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**CHICAGO REUNION - LARGEST GATHERING OF
DEADEYES SINCE 1946**

When it was all over another record had been set, for exactly 550 **DEADEYES** were signed in from the beginning on Wednesday night until banquet time on Saturday night. Men of the 96th and their families took over most of the space in the Pick-Congress Hotel for their eleventh annual reunion. Previous attendance records had been attained at Indianapolis, 364, in 1966 and Omaha, 351, in 1967.

At the beer bust, there was plenty to drink, but space for the crowd became a problem. Throughout the evening hotel personnel were busy bringing in extra tables and chairs.

More than 600 persons overflowed the Great Hall for the banquet. Individual states had furnished their flags for the colorful decorations, emphasizing the fact that **DEADEYES** had assembled from every part of the country.

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RECOGNITION

Old Timer Awards for attendance at 10 reunions were presented to:

Kenneth Camp	361-FA	Robert Huff	383-A
Ed Dakan	381-B	Richard Klassen	383-K
Dean Davis	321-Med	William Meyer	381-A
Harold Fluck	382-G	Winfred Pearson	383-AT
James Goettling	382-A	Bernie Scanlon	321-Med
Val Heinrich	362-FA		

Perfect attendance at all eleven reunions was maintained by:

Howard Carrico	382-G	Howard Ragsdale	383-AT
Jacob Fisher	381-I	Clarence Snyder	383-I
Joe Fritz	381-E	Richard Van Etten	361-FA
Hubert Hoffman	Sig	Henry White	383-I

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POSTSCRIPT

On Thursday evening Roy Grubb (Div. Art.), Rt. 1, Noble,, Illinois fell and broke his hip in front of the hotel. He was hospitalized at Westside VA Hospital, Chicago, Illinois and was still a patient there in October. Buddies may write to him at his home address.

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CHALLENGE

If size is an indication of success when reunions are considered, then the gathering of **DEADEYES** in Chicago became a landmark. Are any other similar WW 11 groups comparably active, or is the 96th Infantry Division Association the most successful thing of its kind?

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**DISTINGUISHED DEADEYE
1968**



Harold Roetker 96-CM
5348 N. E. 38th Avenue
Portland, Oregon 97211

The Distinguished **DEADEYE** award goes each year to the member who has, in the opinion of the president, made the most significant contribution of his time and talents to advance the Association.

Roetker's first connection with **DEADEYE Dispatch** came about during the 1964 reunion in his home town when he brought in a handful of printed materials that his employer, was using for promotional purposes. Harold had a theory that the 96th needed something of the same sort to tell the unfinished story of the Division and build support for the Association.

So he volunteered to handle the job from rough draft to mailing on the same no-pay basis as everyone else involved with the Association. During the succeeding years dues paying membership has nearly doubled and the result has been financial stability for the organization.

Personal Information: After graduation from high school at Lohrville, Iowa Harold went west. He met Rose in Portland, Oregon during training with the 96th. Their family includes Carolyn, a senior in college; Mike 16; Pat, 12 and Jeff, 6.

Most of his buddies will remember Harold as a corporal office clerk in OM.

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Alex Markus (382-B) and wife, Eleanor, who served as host and hostess for the reunion in Chicago, handled most of the details, besides arranging for superb hotel facilities and first class entertainment.

President Paul Bauer (382-Service) earned the admiration of all **DEADEYES** by his efficient handling of business and group meetings. His wife, Norma, had much to do with programs for Auxiliary and teenagers.

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AUXILIARY OFFICERS CHOSEN



Front (L to R) Lorraine Strand, President; Dorothy Fitzpatrick; 1st Vice President; Lavonne Wilker, 2nd Vice President; Lila Buxton, 3rd Vice President; Ann Dunning, Recording Secretary; Rose Fritz, Treasurer, Back (L to R) Hilda Biggs, Vice President in charge in Chicago, Helen Klassen, Teresa Hoffman; Norma Bauer, Inez Easley, Board of Directors. Rachel Butler, Chaplain, not present for picture.



Hubert Hoffman, Wichita, Kan. (Sig.) was given the privilege of using the mayor's box.



ARLINGTON CEMETERY PLAQUE



The Association plaque, first shown at the reunion in Chicago, was accepted for display in the Trophy Room at the Tomb of the Unknowns.

REGISTERED AT THE REUNION IN CHICAGO

381st

381st

HQ & HQ

George Buttel
Crete, Illinois
Anthony Chavent
Kirkwood, Missouri
Edward Grebik
Chicago, Illinois
Earl Hiven
Palatine, Ohio
Andrew Jablonski
Issaquah, Washington
Aloys Kirchoff
LeMay, Missouri
Andrew Murcko
Brookfield, Ohio
Edward Murphy
Kawkawlen, Michigan
Roy Oliphant
Park Forest, Illinois
Adrian Pasternik
Westmont, Illinois
Anthony Petrella
Joliet, Illinois

ANTITANK

Bud Beeler
Newayge, Michigan
Edward Foster
Inkster, Michigan
W.P. Johnson
McLean, Illinois
Walter Lauber
Monica, Illinois
Robert Schmidt
St. Paul, Minnesota
Arthur Smith
Chicago, Illinois
Alex Trybulski
Saginaw, Michigan

CANNON

Arnold Anderson
Viroqua, Wisconsin
Myron Bogue
Washington, Michigan
Paul Cohen
Chicago, Illinois
Glen Hamilton
Peoria, Illinois
Dee Veere Hershey
Astoria, Oregon
Raymond James
N. Royalton, Ohio
Peter Koenig
Dearborn, Michigan
Cloyce Rucker
LaCygne, Kansas
James St. Onge
Midland, Michigan
Leonard Uchwat
Chicago, Illinois

MEDICS

Richard Anderson
Putnam, Illinois
Marvin Anderson
Janesville, Wisconsin
Dr. Donald Bryan
Rockledge, Florida
William McCormick
Lapeer, Michigan

SERVICE

Edward Cullen
Bunkie, Louisiana
Russell Drechler
Braidwood, Illinois
John Harrenstein
Hastings, Nebraska
Robert Johnson
Loomis, Nebraska
Alvin Nelson
Wheeling, Illinois

1st BN. HQ. CO.

Michael Cwian
Chicago, Illinois
William Lombardi
Bellwood, Illinois

"A" COMPANY

Marvin Anderson
Minneapolis, Minnesota
R.G. Gilligan
Dolton, Illinois
Franklin Matheny
Decatur, Illinois
William Meyer
Oxford, Ohio

"B" COMPANY

Dr. L.J. Brinkmeyer
El Dorado, Kansas
Donald Brown
Trilla, Illinois
Minor Butler
Aurora, Illinois
John Byers
South Bend, Indiana
Anthony Citro
Oak Lawn, Illinois
Ed Dakan
Corning, Iowa
Herman Kurowski
Chicago, Illinois
Edward Plewa
Niles, Illinois
Vernon Richson
Milwaukee, Wisconsin

"C" COMPANY

Lawrence Albert
Wichita, Kansas
Peter Koenig
Dearborn, Michigan
Julius Meyer
Quincy, Illinois
William O'Brien
Chicago, Illinois
Adolph Pietrucha
Chicago, Illinois
Walter Zych
Chicago, Illinois

"D" COMPANY

Clyde Angles
Chillicothe, Ohio
Harold Davidson
Dayton, Ohio
Peter Januscheitis
Chicago, Illinois
Marvin Nevius
McLean, Illinois
William Sax
Rock Island, Illinois

2nd BN. HQ. CO.

