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### MailCall News

Great Mailcall with a lot of great information. I was grateful to **Remi Martin** for taking those pictures of your Father and Mother's headstones at Arlington, National Cemetery. As, I know you remember the last time I was there was for your father's funeral and it was nice to finally see his headstone. Many thanks to Rémi Martin for taking the picture.

Next, I want to endorse **Merle McMorrow**'s book "*From Rome to Berlin via Bastogne - The Travel of a World War II Paratrooper.*" I have this book and it is excellent and I would highly recommend it to all. Also, **Edward Snyder**'s capture by the Germans dressed in American uniforms. Yes, you are so correct it is like what was portrayed in the *movie Saints and Soldiers Airborne Creed*. I remember my Dad telling me stories about the fears everyone had at the Battle of the Bulge with Germans dressed up as Americans. Thank goodness Trooper Snyder was able to escape and provide valuable information so the other troops would know about this.

Bob, thanks so much for keeping the information in mailcall about Camp Toccoa. I am hoping many of you can come down to Camp Toccoa on May 31 and June 1st to help us commemorate and celebrate the organization of the 517th.

Finally, my many many get well wishes for **Darrell Egner**. A speedy recovery Darrell and hope to see you at another reunion.

One last thing, please email your pictures and stories into mailcall from the two mini reunions. Claire and I are working hard to put together our spring edition of the Thunderbolt. Also, any other stories or information you would like in this upcoming issue.

Airborne All the Way!

#### **Lory Curtis**

Bob: Excellent Mail Call. Am always impressed with your knowledge, ability to connect and expertise with computers. How did you do the photo spread on the things found on E Bay?

Dad is recovering from a broken arm -- a clean break but he will be in a sling for another 4 weeks (knowing him maybe less but only if he follows doctors' orders to not use his left arm). You know these paratroopers, they are stubborn. He protests he is being a good patient because my sister, Cache, whom he jokingly refers to as "The Drill Sargent" is now with him.

#### Pat Seitz

Hello; My name is **Dorinda Whitley**. My cousin, **Tom Buffington**, served in the 460th PFAB in Battery B. Tom passed away last December, after telling the family about being billeted in Epernay, France from April to August, 1945. While there, he and a buddy explored the large house or chateau they were staying in. He saw a portrait of a man who looked like the portrait of our great-great-great grandfather (which he had seen often as a boy back in Georgia). The portrait appeared to him to be the same size and shape (oval) as the one back home in Georgia. Our family has always been told that this ancestor was French, but had changed his name when he came to America. I know this is a very long shot, but I wonder if anyone knows exactly where Battery B of the 460th was staying during that time? (I realize they may have been spread around.)

It has been so interesting, doing online research about the 517th RCT and the 460th PFAB. I really regret that Tom didn't tell us more about his service. He and his brothers all served in WWII. I think it's a shame that U. S. history classes don't even touch on what was being asked of our soldiers and sailors. I consider myself fortunate to have been exposed to the website(s) commemorating the 517th. It's too bad that it took Tom's passing to spur me to take a closer look at the WWII soldier.

Could you post a question about exactly where Battery B stayed from April to August, 1945? We have relatives staying in England right now, one of whom speaks French, who would like to pursue this tiny family history clue.

Regards,

#### Dorinda Whitley

#### Hi Dori,

Not sure if this helps or not, but I recently received a document from **Merle McMorrow** listing where the HQ of the 460<sup>th</sup> was stationed from 1943 to 1946. I would expect that B Battery would be in the same place as HQ Battery most of the time, except during particular combats events, which were mostly over by April 1945. Unfortunately, I don't see any mention of Epernay, France. I believe they were in Joigny most of that time. But I will post your note in the next MailCall and see if Merle of the other 460<sup>th</sup> troopers can provide more info.

#### **Bob Barrett**

I don't know if this was ever made a matter of record on the website. Every location and dates at that location are tabulated on this sheet.

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Hello Bob;

Thank you so much for your very quick reply and the very interesting attachment. Looks like our search area just got bigger!

Dori

Bob... the box of photos went out to you this afternoon... also included an old magazine from the 517th with it...this summer plans include sorting through boxes of other stuff including more WWII papers from Dad...I will keep in touch ...will let you know if I find something you might like to see...

#### Christine (daughter of Cameron Gauthier)

Bob which member of the family are you in the family "meet the troopers" pictures...enjoyed your Dad's "Meet the troopers"...my sister Ellen said she would work on something...I think all of us remember how Dad said the Bonding with the men in the service was so special ...

