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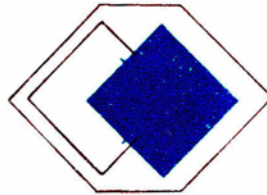
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Folks, Some Great Tours of the Mile High City Are Being Planned, But...

Reservations Must be made in advance

Wednesday July 25 --

A FUN FILLED NIGHT!!! A tour of Coors Brewery, Smorgasbord, fun, and games. Your reservations must be received as soon as possible. Only the first 120 people to send in reservations can go. Send your reservations to FLORENCE MOORE -- 2462 Newland St., Denver, Co. 80214.

On Thursday July 26 There will be a Tour of Central City, Co., an Old Mining Town and Dinner at the Black Forest Inn in Blackhawk, Co. Reservations for the Central City Tour and Dinner at Black Forest Inn must be to HOWARD RAGSDALE, Box 510, Lamar, Co. 81052.

Don't forget to send in reservations to the Regency for your room. If something happens that you cannot make it, the rooms can be made available for someone else. DON'T TAKE A CHANCE. MAIL YOUR RESERVATIONS T O D A Y!!!

The price of the Coors Tour -- \$3.00 each.

The price of the Central City Tour and Dinner at Black Forest Inn -- \$15.00 each.

CIB Holders Can Ask for Bronze Star

By a Times Staff Writer

ALEXANDRIA, Va. — Veterans, retirees and active duty soldiers who received the Combat Infantry Badge or Combat Medical Badge during World War II can apply for the Bronze Star Medal.

While that may be good news for thousands of people, it has caused a minor flap and huge influx of mail into the awards branch of the Military Personnel Center.

In its September issue, a national veterans magazine correctly reported the new policy, but cited MilPerCen — which handles only active duty awards — as the agency responsible for processing applications.

Vets who received the CIB or CMB during WWII and who would like to apply for the Bronze Star should send their requests to the Center Manager, National Personnel Records Center, St. Louis, Mo. 63132.

Military retirees who qualify for the award should send their applications to the Awards Branch, Reserve Components Personnel and Administration Center, St. Louis, Mo. 63132.

Qualified active duty soldiers should mail their requests to the Military Personnel Center, Awards Branch (ATTN: DAPC-MSS-A), 200 Stoval St., Alexandria, Va. 22332.

-From Army Times, Oct. 10, 1977

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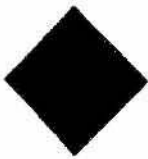
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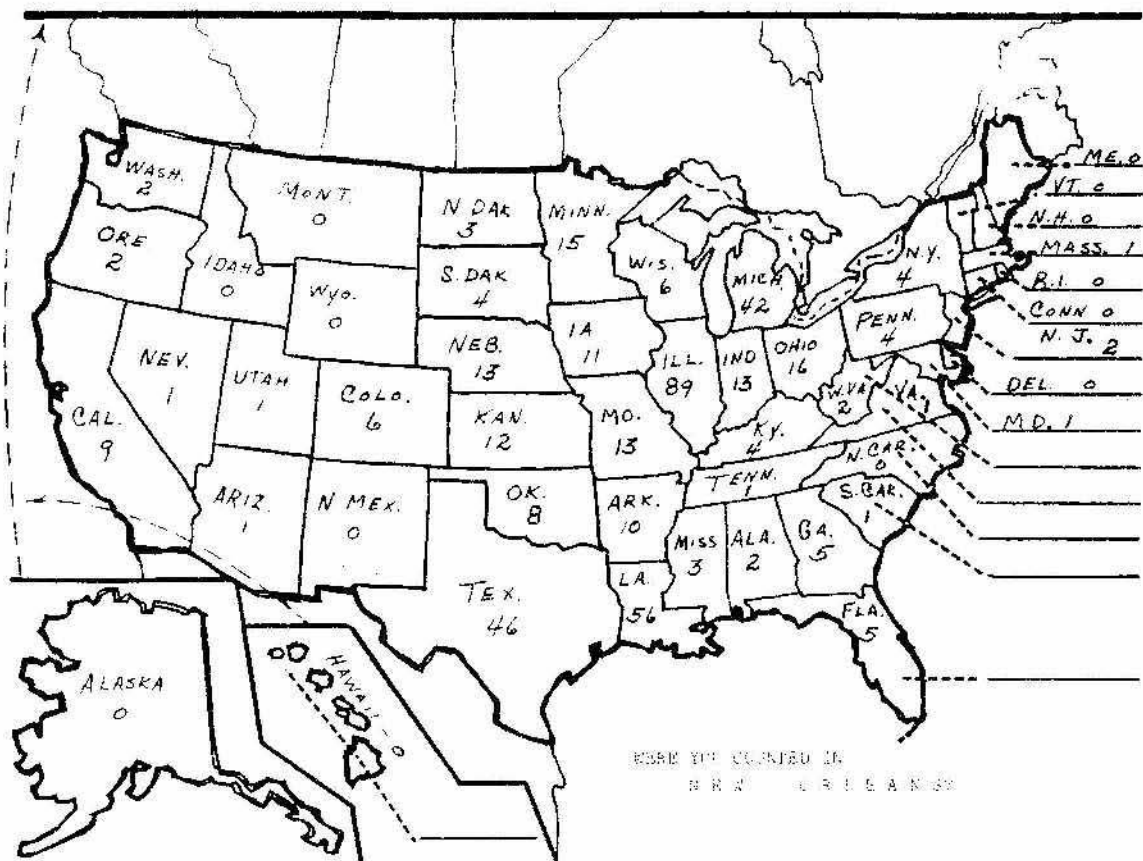
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Set Philippine Tour For 1979!

