

# LST 884 NEWS

SURVIVORS OF JAP SUICIDE ATTACK  
MEET IN NEW YORK  
AND LUCKY TO SURVIVE!!!

CHICAGO  
JULY 4<sup>TH</sup>  
1958

START PLANNING NOW .....

Lawrence Lee and Ed Corbett will try arranging for an entire Motel in Suburban Chicago. Your deposit will be necessary in order for them to make reservations. Also, with your deposit, state whether you will bring your wife, or, if you wish single accommodations. Investment Broker, Harold Hartley says "it will be a sound investment" and Armand Dugas, City Fireman, says "you will have a hot time. Air conditioner, Manton Eldredge, says, "it will be more fun than Liberty in New Orleans.

A hush fell over the audience as Vincent Lopez stepped up to the microphone and announced on his N.B.C. Nationwide Broadcast that he was happy to be playing for some real celebrities, Members of the LST 884, survivors of a Jap Suicide Attack on D-Day at Okinawa.

Somehow, Lopez thought we were the only survivors. I do not know what gave him that idea, unless, maybe, it was the way I told the story.

We received a tremendous ovation from the audience, that was the only free thing we received in New York.

PIN POINT PERSONALITIES

Harold Hartley, Investment Broker, Alumnus Hamline, Company's main office, Minneapolis, travels to New York and New England on Business for a capitol investment, See him in Chicago, July 4th, 1958.

Armand Dugas, City Fireman, Athol, Mass., very dapper dresser, looks like he just stepped from the pages of Esquire Magazine, says "it will not be a false alarm if you are in Chicago, July 4th, 1958".

Dick Epstein, Distributor for Hot Water Heaters, New England States, Alumnus, N.Y.U. Dick says, "you will be in plenty of hot water with me unless you are in Chicago, July 4th, 1958".

Jesse Taylor, House Building Contractor, has started a "Do it yourself" shop. It is, fully equipped wood working shop. Jesse says, "You can build on having a fine time in Chicago, July 4th, 1958".

Lawrence Lee, Plumbing Equipment Contractor. Lawrence says, I will be plumb tickled to see you in Chicago, July 4th, 1958".

Alfred Geary, Railroad Conductor, Reading Railroad, is an authority on fine beers. Big Al says ride the road to fun, Chicago, July 4th, 1958."

Manton Eldredge, Air conditioning expert, says, "you will be walking on air if you are in Chicago, July 4th, 1958."

Edmond Corbett, Sales Representative, Chemicals, travels extensively. He may see you almost anytime during the coming year. Ed says, "do not sell yourself short on Pleasure, plan to be in Chicago July 4th".

John Marabella, Auto Mechanic, says, "if you are heading toward Chicago, July 4th, 1958, you will be hitting on all cylinders for good timing."

Jack Baradi, Policeman, Syracuse, says, "Anyone not in Chicago, July 4th, 1958, is committing a crime against himself."

Lee, Corbett, Taylor, Dugas, Epstein, Eldredge and Haggerty took all the applause as gracefully as Rex Harrison or Clark Gable. Hartley and Al Geary, due to a later arrival, missed the network announcement but, Dugas came to the rescue with two bottles.

Jesse Taylor says the fellows may have been lousy gunners but there was nothing wrong with their eyes when they picked their wives, they were all DOLLS.

Harold Hartley arrived looking like a College Professor, dignified, reserved and impressive. When he learned Epstein, Leone Garrett were not present it drove him to drink, so he had one.

Big Al Geary made his appearance smoking a big, black cigar, looking like a Bookie. Corbett looked like a three time loser trying to place a bet for the fourth race.

Epstein tried to pipe chow on his Do'sun pipe at the Taft but Lopez stopped him. Eppy did not belong to the Musicians' Union.

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Bert Leone, owns a Super Market, says, "The biggest bargain is to be in Chicago July 4th, 1958".

John Feightner, Chemical Engineer, Alma Mater not known. John, in paper business in Canada says, See you in Chicago, July 4th, 1958, am bringing a ton of confetti."

Bert Compton, Stationary Engineer, Power Plant, says "for a powerful good time be in Chicago, July 4th, 1958."

Stuart Haggerty, Electrician, Member of L.U. 5 Pittsburgh says, "do not have Tuxedo but willing to travel." Stu will be shocked if you are not in Chicago, July 4th, 1958 for an electrifying time.

Lowell Frye, Teacher, Masters Degree, Mathematics, Iowa State. The Coach says "you can figure on fun in Chicago, July 4th".

Jarvis Aligood, Pharmacist, Alumnus Duke University, - I know if "Doc" could write he would prescribe a trip to Chicago, July 4th, 1958.

Reed Garcia, Ticket Agents Office, Seaboard Line, Reed says, "Chicago, July 4th, 1958 is the ticket for pleasure.

Edward C. Mc Gee, Stationary Engineer, Bloomington School System, says, "to be well schooled in pleasure see me in Chicago, July 4th '58.

Bob Huff, Salesman. He and Corbett deny reports that they are responsible for the Farmer's Daughter and Traveling Salesman stories. Bob says it was Epstein and Lee. Bob also says he will see you in Chicago, July 4th, 1958, even if he has to appropriate a Navy Jeep, Gulfport Miss. style.

TO:

Vernon Garrett, Chester Brown, Glenn Cudd, Mel Krumm, Harold Seiner, George Nims, Don Mac Lennon, Ermal Crail and Bill Dollman, let us know what you are doing.

TO:

Jesse - have you found the negatives???  
Some of the fellows are anxious to add the pictures to their albums.

HOPE YOU MAY FIND SOME PLEASURE IN THIS FIRST CONVENTION NEWS. If you have any suggestions, or addresses, which will help make July 4th, 1958, In Chicago, Bigger and Better, please send them along.

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Lawrence Lee and Jesse Taylor were in the lobby trying to get some of the guests up to their room for a game of "Black Jack".

Dugas was complaining because Baradi, Marbella, Dollman and Cudd were not present. Arman said there were not enough of the Deck Crew present to get the lines across for mooring and you all know how that upsets the Skipper.

Manton Eldredge, in the absence of Mel Krumm, took over the Commisary Department and demoted Crail and Krumm. (I am afraid this new power went to his head, he was ordering the cooks around at the Taft).

Stuart Haggerty could have used Garrett, everybody was lit up and it was quite a load on the Broadway Circuit.

We all decided we needed Chester Brown to keep the supply of "Red Eye" in order and Jesse Taylor says he could use Burrell to keep things shipshape.

We all had a barrell of fun but we need all of you to make it better. It was agreed that we could not go far without the Wheel House Crew of Feightner, Compton and Mac Lennon. We could use Reed Garcia for arranging the Liberty Program. Seiner for water the day after Liberty and "Doc" Aligood to make us well after Liberty.