any member would like more information regarding these floral tributes please write to president Phillips, and he will furnish you with names and addresses.

SEARCH FOR MEMBERS

A unique method of locating new members for the 69th Division Assoc. has been proven very successful by Warren Alford Div. Hgs and 69th Recon.

He had a large sign made with a large 69th patch on it with the wording "69th Division. Former members we need your name and address". He posted this at the National American Legion Convention in New Orleans last year. Mission accomplished ... he came up with 5 names for our hard working membership chairman Clarence Marshall. Three of these were brand new and did not even know that an organization of former 69'rs existed. They do now and are on the mailing list.

How about you fellows who are active in the various veterans organizations giving this a proven idea a tryout at one of your local or state conventions?

It is always a thrill to meet an old buddy.

We have 4500 names on our roster but with 60,000 men passing through our division through training etc., we have not even scratched the surface. When you pay your dues make sure you request a new larger decal. Put it on your car and I bet within a year you will locate 2 new members for the 69th Division Association.



IN MEMORIAM

MERTON L. ASHBY I-273

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HAVE YOU PAID YOUR 1971-1972 DUES???? WE NEED YOUR HELP.

ENGINE-EARS

By Frank Nemeth

Another reunion has gone by, however, I don't believe it is as good as we have had in the past as far as the Engineers are concerned. We have not had the turn-out the past couple of years as in the past. The one held in Harrisburg in 1965 drew much better than this year. Then again a good time was had by all those attending. This year, many of the mainstays of the past attendees could not make it. Some due to sickness and others had plans made far in advance. At this point, am glad to report those members that were ill are feeling much better now. All of them are desirus of making it next year. We are sure that the next one will be in Virginia Beach, Va. next year and many of our members come from that neck of the woods. They are anxious to have a big turn-out as they will be the hosts....

This is the first year that I remember that John Pontieri, Dale Highfield, Sharpless Jones didn't make it and we missed other regulars such as Leo McGillen, Walt Goeben, Max Weinzieri and our adopted Engineer "Milt" Halainen (Ord.) but all in all we had a good time and couldn't get over our meeting our latest member, Stanley Auk and his lovely wife, Ruth, from Corapolis, Pa. I'd like to thank Ruth Auk, Herm Burkett, Stu McGregor and Chuck Herring for adding so many new photos to our Co. B album. The Album is getting bigger and better with each photo I receive, so keep coming! So all you guys please send me a photo of yourself, to help it along.

We had a nice turnout from H & S Co. with five attending and lead by Col. Holmlin. The Colonel has become a regular and we hope to see more of him in the future. C-Co. had two and B-Co. fell off from last year's leading Company in attendance. They had 9 in attendance. Still a large number for a company. All the names appear in the roster printed of attendees. I will accept photos from other companies but please put the men's names on them as I may not know them. Also was sorry to hear we lost a good friend in the person of Tom Redmond who was living in Florida. Tom passed away a year ago. Let me hear from you fellows with news and I will write it up for next bulletin.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

A very successful and productive meeting was held Sunday, October 24, 1971 at the Marriott Hotel in Saddle Brook, N. J. A torrential rain did not dampen the spirits of the attendees and everyone who reserved made the meeting against agreat odds. The following members attended: Sam Woolf F-273; Loar and Adele Quickle G-271; Lester and Helen Milich 569 Signal; Bill and Miriam Lilien G-272; Peter and Frances Goldstein 880 FA; Sam and Helen Talley M-271; Jake and Violet Stark H-273; Mel Mellinger 661TD; Harold Hoover Med.-273; Tony and Florence Keller E-272; Bill and Jane Matlach and Son Billy E-273; Joe and Estelle Star G-271; John Moriarty MP Plt.; Asa Cowden K-271; George and Jean Shapiro AT-272; George and Agnes Phillips G-271. Lester Milich offered Grace and after a nice Dutch-treat luncheon we had a two hour meeting which had to be cut short as the weather was very bad and some of these people had traveled close to 200 miles to be at the meeting.

