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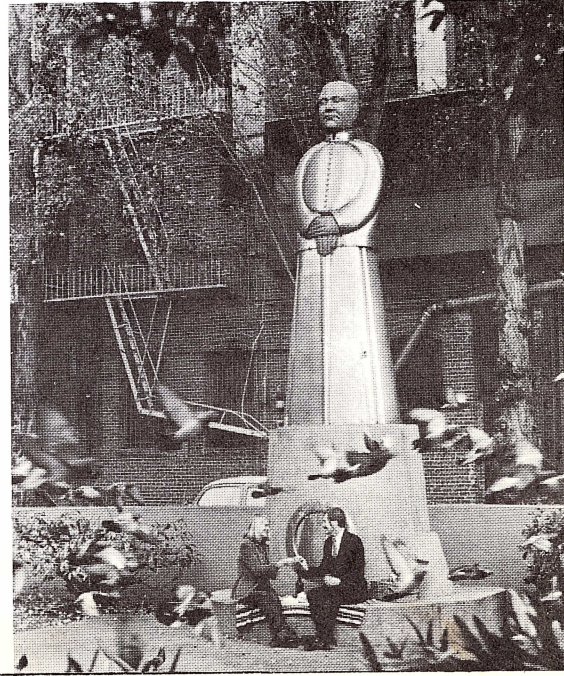
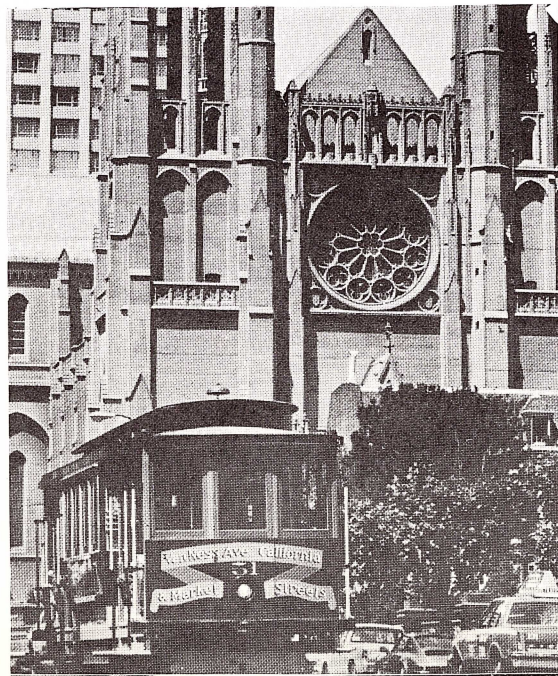
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## Letters To The Editor



Dear Nate:

I would like to commend Gene Rombach and his wonderful group for the outstanding job that they did on the St. Louis Reunion. Everything was well organized and carried out to perfection.

I was especially pleased at the arrangements for the Saturday night banquet. It was a pleasure to go in and have your table reserved. This was wonderful and I hope that other groups will do the same.

Thanks again for a job well done.....  
Sincerely, Walter Wilder..563rd Sig. Co.

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Dear Nate:

The St. Louis group did a fine job at selecting the facilities. We had a good hotel and good service--meals were good. There were many interesting things to see that were within easy walking distance.

You are doing a great job as editor of the Blood & Fire which plays a large part in getting the 63rd members to attend our reunions.....(thanks John).

The men of Cannon Co., 254th, had a wonderful and memorable time in seeing one another after 43 years. We had 10 men's addresses, eight of them, and seven wives attended. While in St. Louis, our CO, Lt. Col. John B. Mc Clure had a birthday, we all enjoyed giving him and Mrs. Mc Clure a dinner and birthday party.

Two of our men, Learmon Harvey & Thomas P. Manley were unable to attend, they missed a good time. One man J.E. Murphy of Omaha, cannot be reached, no address, and an unlisted phone number. I will gladly donate a years dues, just to locate some of our missing men.

To you men that are staying home and not attending these reunions, don't know what they are missing. Thank you,

John Callaway..Cannon Co.

Come on you guys of Cannon Co. out there, if enough of you guys show up, John may even throw a little extra into the pot. Thanks for your nice letter John...Nate

PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

NOW THAT THE ST. LOUIS REUNION IS BEHIND US AND A GREAT TIME WAS HAD BY ALL, GENE ROMBACH, YOU AND YOUR COMMITTEE DID A WONDERFUL JOB. NOW LET US TAKE YOU FROM THE GATEWAY TO THE WEST, TO SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA, THE CITY BY THE BAY, FOR OUR 41ST REUNION FROM AUGUST 23 THRU THE 27TH, 1989.

OUR THEME IS " STRIKE IT RICH", WHO KNOWS YOU MAY BE ONE OF THE LUCKY ONES TO BECOME A MILLIONAIRE BY PLAYING OUR LOTTO. CALIFORNIA IN THE LAST (3) THREE YEARS HAS OVER 100 NEW MILLIONAIRES.

WE WILL BE GIVING AWAY (2) TWO FREE ROOMS FOR SOME LUCKY COMRADE. OUR COMMITTEE IS PLANNING A BOAT TRIP TOUR OF THE BAY, ALCATRAZ, FISHERMAN'S WHARF, A WINE COUNTRY TRIP, SHOW, CABLE CARS, AND MANY MORE THINGS OF INTEREST. BE SURE TO BRING YOUR CAMERA.

THE HOTEL IS "THE MARRIOTT ", AT THE AIRPORT. USE THE SHUTTLE, NO CHARGE FROM THE AIRPORT TO THE HOTEL ONLY 5 MINUTES AWAY. ROOM RATES ARE AT \$55.00 PER DAY PLUS 8% TAX. PARKING AT THE HOTEL IS FREE FOR REGISTERED GUESTS ONLY. THERE WILL BE R.V. PARKING. SO SIGN UP EARLY!!!

ANY QUESTIONS FEEL FREE TO CALL.(SORRY I DON'T HAVE A 800 NUMBER), OR YOU CAN DROP US A CARD. MAKE YOUR PLANS NOW !!! SEE YOU IN SAN FRANCISCO, CA. IN 1989.