Plans for a tour for 1979 will be from October 13 thru 28, 1979. This will include bus tours of Corregidor, Manila city tour, Philippine American Cemetery and transportation on Leyte. Many optional tours will be available at extra fare to Okinawa, Hong Kong, Baguio or any other place. Plans are being made so we will be able to stop off in Hawaii on the return trip at no extra fare.

The planned itinerary will be published in the next issue of the Deadeye Dispatch. Anyone wanting more details write to Ed Biagg, 213 Wapside Drive, Plainfield, Ind. 46168

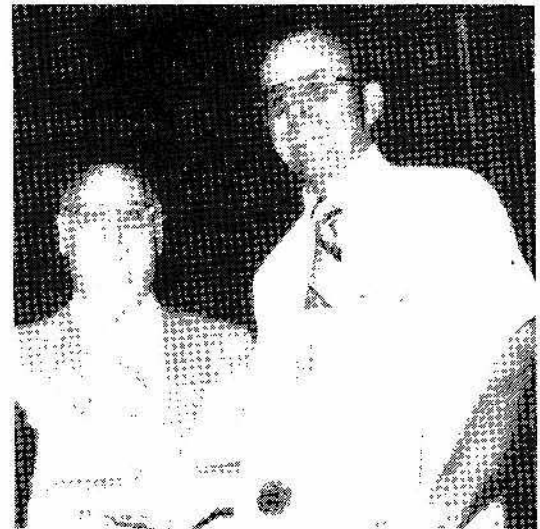
Trinidad "Etta" Abesamis Attends N.O. Reunion

Mrs. Abesamis of the Department of Tourism from Manila, Philippines attended the reunion promoting tourism to the Philippines. The 96th Division is not new to her. She was a young girl when the 96th landed on Leyte during WWII. She was born and raised on Leyte. She now lives in Manila and still has a home on Leyte. Speaking before the group she referred to how the Filipino would spend his last centavo for the American Veteran to make him welcome. (Many of us who have made the trips there know this to be true). Etta always meets our group and travels with us to Leyte to see that everything goes as planned. We are still welcome and remembered as their liberators.

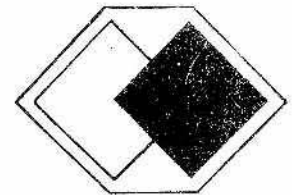
LaBelle New Orleans Gave Deadeyes A Warm Welcome



"Hoss" Mitchell, Mr. Pfister, representing Mayor Earnest Morial, and President Doug Burton with the 5 lb. box of dried California fruit.



Mr. Pfister presents Pres. Burton with the Key to the City.



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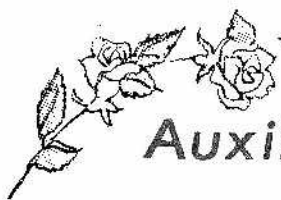
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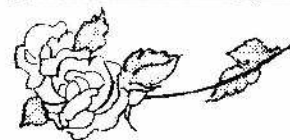
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Auxiliary Corner



The Ladies Auxiliary Luncheon was at Martin's Cajun Cuisine, and a very good capon luncheon was served.

