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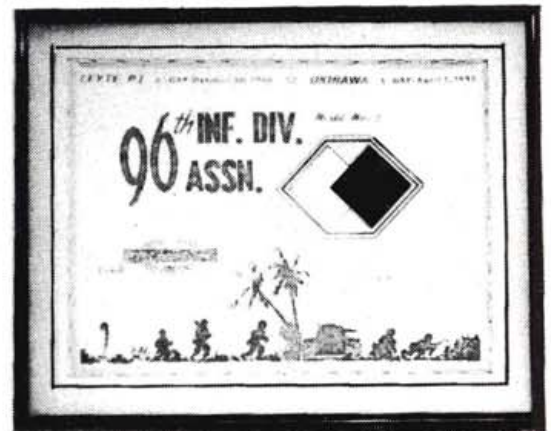
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Speechless Dean Sterner was honored by President Biggs with the distinguished Deadeye Citation, which read:

"A man that has been prompt and faithful to his trust. He established the office of Division Historian and held the office of Treasurer with outstanding efforts - always putting forth his efforts to better the Association."



Ed Biggs passes the gavel to President Cyril Sterner

Dispatch Has New Editors!



According to the minutes of the meeting of the 96th Infantry Division Association held in Kansas City, Missouri, in July 1975, Harold and Lorraine Strand, 604 So. Hazel Street, Glenwood, Iowa, 51534, were elected as editors of the Newsletter.

Strand had previously served as Sergeant at Arms and as Historian.

We apologize for all omissions and errors, and wish to THANK all those people who so willingly helped get this issue in the mail.

Below is New Deadeye Corresponding Secretary

and Sergeant at Arms of the Wood County Council of the American Legion. Serving as a charter member and President of the Risingsun Historical Society (a Bicentennial group) is another of his extracurricular activities.

Rosters of the Association have been turned over to a new caretaker: Virgil Below (381-M), 6723 CR No. 11, Risingsun, Ohio 43457. He was chosen to replace Sherman Deckrow who had served in the office of Corresponding Secretary beginning in the spring of 1972 and through the reunion in Kansas City.

Virgil and Ruth Below had been married for seven years when his number came up in the draft. Their first son, Roger, was four years old at the time. Shortly after his induction into the Army on September 20, 1944, Below was shipped to Fort Hood Texas for basic training. On February 28, 1945 he left for overseas, only 15 days before the birth of second son, Larry.

Coming to the Division on Okinawa as a replacement, Below was assigned to the mortar squad in his company. Later, he went to Mindoro, then returned to the States for discharge in February, 1946.

Below went back to his job at the Union Carbide Corporation; 34 years later, he is still there as an analyst technician. In the meantime, he and Ruth added two more sons to their family - William (1948) and Dennis (1950).

The Belows are active in the Assembly of God Church. Virgil is a member of V.F.W. Post No. 421 in Fostoria, Commander of American Legion Post No. 36 in Risingsun

Memo

This organization has grown from an embryo idea in 1958 until it has world-wide recognition. It fosters comradeship that was always a trademark of the Division. Our rosters include many thousands of names and addresses of your and my buddies. Please let me hear from you.

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The pride of the old 96th Infantry Division showed themselves at the eighteenth annual reunion. Rigors of peacetime survival did not stop them from making the journey. They came from all over the country and a few foreign places.

Other reunions have been larger. The meeting that was held in Chicago (1968) still retains the record for attendance. In 1973, the crowd in Peoria filled up practically all of the

sleeping rooms in town, claiming second place for that site.

John Rader, Reunion Chairman, 5203 Skiles, Kansas City, Missouri 64129 had some problems with the program - nothing big, but aggravating. Among other things, he had trouble securing tour busses. There was a hassle with the hotel about serving the beer bust. Then the newsletter was late - so late that the Spring Issue (containing a street map and other pertinent information) was received after the reunion.

(Colonel) Dean Sterner, president, introduced his officers during the festivities on Saturday night. Directing a final remark to the DEADEYES seated in the audience, he said: "Give them a job, or I will!"