YOUR COMRADES IN ARMS,

*John Santangelo*

JOHN SANTANGELO PRESIDENT

"GREETINGS & HAPPY HOLIDAYS"  
TO MEMBERS AND THEIR  
FAMILIES OF THE 63rd  
INFANTRY DIVISION ASSOC.



John at the age of 20



John & Betty Santangelo

MINUTES OF THE BUSINESS MEETING, 63RD DIVISION ASSOCIATION  
MARRIOTT PAVILION HOTEL, ST. LOUIS, MO., AUGUST 6, 1988

The 40th Annual Meeting of the 63rd Inf. Div. Association was opened at 9:45 A.M. by the National President Gene Rombach in the Pavilion Ballroom of the St. Louis Marriott Pavilion Hotel. There were approximately 225 members present at the opening and a number of additional members arrived during the Meeting.

President Rombach lead the members in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. This was followed by the Invocation given by the Past Secretary/Treasurer Ed Witt.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read by Ed Witt and a Motion was made by Bill Martin and Seconded by Ed Hooven to accept the Minutes. Motion carried.

Ed Witt then gave the Financial Report as prepared by Tom Liszka, our current Secretary/Treasurer, who was hospitalized Thursday in St. Louis. The Financial Report depicted a balance on hand as of August 1, 1988 of \$21,499.65 and included a detailed summary of the status of 730 letters sent to members who haven't paid dues - some as long as 1960 and others as recent as 1986. A Motion was made by Shorty Myers and Seconded by Ed Fowle to accept the Financial Report. Motion carried.

President Rombach then introduced our Medal of Honor recipient John Crews and Jerry Rosenberg who has attended every Reunion. Both men received a standing ovation. President Rombach then had all first-timers stand and be recognized. There were about 30 men standing and a group photo should be in the next issue of the Blood and Fire.

Our Historian, Mike Baymor, reported on the status of the Hatcher Book which is now sold out. There are about 50 requests for another printing but from an economical standpoint we would require a reprint of 500 copies so it was decided not to reorder at this time.

Mike has received a request for certain issues of old Blood and Fires for the Miss. Archives - the listing of requested issues will be shown in the next issue of our B. & F. Any person wishing to give old 63rd artifacts to a legitimate Museum please contact Mike for the Camp Shelby address.

A Mr. Kozial of Schwabishhall, Germany is writing a history on Waldenburg and the battle we had there. He would appreciate any information you fellows could furnish.

Mike is planning on himself, Mag Froberg and Bill Scott writing a more complete 63rd Division History - more on this subject in upcoming issues of the B. & F.

Nate Spiegel then gave his Editor's Report and advised that the closing date for material going into the November Issue would be October 5, 1988.

Nate also asked for more profile items. Asked that they be kept reasonably short - not as job resumes - including old photo and a current picture. Nate always needs news items, so don't be bashful. Let us know some news etc.

Shorty Myers, 253 HQ., a very faithful and hard-working member of the Association, explained to the membership the efforts being made to making a movie - via VCR - of scenes from Van Dorn, combat, etc. which will be offered for sale to the membership - hopefully next year.

Roger Johnson, who was responsible for the very successful 63rd tour last Fall was then presented a Placque in appreciation for his efforts.

Ed Witt then presented to the Membership a Plan for Site Selection as outlined by the Board of Directors at their meeting yesterday.

The assignment of Chapters as back-up for site selections will be:

1990 - Florida Chapter  
1991 - I.O.K. Chapter  
1992 - Philadelphia Chapter

Other locations will be accepted from the floor at the Annual Meetings if they have a legitimate presentation and adequate personnel to man a Reunion.

After a detailed discussion, Charley Stewart motioned and Bill Martin Seconded that the site plan be put into effect - Motion carried.

Members O.K.'d that the Secretary/Treasurer should send a final letter to the 207 names who still have not responded to the first letters sent. If no reply received after 30 days from date of mailing these individuals will be dropped from the roster and mailings.

John Santangelo made a presentation for the 1989 Reunion - a bit different from that made last year. It will be held at a Marriot Hotel 18 miles from San Francisco with a room rate of \$55. + 8% tax per room. Parking will be complimentary and free transportation to and from San Francisco will be provided. Reunion to be held August 23 - 27. All rates have been confirmed via teletype. They have 6 couples and 18 people available to run the Reunion.

Nate Spiegel then proposed Orlando, Florida for the 1990 Reunion with rates in the \$55. to \$60. range and to be held between the 1st week of September and the 1st week of October. Motion made by Pete Romano and seconded by Hank Greenberg to accept the Florida presentation - Motion carried.

The Election of Officers followed with the following results:

President - John Santangelo  
1st V. P. - Larry Pedone  
2nd V. P. - Tom Campbell  
Secretary/Treasurer - Tom Liszka  
Editor - Nate Spiegel

The list of outgoing Directors was then read and the assignment of areas for voting in new directors with terms to expire September 1, 1991 was made. The new directors are as follow:

253 - Martin T. Beer, 2801 Friendship St., Iowa City, IA. 52240  
254 - Roger E. Johnson, 173 Leach Ave., Park Ridge, N.J. 07656  
255 - John W. Finlay, 1014 Idylwild Dr., Richmond, Ky. 40475  
Sp. Trps. - Gus H. Stewart, 809 W. Palmetto, Florence, S.C. 29501  
Arty - Tom Nugent, 721 Albany Rd., Lexington, Ky. 40502

Motion to adjourn was made at 12:05 and meeting was adjourned by President Rombach.

Ed Witt, Acting Secretary

From the  
Editors  
Desk



BITS OF THIS AND THAT!!

With the St. Louis Reunion over, and now onward to San Francisco in '89. Hold it!! Back-up Nate, and let's go back to St. Louis, where all those good folks out there under their President Gene Rombach, planned a terrific reunion for us. Our attendance was close to 600, and was informed that it was the largest attendance at one of our reunions. Those who did not attend sure missed a beaut.