James Bankhead
Concord, California
Edward Dunning
Skokie, Illinois
Robert Kline
LeRoy, Illinois
Ernest Vogt
Arlington, Nebraska

"E" COMPANY

Wallace Archer
Sarcoxis, Missouri
Milford Birkman
Berger, Missouri
Joe Fritz
Beatrice, Nebraska
Gerald Jacobson
Fridley, Minnesota
LeRoy Larson
Mobridge, So. Dakota
Arthur McGhee
Dallas, Texas
Joseph Micek
Chicago, Illinois

"F" COMPANY

Dr. Donald Bryan
Rockledge, Florida
Melvin Vietti
Pontiac, Illinois

"G" COMPANY

Bill Doak
Kingston, Illinois
Kenneth Peterson
Chicago, Illinois
Donald Reinke
Chicago, Illinois
Lyle Roszell
Hinsdale, Illinois

"H" COMPANY

George Caswell
Odessa, Texas
Robert Dodd
S. Holland, Illinois
Herbert Johnson
Rockford, Illinois
Robert Maxwell
Chicago, Illinois
Dale Mc Comas
Monroe, Iowa
Jerry Postick
Chicago, Illinois
(Address unknown)
Frank Sierawski
Lansing, Michigan

3rd BN. HQ. CO.

Louis Aquila
Chicago, Illinois
Forrest Bassler
Hudsonville, Michigan
Clayton Berry
Bangor, Michigan
Frank Green
Wheaton, Illinois
James Humberg
Benton Harbor, Michigan
Howard Miles
Princeton, Illinois

3rd BN. HQ. CO. (cont'd)

John Obal
Omaha, Nebraska
Patrick O'Gorman
Greely, Nebraska
John Yedmock
Grand Ridge, Illinois

"I" COMPANY

Marvin Anderson
Janesville, Wisconsin
Walter Bodem
Indianapolis, Indiana
Morris Cutler
Chicago, Illinois
Edward DeWitt
Grand Rapids, Michigan
Frank Dowell
Waukegan, Illinois
Jacob Fisher
Baltimore, Maryland
Philip Galloway
Covington, Louisiana
Wilmer Gehrls
Clarence, Iowa
Paul Martin
Chenoa, Illinois
Frank Markel
Evanston, Illinois
Gerald Moran
Oak Lawn, Illinois
Thaddeus Pacyna
Independance, Ohio
Nathaniel Servi
Taylorville, Illinois
John Spatuzza
Oak Park, Illinois
Sidney Steiner
Homewood, Illinois
Lloyd Wanbaugh
Eau Claire, Wisconsin
Arthur Ziomek
Chicago, Illinois

"K" COMPANY

Steve Allen
Oak Park, Illinois
Ted Hanna
Grosse Pointe, Michigan
Jack Russo
Flint, Michigan
Stanley Smith
Springville, Iowa

"L" COMPANY

Stanley Allured
Wheaton, Illinois
F.C. Caldwell
Corpus Christi, Texas
Frank Homolka
Stanton, Nebraska
Delmar Hyatt
Colfax, Illinois
Robert Lindquist
Riverdale, Illinois

"M" COMPANY

Gerald Bear
Flushing, Michigan
Virgil Below
Rising Sun, Ohio

CHICAGO REUNION – Continued

381st (cont'd)

"M" COMPANY (cont'd)
 Calvin Claus
 Evanston, Illinois
 Francis Fauth
 St. Petersburg, Florida
 Ernest Malkewitz
 Grand Rapids, Michigan
 Tony Medziak
 Bensonville, Illinois
 George Mooney
 Harvey, Illinois
 Harold Strand
 Glenwood, Iowa
 Harold Williams
 West Branch, Iowa

382nd

HQ & HQ

Charles Beaumont
 Chicago, Illinois
 LeRoy Bookman
 Freeport, Illinois
 Frederic First
 Toledo, Ohio
 Kenneth French
 Morton Grove, Illinois
 Howard Hill
 Chicago, Illinois
 Edward Jorgenson
 Brooklyn, New York
 Jerry Ninotti
 Dearborn, Michigan
 Leslie D. Phillips
 Crestwood, Missouri
 George Rummelhart
 Coralville, Iowa
 Edward Zondlo
 Chicago, Illinois

ANTITANK

Edwin Bunka
 Chicago, Illinois
 Joseph Gaal
 Clarendon Hills, Illinois
 Robert Hartzell
 Winchester, Indiana
 Percy Jones
 Gays Mills, Wisconsin
 Edward Petrykowski
 Detroit, Michigan
 Anthony Skaronea
 Mundelein, Illinois
 Howard Tway
 Overland Park, Kansas
 Russell Watts
 Columbus, Ohio

CANNON – NONE

MEDICS

Roy Dunn
 Woodstock, Illinois
 Gerald Fawley
 Elkhart, Indiana
 Edward Zahn
 Iola, Kansas

SERVICE

Carl Anderson
 Morris, Illinois
 Paul Bauer
 Altamont, Illinois

382nd

SERVICE (cont'd)

James Breece
 Huntsville, Alabama
 Howard Hill
 Chicago, Illinois
 Delmar Hyatt
 Colfax, Illinois
 Bervie Jones
 Dearborn, Michigan
 Richard Longfield
 Wyoming, Michigan
 J.L. Manson
 Van Buren, Indiana
 Oscar Nowlin
 Holton, Kansas
 John Swanson
 Sioux City, Iowa

1st BN. HQ. CO. – NONE

"A" COMPANY

James Goetling
 Cleveland, Ohio
 James Vermillion
 Elk City, Oklahoma

"B" COMPANY

Alex Markus
 Chicago, Illinois

"C" COMPANY

Alva Amelung
 Sebring, Ohio
 Whitney Champaign
 Lake Charles, Louisiana
 Richard Ellis
 Athens, Michigan
 Frank Gibson
 S. Lyon, Michigan
 Ralph Heise
 LaPorte, Indiana
 Phillip Hyster
 Minneapolis, Minnesota
 Fred Peppel
 Benton Harbor, Michigan
 Clarence Rogner
 Saginaw, Michigan
 Edward Sellers
 Chicago, Illinois
 Gregory Voss
 Washington, Missouri
 Warren Winslow
 Chicago, Illinois

"D" COMPANY

Harold Burgener
 Flora, Illinois
 Roy Fenstra
 Janesville, Wisconsin
 Carl Klemaire
 Springfield, Illinois
 Herschel Maxey
 Martin, Tennessee
 Arnold Sauber
 Lakeville, Minnesota
 J.H. Spalding
 Raywick, Kentucky
 Luke Vanderbilt
 Chicago Heights, Illinois
 Vester Wroten
 Marked Tree, Arkansas

382nd

2nd BN. HQ. CO.