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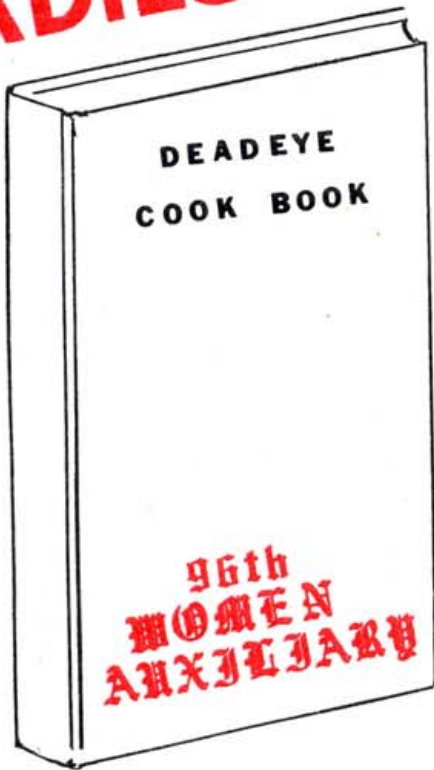
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RHUBARB BREAD, page 51 of the cookbook should read 2½ cups of flour.

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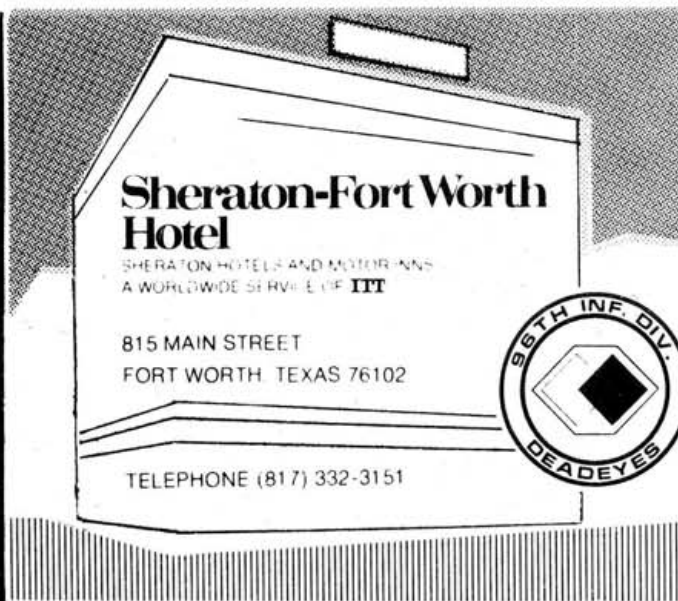
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The Auxiliary set two records at the reunion in Kansas City this year -- 105 members attended the business meeting and 152 ladies attended the luncheon and style show at Jones Department Store. Our thanks go to Helen Rader and daughter Sandra Porter for a job well done.

The death of Mary Jane (Mrs. Howard) Ragsdale in April was reported. Mary Jane was a Charter member, past officer and the Denver reunion hostess.

At the banquet "OUR KIND OF GAL" awards were presented to Virginia Alberts, Celia Ellis, Sandra Porter, Helen Rader and

Imogene Smith.

Twenty-nine "Gals" were awarded ten year certificates.

Plaques were presented to the Auxiliary past presidents; Inez Easley (1962-1963); Norma Bauer (1963-1965); Dorothy Coykendall (1965-1966); Juanita South Kimmel

(1966-1968); Lorraine Strand (1968-1969); Dorothy Fitzpatrick (1969-1970); Lila Buxton (1970-1971); Hilda Biggs (1971-1972); Rose Fritz (1972-1973); Eleanor Markus (1973-1974); and Frances Huff (1974-1975).

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MEXICO

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1st Day – Sunday – Mexico City – Ballet Folklorico – Xochimilco – Bullfight

Upon your arrival in Mexico you'll be taken to the FLOATING GARDENS OF THE AZTECS at XOCHIMILCO, where we ride through picturesque canals in flower bedecked native boats. In the afternoon we arrive at the PLAZA DE TOROS to witness THE BULLFIGHT! From our reserved seat on the shady side of the arena we shall marvel at the courage and grace of the Matador – and at the speed and cunning of the brave bull! In the evening we return to our Hotel EMPORIO. After dinner you'll have tickets to the world-famous BALLETT FOLKLORICO DE MEXICO. We shall be spellbound by the grace and vivacity of these magnificent dancers, as they perform the traditional dances of timeless Mexico.

