

AIRPORT QUALITY INN MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN BOOK II

658 REUNION AUGUST 15,16 17,1990 MILWAUKEE,WISCONSIN AIRPORT QUALITY INN

WEDNESDAY 15th

Arrive hotel; check into your room.

1330 Hours: Sign in at 658 Headquarters and pick up reunion packet.

Informal meetings in registration room

Dinner on your own with old friends.

1900 Hours: Informal but important meeting back in the registration room. All invited.

THURSDAY 16th

Free Continental Breakfast or restaurant on own.

0900 Hours: Meet in registration room bringing all your old Army pictures, war souvenirs and anything else to share with others.

Lunch on your own.

1330 Hours: Load bus for Miller's Brewery.

Dinner on your own.

1990 Hours:

SOCIAL HOUR Registration Room. Music for dancing and drinking.

FRIDAY 17th.

Free Continental Breakfast or restaurant on own.

0920 Hours: Load bus for shopping trip. Will return to hotel at 1530 hours. All others will meet in registration room to browse through all the goodies on display.

1800 Hours: "ATTITUDE ADJUSTMENT TIME" will be

in the dining room.

1900 Hours: DINNER.

SATURDAY 18th
MEET IN LOBBY FOR COFFEE, SMALL TALK AND TO BID
ALL FAREWELL -- GOD BLESS AND SAFE JOURNEY

REUNION 1990

Welcome to our second 658th Amphibious Tractor Battalion Reunion!!

It is with great satisfaction that we greet each of you here for this reunion and we do miss all of you that were unable to attend for various reasons. We all wish you well and do hope to see you at a future reunion.

I am very proud to report that we now have in excess of 190 names and addresses on our mailing list but the sad news is that we also have in excess of 1.75 names on our deceased list. This year alone I have received notice of 5 of our 658'ers passing away.

Thanks to all of you that took the time to try to locate some of our missing 658'ers. A very special thanks to MAX WALTER for the time and energy spent in locating 15 men with current addresses. NORB ROSYNEK personally drove to the old addresses and asked about the person as well as stopping on his way to Florida looking up names. ANDY NOWICKI also has been doing a fine job with many new names and addresses. All I can say is "THANK YOU ALL" for your help. If it were not for this kind of dedication we may never have had any reunion.

This year has been a very busy and exciting one for me trying to operate the 658 Office. I have mailed about 1500 letters and over 350 post cards as well as answering over 100 letters wanting some information. I also am helping two other men who are starting reunions of their old units.

All the 658 information is now on the computer; names, addresses and such but now I must learn how to get it back as I need it.

As you will see further into this book, our Association is growing slowly but surely. Some of you have sent money in several times and some of you have sent in much more than the \$20.00. We still have many of you yet to join. Please join so that you can be part of those to share in the expense of mailing and locating our men.

A special thanks to 1st Sgt. Larry Woods for his very generous donation of \$1,000.00 to the Association. Larry, THANK YOU FROM ALL OF US!!!!!

It is hard to find words to thank JIM DOLETZKY for all of our fine stationary, envelopes and most all of our printing. Jim, we all thank you very much. Jim also paid all postage and shipping cost to get the material to me. What a wonderful thing for our association.

Without the help I have received from so many of you we would never have progressed as we have.

THANKS TO EACH ONE OF YOU FROM EACH ONE OF US!!!!

We are all here to enjoy and renew old friendships so let us all have a good time and keep the Association alive and well.

Ehmer

89' REUNION VIBES

"Want to thank you and Betty for the great reunion - all you'r hard work showed by the wonderful turnout. We enjoyed everyone so much and made up our minds that we will not miss any future reunions"

"Just a short note to thank you and Betty for a wonderful reunion!"

"Received the video tape this week and it's great. Also want to thank you and command you again on the great job you did organizing the reunion"

"I wanted to thank you for the great work you did for the reunion of the 658. It was the smoothest i've ever attended. It was good to renew old ties and to talk with others I never knew. I'm thankful that we're still alive and are still friends."

"Just a short note to let you know we arrived home tired but thankful we were able to attend the 658 reunion. The blue book is great - I'm interested to know how you can improve anything in 1990. Keep up the good work Elmer, I'll try to help and get you the names and addresses."