Horace Covert
 Berwyn, Illinois
 Sherman Deckrow
 Chicago, Illinois
 Robert Dianovsky
 Chicago, Illinois
 Douglas Fansler
 Lapeer, Michigan
 Robert Fitzpatrick
 Pontiac, Illinois
 William Garrett
 Shawnee, Kansas
 Charles Haake
 Aurora, Illinois
 Joseph Hayes
 Port Huron, Michigan
 Carl Johnson
 Chicago, Illinois
 Edwin Malecki
 Chicago, Illinois
 Marcel Oubre
 Donaldsonville, Louisiana
 Casper Santi
 Highwood, Illinois
 Cyril Sterner
 Redstone Arsenal, Alabama
 Donald Tracy
 Chicago, Illinois
 Harold Wagner
 Chicago, Illinois
 Donald Wessel
 Huron, South Dakota

"E" COMPANY

Tjitte Byvoets
 Chicago, Illinois
 George Chamberlain
 Grant Park, Illinois
 Clifford Kaufman
 Skokie, Illinois
 Richard Lowe
 S. Haven, Michigan
 Earl Mannel
 Chicago Heights, Illinois
 Tyson Shelton
 Elk City, Oklahoma
 William Weidler
 Ocheyedan, Iowa
 LeRoy Wright
 Morrison, Illinois

"F" COMPANY

John Boyack
 Berwyn, Illinois
 Harold Connelly
 Dubuque, Iowa
 Robert Geller
 Grand Rapids, Michigan
 Carl Johnson
 Chicago, Illinois
 Dr. Robert Muehrke
 Oak Park, Illinois
 Theodore Smalarz
 Chicago, Illinois

"G" COMPANY

Howard Carrico
 Fort Worth, Texas
 Harold Fluck
 N. Redwood, Minnesota

"G" COMPANY (cont'd)

Paul Garrett
 Nashville, Tennessee
 Charles Kmiecik
 Chicago, Illinois
 Roland McClurg
 Viroqua, Wisconsin
 Franklin Nicholson
 Salem, Indiana
 Gregory Ruiz
 Chicago, Illinois
 George Rummelhart
 Coralville, Iowa
 Edward Sellers
 Chicago, Illinois
 Edwin Wooters
 Salem, Illinois

"H" COMPANY

Joe Cihlar
 Lyons, Illinois
 Keith Hand
 Dowagiac, Michigan
 James Moore
 Denver, Colorado
 Alf Severson
 Westby, Wisconsin
 George Zeff
 Grand Rapids, Michigan

3rd BN. HQ. CO.

Melvin Bost
 Evanston, Illinois
 W. Bradley Dodge
 Glenview, Illinois
 Robert Holm
 Birmingham, Michigan
 Ara Odabachian
 Highland Park, Michigan

"I" COMPANY

Alton Berger
 Westby, Wisconsin
 William Nagel
 Chicago, Illinois

"K" COMPANY

Stanley Dymek
 Chicago, Illinois
 Leonard Huff
 Riviera, Texas
 Andrew Jacobson
 Alexandria, Minnesota
 Elmer Polcyn
 Niles, Illinois
 Lester Polhill
 Stockton, Illinois

"L" COMPANY

Charles Astle
 Momence, Illinois
 Leon Gondek
 Chicago, Illinois
 Howard Hill
 Chicago, Illinois
 A. V. Smith
 El Monte, California

CHICAGO REUNION – Continued

382nd (cont'd)

"M" COMPANY

Manuel Barroso
 Depue, Illinois
 George Dienhart
 Chicago, Illinois
 Robert Johnson
 Chicago, Illinois
 Albert Lullo
 Franklin Park, Illinois
 Carl Rohl
 Peoria Heights, Illinois
 Roman Rycerz
 Chicago, Illinois
 Sidney Straus
 Niles, Illinois
 Fred Weeks
 Sycamore, Illinois
 Donald Wetzberger
 Chicago, Illinois

383rd

HQ & HQ

Oscar Amandio
 Homewood, Illinois
 Frederick Coen
 Neoga, Illinois
 Maurice Fried
 Birmingham, Michigan
 James Rochford
 Chicago, Illinois

ANTITANK

Clarence Burton
 Newton, Iowa
 Milton Colliflower
 Belleville, Illinois
 Donald Molyet
 Fremont, Ohio
 John Nasser
 River Grove, Illinois
 Windred Pearson
 Marked Tree, Arkansas
 Joseph Quigley
 Naperville, Illinois
 Howard Ragsdale
 Lamar, Colorado
 Lloyd Shepard
 Lake Odessa, Michigan
 William Spencer
 Fairborn, Ohio
 Marvin Tobin
 Philadelphia, Pa.

CANNON

William Rakoczy
 Chicago, Illinois
 Everette Shawgo
 Astoria, Illinois

MEDICS

William Bunevich
 Parma, Ohio
 William Connor
 Milwaukee, Wisconsin
 Melvin Dustman
 Staunton, Illinois
 Dr. Clyde Jett
 Seelyville, Indiana
 Kenneth Killmon
 Glenwood, Iowa

383rd (cont'd)

MEDICS (cont'd)

Robert Loftus
 Dolton, Illinois
 Lee Wright
 Oregon, Illinois

SERVICE

James Dean
 West Covina, California
 Joseph Figliulo
 Midlothian, Illinois
 John Jurik
 Chicago, Illinois

1st BN. HQ. CO.

Jack Barron
 Drayton Plains, Michigan
 Victor Barth
 Toledo, Ohio
 Kenneth Brown
 Chicago, Illinois
 Paul Elliott
 Batavia, Illinois
 Joseph Figliulo
 Midlothian, Illinois
 Don Fritz
 Hudson, Michigan
 Harold Hoffenbacher
 Dearborn, Michigan
 Iden Johnson
 Marshalltown, Iowa
 John Kirnbauer
 Chicago, Illinois
 Nelson Verrett
 Morgan City, Louisiana
 Bernard Walker
 Arlington Heights, Illinois

"A" COMPANY

Robert Huff
 Evansville, Indiana
 Joe Marlenga
 Milwaukee, Wisconsin
 John Suprenant
 Chebanse, Illinois

"B" COMPANY

George Hannig
 Chicago, Illinois
 Glen Horal
 Sunnyvale, California
 William Levinson
 Lake Bluff, Illinois
 Joseph Mc Caffrey
 Nashville, Tennessee
 Ray Peterson
 Hometown, Illinois
 Frank Schilaci
 Oak Park, Illinois
 Elmer Sweeter
 Worthing, South Dakota
 Rudolph Wallinger
 Berwyn, Illinois

"C" COMPANY

Cecil Collier
 Shobonier, Illinois
 John Cook
 Lisle, Illinois
 Henry Does
 Aurora, Illinois

"C" CO. (cont'd)

Leo Ford
 Memphis, Tennessee
 Charles Gockenbach
 Skokie, Illinois
 Billie Newton
 Fort Worth, Texas

"D" COMPANY

James Camburn
 Sturgis, Michigan
 Henry Graziani
 Steger, Illinois
 Herbert Hatch
 Chicago, Illinois
 Earl Hilby
 E. Dubuque, Illinois

2nd BN. HQ. CO.

Frederick Coen
 Neoga, Illinois
 George Hatfill
 Effingham, Illinois
 Joseph Mc Caffrey
 Nashville, Tennessee
 Robert Muehrcke
 Oak Park, Illinois
 Calvin Wittenkeller
 Olympia Fields, Illinois

"E" COMPANY

Harold Herman
 Detroit, Michigan

"F" COMPANY

Elmer Madsen
 Graceville, Minnesota
 Robert Marshall
 Dixon, Illinois
 Robert Muehrcke
 Oak Park, Illinois

"G" COMPANY

Frederick Coen
 Neoga, Illinois
 John Cramer
 Dixon, Illinois
 Joseph Mc Caffrey
 Nashville, Tennessee
 Herman Russell
 Salem, Illinois
 Wallace Wood
 Muskegon, Michigan

"H" COMPANY

George Jaconetty
 Chicago, Illinois

3rd BN. HQ. CO.

