

# **206th CA-AA AS THE NICKLE FLIPPED**

## **Fort Bliss TEXAS**

### **August - 1941**

WHILE ON MANUVERS IN THE PEACEFUL DESERT OF NEW MEXICO, THE FATE OF TWO COAST ARTILLERY REGIMENTS WAS DECIDED WHEN GENERAL SPILLER FLIPPED A COIN TO SEE WHICH ONE COULD GO TO THE PHILIPPINE ISLANDS WHILE THE LOOSER WOULD GO TO DUTCH HARBOR, ALASKA. MOST OF US ARE HERE TODAY BECAUSE WE LOST!

#### **FACTS ABOUT THE NICKLE . . .**

THE NICKLE WAS A 1907 V NICKLE. MAX LOVE (THEN SARGENT MAJOR) HAS THE NICKLE TODAY. WHEN ASKED HOW HE GOT THE NICKLE, MR. LOVE STATED IT WAS HIS TO START WITH.

SHOULD YOU WISH TO PURSUE THIS FURTHER, YOU CAN CONTACT MR. LOVE, 4102 HAZELWOOD, N. LITTLE ROCK, AR PHONE 758-4049.

MR. PAUL CONWAY, SECRETARY FOR THE 206th REGIMENT REUNION, ALSO STATED HE HAD CHECKED THIS WITH COL. ROBINSON WHO ALSO CONFIRMED THESE FACTS.

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August 28, 1990

General Alf Langston  
Camp Robinson  
North Little Rock, Arkansas 72118

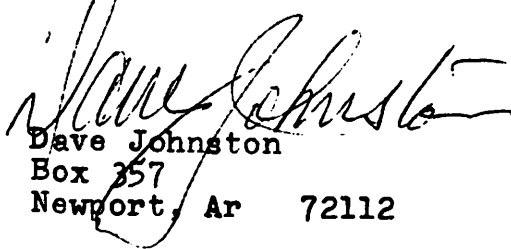
Dear sir,

In response to your request of information for a 50th  
reunion of World War II veterans, I am enclosing a  
roster of the HQ Btry 2nd Bn 206 CA (AA).

I can account for all but four of those inducted,  
1-6-41. I have not heard of them since we returned  
to the States from Dutch Harbor.

I hope this will be of some use in organizing a  
reunion.

Sincerely,



Dave Johnston  
Box 357  
Newport, Ar 72112

Note. The 206th are having their annual reunion  
this week-end at North Little Rock Hilton,  
Aug. 31, Sept. 1-2.



DUTCH HARBOR, ALEUTIAN ISLANDS / FAIRBANKS, ALASKA 1941-1944

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August 21, 1990

Adjutant General (Dept.) State of Arkansas  
Attn: Colonel Alf Langston  
Camp Robinson  
North Little Rock, Arkansas 72118-2200

Dear Colonel Langston:

The annual meeting of the 206 C.A.(A.A.) Association is upon us. We will meet at the Riverfront Hilton Inn on Friday, August 31st and September 1st and 2nd, 1990.

We will have a business meeting at 1:00 P.M. September 1st in Room Silver City-1 at which time information could be given out or feed back gotten on your planned days of recognition of the four Arkansas National Guard Organizations that entered Federal Service 50 years ago.

Since you have been on Special Duty for three weeks ending Friday night, August 31st, you may elect to send Captain Talmadge Dester as your representative.

We will have a social hour at 5:30 in the Baring Cross room and Huntersville suits. The banquet will be held at 7:00 P.M. in Silver City I & II. The speaker will be B. G. Houston Keane, Commander of the Joint Rediness Training Center at Little Rock Air Force Base and Fort Chaffee.

If you and/or Captain Deeter would like to attend any or all of the above as our guest, please do, and bring your wives if they so desire. Uniforms would be nice or suits, if you prefer, for Saturday evening.

Sincerely yours,

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