"Thank you so much for the book on the 658, I know I won't be at the next get to gether. I have been sick for 25 years with Emphysema, nearly blind and cant travel without my oxygen. Please keep up the good work, enclosed is a check for \$25.00, thank you."

"Thank you so much for the wonderful time we had at the 658 reunion. It's wounderful to meet and share some time with the men that were a part of Nick's young life. I walked in as a stranger but left knowing so many people, that God willing, we are looking forward to next years reunion. Take care, God bless you and Betty. Every thing was just fine."

"You'r time and efforts put forth to organize such an excellent reunion must have great rewards for you both. I'm pleased to have you two as friends and want to again thank you both very much. We are setting aside the same week each year so we can attend all future reunions."

"Once again I would like to thank you and you'r wife Betty for a job well done on this past reunion. It was a tremendous undertaking and a great success. Hope to see you next year for an even greater one."

"Had such a great time at the 658 reunion. Have written many letters and am trying to gather the officers names and addresses for you. Say hello and thanks to the misses and hope to see you both at the reunion in 1990,"

This is the sort of things that made one want to continue with this project, the heart felt thanks that some of you expressed. Thank you all for all you'r help with names and addresses, with out that kind of help we could not have had such a successful reunion.

WORTH NOTING; You can't turn back the clock, but you can wind it up again.

Never let yesterday use up today

Elmer



658TH AMPHIBIOUS TRACTOR BATTALION ASSOCIATION

On behalf of the President and the United States Army, it is a pleasure to congratulate you on the occasion of your annual reunion.

You have reason to be proud of your military career; your individual involvement and dedication to duty; and above all, your continuing contributions to your association. Your participation during World War II is an example of the professionalism, patriotism and devotion.

As you gather for this special gathering, I wish you the best for a most memorable and successful event.

CHARLES W. MCCLAIN, JR. Brigadier General, U. S. Army

Chief of Public Affairs

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MESSAGE

It is my pleasure to greet and congratulate the World War II 658 Amphibious Tractor intalion, US Army on the occasion of your teunion on August 16 - 18, 1990 in Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Service to one's country at the risk of one's life, is the ultimate in patriotism. We who live in these times of peace enjoying the ilessings of democracy, are grateful to you who tisked life and limb in the perils of combat to defend our nation. Truly, you deserve the respect of the entire world for your valor and heroism against overwhelming odds.

I send every good wish for the success of your endeavors!

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Manila, Philippines
June 5, 1990



THE CHIEF LISTENS.

C. Marshall, Chief lowdown on Garaa surprise visit Calif.
was on final tour of nation's camps
before



YOUR FLAG

Hello. Remember me? Some people call me OLD GLORY, others call me the STARS SPANGLED BANNER, but whatever they call me, I am your flag, the flag of the UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

Something has been bothering me, so I thought I might talk it over with you---because it is about you and me.

I remember some time ago, people would line up on both sides of the street to watch the parade, and naturally I was leading every one, proudly waving in the breeze.

When your daddy saw me comming, he immediately removed his hat and placed it against his left shoulder so that his hand was directly over his heart--remember?

And you, I remember, were standing there, straight as a soldier. You didn't have a hat, but you were giving the right salute.Remember your little sister? Not to be out done, she was saluting the same as you with her right hand over her heart----Remember?

What happened ? I'm still the same old flag. Oh, I've added a few more stars since you were a boy, and a lot more blood has been shed since those parades of long ago. But now I don't feel as proud as I used to feel. When I come down your street, you just stand there with your hands in your pockets. You may give me a small glance, and then you look away. I see children running around you shouting; they don't seem to know who I am.

I saw one mam take his hat off, then he looked around, and when he didn't see anyone else take off his hat, he quickly put his on again.

Is it a sin to be patriotic today? Have you forgotten what I stand for and where I have been? Anzio, Guadacanal, Philippines, Korea and Vietnam!

Take a look at the memorial honor rolls, and see the names of those patriotic Americans who gave thier lives to keep this republic free. When you salute ME, you are actually saluting THEM.

Well it wont be long untill I'll be comming down you'r street again. So when you see me, please stand straight and place you'r hand over you'r heart, and I'll know that you remembered. I'll salute you by waving back!

