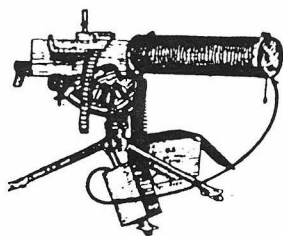




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ST. LOUIS 2000 REUNION

Very shortly, if you have not already received it by the time you receive The Bugle, you will be receiving the announced program for the Reunion 2000, to be held in St. Louis, MO. The dates are September 7th to 11th.

Thursday, September 7th will be called **Early Bird Arrivals**, and registrations may start as early as 10:00am. For those sports fans who like baseball, arrangements have been made for reservation of tickets to a St. Louis Cardinal-Montreal Expos game. The game is an early day game commencing at 12:10pm. Reserved Loge tickets are discounted for Seniors (that's us) for this game. Transportation to the game will be by Metro which takes you directly to the stadium. Return to the airport and hotel by Metro at your leisure and take the shuttle to the hotel. There are many good restaurants in downtown St. Louis, as well as an on the river gambling boat. **Tickets for the baseball game are \$16.00 per person. MetroLink tickets are but \$1.00 each way.**

Being an old time Cardinal fan, I'll be there and hope to see many of you there.

Friday, September 8th will be an enjoyable day starting at 9:00am. The bus leaves at 9:00am which includes a guided tour of St. Louis revitalized downtown heading for and into **Anheuser-Busch Brewery**. This is a **walking tour** in which you will see the famous Clydesdales, and view the brewing and packaging of beer, Bud of course. At the end of the walk through, there will be complimentary refreshments. Beer and limited to 225 people at \$22.00 per person.

Now, if you want to make the **Bud Tour**, you will have to arrive sometime on **Thursday** and get registered, or very early **Friday morning**.

Also on Friday, for those people who don't want to make the Budweiser, St. Louis tour, arrangements have been made for a bus trip and tour of **Old St. Charles, MO**. St. Charles was the first capitol of Missouri and first capitol west of the Mississippi. Browse through seventy-five different antique, craft, gift shops and a variety of quaint restaurants. Tour the old Capitol building. *Side note to those of you who choose this trip: Husbands, hold on to the credit cards and money.)*

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FIRST COMPANY COMMANDER SALUTED

CAPTAIN JOHN PAUL FOLEY

He was born March 28, 1910 in Worcester, Massachusetts, at 14 McKinley Road. At the age of seven years he had small pox. As a young man of 19 years, with 3 years of high school, his mother, Mrs. Nellie Foley signed his enlistment papers to become a member of Company B, 181st Infantry, Massachusetts National Guard, on the 7th day of September 1929. And that was the beginning of the military career which would take him into World War II. He continued to reenlist every three years. In 1935 he attended The Massachusetts Military Academy conducted by the Mass. National Guard. By the time he reenlisted in September 1939, he was a Sergeant, Grade IV.

On December 23, 1940, by Executive Order John P. Foley was appointed 2nd Lieutenant, Infantry, National Guard of the United States, effective 16 January 1941 and ordered to

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FORT JACKSON, SOUTH CAROLINA 1943
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SEEING AFRICA

By ROGER BATTEN

We decided to visit some of the countries in what used to be French Equatorial Africa. We had been in Nigeria and learned that flying into most of the west African countries was difficult and very expensive and learned that there was a Princess Cruise going to places we were interested in.

One peculiarity of the cruise is that it left from Pireus, Greece (the port of Athens). The first port of call was the island of Malta, southwest of Greece in the Mediterranean where the Knights of St. John mounted their crusade to the Holy Land. From there we went to Carthage, Tunisia which is a huge ruined city that was destroyed by Romans in the third Punic War. It is in the middle of a very beautiful suburban village of large homes of rich Tunisians. Tunisia is the garden of Europe, providing most of the fruits and vegetables. From there we transversed the Mediterranean through the Straights of Gibraltar to Casablanca, Morocco, a modern busy port which resembles Toulouse or Marseilles, France. We took a bus four hours southeast to Marrakech on the edge of the desert against the Atlas Mountains, a very beautiful and romantic city with a bustling casaba with snake charmers, jugglers and people in very colorful Arabian dress. We ate in a terrific restaurant which had several Arabian bands and BELLY DANCERS.

Since this trip was in January, it was pretty chilly from Greece down to Dakar, which is on the western most tip of Africa and from whence the slaves were shipped from the Isle of Goree in the harbor of Dakar, to the U. S. and Caribbean. The Isle now is a peaceful, lush place with lots of shops that cater to a host of tourists. Most of the countries in north, west and equatorial Africa are former colonies of France so that the commonly spoken language is French, and the over riding modern cultural pattern reflects French influence.

The next port of call, Abidjan, Ivory Coast was the first of four of the equatorial African countries which are a few degrees above the equator and are really hot and humid. Abidjan is called the New York of Africa, a very busy city with many high rise office buildings. There obviously is a lot of commerce and money being made here but there is much poverty, even though people seem to have enough to eat, they have very little material possessions.

We then went to Accra, Ghana which is the only former British colony in western Africa. Ghana is completely different, it is a beautiful country with the best infrastructure outside of South Africa. The city is very well kept, clean with well maintained roads, bridges, buildings and homes. The wealth has managed to trickle down so that there does not seem to be much poverty and there appears to be a substantial middle class. As a result, we ran into lots of very fine, friendly people and really wanted to spend more time there.

