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INTER-SERVICE CHAMPIONS

USAMU TEN MAN TEAM

USAMU Photo

CHAMPIONS: (L-R, Front) SGT E. Praslick, SFC G. Singley, SGT E. Burge, SGT C. Hatcher, PVT J. Bartoli (Middle) SGT VanArist, SGT K. Ward, SSG N. Anderson, SFC S. Young, SSG D Lewis, SGT T. Tomlinson (Back) SFC R. Bentson, SGT L. Tippie, SFC C. Coffey, SPC J. Roth.

Service Rifle Triumphs, Service Pistol Successes

Interservice, Nationals, and Other Events

Coach Rick Remily and Coach Ray Arredondo

The Service Rifle section began the 2000 championship season with a new look - our new vehicle arrived and we hit the road with new shooters. The Virginia Regional proved to be a good warm up for Interservice. SGT Emil Praslick placed 1st in the Match Rifle (MR) 1000 yard category and SPC Elisha Hoover placed 3rd in the Service Rifle (SR) category. Our high shooter, SGT Toby Tomlinson placed 4th in the Regional Championships with a 791.

SPC Hoover performed well at the short line placing in the top ten for the match. SGT Erich Burge who is our new shooter for the year, placed 9th in the Interservice Individual Championships.

On 1000-yard day, the weather was perfect. The match rifle team outperformed their opponents by nearly 20 points winning the Long Range Championships. We placed 2nd, 5th, 7th and 9th in the individual MR category. The SR team was on the way to victory when the crossfire bug bit us while the last pair was firing. We placed 3rd behind the leader by 6 points. Individually we only took 3rd, 6th and 9th. PVT Aaron Rebout, our brand new shooter assigned this year, placed 11th in the Long

Range SR Championships with a score of 384 x 14.

We took 2nd and 9th in the EIC match with SPC Hoover firing a 489 and SPC Julie McLaws firing a 483. Nine awards were given out. We placed 2nd and 3rd in the MCCDC match behind the Corps. Offhand was the culprit.

Infantry Trophy results were disappointing. We had two shooters out of synch and shooting only one team drastically reduced the odds of winning. Dropping our new shooter's load worked as he only lost one hit across the course. Two Post and Station teams took top honors for the first time in history, breaking the old P&S score by over 100 points breaking the 1400 mark.

Ten Man Team began with a shaky display of offhand with the exception of a few. Our sitting was near perfection, however, as we only lost one point in ten shooters. Our 300-yard performance (lost 7 points) was below average for these shooters but did out perform all other teams. Our 600 team as

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Commander's Report:

Col Arch Arnold

We are looking forward to capping off a great shooting season with our 44th Reunion to be held here on 6 and 7 October. It has been a truly remarkable summer on firing lines all over the world for our shooters.

CISM - Ankara, Turkey - July

The U.S. Team (10 AMUers plus an assortment of Marines, Airmen, and Cadets) backed up our great performance in Croatia last year by again dominating the men's rifle events. Competing against 35 nations, we won team gold and silver in the standard and military rapid fire plus finishing 1,2,4 in both individual matches. The amazing Glenn Dubis won all 4 rifle matches and honors as the best military marksman in the world for the 6th time. The U.S. Team added to our national reputation as great soldiers and sportsmen...lethal with small arms!

Service Teams

Service Pistol had an excellent season highlighted by wins in the center fire team (Interservice) and .22 team (nationals). Congratulations go to SFC Roger Jacobson, the National Trophy Individual Champion. Consider that our Blue Team shooters finished 3,4,5,6 (led by SGT Tom Rose) in the Interservice Grand Aggregate Individual as an indicator of our team's shooting prowess.

It was great to see Service Rifle win the ultimate bragging rights match, the 10 Man Team at Interservice, for the 5th time in the last 6 years. Credit SFC Grant Singley for winning the National Trophy Individual Match at Camp Perry with a new record score of 497 and SGT Lewis Tippie's 499 as the high score on the 10 Man Team Match. Also, we must tip our hats to the Marine Corps for fielding a very hard team this year and beating us in several of the other big team matches. We have something to prove next year!

10 AMU Olympians!!!

Putting 10 soldiers on the 2000 Olympic Shooting Team is a high water mark that we can't recall ever being exceeded. Would like to also mention the following who have made the 2000 Olympic team: Bruce Meredith (English Match, Virgin Islands), John McNally (Rapid Fire Pistol - 5th Olympics), and Cindy Shenberger (Skeet). Given that all of DOD's World Class Athlete Programs produced 15 Olympians, our 10 represents full 2/3ds of the all service effort. Be assured that, win or lose, our soldiers will provide the USAMU, our Army and nation exactly the right type of professional representation that will make us all feel proud at Sydney, Australia next month. It should be really exciting! Look for daily postings on our website: www.usamu.org

President's Report

Mac Johnson

We are rapidly approaching the time for our biannual reunion. Two thoughts come to mind—all of us need to make plans to be there and we can use more volunteers to make it happen. If you want to help, contact me or any member of your executive board.