OLD GLORY MAY BE ONLY A PIECE OF CLOTH, BUT SHE'S OURS!

To keep faith with those who fought and died, we the living will continue to strive for the security of our nation and the preservation of the republic.

GENERAL ORDERS #1 ACTIVATION OF 658 T.D. BN.

- 10 April 43 Form 658 T.D. Bn. Camp Bowie, Texas
- 13 April 43 Cadre from 605 T.D. Bn.
- 14 April 43 Battalion Commander, Major Brownell, gave the welcoming and introductory lecture.
- 15 May 43 Battalion moved out of Camp Bowie into bivouac area to await movement order to North Camp Hood. (I'm sure you all remember hand picking cow droppings before dinner and we had no water.)
- 16 May 43 Moved to bivouac area at North Camp Hood.
- 31 May 43 Moved into new North Camp Hood, Texas.
- 30 June 43 Moved to Camp Hood proper. At that time we had 36 officers, 1 warrant officer and 745 enlisted men.
- 11 Aug. 43 Started firing all types of guns. 22 cal. 30 cal. 45 cal. and 50 cal.
- 5 Sept. 43 Left Camp for battle conditioning course #3
- 11 Sept. 43 Returned to Camp Hood
- 20 Sept. 43 Started eighth week of T.D. unit training.
- 3 Nov. 43 Stone, Eugene and Bowlsby, Samuel were killed by an explosion of 85 pounds of 40% T.N.T.
- 3 Dec. 43 First 14 day furloughs to 15% of enlisted men.
- 30 Dec 43 3 day re fresher course in battle conditioning Course #2.
- 2 Feb. 44 Battalion inspected by Major General Hester, Commanding General Tank Destroyer Center, Camp Hood, Texas.
- 17 March 44 Battalion watched air bombing demonstration by P-40's P-39's, A-20's, and B25's.
- 3 April 44 Orders for permanent change of station to Fort Ord, California.

 Departed Camp Hood at 1200 hours.
- 6 April 44 Arrived at Fort Ord at 0730 hours.
- 10 April 44 Battalion celebrated 1st Anniversary of activation.
- 15 April 44 Fort Ord, Ca.: 658 Tank Destroyer Battalion converted to 658 Amphibian Tractor Battalion. Strength: 50 officers, 1 warrant officer, 607 enlisted men.

 Reconnaissance Company disbanded.
- 27 April 44 Lt. Gen. McNair inspected battalion in training. Strength: 43 officers and 513 enlisted men.
- 10 May 44 Officers and enlisted men threw live hand grenades and went through chlorine gas chamber and the night infiltration course.

