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SACO VETERANS

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SACO CONVENTION HELD

IN DES MOINES



VADM. M.E. "MARY" MILES Deputy Director of SACO

The Hotel Ft. Des Moines in Des Moines, IA was the scene of the 34th Annual SACO Convention, June 15-19, 1988. Hosts Bob and Lola Hill showed us a great time which was best summed up in the words Bill Sager recently wrote, "...a super job with the help of the family. It was one of the best planned affairs that I have attended."

We take this opportunity to thank all of those who participated in the tremendous task of putting together one of the finest of our reunions, including the assistance of Bob and Marcella Lyall, the courtesies and cooperation of the four sons of Bob and Lola - Rick, Randy, Ron and Robert and members of their families - as well as Bob Hill's sister and brother-in-law Honora and Wil Tovrea. In addition to the involvement of the Hill family, Lola was successful in enlisting the help of students of Lincoln High School where she is employed. The tote bags, unique name badges, banquet programs, etc. were products resulting from projects of those students. Lt. Commander Bill Berry and 5 Jr.NROTC students made the Presentation of Colors and lead the group in the Pledge of Allegiance at Saturday night's banquet. SACO salutes the staff and students of Lincoln High in Des Moines ... your contribution to our organization was undoubtedly a "first" in all of our 34 conventions.

Activities at this year's convention included golf, tours that afforded us

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LT.GEN. TAI LI Director of SACO



sights of Des Moines the State Capitol, Governor's Mansion, Salisbury House, Art Center and climaxing the first day's events with a keg of beer and delightful roast pig. The second day, we rode the Boone Valley Railroad, lunched at the Famous Hickory House Restaurant, visited Mamie Eisenhower's Home and toured the Boone Winery.

162 people attended the banquet on our final night and were privileged to listen to an emotion-filled address by Congressional Medal of Honor recipient Navy Lt. Larry Jacobs. Guests also included officers of the WAVES and it was a pleasure to converse with all those younger members of the U.S. Navy. Their sincere interest in our organization gave new meaning to the past that was ours to share.

To those eligible members attending, the SACO medal and the China War Memorial Medal were presented by Lt. Gen. Chang Chien-jen, Deputy Director of the Military Intelligence Bureau, R.O.C. and Frank Tao of the Coordination Council for North American Affairs, Washington, D.C. respectively. These gentlemen were assisted by Maj. Gen. Fan Chi-yao, also of the Military Intelligence Bureau, R.O.C.

To our Chairman Bob Hill and his terrific assistant, Lola, we congratulate you for another successful meeting and offer our gratitude for a year of long, hard work; we proudly extend to you the Navy's best . . "WELL DONE!"

Those who registered at the 1988 convention included:

Chinese Guests: Lt.Gen. Chang Chien-jen M.Gen. Fan Chi-yao Mr. Alexander Huang

Anderegg, Darvin/Mrs.
Baker, Willie/Audrey
Bartee, L.Wm./Skeeter
Bonin, Harold/Priscilla
Booth, Elwood F./Mrs.
Bowman, Nelson/Elnora
Brandwein, Harry
Browne, Sr., Fred and
Ginger Koone (G)
Buckless, Frank/Evelyn
Burke, Leonard J./Ruth
Casamajor, Paul/Martha
Cofer, Robert L./Ida Mae
Colgrove, Earl/Ruth
Comer, Jr., E. Lee

Dalrymple, Vernard/Gloria
Delaney, Tom J./Geraldine
Marge Linden (G)
Dormer, Robert L."Buck"
Erwin, Mrs. Silvia (A)
Estes, James C.
Fintak, Leonard/Dolores
Fleming, Andrew/Irene
Gabeline, Donald B./Doris
Gilroy, Lillian "Slim"
Gordon, Richard D. (A)
Graham, Horace G.
LuVeda Collins (G)
Hankins, Ralph T./Anna
Harabin, George/Lorraine
Hatterman, Wayne/Fanny
Hill, Robert G./Lola
Inman, Willard D.
James, William C.
Jones, Mayhew/Sarah (A)
Jungck, William E.
Kelly, James F.
Doris Welsh (G)
Killion, William/Lorraine
Klos, John
Lesher, Marlin/Peggy
Herbert/Kitty Eastman (G)
Lyall, Robert/Marcella
McGaha, Mrs. Phyllis (A)
Mary/Margaret Bingham (G)
McMullan, Lloyd H./Kathleen
Michalicek, Steve/Dee