Immediately following the luncheon we were entertained by Patti Quaid.

Until recently Patti Quaid was just Patti Quaid, Home-maker. But with a will and determination, and some prayers, she admits, today Patti Quaid has a whole new outlook on "life" and her message to us was that each of us can do something that will lift us from doldrum and monotony.

Patti is a living adventure that began for her just a few years ago. Because of it, she has learned the secret of living life joyfully, with purpose and fun. She shared her experiences with us, tried to assure each of us that all of us have may talents, although we may not be aware of them.

A native of New Orleans, and wife of Insurance executive, Herb Quaid, Patti spoke to us on creative music -- Finding Your Lost Talent. Although she does not read music, she has written over 44 compositions, many of which have been recorded -- one of them "I Want To Be With You."

The following note was received by President Virginia Alberts written by Mrs. Quaid on Sept. 10.

Dear Madam President:

I certainly owe you an apology for not writing sooner. However, I have been extremely busy -- so forgive my tardiness.

It was a real privilege and pleasure to be the guest speaker for the 96th Infantry Division Reunion Ladies Luncheon. Please accept my sincere thanks for inviting me.

Being with your group -- coupled with a most delicious lunch and having the occasion to speak to many of the ladies following the meal -- really made the day a memorable one for both of us.

Your generous donation has been sent to Fr. Ragen for the Shrine of St. Jude and is greatly appreciated.

Do hope we have the pleasure of being with you at a later date.

In the meantime our very best to all the members.

With much Love
Patti & Herb Quaid

Patti has given us permission to reprint the following message. Thanks a heap Patti Quaid and come see us again another day.

You Were Photogenic, But-Sorry!

We have been waiting for pictures of the New Orleans Reunion. None have come, so we are going to press without them. Something should be done about having a photographer at the Beer Bust on Friday evening and at the Dinner Dance on Saturday evening. We cannot put pictures in the Deadeye Dispatch, if none come to us.

We must have good, sharp, glossy black and white pictures to reproduce in the newsletter. Our thanks to the Deadeyes and Deadeye Gals who sent colored pictures.

In checking old issues of the Dispatch, this will be the first issue in a long time without pictures of the Officers of the Association and the Auxiliary. WE ARE SORRY!

HOW ABOUT IT FELLAS! PLEASE bring this up at the meetings and see if we can't have a photographer present for the Beer Bust and the Dinner Dance.

Harold & Lorraine





Precious Moments



Life is beautiful!

Look around you - take a really good look,
from the dawn of a new day, until the setting of the sun,
when dusk and the night descends upon us,
beauty surrounds us!



Breathe the fresh air of an early morn,
stay a moment - to look and listen, ...
you'll hear a beautiful melody, the song
of the birds. Smell the perfume of the flowers
about you, watch the golden sun as it
streaks across a blue sky with fleecy clouds,
from the depth of your being, you're glad, - to be alive!



No matter what your day was, when night comes, you
look up to see the stars, ... in all their majesty ... like a
thousand diamond gems, ... sparkling ... the silvery
light of the moon casting lovely shadows around you, ...
you feel a gentle breeze upon your cheek, and realize,
Life is beautiful!

In your heart a prayer of thanksgiving ... to the
Almighty, for in his infinite kindness, he created ...
all of this for you, permitting your mortal eyes to behold
the touch of his hand ... all about you!

PATTI QUAID PUBLISHING CO.

Patti Quaid



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PRESIDENT'S

★★★★★★★ CORNER

dies Committee. They were most gracious in offering to be of service in any way possible and their contributions are greatly appreciated.

Glen Hamilton and I met with Howard Ragsdale and his Denver Committee during the New Orleans Reunion. All plans have been finalized by the committee, and fellows, get ready for a great reunion in Denver in 1979. We were there in '71 and Howard did a fantastic job of planning for our enjoyment. In '79 he plans to top his former performance, and I believe he will.

Remember, if any of you Deadeyes have the remotest idea that you might attend the Denver reunion, be sure to send in your hotel registration card from the "Dispatch". You are under no obligation. In making your reservations early, you are assured a room at the reunion headquarter hotel.

I will see all of you Deadeyes in Denver, Colorado, July 26th, 27th, and 28th, 1979.