"C" Company de-activated and battalion reorganized. The new 658 Amph. Tr. Bn. consists of "Headquarters Company" and "A" Company and "B" Company. We then were assigned to the 18th Armoured group from the 13th Armoured group.		23 Nov. 44	Thanksgiving Dinner – Weather: Hot	
		7 Dec. 44	Depart New Britain at 1730 hours on LST Numbers 267, 272, 1813 610 and LSD #6 Destination: Unknown. Weather: Storym, Sea: Rough	
Strength: 45 officers, 1 warrant officer and 529 enlisted men.			Morale: Excellent.	
Col. Brownell, Commander transferred to better command and		9 Dec. 44	Anchored off of Manus Island, Admiralty group at 1500 hours,	
		15 Dec. 44	Departed Manus Island at 0700 hours.	
Battalion received movement orders from war department, Washington, D. C. to move to San Francisco, port of embarkation.	4	18 Dec. 44	Arrived Huen Gulf, New Guinea at 0630 hours for practice landings.	
		25 Dec. 44	Christmas Day Church Services aboard ship and then army style Christmas dinner.	
Usual garrison duties plus preparation for overseas movement. Battalion strength: 20 officers, 2 warrant officers and 840	÷	27 Dec. 44	Board LST's: Depart Manus Islands at 1530 hours.	
enlisted men.		9 Jan. 45	Battalion participated in invasion of Luzon. "A" Co. attached to 160th Regimental Combat Team, "B" Company attached to 185th Regimental Combat Team. These two companies formed the first, second and third assault waves. "A" Company landing on Green Beach at 930 hours, "B" Company landing on Orange Beach, also at 0930 hours. Battalion continued to carry troops and supplies	
Battalion left Fort Ord at 1020 hours and arrived at Camp Stoneman, Pittsburg, CA at 1720 hours.				
Battalion completed staging area processing. Morale excellent				
Battalion departed from Camp Stoneman, CA at 1330 hours and boarded			to infantry and artillery on the front lines.	
"S.S. CATALINA" at 1430 hours for San Francisco P.O.E. Arrived 1830 hours. Boarded United States Army Transport "MORMACSEA" at 1830 hours.		13 Jan. 45	Battalion LVT's back to motor perk for maintenance. Lost 4 LVT's Injuries: Sgt. Elmer Hallen, 36655281, feet wounds 1–9–45; S. Sgt. Louis Mizelle 13033334 crushed foot while working on	
Left San Francisco P.O.E. at 0830 hours enrouts overseas. Battalion strength: 19 officers, 1 warrant officer and 479 enlisted men. Weather warm. Sea, calm; morale, excellent.			Amphibian tractor.	
		17 Jan. 45	Battalion moved to Port Sual for operations with base mike. Unloading ships till 1 Feb 45.	
Crossed equator at 1300 hours - Participated in appropriate ceremonies aboard ship.		7 Feb. 45	Battalion moved to SanFabian to unload supplies and ammunition off of White Beach.	
Lost a day due to crossing international date line.		11 Feb. 45	"A" Company moved to Mindoro, P.I.	
Anchored at "Empress of Augusta Bay, Bougainville Island".		12 Feb. 45	Aboard LST's Company "A" left Lingayen Gulf, Luzon at 1800 hours.	
Left Bougainville at 1330 hors.		14 Feb. 45	Company "A" arrived at San Jose, Mondoro at 1630 hours.	
Anchored off of Munda Air Strip, New Georgia Island at 0800 hours.	4	21 Feb. 45	Battalion, less "A" Co. embarked at 1100 hours on LST's.	
Left New Georgia Island at 1500 hours.				
Anchored at Finschhaven, New Guinea at 0600 hours.	:	28 Feb. 45	"A" Company landed assault troops at White Beaches 1, 2 & 3 Puerto Princessa, Palawan, P.I	
Debarked ship at 1800 hours and moved to Camp Madison, Finschaven, New Guinea. Weather: Rainy; Morale??		8 March 45	Company "B" departed San Jose, Mondoro at 0745 hours.	
Reboarded Mormasae - Stormy weather		10 March 45	1st Platoon, "B" Company landed assault troops at Zamboanga, Mindanao, P.I. on Red Beach #2 at 0915 hours. 2nd Platoon "B"	
Left New Guinea at 0800 enroute to Cape Glouster, New Britain.			company landed on Yellow Beach. 3rd Platoon "B" Company landed half on Red Beach and half on Yellow Beach. T-5 Dudley Oliver	
Debarked ship at 1100 hours. Moved to bivouac area by motor convoy. Driving on left side of roads created some excitment for some of us.			36591812 wounded in head and leg, Cpl. Robert Smith 36592044 shrapnel wounds in neck and leg, Sgt. Elmer Hallen 36655281 shrapnel wound in arm. All evacuated to 12th Portable Surgical unit.	
Attached to 40th Division, 8th Army				
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15 March 45	Company "B" less 1st Platoon ordered to Leyte, P.I. for operations with Americal Division APO 716 by 8th Army, Commanding General. Battalion less "A" and "B" Companies departed San Jose, Mindoro at 0800 hours for permanent change of station. Disembarded 17 March 45 at Zamboanga, Mindanao, P.I. 1100 hours.		18 April 45	All companies went in small groups to reconnoiter the many small islands around the Parang, Mindanao, P.I. area.
			20 April 45	"B" Company landed the 132nd Infantry Division on Davao, Cebu at 0700 hours.
18 March 45	"A" Company less 2nd Platoon disembarded from LST 667 at 0850 hours. Landed assault troops of 185th Regimental Combat team at Tigbauan, Panay.		21 April 45	Battalion less "B" Company engaged in security of roads, bridges and city in the Cotabato area.
22 March 45	ch 45 Battalion overseas 6 months. Company "B" less 1st Platoon arrived off Dulag, Leyte at 2330 hours.		23 April 45	"B" Company moved to Danao City for reconnaissance with 3rd Battalion, 132nd Infantry Division.
23 March 45	Practice landings at Hinuanangan Bay Leyte at 1700 hours. Weather: Rainy; Sea: Choppy; Morale: Very cool.		26 April 45	Battalion less "B" Company unloaded supplies at Cotabato, Mindanao, P.I.
24 March 45	Battalion headquarters and service company moved to Mindoro, P.I.	٠	30 April 45	Battalion strength: 18 officers, 2 Warrant Officers and 436 enlisted men.
26 March 45	by first available shipping. Urgently needed for further operations. "8" Company less 1st Platoon landed assault troops of the 132 and 182 Regimental Combat Teams on Talisay, Cebu at 0830 hours S. Sgt. Warren Lewis, 20366671 killed in Action. Cpl. John Zurynetz, 32919992, killed in action. T5 Wilfred Martell, 36591823 wounded in action. "8" Company less 1st Platoon landed assault tropps on Cauit. P.I.		7 May 45	"B" Company landed assault troops of the 108th Combat team of the 40th Division on Ormoc, Leyte in practice landing.
20 / 12/01/ 12			10 May 45	"B" Company landed assault troops of the 108th Combat team, 40th Division on Agusan Mindanao at 0800 hours.
27 March 45			19 May 45	"A" Company releived of duty with 532nd Engineer boat and shore regiment at Puerto Princessa, Palawan, P.I.
Z/ FRICH 45	at 1400 hours.		3 June 45	"B" Company detailed to bridge guard along Sayre Highway - Maluka.
28 March 34	"B" Company landed assault troops of the 132nd infantry on Mactan, P.I. at 1200 hours.		14 June 45	Mindanao.
29 March 45	"A" Company landed assault troops of the 185th Regimental Combat Team on Blue Beach Palau Pandan, Negros, P.I. at 0925 hours.		14 June 4)	Parang, Mindanao, P.I., Cpt. Russell Anderson, 37584618, Company "A" seriously injured as a result of accidental .45 calibre gunshot wound in left side.
	Also transported troops overland to Bacalod Air Field.		15 June 45	Russell Anderson passed away at 0749 hours.
30 March 45	T s ClarenceBurton, 36591986, killed by enemy sniper fire. T5 Henry Rynicki, 36591717 wounded by enemy sniper fire at Talisay, Cebu, P.I.		21 June 45	T. Sgt. Harry Lester, Headquarters Service Company presented soldiers medal for heroism at Lingayen Gulf, Luzon, P.I.
31 March 45	San Jose, Mindoro, P.I. Battalion strength: 19 officers, 2 warrant officers, and 440 enlisted men.		1 July 45	Parang, Mindanaoa, P.I. Following named officers and enlisted men relieved of assignment to this battalion for return to USA. Capt. Charles Holloway, Lt. Eugene Garibaldi, Master Sgt. Raymond
2 April 45	1st Platoon of "B" Company landed at Tawi – Tawi at 0830 hours. Landing successful despite high seas and inadequate beach.	4		Kline, 1st. Sgt. Paul Taylor, T. Sgt. Charles Beckwith, Sgt. Lester Brown, T5 Jerry De Poyster, T5 William Flickenger, T5 David Kelly, Pvt. Carl Anderson and Pvt. Robert Porter.
9 April 45	1st Platoon "B" Company landed assault troops of the 41st Div. on Jolo Island, P.I. at 0925 hours.	,	2 July 45	Battalion less "8" Company left Iloilo, Panay, arrived at Tigbauan, Panay at 1000 hours.
10 April 45	$^{\prime\prime}\text{A}^{\prime\prime}$ and $^{\prime\prime}\text{B}^{\prime\prime}$ Companies participated in practice landings at San Jose, Mindoro, P.I.	•	9 July 45	Major Fred Rathke was awarded the Bronze Star medal for Meritorious Achievement in military operations against the enemy at Mindanao, P.I. during the period 10 April 45 to 1 July 45.
17 April 45	Landed assault troops of the 19th Regimental Combat Team, 24th Infantry Division at Parang, Mindanao, P.I. 3 LVT's took elemnents of 24th Division to reconnoiter beach area north of Parang to Tugaparigan Point. 5 LVT's took other elements of 24th Division to reconnoiter beach area south of Parang at Poilac, Maugabato Point, Bansilan Point, mouth of Libluyan River, Sinuay River, North Branch of Mindanao River to Panalesan Point.		17 July 45	Soldiers medal presented to Sgt. Lawrence Wood for heroism at Lingayen Gulf, Luzon, P.I.
			30 July 45	Iloilo, Panay, P.I. Company "B" held company party at Casino Espanol,
			9 Aug 45	Engola Gay dropped "A" Bomb on Japan proper.