(A)=Associate Member (G)=Guest of a Member

Miller, Robert G./Mona
Miller, Wm.M./Sissy
Mishler, Clayton/Audrey
Morgan, Jon E.
Mullen, Ralph
Murphy, James/Jackie
Nelson, Bernard/Hazel
Nelson, Norman J./Jean
Payda, Michael (A)
Pease, Clifford/Katy
Rebert, Burnell K./Mary
Reiner, Jr., Herbert "Tom"
Reiss, Erhard N./Lillian
Rubino, Edward/Winnifred
Rutan, Richard/Erma
Sager, William H.
Scarborough, Joseph T.
Shearer, John R.
Stromberg, William/Louise
Tao, Frank (A)
Thomas, Robert G.
Tovrea, Will/Honora (A)
Watson, J. Marshall/Dee (A)
Webster, Frederick H.
Werwage, James/Sue
Weskamp, Herman W./Kathy
Westphal, John C.
Wilcox, Marlyn D./Mrs.
Wilding, Arthur H./Glenna

SACO DUES

It has been asked by members of our group: "What are the dues monies for?" Anyone who has ever been involved with an organization such as ours realizes it cannot function without funds. The registration fees we pay at convention time are purely for the expenses of that gathering of our group. In the meantime, we incur operating expenses for activities that go on from year to year. Postage is no small concern; the mailings each chair-person has each year, correspondence required, phone calls, stationery and various paper supplies required for computer work necessary to keep current records of all members, expense of publishing this newsletter and mailing same are just a few of the incidental expenses incurred in addition to, and separate from, your expenses at convention time.

With this in mind, it is obvious your support is needed to keep our organization alive. We don't have to be reminded that we are not as large in numbers as we once were - we are diminished year by year as our "In Memoriam" pages reveal.

Therefore, unless it presents a hardship, support SACO by paying your dues annually and keep in touch with what goes on in SACO.

Annual Dues are payable as follows:

Regular and Associate Members. . .\$20.00

Send dues to: Mr. Frank W. Buckless, Treasurer 4246 Darleigh Road Baltimore, MD 21236

Ladies' Auxiliary. \$10.00

Send dues to: Evelyn Buckless, Treasurer 4246 Darleigh Road Baltimore, MD 21236

SACO CONYENTION SITE CHARLESTON, SOUTH CAROLINA CHARLESTON, S.C.



The Des Moines convention ended with no confirmed site for SACO 1989. It had been anticipated that Taiwan would be the 1989 convention location considering past groups visiting there groups visiting there numbered approximately 100. However, our Chinese hosts felt that because it was their desire to have a group for their Double Tenth celebration in October, 1989, they requested a limit of

40, feeling that number would be the maximum they could cope with due to overcrowded conditions caused by the influx of visitors from many parts of the world.

This situation led to consideration of an "alternate convention" location to afford more members an opportunity more members an opportunity to meet in 1989. Investigation following the Des Moines meeting revealed that Will Rice, originally scheduled to chair the 1990 meeting in Charleston, S.C., willingly agreed to hold the convention a year early, now scheduled for March 29-April 1989 in that city 2. 1989 in that city.

these developments, it was determined that it would not be reasonable to recognize an "alternate convention". i.e., two conventions; there-fore, it was deemed more appropriate to acknowledge Charleston, S.C. as the official 1989 convention and the group to attend festivities in Taiwan in October, 1989

be the SACO delegates to the Republic of China's national holiday. Thus, the annual business meeting will te conducted in Charleston.

Mar. 29 - Apr. 2

Paul Casamajor, elected to chair the "Taiwan 40", shall, at a future date, notify the membership of the guidelines in selecting the 40 to visit Taiwan in October 1989. (See announcement in this issue).

