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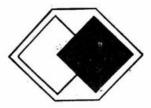
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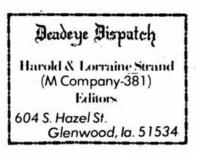
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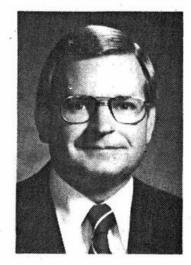


Welcome Deadeyes The Men Who Made History

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Illinois is proud that the 96th Infantry Division Association has selected Springfield as the sight of their 23rd reunion. I join all of the 96th's Illinois veterans in welcoming their commrades to the great state of Illinois. We hope you enjoy your visit. For information on Historical sights please feel free to contact the Illinois Tourist Bureau.



Springfield a city steeped in American history welcomes the men of the 96th (Deadeye) Division. Your deeds on Leyte and Okinawa are well known in Springfield because so many of our men served with the Division. We hope you enjoy your reunion in this city. Take time to learn of our history and President Lincoln's contribution to that history. It is an integral and inseperable part of what you men fought for so valiently.

Michael House

Your 1980 Reunion Committee say Welcome to Springfield, Illinois. We have planned an interesting and full three days for you. We hope you enjoy them.

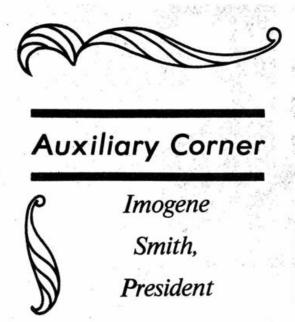
Something that we did not plan but we know will be here is the deep down feeling of fellowship that goes with reliving experienses with lifelong friends. It has happened 22 times before. Let's make the 23rd in Springfield bigger and better than ever.

Mile High City Warm Haven for 96th Deadeyes



96th President Champion, Colorado Lt. Governor Nancy Dick, Reunion Chairman Howard Ragsdale and Corresponding Secretary Virgil Below shown during the gala getogether. Ragsdale introduced the Lt. Governor.

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The Gavel: Virginia to Imogene

The Reunion in Denver is past history. I'm sure that all ladies who attended will agree that it was a very enjoyable one. Our luncheon was held in the hotel and we had a very nice style show presented by Joslins Dept. Store. It was presented and narrated by Pat Maureen. Thanks Pat, we enjoyed it very much and many of the ladies visited your departments after the show.

We had 37 new members and two ladies from Hawaii.

We owe Florence Moore and her committee a GREAT BIG THANK YOU! Florence you did a wonderful job and we do appreciate all the work and worry.

Ann Wassinger, Theressa Parris, Helen Klassen, Barbara Ganaway, Michelle Rahn and Mary Ann Bergen were presented "Our Kind of Gal" awards at the Dinner Dance on Saturday evening. Congratulations Gals.

The First Lady of the Auxiliary and the Sweetheart of the 96th Division Association and Auxiliary passed away on June 24, 1979. She will be missed by all of us and our sympathy goes to her son Claudius "Sandy" Easley. President Virginia Alberts received the following letter from Lt. Col. Easley and Virginia shares it with all of us:

I want to thank you and all the ladies of the Auxiliary for your kind expression of sympathy in the loss of my mother. The flowers from the Auxiliary were quite lovely and were white gladioli with red and yellow daisies. The warm thoughts they conveyed were very comforting.

Mother felt very close to the Association over the years from her firts reunion in 1960. She was so proud to have been the first president of the Auxiliary, in 1962-63, and lifetime honorary President thereafter. Although she felt she had to give up attending the reunion from 1973 because they were too strenuous for her, she was always there in spirit with the many dear friends she had made. I'm sure her spirit will continue to be felt at all the future reunions.

Again, my deep sppreciation for the sympathy extended by the Auxiliary and for the many happy relationships provided to my mother in the past.

Most sincerely Claudius M. Easley, Jr.

We loved her "Sandy" as much as she loved us. We will miss her.



The Gavel: Atwell to Fed

Dear Deadeyes:

Hello from the Land of Lincoln! I have the honor of serving as your President for the coming year, and I want to thank you for that privilege.

Congratulations to Past President Champion, Auxiliary President Alberts, Denver Chairman Ragsdale and his committee for a super reunion at Denver. The 700 plus who attended are indebted to all who worked to make it successful.