2nd Day – Monday University Tour – Cuernavaca – Acapulco

We drive this morning to the famous UNIVERSITY where the many fine buildings and colorful mosaics will hold us spellbound. Crossing the mighty SIERRA MADRE MOUNTAINS to the CITY OF ETERNAL SPRING – CUERNAVACA – we shall walk through the ZOCALO to HERNANDO CORTEZ PALACE, the CATHEDRAL and MAXIMILIAN'S SUMMER RESIDENCE, the DE LA BORDA GARDENS and the MARKET. After lunch our drive continues to ACAPULCO and the AUTO-RITZ HOTEL.

3rd Day – Tuesday Acapulco – High Divers at La Quebrada

Today will introduce us to the wonderful beaches, swimming, sunning and water sports of this fabulous resort. In the evening we go to LA QUEBRADA to witness the spectacle of the HIGH DIVERS as they plunge 140 feet from the cliff top into a narrow chasm of raging water!

4th Day – Wednesday Acapulco – Fiesta Cruise

Acapulco Bay is a world renowned and this morning we shall see it from the decks of the yacht "Fiesta" as we cruise the clear blue waters. You will be served unlimited complimentary Rum and Tequila drinks, dance to a colorful Calypso Band and join in all the fun as we pass by luxurious homes perched on cliffs high above, see Roqueta Island and the miles of golden beaches . . . and stop for a relaxing swim before returning to the dock!

5th Day – Thursday Scenic Drive to Taxco – Sightseeing

A leisurely departure from wonderful Acapulco brings us to the SILVER CITY – TAXCO. Shop for exquisite sterling silverware and jewelry during the afternoon. Our hotel will be the picturesque RANCH TAXCO perched on a hill above the city.

STEPS TO JOIN A TOUR:

- Step 1 – Fill out application form and mail together with \$25 per person deposit.
- Step 2 – By return mail you will receive confirmation of your reservations.
- Step 3 – Final billing will be sent approximately 6 weeks prior to departure.

TOUR APPLICATION FORM

I/We, hereby request to be registered as Members of the following TOUR.

MR.
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6th Day – Friday

Drive to Ixtapan and Toluca – Fabled Indian Market – Desert of the Lions – Mexico City

From TAXCO, we follow the footsteps of the great MONTEZUMA to IXTAPAN, health resort of Ancient MEXICO. There will be sightseeing, including the fabled FOUNTAINS and the remarkable MOSAICS, before we pass through the famous "Rebozo" village of TENANCINGO, then across the mountains to TOLUCA where the famed INDIAN MARKET will be in full swing! Colorful Indians in native costume will be bargaining for gay dress material or bartering their vegetables for strings of brilliant beads! Join the fun searching for the best buys in fascinating native handicrafts! In the afternoon we drive through the DESERT OF THE LIONS on our way to Mexico City and the EMPORIO HOTEL.

7th Day – Saturday

Mexico City – Sightseeing

This morning our Deluxe, Air-Conditioned Motor Coach will take us on the exciting CITY TOUR. We visit the magnificent ZOCALO (City Square) bordered by the great CATHEDRAL and NATIONAL PALACE with murals by the immortal Diego Rivera, the PALACE of fine arts, SAN JUAN MARKET – then drive down the elegant PASEO DE LA REFORMA, passing the MONUMENT OF INDEPENDENCE, arriving at CHAPULTEPEC PARK, where we visit the CASTLE, then to the hallowed SHRINE OF GUADALUPE, returning along the AVENIDA JUAREZ to our hotel.

8th Day

Arrive Home

This morning we bid our friends in Old Mexico a fond "Adios" as we prepare for our return home, promising to return again to this vibrant, fascinating country with "YOUR MAN TOURS".

MEXICO TOUR NOTES:

American Citizens must have a Mexican Government Tourist Card, obtainable from your nearest Mexican Consulate. If you wish for us to issue the Tourist Card, please advise us and we will send you the necessary forms to complete. You will need proof of citizenship such as Voter's Registration, Valid Passport, or Certified Birth Certificate. There is a \$4.00 International Airport Tax payable upon leaving Mexico City.

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IRVING, TEXAS 75061

Tours...

Anyone?

Alex Markus, 3629 N. Plainfield Ave., Chicago, Ill., 60634 plans to Charter a flight to Ft. Worth from Chicago. If you are interested, contact him before APRIL 1, 1976, for Special Rates.