Best Regards,

Atwell E. Champion

**Why Not Renew
Right Away?**

Atwell Champion
President
5091 Bardwell Drive
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October 11, 1978

Dear Deadeyes:

Greetings from the land of stately oaks, broad magnolias, and where the mighty Mississippi flows to the gulf; I want to thank you for the privilege of serving as your President for the coming year.

Congratulations to Alfred Latour, Chairman of the New Orleans Reunion. Hoss Mitchell, Program Chairman, is to be commended for the

excellent program and the manner in which he conducted the reunion. Having served as a member of a convention committee, I realize how much work and time goes into planning a reunion. I want to thank Alfred and Mary Latour, Hoss and Sarah Mitchell, Chester and Germaine LeBlanc, my wife Van Champion, and division officers, Glen Hamilton, Treasurer; Elmer Stuckmeyer, Assistant Treasurer, for a job well done in New Orleans.

The Ladies Auxiliary is to be commended for their help and support to the Louisiana La-



1979 Denver
1980 Springfield
1981 Milwaukee

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These Folks Attended Our Gala New Orleans Reunion

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Lamar, Co.

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E.C. Stuckemeyer
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Toledo, Oh.

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Waterford, Mi.

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New Orleans, La.

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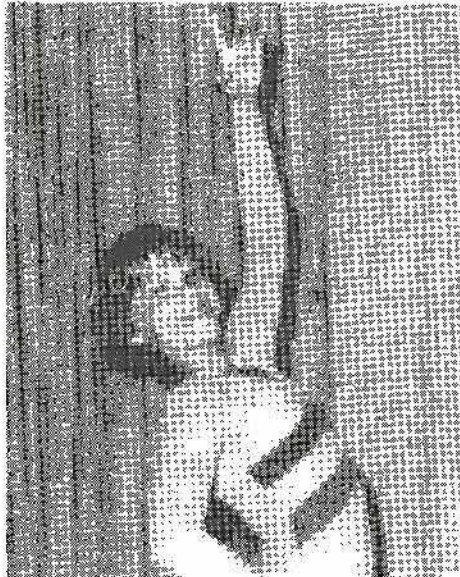
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"Sa-Sa" Provided Wonderful Show For Deadeyes!

Sarah E. "Sa Sa" Mitchell, 10 year old daughter of "Hoss" and Sarah Mitchell gave a gymnastics demonstration at the Beer Bust at the New Orleans Reunion and was warmly received.

Sarah won 1st place in the Louisiana Junior Olympic meet, she won 3rd place all around in the Louisiana State meet for the 11 year and under class. She competes with the Hammond Gym Club; and in addition, at present is working out once a week with Igon in New Orleans, the famous Russian gymnast. In addition, Sarah also won first place in talent at the annual Louisiana Strawberry Festival.

CONGRATULATIONS SA SA! We enjoyed your demonstration very much and please come back again.

Distinguished Deadeye Award

Presented to Henry White

A very surprised Henry White received the Distinguished Deadeye Award at the Dinner Dance Saturday evening. Congratulations! You are very deserving of the award. It reads:

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MEMORIAL TO 96th DIVISION

We are the men of America,
The men of the city and farm;
We are the men who have built you
And sheltered you from all harm;
We are the men from the bombers,
The men from the tanks and the ships—
Will you not pause and pray for a moment
To heed the cry of our lips?

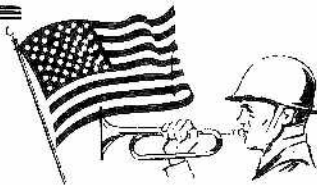
We are from Leyte and Okinawa,
The men who battled and bled,
On beaches and ridges and struggled
Till the ground ran rivers of red.
We counted the cost but little
Out where the bodies are strewn—
Is it too much to ask you
Not to forget us so soon?

We are the lame and the crippled,
The men who had given their blood;
The men who have breathed malaria
And lived and slept in mud.
The men who have traded an arm
For less than a half mile gain—
Will you not lift your arm
To ease the sting of our pain?

We are the old and young of the nation,
And war has left us with many scars;
But **love** and **freedom** we cherished
Not medals or battle stars.
The bullets and shrapnel dug deep
And **every** wound was hard-gotten—
But the **deepest wound** of all
Would be to come home and be forgotten.

Credit to:
Vincent A. Otto
Chaplain Konisky

MAIL CALL



Sure glad to get the Dispatch when it comes -- only wish it came more times per year.

Enclosed are my dues for this year and last. Don't know if I'll be able to make it to New Orleans, but will be in Denver for sure.