#### Christine Mace (daughter of Cameron Gauthier)

Ha! I'm the handsome guy on the bottom right. But that's a very old picture now, probably 12-15 years ago.

Yes, these troopers all have a special bond. I'm close to some of the guys I went to college with, but that can't be compared to being back-to-back in a foxhole together while getting shot at. For 93+ days straight.

#### **Bob Barrett**

right on that!!! Dad use to complain that he never liked picnics...he always told us it was fighting with the flies/bugs over your food in the war!!!...he planned to win each time!!!

LOOKING FORWARD TO TALKING TO YOU ON PHONE IN A MONTH +.. FRIEND FROM COLLEGE DIED THIS MORNING AFTER A LONG CANCER BATTLE...GLAD I TALKED TO HER LAST WEEK...wheeew! an odd odd day...old friends leaving but you are a new one...enjoy this April month...Spring has sprung here... we can see the dead grass/dirt of the driveway and the birds are singing...a good day...even the sun is TRYING to come out!!!

#### christine (daughter of Cameron Gauthier)

#### Christine,

I received your photos today. There's a lot there. I'll pull a few from the reunions, but I'm mostly interested in the wartime photos.

You'll have to give me a couple of weeks. I have **Ray Hess**'s photos in the queue ahead of you.

I'll keep you posted.

Bob B.

OK - I have been patient but we need Palm Springs reports! You must have sobered up by now! I mean, you must have all made it home safely by now!

I will lean on the President for his report, but Lory and Bob need photos for Mail Call and the Thunderbolt! Lory and I are working on the Thunderbolt now, and we need your help.

And Bob - what a great Mail Call last week! After a couple of quiet weeks, it was nice to see so many submissions from all over.

All the best to my favorite vets -

#### Claire

Bob Barrett,

Please meet **Loic Jankowiak**, a young Frenchman who is creating a French language web site to honor the 517th.

He found my father's photos on my flickr account and I have given him permission to use them on his site per the below email thread.

Loic, Mr. Barrett manages the 517th web site and can provide any further information that you need.

Regards,

#### Roger Sullivan

----- Reply message -----From: "Loïc Jankowiak" <<u>loicjankowiak@hotmail.fr</u>> Date: Tue, Mar 26, 2013 4:11 pm Subject: 517th picture To: <<u>roger k sullivan@msn.com</u>>

Oh yes it's okay Roger of course ! No problem for that !

Thank you for your authorization. It's very important for me. It's only for remember those who fought in the "forgotten front" no for get money...

You know, It is very important for me to reminded of those who fought in my country, having released my area without them, without their sacrifices, we would be nothing. This would be the first on the paratroopers in provence, none exists yet. Look for example those on the Normandy, there are hundreds ... Without the discredited, they are also entitled to this honor, but also those in Provence. Thank you again.

Kind regards

ATTACK !

Loïc.

I was able to find a copy of the *Paratroopers Odyssey* recently on Amazon. It was a used copy but in good shape and was around 200.00.

#### tom rea (nephew of Lt. Thomas Leo Rea, HQ/2, KIA)

Note: I see a used copies of the paperback version 2004 reprint currently selling on both Amazon and eBay for \$125. There are discussions going on about selling some  $517^{th}$  items (books, shirts, coins, pins, decals) through the Association, to offset the costs of the Thunderbolt and other Association expenses. More info soon. – BB

Hello,

My uncle **Raymond Maroon** served in the 517th during WWII. I am looking for anyone who knew him. I am doing research for his children.

Thank you for any help.

#### Randy Couri

PFC Raymond P. Maroon was with <u>HQ Company</u>, 2<sup>nd</sup> Battalion. -- BB

#### Hi Randy,

We do know that he was with <u>HQ Company, 2<sup>nd</sup> Battalion</u>. And I did find one mention in a morning report from 01-Feb-1945. (attached)

Hq Co 2nd Bn PFC Maroon Raymond P Date: 1-Feb-1945 Code: A1 S/N: 36052272 Location: Stavelot, Belgium Notes: Fr ab sk NBC LD to trfd to 54th Repl Bn as of 30 Dec 44

And I did find his enlistment record from the NARA files: <u>http://aad.archives.gov/aad/record-</u> <u>detail.jsp?dt=893&mtch=1&cat=WR26&tf=F&sc=24994,24995,24996,24998,24997,24993,24981,24983</u> <u>&g=maroon+raymond&bc=,sl,fd&rpp=10&pg=1&rid=6282128</u>

I will post your request in the next MailCall newsletter, to see if anyone has any more info about **Raymond Maroon, HQ/2.** 

Bob Barrett

#### Darrell Egner new email address.

**Darrell Egner** new email address is: <u>bigdegner1@comcast.net</u>. (the change is the #1 added to the original email address)

Hello, I am **Sabra Champagne**, Darrell's daughter, he got out of prison (rehab) as he calls it March 28th. He will be busy with homecare and therapy coming to the house for a few weeks. He is happy to be back in his chair with his pipe and his afternoon toddy.