How about Mexico? Carrico has a tour schedule August 1 for 8 days. Leave on Sunday after the reunion. Cost -- \$349 per person. \$25.00 will reserve your place. You will need your birth certificate and all the ladies will need a "head covering" for some of the stops. If you are interested contact Howard Carrico, 311 Whitesettlement Rd., Ft. Worth, Tex. 76107.

Ed Biggs is again planning a trip to the Philippines for the 32nd Anniversary Celebration of the Philippine Liberation -- October 9, 1976 thru October 23, 1976. Are you interested? Contact Edmund Biggs, 213 Wayside Dr., Plainfield, Ind. 46168.



Fall In For...

Mail Call!

Here is my check for dues (\$6.00). Please use the extra \$2.00 for postage or other incidentals.

I will be unable to attend the reunion this year because my left leg is causing trouble. There is swelling and pain caused by varicose veins which I undoubtedly acquired during my service in the Post Office.

Charles J. Ratz
301 S. Adelia St.
Springfield, Ill.
62704

96th Div. Hq.
& 321 Engr.-C



I am writing this letter on behalf of my husband, Raymond K. Lowry, who died January 2, 1975 with emphysema and congestive heart failure. He was proud to have been one of the fighting men of the 96th Division. Serving as a squad leader in 381-K, he was in the invasion of Okinawa on Easter Sunday, 1945. He was evacuated to the Marianas as the result of wounds received on April 15, 1945, then returned to the States in July of that year.

Besides being a retired farmer, Raymond was a member of the First Baptist Church, American Legion, Agriculture Club, and the Leachville Community A.S.C. Committee.

His membership dues are enclosed. I want to keep in touch with the Division because there are many names that I remember. My thoughts go back to the time when I, as many of the Army wives did, traveled the West Coast from Oregon to California. We met and made many friends while we were away from home. I feel that I am still a part of the 96th.

Lorene Lowry
R. 2
Leachville, Arkansas
72438

381-K

I am enclosing \$4.00 dues for 1975. Please send my I.D. card. Donald Brown, Trilla, Iowa is a friend of mine. We both served in Company B at Camp Adair, Oregon 1942-1943.

James J. Brown
7630 Blazer Avenue
Justice, Illinois 60458

381-B



One day I met a recruiting officer who was wearing the 96th Division shoulder patch. He said that it was customary for them to wear patches of some of the famous divisions. When I told him that I had served with the 96th, he said that he had read a lot about the Division was proud to be wearing the blue and white emblem.

Lawrence Forney
4990 W. Stanford Ave.
Denver, Colorado, 80236

921 FS-Serv.



I have been a dues paying member of the Association for several years, but slipped up when sickness and other tragedies hit my family. About 90 percent of my time has been spent in the hospital during the last two years now in since March (letter dated July, 1975). I was saddened to hear about Arnold Lipke.

Enclosed is one check to pay my membership dues, also a table set.

Bernard G. Ingle
942 - 45th Avenue N.W.
Columbia Heights, Minn. 55421

382-K



I'm thinking about how great it would be to renew old old acquaintances.

Ivan Lemoine

Mail Call Continued...

Enclosed is my check for dues. Please send the personalized certificate. The DEADEYE Dispatch is something that I look forward to receiving.

Ed Ludwig
R. 2
Forreston, Illinois



Although I have always enjoyed the reunions, I will not be able to attend the reunion in Kansas City. I was not in Indianapolis last year because of a heart attack, but I overcame that in good shape. On June 23rd of this year I went back into the hospital for major surgery to have a malignancy removed. I'm out of the hospital now and doing fine, but not able to make the trip. If all goes well, I will see all of you in Fort Worth in 1976.

Ted Weber 381-D



Enclosed is my check for dues for continued membership in the 96th Infantry Division Association. I do not expect to be in Kansas City for the reunion, but I am aiming for the reunion in 1977, God willing, in Ohio. I started as Chaplain of the V.A. Hospital in Chillicothe, Ohio in 1946 after separation from the 96th Division Artillery on Okinawa.

Give my regards to all of the DEADEYES. I will remember them all and their families in my prayers and I will be at the reunion in spirit.

Did you know that Colonel James J.A. Kelker, S-2 (Intelligence Officer) for Division Artillery, died in November, 1974 in Shreveport, Louisiana. Before joining our 96th Division at Schofield Barracks, he had been with the Americal Division with Colonel Demuth, Executive Officer of the 96th Division Artillery.