I will not attempt to name all those people who worked on the committee, as I do not know them all, and would be remiss, if I neglected one individual. To all, "Thank You", for a job well done.

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Now onto San Francisco in '89, and Florida in 1990. John Santangelo our incoming Pres. and his committee, have rolled up their sleeves, and are already working to make your stay in San Francisco, enjoyable and interesting.

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Our Sec./Treas. Tom Liszka who became ill and had to be taken to the hospital. Happy to have him back in the fold. More comments from Tom himself, under the secretary's corner.

Tom has been doing an excellent job of bringing our roster up-to date, and eliminating those delinquents who have not paid their dues for years. In his recent follow up last-chance letter, many apologized for leaving their dues lapse, and sent in their payments. Others who have not done so, will be dropped from the roster, no Nov. issue of the Blood & Fire.

To his dismay, he was notified by widows and families of deceased "hotshots", who were never listed in the "taps column" going back nearly 10 years. Due to the large number of these men not being listed and also at the request of their families, I will honor their requests, and list their names in this issue of the Blood & Fire, in the "taps column".



"PATRIOTISM IS CONTAGIOUS  
SPREAD IT AROUND"

Roll Call Apology...Due to the loss of some registration records, the St. Louis Reunion Committee, apologizes for not inserting the names of wives who attended the reunion as we usually do. They were going to list them under M/M....., but a thought occurred to them, what if the woman with the "hotshot" was not his wife, she got the Blood & Fire first, and his name ended up in the "taps column". We couldn't let all these good folks, who put on that terrific reunion, have this on their conscience, could we now. I knew all you good folks out there would understand their dilemma.

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A BIG THANKS goes to my friend and ass't. (main photographer) John Waters, 563rd Signal Corp., for assisting me at the business meeting and also at the banquet. I think one of these days he is even going to make a good photographer out of me. No comments please, I even put film into the camera now, how about that!!!!

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Due too ill health, Al Conti, couldn't attend our St. Louis Reunion. Al is always ready to assist incoming reunion committee's with their B&F copy, and other information if needed. "God Speed" to good health from us all, and to see you and Florence in San Francisco.

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"I missed", Irv Schlocker, as some of the men kept calling me Irv. Come on guys, it may be close, but Irv beats me about a pound at least. See you and Annette next year in San Francisco.

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After the reunion in St. Louis, Miriam & I headed for Las Vegas, stopping off in Denver and Salt Lake City for a "short tour". In Las Vegas we spent an evening with Sy & Anna Freedman, Co.L-253rd. They both apologized for not attending our reunion, as they had prior family commitments. They do plan too join us in San Francisco.

As far a the "game rooms???", if my crap shooting would have been as hot as the broiling weather outside, I'd be a millionaire now. I may have been in Vegas, but the dice probably came from Alaska,brrrr.

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START MAKING PLANS FOR.....

SAN FRANCISCO 1989...NOW

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This & That continued:

On our way home from Las Vegas, we stopped at Beaux Brudge, LA. Kaiser and Lena Perez Co."C" 253rd Inf., were celebrating their 41st Wedding Anniversary. The hospitality of all those folks down in "Cajun Country" was terrific, and Kaiser played the fiddle to some foot stompin music. Then back home to the SUNSHINE STATE of Florida.

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Raffle Winners: Herb Slater, Co.A-254th won the "Booze basket"... Joe Panicucci, Co.G-254th, won the mixed basket, and Hugh Fox Co.H-254th, won the autographed ball.

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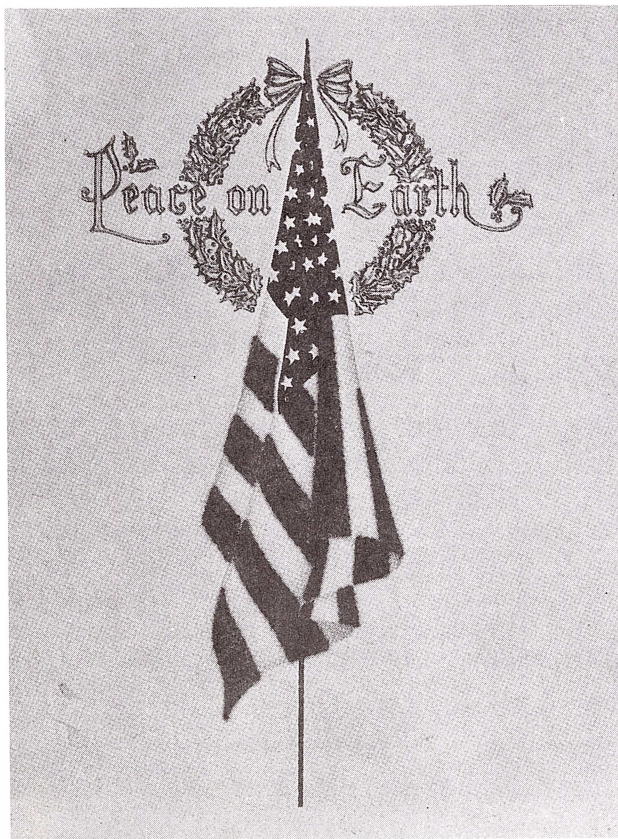
CLOSING SCHEDULES FOR THE BLOOD & FIRE...

February issue.....Deadline Feb. 6th  
May issue..... " " May 8th  
You will receive the Feb. issue in March,  
and the May issue in June.

Adherence to this schedule will give me the the necessary time too prepare and mail the B&F. Have your material in, on or before the deadline. YOUR COOPERATION WOULD BE APPRECIATED.

Nate....Editor

MAKE OUR TREASURERS DAY.....  
SEND HIM YOUR DUES IN NOW..