The 23rd annual reunion will be at the Springfield Hilton on July 24, 25 and 26, 1980. Chairman Tom Owens and his committee have been working a long time - the first meeting was held at Glenn Hamilton's home August 27, 1977. This committee has had but one goal - "to make Springfield the biggest and best yet." After sitting in on their meetings, and listening to the development of their plans, I am convinced that Tom and his committee will achieve their goal. It is not surprising, however, when we remember that any given group of Deadeyes had a reputation for reaching their objective.

Tom, Paul, Bernie, Dean, Glenn, Henry, Carl, Elmer, Joe and the many others who are working toward Springfield 1980 have added new dimensions to your reunion - some of which could not take place in any other location - so please don't miss this one. It's going to be a dandy.

Plan your summer vacation next year around your 23rd annual reunion. Get in touch with some of your old Company pals and meet them in Springfield. If we all work at it we can fill every room in town.

See you there.

Best regards,

Fred Weeks, President

IMPORTANT NOTICE

TIME AND PLACE COMMITTEE - 1983

IN ORDER TO HAVE ADEQUATE TIME FOR THIS COMMITTEE TO FUN-CTION, WE REQUEST THAT PETITIONS TO HOST OUR 1983 REUNION BE DIRECTED TO COMMIT-TEE CHAIRMAN BOB FITZPATRICK NOT LATER THAN JUNE 1, 1980.

THIS WILL ALLOW BOB AND HIS COMMITTEE TO PRESENT A WELL RESEARCHED RECOMMENDATION ON THE FLOOR AT OUR SPRINGFIELD REUNION.

PLEASE DIRECT ALL CORRESPON-DENCE TO:

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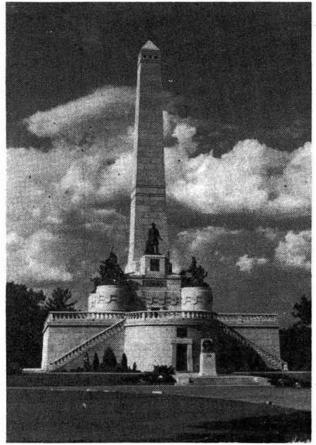
Here's The Schedule!

Springfield, Illinois - Hilton 23RD ANNUAL REUNION July 23,24,25,26

Wednesday, July 23, 1980

12:00Noon - 7:00 P.M. Early Bird Golf Outing 7:30 P.M. - 10:30 P.M. Baseball - Springfield Redbirds VS. Indianapolis Thursday, July 24, 1980 7:30 A.M. - 8:30 A.M. Executive Committee Breakfast - Springfield Hilton Tell Finish - Early Bird Golf Outing 8:00 A.M. -9:00 A.M. - 5:00 P.M. Registration 11:00 A.M. - 12:00 Noon Ladies Executive Meeting - Springfield Hilton 1:00 P.M. - 8:00 P.M. Clayville - New Salem Tours 7:30 P.M. - 10:30 P.M. Baseball- Springfield Redbirds (St.Louis) VS. IND. (Cinn.) 9:00 P.M. - 11:00 P.M. Sound and Light Show - Old Capitol Square 9:00 P.M. - 12:00 Midnight Entertainment at Springfield Hilton Friday, July 25, 1980 9:00 A.M. - 5:00 P.M. Registration Business Meeting - Springfield Hilton 9:00 A.M. - 11:00 A.M. Welcome Address - Mayor and others 9:30 A.M. -9:30 A.M. - 11:00 A.M. Ladies Auxiliary Meeting - Hilton Hotel Ladies Luncheon - Followed by Tour Governor's Mansion 11:30 A.M. 7:30 P.M. - 10:30 P.M. Baseball Springfield Redbirds VS. Evansville (Det.) 9:00 P.M. - 11:00 P.M. Sound and Light Show - Old Capitol Square Beer Bust - Hilton Ball Room (Dance to -8:00 P.M. - 12:00 P.M. "THE ORIGINALS") Saturday, July 26, 1980 9:00 A.M. - 2:00 P.M. Registration 9:30 A.M. - 11:30 A.M. Business Meeting - Hilton Hotel 9:30 A.M. - 11:30 A.M. Aux. Session - Hilton Hotel 2:00 P.M. - 4:00 P.M. Memorial Services - Lincoln's Tomb 6:00 P.M. - 7:00 P.M. Cocktails - Cashbar - Hilton 7:00 P.M. - 1:00 A.M. Dinner - Dance - Ballroom - Hilton (Dance to -"THE ORIGINALS")

See Ya There!