The past reunion at Harrisburg was applauded as one of our finest. Asa Cowden made a treasurers report and stated that the necessary transfer of funds and records were completed to our new treasurer Stanley Olszewski. Mel Mellinger reported on the Virginia reunion of the 661 TD held in Charlottesville, Va. They had thirty couples present and had a wonderful time. This is a wonderful group of fellows and they know how to have a great time when they get together. Bill Beswick, our Executive Secretary, keeps all of the 661 TD members informed. Mel related how far they traveled to locate a man who served with them. Way back in the hills. It was very humorous; but once again pointed out what a great association the 69th is.

A report was read from Bill Beswick on the arrangements being made for the 1972 Reunion to be held at Lake Wright, Virginia Beach, Va. Everyone at the meeting agreed that this will be a great location. An appeal for members in the Virginia area to help with this re-union was made and asked that they contact either Bill Beswick or Asa Cowden. Their addresses are on the face of this bulletin.

President George Phillips thanked everyone for their continued interest in the 69th Division Association and adjourned the meeting at 4 PM.

MARCEL CLOUTIER writes: I live at 4647 Northern Circle, Dayton, Ohio., 45424 and was a member of 'M' 271. My wife's name is Doris and I have children Dennis 15 and Diane 9. I work for the Wright-Patterson Air Force Base in Dayton for the Foreign Technology Div. My hobbies are: Bookkeeping, Photography, Camping, Ham Radio and Boy Scouts. I am the Troop Treasurer and Merit Badge Counsellor. I am currently President of the Montgomery County Bookkeeper's Association. I recently completed 25 years of service with the government. 19 years Civil Service and 6 years Military.

ROBERT P. KING, H-271 of 11180 Cypress St., Riverside, Calif., 92505 ... Wife Rose and Children, Ruth, Bill, Carol, Mary and Bob. The ages range from 11 thru 24. Bob has lived in Nevada and California for the past 20 years.

FREDERIC W. SCHERER, F-273 and 11 Westmoreland Ave., Montvale, N. J. 07645. Wife Miriam, and children, Fred, Jr., Dennis and Mary. Fred manages Meat Departments for the A & P Tea Co. He has been a member of the 69th Association since its inception. He sends best regards to everyone.

ALTON G. SHAHAN, SR., I-272 and 800 Ridgeway Ave., Morgantown, W. Va. 26505 ... Wife Beulah and children Jeanette and Alton Guy. Works as a tester for Sterling Faucet Co. in Morgantown. August 28, 1971 received a 20 year pin from Rockwell Manufacturing for the above service for his Co. One of his children is a Sophomore at West Virginia University and the other is a Senior at Morgantown High.



269 ENGINEERS WORKING FOR BIG PLANS IN '72

PAUL MILLER, Hqs 3rd Bn, 272 ... writes: Dear Mr. Marshall: Thank you for sending me a copy of a letter by my old buddy, Lt. Martin to Loar Quickle. You and the 69th Division Association have again reunited two friends. Thanks again for your thoughtfulness.

Editor's Note! The letter from Paul Miller, above, is some of the joy received when contacts are first made from old friends and buddies. All of us who have been active in our Association for many years have always known what a wonderful thing it is to meet an old friend after many years. You too should try to come this year and find out.

COLONEL HENRY B. MARGESON, who was the commanding officer of the 271st Regiment from Camp Shelby through the end of the war writes to Loar Quickle: Dear Mr. Quickle: This letter replies – tardily – to yours of 16 September 1971.

No apologies are due on the title slip made on the Winchester picture. When I was a second lieutenant they used to say "The only man who never makes a mistake is the man who never does anything!" You and the other WW II Veterans who belonged to the 271st Inf. and the 69th Div. *are* doing things. The Association activities and publications prove it. The Regiment and the Division still live!

I take great pride in having been a member of the 271st Inf. and 69th Div. Since retirement from the Army in 1955, however, I've been so concerned with the work I was doing that I was never able to make a reunion. Now – what with the years accumulated – I'm afraid I never shall be able to attend one. But I'll always be with you in spirit.

Your report that the number of 271st members turnout but for each reunion exceeded that of any other unit was good to read. Those boys were always first in whatever they did!

Thank you for your letter and my best wishes to all the members of the 271st.

Sincerely,

Henry B. Margeson Colonel, U.S. Army, Retired

A proud member of the 271st Inf.



200 BOTTLES OF CHAMPAGNE LIBERATED BY E-271 IN FREYBERG ... IRV GOTKIN STATED: "It didn't last long"

The following letter was received from Judith Schreiber ... And, after reading it, I am sure many of you will want to write to your old buddy ROGER DANIELSON.