*We wish you and yours, A NEW YEAR  
of HEALTH AND HAPPINESS*

*Nate & Miriam*

REMINISCING



Herbert J. Hinkel  
63rd Division Artillery  
718th Field Artillery Batt.  
Headquarters Battery

I was Cadre from the 98th Division.....  
Camp Breckenridge, KY.....  
When the war ended in May of 1945, I was assigned and transferred to Hqs. 63rd Div. Artillery, Allied Military Gov. for Adelsheim, Gaden and Lauda, Wurttemberg. Prior to all this, my outfit fought all the way across the Danube at Ulm, - Landshut, Bavaria.

I recall that we fired on a castle near the town of Stein, it could have been Waldenburg Castle, but I am not sure any more. I also recall, the Castle of Von Zeperlin near Ashausen, Wurttemberg, Langenberg, Castle, Adelsheim, Castle, and a few others the names, escape me, after all these years.

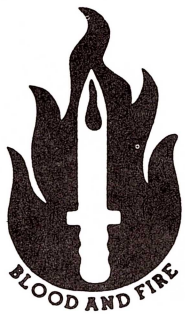
We were in it, at Alsace Lorraine, 1000 yds. from the German lines. At times, we were in front of the 63rd Infantry. Recall seeing the lads in the fox holes - we were pinned down in front of the Seigfried lines, until Gen. Patton's 3rd Army encircled the Germans, and we broke through the Seigfried Lines. A few times we almost ran out of ammunition supplies. It was bitter cold in France/Colmar, and we also used cats to pull the field pieces. I was HCO and VCO + interpreter, since I speak German, after a fashion - read and write it too.

I had relations and friends in the German Army, my family (6 or 7) were in the Army of the U.S.A. Many of our relations died in the uprising against the Nazis in July of 1944, and in 1934 one member, an attorney was shot by the Nazis. When the territories which we took in the Eastern part of Germany and Central Europe was sold out by politicians, many of my relations died from the communists. If the Nazis did not get them the commies did. The 69th withdrew from Saxony, and Gen. Patton from Eastern & Central Europe. What we won in the field, the politicians lost at the conference table. That is why I will not go to France to see the unveiling of the Jepsheim Cross. Too many memories of the political sell-out to the Russians. The inscription on the stone would be better to read:

"They are together in Death"

"We have should united in Peace"





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"GO FOR THE MAGIC....ORLANDO 1990

FLORIDA CHAPTER...HOSTS FOR OUR 1990 REUNION IN ORLANDO.....  
approved by the membership at our business meeting in St. Louis.

We have already made arrangements with the Delta Court of Flags  
of Orlando, as the Reunion Site for 1990. The Delta Court of Flags  
is a 800 room resort, set on 25 beautiful acres. It boasts, 3 out-  
door pools, 2 lighted tennis courts, nearby golf courses and .....  
FREE PARKING.

They have shown a willingness to co-operate fully with our association  
to make YOUR stay comfortable, and enjoyable. To supply all the needed  
rooms for our different functions. They will also give us a one (1)  
hour complimentary cocktail reception before our Saturday nite banquet.

The Delta Court of Flags , is also close to all our Major attractions  
in Orlando, and the new Universal Studios which will be completed in  
the latter part of 1989, will be located just down the road from the  
hotel.

To avoid the summer heat, we are negotiating with the hotel for the  
second week in Oct., the 10th to the 14th, which is a pleasant time of  
the year.

Room Rates 1990...\$58.00 per nite, for a single, double, thruple, or  
a Quad, which is a very good price for that time of  
year.

Dates 1990...Wednesday Oct. 10th....Sunday Oct. 14th

SAME RATES WILL APPLY 3 DAYS BEFORE, AND 3 DAYS AFTER OUR REUNION. TO  
THOSE WISHING TO BRING THEIR FAMILIES, AND GRANDCHILDREN. THEY HAVE  
TWO CHILDREN'S PLAYGROUNDS, AND POOLS, ALSO, A CHILDREN"s CREATIVE  
AND ACTIVITY CENTER.

First time visitors to Orlando, will marvel at the variety of activity  
and attractions. Returning visitors, will find that many new Orlando  
attractions are being added at a rapid pace.

Walt Disney World and Epcot have up-dated their attractions tremen-  
dously since 1984. Orlando, offers a variety of cultural attractions,  
museums, galleries, and theaters, which has become a vibrant part of  
the area's make-up. Orlando, has earned the reputation as one of the  
world's most popular convention, and vacationing destinations.

A program is being put together, that will be enjoyable, diversified,  
and with sufficient time for you to relax, and "GAB" with old buddies  
and friends.

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# CHAPTER NEWS

PHILADELPHIA CHAPTER...Irv Schlocker,  
President.....

The Philadelphia Chapter is sad to report that our dear friend and Public Relations officer, Bill Isaacson passed away on Sunday May 22, 1988. Bill became ill at our Spring Mini-Reunion, and was being driven home by his wife Rose, when he slumped over in the car. Rose immediately drove to the nearest hospital where he was pronounced brain dead. At 8 P.M. that evening, Bill peacefully passed away.

The Philadelphia Chapter will miss a great friend, and a dedicated, hard work-member.

56 people attended the Spring Mini-Reunion They will be holding their Fall Mini-Reunion at the Nevelle Hotel (New York Catskills) from Sunday to Tuesday October 23-25.

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FOX COMPANY 253rd....."Smitty" Smith

Their next reunion is being held at the Bellemont Hotel in Baton Rouge , LA. Oct. 19-23. Which is located on 7370 Airline Hwy. Baton Rouge, LA 70805. Smitty is looking for a large turnout of "F" Co. men.

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FLORIDA CHAPTER.....Nate Spiegl, Editor

Our last mini in May hosted by Vince and Barbara Hannon in Silver Springs, was well attended and enjoyed by all.

We will be holding our Nov. mini, in Boca Raton, hosted by Hank Greenberg, and Bob & Virginia Brace. Dates are Nov. 4-6th. They are planning an interesting weekend for our enjoyment. Expect a good turnout, and too have a number of first timers, by the calls and letters I have been receiving.

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UPPER MIDWEST CHAPTER....Submitted by  
Art Johnson, Sec./Treas.

