



Correct dates for the reunion in DENVER are
July 22, 23, 24, 1971 — any other
information is erroneous

NOW HEAR THIS

Along with Mail Call and several other regular columns, the **NORMA BAUER** (Paul) report of Auxiliary activities had to be omitted from this newsletter in order to make space for the Hawaii story in its entirety. Please continue to write letters and send news to the editors.

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The Citation read:

"Col. Leroy P. Collins, Jr., 381-CN. Your journey in 1969 along the WW II campaign trails of the DEAD-EYES in Okinawa which was described in feature stories in the newsletter and during a program at our reunion has sharpened recollections about a strange and violent place that few men of the 96th will ever again visit."

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The **MEMORIAL SERVICE** was conducted by Rev. John K. Ormond and Rev. Harold Botts.



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**ASK DAKAN FOR DECALS
FOR THE DENVER REUNION**

CASUALTY

Jacob Fisher, 5643 Purdue Avenue, Baltimore Maryland 21212, kept a rendezvous in Detroit with his buddies from 381-I. In fact, Jake had attended all of the previous twelve reunions and served as president of the Association for the year ending in July 1963.

His bad luck started on August 3, 1970 when he had to enter the hospital for what was diagnosed as a tumor on the right side of his brain. Before cobalt treatments were begun, he had become paralyzed on his left side. After several weeks of treatment and improvement that surprised his doctors and nurses, he left the hospital on September 13.

Jake has written that he is now able to get around the house without support and is continuing to regain his strength. He says that it is still too early to predict when he may be able to return to work as Housing Manager of O'Donnell Heights.

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Above item appeared recently in Portland Oregonian newspaper. Delbert is wondering whether any **DEADEYES** are interested in buying.

**Adair Base
Up For Sale**

CORVALLIS (AP) — The 360-acre Adair Air Force Station has been declared surplus property and the General Services Administration is considering a bid for the land by the United States International University.

Rod Kreger, assistant administrator for the GSA, informed Rep. Wendell Wyatt, R-Ore., that federal agencies had no use for the buildings and land and that it had been declared surplus.

The direction center building at the station will be retained for use by the Office of Emergency Preparedness, Kreger said.

The Department of Health, Education and Welfare has asked GSA to approve the bid by United States International University, a San Diego-based school which plans to establish an Oregon campus at Adair.

Army Grub

The first of our U.S. Army rations were established by Congressional Resolution on November 4, 1775:

Resolved, that a ration consists of the following kind and quantity of provisions:

1 lb. beef or ¾ lb. pork, or 1 lb. salt fish per day;

1 lb. bread or flour, per day;

3 pints of peas or beans;

1 pint of milk per man per day, or at the rate of 1/72 of a dollar;

1 half pint of rice or one pint of Indian meal, per man per day;

1 quart of spruce beer or cider per man per day, or 9 gallons of molasses per company of 100 men per week;

3 lbs. candles to 100 men per week, for guards; and

24 lbs. soft or 8 lbs. hard soap, for 100 men per week.

TAPS

It is with deep regret that the following names must be listed as having passed away during the past year, or of receiving the information during that time.

When such information is received by the editor, that name is withdrawn from the mailing list, unless the widow or other member of the family wishes to continue to receive the Dispatch.

381st

- C Co.**
 - Leburn Dickinson - Newsletter returned 7 - 70
 - Roman Lopez - Newsletter returned 1 - 70
- E Co.**
 - Harold Vostad - Newsletter returned 7 - 70
- H Co.**
 - Walter Ponstein - 1-18-70 Confirmed
 - Willie Wethington - 5-12-70 Confirmed (Cancer)
- 3rd Bn. Hq.**
 - Frank LaValle - January 70 - Confirmed
- K Co.**
 - Stephen Allen - 11-26-70 Emphysema
 - Rufus Forbes - Newsletter returned 7 - 70
- M Co.**
 - Ephraim Nalley - June 1960, Confirmed

382nd

- 2nd Bn.Hq.**
 - Wm. Chambers - Newsletter returned 1 - 70
- E Co.**
 - C.J. Thompson - Newsletter returned 1 - 70
- G Co.**
 - Anthony Morris - Newsletter returned 7 - 70
- K Co.**
 - William Arno - 5-14-70, Confirmed