Reverend Edward J. Konisky
Catholic Chaplain
Veterans Administration Hospital
113 Holland Avenue
Albany, New York 12208



We enjoy receiving the DEADEYE Dispatch. This year brought us our first grandchildren - twin boys to our daughter-in-law and a girl to our daughter.

Max and Marian Werner
856 N. 100 East
American Fork, Utah 84003

I received the newsletter as usual. It is good to keep up to date on things in the Association.

Enclosed is a check for dues. Please return the enclosed card; that way I will know that you received the letter. I left the mail service 25 years ago and it was slipping at that time. They get worse as time goes on.
Theo. McCarthy



My husband's dues are paid through June, 1976, but I am sending dues for another year. I would like to have one of the personalized certificates. He can't sign his name on the envelope because this is a surprise.

Mrs. Al Knight



At this time, (April 1975) I cannot say for sure whether I will be in K.C. in July. Maybe I can get Bud Bartzat to come with me.

This year has not been too good for me. I had surgery in January. When I was ready to go back to work, a cartilage in my knee split, so there was more surgery. The doctor has told me that two or three more months will be necessary for me to recover.
Lloyd Dye.



Because of family matters which have come up recently, Harriett and I will be unable to attend the reunion this year. Ever since the meeting in Indianapolis, we have looked forward to seeing everyone in Kansas City.

Will you please extend my membership in the Association and Harriett's membership in the Auxiliary for the next year? I have forgotten how much the dues are, but hope that the amount enclosed will take care of it. Also, I would appreciate receiving a copy of the 1975 activity program, as well as the program for the 1976 reunion in Fort Worth, Texas. We are planning to be there.

I would like to hear from any of the guys with whom I served in the different companies of 383d (D,C,L, and the I & R Platoon).

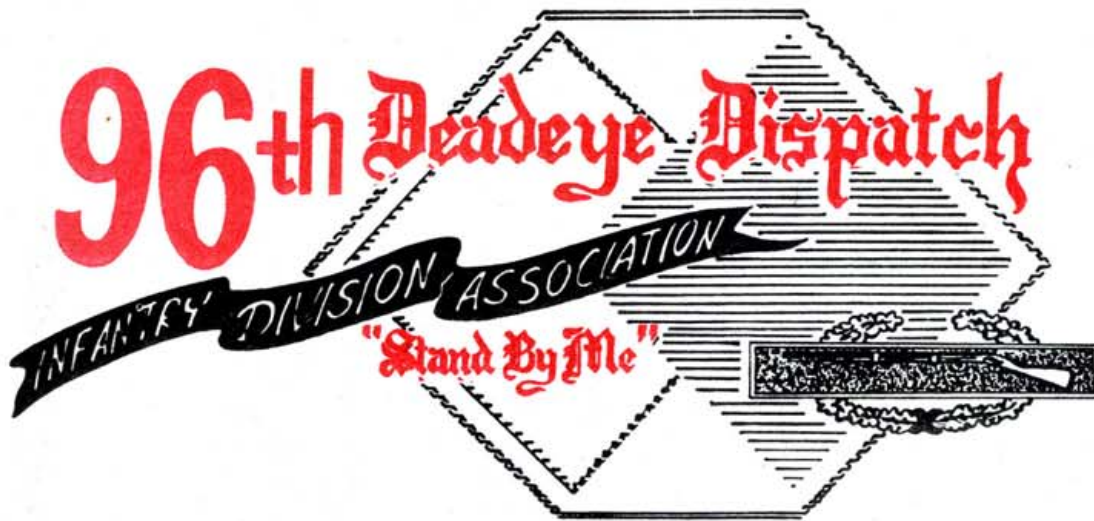
Looking back, rank seemed unimportant compared to the total purpose and considering that each man performed the best he could.

Tell me the news. What are you doing now?