If you want the complete story on the reunion or anything else that is going on in the Association, get on the Internet at www.militarymarksmanship.org. Our web page is a fun look packed with lots of good stuff and great links to other shooting sites. If you don't own a computer, get on down to your local library and have one of the "media specialists" show you how to look at the Association's page.

In my notes last quarter, I mentioned that the plug had been pulled on US Army Reserve competitive shooting programs. Recently we heard that a decision has been made to retain Service Rifle and Pistol teams. Thanks to those of you who took the time to write, call, or visit with our military and civilian leaders about this issue.

Sydney, Australia and the 2000 Olympics are only a few days away. As you know, the United States Army Marksmanship Unit placed a large number of soldiers on the US team. A crisp salute to these shooters for the excellence in competition that got them on the team and best wishes for success in the Games. We look forward to hearing their stories during the Reunion in October!

There is little doubt we will hear from the teams and individuals that shot so well during the spring and summer matches this year. Another salute to them!

We also would like to hear your stories. Whether you have a humorous story from your time with competitive shooting or just an idea on things the Military Marksmanship Association can or should be doing, we want to hear about them. Write them down and send them to our mailing address or email them to the appropriate board member.

Many of you know Colonel Arch Arnold, present commander of the Army Marksmanship Unit. For those that do not, I say to you that you need to make time during the Reunion to get to know him. He has been a great commander for the Unit and a solid voice for competitive Army marksmanship programs when the Army's leadership needed to hear one. Recently he considered retiring from the Army and actually "put in his papers". I do not know all the details of the situation, but it seems to me that when it became clear that a suitable replacement could not be found before the Olympics, he pulled his papers and agreed to stay another year. We are very glad he did!

Thanks for letting me serve!

USAMU Reunion - 44th

The 44th USAMU Reunion is scheduled 6 and 7 October at Fort Benning. The Executive Board and special planning committees are working hard to make this one of the best and most memorable events yet. Information and registration packets went out August 16th.

Activities begin after noon on October 6. Registration is again at the Pecan Grove near Phillips Range beginning at 1:00 PM. That afternoon, at 4:30 PM, we will enjoy catered BBQ. Plan to arrive early, register, and then visit with old friends and make some new acquaintances. Exhibits from the USAMU Hall of Fame are planned at the registration site. Refreshments will be served at the registration.

Saturday, 7 October events begin with Range Activities at the Pool Complex, Phillips Range, Easley Range, and Hook Range. Refreshments are provided for visitor comfort and convenience. Shooting demonstrations are scheduled beginning at 11:00. Following the shooting demonstrations a building dedication is planned at Hook Range. The unit will unveil a portrait of 1LT Alfred J. Hook on the range bearing his name. The Hall of Fame induction ceremony takes place on the grassy knoll overlooking the Pool Shooting Complex. The Military Marksmanship Association Reunion Picnic, following the induction ceremony, concludes the scheduled events. This will be a catered meal complete with liquid refreshments.

Baseball caps with the MMA logo are available at the reunion for \$10. Limited quantities were produced.

Additional and up to date information on the reunion is available at the Association web site - www.militarymarksmanship.org. If you have not returned your registration form yet, do it today! Plan on being there and bring a new member.

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Army Shooting Adventure Package (ASAP)

Our 10 June debut at Week of Eagles at Fort Campbell was a spectacular success! We hope to have this eye-catching road show set up for all to experience at our reunion next month. You'll be amazed by what technology can do....but it's our great soldiers that man ASAP who make the most powerful "sell" of our unit and the Army. We expect to field the ASAP at air shows, fairs, and major events all over the southeast next year. It's coming soon to your neighborhood!

Finally

Please come out and join us for our 44th Reunion next month. We guarantee that it will be fun and a great chance to see old friends and what the AMU of today is up to.

USAMU Hall of Fame Members

Gary Anderson	Loyd Crow
Joe Benner	Charles Davis
Bill Blankenship	William Krilling
Coats Brown	Jack Maple
Barbara Hile	Jeremiah McKenzie
James McQuien	Tommy Pool
Margaret Murdock	Lones Wigger

USAMU Olympic Athletes

Ten USAMU Shooters Will Compete in the 2000 Olympics. Congratulations to all the USAMU shooters who made the United States Olympics Team for 2000.

Men's 3 x 40 Rifle - Major Michael Anti
Captain Glenn Dubis

Men's Double Trap - Specialist Bill Keever

Men's Air Rifle - Staff Sergeant Ken Johnson
Sergeant Jason Parker

Men's Rifle Prone - Sergeant First Class Tom Tamas
Captain Glenn Dubis

Men's Skeet - Sergeant First Class Todd Graves
Sergeant Michael Schmidt

Running Target - Sergeant First Class Lance Dement

Men's Free Pistol - Sergeant First Class Daryl Szarenski

In addition to the USAMU shooters, three USAMU alumni will compete. Congratulations to these shooters also.