The second annual meeting of the Upper Midwest Chapter was held in Richfield, MN from June 3rd thru the 15th. It started with a cocktail party, and a buffet which was held at the Fred Babcock V.F.W. #5555 located in Richfield.

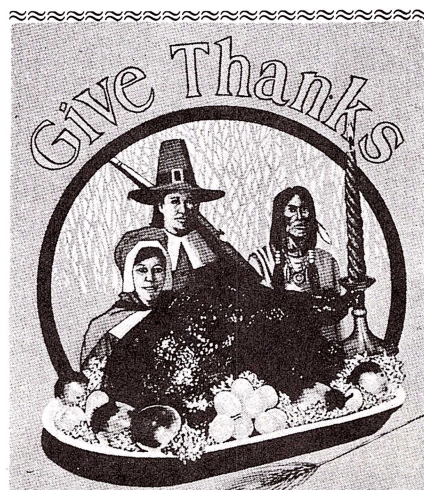
There were "hotshots" from Ohio, No.Car., Miss., Texas, So. Dak., Ill., Mich., Wis., Iowa, and Minnesota. There were 14 former members of B-254th present. Wallace Wright of Ashville, No. Carolina, "B" Co. 254th, presented his former company commander, Bernard Lee, with a crimson Swastika banner that he had been carrying around for the last 40 plus years. There were several new and first time members present.

Saturday afternoon was spent at an outdoor picnic at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Don Reioux. Saturday evening a busload went to a Twins baseball game. (They lost).

Sunday, at the American Legion picnic area, we had barbequed hamburgers, with all the trimmings. At the short business meeting, the following officers were elected. Pres. Don Reioux, VP. Charles Hathaway, Sec./Treas. Art Johnson, all "B"-254th.

The next mini-reunion will be held in the Twin Cities area. Discussion on future reunion sites resulted in the election of Chuck Hathaway, so that the 1990 Mini will be held in the Black Hills area of So. Dakota. He then will be elected President.

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# HISTORIC NOTES

by Mike Baymor...



1. At the St. Louis Reunion, several questions were posed to me, for which I did not have a quick answer. "How do I get in touch with former buddies?" "How do I get medals I'm entitled to, but which was never issued or it was lost". Below is an address to write for information.

Commander, ARPERCEN, Att: DARP-PAS-EAW  
9700 Page Blvd., St. Louis, MO 63132-5200

Also refer to the June 1987 Blood & Fire, to Mag Froberg's article on "Finding Lost Friends".

2. Sorry, "With the 63rd Inf. Div. in WW!!" by Col. James Hatcher, will not be republished. We had only 56 names for the book, we need 200 to make reprinting feasible.

3. Mag Froberg has written a 150 page book titled "63rd Infantry Division Chronicles". I read it, it is an informative, and readable narrative of the action of the Division. It accents the action of "The Forty Thieves", the 1st Platoon of C-253r IR. If we can get the money to print the book we will publish it. It should be of interest to the other regiments, it covers most of their major activities, day by day, from February to the end of the war. It is a good war story.

4. The History of the 63rd, is in the formative stage. We hope to get it done in the next two years, if you help. We need input from the regiments, and others, for personal stories, that will make the history readable and of interest to readers, to make them get a vicarious experience, such as the members of the division saw, and experienced. There has been no input so far from: Medics, Ord., QM, Signal Co's. Recon Tp, Band, MP'S, of the FA Bn's., only the 863rd provided input. If something has been sent in since this has been written, thank you very much.

5. The Adjutant Generals office, State of Mississippi, informed me the State of MS has requested the US Army Center of Military History, to approve building at Camp Shelby as, an Armed Forces Museum. They will honor

the 7 Divisions who trained in MS during WW!!. While awaiting the outcome of their request, they will accept any artifacts anyone would like to donate. Send items to:  
Office of the State Adjutant General  
Att: MS-1-H P.O. Box 5027  
Jackson, MS 39216-1027

6. Lynn CAufield an honorary member of the 63rd Inf. Div. from Centerville is in contact with the Mississippi Dept. of Archives and History, they plan to put all the Blood & Fires on microfilm. He need copies of the following to complete his files:..  
Vol.1 Nos. 9-10-11-12-15-17-22-25-40-42-46-47-50.

Vol.2 Nos. 1-10-13-15-17 etc., until the Division left Camp Van Dorn. If anyone has any of any of the above copies, and would like to donate them to him, send them to:  
MR. LYNN CAUFIELD  
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At the St. Louis Reunion, a number of men .....promised too send me "Morning Reports" Sure would like to get them.

Mike.....



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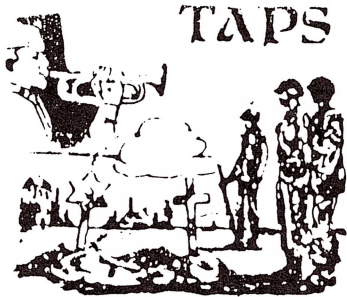
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So near to grandeur is our dust,

So near to God is man;

That when duty calls to youth "thou must" I

The youth replied, "I can!"

