

1ST BATTALION 333^D ARTILLERY

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GENERAL LANG



GENERAL'S MESSAGE

As the end of your tour of duty with Seventh Army draws near, I wish to extend my best wishes to the officers and men of the 1st Battalion, 333d Artillery. Your devotion to your duty and mission have made Seventh Army's "Sunday Punch" a reliable and respected weapon system and your accomplishments have brought credit upon yourselves and the U.S. Army. Congratulations and best wishes to you all.

C. deW. W. LANG
Brig Gen, USA
Commanding



COLONEL FRANCE
Commanding Officer, 56th Group

COMMANDER'S MESSAGE

As the 1st Battalion, 333d Artillery closes another chapter in its illustrious career, it is well to pause a moment and reflect on the many achievements of the battalion. A reading of our history in another section of this book would alone make a man proud to have been a member of so fine a unit, but to you, who wrote so many pages of this history, belongs a special feeling of satisfaction and pride.

To many of you, this was your first assignment, your introduction to the honorable profession of arms. To others it was another in the many and varied assignments that constitute a military career. To me, it was a deeply satisfying and extremely rewarding tour as the commander of such a respected and honored unit.

Each of you who will depart the battalion, whether to return to civilian life or to continue in the service, will carry with you the satisfaction that your training, your technical knowledge, your application of the many fine traits and skills I have observed in each of you, has made the Seventh Army a symbol of the free world's mightiest deterrent against war.

This battalion, with its capabilities, and its fine-honed state of combat readiness, has always enjoyed only the finest reputation throughout the world. This reputation was made possible not through the efforts of any one individual but through the combined efforts of each of you.

The true total of the achievements of this battalion is more than the sum of individual efforts, sacrifices and dedication. By sharing this larger measure we can never forget this magnificent team and all of its accomplishments.

To all of you, whatever your goal in life, or whatever the needs of our great country may impose upon you, I extend my best wishes, my gratitude for making my task easier, and wish you God speed on your future ventures.



LT COLONEL MILLER

WILLIAM R MILLER
Lt. COL., Artillery
Commanding





Sgt Major Klinger



Battalion Staff: Major Hembree, Executive Officer; Capt Murphy, S-1; Lt Fisher, S-2; Capt Stapp, S-3; Capt Foster, Communications Officer; Capt Kilby, S-4.



S-1 SECTION
Sgt Maj Klinger, Sp/4 Ambrosio, Sp/4 Wolkenhauer



S-2 SECTION
SFC Tuller, Lt Fisher, Sp/4 Hesselbrock



S-3 SECTION
MSgt Garza, Sp/4 Buchanan, SSgt Bell



S-4 SECTION
Sp/4 Newport, CWO Hall, Lt Richardson
SFC Payne, Sp/5 Asuncion

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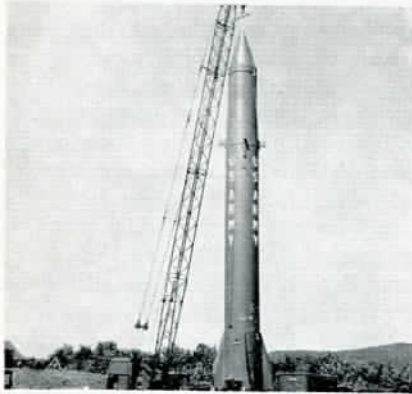
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BATTALION HISTORY

The 333d Field Artillery Regiment was organized as a unit of the 86th Infantry Division on 5 August 1917, at Camp Grant, Illinois, and was demobilized at the same post on 23 January 1919.

In 1942 the 333d was reactivated, and in 1943 it was sent overseas as the 333d Field Artillery Group, comprised of the 333d, and the 969th Field Artillery Battalions. It participated in the following European campaigns for which it is authorized streamers to accompany the battalion colors: Normandy, Northern France, Ardennes-Alsace, the Battle of the Bulge, Rhineland, and Central Europe. For action during the Battle of the Bulge, the 969th Battalion was awarded a Distinguished Unit Streamer, embroidered BASTOGNE. After cessation of hostilities, the unit was inactivated.

