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Outstanding in the aerial war waged by the 8th Air Force against the Nazi enemy is the record of the 306th Heavy Bombardment Group. Starting operations on the 9th of October, 1942 with a mission to Lille, this veteran outfit was one of the first to engage the Hun in combat. A series of exceptionally successful bombings during these early days stamped the 306th as one of the most dependable groups in the theater. Although losses at the time were great for the entire command, the amount of damage and destruction inflicted on German targets was so tremendous that the existence of the 8th Air Force passed from an experimental to a standard war-making organization.

An interesting but costly mission occurred November 9, 1942, on which date higher Headquarters ordered a 7,000 foot job on the heavily defended submarine pens at St. Nazaire. In spite of the terrific anti-aircraft fire encountered over the target, the 306th, led by Col. Overacker, plowed through and bombed with good results. It was this raid that definitely established high altitude as the most practical method of attack.

One of the most outstanding acts of bravery ever demonstrated by any man was accomplished on Jan. 3, 1943, when the group again went to St. Nazaire. Major Lanford led, and enemy fighters gave plenty of opposition. The Fortress piloted by Lt. Cramer couldn't make it back across the Channel and consequently ditched. As the big bird settled in the water, attacks by the German aircraft continued on the hapless B-17. T/Sgt. Arizona T. Harris, flying in the top turret, kept firing his guns as the plane slowly sank below the surface of the water. His action, besides driving off the fighters, brought to him, posthumously, the Distinguished Service Cross.

On January 27, 1943 the 8th made its first assault on an objective in Germany itself. To lead this mission the 306th was chosen and Col. (now Gen) Armstrong flew at the head of the group. Wilhelmshaven was the target and an interesting comment by crews was that the fighter opposition in the Reich was not of the same calibre as that of the "Abbeville Kids". The operation proved that it was possible to bomb, eventually, any spot on continental Europe.

Another act of heroism which probably goes unsurpassed in the annals of the 8th Air Force history occurred on the group's seventh raid to St. Nazaire, May 1, 1943. Heavy undercast caused a gross error in navigation when the 306th, led by Col. Putnam, mistook the Frost peninsula for Land's End on the return. Having let down over enemy occupied territory to 500 feet, the formation encountered intense and accurate A.A. fire. In the course of the confusion that naturally followed, three members of Lt. Johnson's crew in the 423rd Squadron were injured seriously and three baled out of the plane, then on fire. S/Sgt. W.R. "Snuffy" Smith displayed the greatest gallantry and self sacrifice in putting out the fire and giving first aid. He was given at a later date the nation's highest award, the Congressional Medal of Honor.

A popular figure on the base was Capt. William J. Casey, who impressed all with his courage in helping buddies in distress ward off German fighters. On several occasions "Wild Bill", seeing a B-17 in trouble or straggling, would leave the formation and expose his aircraft to continuous attacks by the Luftwaffe. His actions saved many lives, and Casey was legend on the field. Great sorrow was expressed when this character went down in one of the group's roughest missions, Bremen, April 17, 1943. However, the group was soon to find that Casey was a prisoner of war, which fact brought about considerable elation.

The group suffered a great blow on June 26, 1943 when Lt. Col. "Coke" Wilson flew with Capt. Raymond J. "Pappy" Check to Tricqueville on the latter's 25th and last mission. The Luftwaffe attacked on the bomb run and a 20 millimeter shell exploded in the cockpit, killing Capt. Check. Lt. Col. Wilson, having volunteered to fly with "Pappy", was severely burned but managed to bring the plane back to base with assistance from Lt. Cassidy, pilot flying in the waist. Personnel mourned the death of "Pappy" Check for many months. Lt. Col. Wilson was subsequently awarded the Distinguished Service Cross and Purple Heart.

During the early part of 1943, the 369th Squadron established the phenomenal record of completing 42 consecutive missions without loss. The string started on the first Wilhelmshaven raid and was broken on the July 29th mission to Kiel. This record stood until after D-Day, when of course, several squadrons in many groups broke it. However, the fact remains the "Fightin' Bitin'" set up a most remarkable standard when the Hun was viciously trying to turn back American Fortresses.

Major Raper led the 306th on the first Schweinfurt raid August 17, 1943. This day also initiated the shuttle missions with the 8th dispatching other aircraft to Regensburg, thence to Italy. This group sustained the operation without a loss although it was one of the most costly affairs in the air campaign.

On August 24 the group attacked Villacoublay A/D near Paris. Major Riordan led, and A.A. fire was very accurate, damaging 17 out of 18. Lt. Klette of the 369th had 2 engines knocked out over the target, but he successfully managed to bring the plane back to friendly territory. As Klette approached the field,

a hush fell over those gathered in front of the tower 'sweating him out'. Suddenly a gasp, and fire was seen to start from one of the two remaining engines. The crippled Fortress weaved crazily in the air. However, Lt. Klette meticulously guided his craft safely to its landing and for this display of high skill he received the Distinguished Flying Cross.

The 306th participated again in a Schweinfurt raid Oct. 14, 1943, led by Capt. Schoolfield. Although the 8th was highly commended by both British and American Air leaders, the group suffered one of its greatest losses. Some crews reported that the scene looked like a parachute invasion because so many men were forced to bail out. However, the damage inflicted on the ball bearing plant in the town cut production 75%. Capt. Schoolfield, of the 369th, who received 4 Distinguished Flying Crosses during his combat tour, was awarded one of his clusters on that day.

First Air Division received the Presidential Citation for the Jan. 11, 1944 attack on factory airfields in central Germany. The 306th on its 100th mission bombed Halberstadt with Col. Robinson at the head of the group. Poor weather caused a recall in the fighter support, and as a result the Luftwaffe rose to intercept. A violent air battle ensued, but despite terrific losses, the 1st Division B-17s fought their way to and from the targets. The excellence of the bombing brought about the aforementioned Citation.

After being briefed for several days to go to Berlin, the group finally made it, along with the rest of the 8th on March 6, 1944. Capt. Thompson led and the formation encountered comparatively moderate opposition. Lt. Smith of the 368th was the only crew lost and his plane landed in Sweden.

The month of April, 1944 proved to be distinctive in the fact that two of the "old-timers" finished up. Lt. Col. Regan, C.O. of the 368th and Lt. Col. Buckley, C.O. of the 367th, both completed their operational tours and went home. Lt. Col. Lambert, holding a similar position in the 423rd, duplicated their action in May.

