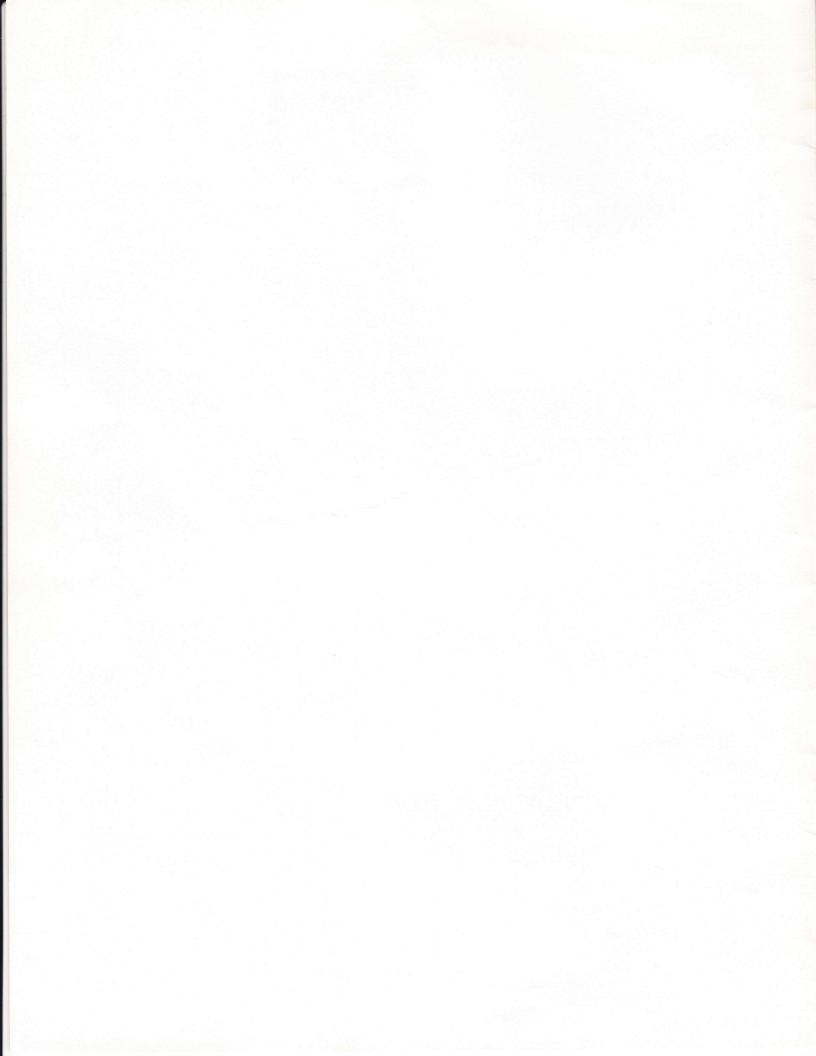




# REUNION MIAMI-FLA. 1968





# THE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

As you can see this is titled the President's Report so since you selected and elected me to fill this high and august office, I wish to thank you. Yes, I would like to thank each and everyone of you who were in Miami and selected me for this job. I would also like to thank you for the part you played in the Miami Convention, and may I add, a very successful one. Bill McDonald, Rocky Roncaglione, Pappy Quinn, Christy Hanks and many others worked very hard. Everything from the Pan American Cocktail Party and Luncheon, the cruise down in the inland waterway to Creighton's Restaurant in Lauderdale and back, our own successful cocktail party and dinner with Mr. Bill Pawley as principle speaker, the show at the hotel, the bull sessions and just the general good fellowship. . . .made this a wonderful get-together.

To all you folks who could not make it, we really missed you. You will notice from the write ups by some of the other folks things that happened and what fun we had. We are looking forward to seeing all of you out in Ojai, July 3rd, 4th and 5th of this year. I am sure you have gotten this information from the Tiger Rag, but do plan to be there. It won't be right without you.

I'd like to give a special thanks to Mr. William Pawley who was our special guest speaker and did a wonderful job, also for his invitation out to his beautiful home in Miami, for a cocktail party, a ride on his luxurious yacht, but most of all for the unusual hospitality he showed us. For those of you who were not with us, he invited us into his home, invited all his family over to meet our group. Many of you know Mr. Pawley was formerly Ambassador Pawley, and I can certainly see why he was. . . .he has that knack. He is now a member of the CNAC Organization and really in all actuality should have been all along because his is one of the founders of CNAC and the Flying Tiger Organization. Bill and his wife and his brothers Ed and Gene and wives will be joining us (we hope) at our Ojai Convention.