The 333d Field Artillery Regiment was withdrawn from the Army Reserve and redesignated Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, 1st Missile Battalion, 333d Artillery and allotted to the Regular Army 1 March 1960. Headquarters and Headquarters Battery was not



In 1957 this crane was used to erect the Redstone.



Sec. Vance checks the lay of the missile with a theodolite during his visit to Des Gottles Kaserne in March 1964.



BATTALION CREST

The Battalion Crest was originally approved for the 333d Field Artillery Regiment in November

1942 by the Office of the Quartermaster General and redesignated for the the 333d Field Artillery Battalion on 9 November 1943.

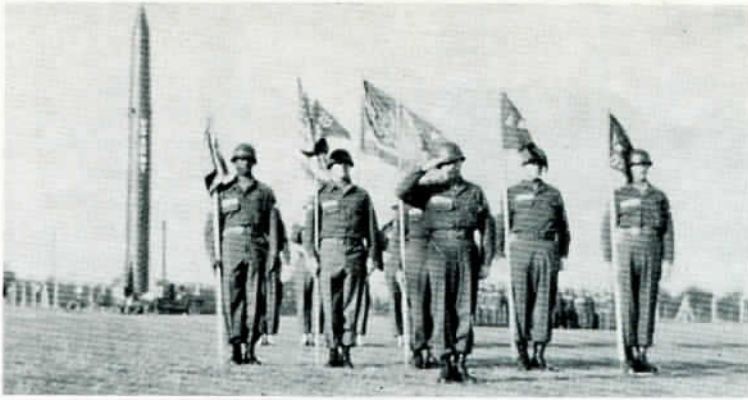
The scarlet and gold of the shield are the colors of the Field Artillery, while the stream of projectiles show the function of the organization, and indicate that its honors mount with each action. The even grouping indicates the ability of the Battalion to perform within narrow limits. The numerical designation is indicated by the three shells on each of the three vertical panels, while the fleur-de-lis symbolizes the service in France in World War I.

activated, but Batteries A and B were constituted and assigned to the 40th Artillery Group 1 March 1960 in Germany. Prior to this time the 40th Field Artillery Group, originally at Camp Carson, Colorado, was reorganized and redesignated the 40th Artillery Group (Redstone) at Redstone Arsenal, Alabama on 9 September 1957. The organic elements of the Group at this time were Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, 40th Artillery Group (Redstone), Batteries A and B, 217th Field Artillery Missile Battalion, 580th Engineer Company and 630th Ordnance Company.

On the 18th of June 1958, the Group embarked for Germany from Hampton Roads, Virginia, and landed at Saint Nazaire, France, on 28 June. The personnel and equipment were road marched to their present location in the Mainz area arriving the 5th of July. The Group was redesignated 40th Artillery Group on 20 July 1958, and remained intact until 1 May 1960 when Batteries A and B, 217th Field Artillery Missile Battalion were inactivated and Batteries A and B, 1st Missile Battalion, 333d Artillery were activated.

The next change in the official designation took place on 16 September 1962 with the inactivation of the 40th Artillery Group. The personnel and equipment of Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, 40th Artillery Group, 580th Engineer Company and 630th Ordnance Company were used to activate Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, Engineer Company and Ordnance Company, 1st Battalion, 333d Artillery. Batteries A and B, 1st Missile Battalion, 333d Artillery were redesignated Batteries A and B, 1st Battalion, 333d Artillery.

From the time the Battalion first landed in France in World War II to the present day, it has been one of the heaviest contributors to the Military Archives. Within a few hours after debarking on Cherbourg Peninsula in June 1944, the Battalion fired its first 155 mm round. It was to blaze a glorious path throughout the period it was committed to combat and reached the epitome when it once fired 1500 rounds in a 24 hour period. Members of the Battalion wear the Distinguished Unit Emblem with unbounding pride with the knowledge that their predecessors "gave their all" at the Battle of the Bulge at Bastogne during that Christmas season of 1944.