383rd

- MEDICS**
 - Dr. Howard Frykman - Newsletter returned 1 - 70
- A Co.**
 - Walter Nuench - Newsletter returned 7 - 70

ARTILLERY

- 921st**
 - Gaston DeSchinckel - 3-10-68 notified 1 - 70
 - Everall Ealy - Newsletter returned 1 - 70
 - Fredrick Klindworth - 6-22-70 (Cancer)
- 361st**
 - George Ackenheil - Newsletter returned 1 - 70
 - Joseph Broussard - Newsletter returned 7 - 70
 - John Callery - Newsletter returned 1 - 70
 - Robert Kerr - 2-21-70 Confirmed
- 362nd**
 - Martin Murry - Newsletter returned 1 - 70
- 363rd**
 - Virgil Brown - Newsletter returned 7 - 70
 - Sam Hudgens - 9-24-68 (Heart Condition)
 - Loren Wolfe - Newsletter returned 7 - 70

DIVISION TROOPS

- 321st ENG**
 - Frank Hutte - Newsletter returned 1 - 70
 - Donald Pitts - 1-24-69 Confirmed

TAPS, Continued

- 321st MEDICS**
 - Curtis LaNier - Newsletter returned 7 - 70
 - Henry Rehling - Newsletter returned 7 - 70
 - Lester Sandage - Newsletter returned 7 - 70
- RECON**
 - Bert Simmons - Newsletter returned 7 - 70

UNIT UNKNOWN

- Fred Chambers - Nov. 1969 Confirmed
- Greenup, III. - Newsletter returned 1 - 70
- Harold Childs - Newsletter returned 7 - 70
- McNabb, III. - Newsletter returned 7 - 70
- Hugh Harwood - Confirmed 11-15-69
- Charleston, III.
- Albert H. Hill - Chicago, Ill.

DENVER AND BEYOND

HOWARD RAGSDALE, Denver Reunion Chairman, has chosen a committee to assist him in planning the program and to handle the meeting details next summer. Members are Wayne L. Courtney (383-A), 1506 East 16th Ave., Denver, Colorado 80212, James C. Moore (382-H), 2462 Newland St., Denver, Colorado 80214 and Richard Klassen (383-K), 111 S. Hudson, Denver, Colorado 80222. Some of the preliminary results of their work appear on the last page of this newsletter with the printing of the hotel reservation card and an announcement regarding a special tour.

Remember, it is necessary to have reservations confirmed before your arrival in Denver. The Hilton Hotel is holding a block of 200 rooms for the Association, but only up until two weeks prior to the reunion. If there is a chance that you will be attending the reunion, go ahead and make a reservation; it can always be broken at a later date.

The special tour to Colorado Springs, the Air Force Academy and the chuckwagon supper, a new and entirely different kind of event for the Association, necessarily requires the making of numerous arrangements. Ragsdale and his committee want your trip to Denver to be especially enjoyable, so let them know if you will be there.

Have you heard that the Association might sponsor a 3-week excursion to Hawaii, the Philippines, Okinawa and Japan? This is another idea that has come from **HOWARD RAGSDALE**, who is proposing that the trip would take place during January and February 1972 with the cost being estimated at a maximum of \$1500.00 if there were to be only 15 reservations. Indications are that the price would go down considerably with larger participation.

To show your interest, without obligation, write to **RAGSDALE, KLASSEN** or **DAKAN** prior to the Denver reunion, for a firm decision will be made at that time.

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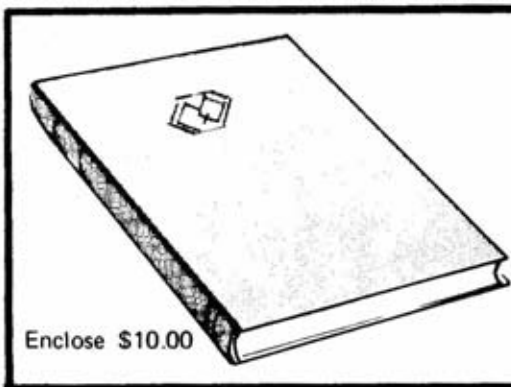
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STATEMENT

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Aims are to promote the activities of the Association and serve its members in every way possible. Your comments, questions, pictures, anecdotes and suggestions are solicited.