The 306th did its share on D-Day by flying three ground support missions. Several crews engaged in two of the operations, but there was little complaining as the Hun stayed out of the air. The invasion coast had taken a terrific pounding for two weeks before the big day, and ground forces were highly impressed by the great destruction wrought by this new powerful implement of war.

In a tremendous combined assault on German oil production the 306th went after the big refinery in Hamburg on June 20, 1944. Lt. Col. Chalfant led, and the Jerry A.A. fire was intense. Bombardiers Lt. Franze and Lt. Tannella, however, laid their eggs right on the aiming point. Smoke from fires, started by bombing on the target, rose to 10,000 feet. Lt. Raster, Lt. Switzer, pilots, and Lt. Tannella each received the Distinguished Flying Cross for their performances on this raid.

Lt. Col. Chalfant led the group on Sept. 12 to Ruhland when the last great air battle between the 306th and the Luftwaffe occurred. As the formation passed near the northern outskirts of Berlin on the route in, German fighters attacked in quick passes. Losses for the mission were high, and Lt. Donkin's A/C received very severe damage, necessitating a crash landing. His skill in bringing the Fortress and crew back to England netted him the D.F.C.

As the war was closing out against the Nazis in early 1945, the 306th pointed the bulk of its efforts to the destruction of German communication lines. Many successful missions were completed, and the group's bombing record soared to unapproachable heights. Maj. D. R. Ross, group bombardier, led the way with a series of excellent results, most notable being the attack on Rohlen, March 2, for which he received the D.F.C.

On many occasions the station has been honored by visits from high-ranking personnel. The King and Queen have inspected the various units and were present when Princess Elizabeth christened the 367th aircraft, "Rose of York", July 6, 1944. Too, Major General Ira C. Eaker, former commander of the 8th Air Force, has been on the field several times. On Feb. 21, 1943 he witnessed the inauguration of the first Aero Club in Great Britain. Again on the 15th July of the same year Gen. Eaker, accompanied by Secretary of War H.L. Stinson, presented the Congressional Medal of Honor to "Snuffy" Smith.

And so it has been with the 306th, commanded in succession by Col. C.B. Overacker, Gen. F.A. Armstrong, Col. C.E. Putnam, Col. G.L. Robinson, Col. J.S. Sutton and Col. H.H. Upham, always striving toward the final victory. The group has been impressive with its record in both the strategical and tactical campaigns, and has been highly instrumental in the great progress of the 8th Air Force. To all its members go the congratulations and admiration of the United States Army.

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HEADQUARTERS  
AAF STA GIEBELSTADT, GERMANY  
APO 227

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SPECIAL ORDERS)  
NUMBER 16)

17 January 1946

1. So much of par 2 SO 15 this Hq dd 16 Jan 46 as reads: "S/Sgt (45-Q) (21 mo) Herschell F Hay, 15122043 (612) (483)" is amended to read: "S/Sgt (40-Q) (29 mo) Rex E Hoy, 38505107 (612) (224)".
2. Par 10 SO 15 this Hq dd 16 Jan 46 is amended to include the following:  

<u>"423d Bomb Sq (H) 306th Bomb Gp (H)</u>
<u>367th Bomb Sq (H) 306th Bomb Gp (H)"</u>
3. 2d Lt PHADRIG M CAHILL, 0877736, 369th Bomb Sq (H) 306th Bomb Gp (H) WP to Weisbaden, Germany o/a 19 Jan 46 for the purpose of attending Public Relations Officers Conference. TDY approx 2 days. CTRRS. GNV and/or boat. TDN 60-114 P 432-02 & 212/60425. (Auth: MF No. 16390 Hq, USAFE dd 11 Jan 46).
4. Sgt John L White, 36764573, 664th Air Mat Sq, 414th Air Sv Gp is placed on further TDY w/44th Air Depot Group, Oberpaffenhofen, Germany. TDY approx 2 days. CTRRS. TDN 60-114 P 432-02 & 212/60425.
5. PAC in Cir 150, par 3 dd 4 Nov 45 Hq USFET and par 4 AR 615-360 a board is appointed to determine the eligibility of a soldier for honorable discharge. Board will meet at the call of the President or the senior member thereof:  

<u>Lt Col RICHARD H COLE, 0392754 (President)</u>	Hq, 306th Bomb Gp (H)
<u>Lt Col HENRY J SCHMIDT, 0449917</u>	Hq & Base Sv Sq, 414th Air Sv Gp
<u>Capt JOSEPH F PRYCA, 02044534</u>	Hq, 306th Bomb Gp (H)
<u>Capt CHRIS E ANDERSON, 0854875</u>	Hq, 306th Bomb Gp (H)
<u>1st Lt JAMES J DOUGHERTY, 01185174 (Recorder)</u>	368th Bomb Sq (H) 306th Bomb Gp (H)
6. Pol Off, orgns indicated, are aptd as Post Exchange Council. The Post Exchange Council will meet at the call of the President thereof. All orders in conflict with these are rescinded. (Par 19, sec II, AR 210-65, dd 1 Jun 44):  

<u>Lt Col HENRY J SCHMIDT, 0449917 (President)</u>	Hq & Base Sv Sq, 414th Air Sv Gp
<u>Capt CHRIS E ANDERSON, 0854875</u>	Hq, 306th Bomb Gp (H)
<u>1st Lt KENNETH L KELLY, 01111707</u>	Hq & Base Sv Sq, 414th Air Sv Gp
<u>1st Lt VIRGIL L FRANCIS, 0862984</u>	840th Air Engr Sq, 414th Air Sv Gp
<u>2d Lt CHARLES A HALIJAK, 0869552</u>	664th Air Mat Sq, 414th Air Sv Gp
7. VOCO of 26 Dec 45 as fol is confirmed and made of record: "1st Lt RAY K SCHIEB, Jr, 0833422, 369th Bomb Sq (H) 306th Bomb Gp (H) is aptd Commanding Officer thereof during temp absence of Major JAMES A MCKINNEY, 025536". The exigencies of the service having prevented the issuance of written orders in advance.
8. VOCO of 26 Dec 45 as fol is confirmed and made of record: "1st Lt ROYCE HOPKINS, 0732259, 367th Bomb Sq (H) 306th Bomb Gp (H) is aptd Commanding Officer thereof during temp absence of Major JAMES A DARBY, 0666249". The exigencies of the service having prevented the issuance of written orders in advance.
9. VOCO of 6 Jan 46 as fol is confirmed and made of record: "1st Lt VIRGIL L FRANCIS, 0862984, 840th Air Engr Sq, 414th Air Sv Gp is aptd Commanding Officer thereof during temp absence of Major WILLIAM B SORY, 0464083". The exigencies of the service having prevented the issuance of written orders in advance.
10. Cpl Lawrence A Gove, 32768868, Hq, 306th Bomb Gp (H) is aptd to temp gr of Sergeant. (AR 615-5 as amended).
11. S/Sgt Kenis M Bracken, 35651719, 367th Bomb Sq (H) 306th Bomb Gp (H) is aptd to temp gr of T/Sgt. (AR 615-5 as amended).