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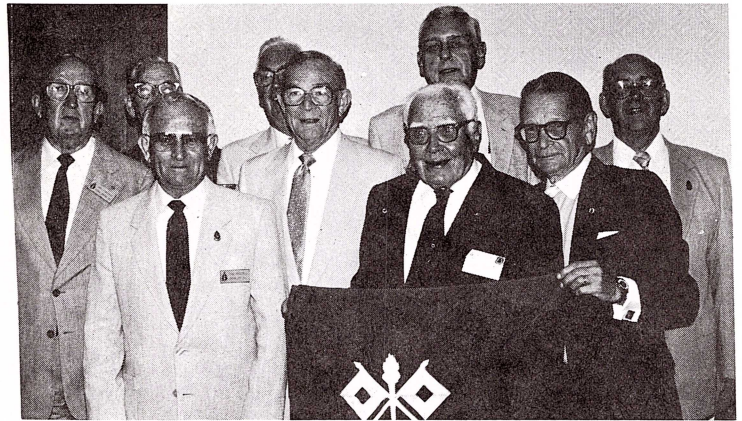
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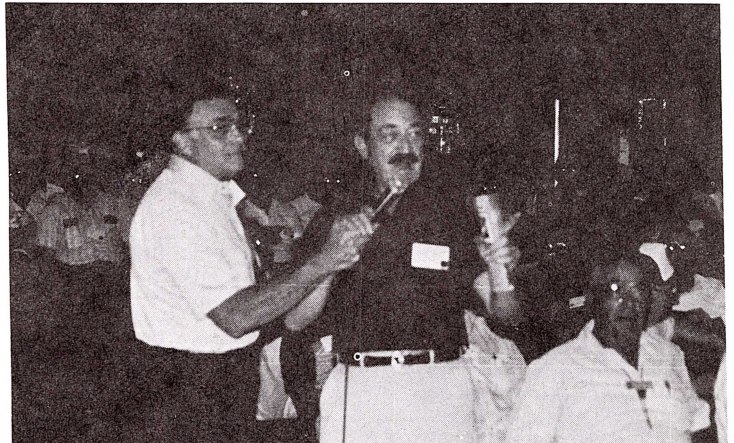
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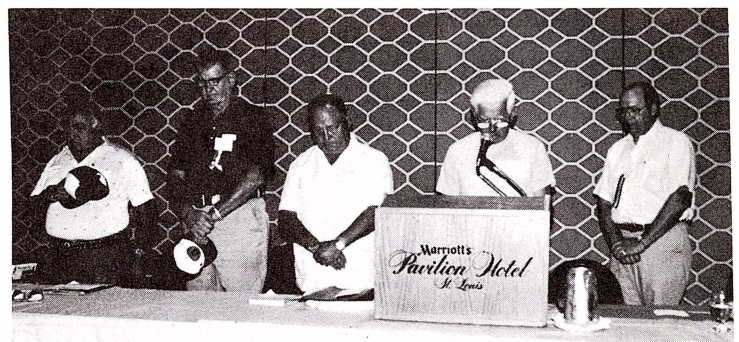
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Dr. Jerry Golden - Company "F" - 253rd and ?



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Lena & Kaiser celebrating 41st wedding anniversary.



Nate & Miriam, Anna & Sy Freedman in Las Vegas.



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A. CLAUTER..Sv.Co..254th 1001 Meadows Rd..Geneva, IL 60134. Arthur is retired after 44 years with Wrigley's (gum). In '83, he and Hazel retraced his WW11 route, staying in Ribeanville, Heidelberg, Rotenberg. His comment "what memories". Enjoys reading the B&F. Arthur take Hazel to San Francisco in '89, and recap more of those memories with old buddies.

JAMES WALLACE..Co.K..253rd.. 13700 Oakdale, Southgate, MI 48195..James is a retired steel mill worker. He lost his wife Walden of 41 years in Sept. '87, and spends most of his time with his daughter & grandchildren.James, why don't you join your buddies in San Francisco in '89, and I'm sure, my friend and yours Murray Moore would agree.

ANDREW RICHNAFSKY..Co.K 253rd 225 Cherry St, Emporium, PA 15834..Andy retired from GTE Sylvania, and was sorry to read about the death of his platoon sgt. Forest Downey. Andy & Pat couldn't make it to St. Louis, but how about San Fran.in '89. Come on Murray, let's get that Co.K.. "roll call" in shape.

JOHN MONIER..Co.H..255th..714 Sagamore Dr., Greensburg, PA 15601..John is recovering from a "five by-pass" and "pace maker" open heart surgery. Is coming along fine, & hope too do better. Am sure you will John, with Sara as a full time nurse. "God Speed for a full recovery".

WALTER DRAKE..Hqs.Co..255th 303 E. Cleveland St.W..Frankfort, IL 62896..Walter writes

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 Reagan, Maurice - 247 Lemur, San Antonio, TX 78213 - (254 - B)  
 Reasoner, Francis - 142 Court Rd., Waynesboro, VA 22980 - (253 - CN)  
 Rehm, Alfred F. - 56-B Salisbury Rd., Wayne, NJ 07470 - (363 - MED)  
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 Sones, Horace A. - 289 Turtle Creek Road, Wading River, NJ 08215 - (718 - A)  
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that he is still hanging in there, after having open heart surgery. Also that being 78 yrs. old, he should be thankful, Walter, so are we

ALVAH KENAH..Medics..254th.. 31 Walnut Dr., Spring Lake Hts., NJ 07762..Purchased Col Hatcher's book, and enjoys reading the B&F, & that after 40 yrs. to have as interesting a publication as the B&F. (thanks Alvah..Nate). Now Alvah, you know what's happening next August in San Francisco, if you should forget, Rita will remind you. Start packing now gal, you have too be prepared .

ROBERT RHODABERGER..Co.D..255 RD #2 Herman Rd..Cabot, PA 16023..Bob writes, that he still has 13 children. Bob are you trying too tell us something, forget it, you can't be superstitious and still going for #14. Bob and Jane are proud grand-parents of 23 grand-children. When sending in payment for his hat, he enclosed a little extra. Bob, always goe's for that little extra, even in his name. "God Bless" folks and enjoy all those great-grand children & stay well.

ROBERT MAYNARD..Co.M..253rd 37 Woodcrest Dr., Riverside, R.I. 02915..Bob is retired after 35 yrs. with the Old Stone Bank. Spends the tax season as a volunteer for the AARP tax program. Back in Sarreguemes in Jan. '45. he became friendly with a family who lived next door from where he was located. He kept in touch with one of the daughters, during the remain-days of the war. Since those days, he and Ceil have visited them, and she & her family have visited the Maynard's in R.I. Those were the good points of war, eh, Bob!