23RD MEMORIAL SERVICE

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DEADEYES

LINCOLN'S TOMB

SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS

JULY 26, 1980

2:00 P.M.

PRESIDENT LINCOLN'S TOMB Oak Ridge Cemetery Springfield, Illinois

Shuttle buses will run from the Forum Thirty Hotel to Lincoln's Tomb every five minutes, from 12:30 to 1:45 P.M. Return trips will start as soon as services are over and continue until everyone has returned to the hotel.

Reunion Badges will serve as Bus Passes.

Prelude	Band
Call To Order	Paul Cropper
Presentation of Colors	Color Guard (Standing)
National Anthem	
Pledge of Allegiance	
Invocation	
	96th Division Artillery
Placement of Wreath on Lincoln's Tomb	
Prayer	(Standing)
Musical Selection	Band
Memorial Sermon	(Rev. Howard Patrick)
	96th Division Artillery
Roll Call of the Honored Dead	(Standing)
Military Salute	
Taps	
Retirement of Colors	
Benediction	

NOTICE

THE HOTEL HAS NOT CHANGED! ONLY THE NAME HAS BEEN CHANGED.

The Hotel is now the SPRINGFIELD HILTON.

<u>PLEASE</u> do not use the registration card printed on the cover of this DISPATCH, use only the ROOM RESERVATION REQUEST directed to the House Bureau, Springfield Convention & Vistor's Bureau, 219 So. Fifth Street, Springfield, Il. 62701.

PLEASE read the Room Reservation Request very carefully and do get your reservations in early.

Please Note....

We regret that there will be only one Deadeye Dispatch this year. Due to a number of factors, unavailable photos, late information about the upcoming Springfield Reunion, flu, deaths, and various other problems, it became impossible to get two issues off the press by reunion time.

We have endeavored to make this issue the largest ever printed to help make up for the loss of the Fall issue. We can only say that we are truly sorry.

The Editors

ATTENTION OREGON MEMBERS:

96th Infantry Division WW2 veterans members a Reunion will be held at the Silver Falls State Park, 15 miles South of Silverton on the 8th of June, 1980. Go south thru Silverton on South Water Street to the State Park then to Area E. There will be signs to direct you. This year it will be a potluck. Come early and round up as many Deadeyes as you can. No specific agenda as yet. If interested contact DeeVeere L. Hershey (Cannon Co. 381), 191 "B" Street, Vernonia, Oregon 97064.

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Room Reservation NOT One on Front Cover!

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ROOM RESERVATION REQUEST

96TH INFANTRY DIVISION ANNUAL REUNION

July 24-27, 1980

HOUSING BUREAU SPRINGFIELD CONVENTION AND VISITOR'S BUREAU 219 S. Fifth Street * Springfield, IL 62701

Please complete this form and return it to the Housing Bureau at the above address. Your convention has reserved blocks of rooms at the hotels and motels listed below. Our Housing Bureau will place you in these properties according to hotel availability and your preference, on a first come first serve basis. If the hotel/motel of your choice is unable to accept your reservation, the Housing Bureau will secure accomodations for you at another property. <u>Only reservations on this form will be processed</u>. No <u>telephone requests will be accepted</u>. Reservations must be made no later than 20 days prior to the convention. Housing confirmations will be sent directly to participants from their assigned hotel/motel.

CONFIRMATIONS SHOULD BE SENT TO:

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Individual's Name_____'

Company/Association Name 96th INFANTRY DIVISION ASSOCIATION

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 (If more than one room is needed, rooming list and types of accomodations should be attached to this form.)