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SO 16 Hq, AAF STA GIEBELSTADT, GERMANY, AFO 227, dd 17 Jan 46 cont'd:

12. S/Sgt Robert E Wayte, 31326114, 368th Bomb Sq (H) 306th Bomb Gp (H) is aptd to temp gr of T/Sgt. (AR 615-5 as amended).

13. Fol EM, 423d Bomb Sq (H) 306th Bomb Gp (H) are aptd to temp gr as indicated. (AR 615-5 as amended):

APTD TO 1ST SGT

S/Sgt Kenneth L Major, 17034825

APTD TO S/SGT

Sgt James F Hatcher, 19179169

Sgt Heinz Eilersieck, 39531456

Sgt Jerome A Hinman, 18121785

Sgt Anthony E Tammaro, 32437445

Sgt Eugene Long, 38321469

APTD TO SGT

Cpl Melvin C Badberg, 17131777

Cpl Francis L Lemay, 11014996

Cpl James G Weatherington, 39129521

14. Fol EM, 840th Air Engr Sq, 414th Air Sv Gp are aptd to temp gr as indicated. (AR 615-5 as amended):

APTD TO M/SGT

T/Sgt Edward L Bishop, 32095773

APTD TO T/SGT

S/Sgt Claude R King, 34426190

APTD TO S/SGT

Sgt Floyd D Sherman, 39860838

APTD TO SGT

Cpl Glade B Harrison, 35048379

Cpl Ivan G With, 17128817

APTD TO CPL

Pfc George J Sattler, 16156292

15. Fol EM, 664th Air Mat Sq, 414th Air Sv Gp WP to Oberpaffenhofen, Germany o/a 17 Jan 46 for the purpose of procuring Air Corps Supplies. TDY approx 2 days. CTDRS. GEN, TDN 60-114 P 432-02 A 212/60425:  
Cpl Ray R Moagher, 19158930 Pfc Patsy Gucirino, 36774130

16. Cpl Phillip Olbinsky, 36370683, 664th Air Mat Sq, 414th Air Sv Gp having been granted a furlough in Paris for a period of seven (7) days effective o/a 18 Jan 46 is auth to proceed from this Hq to Paris, France, reporting upon arrival thereat to RTO Office, Paris. Upon completion of furlough EM will ret to proper orgn and sta. (This furlough has been granted under that portion of United States Air Forces in Europe quota which the United States Air Forces in Europe has allocated to the 40th Bomb Wing (H)). GEN, rail and/or boat. TDN 60-114 P 432-02 A 212/60425. (Auth: TRX D-487-C 40th Bomb Wing (H) dd 17 Dec 45 and AR 615-275).

17. Fol Off, orgns indicated, WP to 40th Bomb Wing (H), Erlangen, Germany o/a 18 Jan 46 for the purpose of coordinating Photo Activities. TDY approx 2 days. CTDRS. GEN. TIN 60-114 P 432-02 A 212/60425:

1st Lt IRVIN J KAIM, 0862706

Hq, 306th Bomb Gp (H)

1st Lt ELYN H WINNE, 0871335

367th Bomb Sq (H) 306th Bomb Gp (H)

18. Fol Off and EM, orgns indicated, WP by nil/acft o/a 18 Jan 46 to Det "A" 423d Bomb Sq (H) 306th Bomb Gp (H), thence to Det "A" 368th Bomb Sq (H) 306th Bomb Gp (H), Port Lyautay, Africa. TDY approx 4 days. CTDRS. TDN 60-114 P 432-02 A 212/60425. (Auth: Ltr 1st AD "Movement of Troops" (No. 1) dd 14 Aug 45 File No 370.5; TRX D-718-G 40th Bomb Wing (H) dd 24 Dec 45; and Ltr 1st AD "Movement of Troops" (4) dd 17 Aug 45, Opns Order No. 6 dd 8 Jan 46 Hq, 306 BG, VCCO 40th BW):

Colonel HUDSON H UPHAM, 019467

Hq 306th Bomb Gp (H)

Capt HARLAND D WOLFFE, 02069179

Hq, 306th Bomb Gp (H)

1st Lt VALENTINE L SCHLINK, 0865755

368th Bomb Sq (H) 306th Bomb Gp (H)

2d Lt STANLEY F SHAW, 02071373

369th Bomb Sq (H) 306th Bomb Gp (H)

T/Sgt William R Armstrong, 42021900

369th Bomb Sq (H) 306th Bomb Gp (H)

T/Sgt Enrico A Debenedetto, 32999862

369th Bomb Sq (H) 306th Bomb Gp (H)

BY ORDER OF COLONEL UPHAM:

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Major, Air Corps  
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A.F. STA GIEBELSTADT, GERMANY  
APO 227

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SPECIAL ORDERS)  
NUMBER 17)

18 January 1946

1. Per 13 30 16 this Hq dd 17 Jan 46 is rescinded.

2. VOCO of 17 Jan 46 as fol is confirmed and made of record: "Fol EM, 423d Bomb Sq (H) 306th Bomb Gp (H) are aptd to temp gr as indicated. (AR 615-5 as amended)". The exigencies of the service having prevented the issuance of written orders in advance:

APTD TO 1ST SGT  
S/Sgt Kenneth L Major, 17034825

APTD TO S/SGT  
Sgt Eugene Long, 38321469

APTD TO SGT  
Cpl Francis L Lohmy, 11014996                      Cpl James G Weatherington, 39129521