Men's Rapid Fire Pistol - John McNally

Women's Skeet - Cindy Shenberger

Men's Prone Rifle - Bruce Meredith
(Virgin Islands)

The 2000 Olympics shooting events in Sydney, Australia are scheduled 16 - 23 September.

A list of Army shooters is being compiled. The Service Rifle list stands at 955 people. Every soldier, known to have competed for his Company, Battalion, Regiment or up through All Army will be added to the list. We guess 35,000 names are missing from the list. We need your help. Send your old photos and documents or copies of them to MMA Historian, PO Box 52025, Fort Benning, GA 31995-2025.

Donations

Thank you to **Mr. Coats Brown** for donating the publication titled "Historical Developments of Marksmanship". The presentation annotation reads "To CWO Coats Brown for his outstanding work with the Rifle Division USAAMU 1958. T.J. Sharpe, Lt Col. Inf. Originally printed by the State Publishing House for Physical Culture and Sport, Moscow, 1957. Its title was Competitive Marksmanship with Rifle and Carbine. The book was written by the famous A. A. Yer'yev. Mr. Brown also donated a 1956 photo of Myles Brown, Frank Conway and himself after a smallbore match in Jacksonville, Florida where they won a table full of silver and trophies.

Thank you to **Kenner "Cracker" Ravencraft** for donating several great photos. Including the 1970 Army Rifle Team at Camp Perry. Cracker with awards won by his 25th ID Team at All Army in 1975. Cracker on WJ range, Schofield Barracks with awards won in 1961. Cracker and his 25th ID CG checking All Army trophies 1975. Myles Brown after winning the 1961 USARPAC Matches. The 25th ID team at Kaneohe Marine Base 1958 including Charley Miller, Cracker and three unknowns. The 1960 USARHAW/25th ID Rifle Team of John Kahoolua, Tolani Teleso, Milton Nagrone, Kenner Ravencraft, Albert Nainoa, Ronald Barenaba, Charley Miller, Frank Lohmann, Hardy Turner and one unknown. The 1970 USAMTU International Rifle Team of Cracker, Boyd Goldsby, Swede Gunnarsson, Lannie Bassham, Carl Joos, Jack Foster, Bill Beard, Burke Pinnell, Ed Schumacher, Bob Gustin, Bob Mitchell, Jesse Reynolds and Lones Wigger. 1964 Clinic Instructors for Fort Riley, KS of Herb Atkins, Harold Farmer, Bill Brushwood, Hook Boutin, Cracker, Coats Brown, JD Mercer, Jim Tuck, Ray Calvez, Barbara Hile, Bill Day, Walter Moody and Wayne Voter. Instructors at Fort Riley. A winning team at Quantico 1964/65 of James McQuien, Ray Campbell, William Mullis, Chester Hamilton, Ron Menz, William Lee and coach Ravencraft. 1967 Cracker and SSG Blackwell presenting Fiesta of Five Flags Trophy to General Beach, USARPAC CDR. 1962/63 Cracker, Ed Villaruel and USARHAW Team OIC presenting All Army Team trophies to USARPAC CDR. A winning ten man team at Quantico composed of coaches Ravencraft and Drake, Charles Davis, Norm Skarpness, Bruce Meredith, Ronald Turner, William Peterson, Fernando Muniz, Lee, Paul Renne, Leonard Willis, James McQuien, Joe Gapol, Abelardo Lopez, COL Peot and LTC Pullum.

Thank you to **Lewis E. White** of Friendsville, Tennessee for donating rifle excellence in competition, distinguished badge and presidents hundred tab documentation. National Match Support General Order 5, dated 20 August 1962 awards SSG White the presidents hundred tab. Familiar names on the order include Ames, Phillips, Kelly, Edwards, Scoggins, Medina, Albaro, Carrion, Cline, Canino, Sinnard, Olsen, Read, Donehoo, Christensen, Garrido, Roberts, McFeeley, Campbell and Montera. CONARC letter dated 9 Nov 62 awards SSG White of Fort Jackson the distinguished rifleman badge. National Matches Bulletin 4, dated 24 Aug 61 describes the leg match course of fire, arm, ammo, awards and as having 2,021 non-distinguished and 300 distinguished competitors. It lists White and familiar names Russell, Nesta, Menz, Ambler, Treadway, Atwood, Coggins, Sargent, Kline, McNamara, Ohler, Willard, Aaron, Willis, Pitts, Harris, and Robinette.

Thank you to **Phillip F. Cannella, Jr.** of Columbus, Georgia for donating the limited edition text titled "Games of the XXIIIrd Olympiad Los Angeles 1984 Commemorative Book". The 287 pages of photographs and text includes a history of the Olympics, opening ceremonies, the arts festival, the individual & team sports and the closing ceremonies. The photos in the four page shooting spread pertained to mens three position rifle, womens sport pistol and mens trap and included photos of Ruby Fox and Dan Carlisle. The text was written by Gary Anderson.