Don Allen
 Muskegon, Michigan
 Will Denoyer
 Kankakee, Illinois
 George Dowling
 Benton Harbor, Michigan
 Maurice Fried
 Birmingham, Michigan
 John Massura
 Chicago, Illinois
 Lloyd Miller
 Abilene, Texas

383rd

3rd BN. HQ. CO. (cont'd)

Tony Zerites
 Gary, Indiana

"I" COMPANY

Melvin Coobs
 Arlington Heights, Illinois
 Ray Dickinson (WWI)
 Des Moines, Iowa
 Maurice Fried
 Birmingham, Michigan
 Chester Le Blanc
 Lafayette, Louisiana
 Charlie Lee
 Lake Charles, Louisiana
 Charles Maines
 Chicago, Illinois
 John Mc Mullen
 Fostoria, Michigan
 S. T. Morris
 Yeager, Oklahoma
 Clarence Snyder
 Shenandoah, Iowa
 Gunnar Swanson
 Roselle, Illinois
 Oscar Swanson
 Minneapolis, Minnesota
 Clyde Tunks
 Viroqua, Wisconsin
 Aloysius Tworek
 Chicago, Illinois
 Henry White
 Mackinaw, Illinois
 Lee Wright
 Oregon, Illinois

"K" COMPANY

Lynn Andrews
 Huntsville, Alabama
 Harold Barnacle
 Lisle, Illinois
 William Breitenfield
 Northlake, Illinois
 Larry Blanchette
 Kankakee, Illinois
 Byron Boals
 Seward, Nebraska
 Nordahl Buros
 Westby, Wisconsin
 George Buxton
 Forest, Ohio
 Robert Clements
 Gary, Indiana
 William Connor
 Milwaukee, Wisconsin
 Harold Ewert
 Theinsville, Wisconsin
 Maurice Fried
 Birmingham, Michigan
 Robert Jacobson
 West Allis, Wisconsin
 Richard Klassen
 Kankakee, Illinois
 William Kohan
 Sarasota, Florida
 Charles Rhodes
 St. Elmo, Illinois
 William Sanders
 Roseville, Michigan
 Claude Sinnen
 Shakopee, Minnesota

CHICAGO REUNION – Continued

383rd

"K" CO. (cont'd)
 Raymond Strenski
 Green Bay, Wisconsin
 Clyde Tunks
 Viroqua, Wisconsin
 Tom Turner
 Phoenix, Arizona

"L" COMPANY
 Paul Eastin
 Atwood, Illinois
 Harold Edwards
 Sioux City, Iowa
 Ruben Leal
 Dallas, Texas
 Milton Shepsky
 Chicago, Illinois
 Billy Stubbe
 Ayr, Nebraska
 James Warren
 Faribault, Minnesota
 Ernest Zobel
 Skokie, Illinois

"M" COMPANY
 Kenneth Dolan
 Topeka, Kansas
 Edward Funk
 Muskegon, Michigan
 Gottlieb Hardt
 Palatine, Illinois
 Roy Jarvis
 Atascosa, Texas
 Harvey Kingery
 Wheeler, Illinois
 Cecil Rufener
 Hope, Kansas

DIVISION ART.
 Roy Grubb
 Noble, Illinois
 Rev. Edward Konisky
 Albany, N.Y.
 Peter Patras
 Chicago, Illinois
 Bryant Workman
 Chicago, Illinois

921st

FIELD ARTILLERY
 Elmer Anderson
 Red Oak, Iowa
 Harold Bell
 Tipton, Iowa
 William Collins
 Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
 Charles Colo
 E. Detroit, Michigan
 Clarence Cox
 Danville, Illinois
 Stanley Crawford
 Arabi, Louisiana
 William Dean
 Chicago, Illinois
 Harold East
 Bloomington, Minnesota
 David Fierke
 Beaver Dam, Wisconsin
 J. H. Freeman
 Houston, Texas
 Edward Gliwa
 Chicago, Illinois

921st

FIELD ART. (cont'd)
 Kenneth Gruver
 Bluefield, W. Virginia
 Edwin Hakenen
 Detroit, Michigan
 Ambrose Hermann
 Muscatine, Iowa
 Andrew Hosnedl
 Stevensville, Michigan
 Julian Johnson
 Lake Forest, Illinois
 Ralph Josephson
 Kankakee, Illinois
 John Kenagy
 San Antonio, Texas
 Dowaine Kinser
 Red Oak, Iowa
 Joseph Kozeluh
 Cicero, Illinois
 John Laskowski
 Chicago, Illinois
 Vern Maas
 Minneapolis, Minnesota
 Lawrence Mc Intosh
 Highland, Wisconsin
 Vincent Megna
 Benton Harbor, Michigan
 John Morolock
 Chicago, Illinois
 Hubert Outland
 Bluford, Illinois
 Valerian Paczosa
 Columbus, Nebraska
 Stephen Perlinski
 Chicago, Illinois
 Alan Poole
 Princeton, New Jersey
 J. W. Rutkowski
 Mt. Prospect, Illinois
 Albert Sanders
 Madison, Illinois
 Daniel Smith
 Shelbyville, Illinois
 Lyle Stevens
 Wilmington, Illinois
 Paul Stroble
 Vandalia, Illinois
 John Thill
 Chicago, Illinois

361st

FIELD ARTILLERY
 Philip Amato
 Chicago, Illinois
 William Bauerly
 Chicago, Illinois
 John Brogan
 Chicago, Illinois
 Kenneth Camp
 Ridgeway, Missouri
 Larry Caughey
 Arlington Heights, Illinois
 Charles Cerny
 Mc Henry, Illinois
 H. M. Cosnahan
 Grapevine, Texas
 Bartholomew Daly
 Brookfield, Illinois
 Harold Evanshank
 Chicago, Illinois
 Ramon Gregston
 Boston, Texas

361st

FIELD ART. (cont'd)
 Val Heinrich
 Chicago, Illinois
 Raymond Herrmann
 Rolling Meadows, Illinois
 Karel Knutson
 Puposky, Minnesota
 Louis Marconi
 Chicago Heights, Illinois
 Bennie Mc Niel
 Houston, Texas
 Stanley Morrill
 Phillips, Wisconsin
 Warren Oelschlager
 Minneapolis, Minnesota
 Thomas Owens
 Pleasant Plains, Illinois
 James Russell
 Bellaire, Texas
 L. C. Sharp
 Sullivan, Illinois
 Elmer Stuckmeyer
 Pekin, Illinois
 Richard Van Etten
 Toledo, Ohio
 Aloysius Wojcik
 Allen Park, Michigan
 Lloyd Zenk
 Minneapolis, Minnesota

362nd

FIELD ARTILLERY
 Charles Benson
 Sycamore, Illinois
 R. L. Bonnell
 Robinson, Illinois
 Paul Burkhardt
 New Lenox, Illinois
 Leslie Calhoun
 Minneapolis, Minnesota
 John Carter
 Hidalgo, Illinois
 Emmett Cassidy
 Detroit, Michigan
 Albert Corwin
 Springfield, Illinois
 William Cotter
 Oak Lawn, Illinois
 Robert Guetzloff
 Rolling Meadows, Illinois
 Ralph Kopp
 Stratford, Wisconsin
 Paul Kronhalm
 La Grange, Illinois
 Charles Kunkle
 Waterford, Michigan
 Carl Lind
 Evanston, Illinois
 James Mayfield
 Chicago, Illinois
 Donald Mc Laughlin
 Lansing, Illinois
 Thomas Mizner
 Des Plaines, Illinois
 Gordon Ott
 St. Joseph, Michigan
 Wesley Quail
 Forest, Ohio
 Robert Van Dresser
 Lombard, Illinois
 Charles Visockis
 Chicago, Illinois