Flags Flying—Organization Day, October 1963

**COMMANDER'S MESSAGE AT
KENNEDY MEMORIAL FORMATION**

We are gathered here today in the memory of our late president and Commander-in-Chief—John Fitzgerald Kennedy, who was killed in the service of his country on 22 November 1963. Today he will be placed in his final resting place, following a career in which he devoted so much of himself to the American people.

Today, as the President takes his final journey and is laid to rest, we can reflect on his brilliant and glorious career. The youngest man ever elected to the presidency of the United States was a truly popular president in every sense of the word. We remember him as a great statesman, a scholar, an author, a man of broad vision, a husband and a father, a humanitarian, a religious man, a man who loved his fellow men, the outdoors and the wonders of nature. He seemed to embody all the fine attributes we hold dear to the American way of life, a life we are pledged to defend with ours if necessary. As soldiers, perhaps we remember him best as our Commander-in-Chief. In this role, we went with him to the brink of nuclear war during the Berlin crisis in 1961, and the Cuban crisis just a year ago. During these and other times of crisis, he carried the tremendous weight of the destiny of our country and perhaps mankind itself.

As this flag before you is flying at half mast, so too are the flags of numerous nations of the world flying at half mast in his memory. Not only are the eyes of Americans veiled with tears but so too are the eyes of our friends in foreign lands as people everywhere are aware that the world has lost a friend of peace.

He has given us a gift more precious than the promise of material wealth and security—he gave us a heritage—a measure of courage, faith, and dedication that shall be ours for the rest of our lives and the generations to follow. We stand here today filled with a grief that words cannot express. We have witnessed the passing of a great man. In our grief we know we can be better soldiers and Americans because we lived and served during the time of John Fitzgerald Kennedy.

Members of the first Redstone unit all feel equally proud that their weapon has earned the title "Old Reliable." The past is full of the successes of the system, but it is appropriate to enumerate a few of the firsts in which the battalion directly participated. These include: First launching by service personnel of a large ballistic missile at Cape Canaveral in May 1958 by members of Battery A, first inland launching of a large ballistic missile to an inland target at White Sands Missile Range in June 1958 by members of Battery B, and the first large ballistic missile to be deployed overseas in 1958. The impact of these events on military history was pointed out by General Willard G. Wyman, then Commanding General, Continental Army Command, who said: "This points to the end of an epoch during which the Army employed conventional heavy artillery of limited range and destructive capability, and a beginning of a new era, that of mobile, heavy missile artillery systems capable of delivering large warheads, either high explosive or nuclear, over much greater range than ever attained by surface weapons previously." The 333d Artillery made the prediction of General Wyman a reality.

The troops of the Battalion have experienced many triumphs which are indelibly printed in its history. From the first Army Training Test conducted by the two Batteries at Redstone Arsenal in March 1958 and through each succeeding test, the troops have continually performed knowing that their outstanding achievements were, in a large measure, the reason that Seventh Army could rely on Redstone for its Sunday Punch, just as the nation relied on Redstone to assist in the orbiting of our first satellite, Explorer I, in December 1958. Again, two and one half years later, the Battalion took pride in being associated with Redstone. At Launching Pad 5, Cape Canaveral, Florida, on 5 May 1961, the 62d Redstone ever to be launched was waiting. "Old Reliable" had a Mercury capsule on top of it with Commander Alan Shepard, ready to make America's first manned space flight into outer space. With the usual success, Redstone did it again.

In remembering times such as these, and also events of lesser significance, the present members of the battalion and their predecessors feel unbounding pride in having served with Redstone and in the 333d Artillery Battalion.

THE TRAINING YEAR

The training year of 1963 ended in fine style in June with all units receiving a "Well Done" from the Umpires on the Battalion Annual Training Test. Also in June, Alpha Battery participated in a missile display in Hanau for ceremonies honoring President Kennedy's visit.

During the summer the Engineers continued their support of the Battalion's German-American Relations program, assisting in the building of athletic fields, pistol ranges, and schools. The other units trained and made preparations for the Annual Missile Firing at White Sands Missile Range in New Mexico. In August we welcomed our new Battalion Commander, Lt Col William R. Miller. In September Bravo Battery, followed by Alpha Battery, and supported by Engineer and Ordnance teams, went to White Sands to display the skills they had developed through constant training and practice during the year.