Thank you to **James E. Lenon, Jr.** of Brea, California for donating photo

graphs, instructional material and Army Regulations pertaining to marksmanship. The 46 each 8" X 10" photos from the 1966/67 era depict LTC Lenon and his son Jim; Bill Day prior to leaving for Vietnam; Will Powell & Cecil Stevens getting their 500 pins from Col Peot; promoting SP4 Anderson; individual champions - Menlove, Stevens, McQuien, Mullis, Felix, O'Hara, Cooper, Barnett and Boyle. Also team Champions - Quantico and Camp Perry Infantry Trophy; Enlisted Mens; Quantico Regional 1000 yard any and iron sights; Quantico ten man team; the 1966 and 1967 Army Teams at Camp Perry and prior to their western tour; Oak Ridge Roumanian; Dogs of War; Carrot Match winning teams and combined team photos; All Army Infantry Trophy and the SJ Regional record setting team score 999-134V, composed of Carl Pritchett, Pat Boyle, Willis Powell, Cecil Stevens and coached by Pappy Drake. Lots of familiar names on these teams - Barbara Hile, Ben Smith, Pete Peredo, P. Bailey, Read, Neumann, Nainoa, Rebidue, Felix, Andujar, Lee, McQuien, Campbell, Phillips, B. Bailey, Willis, Teague, Wilson, Owen, Bassham, Snipes, Leach, Hakala, Parker, Barkham, Mercer, Adkison, Griffith, Smock, Teleso, Duncan, Falcon, Calvez, Norris, Cerenio, Green, Thornton, Hayes, Frankowski, Schuler, Tharp, Yearwood, Muniz, Anthony, Skinner, Jordan, Turner, Burger, Ragland, Combs, Lancaster, Meeks, Tuck, Hamilton, Jahelka, Garrido, Stanley, Billman, Sawvell, Hart, Ambler, Menz, Denton, Skinner, Gapol, Cooper, and Hoggett.

Thank you **Arthur G. Klein** of Morton, Washington for donating 46 important historical documents. They were Unit, Special, Attachment, Travel, and IDY orders, some with amendments. There were also Shooting Bulletins from USAEUR and Fort Niagara. The earliest order promoted Arthur G. Klein and 82 others to SFC (E-6) on 20 Jan 51 while members of the 4th Infantry Division, Fort Benning, GA. The shooting related orders ranged from 1957 - 1965 when Klein fired the rifle and the pistol. They took Klein to Korea, Japan, Graffenwohr, Forts - Benning, Carson, Knox, Lewis as well as matches in Boulder City, NV, California, Indiana, Kentucky, Nebraska, Ohio, Virginia and Vancouver, BC, Canada. CONARC orders awarded Arthur G. Klein the Distinguished Rifleman's Badge on 29 Jan 65 along with Lopez, Guenther, Meredith, Bracy, Vest, Schill, Ditscheit, Snipes, Kendall, Hile, Menz, Livermore, Gray, Smock, Hoggatt, Divilbiss, Davis, Hairston, Fuller, and Perry. His EIC orders on 5 Dec 63 award the Distinguished Badge to Martin, Stallings, Buck, Lund, Combs, Bailes, Lancaster, Dennis, Liberty, James and Geckle. A 12 Apr 64 USAEUR Bulletin shows Arthur G. Klein legged with a score of 245-15V and Marvin E. Warren won the leg match with a score of 248-18V. The 19 Jul 63 Fort Niagara Weekly Bulletin shows Klein with a score of 250 along with Pool, Cerenio, Lee, Dodgin, Bailey, Widrig, Wilson, Willis, Mason, Stevens, Hamilton and Meyers. Ivan Flowers was high with a 250-34V. The top ten shooters were McQuien, Lee, Wilson, Smith, Phillips, Bailey, Campbell, Willis, Pritchett and Pool. The names on these orders raised our lists of known shooters by several hundred. Our shooter lists now stand at - Rifle 1337, Pistol 132, and Undetermined Discipline 157.

Thank you to **J.D. Mercer** of Columbus, Georgia for donating 110 great photos, most of them 8" X 10" size. These photos from the 1960's and perhaps early 1970's range from 39 individual shooters to 19 infantry trophy and bullseye winning teams. Some show Army rifle teams and instructional groups, the Carrot Match, Camp Perry, Concurso De Tiro in Panama, Royal Canadian School of Infantry and U.S. Infantry Center exchange visits, and the Small Arms Firing School. There are several photos of shooting awards presentations at Camp Perry, Fort Benning, Fort Myer, and Quantico. The familiar faces and names include Adams, Glen Adkison, William Altizer, Roy Ambler, Gary Anderson, Hector Andujar, Tony Anthony, Herb Atkins, Beetle Bailey, Paul Bailey, Chester Ball, Charlie Barkman, Col. Bayard, Benson, Don Berger, Robert Billman, Bill Blankenship, Hook Boutin, D.J. Boyd, Pat Boyle, Donald Bracy, Burl Branham, Coats Brown, Bill Brushwood, Leonard Byers, Byrum, Victor Calderon, Ray Calvez, Ray Campbell, Phil Cannella, Sallie Carroll, Jim Cerenio, Dan Chapa, Clark, Roy Combs, Frank Conway, Laurence Cooper,