3. VOCO of 17 Jan 46 as fol is confirmed and made of record: "Fol EM, Hq, 306th Bomb Gp (H) are aptd to temp gr as indicated. (AR 615-5 as amended)". The exigencies of the service having prevented the issuance of written orders in advance:

APTD TO T/SGT  
S/Sgt Anthony E Tammaro, 32437445

APTD TO S/SGT  
Sgt James F Hatcher, 19179169                      Sgt Jerome A Hinnan, 18121785

Sgt Heinz Ellersieck, 39531456

APTD TO SGT  
Cpl Melvin C Badberg, 17131777

4. Fol Off and EM are rel'd fr dy and asgmt w/orgns indicated and atchd un-assign'd to A.F./AF Reinforcement Depot (Prov), Furstenfeldbruck, Germany for return to ZI by surface transportation under provisions of KR 1-5 and RR 1-1. Compliance with provisions of USSTAF Reg 80-10 dd 21 Apr 45 and Ltr Hq Com 2 USFLT File AG 370.5 :EM-G. Subj: "Procedure for return of individuals to the US by water" dd 3 Jul 45 is directed. O and EM will have clo and equip as listed in Cir 99 Hq USEET dd 17 Jul 45. Correspondents and publishers will be notified to discontinue mailing letters and publications until they receive notification of new address. Appropriate WD AGO Forms may be used for this purpose. O and EM will immediately complete four (4) Postal Locator Cards, Postal Division Form 46BB showing a non-military forwarding address in the United States or in lieu thereof directing that all mail be returned to the sender. EDCER: 21 Jan 46, GIV and/or rail. TDN 60-114 P 431-02 A 212/60425. FCS. (Auth: TIX J-218-C 40th Bomb Wing (H) dd 10 Jan 46). Scores as indicated below are based on recomputation as of 2 Sep 45:

1st Lt (79-Q) (32 no)	(Stat Code JDA) <u>367th Bomb Sq (H) 306th Bomb Gp (H)</u> EDWIN G HUDSPETH, 0926694	108	100
		1034	04.785
2d Lt (82-Q) (31 no)	(Stat Code JDA) <u>368th Bomb Sq (H) 306th Bomb Gp (H)</u> ELWOOD W WOODRUFF, 02074560	1034	04.851
F/O (87-Q) (34 no)	(Stat Code JDA) <u>369th Bomb Sq (H) 306th Bomb Gp (H)</u> WAYNE W HANLEY, T-129265	1034	01.013
Cpl (57-Q) (38 no)	(Stat Code JDA) <u>Hq &amp; Base Sv Sq, 414th Air Sv Gp</u> Robert P Glen, 37463801	522	316

5. In accordance with AR 420-5, AR 615-5, and par 512, A.F. Manual 35-1, fol Off are aptd Station Classification Board to meet o/a the 15th of each month for the purpose of acting on all recommendations for changes in principal military occupational Specialties of all enlisted personnel. In addition, one representative Off from the unit concerned in the reclassification proceedings will attend. All orders in conflict with these are rescinded:

Capt JOSEPH F PRYGA, 02044534 (President)	Hq, 306th Bomb Gp (H)
1st Lt JOSEPH A O CHANDONNET, 0565025	Hq & Base Sv Sq, 414th Air Sv Gp
2d Lt PHILIP A RUELH, 0878257 (Recorder)	Hq, 306th Bomb Gp (H)

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SO 17 Hq, AMF STA GIEBELSTADT, GERMANY, APO 227, dd 18 Jan 46 cont'd:

6. Cpl Robert L Hudson, 35585618, Hq, 306th Bomb Gp (H) is aptd to temp gr of Sergeant. (AR 615-5 as amended).

7. Fol EM, orgns indicated, having been granted a furlough in the UK for a period of ten (10) days effective o/a dates indicated are auth to proceed from this Hq to the UK, reporting upon arrival thereat to US Air Forces in Europe. Continental Leave Center, 37 Brynston Square, London. Upon completion of furlough EM will ret to proper orgn and sta. G.M., rail and/or boat. TDN 60-114 P 432-02 A 212/60425. (Auth: TWX D-487-C 40th Bomb Wing (H) dd 17 Dec 45 and AR 615-275):

W/Sgt Stephen G Jenson, 12041705

o/a 19 Jan 46

423d Bomb Sq (H) 306th Bomb Gp (H)  
Hq, 306th Bomb Gp (H)

T/Sgt Harry H Brown, 32796312

o/a 20 Jan 46

423d Bomb Sq (H) 306th Bomb Gp (H)  
423d Bomb Sq (H) 306th Bomb Gp (H)

Sgt James E McClafferty, 11041050

Sgt Jewell R Genn, 18197819

o/a 27 Jan 46

Hq & Base Sv Sq, 414th Air Sv Gp  
Hq & Base Sv Sq, 414th Air Sv Gp

Cpl Vernon O Nichols, 39903431

Pfc William C Morrow, 33691289

8. Fol Off and EM, orgns indicated, having been granted leave and/or furlough in Paris for a period of seven (7) days effective o/a 19 Jan 46 are auth to proceed from this Hq to Paris, France, reporting upon arrival thereat to RTO Office Paris. Upon completion of leave and/or furlough Off and EM will ret to proper orgn and sta. (This leave and/or furlough has been granted under that portion of United States Air Forces in Europe quota which the United States Air Forces in Europe has allocated to the 40th Bomb Wing (H)). G.M., rail and/or boat. TDN 60-114 P 432-02 A 212/60425. (Auth: TWX D-487-C 40th Bomb Wing (H) dd 17 Dec 45 and AR 605-115 and AR 615-275):

1st Lt ROY E CONNELLY, 02072422

Pfc William L James, 42104725

367th Bomb Sq (H) 306th Bomb Gp (H)  
Hq & Base Sv Sq, 414th Air Sv Gp

9. Sgt Albert Pugh 19144170, 840th Air Engr Sq, 414th Air Sv Gp W/P to 10th Air Depot, Kassel, Germany o/a 19 Jan 46 for the purpose of procuring supplies. TDY approx 3 days. CTRDS. G.M. TDN 60-114 P 432-02 A 212/60425.

BY ORDER OF COLONEL UHLM:

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Year-End Yakity Yak for Winter 1991 . . . . .