October was a busy month for the Battalion. Organization Day was held after the firing batteries returned from White Sands. Bravo Battery put on a demonstration for the Big Picture, an Army sponsored television program that produced a movie to tell the story of Seventh Army. October was also the month of the Command Maintenance Materiel Inspection, of a field problem in the Soonwald, and of the Annual General Inspection.

November began with a field problem in the Morfelden-Darmstadt area, during which an Armored Personnel Carrier from "Big Lift" mounted an "Aggressor Attack" on the Engineer Company. The month ended sadly with a memorial formation held in honor of our assassinated Commander - in - Chief, President John F. Kennedy.

December was highlighted by a cold week's field training in Butzbach. Over the holidays the troops played Santa Claus to children from German Orphanages as the Battalion hosted a Christmas party at McCully Barracks.

In February, the Battalion participated in Fasching. Our "Narren Zug," or "Fools Train," carried German and



Capt Aho, and Sgts Silva and Bradshaw run McCully Barracks for the Battalion Commander, who is also the Installation Coordinator.



LOX Fueling.



Disaster Force—Always ready



Engineer Field Maintenance Van



Gen Lang visits the Battalion in the field.



The Engineers working on another project with our German neighbors.

American children in the children's parade and also marched as the Battalion float in the Rose Monday parade. Fasching was followed by another field exercise in the Darmstadt area where Gen Lang visited the Battalion to present the Minute Man Flag for support of the Army Savings Program. In March came another demonstration, this time by the Des Gouttes Kaserne units for Assistant Secretary of Defense Cyrus R Vance.

German-American week was conducted during May. The Battalion had open house and participated in visits to several of the German factories and wineries in the neighborhood. The week was climaxed by a joint German-American review at McCully Barracks.



MAY 1964—THE 1/333 CONTINGENT MARCHES OFF TO THE GERMAN-AMERICAN PARADE



FOUNTAINS IN MAINZ AT NIGHT



MAINZ CATHEDRAL
1000 YEARS OLD



MAINZ



CHRIST CHURCH
KAISERSTRASSE, MAINZ

The 1st Bn, 333d Artillery's German home was in the heart of the historic Rhineland. Headquarters, Bravo Battery, and Ordnance Company were stationed in the small village of Wackernheim, in the county of Bingen, but closer to Mainz. Mainz was founded by the Romans over 2000 years ago, at the junction of the Rhine and Main Rivers. During the Middle Ages it was a free city, the home of the powerful Bishop of Mainz, and a city so admired that it was called Golden Mainz.

Mainz today is famous as one of the three German centers (with Cologne and Munich) of Fasching, a period of festivities and parades resembling the Mardi Gras of New Orleans.

Fasching begins on the 11th minute of the 11th hour, 11th day of the 11th month of each year, and continues until the beginning of Lent. The climax comes on Rose Monday with a spectacular parade. Special Fasching clubs and bands from Mainz and the neighboring towns march in the parade, all in costume, and there are various humorous floats, many of which have political themes.

BAD KREUZNACH



BRIDGE HOUSE

Alpha Battery and the Engineer Company were stationed in the town of Bad Kreuznach in the Nahe Valley, not far from the Rhine. The "Town of Roses and Nightingales," as it is called, is a famous spa, where, since 1817, people have come to drink and bathe in the waters of the local brine springs, and to relax at the Kurhaus.

Both Mainz and Bad Kreuznach are centers of the wine industry. The Rhine valley is famous for its white wines, made from the Riesling grape. The wines from the Mainz area are called Rhine-Hessen, while those from Bad Kreuznach are called Nahe wines after the name of the valley where they are grown. In the summer and fall, before the new wine is made, all the towns and villages in the area have wine fests to clear out their cellars for the new crops, and all summer long there is a permanent winefest in Rüdesheim.

