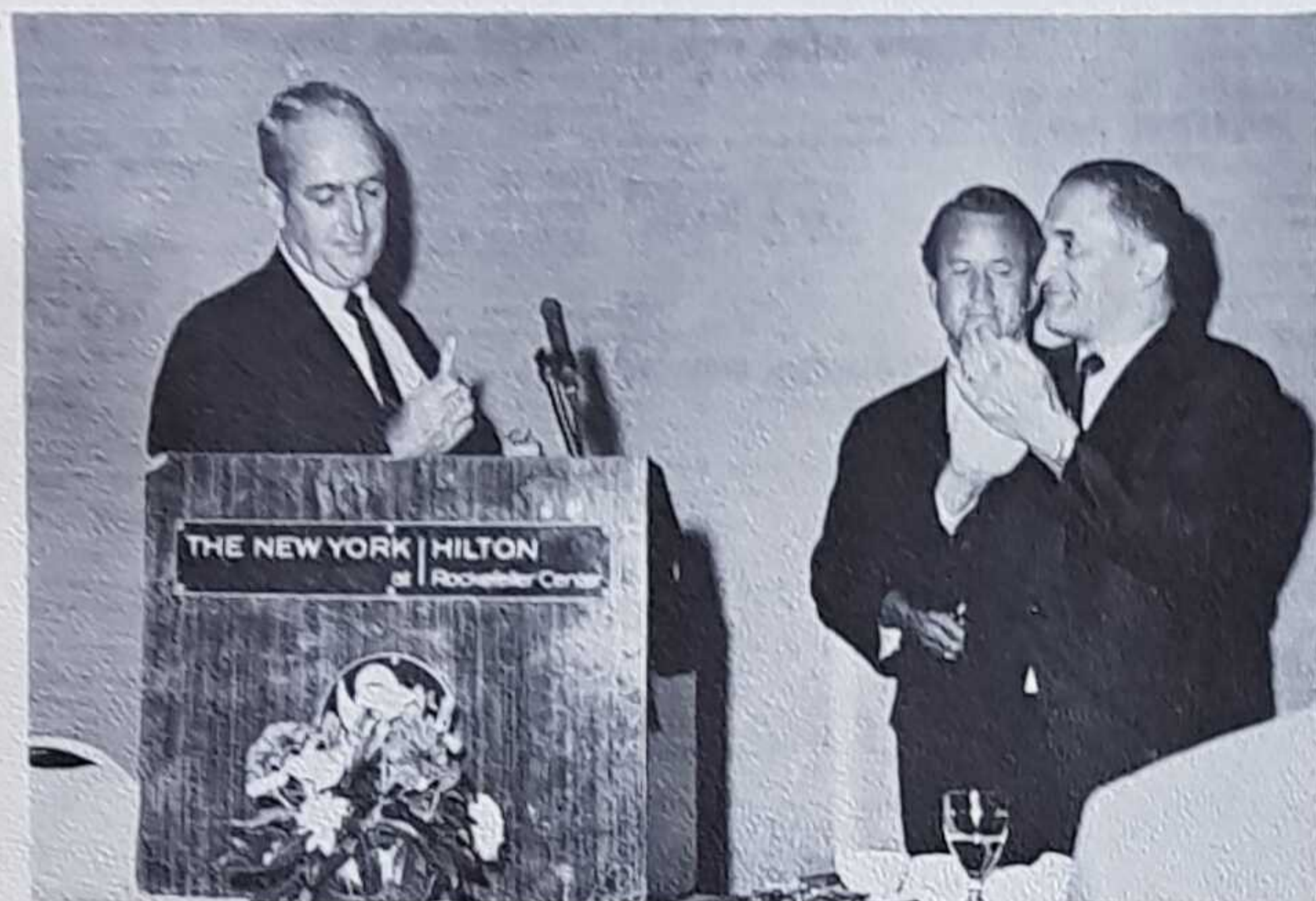


# 384th Bomb Group 1st Reunion Review



Tex McCrary, M.C. introduces Lt. Gen. T. R. Milton, Keynote Speaker. S. F. Arauz, Chairman, applauds.



Right side of head table shows (left to right) Tex McCrary, Mrs. S. Arauz, Col. Budd Peaslee, William "Pop" Dolan and Father Sullivan. Maj. Gen. Dale O. Smith, unfortunately, had to leave; he occupied empty chair next to Col. Peaslee.



Left side of head table shows (left to right) Charles Roche, Mrs. F. Celentano, Frank Celentano (being introduced), Mrs. R. Chapin, Robert Chapin, Col. Robert Fish and Lt. Gen. Theodore R. Milton.

Dear 384ther:

The First Reunion of the 384th Bomb Group proved to be a sparkling success! Almost 300 men and their wives arrived on Friday, June 2nd, to renew old acquaintances and make up for the time between meetings . . . for many, almost 24 years.

Many picked up their friendships as if there hadn't been any interval of time. All-in-all everyone indicated they had had a great time and wanted to see reunions scheduled at least every three years. (A compromise between two and five years.)

On Friday we had planned registration in the Nassau Room and an informal reception in the evening, but everyone who registered remained in the Nassau Room renewing friendships and looking at all the photographs, maps and souvenirs of our days in England, so that the day and evening was spent enjoyably by all.

On Saturday, the morning was kept free, but in the afternoon we had the pleasure of seeing two old movies; . . . "The Memphis Bell" and "Target for Today". In the latter, many of the "actors" were 384thers! Some of those people were at the Reunion (looking just a little older) but in fine form. The Saturday evening activities began with cocktails, followed by a most delicious dinner. The ballroom was decorated with red, white, and blue tablecloths, bright floral centerpieces, and souvenir programs. A very danceable eight piece orchestra, playing memorable song-hits of the 1941-1945 years, made the evening complete.

Tex McCrary (of the TV team of Tex and Jinx) was our Master of Ceremonies and he performed admirably.

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# TABLE GROUPS



**OLD FRIENDS  
AND NEW  
ONES – GOOD  
FUN!**

**HAVEN'T  
CHANGED  
MUCH, HAVE  
THEY?**



**ARE  
YOU  
HERE?**



# MORE TABLE GROUPS!



**ANOTHER  
FINE  
GROUP**

**BY NOW  
YOU SHOULD  
HAVE NOTICED  
THAT . . .**



**384th MEN  
HAVE GOOD  
TASTE IN  
SELECTING  
THEIR WIVES!**



We were fortunate to have Col. Budd Peaslee, Major General Smith, Col. Robert Fish and Lieut. General Milton who was our Keynote Speaker. (Gen. Milton has recently been made Inspector General of the Air Force.) Unfortunately, General Lacey was not able to be present at our First Reunion.

After viewing the two old movies on Saturday afternoon, a business session was held during which it was agreed that we should go ahead and form a permanent Association, with annual dues of \$5.00. It was also requested of everyone to continue seeking out any 384th members not contacted and advise the Committee pro-tem as to their names and addresses. Plans are afoot to have the Association's permanent headquarters at the Air Force Office in New York City. In the meantime, a pro-tem Committee is drafting the Association's By-Laws, to have it incorporated in the State of New York. At a later date everyone will have the opportunity to apply for membership in the 384th Bomb Group Association.

During the next few months, we will be making up a master list of addresses which we plan to make available to all members. As you meet or hear from members not in the Association encourage them to join.

Kindest regards,

Cordially,  
For the pro-tem Committee,  
*Samuel F. Arauz*  
Samuel F. Arauz



TIME TO DINE



DANCING TO THE PLAYING  
OF 1941-1945 SONG HITS!

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