In the interim, Chairman Will Rice will prepare a mailing to be distributed early in 1989, notifying all concerned what he and his wife, Pauline, are planning for us in Charleston. At this time, Will can confirm the Sheraton Charleston for the dates March 29-April 2, 1989 at the rate of \$60.00 per day. You will be notified by Will in his mailing concerning registration fees and hotel reservations.

SEE YOU IN CHARLESTON IN MARCH, 1989!

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SACO DELEGATION TO TAIWAN

Lt. Gen. Huang Shih-chung, Director of the R.O.C. Mili-tary Intelligence Bureau, has invited SACO to send a delegation of 40 persons to Taiwan for about a week during their celebration of the Double Tenth.

Because of the limited spaces available, it will be necessary to set priorities,
Preference will be given to
SACO members who have
supported the organization
with dues and convention

Information about the trip Bethesda, MD 20816
will be announced at the 1989 convention in Charles- Billy Miles says she will ton, SC and mailed to the send you the book on request membership soon after.

probably be made available.

A DIFFERENT KIND OF WAR

This account of the activities of SACO in WWII by our Our Chinese friends provide skipper, Vice Admiral Milton E. "Mary" Miles, is available for accommodations and activatiles while in Taiwan. The age. To order your copy, principal cost is air fare please write to: from San Francisco (about \$100.).

Mrs. Wilma S. Miles 4948 Sentinel Dr. #106 Bethesda, MD 20816

* when the book arrives by An optional extension for a sending her a check which few days to Hong Kong will includes the amount of * postage shown on package.

FACES OF DES MOINES

JUNE 1988



FACING PAGE: (Top L-R) Cliff/Katy Pease, Peg/Marlin Lesher, "Skeeter" Bartee/Ralph Mullen. (Middle) Glenna/Art Wilding, Honora Tovrea, Tom Reiner/Charles Miles. (Bottom) Hal Bonin, Vernard/Gloria Dalrymple, Robert Miller/Steve Michalicek.

THIS PAGE: (Top L-R) Lt. Gen. Chang Chienjen/Paul Casamajor/Maj. Gen. Fan Chi-yao/Frank Tao, Willie/Audrey Baker. (Middle) Bob Lyall, Bob Hill/Lt. Karen Simpson/Lt. Larry Jacobs/Lt. Lynn Bradfield, Bill Sager. (Bottom) "Buck" Dormer/Nelson Bowman, Bill Miller/"Slim" Gilroy.



GM3c- Calcutta Amos, Jr., George M. Lt.- Calcutta/Chungking Anthony, Carleton D. SK3c- Kunming/Shanghai Barksdale, Henry E. Lt. - Chungking Barnett, Jr., Stephan T. Lt.- Kienyang Barrow, James M. 1974 SKic- Kunming Beene, Wayland William RMic- Chungking/14th AF/FRUCHI Bell, Jr., William Leslie GM1c- Unit Eight Beyerly, Irwin Forest 1979 Capt. - China/DC Bitomski, Albert R. 1984 SK3c- Camp 10 Blaylock, Leonard D. MoMM3c- Calcutta/Camp 3 Boehmer, Peter H.
BM2c- Camp 7, Yung Tai, Foochow
Bragg, George H.
CCM- Chungking/Foochow Braun, Clifford F. 1979 RMic- Chungking Brown, Archie Scales 1985 Lt. - Calcutta/Chungking Brown, Frederick Price 1983 RMic- Jorhat/Calcutta/Camp 8 Brown, Jr., Harry E. 1984 Ens. - Calcutta/Shanghai Bruggemann, Lester E. 1984 Major, USMC- Chungking/Shunan Bumgardner, Heath D.
Lt.(jg) - Calcutta/Chungking/Liutung
Butler, A. Carey PhM2c- Camp 2 Cahill, John A. 1983 CSp(D) - Chungking Campbell, Arthur J. Lt. - Chungking Carnevale, James R. PhMic- Calcutta/Camp 7 Carroll, Wendall J. 1978 CY- Chungking Carroll, Jr., Claude I. 1980 Lt.- Camp 2 Cathey, Theodore R. Capt. USMC- Camp 2 Champe, Joseph E. Lt.Cdr.- Camp 2/Yangtze Unit Chubb, Philip D. 1987 Cdr. SC- Kunming Clark, Wilbert L. MoMM2c- Chungking Coggins, Cecil H. Cdr.- Camp 2 Collins, W. M. MoMM2c- Chungking Conley, H.C. Sic- Calcutta Conner, Harold King PhMic- Calcutta/Camp 7 Conner, Lon C. 1988 CSK- Camp 3 Conroy, William H. SCic- Chungking

Abbott, John M.