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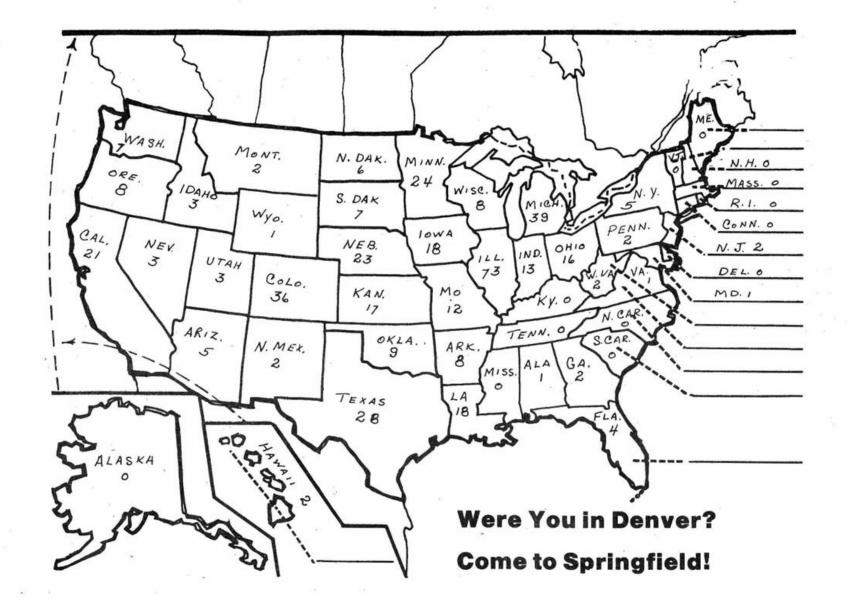
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*Suites Available

Downtown Motel is approximately 3 blocks from Springfield Hilton Mansion View Motel is approximately 5 blocks from Springfield Hilton State House Inn is approximately 6 blocks from Springfield Hilton

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Dispatch for Henry. To all the "Hash Burners". concerned Deadeyes, I had Conrad A. Wald brain surgery at Mayos the Batt. C - 921 FA Bn. 22nd of August. I'm feeling 1805 Capital Park Village fine. Lord willing and the Bismarck, N.D. 58501 creek don't rise I will see you in Springfield in July.

Happy New Year. Henry J. White & Mary Lou Co. | 383 602 So. Monroe Mackinaw, II. 61755

ch" that has been sent to to write. me. I figure it's way past time for me to enroll again Dispatch. in the 96th Inf. Div. after the Charles L. Krieger many years.

Wishing the regards to my old buddies and to all "C-sadeyes". **Richard S. Good** Hdg. 3rd Bn. 382 1031 Clark Street Lancaster, Pa. 17602

been wanting to write and Christmas day 1945. tell you how much I ap- Wm. "Bill" Miller preciate receiving "Deadeve Dispatch." I have 47966 never been able to attend any of the conventions, but it looks like I'll be in Denver ship application and with it meet and visit with my old dues. The balance will buddies. Am sending a perhaps cover what I rightneeded.

Please put this in the will remember me as one of

Enclosed please find my dues.

I haven't heard from any of my unit - Hq. Co. 382. I cadried this unit and was with them during the war. I would be glad to hear from Thanks for the "Dispat- any of them who would care

> the Best regards for

13622 Ardis Ave. highest Bellflower, Ca. 40706

Thanks a lot for the Dispatch, always enjoy it very much. Always wonder where all the boys are. I went in at Camp Adair, Or. in 1942, .. went all the way For so many years 'I've there and back -- got out

the New Port, In. Box 247

Am sending a memberthis year. Will be nice to a money order to cover my Detroit, Mi. 48209

I just learned of the check to cover my dues also fully owe for several years existance of the 96th some extra, use it where of receiving the Deadeye Association. All officers, Dispatch, and may I say the past and present and the Maybe some of the guys staff of the Dispatch has active members are to be

been very kind in sending it free gratis.

I did not know until 1971 that there was an active 96th Div. Assoc. This was just before your Denver reunion -- had just been discharged from the Cheyenne, Wy. V.A. hospital and was visiting with an old Army buddy.

My travelling is limited and I probably will never attend a reunion but I just wish to say, I am still a DEADEYE.

Paul R. Westman Hudson, Wy.

Sincere appreciation for the Deadeve Dispatch, and to all the dedicated persons for the formation and continuation of the 96th Infantry Division Association. **Carl Duthler** Btry C. - 363 F.A. 6889 Rix S.E. Ada, Mi. 49301

Hi Deadeves: l just received the Dispatch, so I know it is time to pay the dues for 1979-1980. I enjoy reading the mail call very much. My heart is saddened to read so many names from the 96 Division that have departed from us. **Joseph Navarrett** 5894 Newberry

MAIL CALL continued

commended for their efforts doing. I am now retired from Civil Service and my wife

Although I will not be retired from nursing. We are able to attend the reunion in very fortunate to be in good 1979, I plan to attend in health and enjoy "trailering." 1980.

and dedication.