This season's edition was started earlier but never got to the editor until last week !!. Anyway, we wish you the best of health & spirits for all of next year before any other comments are made.

We have chalked-up another year here to nearly make us real natives of Coronado and San Diego. Just to make it stick we jumped onto the "mortgage refinance bandwagon" along with so many others as the prospects began to look good in August. We got out of the double-digit percent bracket starting this month but not quite at that 6% of the 1960's. Being retired this is a good way to get a raise in pay ! But the second shoe drops too...very poor returns on our invested funds.

This fifth year of drought in the whole county of San Diego brought very stringent water rationing. Apart from starving the grass & growing plants, it made water-bucket brigades popular and deodorant sales soar. Worst of this dilemma was the acknowledgement that 84% of water in California is used for agriculture. So, with residential water use cut by 20% it wasn't much of a total reduction, e.g. 20% of 16% ! However, not only was water rationed, so was traveling. Apart from a short trip for Francoise to visit her family in Montreal, travel was shut down, even for military reunions. I supposed if we had roared off to Europe again we would have missed the TV mini-series of "Saddam Insane", "The Moscow Coup", "The Gates Mysteries", "The Thomas Nomination Affaire", "The Scandals of the U.S. Senate and Jimmy Swaggert", "The Reincarnation of Ollie North", "The BCCI Ripoff", "The Atlanta Braves Surprise" and "The Everlasting White House Aggravations" !!!

Brother-in-law, Richard, and wife, Gabrielle, weathered some very tough medical scares and are now facing '92 in Long Beach with many renewed spirits & hope.

Another death in the family put stress on mother's family this year. It also brought to mind the questions about organ donations for those who just might need one or two that we didn't abuse or wear out before our time.

Son, David, and wife, Janet, began their 15th year serving fine wine and food at 36,000 feet with Delta Airlines this year. All those years of flying made them a little recession-proof for '91. And, Grandson, Matthew, hasn't been content to wait on the ground for mom & dad to fly home, hence, he has become a VERY frequent flyer for an active 3-yr old.

Daughter, Sherry, and hubby, Joseph, have done very well in fighting off the scourge of recession in their new 'diggins'. Grandson, Sean, and granddaughter, Danielle, are also doing very well at their new school in Bonsall. They all have a lovely golf-course-view home there.

Our charges: Beau & Ginger, the Poodle-Lhasa Apsos pair, still keep us entertained and feeling young.....besides they are the best intruder warning system we own !

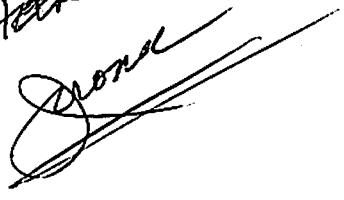
This is about all of the gossip fit to print, so we will look to you for some of your own when you get the chance to write . . . .or to visit.

Jerome & Francoise



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(3) WHITE STRIPES ON THE WINGS OF  
THE A/C (PICTURED), BUT THOSE OF US  
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REMEMBER!

Cheers

A stylized handwritten signature, possibly reading "Dona", written in black ink with a double underline.



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NAME	GRADE & SERV	ASN	ORG	POS	ASA	SER	ADDRESS
✓ Schacher, Morton	1st Lt AC	0865095	Hq 306 B	614	71		189 Beach 72 Street Arverne, L.I. N.Y.
Green, Jack H.	1/Sgt. AC	15107725	367 B Sq 306 A Gp	502	53	41	Grass Lake, Michigan
✓ Hasinsky, Morris	T/Sgt. AC	31314170	369 B Sq 306 E Gp	743	54	36	425 W. Hudson St L. Beach, L.I. N.Y.
✓ Tammaro, Anthony E	T/Sgt. AC	32437445	Hq 306 B	857	53	40	115-41 114th Place Ozone Park NYC, N.Y.
Hinnan, Jerome A	S/Sgt. AC	18121785	Hq 306 B	857	54	39	RFD #1 Hilford, Indiana
✓ Kall, George R.	Wr. S/Sgt. AC	32868685	369 B Sq 306 B Gp	405	53	34	Leat Avenue Montrose, New York
Poulos, George P.	S/Sgt. AC	32278395	367 B Sq 306 B Gp	405	47	45	85 New Street Newark, New Jersey
Dipiotra, Frank P.	Sgt. AC	32782416	368 B Sq 306 B Gp	060	54	36	8720 124th Street Richmond Hill, L.I.N
Friedgen, Arthur L.	Sgt. AC	12151517	Hq Base Sv Sq 414 ASG	014	53	34	32 2nd Street Harrison, New York
Sherline, Bernard L	Sgt AC	32853513	367 B Sq 306 B Gp	747	53	34	44 Adams Avenue Utica, New York
Smitheimer, Nathan	Sgt. AC	32507139	423 B Sq 306 B Gp	747	54	40	1205 Baymen Avenue Bronx, New York
Sweetman, Robert P	Sgt. AC	32673505	369 B Sq 306 B Gp	747	54	37	15 S. Harris Hill RD Williamsville, N.Y.
Cirello, Gallo F.	Cpl. AC	32860595	369 B Sq 306 B Gp	750	53	34	27 Maple Street Yonkers, New York
De Vincentis, Ralph	Cpl. AC	32736083	Hq Base Sv Sq 414 ASG	345	53	35	618 North Street Rochester, New York
Fredericks, William S	Cpl. AC	32720762	368 B Sq 306 B Gp	911	53	36	326 Ovington Ave Brooklyn, New York
Godrey, Richard W.	Cpl. AC	32356448	369 B Sq 306 B Gp	405	54	43	Stevens Lane White Plains, N.Y.
Potter, Rudolph E.	Cpl. AC	32792304	664 AMS 414 ASG	835	53	35	2226 99th St. Long Island City N.Y.
Savino, Frank A.	Cpl. AC	32820863	423 B Sq 306 B Gp	555	53	34	477 St. Ann's Ave Bronx, New York
✓ Soriano, Nicholas A	Cpl. AC	32912945	Hq Base Sv Sq 414 ASG	650	53	34	161 S. 6th Street Newark, New Jersey
Bresicia, Benjamin J	Pfc AC	32814483	664 AMS 414 ASG	835	53	35	2147 69th Street Brooklyn, New York
Pelcilla, Mario M.	S/Sgt. AC	32809779	368 B Sq 306 B Gp	683	54	35	

1st Lt Merton Schacher 10-865096 AC (0141) 71 is designated OIC and  
Custodian of records for Separation Center Gp.