363rd

FIELD ARTILLERY
 Walter Conard
 Green Bay, Wisconsin
 Merwin Hill
 Mazon, Illinois
 William Roney
 Urbana, Illinois
 Claude West
 Everman, Texas
 Elden Wilker
 Dubuque, Iowa
 Melvin Wilkinson
 Madison, Wisconsin
 John Wilson
 Grant Park, Illinois

321st

ENGINEERS
 Kenneth Aasen
 Oconomowoc, Wisconsin
 Carl Anderson
 Elmhurst, Illinois
 Russell Beye
 St. Louis, Missouri
 Frank Brinke
 Berwyn, Illinois
 Robert Brinkman
 Chicago, Illinois
 Willard Buttner
 Toledo, Ohio
 Stephen Hirt
 York, Pennsylvania
 Jewell Hooker
 Bradford, Illinois
 Dr. George Koranda
 Chicago, Illinois
 Josef Kunzle
 Chicago, Illinois
 Alfred Latour
 Lafayette, Louisiana
 John Mc Gowan
 Prospect Heights, Illinois
 Gerald Peterson
 Tower, Minnesota
 Charles Schopbach
 Three Oakes, Michigan
 Joe Vaverka
 Lincoln, Nebraska

321st

MEDICS
 Walter Abbott
 Rock Island, Illinois
 Kenneth Boeldt
 Waukegan, Illinois
 Dr. R. G. Brown
 Austin, Texas
 Dean Davis
 Springfield, Illinois
 Anthony Doucet
 Washington, Louisiana
 Dante Gianetti
 Chicago Heights, Illinois
 Alvis Harrell
 Mt. Vernon, Illinois
 Lawrence Johnson
 Glen Ellyn, Illinois
 B. W. Kimbrell
 Hawkeye, Iowa
 Dr. George Koranda
 Chicago, Illinois

CHICAGO REUNION - Continued

321st

MEDICS (cont'd)

Clyde Mc Clintock
Girard, Ohio
Wilbur Morrison
Hazelcrest, Illinois
Bertrand Nathan
Skokie, Illinois
Bernie Scanlon
Springfield, Illinois
Henry Thoele
Teutopolis, Illinois
Dr. Jack Weinstein
Sheboygan, Wisconsin

DIVISION HDQTRS.

Lyle Brabander
Grand Island, Nebraska
Paul Breen
Grand Rapids, Michigan
Fred Bush
Dallas, Texas
Horace Covert
Berwyn, Illinois
Orlando Davidson
Evanston, Illinois
Mrs. Claudius Easely
Washington, D. C.
W. B. Edminston
Hamilton, Texas
Neil Grostefon
Farmington, Michigan
Dr. John Heck
Minneapolis, Minnesota
Lee Johnson
Minneapolis, Minnesota
Charles Kline
Chicago, Illinois
Chester Kozera
Chicago, Illinois
John Mc Evilly
Chicago, Illinois
Warren Mitchell
Sioux City, Iowa
Nesbitt Moverly
Glenview, Illinois
Alvin Olson
Chicago, Illinois
Joseph Pudlo
Chicago, Illinois
Lavon Ray
Wichita, Kansas
Lawrence Slight
Shell Rock, Iowa
Richard Tee
St. Clair, Michigan
Irvin Tieskotter
Decorah, Iowa
Richard Weldon
Chicago, Illinois
Carl Willems
Jamestown, New York

DIVISION BAND

Stanley Kanka
Chicago, Illinois
Fred Peppel
Benton Harbor, Michigan

96th MILITARY POLICE

Melvin Barton
Nashville, Tennessee

96th

MP (cont'd)

Kenneth Simonson
Viroqua, Wisconsin
Herbert Then
Chicago, Illinois

796th

ORDNANCE

Wilbert Armstutz
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Stanley Asmussen
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J. Carl Willems, 1207 Pendergast Avenue, Jamestown, New York, came to the reunion in Chicago mainly to get reacquainted with **DEADEYES**, after some urging from Col. Robert Glenn for whom he served as Battalion Motor Officer in the 921st F.A.

Carl brought along all of the original pictures that were used by the Infantry Journal when the history book was published in 1946. He told Klassen, Corresponding Secretary, that he wanted to do what he could to make the reprinting successful, so he was turning everything over to the Association. He was one of three authors of the book.

Willems is currently Vice President of the Goldman Group with headquarters in Jamestown, New York, which manages six AM and two FM radio stations.

Besides wife Pat, his family includes three daughters, the oldest of which is married and doing graduate work at Purdue University, and a son who is 13 years old.

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WILLEMS AND KLASSEN DISCUSS REPRINTING HISTORY



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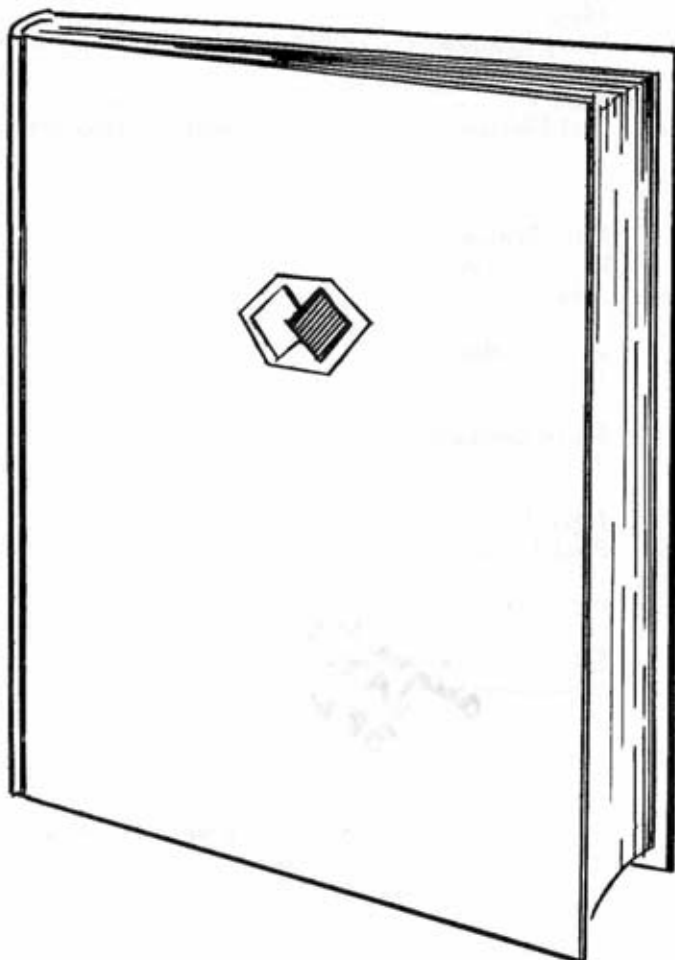
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TAPS

God, in His infinite wisdom, has summoned 31 more "Deadeyes" who have served their country faithfully and well in war and peace. The 96th Infantry Division Association mourns their passing and extends sympathy to their surviving families.