Please keep up the good Lawrence E. Davis work in keeping the 96th 321 Eng. Co. A. alive in spirit and memory. Lubbock, Tx.

Kindly extend my best We enjoy the Deadeye wishes to all my comrades Dispatch very much. We in arms and to all of you, my will not make Denver, but

thanks for all you do for all hope of us. Leonard Lazarick Co. K -- 382 140 Neshaming Rd. Craydon, Pa. 19020

to make another Reunion. We Aphave paloosa horses -- have horse shows and races in the summer. I am in the heating and air conditioning hopefully make enough

We both enjoy receiving money to support the horthe Deadeye Dispatch and ses. hope that someday we Thanks to everyone who might be able to come to works on Deadeye the one of the reunions. We are Dispatch. retired now and enjoying it Earl G. King very much. Hq. & Hq. - 383

P.O. Box 459 Max & Marian Warner Detroit Lakes, Mn. 56501 856 N. 100 East American Fork, Ut. 84003

Editors': I tried to reach Sure enjoy getting the Dispatch. My 1980 dues are you while at the Denver enclosed. Won't be able to Reunion, but with the acmake it to Denver this year, tivity and movements there, but I am looking forward to I never got to you -- par for Springfield next year. the course! First let me say you are doing a great job of Wayne W. Smith Co. C. - 382 producing the Deadeye Dispatch, and everyone ap-930 E. Patton St. xton, II. 60957 preciates your success with it, even though we seldom

Thanks for sending the get around to letting you Dispatch. We enjoy hearing know.

what the Deadeyes are I would appreciate having

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the name of a Deadeve reinstated on the Dispatch mailing list, Frank Gunn had been receiving the Deadeye Dispatch when he lived in Arkansas, and also when he lived in California.

A year or 2 ago he moved back to Arkansas and he has not received any since. Ed Jorgensen Hq. Co. - 382 902 Ocean Pkway Brooklyn, N.Y. 11230

Hi Deadeyes: I was sure pleased to hear that we are included in your Reunions. Didn't know a thing about this till last summer.

I can't make Denver, but will be in Springfield, II. in 1980.

Joe Tibensky Co. D - 763 Tk. Bn.

I do want to thank Art Parrish, the Denver hosts and hostesses, and all the folks of the 96th. We enjoyed ourselves tremendously and I hope everyone had as much fun as we did.

Maybe some day we'll get to do it again, till then, God Bless all of you.

Rocky Starr

Leader of the Country & Western

Band -- Beer Bust Denver '79

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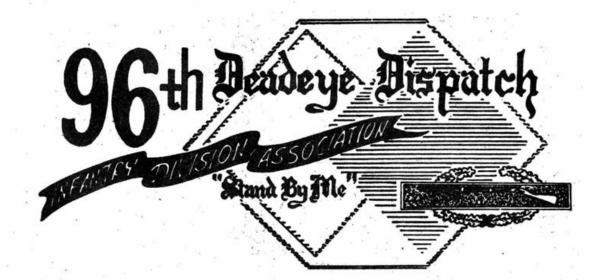
Sorry I could not make the Denver Reunion. I have moved down here on a farm now that I am retired. Will try to make the next one. F.T. Schumacher Rt. 1, Box 50 Centerville, Mo. 63633

Enjoyed the Dispatches that were sent to me. Sorry I could not attend the reunion in Denver -- hope there will be one closer to home in the near future.

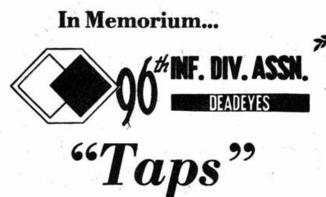
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William F. Brown per returned Dispatch

Marion S. Bell 12-30-78 per letter from wife

Vincent Cardella 9-4-77 per letter from wife

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Arthur Grassel Summer 1978 per letter Gerald Bear

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John C. Adams per returned Dispatch