14 Aug. 45 First news of acceptance of peace terms by Japanese received. 16 Aug. 45 All landing exercises called off. 21 Aug. 45 15 Dudley Oliver of headquarters and service company presented purple heart for wounds received in action at Zamboanga, Mindanao, P.I.. March 10, 1945. 2 Sept. 45 V-J DAY Iloilo, Panay, P.I.: Battalion assumed control of Japanese prisoner 7 Sept. 45 of war camp at Santa Barbara stockade. 22 Sept. 45 Battalion held party in celebration of First Anniversary overseas at the Villa Beach Club. S. Sgt. Orvis Stephens of Headquarters and Service Company awarded the Bronze Star from Parang, Mindanao and S. Sqt. Theodore Zaborowski Headquarters and Service Company also awarded Bronze Star from Zamboanda, Mindanao, P.I. 25 Sept. 45 Camp duties and maintenance of vehicles. 18 0 ct. 45 Bronze Star medals presented to S. Sqt. Eugene Anderson. T. Sqt. Harry Lester, T3 Walter Yeager, T4 Stephen Sanders, All from Headquarters and Service Company. 19 Oct. 45 Major Thomas Leitch assumes command of battalion. The following men from headquarters were awarded Bronze Stars: T4 Charles Orton, S. Sqt. Ray Kreager and T4 William Williamson. 20 Oct. 45 Capt. Daniel Ladd awarded Silver Star, S. Sqt. David Bitter awarded Bronze Star, PFC Joel Skinner and T5 Joseph Giorno awarded Bronze Stars. 21 Oct. 45 "B" Company (First Platoon) held party at the "Villa Beach Club" Party became rowdy and was closed down at 2345 hours. Battalion relieved of control of Japanese prisoner of war came at 2 Nov. 45 Iloilo, Panay, P.I. Bronze Stars presented to S. Sft. Albert Basl and T4 Wesley Smith 3 Nov. 45 from Headquaarters and Service Company. Iloilo. Panay: "A" Company participated in parade to celebrate 15 Nov. 45 18th Anniversary of the Phillippine Commonwealth. 16-27 Nov 45 Usual camp duties plus preparations for movement to Leyte Island. 30 Nov 45 Battalion disembarded at Telegrafo, Leyte, P.I. Telegrafo, Leyte, P.I. battalion engaged in preparation for movement

