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COMMANDER'S LETTER

Dear Comrades:

The next regular meeting of Brett Post will be held on Friday evening, July 20th, 1951 at 8:30 o'clock in the 3d floor Witness Room of County Court House. This is the final meeting prior to our Annual Reunion to be held this year in Akron, Ohio. Let's have a good turnout for July meeting.

Our Annual Post Picnic will be held on Sunday, July 15th, at Scully Pistol Range. Bring along the family and friends, make it a Basket Picnic. For you who haven't attended our previous picnics, join the crowd, you're sure to enjoy it.

The Reunion committee anticipates a good registration of 80th veterans at the 1951 Reunion and I trust we again have a good representation of Brett Post members in attendance. Our delegation has been tops. The accommodations there are fine and plenty of good restaurants.

Yours in comradeship,  
EDWIN Y. DOBSON, Commander  
Gen. Lloyd M. Brett Post

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We had a nice group at the Going-Away Party for Geo. Klier last June 15th. Five of Co. G 320th men were in the group and we had John Loeffert, who was postman for Co. G, do the honors and present George with the pen & pencil set from Post and Auxiliary. Kalman Laszloffy was called on too. Then George expressed his thanks and commented on his happy associations with the organization and promises to return to Pgh. for vacations in the future. Mark Byrne showed some Korean films which were very interesting.

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Jack Larkin (Hqs. Co. 320th) reports he attended the DAV encampment in Philadelphia last month. That boy gets around.

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Harry Collette, Resident Secy., just received a letter from Joe Stone (Co. I 320th) wishing best of luck for the 80th Reunion. Joe has been a resident of Miami, Fla. for past 5 years and hopes to see some of his 80th comrades at the coming Legion Convention in Miami, October 15th.

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Co. H 319th will hold their annual Company picnic at Kennywood Park on Sunday, July 29th, 1951- they meet at Cafeteria #1.

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"Crackers" O'Donnell (320th Medics) is living back in Pittsburgh again but I don't have his address. Kohnfelder will furnish us with that info.

ANNUAL REUNION - 80TH DIVISION VETERANS - August 2, 3, 4 and 5th.  
THE MAYFLOWER HOTEL, AKRON, OHIO

Francis James (Co. H 319th) stopped in Hqs. Office to report that he will attend the Akron Reunion despite the fact he sustained an injury at work recently.

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We were happy to hear that Joe Moog is feeling better and has volunteered to take his place at the registration desk at Akron.

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Natl. Commander Kasperik met with comrades on evening of June 25th in the Plaza Bldg. Those present included Resident Secretary Harry Collette, Edwin Y. Dobson, John D. Foote, Jos. W. Leahy, Wm. Swartz, A. J. Ray, Phil Schulz, O. K. Fry and Hugh J. McKenna. They discussed reunion plans and agreed to meet in Akron on Sunday, July 1st for final arrangements. At the July 1st meeting, the Auxiliary was represented by Mrs. Margaret Ray, Natl. Aux. President, Mrs. Edna Fry, Penna. Aux. President, Mrs. Anna Cotter, Natl. Aux. Secretary and Mrs. Josephine Collette, Natl. Aux. Treasurer.

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The Post members extend sincere sympathy to Comrade Dr. M. W. Pilgram on the death of his sister, Miss Amelia M. Pilgram last June 16th.

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Mrs. Josephine Collette and Mrs. Margaret Ray attended the Philadelphia Auxiliary #2 regular meeting on Friday, June 15th. They were very graciously received and dined with Mrs. Tibbott, and stayed over-night at Judy Elber's home. The matter of pins for Auxiliary Presidents was discussed at the meeting and they are ready to be viewed or distributed at Akron Reunion.

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TAPS:

Joseph R. Gormley (Co. E 305 M.S. Train AEF) June 12, 1951

LaVerne D Johnston (Co. B 305 M.S. Train AEF) June 12, 1951  
at Aspinwall Hospital

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For your donation to new 80th Colors, see Comrade O. K. Fry.  
For a "Booster" ad in Reunion Program (\$1.00 or more), see Comrade Harry Collette - these must be in by July 11th.