Thank you for all your thoughts, cards and prayers. "I am still kicking". He says barely, but he is really doing well.

Darrell

Webmaster,

#### RE: Merle W. McMorrow

Hello. My name is Tyler Fox. I am a 16 year old high school student and I love to study WWII history. For the past year I have been studying the 504th PIR and their attached units that make up the 504th RCT. I have been trying to contact as many troopers of the CT as possible. I have been very fortunate in talking with 9, many on a regular basis.

I am writing regarding Mr. McMorrow. Is there a way I can contact him. I would love to speak with him about his time with the 376th PFAB during occupation in Berlin. It would be such an honor, and any help you can offer me would be fantastic.

I would like to say thank you for running the site to honor our WWII paratroopers. They are true heroes, every one of them.

Regards, Tyler Fox Missouri

Hi Bob, Thank you so much for figuring out how to display Leo's biography. Gail and I had a problem with sending the pictures. You did a great job for Leo and our family. Sorry we were not better at presenting it for you.

I certainly enjoy the Mail Calls and see so many people we had contact with over the years. We made great friends but as we age it is coming down to our families to keep up the history. I am pleased that our French Friends are in contact with me.

Thanks again to all who have a part in getting the Mail Call out to us.

Best wishes to all,

#### Joyce Turco



#### Re: Palm Springs Report

#### From Allan Johnson:

We had a great time in Palm Springs at our recent reunion. We had eight veterans and many assorted family and friends. It is great to see that the Mini Reunions are still so strong, especially in a year that we don't have a national reunion.

The Palm Springs Rivera is an homage to Hollywood of old, styled beautifully with pixelated art; Marilyn Monroe's face is everywhere. Downtown, there is a huge statue of Monroe in the iconic white dress. Of course, we had to be photographed underneath it.

As usual, the **Frice women** organized a series of fun activities enjoyed by all. The ever-popular Follies were a hit and so was the tradition of a few token men learning to give ourselves facials with the ladies. Many people enjoyed the skyride up the mountain nearby; I might have to do that next year. Dinner at the local Elks Club, another tradition, was very enjoyable as always. The final banquet was excellent. Every year, I am impressed by the warm welcome of the staff at the hotel. They really go out of their way to make us feel at home.

Next year is our 70th anniversary. Make your plans now to join us in Kissimmee and Palm Springs. If you can travel to France, please plan on it this summer and next. And let me and **Lory Curtis** know if you'd make a trip to a national reunion next summer...maybe in New Orleans? Maybe somewhere else?

Airborne all the way !

#### K. Allan Johnson

### **On This Week in History – April 6, 1943**

"Congratulations on your acceptance into a combat organization. You have elected to enter an elite fighting corps, an Airborne Division. We can tolerate no weaklings..."

See the full letter of introduction from General W. Miley, Commanding Officer, 17<sup>th</sup> Airborne, Camp MacKall, NC:

17th Airborne Information and Compliance (pdf\*)



Major General William Miley





# **Carrying departed heroes to their last journey home**

March 26, 2013 7:27 PM By Chip Reid

(CBS News) ARLINGTON, Va. - Many of us can remember the image of President Kennedy's casket being carried to Arlington National Cemetery on a horse-drawn caisson 50 years ago this year. What you may not know is a similar honor is given every day to a select few military veterans in one of the most moving ceremonies we've ever seen.

It is a scene that has been repeated nearly 1,500 times a year since 1948.

Seven highly trained horses carry the remains of American heroes to their final resting place at Arlington National Cemetery.

"Every day coming into the cemetery," said Staff Sgt. John Ford, "you pause and you take stock and you remember why we do this and the losses that we suffered. There's a lot of pageantry in what we do here in Arlington, but it's both historical and it's respectful."

Ford, 32, served one tour in Afghanistan and three in Iraq. His best friend was killed in Baghdad in 2006. Now he is a squad leader with the Caisson Platoon of the Old Guard.



Staff Sgt. John Ford, who did tours in Afghanistan and Iraq, is a squad leader of the Caisson Platoon of the Old Guard.

Caissons are 2,500-pound wagons pulled by horses. During the Civil War, they were used to carry ammunition to the battlefield. Today, caissons are used to carry the remains of U.S. presidents and some -- but not all -- of the honored dead.