Slightly to the west of Mainz and north of Bad Kreuznach is the city of Bingen, where the scenic Rhine gorge begins, with its steep sides covered with vineyards, and its numerous ruins and castles. These were built by the robber barons of the Middle Ages to enable them to tax the traders who travelled on the Rhine.



VINEYARDS OF THE NAHE
VALLEY



BURG KATZ

FASCHING



1/333 FLOAT



KHRUSHCHEV AND FRIEND



MARCHERS



PFALZ CASTLE AT KAUB



Capt Harold C DeKlyen
Battery Commander

HEADQUARTERS BATTERY



1/Sgt John A Hayward



FIRST PLATOON

Front Row: Arthur, Ray, Jordan, Harrison, Graham; Second Row: Miller, Bertogli, Neal, Harris, Clark; Third Row: Hayden, McNelly, Morgan, McCune; Fourth Row: Shellenberg, Martsching, Poteet, Carroll, Rocha, Rodrigues; Fifth Row: Volk, Smith, Kanipe, Turner, Remakel, Hardy, Wong



SECOND PLATOON

Front Row: Garza, Shamburger; Second Row: Burnworth, Wright, Perkins, Martin, Riley; Third Row: Smith, West, Rodriguez, Hesselbrock, Sparrow; Fourth Row: Miller, Stenhouse, Buchanan, Spiers, Barth, Creelman, Stopfer, Wolckenhauer, LaBounty.

HEADQUARTERS BATTERY



THIRD PLATOON—Front row: Payne, Gee, Asuncion; Second row: Rall, Clinton, Dow, Jones, Evans, Graham, Sheats; Third row: Keaton, Rupert, Newport, Overbay, Simmons; Fourth row: Simpson, Padecken, Gasher, Haynes, Deibel; Fifth row: Crain, Williams, Jones, Martinez, Ray.

STAFF SECTIONS



MAINTENANCE SECTION — Sp/4's Simpson and Bumgarner keeping another of our vehicles off deadline.



WASH RACK—Where we keep our vehicles ever ready for inspection.



SHOP OPERATIONS — Sp/4 Bumgarner, CWO Thierolf, and SSgt Dougherty get in the know with the latest preventive maintenance manual.

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ORDERLY ROOM — PFC Sheats is typing up the Morning Report, but thinking about the 999,999 days he has left.



Our Personnel Officer, Mr. Haas, working on someone's return to the States.



SSgt Shamburger leads his diligent Personnel Section through the daily strains of Personnel Actions.



Sp4 Creelman works on next month's pay roll, we hope! !!



Sp/4 West and PFC Chaney get ready to cut orders promoting some more lucky men in the Battalion.



One of our Message Center Clerks waiting until time for him to make another Communications Check.



SFC McGhee with his staff of cooks, ready to turn out the best SOS in the army.



CAPT FLOYD M. MURPHY JR
Battery Commander

BATTERY A

BEST BY TEST



1 SGT DAVID J. PAWELSKI
First Sergeant



FRONT ROW: Dinkel, McDaniel, Farrow, DeVore, Wofford, CWO Sanders, Capt Murphy, 2d Lt Parker, Pawelski.

SECOND ROW: Bivens, Hoffman, Busbee, Lawson, Hinze, Henderson, Jordan, Hall.

THIRD ROW: Noltner, Phillips, Bird, Monroe, Spangler, McGrisken, Sasser, White, French.

FOURTH ROW: Colvin, Skovrinski, Mott, Grzybowski, Kestler, Reiber,

Walker, Van Gelder, Howieson, Pellegrino.

FIFTH ROW: Frable, Andrus, Reeser, Buchanan, Harris, Leach, Moore, Laurien, Jackson.

SIXTH ROW: Zopp, Price, Malerich, Rullo, Shaw, Forrest, Burkett, Larroque, Walton.

Assigned but not shown: Bell, Smith, Frazier, McCormack, Chapple, Clay, Giannone, Zitzelsberger.

The historical record of Battery A is best explained by our adopted unit motto "Best By Test."