SHIPMENT FROM ETO OF 16 306TH PERSONNEL (FROM GIERLETTA TO NEW YORK)

14 May 1988  
Coronado, Ca, 92118

Russell A. Strong  
2041 Hillisdale,  
Kalamazoo, MI 49007

Dear Sir,

First off, thanks for the quick response to my request for the ECHOES microfiche.

Secondly, I've started to rummage the 'back-room' for 306th records and surprised myself with some findings. For example, here are a few ground-people that were Hqs. radar/radio 'types' but can't guarantee their addresses as yet:

-Henson, James B., 502 Garfield Ave., Palmyra, NJ 08065  
-Hodson, Roger M., 1401 73rd. St., W., Chicago, IL 60636  
-Kurtzer, Morris H., 640 Court St., Elizabeth, NJ 07206  
-Kilmer, James NMI, 105 Towamencin, Lansdale, PA 19446  
-Miller, Mark N., 620 W. 3rd St., Williamsport, PA 17701  
-Petty, Carl E., 603 S. Webster, Mexico, MO 65265  
-Rothstein, Murray NMI, 4010 Saxon Ave, Bronx NY 10463  
-Schnag, George, 556 3rd St., Carlstadt, NJ 07072

I also located some old HQ 306th orders with the following names that could probably be traced thru St Louis:

-423d: Major, Kenneth L. (1st Sgt;17034825)  
- " : Long, Eugene (S/sgt;38321469)  
- " : LeMay, Francis L. (S/sgt;11014996)  
- " : Weatherington, James G. (Sgt;39129521)  
- " : Jensen, Stephen G. (M/sgt;12041705)  
- " : McClafferty, James E. (Sgt;11041050)  
- " : Genn, Jewell R. (Sgt;18197819)  
- " : Watson, Joseph E. (T/sgt;38395567)  
- " : Collart, Adrian A. (S/sgt;15128389)  
- " : Kuczaj, John J. (S/sgt;36319368)  
- " : Cabbage, Wm. L. (Pfc;33446358)  
-369 : Null, Marvin B. (1Lt;0780418)  
- " : Cation, James L. (1Lt;0767432)  
- " : Butucel, Peter J. (FO;T2061)  
- " : Bowman, James E. (S/sgt;37708449)  
- " : Duggan, Clifford E. (S/sgt;35732575)  
- " : Hasinsky, Morris NMI, (Sgt;31314170)  
- " : Stevens, Robert A. (Sgt;19193348)  
- " : Probert, Roger D. (Sgt;19200773)  
- " : Shaw, Stanley F. (2Lt;02071373)  
- " : Armstrong, Wm. R. (T/sgt;42021900)  
- " : Debenedetto, Enrico A. (T/sgt;32999862)  
- " : Hanley, Wayne (FO;T129265)  
- " : Cahill, Phadrig M. (2Lt;0877736)  
- " : Scheib, Ray K. (1Lt;0833422)  
- " : McKinney, James A. (Maj;025536)

28 May 1994  
P. O. Box 181541  
Coronado, CA 92178

Russell A. Strong, Secretary/Editor  
306th Bomb Group Association  
5323 Cheval Pl.,  
Charlotte, NC 28205

Dear Rus,

I learned from the ECHOES that Casey would be out-of-country for a couple of months. It suggests to me that he has headed for Normandy. I returned from there on the QE2 in November so that I could avoid the 'crunch' there on anniversary week. Even then there was plenty of planning for the Council to do for the big celebration.

Of course I came back with more work to do on the Wall of Liberty Campaign here in the "ZI".

I am sending my 'dues' check to you this time and requesting adjustment of my 306th organizational assignment listed by the Directory. I was assigned to Headquarters Detachment of 306th from Alconbury and did not have a squadron assignment until the Table of Organization was changed for activating the Gieblestadt station in the fall of '45. The Association has listed me variously in the 369th & 423d squadrons while at Thurleigh. Surviving friends have had some difficulty in locating me with such 'addresses'.

I have enclosed a copy of one of the 306th Special Orders, e.g., #70 of 3/15/45, Para. 5, which indicates one of my many changes in rank over the years !

Incidentally, the latest issue of ECHOES listed three close friends that I had been unable to trace for nearly 50 years.

Naturally, I am enclosing a little extra as donation to help the publication budget a bit this time.

Best regards,



Jerome Hinman, Col., USAF, Retired

**R E S T R I C T E D**

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HEADQUARTERS  
AIF STATION 111  
APO 557

SPECIAL ORDERS }  
NUMBER 70 }

✓ 15 March, 1945.

1. The fol named OIF, 369th Bomb Sq (H), 306th Bomb Gp (H), WTR to AIF Sta 503, Rake Mancy, to arrive prior to 1800 hrs, 22 Mar/45, to carry out the instr of the CO. TDY not to exceed 7 days. CTDRS. OIF will leave AIF Sta 503 on 29 Mar/45 to ret to proper Sta. Reimbursement not to exceed \$4.00 per day is auth if govt qrs or billets are not avail and an alws of \$1.25 per day is auth if govt messing facilities are not avail while in travel status. An alws of \$1.25 per day is auth for add cost of subs while on TDY at Air Force Rest Home, T.M. TGMT, under 4th Cir 113, Hq EPCUSA, dd 24 Nov/44. TDM. 60-136 P 432-02 A 212/50425. (Auth: USSTLF Regulation 30-3b, dd 29 Sep/44):

1st Lt JOSEPH L. CHANCEY, 0833307  
1st Lt MARVIN B. HULL, 0780418

1st Lt JAMES L. GATTON, 0767492  
P/O PETER J. DUTUEL, T2061

2. The fol named EM, 369th Bomb Sq (H), 306th Bomb Gp (H), WTR to AIF Sta 562, Spetchley Park, to arrive prior to 1800 hrs, 22 Mar/45, to carry out the instr of the CO. TDY not to exceed 7 days. CTDRS. EM will leave AIF Sta 562 on 29 Mar/45 to ret to proper Sta. Reimbursement for EM while trav, if govt rats or qrs are not avail, will be in accordance with Cir 63, Hq, EPCUSA, as amended. Reimbursement for add cost of subs at the rate of \$2.25 per day for EM, while on TDY at Air Force Rest Home is auth. T.M. TGMT, under auth Cir 113, EPCUSA, dd 22 Nov/44. TDM. 60-136 P 432-02 A 212/50425. (Auth: USSTLF Regulation 30-3b, dd 29 Sep/44):

S Sgt James E. Downen, 37708449  
S Sgt Clifford E. Duggan, 35732575

S Sgt John J. Callahan, 33798848  
S Sgt Leonard L. Smith, 36890568

Sgt Morris (MI) Hasinsky, 31314170

3. So much of par 11, SO 67, on, this Hq, dd 12 Mar/45, as reads: "Pfc (590) Joseph F. McKenna, 31060818", is amended to read: "Pvt (590) Joseph F. McKenna, 31060818".

