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SUMMER ISSUE 1968

Here is the Summer issue of the Second Air Division Newsletter with a variety of news about last June's reunion, a letter from President John Jacobowitz, and some miscellaneous items. Here is the message from your President:

DEAR TROOPS,

Despite the lack of adequate publicity, the "restlessness of the natives", the problems of our large cities, the week-earlier-than-desired Reunion dates, the apathy of some of the members, etc., the 2nd AD 21st Annual Meeting was held at the Sheraton-Chicago Hotel, 14-16 June 1968. A total of sixty people registered not counting children; thirty-nine were in attendance at the Cocktail Party and fifty-six were served at the banquet. The facilities at the Sheraton-Chicago Hotel could have handled the entire membership easily and our hosts were most gracious. New faces were seen among the "regular attenders" and registration ranged from Norfolk and Sudbury, Massachusetts in the East to San Francisco, California in the West and from New Orleans, Louisiana in the South to St. Cloud, Minnesota in the North; also represented were the states of Illinois, Iowa, Maryland, Michigan, Missouri, New Jersey, New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania, South Dakota and Wisconsin. Old friendships were renewed and new friendships were begun by the attending members.

An item of import was brought up in regard to the time of the Reunion. This year's meeting had to be updated one week because of the Home Show in Chicago the following week which had been our desired time; all accommodations were sold out in Chicago for that time. It was decided that a poll of the membership would be taken for the site and time of the 1969 22nd Annual Meeting of the 2nd Air Division Association. I direct your attention to the enclosed stamped/addressed postcard which I ask you to please fill out and mail before 25 October 1969 so I can comply with the wishes of the members as closely as possible. The more cards I receive the more representative will be the poll. The Passaic, New Jersey area was suggested by Adam Soccio, the Gettysburg, Pennsylvania area by John Karoly and Dean Moyer and the Cocoa Beach, Florida area by John and Mary Leeds. Please fill out the cards and let me know your desires.

Best Wishes to all Members,

John M. Jacobowitz, M.D.
President, 2nd Air Division Assoc.

SECOND AIR DIVISION ASSOCIATION
SUMMARY OF MINUTES
21st ANNUAL MEETING, 15 JUNE 1968
1030 Hours, Sheraton-Chicago Hotel
Chicago, Illinois

The meeting was called to order by President John Jacobowitz.

In the absence of the secretary, Ray Strong, the minutes of last year's meeting were read by R. L. Pellican. One change was made. It concerns gifts to the Norwich Library, in memory of Percy Young, funded by small donations. In the face of heavy collections, small donations were redefined from "\$2 - \$3" to "\$1". The minutes were accepted as changed. Motion was made by John Karoly and passed.

Treasurer Report. In the absence of the Treasurer, Ray Hess, the Financial Statement was read by R. L. Pellican. It was accepted as read. Motion was made by Frederick H. Beard and passed.

Membership Report. In the absence of the membership vice president, Evelyn Cohen, a letter from her to Jordan Uttal was read by Jordan Uttal. Membership remains at about 600, but about 33% of the dues are delinquent. Delinquency is considered temporary, reflecting lack of news and late billing.

Old Business. A discussion of news and publicity included remarks upon the difficulty of producing newsletters, and of an announcement about our reunion in the May issue of the AIR RESERVIST magazine, a publication of 100,000 circulation.

Jordan Uttal described the range of plans available for organized flights to England, including 145 person charters, 70 person groups, and 15 person groups. After some discussion of times, destinations, and costs, was carried on without reaching agreement, the president asked Jordan Uttal to write several distinct proposals. He agreed to do this for publication in the form of questionnaires.

The status of the Percy Young Memorial Fund was described by its custodian, Jordan Uttal. In June 1967 donations were made in the amount of \$155. Donations of \$14 were added at the current meeting. Jordan will publish a paragraph on the subject in the Fall 1968 Newsletter.

Motion by John Karoly as follows:

"That our President, John M. Jacobowitz, M.D., write to the Board of Governors of the Memorial Trust of the 2nd Air Division, USAF, - c/o the clerk, Mr. F.R.D. Walters - requesting that there be added to the Board of Governors a member of the 2nd Air Division Association appointed by the Executive Committee of the 2nd Air Division Association every three years - and that the Chairmanship of the Library Book Committee, held by the late Percy Young be passed to this appointed individual."

It was announced by President John Jacobowitz that, if the Board of Governors agree to the above motion, the Executive Committee would appoint Jordan Uttal as our representative to the Board of Governors and Chairman of the Library Book Committee for the next three years.

The letter from Mr. F.R.D. Walter, Clerk to the Governors of the Memorial Trust of the 2nd Air Division, USAF, to Mr. Ray Strong, dated 17 May 1968 was read and made a part of these minutes with instructions that it was to be reported in the first newsletter.