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Albert Corioso, Loyd Crow, Bob Davenport, Charley Davis, Bill Day, Ken Denton, Pappy Drake, Herb Duncan, Al Falcon, Jim Fallin, Harold Farmer, Patrick Felix, Chuck Finn, Edwin Franikowski, Joe Gapol, Roy Garrido, Tank Green, Ken Hamill, Chester Hamilton, James Hanlon, Bob Hansen, Dewey Hart, Marcus Hayes, Emil Heugatter, Fred Hildebrand, Barbara Hile, Ronald Hoggatt, Hook, Louis Keeling, Walter Keener, Pres Kendall, Krasinski, Bob Lancaster, James Lassuer, William Lee, James Lenon, Richard Liberty, Abelardo Lopez, Clyde Malphus, James Manning, Leon Mayer, J. McKenzie, James McNally, Francis McNeerney, James McQuien, Bob Meeks, Merrill Menlove, Ron Menz, James Meredith, Bruce Meredith, Ed Moeller, Col Montgomery, Walter Moody, William Mullis, Fernando Muniz, Sonny Nainoa, Glenn Nelson, Deiter Neumann, Buckley Norris, George Norris, Robert O'Hara, James Owen, Paul Parker, Col Peot, Pete Peredo, Willis Powell, Jadie Price, Carl Pritchett, William Pullum, Ramos, Cracker Ravencraft, Vernon Read, Dick Rebidue, Dale Red, Mack Salmon, William Sawvell, Bryant Schuler, Shelve Smith, Smith, Donald Smock, Roger Stanley, Clint Stephens, Howard Stevens, Cecil Stevens, Surls, Sutherland, Don Tabor, Jack Teague, Tolani Teleso, Harry Tharp, Thompson, Margaret Thompson, William Thornton, Bobby Tubbs, Jim Tuck, Valentine, Robert Varner, Wayne Voter, Warner, Marvin Warren, Weck, Okie Weinmeister, John Whittaker, Leonard Willis, Verle Wright, and Wayne Young.

Thank you to **Glenn L. Frazier** of Grass Valley, California for donating 20 old copies of the American Rifleman. The dates of issue ranged from November 1947 to August 1951. These magazines are in excellent condition and will replace some of the scruffy copies currently maintained in the Military Marksmanship Association Library. We hope to have some input to the Keeping In Touch column for the next issue of the MMA Times. Glenn L. Frazier will be a part of the next Times issue Keeping In Touch column.

Thank you to **Ronald F. Martere** of Columbus, Georgia for donating several Army Pistol Team photos to the archives. The contribution was made some time ago and a thank you is long overdue. Thanks again Ron.

Thank you to the unknown person who donated several great 8" X 10" photos. One photo shows the 1962 U.S. CISM Team that competed in Buenos Aires, Argentina. Headed by COL Robin G. Montgomery, Captained by Oscar K. Weinmeister. The rifle team was composed of Phillip F. Cannella, Thurston E. Banks, Charles E. Feuerbacher, Milton Nagrone and John R. Kahoilua. The pistol team was composed of George R. Snively, James H. McNally, Bobby D. Harris, Herbert Roberts and Herschel L. Anderson. A photo of the 1970 CISM Team includes COL Piper, Web Wright, John Dittmore, Red Mosely, Bill Krilling, Lones Wigger, Lanny Bassham, Gilmer Murdock, John Foster, Francis Higginson, Jimmie Dorsey, Hubert Legg, Hezekiah Clark and Joseph Witherell. One photo shows D.I. Boyd, Bonnie Harmon and others obtaining directions from a friendly Swiss person. There are scenic shots of Thun, Switzerland and the firing ranges. There are individual shots of Bonnie Harmon, Harland Rennolds, Donald Rupp, Francis Higginson, Red Mosely, Ed Schumacher, Gregory Dalton, Webster Wright, David I. Boyd and Clifford Davis. A roster of the 1971 CISM Team includes MAJ Alexander, Travis Strahan, Red Mosely, Ed Schumacher, Francis Higginson, Donald Rupp, Hezekiah Clark, Bonnie Harmon, Harland Rennolds, Lanny Bassham, Gregory Dalton, Clifford Davis, Web Wright and D.I. Boyd

If you shot for the Army, your old friends want to hear about you. Send us a description of your experiences, when and where you shot, coached, accurized weapons, or other duties. When did you get out of the Army? What did you do? School? Work? When did you retire? What are your hobbies? Please jot down some information about yourself and send it to: MMA Historian, P.O. Box 52025, Ft Benning, GA 31995-2025.

Taps, Present Arms

William W. "Bill" McMillan, Jr.

Olympic gold medallist LTC William W. McMillan, Jr., U.S. Marine Corps, Retired, died June 6, 2000 in Encinitas, California. He was 71.