4. UP of AR 615-5, and upon recommendation of their orgn comdr, the fol named EM, orgns indicated, are promoted to the gr of private First Class, eff this date:

367th Bomb Sq (H) - 306th Bomb Gp (H)

Pvt Raymond W. Durhan, 35795033                      Pvt George A. Raiano, 32197270  
Pvt Joseph F. Yuschak, 13045582                    Pvt Christ R. Lind, 36321428

423d Bomb Sq (H) - 306th Bomb Gp (H)

Pvt William R. Dillin, 17019656                      Pvt Michael N. Cirilli, 32768157

4th Station Complement Squadron

Pvt Wayne E. Hughes, 35415069                      Pvt Charles L. Jones, 34503647  
Pvt Romeo C. Vera, 37344794

449th Sub Depot (Class 1)

Pvt Walter S. Imlinowski, 36365557                      Pvt Gilbert A. McLean, 35584947  
Pvt Thomas P. Noel, Jr., 19162882

1628th Ordnance S & M Company (Avn)

Pvt James J. Kano, 37290858                      Pvt Leonard F. Mahoney, 31310621  
2099th Engineer F. P. Platoon (Avn)

Pvt Leonard C. DeLuko, 35522552                      Pvt Charles W. Jenkins, 344449056  
Pvt Roy P. Jones, 36562524

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EO 70, Hq AAF Station 111, dd 15 Mar/45 continued:

✓ 5. UP of LR 615-5, and upon recommendation of their orgn cmr, the fol  
named MI, orgns indicated, are promoted to the NCO gr indicated, off this date.

✓ Headquarters Detachment 306th Bomb Gp (H)

(To be Sergeants (Temporary))

Cpl Murray Rothstein, 12150023      Cpl Jerome A. Hinzan, 18121785

367th Bomb Sq (H) - 306th Bomb Gp (H)

(To be Corporal (Temporary))

Pfc Sam (NH) Stein, 12037723      Pfc Igalo P. Hill, 37130402

368th Bomb Sq (H) - 306th Bomb Gp (H)

(To be Technical Sergeants (Temporary))

S Sgt Robert W. Cirilo, 13038369      S Sgt Leon (NH) Foster, 30485685

S Sgt Leo L. Itlo, 10601042      S Sgt Lowell N. Colman, 36795721

S Sgt Frank J. Ramsey, 35769501

369th Bomb Sq (H) - 306th Bomb Gp (H)

(To be Sergeants (Temporary))

Cpl Robert A. Stevens, 19193348      Cpl Roger D. Probert, 19200773

Cpl Oliver J. Seall, 35674432

423d Bomb Sq (H) - 306th Bomb Gp (H)

(To be Technical Sergeant (Temporary))

S Sgt Joseph J. Jackson, 38395567

(To be Staff Sergeant (Temporary))

Sgt James R. Deant, 3582391      Sgt Harold V. Garter, 34851439

Sgt Adrian A. Collart, 15128389      Sgt Kermit G. Hall, 18115568

Sgt John J. Kaczaj, 36319368

(To be Sergeant (Temporary))

Cpl Joseph (NH) Kearns, 11060097

449th Sub Depot (Class 1)

(To be Corporals (Temporary))

Pfc Manuel (NH) Garza, 30456926      Pfc Pelton A. Rhodes, 38092557

1628th Ordnance B & H Company (Avn)

(To be Tec 3 (Temporary))

Tec 4 Raymond A. Doherty, 11052632

(To be Tec 4 (Temporary))

Tec 5 Joseph E. Lucia, Jr, 11004107      Tec 5 William S. MacMillan, 17040521

(To be Tec 5 (Temporary))

Pfc Doley J. Zebrowski, 31163230

Det "A", 876th Chemical Co (L.O.)

(To be Corporals (Temporary))

Tec 5 Harry J. Kennedy, Jr, 32138570      Tec 5 Henry E. Lewitt, 34191183

Tec 5 Clarence V. Schoechert, 16049511      Tec 5 George A. Weitzel, 16054522

(To be Tec 5 (Temporary))

Pfc Vesta R. Krapin, 38072411

2099th Engineer P. P. Platoon (Avn)

(To be Tec 5 (Temporary))

Pfc Maurice P. Tut, 6794908

6. UP of LR 615-5, and upon recommendation of his orgn cmr, 1st  
William I. Cabbage, 33446358, 423d Bomb Sq (H), 306th Bomb Gp (H), is promoted  
to the gr of Private First Class, off this date.

6 December 2000  
Box 181541  
Coronado Island, CA 92118

Russell A. Strong, Secretary  
306th Bomb Group Association  
5323 Cheval Place  
Charlotte, NC 28205

Dear Russ,

I am enclosing about 20 color negatives of snapshots taken at the reunion at the Sheraton Harbor Marina Hotel last September. A color-proof print of each negative is also included to help identify the images.

I had hoped to get the 'snaps' to you before the next issue of "ECHOES" but was tied-up with the Retired Officers Association convention that followed our own reunion here.

I have also added a 'comment' list for several images keyed to each series, e.g., K or L so marked.

I am certain that your archive files must be crammed by now, so I will leave it to you to use or dispose them as you wish.

John Endicott gathered the reunion-committee at his home shortly after the 'gala' so we could stay 'connected'. It was a great gesture and one that we agreed would be of many in the future for all of us.

We were also made aware of the kind remarks that you and others have made about our "Welcome 2000" efforts. We all agreed to consider a future date in San Diego for another reunion commitment to do the "fig" again.