President Jacobowitz announced with regret that Hathy Veynar had requested by telephone, earlier in the morning, that she be relieved of duties during the coming year for reasons of health. Expressions of gratitude for devoted efforts over past years were heard.

The nominating committee reported as follows:

President	John Jacobowitz
Vice President	Robert Pellican
Secretary and Vice President for Publicity	Ray Strong
Vice President for Membership	Evelyn Cohen
Treasurer	Ray Hess

A motion to record a unanimous vote for the slate was passed.

Motion by John Karoly that all members attending be declared official delegates. Passed.

Publicity. J. Carey described how small local newspapers' willingness to print squibs will spread information of the association. Adam Soccio described how he has been writing news of the 2nd to the American Legion and the Veterans of Foreign Wars for years.

Warren Alberts of United Airlines and new member Glen Tessmer of Northeast Airlines will endeavor to publicize the association through their company organs to a population rich in potential members. Charlie Mitzlaff will start a chain letter to members who attended the reunion and will need a copy of the registration lists.

The executive committee will prepare a list of places and times for next year's reunion, to be presented in the first newsletter for a vote choice by the membership.

Motion passed directing the Treasurer to send Evelyn Cohen \$100 for hard work during the past year.

Meeting adjourned at 1210 hours.

Following is a list of members who attended, most with wives, in the order in which they registered.

John Jacobowitz	466th	Three Rivers, Mich.
Jordan Uttal,	Hq.	Chicago, Ill.
James A. Martin	467th	Norfolk, Mass.
Robert Pellican	466th	Mt. Prospect, Ill.
Lowell Minch	389th	Patton, Mo.
Adam Soccio	467th	Garfield, N.J.
Kenneth Darney	467th	Baltimore, Md.
Howard Moore	Hq.	Chicago, Ill.
George Federlin	44th	Chicago, Ill.
Anthony Schlonski	445th	Saratoga, N.Y.
Lenard Ludwig	Hq.	Yankton, S.D.
John Karoly	Hq.	New Florence, Pa.
Joseph West	466th	Novato, Calif.
James R. Carey, Jr.	466th	Ossian, Iowa
Fred H. Beard	44th	Detroit, Mich.
Warren E. Alberts	93rd	Hinsdale, Ill.
Leo M. Koller	467th	Roseville, Ill.
Ben Weiner	466th	New Orleans, La.
Robert De Kerf	467th	Midlothian, Ill.
Glenn Tessmer	93rd	Sudbury, Mass.
Victor Berg	491st	Chicago, Ill.
Joseph Yandian	467th	Wayne, Mich.
Dean Moyer	Hq.	Evans City, Pa.
J. A. Risley	466th	Elgin, Ill.
Henry P. Lemmen	467th	Kalamazoo, Mich.
Charles Mintzloff	467th	Milwaukee, Wis.
Edward Goldsmith	467th	Skokie, Ill.
Harold E. Anderson	466th	St. Cloud, Minn.
Joe Arbaugh	466th	Zanesville, Ohio
George H. Parker	466th	Bloomington, Ill.
Raymond A. Betcher	467th	Lambertville, Mich.
John H. Blumenstock	466th	E. Lansing, Mich.
Charles W. Berdo	93rd	Washington, Iowa
Clemens Kowalczyk	93rd	Chicago, Ill.

Here is the latest financial statement:

Balance Carried Forward - 6/16/67	\$2,968.35
Deposits	<u>3,250.10</u>
	\$6,218.45

Check #149 Norwich Library	100.00
150 E. Cohen-salary	100.00
151 H. Veynar-salary	100.00
152 R. Strong-postage	25.00
153 American Memor. Trust	15.00
154 Turnpike Press	118.97
155 Sheraton Park Hotel	1,061.32
156 H. Dietz-annual rept.	2.00
157 J. Romano-printing	15.50
158 Mae Wolf	35.00
159 E. Cohen	50.00
160 R. Strong-postage	60.00
161 Triangle Press	57.17
162 Dolores Dodson	32.00
163 Triangle Press	39.50
164 Turnpike Press	83.30
165 J. Jacobowitz	23.48
166 R. Pelican	28.00
167 Sheraton-Chicago Hotel	900.23
168 Ray Strong	30.00
169 Ray Strong	6.00
170 Dolores Dodson	30.00
171 Triangle Press	<u>35.54</u>

	<u>\$2,948.01</u>
Balance on Hand - 8/26/68	<u>\$3,270.44</u>

Checks outstanding:
No. 149, dated July 3, 1967, for \$100.00 payable to Norwich Library

Following is quoted from a letter from Mr. F.R.D. Walter, Clerk to the Governors, The Memorial Trust of the 2nd Air Division, Castle Chambers, Opie Street, Norwich, Norfolk, England, dated May 17, 1968:

"The Members of the Association will be glad to know that in conjunction with the University of East Anglia the Memorial Trust were able to arrange an American Memorial Trust Lecture which was given at the University last Tuesday evening by a distinguished lecturer, Professor Arthur Schlesinger Jr. of the City University of New York, whose name is no doubt well known to you. The Lecture was an outstanding success and we were able to arrange for publicity in our local newspaper and in the National Press and on Television. We have been working for months on the arrangements for this Lecture and we were all delighted that it turned out to be so successful.