to the United States under readjustment regulations.

and T4 Joseph Karpinski of Headquarters Company

Bronze Star Medals presented to S. Sqt. Robert Davis, Company "A"

10 Dec. 45

24 Dec. 45

- Battalion embarked on U.S.S. Albemarle, United States Sea Plane Tender. 27 Dec 45 Departed Leyte at 1500 hours. Weather: Fair, Sea: Rough, Morale: Excellent.
- 13 Jan 46 Ship arrived San Francisco, California, Port of Embarkation at 0755 hours. Troops moved via ferry to Camp Stoneman at 1730 hours for processing pending shipment to individual seperation centers.
- 15 Jan 46 Battalion deactivated, letter dated 13 January 1945.

Thomas Leitch Alfred Morin 2nd Lt. Infantry Major, F.A. Historian Commanding Abbreviated history compiled by Elmer Hallen Copy of history courtesy of Major Fred Baumberger

TANK BATTALIONS OF THE US ARMY.

658th AMPHIBIAN TRACTOR BATTALION

Constituted 19 February 1943 in the Army of the United States as the 658th Tank Destroyer Battalion, Activated 10 April 1943 at Camp Bowie, Texas. Converted and redesignated 15 April 1944 as the 658th Amphibian Tractor Battalion, Inactivated 13 January 1946 at Camp Stoneman. California, Redesignated 827th Amphibian Tractor Battalion, 20 January 1947.