We received many letters of congratulations on our reunion, one from Mr. W. J. Driver, Administrator, Veterans Administration and you will notice a copy of this letter in the bulletin. Notes came from Kitty Shilling Howser, Mr. Harold Gray from Pan American Airways, Senator John G. Tower of Texas, Senator Herman Talmadge of Georgia, Ambassador of China Chow-Shu-Kai, and from Anna Chennault and Bob Prescott who were unable to be with us. We missed having each of these persons with us and appreciate their letters.

I want to thank those who contributed pictures, especially Guy Hardin, Tom Sailer, and Bill McDonald, our Editor-in-Chief, who is getting our bulletin out for us.

### SPECIAL NOTE:

Mac, How about putting in a late note, like a P.S. . . . . . . . .

Just came back from Miami, where I was in Ed Pawley's office and would you believe the plaque we presented him in Miami is hanging in a very prominent place on the middle of his office wall just under Mr. Pawley, President Roosevelt, and Chiang Kai-Shek.



Presentation of First CNAC Award To The Honorable William D. Pawley Reg – Mr. Pawley – Mac – Robbie

# "OLD CHINA HANDS"

Many a yarn was retold over and over again in Miami and I am sure everyone enjoyed the Reunion. It was a complete success due mainly to Robbie. The schedule of events took place not unlike other previous CNAC schedules.

I was mighty happy to see all of the "Gang" but to see Chuck Sharp again made the Reunion a fine thing for me. It was Chuck's first and I think he realized how much he has been missing at other Reunions.

There were quite a few faces missing - Bondy, Woody, Tweedy and a few others and we are sorry that they couldn't make it. Maybe next time.

Kirk and Red Holmes and Moss kept everyone in stitches with their stories told on the yacht trip. Some of them were old and SOME NEW. Each year brings out facts that hither-too have been stored for safekeeping.

Our salute to Bill and Edna Pawley and brothers all for making the Reunion much more interesting.

Awards were given to Dr. Reg and Pappy for their finer efforts in organizing and keeping the Group alive. Also Bill Pawley received the first CNAC Award for his contribution to aviation in China.

The real highlight of the Reunion was the banquet speech made by the Honorable William D. Pawley, former Ambassador to Brazil and Peru. His subject was enlightening to many. The history of CNAC and his story of the organization of The Flying Tigers was great and we all enjoyed it.

See you at Ojai in July.



# ROLL CALL- - - - MIAMI BEACH, JULY 28th, 1969

Walter "Pappy" Quinn "Red" Holmes Reg Farrar Mary Sedoski - - Guest Guy Harden, Jr. Peer, Ione, Phil Carr & Guest Charlie & Genna Rountree Tommy & Maggie Wong Bart, Irene & Perri Hahn Anne Ostheimer--Guest Gale & Mrs. McCallister-AVG Harry "Red" Schaus Robbie & Lucille Roberts Bill & Peggy McDonald

Rocky & Esther Roncaglione Tom Sailer & Family Vern & Josephine Gudeman Moose Moss Jules & Peggy Watson Jerry, Angelia & Maria Shrawder Ben & Kathy Brierton Monty & Stella Mantoux Sam Westbrook Arthur "Bud" Young

Christy & Red Hanks John & Sarah Vivian Roy & Marjorie Farrell Bill Maher **Bob Rengo** Ray Rengo--Guest Sam Henery- -- Guest George & Hazel Hammill E. C. Kirkpatrick Jack Burke "Link" Laughlin "Hank" Smith

Frank Hoffman Alice Knight "Chuck" Sharp **Austin Young** Sid Wilson Jesse & Mrs. Crookshanks- -- AVG Bill & Mrs. Pawley Ed & Mrs. Pawley Gene & Mrs. Pawley **Rey Scott** Rocky Marciano Capt. Dick Vinal- - - PAA

Mary Farrar (nee Seleski) Reg in June 1969

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Embassy of the Republic of China Washington, D.C. 20008

July 17, 1968

Mr. Robbie Roberts Stanley Home Products Suite 107 443 East Paces Road Atlanta, Georgia

To the Convention of Flying Tigers and CNAC, Miami, Florida

On the occasion of your meeting at Miami I hasten to send you my cordial greetings and best wishes for a successful convention. I avail myself of this opportunity to tell you that we cherish the memory of the achievements and exploits of the Flying Tigers. The contribution of achievements and exploits of the Flying Tigers. Group from General the officers and men of the American Voluntary Group from General Chennault on down merits a glorious chapter in the annals of China's the officers and men of the American voluntary group from General Chennault on down merits a glorious chapter in the annals of China's war of resistance to international aggression.

