

SECOND AIR DIVISION ASSOCIATION

25 January 1950

At long last here is the report to the membership of the big (and I do mean big!) reunion staged at the Sherman Hotel in Chicago last October 14, 15, and 16. If you are in doubt as to whether everyone had a jolly good time, just ask anyone on the following list -- they were present.

William Browne	Ray Hess	Jim Reeves
Henry (smiley) Brandt	Maj Gen Kepner	Bill (Buddy) Russell
Dr. Harry Carver	Clem Kowalczyk	Chappie Seward
Harry Cody	William F. Lucke	Ray Strong
John Cunningham	Lenard Ludwig	Dick Thigpen
Henry Dietch	Doris Lundgren	Jordan Uttal
Marilyn Fritz	Hal McCormick	Mike Vydarney
Ken Gregson	H. W. (Howie) Moore	Percy Young
Jackson Hall	Ray Pettigrew	Charlie Salisbury
Larry Hawkins	Marvin (Bob) Roberts	

And most of these characters brought their better halves.

The WAC's were having a reunion at the same time over at the Palmer House and we were honored to have them join us at the cocktail party on Friday night and at the dance on Saturday night. Wish I had a list of those who were there so I could give you their names along with a few EM's who showed up also. By the way, you will note in the By-Laws (see page 4), as adopted at the business meeting, that WAC's, EM's, and anyone attached or assigned to any unit of the Second Air Division are eligible for membership by expressing a desire to become a member. If you know of anyone who might be interested in our annual wing-ding and in hearing about members of the old gang, please pass the word along to them. Our mailing lists, at the present time, are far from complete.

At the business meeting, the following officers were elected for the coming year:

Honorary President	- Major General W. E. Kepner
President	- The Reverend Father Edward J. Seward
Vice Presidents	- John J. Cunningham
	- Marilyn Fritz
	- Harold McCormick
	- William L. Burns
Secretary	- Raymond E. Strong
Treasurer	- A. F. Marsh

The Executive Board, as appointed by the President, will consist of Chappie Seward, John Cunningham, Marilyn Fritz, Hal McCormick, William L. Burns, Ray Strong, Fen Marsh, Harriet Fau, and Hal Horner.

A motion was made and passed that the date of the next reunion be held the 2nd or 3rd week-end in October 1950 - the specific date to be decided by the President and announced to the membership at a later date. Well, it appears that it is now a later date, so, be it known that the specific dates are October 20, 21, & 22. We hope that everyone will mark these dates on their calendar and plan to be present.

A motion was also passed that the next October meeting be held in Cleveland, Ohio. All the details will be forthcoming in the near future. Hotel Statler will be the place but details of the program are not yet complete.

A motion was passed directing the President to take the necessary action to obtain a charter for the organization from an appropriate state.

After the banquet, Hal McCormick showed some very interesting color slide pictures of scenes around Ketteringham, Horsham, London, Etc.

Here are a few items of interest from Fritzie who is back in uniform as a Captain, stationed in Chicago as WAO/WAF Recruiting Officer for Illinois, Kansas, and Missouri. Val and Tom Conroy have daughter Connie Lou. Caroline Brown married October 15 to ex-Navy man (how could she do such a thing!). Henry Dietch practicing law in Chicago. Dick Thigpen is selling heating equipment and has wife, two children, and a cocker spaniel. Bill Lucke with W. B. Lucke, Inc. Jackson Hall and Rita at home in Oklahoma City and have daughter Deborah Ann. Charlie Salisbury now in Detroit and he reports that Col. George Brown is at Mitchell Field. The Whittakers were expecting in October. Dr. Earl Millers' also sometime last fall. Note from Don Hyatt says that Packer, Cosgrove and Mossdrop are all at Lowry Field. Allen Clark's son is 2nd year man at Annapolis. Lou Howards' expecting soon also. The Guy Hoyt's have two youngsters and new home.

Ray Strong heard Harry Carver on a quiz-kids show recently and reports that the only answer Harry knew had something to do with Pool or maybe it was Snooker. Better they should have asked him questions about Poker! Ray also reports that Harvey Elliott is about ready to take over Washington, North Carolina. Also John Cassidy recently had a promotion and is now operating Colonial Village Apartments in Washington, D. C. Maurice Elstun back at University of North Carolina teaching languages and working on Ph.D. after 90 days active duty last summer. Elliott, Cassidy, and Elstun have all promised Ray that they will be in Cleveland in October. Percy Young recently transferred to Atlanta.

In future editions of this newsletter we hope to have more information about the former officers, enlisted men and women. So let us hear from all of you.