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Sullivan, Francis - 6256 Eichelberger, St. Louis, Mo. 63109 - (254 - M)  
Summers, Melvin - Rt. 6, Box 228, Mena, AR 71953 - (254 - CN)  
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Zlotnick, Leon - 6321 Foxhill Rd., Philadelphia, PA 19120 - (254 - B)

Col. ROBERT BEREUTER..Hqs. 1st & 3rd Bn..254th..2763 Inverness Dr..LaJolla, CA 92037..Bob & Berenice, couldn't join us in St. Louis, due to another conflicting August reunion, that of the 25th Inf. Div. Bob was with the 25th Div. in the Pacific from 1940-43. Now Bob, our next one going to be in your bailiwick, San Francisco, we do expect too see you and Berenice in '89.

RICHARD PETERS..Hqs. 862nd FA..880 Knights Ln..Englewood, FL 34223..Richards wife died in March after a lengthy bout with cancer. He is now keeping busy by being involved in his church & community activities. He would like to hear from some of his old buddies. Dick. we have a number of 862nd FA men at our reunions. Am sure they would enjoy seeing you, as well as you would them, give it some thought.

JOHN FAMULARO..Co.H 254th..3512-43rd St..Metairie, LA 70001..John retired from Brown's Velvet Dairy Products, 3 yrs. ago on disability, due to a heart condition. He sure would like to hear from some of his old buddies. Let's go men, pen's & pads, make John's day.

LOUIS GEMINIANI..Co.L 254th..405 Laurel Ave..Millbrae, CA 94030..Louis joined the 63rd early in '44. He was wounded on Jan. '45, a mortar took part of his head off, and was discharged from the hospital in July '45. Louis & Joan have been married for 36 yrs., and if you folks can join us in '89.....in San Francisco, only a few blocks away, if I only knew where Millbrae was located.

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Mail bag continued:

WARREN PHALEN..Hqs. Co. 255th..23356 Villena, Mission Viejo, CA 92692..Warren and Margaret couldn't attend our St. Louis reunion, as she was recovering from surgery. The good news is, that they plan too join us in San Fransico in '89. Stay well Marge!

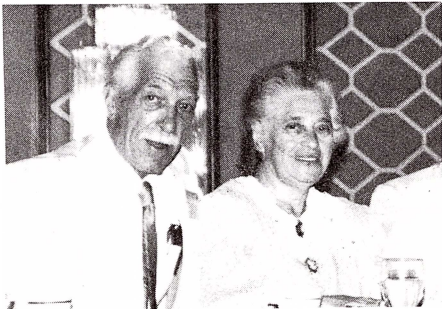
EDWARD LANGETT..Co.A 263rd Engr..3330 Oakland Dr..McKeesport, PA 15133..Ed is retired from USX Steel Corp., but cannot join us at our reunions, as his wife Lois, ia an invalid, and cannot travel. He would like to know, who else from "A" Co.,belongs to the assoc. (get in touch with our sec. Ed) He also would like to hear from them.

ROBERT RALLISON..AT Co. 254th..Rt3 Box 1105 Kemmer Rd..Beaverton, OR 97007..Bob & Ray Peterson were part of the ASTP group that came to Van Dorn from Ft. Benning in March '44. There were essentially only cadre in the infantry regiments, so, the privates were welcomed with open arms, and immediately put on K.P. Informs us, that a short history of the 254th written in '45, entitled "The Trail of the 254th, thru Blood & Fire". Authour Harris Peel (Pfc)advisors were, Lt. Col. Marion W. Schewe, & 2nd Lt. Chester A. Price, Jr. Bob is currently a self-employed civil engineer, having retired from the Dept. of Agr. in '86. Bob & Loraine will be joining us in San Francisco

CHESTER LOBB..Co.K 253rd..5307 Dripping Springs Rd..Smiths Grove, KY 42171..Chester who has MS and recently underwent colon surgery, writes that he won't be up-to mailing Christmas Cards this year, so he wants to "Wish all his 63rd Friends, A HAPPY HOLIDAY SEASON". Thanks Chester, and from all of us the same with, "A Healthier New Year for you".

PLEASE NOTE:

Due to a large roll call, taps & new members column, there was insufficient space for additional Mail Bag. In the next issue of B&F, there will an expanded Mail Bag section.



Vice President Laurence and Anne Pedone.

Dear Nate:

With deep regret I wish to enter in the Taps column the death of Donald E. Norris, at the age of 62. Don was a jeep driver for Co.K 254th Inf.

Don was a very serious gentlemen, & we always kept in touch during his college days after the war, plus his successful climb up the ladder in his chosen profession. He was VP for several years of North American Savings Assoc. Served in the Legislature for 2 years in the Missouri House of Representatives, and met his future wife there, she worked for the Secretary of State.

Don was still a teenager when the war ended and although there was a gap of 17 yrs. in our ages, we always had a good relationship. In our correspondence over the years, many times he would mention old comrades, Haben, Howe, Hubbard, Mellen, Cron, Greco & others. including the lovable of all Lt. Vaughn, who had gone on ahead. Don thought highly of everybody and respected all. I know all that knew Don will be saddened with his passing, and wherever he is he is looking down on us saying "So nice to remember."

Yours in Comradeship,  
John E. House  
Co.K 3rd Bn. 254th Inf.

Dear Nate:

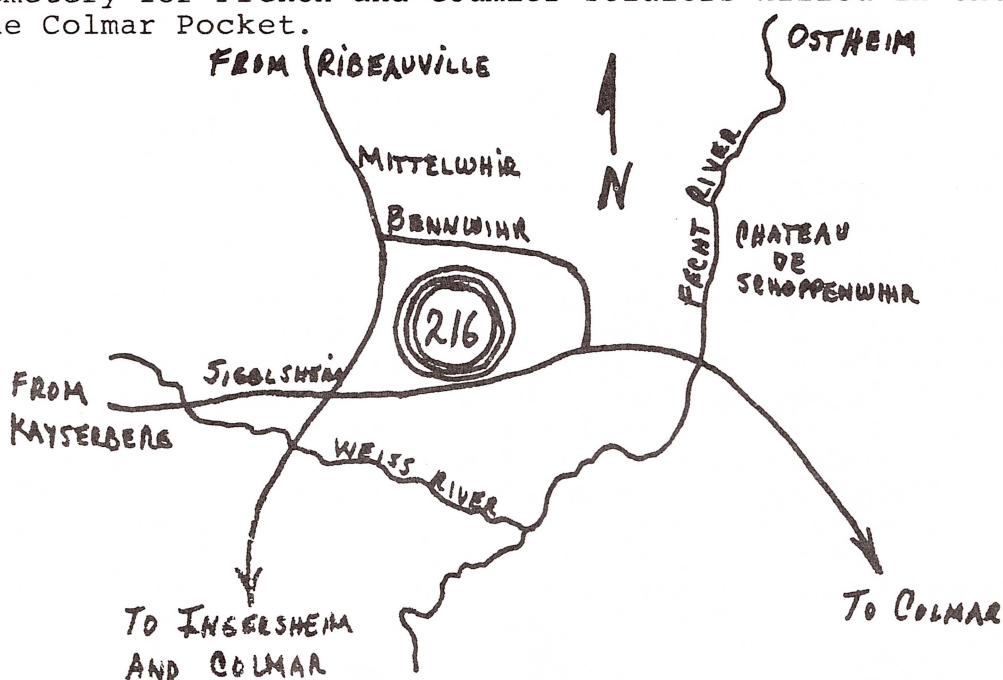
Seeing that photo of Dinah Shore in the May issue of Blood & Fire, brought back memories of that day. Everyone present claimed to have sat back-to-back with Dinah. The tent was small only about 15 guys, from service company who were not out in the field, and called in for the luncheon, too keep Dinah company at lunch. I believe Fredd Wayne came up with the softness of Dinah's back. Believe Warren Dewey and Joe Pollack also attended. Keep running those memories, and thanks for your loyalty to the Blood & Fire publication, and for the "Goodies" you do for the Division. (GEE THANKS TOM...Nate)...

Tom Cambell  
Service Co. 253rd Inf

shelling as well as from the Schu-mines. As daylight improved German machine gunners and snipers aimed deadly fire on the attackers as they probed their way through the mine field. Pinned down by this curtain of fire the further advance of the attack was tortuously slow and casualties increased at an alarming rate. Thru sheer courage the First Battalion moved forward. Nearing the top of Hill 216 German machine gun, machine pistol and rifle fire became devastating in its accuracy. Even in the face of this superior fire power the Battalion was able to bring heavy small arms, machine gun and mortar fire on the German positions forcing the enemy to vacate and withdraw over the crest of the north slope. The jubilant men crossing over the peak found the enemy dug in on the south slope. From here the Germans poured even more intense fire upon the attackers than they had received on the north slope. Adding to the misery of the attack, the Battalion faced another thickly sown Schu-mine field. As they probed their way through this second mine field heavy machine gun and mortar fire from the base of the south slope of Hill 216 added to the torrent of fire from the dug-in Germans. Casualties mounted as the determined Germans fought bitterly to halt the attack. Nevertheless, the Battalion continued to advance to the base of the southern slope.

The victorious, but seriously depleted First Battalion had accomplished their mission of taking Hill 216, but it was obvious they could not reach the Weiss River to establish the main defensive position prior to night-fall. The Third Battalion was alerted and moved out to continue the attack. The two Battalions attacking together were able to secure a line of defense by 2100 hours along the north bank of the Weiss River.

Throughout the night pockets of German resistance harassed the attackers with small arms and directed mortar fire. The following day these pockets were eliminated one by one along with "mopping up" the west bank of the Fecht River down to its junction with the Weiss River. By 1400 hours on the second day the mission was completed, Hill 216 secured and a strong defense along the west bank of the Fecht River and the north bank of the Weiss River was established. Based on the unbelievable success of the 254th Infantry Regiment taking Hill 216, the French 1st Army renamed Hill 216 "Bloody Mountain" and after the war selected Hill 216 as their Memorial Cemetery for French and Goumier soldiers killed in the vicious Battle of the Colmar Pocket.



Roger E. Johnson  
 "G" Company  
 254th Inf. Reg.  
 63rd Inf. Division

foot. Men who could hardly walk had to be evacuated and the First Battalion fell to less than company strength. The daylight hours of 26 January 1945 were spent evacuating the dead and wounded, thawing out frozen weapons, improving the defensive positions, and preparing to renew the attack on Jepsheim that evening. Prior to the evening attack, eight battalions of artillery laid a concentration of fire into Jepsheim for 15 minutes. As we watched it seemed as if Jepsheim, lying peacefully asleep one minute, became nothing but a massive sheet of flames the next. The crucial "Battle of Jepsheim" had begun, but that's another story for a future letter.



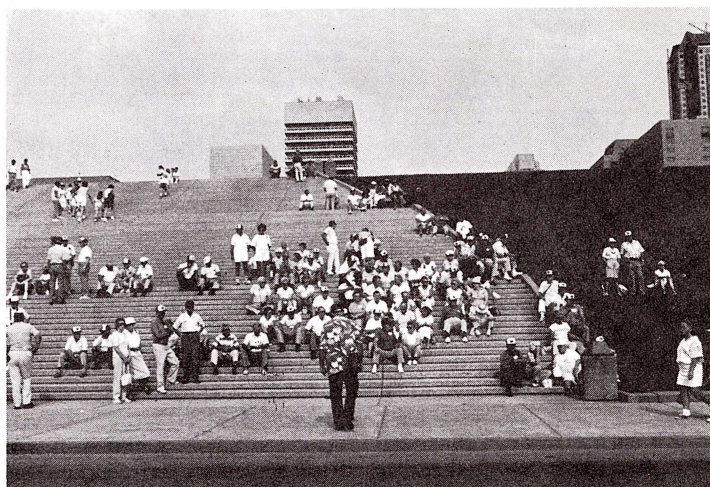
"Bloody Mountain" Hill 216, Zigolsheim, France.



Hill 216, Roger Johnson, Elmer Wolf, Ed Witt.



Naval Chaplain Rabbi Dr. Jay Goldberg, delivered the "Benediction" at our Memorial Service.



Memorial Service.

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