AN APPEAL TO CO. 'C' 272

"Dear Asa Cowden:

While Roger Danielson, a member of your Association has been receiving the news letter, I have wondered if you know of his current condition.

Some years ago (about 5) while on duty as a Great Lakes Seaman, he suffered a severe stroke.

Left arm and left leg are crippled. He wears a brace on same leg and a portable walker for general body support. With the aids he can get about and be taken out riding and visiting.

He is mentally alert with an amusing sense of humor. He does mingle among his associates.

He is a patient in a Superior Nursing home at present.

Judith lives at the same address as Roger and it is 4109 W. 7th St., Duluth, Minn. 55801. O.K. C272?

BERNIE WATTMAN, who attended the reunion in Harrisburg, wrote Loar Quickle after taking a roster back home to THOMAS GREY of men on the 69th roster of Co. G-271 ... "Dear Loar: Thank you for the G Co. list of members. Tom Grey's address is 815 lvy Land, Warminister, Pa. 18974. We had a nice time at the reunion. The Schindler trip or Early Bird Dinner was very nice. The memorial service was beautiful, and the dinner dance was terrific plus Harold Starry winning the T.V. put the whole thing in to a wonderful finish. Harold worked real hard. We also enjoyed the tour to Hershey, Pa. There were some shortcomings though. Harrisburg itself, has nothing to offer. However, we did not have a car. We saw the capital buildings and the Wm. Penn Museum then there was a big "O" (zero) for the balance of Harrisburg. The covering of the pool really fouled things up. Anyway, we still had a very good time. "Bernie lives at 1035 Disston St., Phila., Pa. 19111. and hails from Anti-Tank 271. Would like to add that we learned of the Cover-up of the swimming pool when we arrived for the reunion. We can't win them all

LEN KESSLER, A-271 writes that he is sorry he could not attend the reunion but is planning on next one. His parent's health is not good and has also been taking care of his father's business. He promised to visit with the Quickle's in Princeton and Pennington someday soon.

WALTER MORMELLO, 1829 E. Moyamensing Ave., Philadelphia, Pa. and 724th F. A. Bn. states his wife's name is Rosalie and children's names are Paula, Walter and John. Selfemployed Service Station BS. Walter sent in the names of PAUL KITNER, 2814 Hillvale Ave., W. Lawn, Pa. 19609; ROBERT KRAUSE, 1164 Lyndhurst Dr., Riverside, California 92507; and W. C. MITCHELL, 654 Glenfell Dr., Houston, Texas 77022. He was disappointed in not seeing any of his buddies. He said there are plenty of them in the Harrisburg area. He was similarly disappointed when he attended the one



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MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS EARLY FOR 1972 REUNION

in Philadelphia. He does not believe we get enough publicity in advance of the reunions Ed. Note! Our most difficult task is getting publicity. We had plenty of it in Harrisburg, believe me. An announcement in the surrounding city newspapers. This is true as we picked up around 25 new addresses of men writing in about it before the reunion. ... Now that you have a start Walt, how about keeping up your writing campaign to all your members to attend next year's function?????

EDWARD HILL, 3929 Vinceton St., Pittsburgh, Pa. and H-271. Wife's name Marie. He is a Police Officer, Tactical Patrol Force, Pittsburgh, Pa.

FORREST C. ELEY, 3042 Rightmire Blvd., Columbus, Ohio 43221 and C Batt. 880 FA writes his wife's name is Katherine and he has David, 20 years, Carolyn, 18 years, Amy, 17 years and Daniel, 15 years. He is an engineer with Bogen Heating and Air Conditioning Corp. Hobbies: Golf, Hunting and Fishing.

JOSEPH F. BRADY,42 Lakeside Ave., Haskell, N. J., and Batt. B 881 F. A. Bn. and his wife's name is Antonina and children Joseph, Mike, Therese and Lisa. Just moved to N. J. from Long Island City, N. Y. He is in Security Dept. - I.B.M., Franklin Lakes, N. J. Would like to hear from former members of B Battery.

KENNEDY'S CELEBRATE 50TH ANNIVERSARY

The following letter was received by our President, George Phillips:

Dear George:

I just returned from a quick flight to Flint, Michigan, where it was my pleasure to attend a party in celebration of the 50th Wedding Anniversary of Maj. Gen. & Mrs. Cecil J. Kennedy.