If at any time fewer than 10 members are in attendance at a reunion, the Association will be dissolved and any remaining funds will be contributed to **OREGON STATE UNIVERSITY, CORVALLIS, OREGON.**



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**Send FREE Roster
for My Outfit**

Do you recall that day in late July 1944 when the 96th Infantry Division came to Hawaii? The transports arrived in Honolulu Harbor with its famous Aloha Tower landmark, then, after the inevitable confusion and endless waiting we boarded the Pineapple Express for the ride to Tent City at Schofield Barracks.

From the harbor the train took us past the Libby cannery, out along the shore toward the huge complex that is Pearl Harbor. Our excitement mounted as we neared Pearl, for we expected to see at first hand the ravages of the war and, I suppose, some indication of the Enemy. Instead, we caught only glimpses of that immensely important navy yard with its associated facilities and did not see so much as a chipped piece of concrete, for rebuilding of Pearl had started almost as soon as the bombing had stopped and the fires had been put out.

We went by train through Kipapa Gulch, emerging up into the central plateau that was liberally carpeted in the lush and varied greens of growing fields of pineapple and sugar cane. Here, the Pineapple Express reached the end of its line, so we were herded into 2½-ton trucks that took us the rest of the way to Tent City, located across the highway from the main Schofield Barracks area.

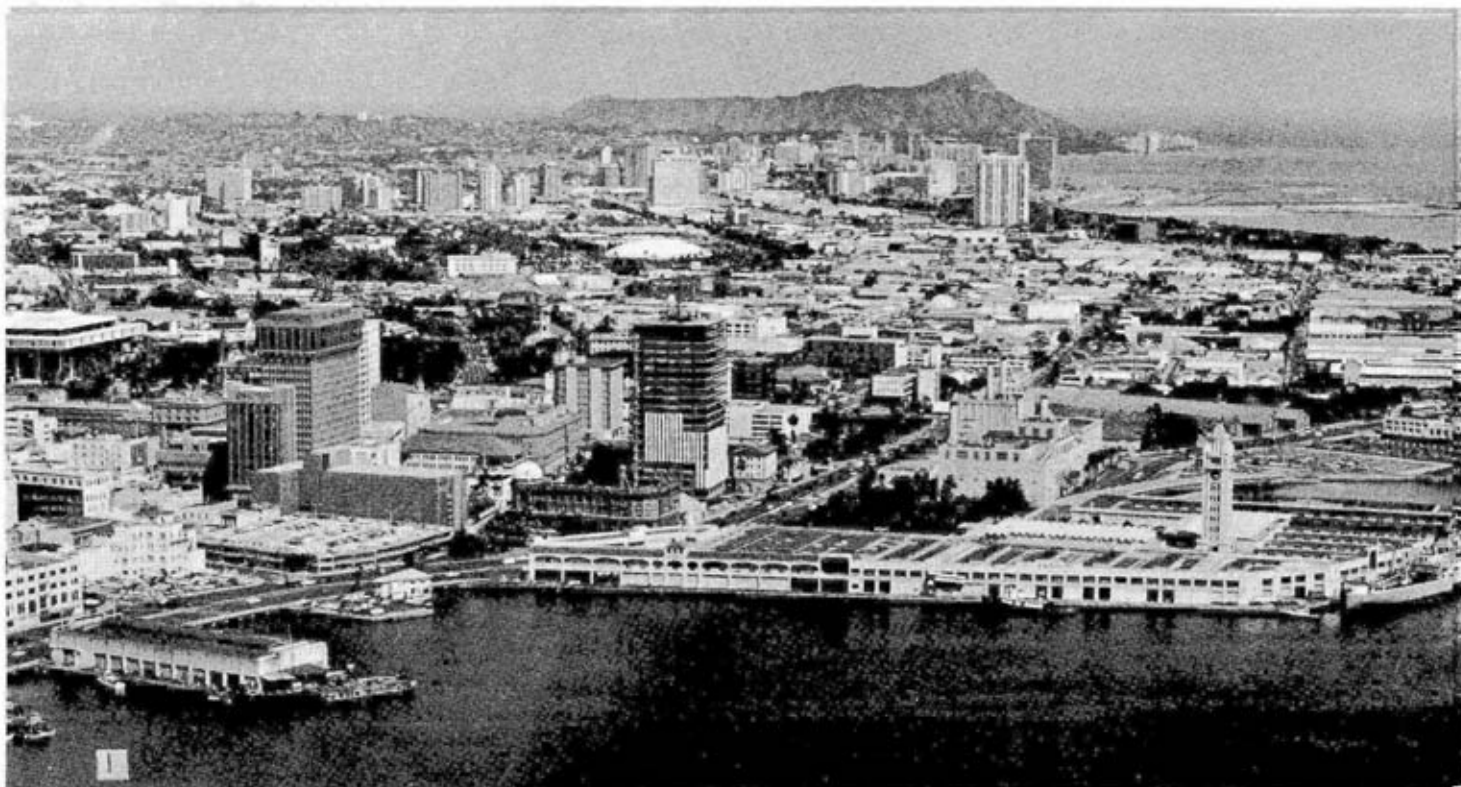
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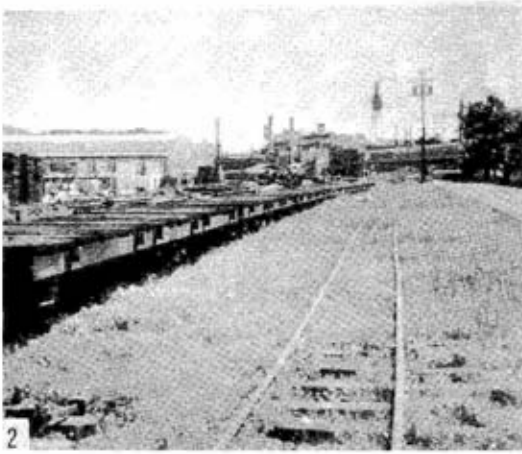
HONOLULU HARBOR - Pier 40, the first unloading point for many **DEADEYES**, is gone from the harbor, as are all of the other old piers. In their places are new State-owned piers and a new fireboat station crowded around old Aloha Tower. (Photo credit - Camera Hawaii)