Cordially,

  
Col. Jerome A. Hinman, USAF, Retired

P.S.— " By the way you might want to see the "camcorder" cinematography that Michelle made of the September function. It is a VERY professional record of the things that happened during the reunion.





December 13, 2000

Subject: Enfield / Windsor Park Storm Drainage Capital Improvements Project

Dear Property Owner:

The City of Charlotte Storm Water Services division has hired a consultant to study and investigate possible improvements to the existing storm drainage system in the Enfield / Windsor Park area. The consultant has identified possible solutions; however, we need additional survey and geotechnical information to design these solutions.

According to information in the office of the Registrar of Deeds, you have title interest to a parcel of property located within the area being considered for this project. This letter is to inform you that surveyors from ESP Associates and geotechnical representatives from Froehling & Robertson will be working in the area. The surveyors may need to enter upon your property for the purpose of surveying property lines and locating physical and topographical features. While State law authorizes entry on this property to locate property lines and physical features, no buildings or structures located on this property will be entered or disturbed. It is expected that the survey and geotechnical work will be completed by June 2001.

Thank you for your cooperation. If you have any questions about this project, please call me at (704) 336-3653.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kate Labadorf".

Kate Labadorf  
Project Manager

*Charlotte Storm Water Services 600 East Fourth Street Charlotte, North Carolina 28202-2844  
Telephone(704)336-3653 FAX(704)336-6586*

*To report drainage problems: 336-RAIN*

Jerry & Françoise  
P. O. Box 181541  
Coronado, CA 92178

Series K	Photo 2	The day the committee was "kicked out" of the Miramr 'O club
	3	Same meeting without the empty water glass !
	4	Culinary inspection at the Sheraton
	5	Property inspection by Dodge
	6	An early outlook
	7	Coffee bar BEFORE Dan Houghton's "provisioning"!
	8	A little staff work, Day -1
	9	The neighborhood for a reunion
	10	Another look !
	11	Behind those doors ?
	12	The "managers" at " San Diego 2000 "
	13	An 'intro' for Franklin of the U.K.
	14	The busy tour bus.
	15	Ladies day for shopping
	18	The color-guard (another Danny Houghton assist)
	19	The Shriner band and great music.
	20	The last dance.....till we meet again.
Series L	Photo 9	"A little talk about money"
	10	A "strong" report about the 306th,
	11	Opening Day ! at the Sheraton.
	13	Some exhibit help from the store room
	14	The 'gathering' .
	15	Work-in-progress !
	16	More work in progress
	17	The "where are you ? board"
	18	..... before the crates were opened.
	19	After the crates were opened !
	20	The big icon of the 306th
	21	.....another view
	22	Bob Vaughns' great idea for a reunion momento !

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address \_\_\_\_\_

city, state, zip \_\_\_\_\_

telephone # (619) 428-1247 [CHG, 6-1-05] to: (935) 428 1247

wife's name FRANCOISE



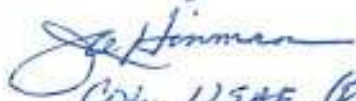
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PO Box 181541  
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5323 Cheval Place  
Charlotte, NC 28205

ENCLOSED YOU WILL FIND MY REQUEST FOR, AND  
PAYMENT FOR, A NEW 306<sup>TH</sup> DIRECTORY. YOU MAY  
CHARGE THE DIRECTORY FEE TO THE VISA ACCOUNT  
(# 4387 5500 0020 8953; EXP. DATE 04/02) AND MAIL  
TO ME AT THE ADDRESS PROVIDED.

REGARDS,

  
COL, USAF, (RETIRED)

P.S. - MAY I ALSO OBTAIN A COPY OF THE '306<sup>TH</sup> ECHOES' IN  
ORDER THAT OUR REUNION REGISTRATION CARD BE SENT IN ?  
OUR LAST COPY OF "ECHOES" WAS DATED "JANUARY 2000;  
VOL. 25, NO. 1"! IN THAT ISSUE IT REMINDED US TO WATCH  
FOR INFORMATION IN THE APRIL EDITION THAT WE NEVER  
RECEIVED!

THANK YOU

Murray Rothstein  
121 West 72<sup>nd</sup> Street, 11C  
New York, NY 10023  
Tel (212) 595-7881  
Email [mro22@aol.com](mailto:mro22@aol.com)

September 21, 2002

Re: Col Jerome Hinman (Ret)

Mr. Russell A. Strong  
5323 Cheval PL.  
Charlotte NC 28205

Dear Mr. Strong:

I've been informed by Jerry's wife Francoise and his son David, that after a brief illness, Jerry passed away on 8/10/02 in a San Diego hospital.

Jerry and his wife never failed to spend joyous moments with my wife and me when in NYC on their way to their annual QE2 sailings. Thank you and ECHOES for having reunited us after 47/48 "lost" years.

If his family has not as yet notified you of their loss, you may wish to contact son David (in SLC), by Email at [dbhinman@peoplepc.com](mailto:dbhinman@peoplepc.com) for any further information you may need.

Sincerely,



Murray Rothstein  
S/Sgt "Thurleigh Radar Shack" 44 - 45

*In Memory of*  
*Colonel Jerome A. Hinman USAF Retired*  
*Husband and father*  
*Born November 7, 1922*  
*Died August 10, 2002*  
*A memorial service will be held at*  
*Ft. Rosecrans National Cemetery Memorial Wall*  
*Point Loma, California*  
*November 15th, 2002 3 P.M.*

*Reception following service for*  
*family and friends at*  
*Marine Corp Recruit Station*  
*Bay View Restaurant*  
*San Diego, California*

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7 November 1988  
Coronado, Calif.

C. Dale Briscoe  
11025 Whisper Valley,  
San Antonio, TX 78230

Hi!

Did you discover that you had been "out-of-uniform" at the 306th banquet? Well, we found your reunion badge near our table and you will find it enclosed. We think you might want to have it for the Little Rock bash.

For us, the 'reunions' turned out to be as much nostalgic as the reunion of the 4925th Test Group (Atomic) did last year. This was my organization during the Korean War. These reunions have left such an impression on my wife, Françoise, and myself that we will try to get to Little Rock next fall.

Might we see you there too? In any event we should stay in touch. Agree?

I am enclosing a contribution (check) for our 306th "society" for use by ECHOES on other needs.

Cordially, from an old group Pathfinder, I remain

*Jerome (and Françoise) Hinman*