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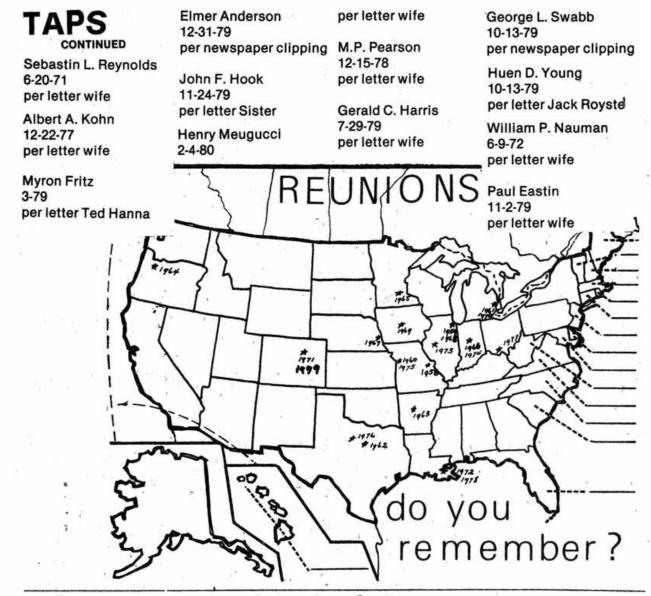
John Trumpet 1-1980 per letter William H. Mason