Many of you had also served in the American 14th Air Force in Many of you had also served in the American 14th Air Force in China or assisted us as commercial pilots during the war. In all these capacities your cooperation and comradeship were outstanding and commendable. We are most appreciative of your friendship and continuous interest in us. nuous interest in us.

Ambassador of China

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With warmest regards to all.

cc: Mr. "Robbie" Roberts Mr. William McDonald

# United States Senate

COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND FORESTRY WASHINGTON, D.C. 20510

July 22, 1968

Honorable L. F. Roberts, Jr. China National Aviation Association and Flying Tigers Convention Carrillon Hotel Miami Beach, Florida

Dear friend Roberts:

Congratulations to the members of the China National Aviation Association and Flying Tigers upon your reunion at Miami Beach, Florida. This is a momentous occasion.

China National Aviation pioneered flying cargoes from China National Aviation pioneered Hying cargoes from India to China when all land and sea routes were cut off by the Japanese during World War II. The illustrious Flying Tigers held the Japanese back while China National Aviation flew in supplies which were badly needed. I wish to commend all of you on the fine job you have done.

With every good wish for a successful reunion, I am

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Dear Mr. Roberts:

 $\boldsymbol{I}$  wanted to take this opportunity to extend  $\boldsymbol{m}\boldsymbol{y}$ congratulations and best wishes to the Flying Tiger Association on the occasion of your convention.

All Texans are particularly proud of the traditions of leadership and courage personalized by General Claire Chennault and continued today by your Association. I'd like to be right there with you today, but we have a little national convention business which demands my immediate attention just at the moment.

I hope the members of your Association will never I nope the memoers of your Association will never hesitate to share with me their views, advice, and assistance as we face the problems of the day.

John G. Tower

Air Mail

Members of CNAC and Flying Tiger Association:

My deep regret that I will not be able to attend the CNAC reunion in Miami with you. I have originally planned to spend the last part of July in Miami with all of you. However, due to urgent business matter I have to leave for the Far East and Southeast Asia on July 20th and will not be back to this country until the first part of August. Please accept my apology and my warmest greetings to all of you.

May I wish all of you a most successful and happy reunion. I am proud to be a member of this courageous and distinguished group and hope to be with you on your next reunion.

With warmest regards to all.

Anna Chennault

cc: Mr. "Robbie" Roberts Mr. William McDonald

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August 27, 1968

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China National Aviation Corporation Association 443 E. Paces Ferry Road, N. E. Atlanta, Georgia 30305

Dear Mr. Roberts:

It was our pleasure to have the privilege of acting as host for our old-time colleagues in CNAC.

I know that its spirit lives, and have no doubt that I know that its spirit fives, and have no doubt that in the future Pan American will again take up the service it pioneered in the early days.

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Dear Bill:

# HANKS SEAFOOD COMPANY, Inc. P. O. BOX 70 • EASTON, MARYLAND 21601

Dear Bill:
Ever since last summer's reunion in Miami, Jane, has been bringing out new dresses that she said she bought at Miami at a sale. She must have bought them while I was watching the miniskirts.

The most dramatic performance of the reunion was a boat trip through the inland waterways to some very elegant restaurant farther away. I say it was farther by about ten drinks served by a very bosomy barmaid on the afterdeck.

The whole boat trip was arranged to remind us of our CNAC days of yore. First it was announced the craft would be at a certain place by 9:30 A.M., which was asking a lot since the party the night before didn't get off the ground until I A.M.

After many confused communications we found out the boat was too big to land where we were waiting. We left quickly for the other end of Miami to meet it. You arrived first and with much arm waving and fast foot-work directed others without getting run down.

When we parked our cars, we assumed we were going for a round trip. However, things didn't work out that way and I didn't see the Captain take a single drink.

As we piled aboard two hours late, with a lunch date to keep, we all clustered around the boat on schedule even if the Captain couldn't get his boat on schedule. We managed this nicely as the "Hump" stories out-peaked the stock market.

After a late lunch we managed this incert as the runip stories out-peaked the stock market. After a late lunch we headed back. Most of the pre-luncheon entertainers sacked out. The winds of fate anged while they were asleep. Just as were to pass through one of the many draw bridges on the route the draw stuck half up. The non-CNAC type Captain would neither try to squeeze through the draw nor go out into the ocean to get to our destination.

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Inst about when we were going to solve this problem they closed up the bar, because we had tie up to the dock. With this difficulty and the fancy girls abandoning ship for the beauty parlors, how could we be expected to solve the problem.

Finally we all dribbled ashore and into taxis back to the starting point for a night of gayety at the hotel.

That night we heard a talk by Bill Pawley that was the most emotional event of the numerous AVG and CNAC reunions. More Flying Tigers should have been there to enjoy it.