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Hope you all get to see that "buddie" you have been longing to meet for some time at the Akron Reunion. And, then we know it will be a real success.

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To participate in the annual election at the Reunion, you must be a paid-up member of the 80th Division Veterans Association for 1951. Check your membership cards and see that you carry a 1951 card. Membership in the National Association is \$2.00 per year - and in Gen. Lloyd M. Brett Post - \$1.00 additional per year.

PENNSYLVANIA AUXILIARY NO. 1

We will not have a meeting during July and August but on THE EVENING of September 4th we meet again. We did have a wonderful turnout at the June meeting and enjoyed a lovely evening.

"Thanks" to the ladies who helped with the Carnival Day booth at Aspinwall Hospital on June 20th. We had good weather and everything turned out grand and it was a great success.

The annual Picnic at Scully Pistol Range is next on the program - July 15th, Sunday - Basket Picnic. Take Oriole Bus #7 in the city opposite Jenkins Arcade on Liberty ave; Oliver & Liberty; 5th & Wood; Blvd of Allies at Market St. - ask to get off at Scully Range - it is about a 30 minute ride from town. We do hope to have a good turnout.

We send Greetings and Good Wishes to all our "shut-ins".

Birthday Greetings for July to: Mrs. Ella Wyse, Miss Edith Godfrey, Miss Audrey Wyse and Mrs. Mary Greco.

Don't forget the Reunion at Akron, Ohio - Aug. 2, 3, 4 and 5. I was with the group at Akron last Sunday and the hotel is beautiful and all looks very inviting for a pleasant reunion.

MRS. EDNA FRY, President  
Penna. Auxiliary No. 1

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THANKS for Hospital Contributions - Penna. Auxiliary wishes to thank the Gen. Lloyd M Brett Post for their generous check; and also E. Y Dobson, Post Commander and Harry F. Collette for their personal help at the Hospital on June 20th. Sam Evans (& 313 F.A.), who is employed in the West Indies but who read of our work in the News Sheet, sent on his check which was most welcome.

Mr. Bill Bernoulli - THANKS - for his donation of cigarette cases, lighters and sun-glasses. Jim and Carolyn Farrar of Richmond, THANKS - for the playing cards and Model Tobacco for pipes. THANKS, Mrs. B Paul for her nice check. ---- To members of Penna. Auxiliary No. 1 and friends who all donated so generously, all we of the Hospital Committee can say is "THANKS A MILLION" - As our work is getting more publicity, our gifts to the boys at Aspinwall Veterans Hospital are getting better and bigger.

Hospital Chairman - Mrs. Esther Foote

Co-Chairman - Mrs. Anna Cotter and Mrs. Josephine Collette

NATIONAL LADIES AUXILIARY of 80th DIVISION VETERANS ASSOCIATION

Report on Special Meeting on Sunday, July 1, 1951 at Mayflower Hotel, Akron, Ohio.

Meeting called to order at 1:30 oclock. Ladies present were Mrs. Margaret Ray, National President, Mrs. Josephine Collette, Mrs. Anna Cotter, Mrs. Esther Foote and M. s. Edna Fry, Penna. Aux. President.

80th Division Veterans present at meeting: National Commander Louis V. Kasperik, John D. Foote, Wm. S artz, A. J Ray, Philip Schulz, O K Fry, Walter Fleming, F. M Cleckner, Albert Cresson and Resident Secretary Harry F. Collette.

Meeting opened by Natl. Commander Kasperik with the following remarks -  
Reunion Program to be as follows: Thurs. August 2nd - a Get-together meeting - Afternoon, A Tea at the Mayflower Hotel or some place nearby. Mr. Cunningham plans a Fashion Show as entertainment at the Tea - assessment \$1.00 per plate. Thursday morning (Aug. 2nd) a National Auxiliary Meeting. Thursday night at 7:30 oclock - a Memorial Service for deceased member of the 80th Division at Glendale Cemetery, this to be open to the public. They will have a Minister, A Catholic Priest and a Rabbi participate in services. Thursday night (9:30 oclock) a Dug-Out Party - place to be selected.