Since arriving in Bad Kreuznach on 4 July 1958, the unit has had the usual amount of personnel turnover, however, a few of the original party are again with the unit having completed one tour, returned to CONUS and subsequently been reassigned back to Battery A. Sergeants Lee D Henderson and John F Dinkel were slick sleeve Privates on that memorable day in '58 and today they constitute part of the backbone of this proud unit. Our present Chief of Firing Battery, SFC Charles W Wofford was a member of our sister battery way back then, but since has had the good fortune of joining us.

Down through the years, the unit has been called on to perform a variety of assignments and as usual has carried the honors and colors of the Battalion in the esteemed position they so rightly deserve. Of particular significance were the Presidential demonstration at Hanau, Germany in June '63 given in honor of our late departed President Kennedy; the Patton Day Remembrance Demonstration at Ettelbruck, Luxembourg, June and July 1963; and the demonstration for Deputy Secretary of Defense Vance at Bad Kreuznach in March



Cake baked on the occasion of a visit to Battery "A" by Cyrus R. Vance, Deputy Secretary of Defense.



Firing site on Kuhberg.

'64. In addition, some of the men of Battery A were participants in the Presidential inaugural parade of 1957.

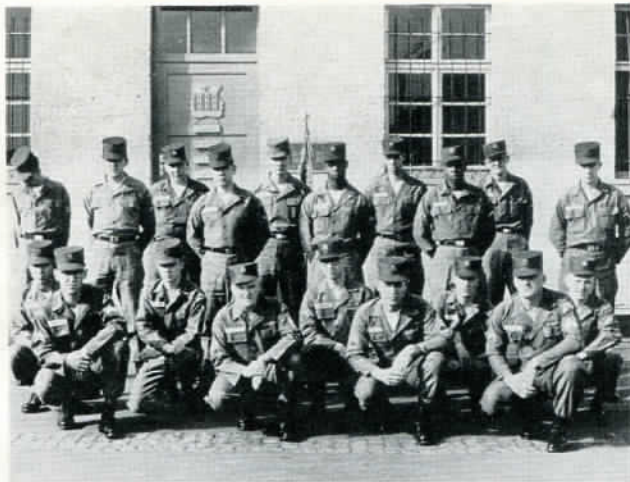
We are all very proud of having served in the unit that has a distinction that no other unit can claim. Battery A was the first military unit to fire a Redstone missile—at Cape Canaveral, Florida in May 1958.

Ever since our first Army Training Test at Redstone Arsenal, our unit has passed with ease any type test encountered. Annual General Inspections, Combat Capabilities Tests, Annual Service Practices, you name it and we'll probably have set a record somewhere along the line.

The high state of morale and esprit de corps that has permeated throughout is best explained by the fact that our unit was the winner of the 333d's Organization Day schedule of events for the past two years. Winning in 1963 was quite an accomplishment since we had returned from our annual ASP at White Sands only a few days earlier.

Yes, there will be many a misty eye when the curtain rolls down, but we have our memories and record books to continually remind us that we were "Best By Test."



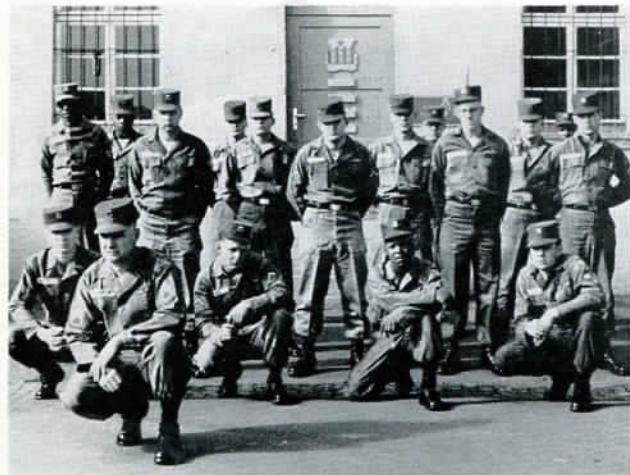
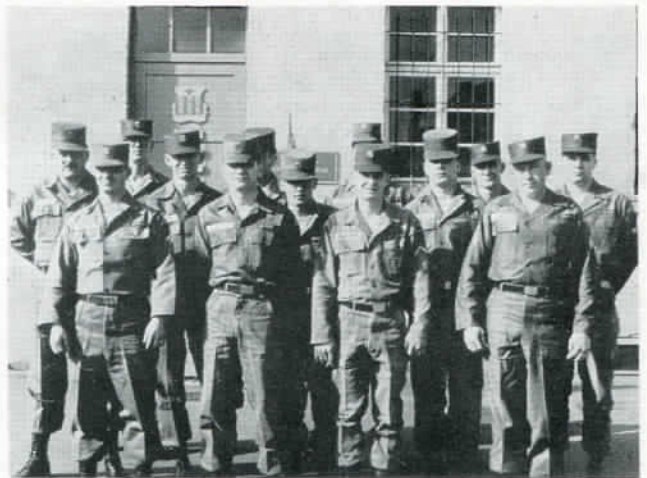