Aloha

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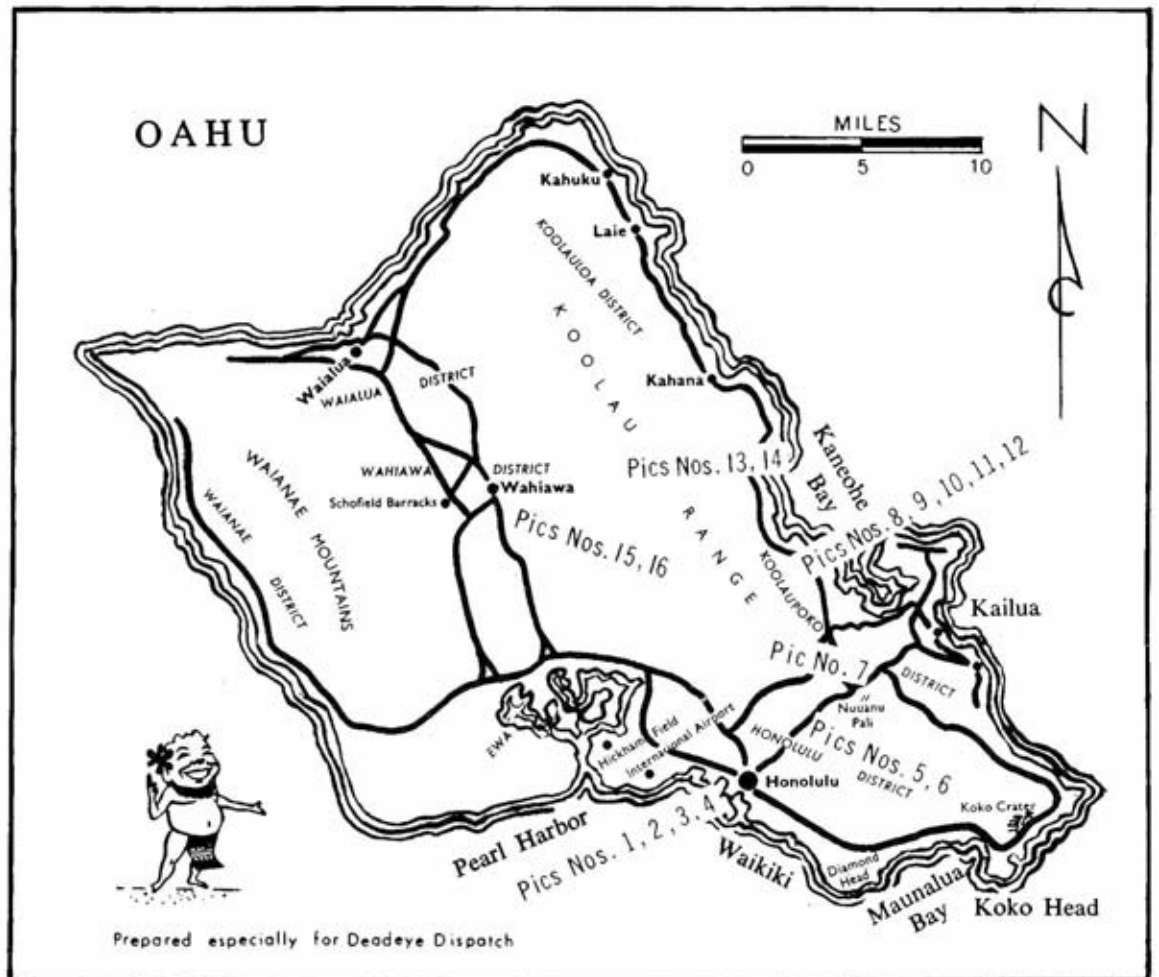
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#2 – **PINEAPPLE EXPRESS** exists no more, the diminutive boxcar having been converted to flatcars. Although there is still a train of sorts running in and around the harbor and the pineapple canneries, trucks and busses have taken over for the rather extensive rail system that we knew in 1944. Notice Dole Cannery watertower in background.