381st
HQ & HQ Company
 Frank Elia 12/17/68 - Confirmed

Cannon
 James H. Decker Newsletter returned 7/68

"C" Company
 Clyde Baughman Newsletter returned 1/68

3rd Bn. Hq. Company
 Alban Cailouett 5/17/68 - Heart condition

"I" Company
 Milton Winter 12/12/67 - Heart attack

"K" Company
 Raymond Phister Newsletter returned 1/68

382nd

Service
 James Taylor 11/21/67 - Confirmed

"A" Company
 Earl Berg Jan. 1966 - Confirmed

"C" Company
 H. A. Yttri Newsletter returned 1/68

"E" Company
 Lavern Olson 8/10/68 - Confirmed

"F" Company
 Charles Davenport 10/26/67 - Confirmed

"G" Company
 Albin Zelek Newsletter returned 6/68

"M" Company
 David Kaylor Newsletter returned 7/68

383rd

1st Bn. Hq. Company
 Erwin Stabler 3/5/66 - Killed in blizzard

"E" Company
 William Watson 3/12/68 - Confirmed

"G" Company
 Harold Hatch 8/23/66 - Confirmed

"I" Company
 Garth Randall Notified at '68 reunion

ARTILLERY

921st
 John Vepley 1/27/68 - Heart attack

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TAPS (continued)

361st
 Joseph Blau Newsletter returned 1/68
 Everett Keller Newsletter returned 1/68
 Donald Larson Notified at '68 reunion
 Charles Mc Grath 9/23/67 - Confirmed

362nd
 Henry Kloppke May 1967 - Confirmed

363rd
 Carl Chilson Newsletter returned 1/68

MISC.

321st Engineers
 Ray Bullerman 8/8/68 - Cc ed
 Jack Stein 12/18/67 - Cc.....ed

Division Hdqtrs.
 James Sterline Nov. 1962 - Confirmed

Signal Company
 Paul Nixson Dec. 1967 - Confirmed

728th AM Trac
 Fred Tweed 6/30/67 - Confirmed

Outfit not Known
 W. C. Brinkman Newsletter returned 7/68
 Sol Winograd Jan. 1965 - VA Hospital

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DUES MAKE A DIFFERENCE

The Association is still picking up strength, but more is needed. Membership coupon is printed on page 2 of this issue. If you happen to have names that ought to be on the mailing list, you can turn in your old buddies and feel sure that they will thank you for it.

Nobody has ever been deleted from the mailing list because of nonpayment of dues. Instead, it is the intention of the editors to publish the kind of newsletter that will make every issue worth the entire price of \$4.00 annual dues to bring in the financial support that is necessary.

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AUXILIARY dues are \$1.00 per year. Treasurer's address is:

Mrs. Rose Fritz
 1429 N. 14th Street
 Beatrice, Nebraska 68310

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NEXT OF KIN of any deceased **DEADEYE** may remain on the mailing list by simply writing to Richard Klassen, Corresponding Secretary, and making such request.

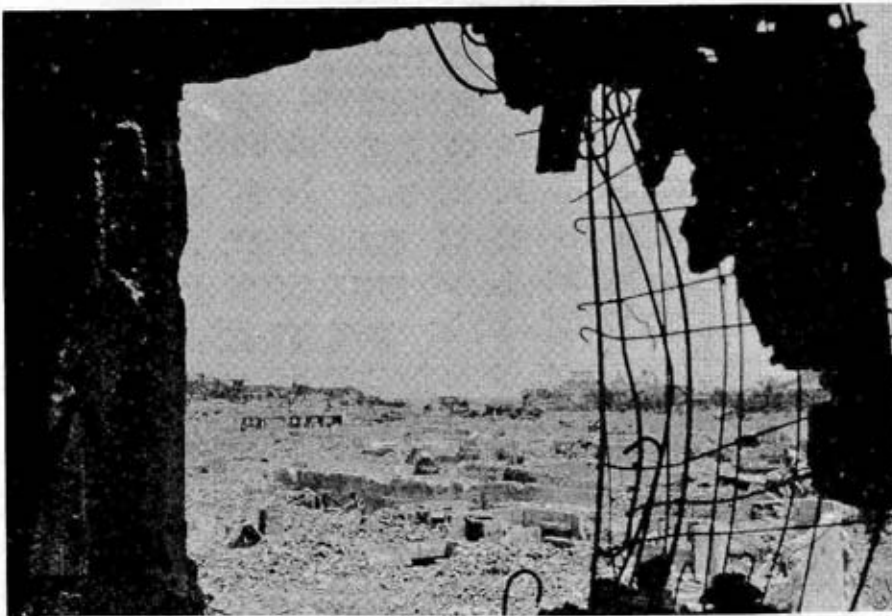
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Infantrymen of 2nd Bn., 382 Infantry Regiment, cautiously advance on hidden Japanese emplacements of Okinawa. (4 April 45)