In a dramatic three-way shoot-off, McMillan won the gold medal in the Rapid-Fire Silhouette event at the 1960 Olympic Games in Rome, Italy. At the end of the two-day competition, McMillan had fired a 587 to tie the existing Olympic record and ended up tied for first place with a shooter from Finland and one from Russia. Two hours after the regular competition – a period that Bill used to take a catnap on the range, no doubt unnerving his challengers – he fired a 48-50-49 in three series of four seconds for a 147 total to best the 139 and 135 shot by the other two shooters.

McMillan was selected to carry the U.S. flag and lead the U.S. Olympic Team at the 1960 Olympic games closing ceremony.

Bill also competed in the 1952 Olympic Games and medalled at the 1954 and 1958 World Shooting Championships. Additionally, he won the U.S. Marine Corps Service Rifle Championship in 1955 and was the Pistol Champion at the 1957 U.S. National Matches.

Bill served as a rifleman during the Korean War and in 1953 he was commissioned a Second Lieutenant. In 1969 Bill was assigned as an ordnance officer to Vietnam where he was awarded the Bronze Star Medal. Bill retired from the Marine Corps in 1974. After his retirement, McMillan was employed by the San Diego County Sheriff's Department as weapons training coordinator. In those early years of international competition – before the advent of the sophisticated rapid-fire pistols we know today – one must reflect in awe at the rapid-fire scores fired by Bill with the pistols and ammunition available then. And one must wonder what scores Bill would have fired if he had competed in a more recent era. For those who competed against and knew him, Bill McMillan will be remembered as a world-class champion and a world-class competitor.

Maxie J. Bourque

The Association was notified that Maxie J. Bourque died on November 4, 1999. Maxie was the USAMU Supply Sergeant in the mid 1960's. He retired from the Army to Louisiana but often visited the USAMU. The Association mourns the loss of a great soldier, friend of USAMU, and one of our members.

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usual was dominant over the rest of our rivals, with nearly a 196 average. We out scored the nearest competition by 35 points, firing a 4915 X 203.

Small Arms Firing School went off without a hitch. This was the first year the instruction was conducted in the theater using a Power Point presentation. Many good comments were received regarding the instruction.

In the President's match our top shooter was SGT Lewis Tippie placing 4th with a 292 x 7. Ten of the fourteen assigned shooters placed in the President's 100. Our only new member was SPC Hoover.

SFC Grant Singley set a new National record in the National Trophy Individual with a score of 497 x 21. Thirteen of the nineteen shooters including pick-ups placed in the top 10%. Tentatively, two of our pick-up shooters earned their first leg points and SPC Hoover legged out earning his Distinguished Rifle Badge. Also, our team placed second in the NTT behind the Corps.

In the Infantry Trophy we fired a respectable score of 1368 and finished 3rd. The Enlisted Man's match ended similarly to the NTT. We fell short of winning by a point, making up numerous points at the 600.

The Individual Championships began with numerous disasters, but as the days went by, the performances continued to improve. By the completion of the second day we had closed to within 10 points of the leaders. By third day's end we were well within reach of the Individual Championships. SFC Singley followed by SGT Tomlinson lead our shooters down 28 and 30 respectively. The work the shooters are doing on the bullets appears to be giving us a distinct advantage at the 600. At the match's close, SFC Singley was three points back taking second and SGT Tomlinson took 4th. Vince Greiner placed 3rd.

Again we found ourselves stuck in second in the 1000 yard matches on the first day. SGT Chris Hatcher placed second in the Service Rifle aggregate and our team placed third behind the All Guard and the Corps. SSG Dwayne Lewis placed 3rd in the aggregate with the Match Rifle. Both SGT Hatcher and SSG Lewis made the shoot-off. Results of the second day were nearly the same. Individually we performed well as four shooters made the shoot-off. SPC Hoover and SPC Troy Alexander accomplished it with the Service Rifle and SFC Charles Coffey and SSG Lewis with the Magnum. SFC Coffey ended up second overall in the Long Range championships that day.

All in all, the 2000 season Service Rifle National Trophy Group fared very well individually placing in the top five slots in 38 of the 46 matches - winning five of them. The NMC team matches at the Nationals were lost by a total of only three points. Of the 12 team matches fired, we won three, placed second in three, and third in five.

Service Pistol

The Service Pistol Team has been very busy the past several months working toward mission accomplishment. Time has a tendency to slip away and it seems that things never really slow down.

The S-1, S-3 and S-4 are to be commended for their efforts to keep everything running smooth. Without their help, the team

could not have enjoyed a distraction free training season. Our pick-up shooter program also keeps getting better every year. SFC Charles Gibbs (NCOIC) has done a great job ensuring that we have several pick-up shooters to look at during the summer shooting season.

The team could not have accomplished all of its missions without the support of all the AMU sections. The Custom Gun Shop is one section the shooters have direct contact with on a continuous basis and we appreciate all the effort they put forth to keep the guns up and shooting. As the shooting season comes to an end for 2000, the Service Pistol Team is already gearing up for next year. We realize that our young team has a long way to go to meet our mission objectives and we do it willingly and with great enthusiasm.

