

CNAC ASSOCIATION



CANNON BALL

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REUNION CNAC 1977

The CNAC are again together here in Ojai. It is a testament to the friendships that grew out of a brief association of men so many years ago. This is our best year so far but there are better ones to come. I regret not being with you this year but time has a way with everyone and everything, and so I miss my first reunion since we organized almost 25 years ago. Have Fun.

THE LAST ISSUE

There was a lot of confusion around the time of the last issue of the Cannonball. I was moving and some issues were not mailed. I am sorry. It contained excerpts from Topside Rickshaw and our latest membership list. I have no idea who didn't receive a copy so let me know and I will mail you one.

WAR MEMORIAL MEDAL

The medals arrived and have been sent to all those who requested them. These were in addition to those given at Ojai in 1975. As far as I know all who are eligible have received them. If you served with CNAC during the War you can receive it by writing me. With the medal there is a certificate. No one who was at Ojai received one. If you did not get one also write me for it. Include your name position and years of service. If any mailed are incorrect, I have a lot of them and I will send you one which suits you.

In case you haven't heard the medal was to be awarded immediately after the war. Because of the uncertainties of the time it was forgotten. A few years ago someone remembered and approached the Chinese government. They then started to give them out to all who had served in China during the war. Now they included CNAC with the Army and we received some. In April of this year some more medals were sent out that I remembered were there during the War. I may have overlooked someone. I did not intentionally slight any one so if I made an error I will correct the oversight.

IN MEMORIUM

Diana Higghs Sweetman passed away October 14, 1975.

ANNA CARBONE

In our last issue we announced the death of Dr. James Carone, our dentist in Calcutta. Jim and Anna had long been friends with Frank Sinatra and his family. While on vacation she was visiting the Sinatras in California. She was killed in the same accident that took the life of Dolly Sinatra, Frank Sinatra's mother. Had Jim been alive he would surely have been on the same plane.

WILLIAM PAWLEY JR

There is little to be said at this time. Sadness makes long comment on his greatness difficult to express. We will miss him. Hogy Taw will not be the same now that he has joined the crew.

C A T REUNION

CAT Association had a reunion in Honolulu last November. CAT started just after CNAC folded. They picked up where we left off. They are in a way a blood relation of ours. Many CNAC joined them and stayed with them till they in turn folded a few years ago. Like us they didn't want to see it end and they formed an association. They have reunions every year or two, and they have groups scattered around the country as we do. They have an associate membership and I think we are all welcome. In their news letter about their reunion they mention an evening of Tall Tales. This is entirely alien to CNAC. We never did anything like that. Write Sue Buol Hacker, 4825 Matsonia Drive, Honolulu, Hawaii 96816

THE LAST DOMINO

This important book was written and published not long ago. It is by Jim Phillips. It is one of the Joe Galt series published by Fawcett Gold Medal. As you know he is an experienced author and spins a good yarn.

ANNOUNCEMENT

It is with deep regret that I have resigned as Secretary of the CNAC Association. In May 1954 I was elected permanent Secretary and since that time I have done my best to support our association.

On Christmas Day 1953 I sent a mailing to the list of names gathered and remembered by Howard Dean, Natalie Mickelson, Leslie and myself. It was a wistful hope to contact a few of the old gang. The response was overwhelming. When I heard that the AVG were having a reunion in New York the next May, I suggested that we meet at the time time in New York too. It was one of our best. We have been trying to recapture its spirit ever since. It was beyond my wildest dreams that members would