Ewing S. Johnson
108 N. Broadway
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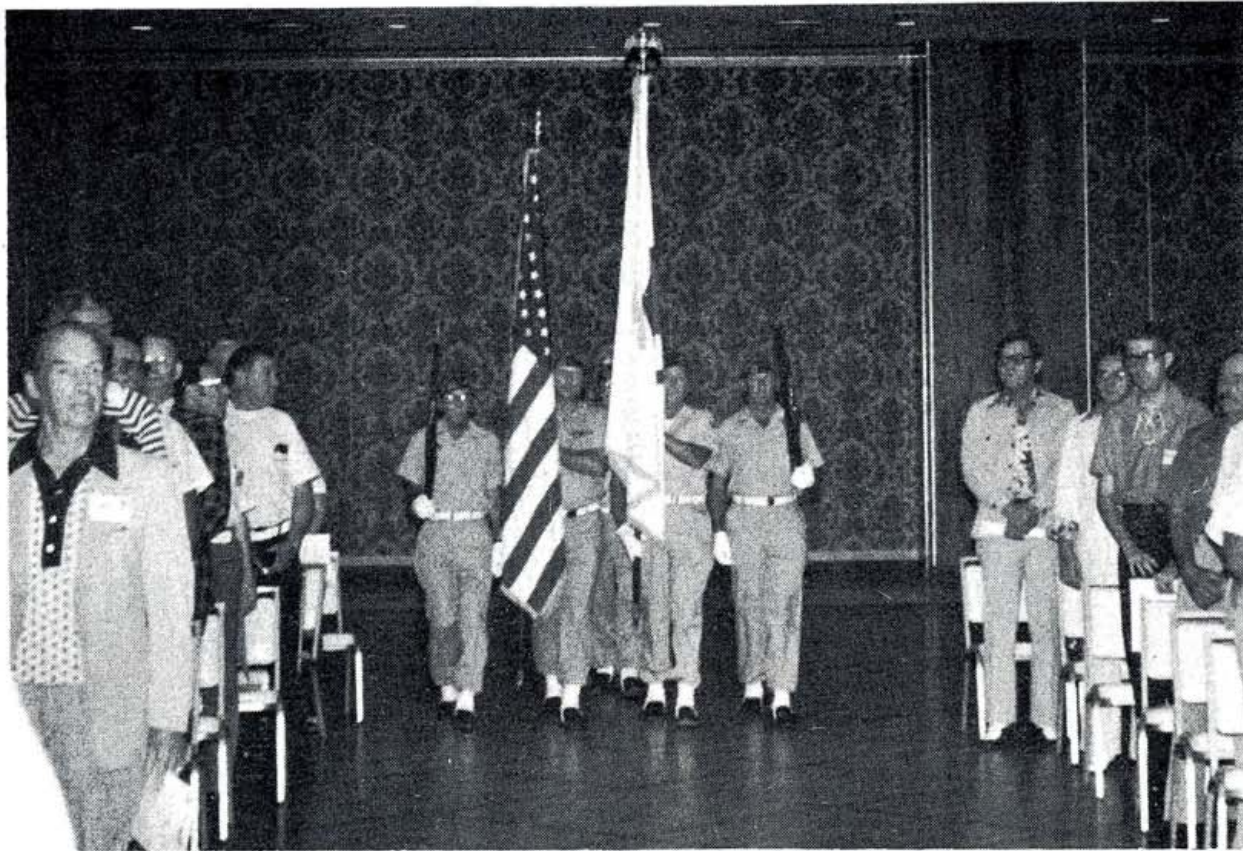
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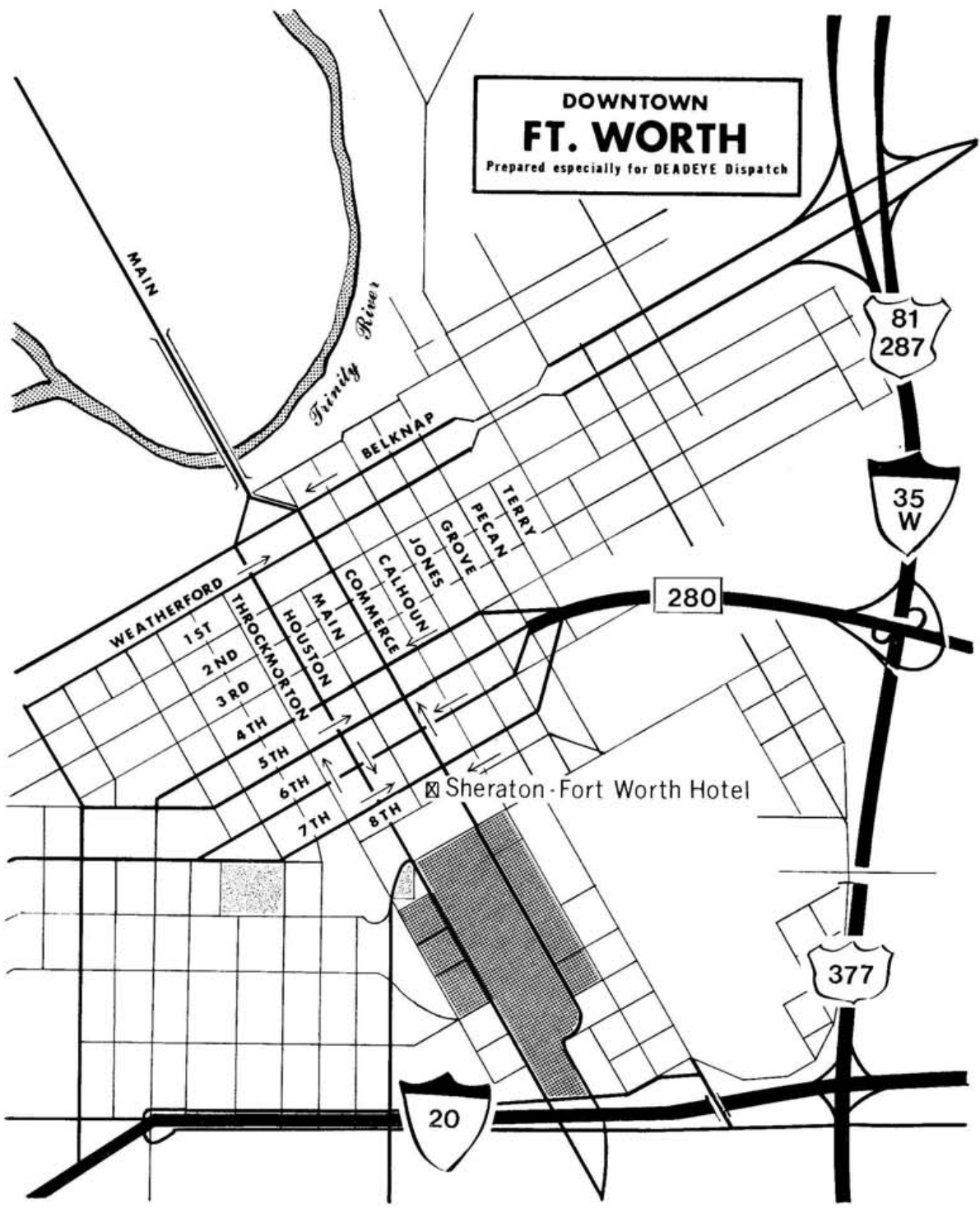