#3 & #4 – **NATIONAL MEMORIAL CEMETERY OF THE PACIFIC** is located on the floor of an extinct volcano called Punchbowl. Marble tablets with names of men missing in action from WW II (including **DEADEYES**), Korea and Vietnam flank the central stairway to this monument at the cemetery.



ALOHA – Wayne Gocke Essay (Continued)

From Schofield Barracks most of us went to the windward side of Oahu and the vicinity of Kahana Bay, the locale that had been selected for our training in village fighting. It was there that many of us, for the first time, began to re-realize the charm that Hawaii offered away from the concrete and clamor of Waikiki and the tourist environs. Our vibouac home adjoining the training area had an open air theater that seemed to draw rain just at show time. Across the highway was the ocean.

Down the road are signs of the old P-38 field, one side bordered by the ocean and the other by thick kiawe bushes that served as revetments. Marked at one end by the old sugar mill built of coral, the runway was bisected at the other end by the around-the-island highway. At that point, an MP was stationed to stop highway traffic during takeoffs and landings.

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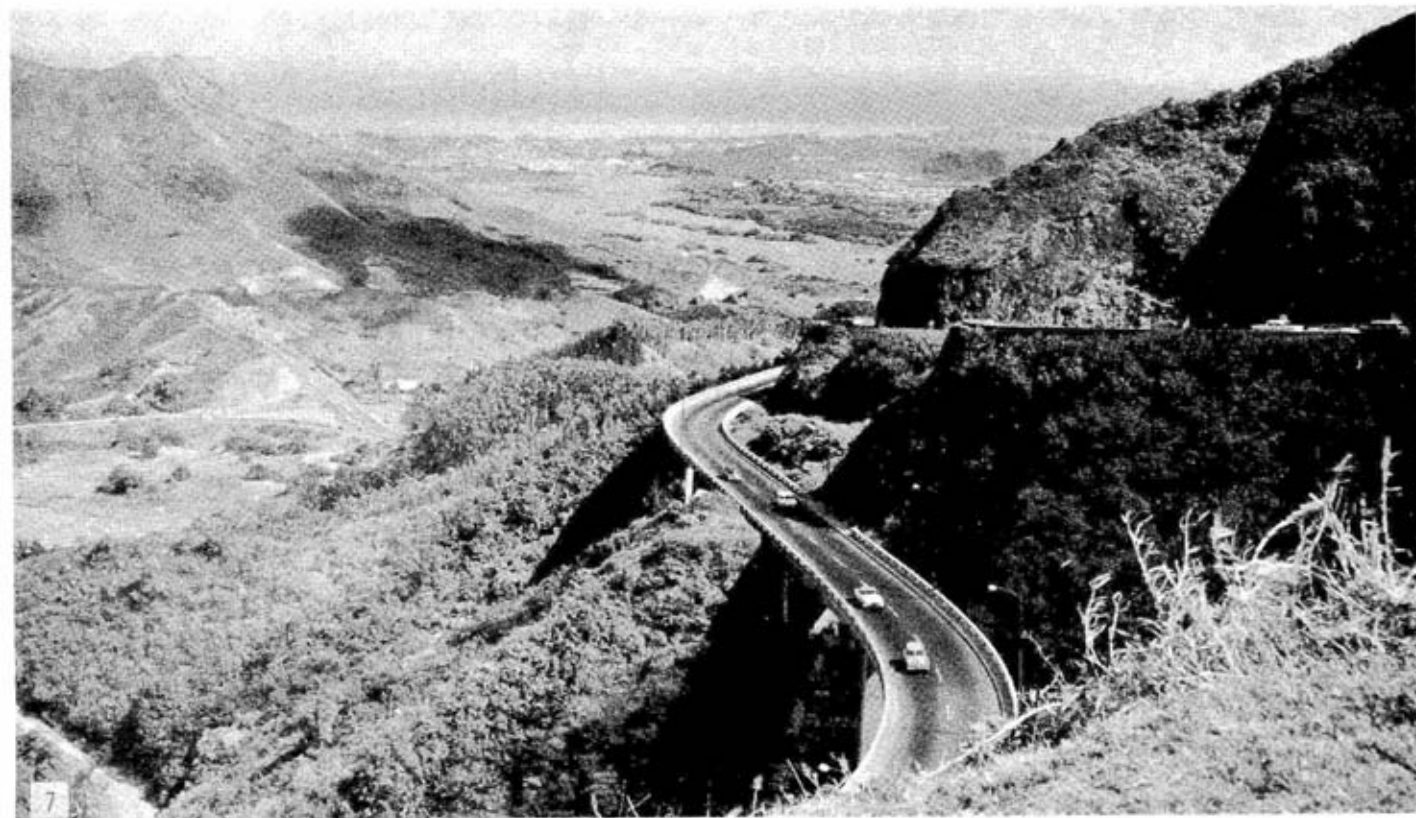
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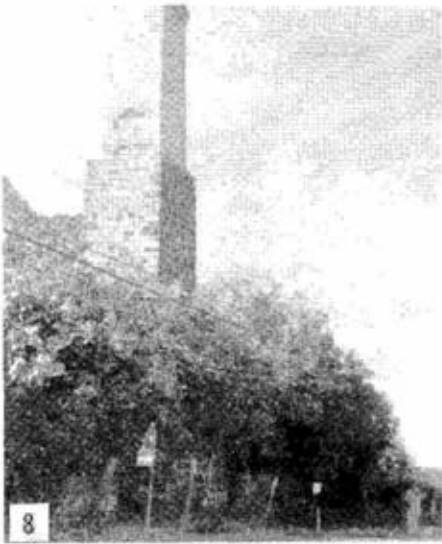


#5 – The old, narrow, vine-draped, two-lane **TRANS ISLAND HIGHWAY** & that **DEADEYES** knew has been replaced by a four-lane monstrosity, #6 complete with tunnels. Picture #5 was taken on the old highway about half way between Honolulu and Kailua. Picture #6 was taken on the new highway.

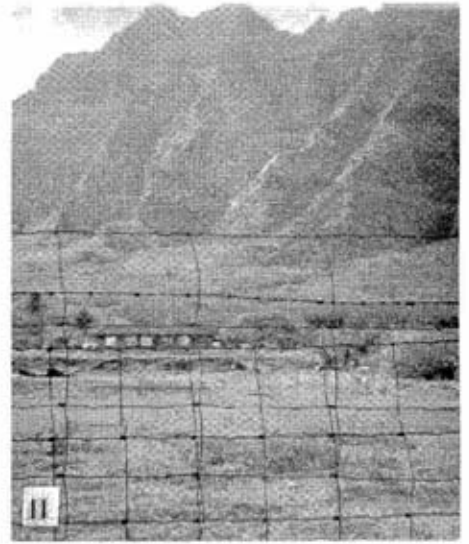
#7 – **PALI HIGHWAY** - In the distance are the communities of Kailua and Lanikai. Pali Lookout is reached by a side road. The view from the top of the Pali remains unchanged; still spectacular, breath-taking and unbelievable in its scope and beauty.