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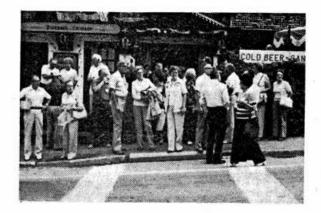
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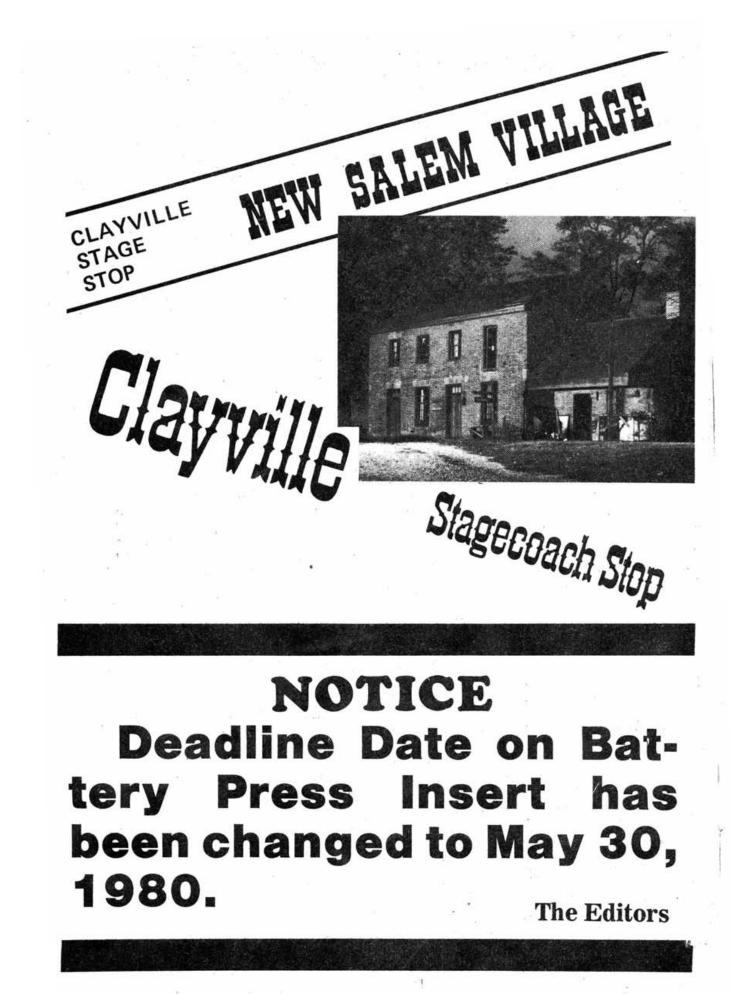
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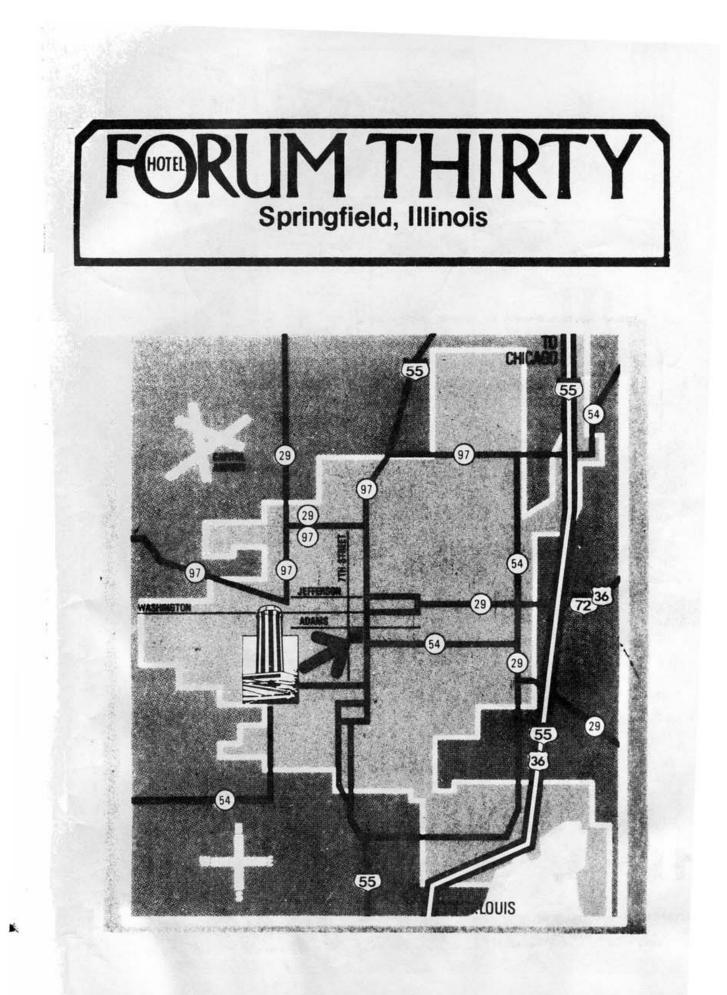
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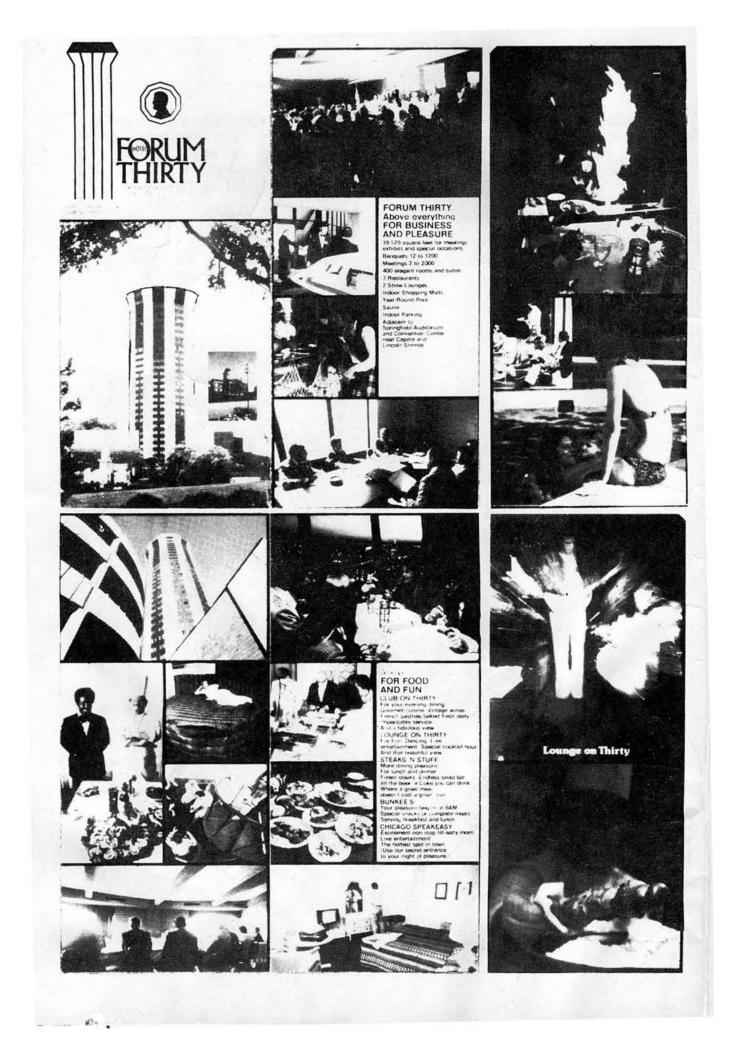
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