Coose, James Carroll MMG2c- Jorhat/Myitkyina Cotton, D. J. CMoMM- Kienyang/Meihsien Crapsey, Howard L. MM2c- Calcutta/Jorhat Credido. A. MoMM2c- Calcutta/Chungking Creech, Carl O. 1985 GM3c- Calcutta/Kunming Crites, Albert E. 1974 CQM- Chungking/Camp 3/Calcutta Crowley, George D. 1987 Lt.Cdr. - Chungking/Calcutta Cunningham, John K. PhM3c- Camp 2/Changsha Darnold, Ernest E. 1975 GM2c- Calcutta Davis, Lyle H. 1974 PhM1c- Tungan/Camp 1,6,8/PacDoc Davis, Lynn M. Ens. SC- Chungking/Kienyang/Changch Dennett, Kenneth F. CSK- Calcutta Dennis, Francis J. 1977 CY- Calcutta Dobens, Raymond Joseph 1980 Lt.Cdr. - Chungking Dorman, Charles I. PhM1c- Chabua/Calcutta Dunn, John A. 1982 SK2c- Calcutta Dyer, Otho E. 1975 CPhM- Calcutta/Camp 4/Chungking Eastman, Robert James 1985 CSp(P) - Chungking/Camp 4 Ellison, Jr., Henry S. PhM1c- ?? Emmons, William Stuart 1979 Lt.(jg)- 14th AF/Kweilin/Suichwan Erickson, Harry L. 1965 Yic- Calcutta/Camp 6/Shanghai Erwin, Mason O. Lt.(jg)- Chengtu Falls, Charles H. GM2c- Calcutta/Camp 2/Tung Ting Lak Finley. Thomas S. CRM- Chungking/Shanghai Fite, Francis A. 1978 EM3c- Calcutta/Yangtze Unit/Shangha Ford, Paul L. Prtr3c- Camp 6 Franson, Joseph A. Lt. (jg) - Jorhat Franzman, Harry B. 1981 RT3c- Calcutta/Kunming/Shanghai Gats, Robert M. 1988 CSp(D) - Chungking Gaudry, William T. RMic- Calcutta/Chungking/Shanghai Giese, Gustav W. SP1c- Calcutta Goodwin, Robert H. 1988 Cdr. MC- Camp 4 Googe, James P. 1978 Haj. AUS- Chungking Gordon, Frederick M.