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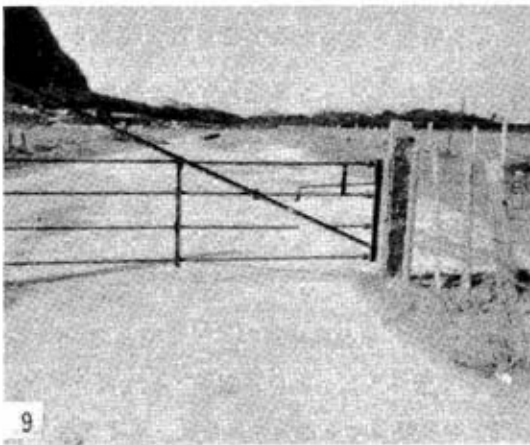




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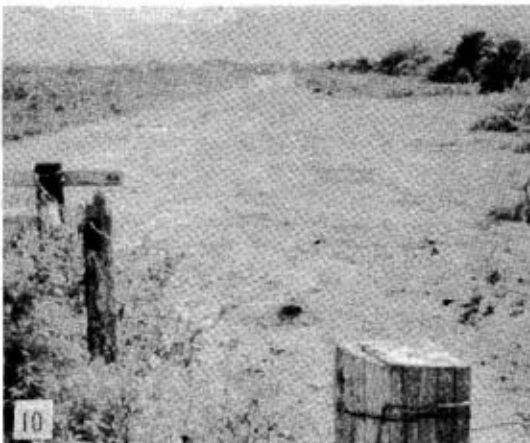
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P-38 RUNWAY FROM HIGHWAY



KIAWE TREE REVETMENTS,
P-38 FIELD AT FOOT OF
KOOLAU MOUNTAINS



RUNWAY OTHER SIDE HIGHWAY



SITE OF MESS AREA DURING
VILLAGE FIGHTING TRAIN-
ING IS NOW A PUBLIC BEACH

ALOHA - Wayne Gocke Essay (Continued)

Now the landing field is barely discernible through the placid surroundings of the dairy that thrives on that spot. The old control tower stood over the farmhouse until 1948. Today only the farmhouse remains as a reminder of the activity that took place there.

The public park we used for a mess area remains as does a little country store, but the tent area has become a suburban housing development. True, some things are better. The beach is there without any barbed wire; the ocean is there and there are no restrictions against swimming at any time; and the highway has been improved.

Back to the other side of the island across the mountains, many of the major military establishments of our time are still in operation. There is Schofield Barracks, of course, but the land on which our Tent City stood has been returned to its original use - the growing of pineapple. Schofield Barracks is still an active installation of the U.S. Army where troops were staged for the Korean action and continuing now with a similar purpose for Vietnam.

Two relatively new installations are active now. Tripler General Hospital, which was being built during our stay here (we went past the site on the Pineapple Express) serves as the main medical facility for the Pacific and in Hawaii as the principal armed forces hospital for all military personnel and their dependents. Barbers Point Naval Air Station, located across the Waianae Range from Schofield Barracks was activated in the late 1940's.

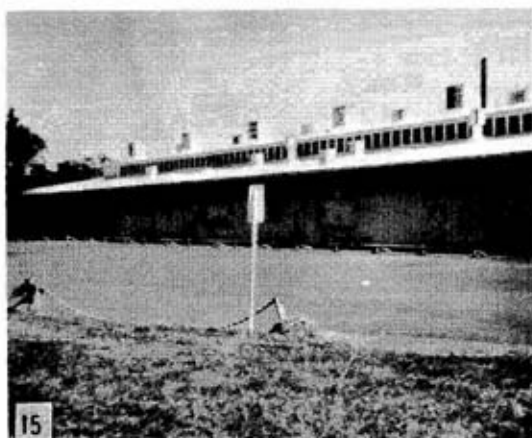
Our stay in Hawaii as the 96th Infantry Division has not been entirely forgotten. For example, behind a metal grillwork that frames the main entrance to Headquarters, United States Army, Pacific, is a display of insignia of many of the units that participated in the campaigns in the Pacific in WW II. Our double diamond takes its place proudly with the others. There is an inscription that I see nearly every day and which reads as follows:

"In allegiance to these insignia, faithful to their country and inspired by its cause, professional and civilian soldiers in their sacrifices for victory earned the gratitude of mankind. Crusaders for the right in the Pacific Ocean Areas of a global war they fought, bled and died that a free people might live for all time in security, dignity and peace."