The party, attended by approximately 200 people was beautifully prepared, arranged and tendered.

Gen. Kennedy and Mrs. Kennedy will be leaving for their winter home in Florida on Thursday. They look and feel well and happy. Their son Jack, his wife, Theresa and their five lovely children, Denise, Daniel, Robert, Kathy and Michael are truly a beautiful and loving family. They are all so courteous, considerate, cooperative and kind.

I have a feeling as I flew home that Gen. Kennedy is truly "Michigan" not just "Flint".

We should be very proud to have served with him in the "Fighting 69th" and prouder still to have him as an Honorary President.

You might want to see that a note of congratulations is expressed in the next Bulletin.

Very truly yours,

Hyman E. Goldstein

Editor's Note Our President did follow through and wrote a letter to Cy Kennedy and his lovely loved lady of the 69th, Aggie, as most of us knew her. I personally was grateful for their friendship at reunions and our tour to Europe.



Cy Kennedy When He Attended In Roanoke

SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

Past president Bill Matlach has very graciously accepted the chairmanship of the 69th Scholarship Committee. Bill has been long active in the 69th having been our treasurer, bulletin editor and president. Bill will have the full support of his committee for this worthwhile project.

Any member who wishes to apply for this scholarship award please write to

William Matlach 19 Barberry Road West Islip, N. Y. 11795

Bill will see that you receive all of the necessary forms for your son or daughter to have filled out.

Loar Quickle who has worked for so many years as chairman of this committee deserves a great deal of praise for all that he has done. He formulated the application forms which are used by the committee and arranged for the services of the Educational Testing Services which processes the applications for the 69th. Our good friend Mary Drew, who was made a Life Member of our Association for the many hours she devoted to the Scholarship fund has worked closely with our committee over the years and hopefully will continue to do so. Good Luck Bill,

George Phillips



THREE MEMBERS OF G-271 WHO DID NOT GO OVERSEAS WITH US; BUT STILL MAKE ALL THE REUNIONS. LES WEINBERG, JOE TREVISANI, AND DAN MALINOWSKI.

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SEND US NEWS ABOUT YOUR FAMILY

ABOUT OUR NEWS BULLETIN

We believe the following type of news is what you want to hear about your buddies. Won't you join with the following members and send us news about your family too? CLARENCE MARSHALL, our Membership Chairman, has a list of our members by unit as far as he can go. If you receive your bulletin without a unit designation, write him so he can have it added to your address. Your buddies may skip over your name and not recognize it after all these years. If you like our bulletins, let us know. Then again, if you don't like something, let us know that too.

GENE WILLIAMS, 112 No. Burralo, No. Plate, Nebraska 69101 and H-271 writes that his wife's name is Margaret June, and his children, all married are Ron, Don, Shirley and Sharon. Gene is employed by the Rainbo Bread Co.

CHARLES R. EDKINS, 1320 Oaklawn, N.E. Grand Rapids, Michigan 49505 and 661st TD- Co. C ... writes his wife's name is Lorraine and has children, Charles and Judy ... Both children are now with children. Charley is in the retail sales with Sears Roebuck and has been for the past 18 years.

HARRY EDWARD DUQUETTE, 102 W. K St., Erwin, N. C. and F-273 (28330) writes: Wife, Elva and children Benny, Ray, Gracie, Phyllis and Sherry. Is employed by Burlington Industries in Erwin since 1948. He is Supervisor of Refrigeration and Air Conditioning at the plant. He also has his own A. C. Shop at home. He states he would like to visit relatives in Plattsburgh, N. Y. and is happy he is being added to the roster. He would like to hear from his buddies. He has not been in touch with any of them in years and hopes they are also located too.

JOHN OPLT, 508 West 'C' St., Belleville, Illinois 62221 and D-273 requested that a copy of the bulletin be sent to ROY FRITZE c/o Fritze Nursing Home, Nashua, Iowa. Roy is a member of D-273 also. He also wanted a decal sent.

WADE DRYSDALE writes he is a member of 3rd Bn Hqs 272 and is the owner of Shamrock Tavern and Overdraft Tavern in Sunnyside, Washington (Yakima Valley). He states anyone visiting his place will have no need of going dry.