CAMPAIGN STREAMERS

World War II Leyte (with arrowhead) Sismarck Archipelago Southern Philippines Luzon (with arrowhead)

DECORATIONS

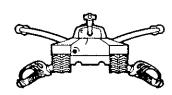
Philippine Presidential Unit Citation, Streamer embroidered 17 OCTOBER 1944 TO 4 JULY 1945 (658th Amph Tractor Bn cited, DA GO 47, 1950)

COAT OF ARMS

None

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26 December 1945

MEMORANDUM

TO: Company Commanders

- - a. Wednasday 26 December 1945

DUTY Officers move to Bn Hq Close Officers Shower Close Hq Co Latrine Wash Down Trucks	UNIT All O's Co B Hq Co	TIME 1400 1600 1800
(except trash trucks) Police Area Issue individual	Hq Co All Co	1800 1830
Movement Orders ALL EM pack complete except Blankets, Toilet	All Co	1900
Articles, Mess Gear Assing personnel to trucks Oil Latrines (25 Gal)	All Co All Co Co A &	2000 2100
	Co B	1900

b. Thursday 27 December 1945

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	<u>duty</u>	UNIT	TIME
	Reveille	A II Č o	0350
	Breakfast	All Co	0400
	Trash truck pick up		- 14-4
	garbage and trash	Co B	0515
	Load Cots; Co A, Hq Co,		
	Co B	All Co	0530
	Clean up mess hall	K P's	0530
	Police Call	All Co	0545
	Close Officers Latrine	Ha Co	0600
	Load all additional	·	
	kitchen equipment	K P's	0615
	Move men to entrucking		
	points by truck groups		
	check passenger list	All Co	0630
	Sick Call	All Co	On board ship

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ALL OF US PASS THIS WAY BUT ONCE, WE ARE BORN, WE LIVE, AND WE PASS ON. SUCH IS THE STORY OF LIFE. MAY THEIR SOULS REST IN PEACE

SZAKAL, JOHN

TEBBE, LaVERNE

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UP FRONT...With Bill Mauldin



"Just gimme th' aspirin. I already got a Purple Heart."

UP FRONT . . . With Bill Mauldin



"Why the hell couldn't you have been born a beautiful woman?"







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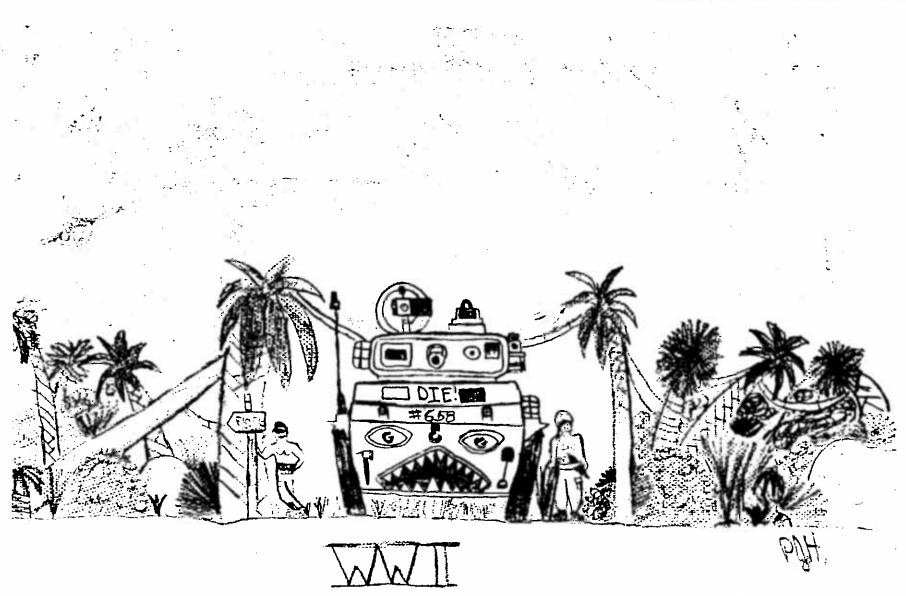
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