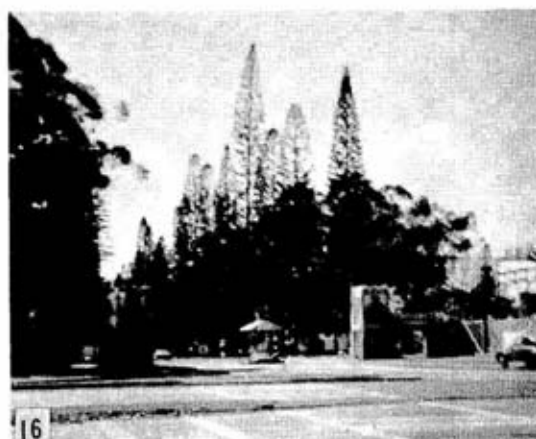
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VILLAGE FIGHTING BIVOUAC AREA IS PRESENT-DAY HOUSING DEVELOPMENT



END OF THE LINE FOR PINEAPPLE EXPRESS, NOW SCHOFIELD BARRACKS LAUNDRY



MAIN GATE, SCHOFIELD BARRACKS

PROFILE

Wayne Gocke, writer of the Aloha Essay, entered the Army in 1943 from Kansas, the state where he was born and educated. His entire service career was spent with 383-F. After receiving a medical discharge as result of wounds received on Okinawa, he completed his education at George Williams College in Chicago.

Wayne married Phyllis in 1948. That same year he began working for the Y. M. C. A. in Honolulu, later getting involved in a Civil Service training program with the U.S. Army. At present, he is the Assistant Program and Budget Officer in the office of the Deputy Chief of Staff for Operations, Headquarters, United States Army, Pacific, a job that requires him to make occasional trips to such places as Japan, Korea and Okinawa.

The Gockes live in Honolulu in an old home, recently remodeled, overlooking the University of Hawaii and Waikiki. Diamond Head is their back drop.

Summing up his thoughts regarding the island that has been his home for about 22 years, he emphasizes that it is still a pleasant and lovely place, as it was, even in wartime, although there are signs that the old "Aloha" spirit is being spoiled. He adds that is was not his intention to disillusion anyone about the way things are now in the last peaceful jumping off place for DEADEYES and where the month of August 1944 was over to quickly as men of the 96th hurried toward the greatest adventures of their lives.

WAYNE & PHYLLIS GOCKE WITH POPCORN



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EASLEY MONUMENT ON OKINAWA TO BE RENOVATED

Since Jim Breece, Historian, will be making a trip to Okinawa during this winter, he has been authorized to represent the 96th Infantry Division Association in handling of repairs that are to be made to the Easley monument. The missing brass plate will be replaced with an inset granite or marble plate with the same inscription as the original. A second plate may be added with a translation in Japanese. The site and trail will be improved and a location marker will be placed on the road giving directions to the memorial site.

In addition, plans call for a granite or marble marker to be placed at the edge of the site telling, in both English and Japanese, about the DEADEYES work in renovation and rededication of the memorial. You can participate in this project by sending \$1.00 to the treasurer.



ATTENTION: DEADEYES IN CHICAGO, DETROIT & NEIGHBORING TOWNS

There is talk about the possibility of a charter flight to the reunion in Denver, however the 96th Infantry Division Association is not to be involved as sponsor.

PROPOSAL — United Airlines Charter, 96 passengers, round trip, from Lansing, Michigan to Chicago, Illinois, to Denver, Colorado, including food and drink. Total cost will be \$11534.00 or \$120.14 per passenger.

Reservations with part-payment must be in by February 22, 1971 and the balance will be due on or before May 22, 1971. No refunds will be made after the latter date. First come, first served. If there is not enough interest shown, the money will be returned and the flight will be cancelled. **ONLY MEMBERS OF THE 96TH DIVISION AND THEIR FAMILIES CAN PARTICIPATE IN THIS FLIGHT.**

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