Grattan, John P. Yic- Calcutta/Kunming Grustas, Albert 1984 GM3c- Calcutta/Shanpa/Shanghai Gurin, Harold L. MMG2c- Jorhat Hagan, John T. RTic- Liutung Hardenbrook, Fred G. 1982 Lt. - Camp 4 Heagy, Daniel Webb 1987 Lt.Cdr.- Chungking Heimonen, Henry Samuel 1984 Lt. - Kharagpur/Kunming Heindel, Wilbert F. GM2c- Camp 8/Kunming/Shanghai Herron, R. T. MMG2c- Calcutta/Jorhat Hintzen, Albert F. SKic- Kienyang Hobbs, W. M. EM3c- Calcutta Holtwick, Jack S. Cdr. - Chungking/DC Hooper, S. W. AerM2c- Calcutta/Kunming Hoose, Harned P. 1984 Lt.(jg)- Chungking/Kweilin/Liuchow Hull, Milton A. 1st Lt. USMC- Camp 2 & 1 Husong, Royal K. MoMM3c- Camp 8/Kunming/Shanghai James, Jr., Floyd Rigg 1975 Lt.Cdr. - Camp 2/Chungking/Calcutta Jantzen, Robert J. Lt.- Chungking/Camp 2 & 6/Calcutta Jarabak, John Paul 1976 Lt.Cdr. DC- Tung An/PacDoc/Camps 1, Jensen, Earl P. 1982 Pl.Sgt. USMC- Camp 1/Kienyang/DC Johnson, L. P. AerM2c- Chungking/Lao Ho Kow Jones, Charles A. Lt.Cdr. MC- Chungking/Calcutta Jump, Norman S. MoMM2c- Kunming/Hankow/Shanghai Kellow, Clark S. 1978 SKic- Calcutta Kennedy, Clifton AerM2c- Kunming/Shanghai King, Curtis J. CSK- Shaokwan/Kanchow/Changting Knorr, Gilbert H. GM2c- Camp 8/Shanghai Kotria, Raymond A. Lt.Cdr. - Chungking, Kunming Lange, Joseph Alexander AM3c- Camp 7/Tungfeng/Shanghai Lawlor, William K. A. 1977 Lt.Cdr. MSC- Chungking/Kweilin/Pact Lawson, Douglas B. Lt. (jg) - Camp 8/Shanghai Lederer, Francis L. Lt.Cdr. MC- Tung An Leggett, Arthur B. Capt. - Wash. DC Levesque, Rene Gerard BM2c- Camps 7,6/Changchow/Shanghai Lewis, Frederick E. 1975

Lt. - Calcutta/Chungking

Lt.(jg) - Chungking/Calcutta

CRM- Chungking/Camp 2/DC/Shanghai

Gracey, Edward C.

MEMORIAM

Lindenmeyer, Walter J. 1980 PhMic- Tung An/Camp 1/PacDoc Lohmer, Robert J. 1980 GM1c- Camp 3 Mahar, Mathew T. Lt.(jg)- Kunming/Kienyang/Shanghai Mansfield, George O. SF2c- Camp 2 Marienthal, H. D.
PhMic-Tung An/Camp 1/PacDoc
Marquiss, Charles W. 1974
CSp(X)- Chungking/Shanghai Marshall, J. F. BM1c- Camp 8, 2/Kunming Martin, Edmond L. Ens. - Calcutta/Camp 2/Tung Ting Lak Martin, Edward B. 1985 Lt.- Calcutta/Kunming/Shanghai Marvin, James P. CRM- Chungking/Camp 1 Masters, John H. 1987 Lt.Col. USMC- Camp 1 Matick, Marcus 1983 SF2c- Calcutta/Kunming/Shanghai McCoy, Jr., J. Kenneth PhMic- Camps 1,6 McElhannon, Robert B RM3c- Chungking/Shanghai McGaha, Francis L. 1985 1st Lt. USMC- Camp 1 McKinney, John E. 1980 CY- Chungking/Shanghai McLean, Frank A. Lt. - Chungking/Shanghai Menendez, Charles Vacarro 1983 Lt. (jg) MC- Calcutta/Kunming Metzel, Jeffrey C. Heyertholen, Joseph A. 1980 Lt. - Kienyang/Changchow/Shanghai Miles, Milton E. 1961 RAdm. - China Miller, Francis Fay Lt. - Kunming/Shanghai Moore, Marvin Elmer 1985 CAerM- Chungking/Camp 4 Morey, Wallace William RMic- Calcutta/Camp 1/Shanghai Morris, Philip J. CPhM- Camp 3/Laohokow/Chungking Mullikin, James E. 1972 PhMic- Tung An/Camp 1/PacDoc Muth, Charles A. 51c- Calcutta Nelson, George M. GM3c- Calcutta Nelson, Helmer T. 1985 SKic- Calcutta Norvell, Jr., Lester R. Lt.(jg)- Calcutta/Tung Ting Lake/Sh: O'Neill, Ernest P. Capt. USMCR- Calcutta/Kunming/Chang Odend'hal, Jr., Charles Joseph 1982 Cdr. - Kunming Olander, Donald F. PhMic- Calcutta/Camps 7.6 Painter, Wilfred L. Capt. - Kienyang Paladino, George A. 1979