Following is a list of significant events that took place in the last few months:

The Action Shooting Team was separated from the Service Pistol Team and is now it's own section under MAJ Gregory Way and SSG Eric Daniels.

The Small Arms Firing School was conducted by the team with assistance from other Service teams as line coaches.

SSG Gregory Wilson and wife Michelle had a baby girl - Brianna Renee. Also, SSG Wilson graduated from BNCOC.

The pick-up shooters arrived in May and began their training for the summer. 12 pickup shooters started the program and 7 shooters finished. The program ended at the completion of the National Championships in Ohio.

Two pick-up shooters, SGT Adam Holloway and SPC Colin Dayton, were selected to become members of the Service Pistol Team. Two pick-up shooters, SGT Scott Fussell and SPC Dayton, earned their President's 100 tabs at the National Championships. This is the first time in several years that pick-up shooters were able to achieve this. Pick-up shooters arrive in May with little to no shooting experience.

At the Bristol TN competition: SPC Adam Sokolowski was the overall champion and SSG Jason Sargent placed 2nd overall. In the team events the AMU Blue team won the 22 cal, Center fire, Service pistol and the overall team aggregate. The team members were SFC Roger Jacobson, SSG Sargent, SGT Thomas Rose and SPC Sokolowski.

At the Inter-Service Pistol Championships: SGT Rose placed 3rd overall SFC Jacobson placed 4th, SPC Sokolowski 5th and MAJ Steven King 6th. SFC Jacobson also placed 2nd in the Service Pistol 900 aggregate. In the team events the Service Pistol Team won the Center Fire team event, placed 2nd in the Service Pistol team match, 3rd in the 22 cal team match and 2nd overall in the team aggregate.

At Baltimore MD competition: SFC Jacobson won the Center Fire individual and 3rd overall. SSG Sargent placed 3rd in the Center Fire individual match.

At the National Championships, Camp Perry OH: SFC Jacobson won the NTI and the Forces Command Trophy. In the team events the AMU Blue team won the 22 cal team event, 2nd in the Center Fire team event, 2nd in the Service Pistol team event and 2nd overall team aggregate.

TIDBITS

Searching for rifle shooter Leon R. Mayer.

Captain Mayer of USAMTU hosted Canadian Captain W. J. Molnar during the annual Royal Canadian School of Infantry and U.S. Army Infantry School exchange at Fort Benning, September 1964. W.J. Molnar retired and living near Ottawa, Ontario plans on attending the USAMU reunion at Fort Benning on 6 & 7 October 2000.

The Marine Corps Distinguished Shooter Association (MCDSA)

MCDSA hosts reunions or dinners annually. Reunions are held at various places on even years. This year the MCDSA will gather at Biloxi, MS during the weekend of 6 – 8 October. They hold a Camp Perry Roundup Dinner on odd years at the VFW in Port Clinton, Ohio. Point of contact for information of Marine Corps Distinguished Shooters Association activities is Jerry J. Kozuch, P.O. Box 134, Quantico, Virginia 22134. Tel (540) 659-2482. E Mail: Distshter@aol.com.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

USA SHOOTING NEEDS VOLUNTEERS FOR THE 2000 FALL SELECTION MATCH SEPTEMBER 14-25 AT FORT BENNING. THE EVENTS FIRED ARE RIFLE, PISTOL, AND RUNNING TARGET. EVERYONE IS WELCOME FOR ANY AMOUNT OF DAYS.

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National Smallbore Rifle Championships, Camp Perry, Ohio, July 21 to 23 – International rifle shooter Staff Sgt. Lance S. Hopper won the Three Position National Championship as well as the Any Sight and Metallic Sight Championships. The USAMU Smallbore Team won the Any Sight and Metallic Sight Team Matches.

CISM, Ankara, Turkey – Captain. Glenn A. Dubis, five-time World Military Rifle Champion, picked up his sixth CISM championship trophy after sweeping every rifle match at CISM. Dubis also won Gold Medals in 300-Meter Military Rapid Fire Rifle and 300-Meter Standard Rifle Championship. Dubis, a four-time Olympian, was the only 2000 U.S. Olympian who competed in CISM. "Captain Dubis has won the CISM Rifle Championship more times than everyone else in the world combined," said Maj. Robert E. Harbison, the U.S. CISM Team captain. "They call the rifle championship trophy the 'Dubis Trophy' because his name is on it so many times."