After Ghana came Togo another former French colony similar to the Ivory Coast, again a busy place, most of the exports of these countries are, some oil, phosphates, cocoa, coffee, tea, tropical fruits and oils. One interesting thing in

Togo we saw was hundreds of clothes washers along the banks of a river and they were all men!

Our final stop in equatorial Africa was Cotonou, Benin which is the world capitol of the Voodoo religion which is animistic. It is a complex religion but has none of the scary, negative aspects of the Voodoo of the Caribbean. We went up country to the old capitol of Abomey where we met the King of Benin, who serves now as an advisor to the democratic government. We were entertained in his palace grounds by his retinue which included his body guards and part of his army which are all women warriors called Amazons. A really fascinating experience.

We then spent four days at sea before arriving at Walvis Bay, Namibia which was the former Southwest Africa. Most of the country is the most profound desert I have ever seen. Nothing but sand! Not a blade of grass or bush of any type. That city and the next one, Luderitz, down the coast, only exists because of the diamond mining of the sands along the shores. The natives here are the Nama people and the African bushmen. If any of you saw the movie "The Gods Must Be Crazy," the little man who found the coke bottle was a bushman. However, all of the bushmen we saw were tall, about our height, were light skinned and had very high cheek bones.

We arrived in Capetown, South Africa in early February. Capetown is a very beautiful, lush place very similar to San Francisco. We went up country to the Stellenbosch valley which is their wine district and really reminds us of Napa-Sonoma valleys in California. One night we had a mixed grill at a great restaurant which included crocodile, ostrich, springbok and Kudo! The final sightseeing was down to the Cape of Good Hope which is the dramatic headland at the southern tip of Africa, where there are lots of penguins, baboons, zebra and lots of different kinds of antelope. The downer part of the trip was a grueling 19 hour flight back to New York from Capetown.

(Day One was Athens, Greece and Day 24 was Cape Town.)

A very long trip over a month, but I sure would recommend it to all you adventurers.

COMPUTER OWNERS TAKE NOTE

Those of you out there who own computers and have an E-Mail address: If you wish to let others in our company know your address, please send me a message and I will in turn publish it in The Bugle. If you so wish, I will provide that address to John Kline, Editor of The Cub and he will add it to his list also. Here are several starting with mine so you can notify me of yours.

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Pvt Eugene B Clifton KIA 1944
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Lcol (1Lt) Charles Costigan 1988
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Major (2Lt) George Warner 1994
Pfc David Woodson KIA 1944
Capt (2Lt) Anthony Yanalitis 1998

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Following are names of Officers who served with D Company.
If you can remember additional names, please report them.

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Pfc James Blythe 1991	T/5 Arturo Maya 1963
1/Sgt Robert Bothe 1991	T/Sgt Nels Moe 1993
Pfc Leonard Bruenning 1999	T/Sgt Walter Pampus 1999
S/Sgt Carl E Burch 1995	Pfc Michael Petrunio 1994
S/Sgt William J Burke 1986	Major Robert W Preucel (MD) 1995
1Lt William S Boucouvalas 1986	Pfc James Scarsorie, Sr. 1998
Pvt Eugene B Clifton KIA 1944	Pfc Clarence Saffley 1987
Pvt Hays Copeland 1988	1Lt Allen G Smith 1986
Pvt Mays Copeland 1980	Pfc Christian Sutich 1992
Lcol (1Lt) Charles Costigan 1988	Pfc Michael Serrian 1976
Pvt Joseph D'Antonio KIA 1944	Major (1Lt) Russell Terry 1985
Pfc Anthony DellaPinta 1993	1Lt Kenneth Tewell KIA 1944
Pvt James J Dettore KIA 1944	Sgt Robert Treglowne 1985
Sgt Louis Ferretti 1981	Pvt Robert Tucker KIA 1944
1Lt G K Flewelling KIA 1944	1Lt Claude VanEmelen KIA 1944
Sgt John Frizzel KIA 1944	Sgt Ellis M Watson KIA 1944
Pfc J C Frodge 1990	Major (2Lt) George Warner 1994
T/Sgt Edward A Goedert 1991	Pfc David Woodson KIA 1944
T/5 William E Gradin 1994	Capt (2Lt) Anthony Yanalitis 1998
Sgt John P Hart 1977	

OFFICERS CALL

Following are names of Officers who served with D Company. If you can remember additional names, please report them.

Capt John P Foley (First CO)
1Lt John Berthias (First EXO)
2Lt Kenneth Tewell (1st Platoon Ldr)
2Lt Alden F Russell (2nd Platoon Ldr & 2nd CO)
2 t Russell Terry (3rd Platoon Ldr)
1Lt Claude VanEmelen (2nd Platoon Ldr)
2Lt Kenneth Long Capt Robert W Preucel (CO in US & ETO)
2Lt E.C. Johnson 1Lt Charles Costigan (EXO in US & ETO)
1Lt Lawrence E. Randall 1Lt G K Flewelling (2nd Platoon-KIA)
1Lt Cecil Ayers 2Lt John P Kilkenny, Jr (3rd Platoon-KIA)
1Lt James VanOsdol 1Lt Ralph Plummer (1st Platoon)
2Lt Donald K White 2Lt Jack E Clifton
2Lt Gene O Yarnell 2Lt William S Boucouvalas
1Lt Harry M Wooldridge 2Lt Allen G Smith
Capt Wesley D Griffin 2Lt William C Sanderson
Capt Ralph K Lee 2Lt Anthony M Yanalitis (BF Comm)
Capt Roy Burks 2Lt George Warner (ETO OCS)

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