RALPH R. SNYDER, 1214 Lukens Ave., Woodlyn, Pa. 19094 and C-272 writes his wife's name is Isabelle and has no children. He is retired now and Bowling and Gardening are his hobbies. He would like to hear from some of the fellows that served at Camp Shelby, Miss. when the 69th was activated in the Spring of '43.

PAUL MILLER, Hqs Co. 3rd Bn, 272 writes to the editor: "Thank you for sending me a copy of my "old" Lt. George Martin's letter. You and the 69th Division Association have done it again ... reunited two old friends of WW II army days. Thank you again. Bye the way, I now work for the Japan Air Lines at JFK Airport and if we can ever be of assistance, please call me ... (212) 276-8132, Cargo Traffic Division, JFK

TONY GRIMM writes: "It was very nice to hear from you, after many years of silence." He last heard from a Mr. Bloominthal of N. Y. "It is my sincere wish to see and visit with my old buddies again. Hoping that the next reunion will be announced far enough in advance, so that I will be able to make plans. Passed by the old camp a few years ago, nothing left but the main gate. If I can be of any assistance count me in, as for dues or any other requirements. Please write and let me know"

HARVEY I. HELLER, 190 E. Shore Rd., Huntington Bay, N. Y. 11743 and Cannon Co. 272 served with 69th from March '44 to June '45 and would like to hear from Alan Feild, Gary Pollitt, Royal Brayshaw, Raymond Turek, Clem Hudacek, Bernard Wilson and William Graham.

CHAPLAIN RUSSELL H. MILNES writes: "it is with regret that I find that I shall not be able to attend the reunion in Harrisburg this year. I had held off writing this letter in hopes that it would work out that I could be there, but things have not worked out that way.

Please give my regards to those who are attending. Having had to miss two in a row, I certainly hope to be able to come next year.

CHARLES D. HART, 3401 Parkway Terrace, Bryan, Texas 77801 and Hqs 3rd Bn 271 Wife: Grace and children: David, Jean and Blaine ... Charley is a Life Underwriter and CLU Estate Planning Business Life Insurance. Hobbies are Golf and serving on the State Board of Education.

JEROME B. WESLER, 4730 Willow Crest Ave., North Hollywood, California 91602 and Hqs 1st Bn. 271, Wife: Marjorie and children: Sandra Warner, Paul K. Wesler. Presently V. P. and Gen. Mgr. of Friedman Bag Co., Inc., Los Angeles also is President of Fulton Container Co., Inc. Los Angeles. Has been active in Little League, Pony and Colt League Boys B.B. Is an avid Golfer and Bowler.

MILLARD R. YORK, 2950 Randall Ave., N.Y. also D-271. Wife: Elizabeth ... Is a Locomotive Engineer, Penn Central R.R. New Haven Division. He is sorry he could not attend the last two reunions. Is recovering from accident 5/1/70. Running passenger train, diesel locomotive and came out from under a bridge and someone dropped a rock through windshield. Peace Demonstration in New Haven, Connecticut.

ROBERT W. WHITE, 8229 Cedar Crest Way, Sacramento, California and T & T Section 569th Sig. Co., served from activation to Elbe River meeting. Then to Bremen. Wife's name: Mary Ann and children: Robert Jr., John and Rager the latter one still in college. Plays Golf, Water Skis and Snow Skis, He said: "Never seemed to have time to drop a line. Currently home recovering from a heart attack so now I have time." We wish you God speed in recovering, Bob Come and see us and you will relax a bit

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JAMES BALLARD, Rte ½1, Waynesburg, Kentucky 40489 and H-271 ... Wife's name Ruth and children: Linda Sue, Judy Ann, Sherry Diana, Robert Lee, James C., Mary Lou and Edna Mae. Has been farming and working at the Stanford Creamery, Inc. in Stanford, Kentucky. He raised Tobacco on his farm and Hogs and cows

DONALD J. HORKAN, 129 Sturgeon Eddy Rd., Wausau, Wisc. 54401 and E & F. 273. His wife's name is Ruth V. He is in Sales Management with Questor Corp.