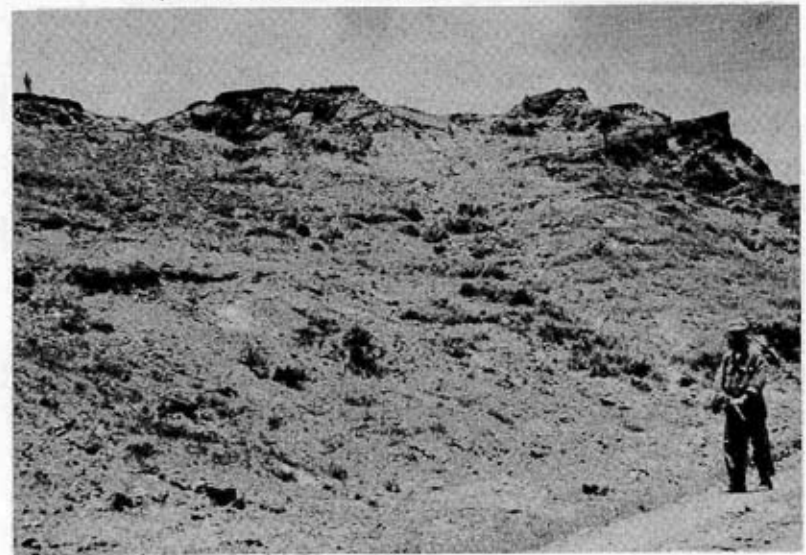
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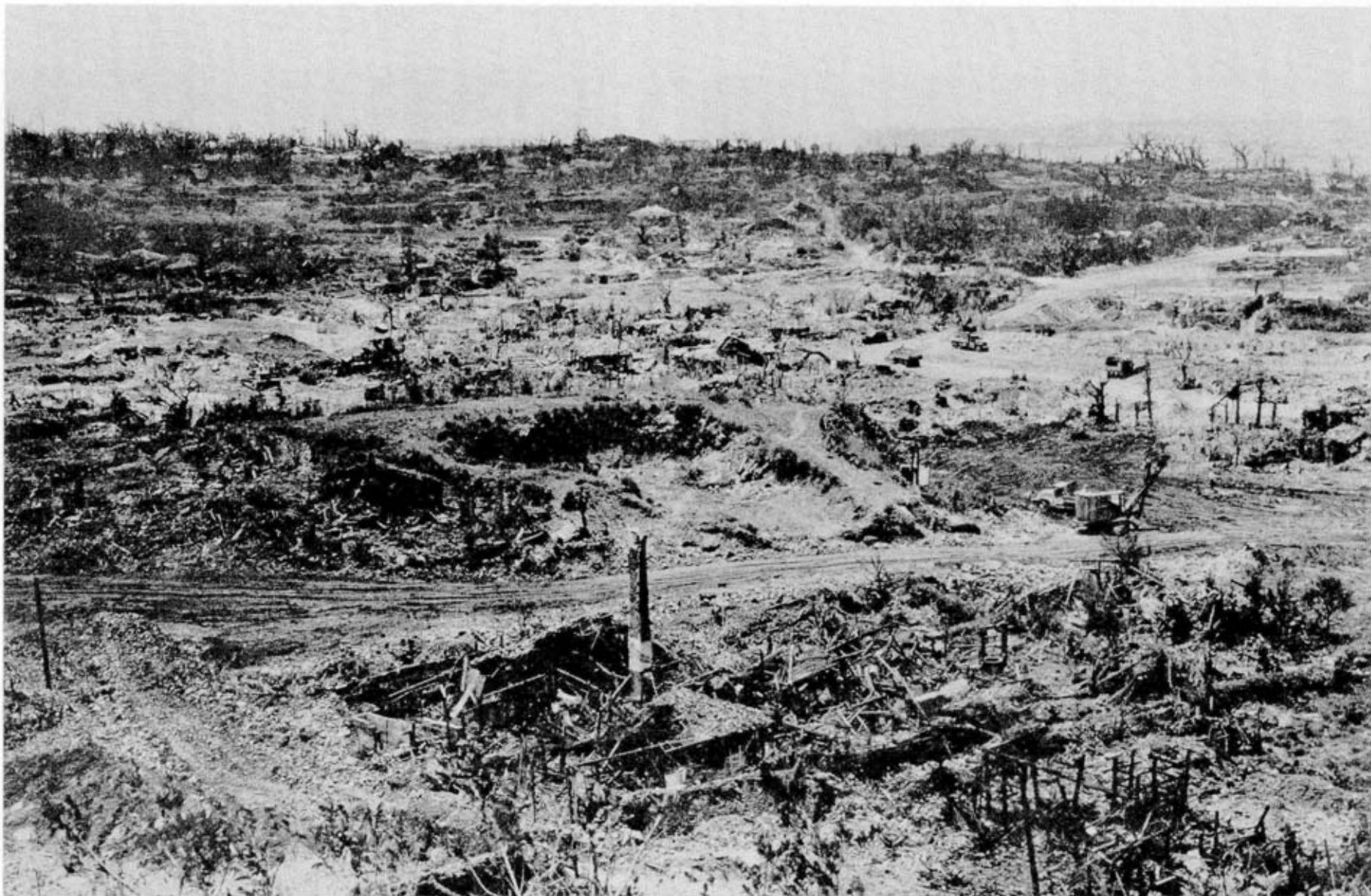
City of Naha, Okinawa, viewed from a window in the University of Naha. (19 June 45)



Above: In late May 1945, mud finally stopped all traffic, including weasels.

Below: After the battle for the Oboe Hill mass, two **DEADEYES** strolled along the crest. (June 1945)





When the Artillery had finished its job, this was what remained of Shuri. Notice trucks and backhoe at right center of picture that was taken from a liaison plane. Skyline is approximately one mile wide. (6 June 45)

Editor's Note: Material is being accumulated for an article about developments on Okinawa since WW II. Watch for publication in **DEADEYE DISPATCH** soon.

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EVERYTHING GOING

"If I had seen this ground beforehand, I would have doubted that it could be taken by assault from the front." So spoke a staff officer of XXIV Corps during an inspection of the southern end of the island with General Bradley in June of 1945. His observation was not made as a criticism of tactics, but in admiration of **DEADEYES** who had done the job.

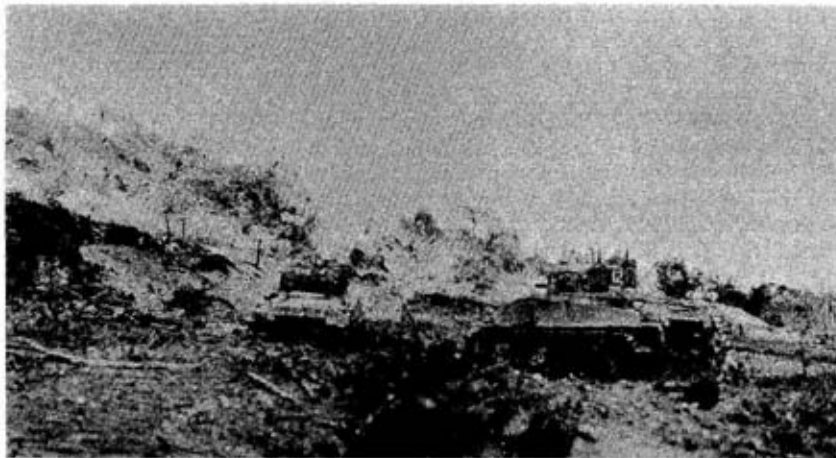
It was a devastated scene in every direction and the view was toward the north from whence had come the men of the 96th.

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DEADEYES quickly discovered that Okinawa was a far different place than the Philippines. With its rolling, terraced hills and neat checkerboard farmlands, it was a place of considerable scenic beauty, and the brisk spring weather, while it meant a few chilly nights, was a refreshing change from the humid heat of Leyte.



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Sherman tanks of the 763rd Bn., lay down grazing fire on Yuza Ridge. Knob in left center is pillbox surrounded by trench and cave system. (16 June 45)

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THE WAY IT WAS

The 96th Division played a mighty role in a supremely important victory. By a combination of design and chance, the **DEADEYES**, from Kakazu to Yuza Dake, collided head-on with what seemed to be the very core of every Japanese position, and by official estimate, they killed 37,763 of the island's defenders.

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CREDIT

All pictures printed here were taken by combat photographers who were assigned to the 96th Division on Okinawa. None have been published previously. These have been selected from among a collection that was considered for use in the Division History by the Infantry Journal.

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<p><i>Reservation form will be printed in spring issue</i></p>	<p>DEADEYES ANNUAL REUNION Des Moines, Iowa</p>	<p>July 24, 25, 26 - 1969 Hotel Fort Des Moines</p>
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PLANNING FOR THE REUNION
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Des Moines is in the heart of **DEADEYE** Country; Iowa and all of its neighboring states have large numbers of men from the 96th.

Iden Johnson, Chairman, says that he has finalized most of the plans with the Hotel Fort Des Moines. According to Iden, he has been dealing with the largest hotel in the city where the prices are right and the management knows how to keep their guests happy.

His plan is not to try to equal the cosmopolitan atmosphere of Chicago, rather he expects to provide a comfortable place for relaxation among old friends, together with the kind of program that **DEADEYES** will enjoy.

He wants to remind you to mark your calendar for the reunion dates and plan to travel to Iowa in July.

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HISTORIAN BREECE NEEDS HELP

Following Col. Sterner as Historian is one of his close friends and fellow officer in the 382nd, James M. Breece.

Breece needs clippings, maps, pictures, charts and anything else that you have. He will copy, then return your original. His address is listed among officers of the Association.

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BOALS SISTERS ON PROGRAM

Susan Boals sang The 96th Division Song, which she composed, during the business meeting on Friday morning and again at the dance on Saturday night. Her accompanist was Penny Boals, sister. Both daughters of Byron and Gladys Boals took part in the Memorial Service.