August 3rd, a bus tour to the Airport and a visit through the Rubber Plant. National President Margaret Ray said we are having National Auxiliary Business meeting at 10:00 A.M. and election of officers on Friday morning. Following a short recess, a Luncheon and the Installation of new Aux. officers will take place at Luncheon. President Margaret Ray said that we will invite American Legion, V.F.W., County Council President of Gold Star Mothers, Jewish War Veterans, DAV and Purple Heart, and Catholic War Veterans Auxiliary representatives and officers to Luncheon. These ladies will be Guests of Honor at luncheon. 80th veterans may attend.

Friday evening, Aug. 3d, the Parade will form at 7:30 and start at 9:00 sharp. Motor cars to be furnished for Gold Star Mothers and Dignitaries. The Parade Marshall will place the different organizations, drill teams and bands - the 80th Division Veterans to lead the Parade. Members present said they do not have to lead the Parade, it might be advisable to place them elsewhere in the line of march.

Final agreement on the Banquet and Ball - The banquet is to be held at 6:00 P.M. and the Military Ball at 9:00 P.M. and both these affairs will take place in The Mayflower Hotel - Assessment for both \$5.00 per person. A discussion on the kind of ticket - and after a few remarks it was decided to let Mr. Cunningham take care of this order of business.

Meeting recessed so that the Beacon Journal photographer could take pictures of National Commander Louis Kasperik, National Auxiliary President, Mrs. Margaret Ray, and Secretary Harry F. Collette.

Meeting reopened and the next subject was a Memorial Mass at St. Bernard's Church at 11:00 oclock on Sunday morning, August 5. This church is only two blocks from The Mayflower Hotel.

Mr. Cunningham said they contacted Phillip Morris Cigarette Co. and they will advertise Reunion by card displays; and the Chevrolet Motor Co. of Akron will decorate the Mayflower Hotel Lobby and hotel front. This will cost approx. \$2,000. This offer will be of great help to Reunion Committee's expenses.

The Luncheon on Friday (Aug.3d) will cost \$1.50 per person and will be something to suit the taste of all present.

Reunion Programs - next topic discussed. Advertisements for same is required to defray cost of the Reunion. The assistance of those present in securing ads was requested. Penna.Aux. President Mrs. Edna Fry, volunteered a \$10.00 ad in name of Penna. Aux. National President Margaret Ray said Secy. Cotter will write Judy Elber and inquire if Philadelphia Aux. would care to take a \$10.00 ad. Margaret Ray said she thought the National Aux. would go along and take a \$10.00 ad, this to be paid for at the Reunion if the Ladies all agree.

The Registration Fee is \$3.00 per person and it is agreed that the National Auxiliary may retain whatever monies they register.

Meeting of July 1st/51 adjourned at 3:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by  
Mrs. Anna Cotter, Secretary

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NATIONAL AUXILIARY PROGRAM

Wednesday evening - August 1/51 - Caucus meeting and get-together at Mayflower Hotel.

THURSDAY - August 2/51 - Morning Business Meeting - Opening with Memorial Services for deceased members of Auxiliary, National Chaplain Mrs. Margaret Wagner will conduct the Services and requests the members to wear white if possible. Noontime - Luncheon with Fashion Show (\$1.00 ea.) place to be selected. 7:30 P.M. - 80th Division Veterans Memorial Services at Glendale Cemetery. 9:30 P.M. - Dug-Out Party - open to all registered at Reunion - place to be selected. Possibly Burkhardt Brewery.

FRIDAY, August 3d/51 - Morning Business Meeting of National Auxiliary at 10:00 oclock sharp. Election of National Auxiliary Officers takes place. Recess. Luncheon for the Ladies (time to be posted on bulletin board) and Men - Installation of new Auxiliary officers takes place at luncheon. Guests of Honor will be present at Luncheon. 7:30 P.M. - Parade forms to move promptly at 9:00 oclock.

SATURDAY, August 4/51 - Time - free to the Auxiliary Ladies. Evening - Annual 80th Banquet and Military Ball at Mayflower Hotel - Tickets includes both affairs for \$5.00 ea.

SUNDAY - August 5/51 - Military Mass at St. Bernard's Church at 11:00 A.M.