"We don't do funerals for every service member that passes," said Ford. "The caisson is for those that are killed in action, all officers and some senior non-commissioned officers receive caisson and army full-honors funeral.

The 53 soldiers of the Caisson Platoon excel at military precision. Their day begins at 4 a.m., grooming the horses, shining the saddles, and making sure the equipment and the horses perform flawlessly. No detail is too small.

"It really is for the departed and for the family members, and as a sign of respect for them that we do the best job we possibly can," said Ford.

The platoon conducts up to eight full honors funerals each day. On this day, they carried the remains of Army Sgt. Brian Walker, who was killed in action in Afghanistan.

As for the most rewarding part of the job, Ford said: "Being able to provide closure to family members as their loved one is laid to rest here at Arlington -- to be able to be a part of that, and to be able to offer the last measure of respect that the U.S. Army and our sister services can give to her departed heroes."

The ultimate sign of respect for those who made the ultimate sacrifice.

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See the video of this story:

http://www.cbsnews.com/8301-18563\_162-57576447/carrying-departed-heroes-to-their-last-journey-home/



### Camp Toccoa 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary



This Month marks the 70th anniversary of the activation of the 517th Parachute Infantry Regiment at Camp Toccoa, GA.

I have made arrangements with Brenda Carlin, the director of the Camp Toccoa/Currahee Museum to have a **517th Get-Together on Friday**, **May 31, and Saturday June 1st.** Everyone is invited to come. There is no registration,(because this is not a reunion), but please come and celebrate the activation of the 517th. I know our President, **Allan Johnson** is planning on attending along with many others I have spoken with.

As you know there is no National Reunion this year and our organization is having two great mini-reunions, one in Florida that was held in January, and the Palm Springs California Reunion this month Mar 11-15th. Thanks to all who are putting these reunions on, I know what that is like.



On the weekend of June 1, 2013, the Camp Toccoa/Currahee Museum will be hosting a D-Day fun run up and down Mount Currahee on Saturday morning.

(see <u>http://www.toccoahistory.com/2013 D Day Run form.pdf</u>) I'm not sure how much fun that will be, but I and Brenda are planning some fun activities for the 517<sup>th</sup> while we are there. Brenda has recommended that we stay at the Country Hearth Inn, 302 W Savannah St Toccoa, GA 30577 (706) 297-7799, or the Toccoa Inn and Suites, 106 Stephen Cir Toccoa, GA 30577, (706) 886-1048 <u>http://www.toccoainn.com/Home.html</u>

Brenda is expecting a large group to these events so I recommend making your motel reservations soon. I am excited to return to Camp Toccoa to see where our fathers trained. I hope to see you there Airborne All the Way!

### Lory Curtis, son of Bud Curtis, HQ, 1st BN

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### Military Humor



Rome, II Calends, April CCCLX

SUBJECT: Recommendation for Senate Medal of Honor

TO: Department of War, Republic of Rome

during the attack on the city by Lars Porsena of Clausium and his Tuscan Army of CMX men, Captain Horatius, with Sergeant Sporius Laritus and Corporal Julius Herminius, held the entire Tuscan army at the far end of the bridge, until the structure could be destroyed, thereby saving the city.

IV. Captain Horatius did valiantly fight and kill one Major Picus of Clausium in individual combat.

V. The exemplary courage and the outstanding leadership of Captain Horatius are in the highest tradition of the Roman Army.

JULIUS ANTINOUS, Commander, II Foot Legion Ist, Ind, AG IV Calends, April CCCLX

TO: G-III

For comment.

G.C. IInd Ind, G-III IX Calends, May CCC

TO: G-II

I. For comment and forwarding.

II. Change end of paragraph III from "saving the city" to "lessened the effectiveness of the enemy attack." The Roman Army was well dispersed tactically; the reserve has not been committed. The phrase as written might be construed to cast aspersions on our fine army.

III. Change paragraph V from "outstanding leadership" to read "commendable initiative." Captain Horatius's command was II men, only I/IV of a squad.

I. Recommend Caius Horatius, Captain of Foot, CMCMXIV, for the Senate Medal of Honor.

II. Captain Horatius has served XVI years, all honorable.

III. On the II day of March,

J.D. IIId Ind, G-II II Ides, June CCCLX

TO: G-I

I. Omit strength of Tuscan forces in paragraph III. This information is classified.

II. A report evaluated as B-II states that the officer was a Captain

Picus of Tifernum. Recommend change to "an officer of the enemy forces."