The present Chairman of the Governors, Mr. R.Q. Gurney, desires to be associated with me in sending you all our warmest wishes for the success of the Reunion. Please remember me very kindly to all my great "friends and buddies" whom I met not only in Norwich in June 1963 but also at the Reunion in Washington D. C. in June 1965."



Since we have had several inquiries about making contributions to the Norwich Library and the Memorial Trust, we are reprinting the letter which was first included with the memorial brochure about five years ago.

Here are a few items of interest---Lt. Gen. George S. Brown is now Commander of the Seventh Air Force in Vietnam and Thailand---Women in Community Service (WICS) Executive Director is Mary A. Hallaren, former WAC who led the first battalion of U.S. women to England for wartime service. --Death of Charles E. Sorenson reported. He was designer of the factory at Willow Run that produced the B-24 Liberator bombers. - The Association has been given a large collection of photographs and several cans of film clips. This material was the property of Lt. Col. Edwin Reed of the 2AD Photo Section. Ed, now deceased, would be pleased to know that this material has been seen by many members and will be a feature available at all reunions. This material was given to us by Lt. Col. and Mrs. Edwin Reed, Jr. who, after service in Vietnam, are now stationed at Clark AFB in the Phillipines.

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The Memorial Trust of the Second Air Division U.S.A.F., and the Norwich Public Libraries Committee have received many inquiries from friends who wish to present books to the American Memorial Library. It has therefore been suggested by the Founders that a memorandum should be circulated on the subject.

The American Memorial books fall into two categories:

- (1) books specifically about the United States, e.g. history, biography, geography and travel, politics, education, art, literature, natural history, etc. These books dealing with various aspects of American life are normally shelved in the American Memorial Room;
- (2) books published in the United States, but not dealing with a specifically American subject, e.g. general engineering, science, technology, world history, etc. These books are shelved in the appropriate department of the library, together with other books on similar subjects.

The Governors are anxious to avoid donors presenting duplicate copies of books which may already be in the library or which other donors may be in the process of purchasing, and suggest that you may therefore wish to follow one of the following procedures:

- (a) If you would like us to purchase a book on your behalf, please send to the City Librarian, Central Library, Bethel Street, Norwich, Norfolk, NOR 57E, England, a cheque or money order made out to the American Memorial Trust and we will notify you as to the title purchased with your gift. An inscribed bookplate will be placed in the book, giving your name and that of any person in whose memory you have given the book.
- (b) If you would prefer to purchase a book yourself, the Librarian will send you a suggested title, on knowing the approximate price which you have in mind. We prefer to send one suggested title only, rather than a choice of titles, as if we send a similar choice of titles to several donors, difficulties about duplicate copies may again arise.
- (c) If you already have a title in mind, it will be appreciated if you will first let the Librarian know the title before you purchase it, in case we already have a copy in the collection.
- (d) Alternatively, you could if you wished to, give a sum of money for investment in the funds of the Trust in commemoration of one of the Fallen. This will help to augment the annual sum spent on the purchase of American books and periodicals. Donations should be sent to The Chairman, The Memorial Trust of the Second Air Division, U.S.A.F., Castle Chambers, Opie Street, Norwich, Norfolk, NOR 35E, England.

May we take this opportunity of expressing our gratitude to those who are already showing their interest in the American Memorial Collection in this very practical way.



Chairman
Norwich Libraries Committee



Chairman
The Memorial Trust of the Second Air Division U.S.A.F.



The above photographs used as space fillers. We hope to use pictures in all of our newsletters. There are some good ones from the Edwin Reed collection which we know you will want to see. The picture of General Kepner and General Hodges, the two wartime commanders of the Second Air Division, was taken in the Division Photo Lab. at Ketteringham Hall.

Send in the enclosed post card at once so that plans for the 1969 reunion can be completed.

44th B. G.—93rd B. G.—389th B. G.—392nd B. G.—445th B. G.—446th B. G.—448th B. G.—453rd B. G.— 458th B. G.—466th B. G.—467th B. G.—489th B. G.—
491st B. G.—492nd B. G.—4th F. G.—56th F. G. 355th F. G. and SCOUTING FORCE—361st F. G.—479th F. G.—OTHER GPS AND ATTACHED UNITS