Lt. DC- Kunming/Shanghai

Parks, Clarence E. MM2c- Calcutta/Chungking Patterson, Vincent A. 1983
PI.Sgt. USMC- Camps 2,5/Nanning/Kie
Payne, George W. 1985
Lt. SC- Chungking/Camp 1/Calcutta
Petersen, Vaughn D. 1985
CRM- Chungking Phelan, Jr., Dennis Joseph Ens.- Chungking Phillips, Jr., T. G.
PhoMic- Camps 2,1,6/Changchow/Calcu
Pollitt, Walter L. 1974 BM2c- Chungking Potvin, Edgar H. Capt. - Kunming/Shanghai Pridgen, William F. 1974 GMic- Camp 8/Shanghai Raichle, Joe L. Lt.Cdr. - Chungking Redman, Percy V. 1963 CCM- Chungking/Foochow Richardson, C. E. 1972 CPhM- Camp 2/Yangtze Unit Richardson, James M. 1981 CPhM- Chabua/Kunming/FRUCHI Ripoli, John C. MMG2c- Jorhat/Myitkyina Roberts, Charles W. G. CEM- Camp 2/Yangtze Unit Roche, Philip T. Lt.- Chungking Romey, M. J. RM1c- Chungking Rusinko, John Lt.Cdr. - Chungking/Shanghai Sachs, William L. CMoMM- Camp 7/Shanghai Salum, J. S. GM3c- Camp 8/Kunming Sampson, E. M. 1965 CPhM- Calcutta/PacDoc/Shanghai Santiago, Frank S2c- Kunming Sauer, H. J. PhMic- Calcutta/Camp 1/PacDoc Savage, Samuel S. Lt.Cdr. Kweilin/Kunming/DC/Shangha Schaaf, Ernest F. MoMM3c- Camp 7/Shanghai Schleffler, Charles J. MoMM3c- Calcutta/Jorhat Schramm, L. Y. 1977
RM1c- Chungking/Shanghai
Schriner, P. W.
MMG1c- Jorhat Shell, Gwinn G. Lt.(jg)- Camp 7/Shanghai Shirley, John A. 1979 Lt.- Kienyang/Shanghai Shoemaker, Henry F. Lt.Cdr.- Kweilin/Liuchow/Shanghai Sievers, William D. Lt.- Chungking/Kunming Sigel, Myer L. 1984 SK2c- Calcutta Sims, Jr., E. L. 1983 CBM- Camp 1/Shanghai Smith, Ward J. 1981 CY- Chungking/Camp 1

Smith, William B. 1980 AerMic- Camps 2,1/DC Snodgrass, P. D. MoMM3c- Calcutta/Kunming Stewart, Merrill R. Lt.- Camp 2/Kienyang/Foochow Stewart, William M. 1973 St. Sgt. - Camp 2/Kienyang/Changchow Stratton, Roy Olin 1982 Lt.Cdr. SC- Calcutta/Kunming/Shangh Tate. Leonard W. 1987 Lt.(jg)- Camp 7/Chungking Tayloe, Gordon B. Capt. MC- Lanchow/Camp 1/Chungking Teel, Clarence S. 1961 Cox- Camp 7/Changchow/Shanghai Terhune, J. A. Cdr.- Shanghai Tessmer, Robert J. PhM2c- Calcutta Tidey, Fred P. 1979 Sic-Calcutta Trask, Richard Leo PhMic- Camp 2 Trickey, F. W. CSp(X)- Chungking Upham, Vernon V. 1978 MoMM2c- Camp 7/Shanghai Valusek, William 1978 MoMM3c- Calcutta/Kunming Van Dalsem, Jr., Ben AMMIC- Camp 1 Waid. K. L. AOMic- Camp 2 Walter, John 1978 SK2c- Calcutta Waters, Louis N.
Lt. MC- Camp 2/Shanghai
Weathers, Jr., A. H. 1972
CSK- Calcutta Wells, Jr., Samuel I. Ens. - Kunming Wenzel, Edward 1984 SK3c- Calcutta/Camp 8/Shanghai White, Robert C. Lt. - Chungking Whitney, Philip Echols SKic- Calcutta Wight, David D. Cdr. - Chungking Wilcox, Donald M. 1971 Lt. - Chungking/Kienow/DC/Camp 4/Pe Wildman, Theodore John 1986 Ens. - Chungking/Camp 4 Williams, Richard E. PhMic- Tung An/Camp 1/PacDoc Winn, Carl B. 1986 GMic- Camps 7,6/Shanghai Witt, James C. 1st Lt. USMC- Camps 2,5/Canton/Sha Wolcott, Ernest E. Cdr.- Chengtu/Shanghai Yeoman, Gerald W. MMic- Camp 2/Calcutta Zak, Frank J. MoMM2c- Camp 7/Shanghai Zuzek, Edward T. 1980 Sic- Calcutta