Jane and I are planning on attending the reunion at Ojai next summer. I hope you and peggy are enjoying life.

Sincerely CHRISTY Christy



### VETERANS ADMINISTRATION OFFICE OF THE ADMINISTRATOR OF VETERANS AFFAIRS WASHINGTON, D.C. 20420

July 29, 1968

Honorable L. F. Roberts, Jr. China National Aviation Association and Flying Tigers Convention Carrillon Hotel Miami Beach, Florida

Dear Mr. Roberts:

The President of the United States has asked that I extend his personal regards and best wishes to the members of the China National Aviation Association and Flying Tigers as you convene in Miami Beach for your reunion.

The President mentioned the great contributions that you made by your brave and daring actions flying cargoes to besieged people behind the Japanese blockade during World War II. Your exploits have become legendary and your actions brought the highest credit not only upon this nation but all free peoples.

I add my best wishes to those of the President for a successful convention.

Sincerely.

W. J. DRIVER

## MIAMI HIGH-LIGHTS

A good time was had by all those who gathered at the Carillon at Miami Beach on July 26th. Our hosts, the William D. Pawleys, entertained us at their lovely home on Biscayne Bay the first evening, and those who desired enjoyed a moonlight cruise aboard their yacht, Flying Tiger. At dinner that evening, Mr. Pawley regaled us with the story of early days in China. Edna Pawley, who has been on the list of the Ten Best Dressed Women for years, wore a pretty gown of white brocade. We were happy to meet the Ed Pawleys and the Gene Pawleys, who said they would like to join us this summer at Ojai.

We were so happy to see Stella and Monty Monteaux at their first reunion. Monty is now a retired Air Force colonel and Stella is charming and pretty as ever! Good to have Zena Sailer all the way from Tachikawa and our two faithful and favorites, Peggy McDonald and Peggy Watson. Enjoyed meeting pretty Marjorie Farrel, Roy's bride, and found her to be warm and friendly. Dear Esther and Walter Roncaglione were very much in evidence. We have Rockey to thank for arranging the nice yacht trip for us.

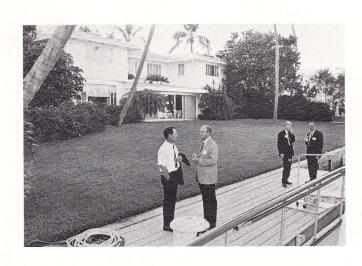
Our yacht trip to Fort Lauderdale was a high-light of the reunion. We reminisced all the way there about the good old days in Shanghai, Peiping and Hong Kong. The fashion luncheon at Creighton's was most enjoyable, and the ladies had time for shopping. Emma Jane Hanks came away with a beautiful green chiffon gown and Angela a pink Italian knit.

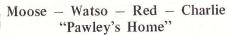
It was nice to have handsome Mark Watson with us for his first appearance among the juniors. Maria Shrawder seemed to especially appreciate his presence. Another first was the presence of Bud Young down from Ohio. He realized all the fun he had been missing in not attending previously.

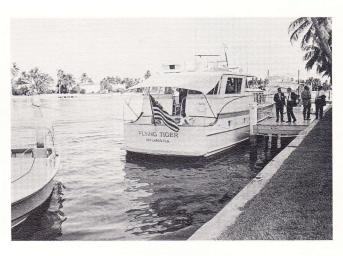
Our thanks to stalwart Robbie Roberts for setting up such a nice schedule for us, and to his sweet, petite Lucille, always so well groomed and chic:

I must say we felt the absence of our Tiger friends, but we are looking forward to seeing you (all) at Ojai in July!

# Angela Shrawder







"Pawley's Pet"



Hank, Charlie and Roy "It's a lie"



Monty - Stella - Guy "All Smiles"



" The Reverend Maher and Farrell"



"There I was at 40,000 feet!!!"



"The Pawley's Party"



Top Echelon "Pappy" – "Chuck" – "Robbie"



Rocky - Rocky two - Roy - Doc "Sad Sacks"



"It was the most devine shade of Pink"



Moose and Rocky Two "FORMER" Champs



"Tom Sailer - John Vivian"



"Life is just a bowl of Cherrys"



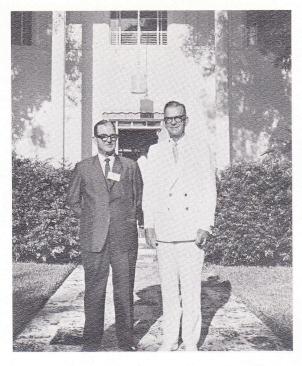
"Three of a Kind"



Peg – Sailer – Stella "Gay Girls"



"Barber Shop Quartet" Gudeman



"Two Bills"



"It's only a Coke"



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