Robert E. Allen
Co. M - 383
Box 91
Elliott, Iowa 51532

We certainly enjoy the 96th Division newsletter. Wish some of the 363 FA could write in. Would like to hear from some of the boys.

John Schmidt
721 W. 5th St. A
Newton, Ia. 50208

We are sorry to miss the reunion this year, but due to ill health, will not be able to stand the trip. We do enjoy reading what the old gang has been doing and happy to hear everyone enjoyed themselves. Hope to attend the reunion sometime.

Elmer W. Anding
Serv. Co. 382
4021 Birch Ave.
Madison, Wisc. 53711

Always glad to get the Dispatch. My memories of our time there on Leyte are still vivid and I read avidly for mention of any familiar names. Thanks for the dispatch

and very best regards to all of you.

Robert Howell Peacock
P.O. Drawer 700
Atlantic Beach, N.C. 28512

I do not live far from old Camp Adair, now a game reserve. However there is a Historical Marker on highway 99 West at the main gate through which we all passed.

Thank you all for the job you are doing for us. I hope one day I can make it to the reunion and shake a few hands.

Larry Claydon
Co. D. - 321 Medics
12703 Mascher Rone
Silverton, Or. 97381

Aug. 25, 1978 -- Earlier this year I found a long lost letter that Ed Biggs wrote in 1966 about the 96th Infantry Division Association. I was no longer living at the address which Ed used but the letter ended up at my Mother's, and it was not until going through her effects after her death that I found it. What a surprise! I wrote Ed at the address in his letter hoping that it was still current after 12 years. It was and Ed immediately sent me a copy of the 77-78 Deadeye Dispatch. What memories it brought to mind.

Enclosed are my dues. I'm already planning and hoping I can make the Denver reunion

in 1979. Thank you very much for keeping the Association alive and very active.

Ralph S. Silver
Co. K - 381
9818 Brookfield Ave.
Livonia, Mi. 48150

Was on the mainland this summer looking up some of my WW II buddies. Found quite a few. I'm planning on being in Denver, Co.

Roy McCormick
763 Tank Bn.
Keaau, Hi. 96749

Sorry we missed this year, know all must have had a great time -- Know we sure did when it was in New Orleans last time.

John & Elaine Cramer
383 Co. G.
636 - 2nd Ave.
Dixon, Il. 61021

Had intended and up to the last minute everything was GO for New Orleans, but the wife was hospitalized -- so couldn't make it. Can't make next year, but plan to see the gang in Springfield, Il. in 1980.

M. Wayne Horton
Co. M - 382
145 Wisconsin
Danville, Il. 61832

Sorry I couldn't attend this year's reunion. Please give my best to everyone. Enjoyed the Cincinnati reunion very much. My how the reunions have grown since the early days when Minor Butler and a few others helped make a dream a reality.

Hope to see you all in Denver. With great memories

MAIL CALL...

and the highest regards to all "Deadeyes".

Hubert Richter
Co. E - 381
100 Harding Ave.
Kingston, N.Y. 12401

Thanks for the "Dispatch" sent to me. I'm real proud to be back with the Deadeyes even thru the mail. Sorry I haven't made a reunion yet.

Enclosed find my check for the dues and Dispatch -- which I enjoy and read from cover to cover.

Frank Wilkinson
Co. H - 383
4128 Weaver Rd.
Lake Charles, La. 70605

Enclosed is my check for Dues. Have often wondered if the 96th still had someone who cares about it and THANK GOD they do.

I joined the 96th just out of Basic training and I think of it often. It was the Spring of 1943 that I became a member of Co. L - 381, and was with them until the war ended. I enlisted in the regular army soon after the war ended and left for Europe. Was stationed in Germany until I was sent stateside, because I had too much time overseas for the time served in the states. Served 6 mos. at Fort Sill, Ok. Joined 1st Cav. 8th Regt. in Japan and then to Korea.

Lloyd D. Thompson
Co. L - 381
P.O. Box 49
Judsonia, Ar. 72081

Am sending some dues - and do appreciate getting the Dispatch. It's very good reading.

I do hope to go to my first reunion in Denver in 1979. That's only 250 miles from here and hope I can find a few of the "old Timers".

William H. Wegener
363 F.A. Bn. Med.
Irwin Towers Apt. 507
Douglas, Wy. 62633

Enclosed is check for dues for my wife and myself. Sorry we didn't make New Orleans. Will see you in Denver in 1979.