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IN MEMORIAM

DIED WHILE IN SERVICE

BERNARD N. BAUMANN, PhM2c Jan. 18, 1944 while standing by and treating a wounded officer in a plane which was attacked by enemy aircraft over Burma.



JOHN J. ESAU, Cox Sept. 8, 1945 resulting from a motor accident on the accident on the Stilwell Road in Burma.



HANK GIBBINS, 1st Lt. 0.S.S. Shot down in early 1944 while on an aerial supply mission.



ROBERT J. LYNCH. RM2c
LYLE J. JANSEN, RM2c
Accidently killed simultaneously July 7, 1944 by a
bomb as they posed together
for a photo amid the wreckage of a P-38 at Kweilin,
China. Ironically, Bob and
Lyle had been friends from
childhood.

DANIEL P. SEPE, RM3c
July 18, 1945 as the result
of an accident on a rifle
range at Calcutta, India. ROBERT J. LYNCH. RM2c LYLE J. JANSEN, RM2c Accidently killed simultan-eously July 7, 1944 by a



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Send your comments and contributions for the next issue to the Editor. Photos and stories are welcome.

MINUTES OF THE BUSINESS MEETING of the 34th ANNUAL SACO CONVENTION

Place: Ft. Des Moines Hotel, Des Moines, Iowa Date: 18 June 1988 Meeting calle Richard Rutan. called to order at 0900 by Vice President

Minutes of previous meeting accepted as read.

moment of silence was observed for members recently deceased.

Treasurer Frank Buckless delivered his report showed a closing balance on 5/31/88 of \$12,705.63. report which

Convention Chairman Bob Hill reported 137 persons were registered. A standing round of applause was given Bob and his committee for a job "Well Done."

Billy Miles reported on the availability of copies of "A Different Kind of War."

Inquiry is to be made on the "SACO - The Rice Paddy Navy." is to be made on the possibility of reprinting

Discussion of where and how the SACO memorabilia should be stored. Possibility: Charles Parkin's museum at Garibaldi, OR.

Associate members proposed and elected: Michael Poyda (sponsored by H. Brandwein) Charles Miles (sponsored by Billy Miles) Herbert Eastman (sponsored by M. Lesher)

A proposal to have a newsletter was approved.

John Westphal proposed a future convention site at Cass Lake, Minnesota.

Trustees Bill Bartee and Bill Miller were reelected for three years.

The Chinese have invited SACO to send a delegation of 40 persons to Taiwan in October 1989. Paul Casamajor elected to chair this group.

Because of the limited spaces available for the Taiwan '89 group, George Harabin proposed that SACO hold a regular convention in the U.S. in 1989. Tentatively it was proposed to hold a convention in Clearwater Beach, FL. (After the convention in Des Moines, Will Rice Beach, FL. (After the convention in Des Moines, Will Rice agreed to move his convention in Charleston, SC from 1990 back to 1989.)

The membership authorized the Executive Committee to make additional convention site selections.

The following officers were elected to serve during 1988-1989:

> President . Robert G. Hill President Vice President . Richard L. Rutan Harold Bonin Slim Gilroy Frank W. Buckless Treasurer Assistant Treasurer. John N. Klos

The meeting was adjourned at 1100.