JOHN R. EISENTRAUT, 24247 Falena, Torrance, California 90717 and H-271. Wife: Geraldine and Children: Shelley and Tim. John is a Lab Analyst in testing of Space Components at T. R. W. He worked 14 years at Northrop Aircraft Co. before he came to T. R. W. He has also been in Local 150 I.A.T.S.E. Projectionist Union for 24 years. "I would like to join the 69th Inf. Div. Assoc. Inc.,"

PETER J. BONGIOVANNI, 41 Brant Ave., Clark, N. J. and H-271 Wife's name is: Mary and children Peter 21 years and Patricia 16 years old. 1 Granddaughter Kelly Lynn 3 months. He has been in the Heating and A. C. Business since 1949.

FRANCIS D'AQUILA, 64 Chestnut St., Edison, N. J. 08817 and H-217. Wife: Betty and daughter Christine, 18 years old and is a freshman in college. He completed his B.A. Degree, and Masters and working on Doctorate. Has been with the Edison Board of Education for 24 years. At present is Principal of Thomas Jefferson, Jr. High School of Edison, N. J. with an enrollment of 1140 students. He is a state Football Official and enjoys an occasional game of Golf and Travel at every opportunity. (Eds. note: What a wonderful prospect to work on a scholarship fund)

RICHARD D. YEAGLEY, 541 E. Orange St., Lancaster, Pa. 17601 and the Anti-Tank Co. 271. Writes: "Dear Col. Datnoff: Yesterday I received my copy of the A.T. 271 history in the mail. Very interesting and I am most grateful. Thank you. I didn't go to bed last night until I finished reading it. My thanks also to the gentleman to whom I gave my name and address at the Reunion in Harrisburg this August 20th.

Col., I have something in my possession which might be of interest to those of our co. who are enthused about its history. I have a stack of 616 Blk and White snapshots of our Co. about 3/4 in. thick. Included are scenes like the 57's in the Co. area at Shelby, the Statue of Liberty on the way out, the castle in England, crossing the Rhine over the huge pontoon bridge, battlefield citations, the Napoleon Monument in Krumpa, the shooting up of excess ammo after the war, and many others.

If you would care to see them please let me know and I will be happy to send them to you. They have made several trips around the country, since 1946 by mail." Dick Yeagley is employed by the Hamilton Watch Co., Lancaster.



Agnes and President Geo. Phillips

By requests of many members your President appointed Loar Quickle to organize another tour. After many months of working with agencies, Loar has come up with an itinerary that meets a budget price and will accommodate those that MUST keep to a budget. The Tour will begin with a long stay of 4 days and end in a stay of 6 days. PLUS It will accommodate many of those persons who want to visit Israel and Jerusalem. The visit to the Holy Land is optional and will be the last week of the three week tour. This optional tour will leave Vienna and return to Rome in time to come home with the main body. We intend to shoot for 120 participants. We are asking for reservations at the present time so that plans can develop as soon as possible. Just remember, no one has lost any money on the two previous tours. Refunds have been made in full where there were pull-outs.

The price of this tour is to be \$825 per person. It includes many tours in the price and many optional ones you can select as it suits your taste. Other than in Paris and Rome, two meals a day will be included. We decided to leave this out as for what it would cost to add to the tour price could be found cheaper and the food would be better elsewhere in those two cities. Your lunch will be included when enroute.

A different approach was made on the transportation this time. We will fly with a good airline, such as Pan Am in going and returning. Other than in E. Germany and the local tours, we will be transported by rail. We believe this will keep our members of the tour close and more fun can be had while traveling. This was especially so on our first tour.

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As the airlines are in a fight in their prices for groups the only change anticipated, if any, would be the airfare. The tour of Europe price should remain stable. The airfare is \$225. A better price can be gotten but not with a reliable established and scheduled airline such as Pan Am etc. We favor a reliable airline. Rail transportation will be first class. Porterage will be in effect. We will be accompanied on the tour with a man who is well experienced in travel in all parts of Europe. Since the atmosphere is clearer with the U.S. and Russia, we do not anticipate any difficulties in planning a reunion on the Elbe at Torgau this time. We will



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publish a report in each but	lletin as we go along. More	Arr E. Berlin	July 16
information will be sent upon request Here are the cities		Leipzig	July 17
and we hope you find the tour to your liking. Tentative		Leipzig	July 18
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Arr Paris	July 8	Arr Rome	July 22
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