Reminiscing

As told to the Historian by Kenner "Cracker" Ravenscraft

Kenner remembers a great win at the 1971 National Matches, Camp Perry, Ohio. It happened during the National Trophy Team, Dogs of War Match. The Navy Team had finished firing before our second pair had finished. The Navy Team was confident their score would stand up and they were celebrating their victory. The Army Team was up by a few, but the wind was crazy and everyone on line was being eaten up and losing points. The coaches eye had tired and he asked Ravenscraft, the Team Captain to take over the team scope. A fishtailing wind was Crackers forte and he was confident of giving good wind dope. The final pair was Charley Davis and Boyd Goldsby. They had to wait out conditions and time was a problem, but they finished with almost a minute remaining before time expired. It was an amazing and exciting finish. The large horseshoe shaped group of onlookers behind the Army Team became nearly silent as the final shots were fired. While the final team scores were being tallied, the OIC, MAJ Powell joked by saying, "If we win this Cracker, I'll go to Vietnam for you". Army won by 2 points, leaving a very warm memory for Coach Ravenscraft. The story was repeated often. When the team returned to Fort Benning, Coats Brown approached Cracker, shook his hand and said "Congratulations Coach for the great win at Camp Perry".

Conway Chronicles

Francis B. Conway

I was assigned to Redstone Arsenal, Alabama in the early 1960's. There was no rifle range, so I organized a Post Pistol Team. We ran monthly NRA style pistol matches with local civilian shooters joining the competition. One match, as I was walking behind the firing line during the 50 yard slow fire stage, I noticed the local senior FBI agent sitting back at the ready line. Assuming he had finished shooting his string I looked through his scope and saw he had shot all 9's and 10's with his 8 1/2 inch barrel 357. I then complimented him on his nice shooting. For two years after that he blamed me for messing up his score. He had been sitting in the ready area composing himself for his last shot and claimed that I had caused him to shoot a five on that last shot.

LTC Francis B. Conway, USA Retired wrote several articles called "Anecdotes from the Colonel" for Picacho Gun Club of Las Cruces, NM and "Sight-In-Days" for the New Mexico Shooting Sports association. Frank has given our Association permission to print these articles in the MMA Times. These articles will appear in the *Times* under the heading "CONWAY CHRONICLES".

Ray Campbell Foils Bank Robbery

Ken Hamill

In May 2000, old Service Rifle shooter Ray Campbell was conducting some business in his hometown Wachovia Bank in Wilmington, North Carolina when a man wearing sunglasses and holding a pistol above his head, hollered "Get on the floor everybody, this is a holdup." Approximately 14 customers in the lobby and 6 tellers went to the floor. Ray remained standing and watched as the robber tucked his pistol in his belt and quickly vaulted over the counter gate separating the tellers from the customers. Ray thought to himself, this guy is an idiot. Ray ducked below the counter level out of sight and moved next to the counter gate and raised up enough to keep his eye on the bad guy. The robber was noisy as he collected the money; he kept saying loudly "stay down now, keep down". Ray decided to intercede at the proper time and pulled his handy combination tool, which included a small knife blade. A young man who had been at teller window #1 and was now on the floor below where Ray crouched said, "Get down". Ray responded "No, I'm going to take him out". When the robber vaulted back over the counter gate with the pistol in his belt, he caught his toe, dropped one of the moneybags and lost his balance slightly. Ray was on him immediately. Ray got a headlock on the bad guy and the struggle began. Ray sensed the robber going for his gun in his waistbelt, so he stabbed him in the forearm and the side of his torso. The pistol came loose and fell to the floor and another customer picked the gun up. They struggled through the bank lobby and

outside. The tussle caused the robber to drop his last bag of money to the sidewalk, which triggered a red noxious gas and turned the money red. The robber was young and strong and slipped loose causing Ray to fall to the sidewalk. Ray hit his head and was stunned for a minute or so. Another customer told the young man with the gun "shoot him" and he responded, "I can't". The robber quickly picked up a few red bills and bounded off, bloody, missing one shoe, his sunglasses, jacket and pistol. Ray was fatigued and had bruises and abrasions to show for his effort, but he had saved the day. The robber, Ex University of North Carolina - Wilmington student, Douglas Brewbaker was caught at a friend's house four days later. He had not sought medical treatment. He told friends he had fallen off his bike onto a picket fence and gored himself. The Wilmington Newspaper credited a military veteran in his seventies for foiling the robbery and suggested it might have been the robbers third time to hit this bank. This time unsuccessfully thanks to our friend and teammate Raymond E. Campbell. Good job Ray! Brewbaker pleaded guilty to three counts of bank robbery in Federal Court, Raleigh and is expected to receive a plea bargain sentence of 17 years. Ray has learned that civilians can interfere or stop federal crimes without fear of a lawsuit. The FBI was very pleased with Ray's actions; they patted him on the back, shook his hand and congratulated him. The FBI has recommended to the National Bank Commission that Ray receive a \$5000.00 reward for apprehension or conviction of an armed bank robber. One local police officer has treated Ray to a meal. A local news reporter wants to be the first to interview Ray on local TV after the robber is sentenced.

If you have a 8" X 10" shooting photo of yourself or a team, please photo copy it, identify the event, date, people and send it to: MMA Historian, P.O. Box 52025, Ft Benning, GA 31995-2025. Photos received will be captioned, placed in document protectors and the appropriate binder and stored in the USAMU Photo Archives.



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