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Officers (L to R, seated) Kohan, White, Fitzpatrick, Fritz, Dakan, Anderson. (standing) Breece and Klassen.

MAIL CALL

From: Daniel Millsaps, III Div Hq
115-5th Street, S.E. Creator of
Washington, D.C. 20003 Deadeye Dispatch

Are there any members whom you can identify as having been in the Division Band? I would like to get in touch with the leader, or any of the members.

In 1962, I started publishing the "Washington International Arts Letter" which has a national and international subscription list. The paper has to do with the patronage of the arts, not aesthetics. It was successful from the beginning.

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From: Ray Strenski 383-K (Med)
236 Bryan Street
Green Bay, Wisconsin 54301

It was nice of you to write to tell us about the results of the reunion.

I will be honest with you, Dick, the reunion appeared to be well organized and smoothly run, however, I felt like a stranger in a strange crowd. The names that I heard or the people that I was introduced to simply did not ring a bell. Unfortunately, my memory isn't what it used to be. I was glad that we attended part of the reunion. Perhaps if I had recognized someone whom I had known, I would have stayed longer.

We spent the remainder of the time with Pat's sister and family in Arlington Heights.

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HELP! HELP! HELP! HELP!
From: Oscar Amandio 383-Hq
Elys Trailer Court
Homewood, Illinois 60430

Oscar is attempting to establish a claim with the VA for wounds suffered on April 1st, 1945. He urgently requires the names of the hospital ships that were at anchor off the invasion beaches. His name would be in the records of one of these ships and the location of these records is a necessary step in obtaining compensation. He recalls that it was an APA with a cross painted on its side, but was not a conventional white hospital ship. Shrapnel hit him above his temple, and not all was removed and some of it seems to be causing him some difficulty in recent years. He would appreciate any help anyone could provide.

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From: Clifford W. Pasquale 383-B
Box 86
New Haven, N.Y. 13121

My membership dues were sent in today. Please accept my thanks for sending the issues of the newsletter. I have been teaching school 19 years.

MAIL CALL

From: Charles J. Ratz Div Hq
301 S. Adelia Street
Springfield, Illinois 62704

I am sorry to have missed the reunion in Chicago, but had to spend the time in St. John's Hospital here with an operation on my left eye for glaucoma.

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From: Herbert D. Griffith 763 Tank-D
775 Fremont Avenue
Eugene, Oregon 97402

A couple of weeks ago while I was waiting for a local garage to open up, I got to talking with a Mrs. Floyd Taylor. It was during the conversation that I found that her husband had also served with the 96th. We exchanged addresses. Later Floyd called and told me about the reunions and the DISPATCH.

I was a Staff Sgt. in 763 Tank-D, an attached unit which joined the Division in Hawaii. We made the landings on Leyte and Okinawa, working with the 381st most of the time. I left the Division after 57 days on Okinawa. We always considered the 96th as being our Division.

In 1948, Lawrence Iverson, who served with the 96th too, got a copy of the Division History for me.

I moved to Eugene, Oregon from South Dakota in 1951 and lost all contact with DEADEYES, other than Taylor and some of the fellows that I correspond with. If you want members from attached units, send some membership forms to me and I will forward.

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From: Harrell Edwards 382-I
1726 N. St. Clair
Wichita, Kansas 67203

Since I could not attend the reunion, here are my dues for '68 - '69 year, also a check for \$10 for a copy of the Division History.

Please add the name of my squad sergeant to the mailing list:

Arnold W. Nelms, Sr.
7730 Aurora Street
Dallas, Texas 75217

I remembered him only by "Nelms" and a nickname, but when I was in Dallas in June, I decided to find him, or call all of the Nelms in the telephone directory. My first call was his home! We were unable to get together for a face to face visit, but I know that our ears are still sore from the telephone receivers.

Forgive my handmade book order form and the made over membership renewal form, I am sending my last four issues of the DISPATCH to Nelms.

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MAIL CALL

From: Robert B. Merts 381-Hq & Hq
Box 127
Taft, Texas 78390

I have not been able to attend any of the reunions so far, but I am looking forward and hoping that I can in the future.

Col. Halloran wrote to me not long ago, also Maj. Hewes. I certainly enjoyed hearing from those fine men.

As you will probably recall, I was Regimental Sergeant Major at the time of my discharge from service. I am mindful of the close associations that I had with the first sergeants and all of the other men, also grateful for the fellowship that was shared with me. Since I was a member of the original cadre, it was my pleasure to meet most of the men as they were assigned to the 381st.

Please send roster of 381-Service and 381-Hq.

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From: Tony Pelerossi 382-2nd Bn Hq
1634 Elm Street
Utica, New York 13501

Enclosed are dues for myself and my wife. Please send decals and post cards for use during the present year.

I hope to make the reunion in Chicago.

The only member of the 96th that I have met since January 1946 was Col. Sterner. We met at Arlington National Cemetery, Washington, D.C. in either late '46 or early '47 when he acted as pallbearer for Gen. Easley.

If there are other **DEADEYES** around the central part of New York state, I would like for them to contact me.

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From: J. H. Freeman 921-FA
Esperson Bldg.
Houston, Texas 77002

J. W. Johnson, 412 Handell Lane, Pasadena, Texas, formerly 921-FA (B), is interested in joining the 96th Infantry Division Association. Would it be possible for you to send him some literature?

(Editor: How about some letters, too?)

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From: Sam M. Benson 381-D
1725 Travis Street
Waco, Texas 76711

Enclosed is my check in amount of \$10.00 for my copy of **The DEADEYES** and \$4.00 dues.

Sorry that I have been unable to attend our reunions during past few years, but plan to see my buddies in July.

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MAIL CALL

From: Francil L. Kuhnline 382-Hq & Hq
E & N
Greenfield, Illinois 62044

I will not be able to attend the reunion in Chicago, but I will surely be there in spirit because I have not seen many of 382 Hq boys since June of 1943. I recall seeing Pete Kouzios over at the Sherman a few times, also George Banning in his home last year.

Of the names on the roster that I received, I recognized only 30 or 35, so there were many changes after I left for ASTP in 1943.

After some schooling, I wound up in a Repple Depple until I was assigned to XXI Corps Hq with which I went to Europe. Then came the Bulge and a short stint mopping up before coming home in 1945.

After discharge, I married and started farming in my home community. We bought a farm for ourselves in 1949 where we now live and produce corn and pork.

Our family includes three boys who are 17, 20 and 21. The oldest one is being married in August.

If I can be a member, please accept my dues and subscription for a Division History.

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From: Martin A. Richardson 362-FA
4603 E. Hillcrest Drive
Yakima, Washington 98901

I was so glad to hear from the old 96th last year, but misplaced the paper.

I was with B-Bat all the way through from basic, then to Leyte and Okinawa. At the end of the war I was shipped back to Camp Fannon, Texas for discharge. Since then, I have often wondered what happened to some of my buddies. Maybe I can get in touch again through the Association.

I married my wife, Joyce, at Camp White. After the war, we settled in Yakima, Washington where I met her. We have two boys and two girls and a grandchild on the way. My oldest boy is getting ready to go into the Army or Air Force.

With any luck, I hope to retire from my business within about five years.

Here are our dues. We will be waiting to hear more from you.

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From: Layne Peterson 383-1st Bn Hq
Trimont, Minnesota 56176

The reunion in Omaha was my first one. It made the 40's come alive again. I want to express the appreciation of a Minnesota farmer to the guys who keep the 96th alive.

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