Fred S. Atmore
B Battery - 362 F.A.
Naperville, Il.

Sure do enjoy the Dispatch. Hope some year you will consider Spokane, Wa. for a convention.

E.J. Messmore
Co. C - 382
Route 2 Box 308
Sandpoint, Id. 83864

Received the Deadeye Dispatch yesterday, and always glad to get it. Enclosed is money for some of my past dues. Won't be able to make the New Orleans reunion but hope to see you all next year in Denver.

Lyle Schmitz
Steven Point, Wi.

Enclosed are 1978 dues for my wife and myself. I may have missed sending 1977 dues, so am sending that also. I enjoy receiving the Deadeye

Dispatch which helps renew some of the memories that are becoming far too dim.

I want to congratulate and convey my appreciation to the Staff and Officers and active members of the Association for your efforts in keeping the 96th Organization alive and healthy.

Marvin W. Hoffman
361 F.A.
Syracuse, Ne. 68446

I had planned to attend the Convention in New Orleans in July, but a business deal came along at the last minute. I really counted on going to New Orleans since we had such a good time there the last time. The Good Lord willing I hope to be in Denver at the "79 Reunion" and I'm looking forward to the "80" one right here in Springfield. While I am still able, I would like to renew old acquaintances.

Joseph M. Mate
796 Ord.
2050 N. 6th St.
Springfield, Il 62702

Enclosed check for dues, and some extra for use as you see fit. Sorry I'm late. Really enjoy the Dispatch and would hate to miss a copy.

Earl Brown
Btry C - 921 F.A.
532 South State
Salt Lake City, Ut. 84111

I think this is my 1978 dues as I didn't make it to New Orleans this year, but hope to be in Denver in 1979.

I hope I am still on the list. I



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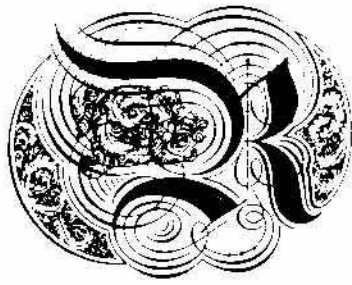
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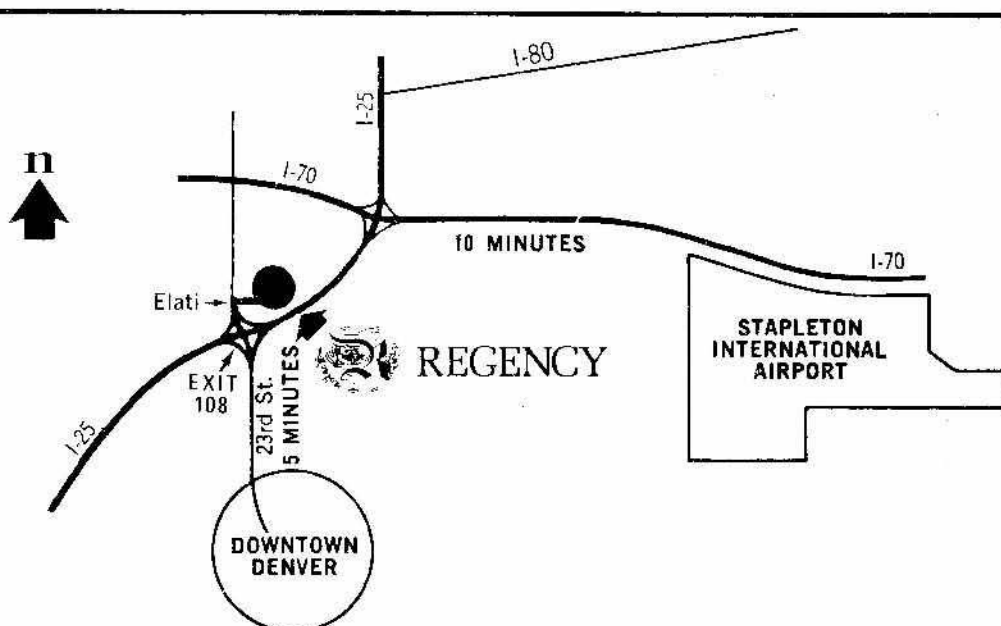
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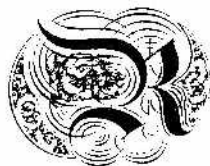
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