Another item of interest to everyone will be Section III of the new By-Laws (see back page) which permits you to become a Charter Member until 31 October 1950. Those who have paid annual dues of \$2.00 for 1949 can become a Charter Member by paying \$8.00 to complete the 1949 through 1953 dues. If you have not joined at all yet, we would be pleased to have either your Charter Membership dues or annual dues, as you prefer. A membership blank is enclosed with this letter. Please fill it out and make your check or money order payable to "Second Air Division Association" and mail to A. F. (Fen) Marsh, 740 Superior Ave, NW, Cleveland, 13, Ohio. Fen is going to prepare some membership cards which will be mailed to you. Let's all be self-appointed members of the Membership Committee and get a few memberships in. Our treasury needs money to cover printing and mailing costs if the organization is to survive.

Anyone who would like to have a picture of the banquet at the last reunion can get one by sending \$1.50 to Oscar and Associates, 63 E. Adams Street, Chicago 3, Illinois. It is a fine picture and you can see how some of the old gang now look.

Sincerely,

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Chapel Hill, N. C.

The Reverend Father E. J. Seward  
President  
193 East 105th Street  
Cleveland, Ohio

P.S. Mail addressed to the following has been returned. If you know the present address of any of them, please send it to Ray Strong so they can be included on our mailing list again.

Colonel Carl C. Barthel, Major Clarence Ball, Homer C. Bell, Jr.  
Robert A. Bell, Felix L. Caldwell, Alfred S. Carter, Bradley J.  
Carter, Burt H. Clingan, Ross E. Curtis Jr., Leonard C. Doolittle,  
S. J. Dorsel, William Duncan, Betty P. Earle, William F. Fadler,  
Keith M. Giese, Lucien I. Gifford, Alan V. Godding, S. L. Grimes,  
Joseph F. Hadel, Leonard W. Hertler, Justus K. Hetsch, W. T. Holmes,  
John L. Howard, Raymond Hughes, Lou Kasnosky, Capt Francis W. Leaden,  
Ernest R. Marcy, Dorothy Marble, Carl L. Morton, Robert L. G. Moore,  
Frank W. Ogle, James L. Pallouras, John M. Paver, Brig Gen Walter R.  
Peck, Eugene Porter, Rosslyn Price, walker M. Riddle, John L. Sanders,  
Roy J. Santoro, Edwin C. Schreiber, Guy S. Sell, Anthony T. Shtogren,  
Phillip C. Smith, Archie M. Stewart, William A. Sullivan, Carl E.  
Vermilya, Sidney A. Woodruff.

SECOND AIR DIVISION ASSOCIATION

BY-LAWS

- I. NAME  
The name of this organization shall be the Second Air Division Association.
- II. PURPOSE  
The purpose of this association shall be to advocate and support an adequate, effective, and efficient air force, army, and navy, at all times; to perpetuate the friendships and memories of our service together in the 2nd Air Division, 8th Air Force, in England; and to undertake such other activities as may from time to time be deemed appropriate by the membership.
- III. MEMBERSHIP  
The membership shall consist of all personnel, military and civilian, British or American, who at any time served with the Headquarters organization of 2nd Bomb Wing, 2nd Bomb Division, or 2nd Air Division, at either Horsham St. Faith or Ketteringham during World War II. Any person who served with any unit of the 2nd Air Division, either assigned or attached, and expresses a desire to become a member of the Second Air Division Association shall be eligible for membership. An active member is a dues-paying member. Dues shall be \$2.00 per annum. All members who shall pay dues for 1949 through 1953, in the amount of \$10.00, prior to 31 October 1950 shall be Charter Members.
- IV. OFFICERS  
The officers of this association shall be a permanent honorary president, a president, four vice presidents, a secretary, and a treasurer. These officers shall be elected by the active members present and voting at the annual meeting, to serve for one year or until otherwise relieved.
- V. MEETINGS  
It shall be the intention of this association to have one regular meeting per year at a time and place to be determined by the executive board. A quorum shall consist of all active members present and voting.
- VI. EXECUTIVE BOARD  
The executive board shall consist of the duly elected officers and such other individuals as the president may appoint.
- VII. COMMITTEES  
The committees of this association shall be the following, appointed by the president:
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| Membership       | Nominating |
| Special Projects | Convention |
- VIII. PARLIAMENTARY PROCEDURE  
Roberts' RULES OF ORDER shall be the governing authority in all proceedings of this organization except as otherwise provided by the constitution and by-laws.
- IX. METHOD OF AMENDING THE BY-LAWS  
The by-laws shall be amended by a two thirds majority vote of those active members present and voting at any meeting provided for by Section V. These by-laws shall become effective when adopted by two thirds of those active members present and voting at the annual meeting in October 1949.