#### J.H.

IVth Ind, G-I IX Ides, January CCCLXI

TO: JAG

I. Full name is Caius Claudius Horatius.

II. Change service from XVI to XV years. One year in Romulus Chapter BPOE, has been given credit for military service in error.

#### E.J.

Vth Ind, JAG II, February CCCLXI

TO: AG

I. The Porsena raid was not during wartime; the temple of Janus was closed.

II. The action against the Porsena raid, ipso facto, was a police action.

III. The Senate Medal of Honor cannot be awarded in peacetime (AB/CVIII-XXV, paragraph XII, C).

IV. Suggest consideration for Soldier's Medal.

P.B.

VIth Ind, AF IV Calends, April CCCLXI

TO: G-I

Concur in paragraph IV, Vth Ind.

L.J.

VIIth Ind, G-I I May CCCLXI

TO: AG

Soldier's medal is given for saving lives; suggest star of bronze as appropriate.

E.J.

VIIIth Ind, JAG II Calends, June CCCLXI

TO: JAG

>For opinion.

G.C.

IXth Ind, JAG II Calends, September CCCLXI

I. XVIII months have elapsed since event described in basic letter. Star of bronze cannot be awarded after XV months have elapsed.

II. Officer is eligible for Papyrus Scroll with Metal Pendant.

P.B.

X Ind, AG I Calends, October CCCLXI

TO: G-I

For draft of citation for Papyrus Scroll with Metal Pendant.

P.B.

XI Ind, G-I III Calends, October CCCLXI

TO: G-II

I. Do not concur.

II. Our currently fine relations with Tuscany would suffer and current delicate negotiations might be jeopardized if publicity were given to Captain Horatius' actions at this time.



T.J.

XII Ind, G-II VI November CCCLXI

TO: G-I

A report rated D-IV, partially verified, states that Lars Porsena is very sensitive about the Horatius affair.

### E.T.

XIIIth Ind, G-I X November CCCLXI

TO: AG

I. In view of information contained in preceding XI and XIII the endorsements, you will prepare immediate orders of Captain C. C. Horatius to one of our overseas stations (remote).

II. His attention will be directed to paragraph XII, POM, which prohibits interviews or conversations with newsmen prior to arrival at final destination.

L.T.

Rome II Calends, I April CCCLXII

SUBJECT: Survey, Report of, Department of War

TO: Captain Caius Caius Horatius, III Legion, V Phalanx, APO XIX, C/O Postmaster, Rome.

I. Your statements concerning the loss of your shield and sword in the Tiber River of III March CCCLX have been carefully considered.

II. It is admitted that you were briefly in action against certain unfriendly elements on that day. However, Sergeant Lartius and Corporal Herminius were in the same action and did not lose any government property.

III. The Finance Officer has been directed to reduce your next pay by II-I/IV talents (I-III/IV talents cost on each sword, officers; III/IV talent cost of one each shield, M-II).

IV. You are enjoined and admonished to pay strict attention to conservation of government funds and property. The budget must be balanced next year.

H. MARCUS AURELIUS Lieutenant of Horse Survey Officer





### 517/460/596 Roster Review

**Help us update the roster!** Check your address and contact info on the new roster at <u>www.517prct.org/roster.pdf</u>. Send any corrections to <u>MailCall@517prct.org</u>.

Note that only people marked with a green **Y** will receive future Thunderbolt newsletters mailed to them in a paper version. But if you receive weekly MailCalls, you probably don't need to receive the paper copy since we will be posting all future Thunderbolts on the website and in future MailCalls. See: <u>Winter 2013</u> So, unless you've told me otherwise, everyone on MailCall has been marked "O" for Online, and will NOT receive a paper copy.

T-Bolt codes on the roster:

- **T** = Wants to receive paper Thunderbolt
- O = Can read online version
- D = Deceased
- N = No Thunderbolt
- **T** = Used to receive paper Thunderbolt in 2007 but have no recent contact
- ? = Unknown (Used to receive Thunderbolt sometime in the past)

### Administrivia

- If you miss any MailCalls, they are all available online at <u>http://www.517prct.org/mailcall/</u>
- At any time, if you want to be added or removed from the MailCall list, just let me know.
- Send any news, stories, or feedback to: <u>MailCall@517prct.org</u>
- If you send me email that you do not want included in MailCall, just label it as FYEO.
- I now understand how Ben could get confused about what he already posted and what he didn't. If I miss something, please just send it again.
- Donations for any programs involving the 517th should be sent to our new Association Treasurer: Identify the purpose of any donation (Annual Donations, In Memory of... etc.) and make all checks payable to:

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