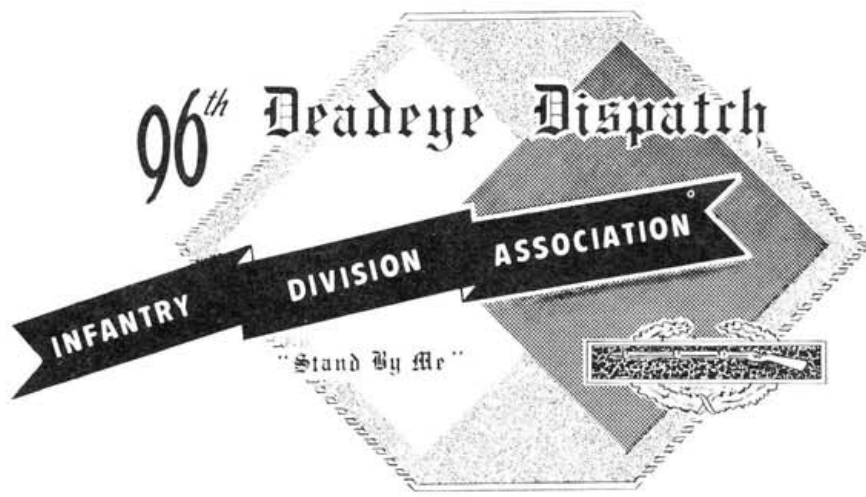
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DEADEYES FROM NEAR AND FAR AT REUNION IN KANSAS CITY

*Chester LaBlanc, Virgil Below, Glen Hamilton,
Tyson Shelton, Dean Sterner, Douglas Burton,
Atwell Champion, and Stanley P. Smith*

**'GIVE THEM A JOB,'
STERNER SAYS**

New officers
take posts