BATTERY HEADQUARTERS SECTION

Front Row: Sgt Hall, SFC McDaniel, SFC DeVore, Sgt Jordan.
 Second Row: SP5 Busbee, PFC Hoffman, SP4 Laurien, SP4 Leach, PFC Reeser.
 Third Row: PFC Skovrinski, SP4 White, PFC Calvin, PFC Bivens, PFC Larroque.
 Fourth Row: SP5 Lawson, PFC Mott, PFC Malerich, PVT Price, PFC Burkett.
 Assigned but not shown: SP4 Clay, PFC Giannone, PFC Zitzelberger.

FIRING SECTION

Front Row: SP5 Moore, SP4 Andrus, PFC Buchanan, Sgt Dinkel.
 Second Row: SP4 Reiber, SP4 Noltner, PFC Grzybowski, SP4 Pellegrino.
 Third Row: SP5 Zopp, SP4 Rullo, SP4 Shaw, PFC Bird.
 Assigned but not shown: SSgt Bell, SP5 Frazier.



SERVICING SECTION

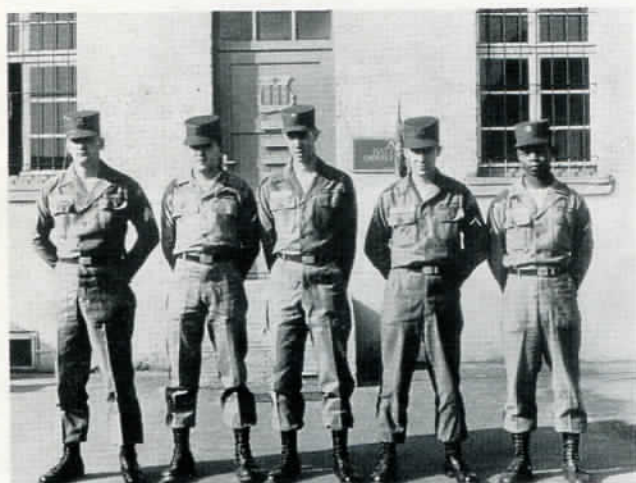
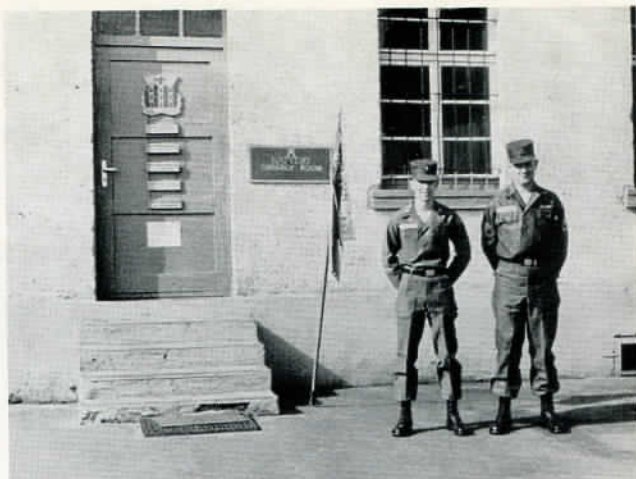
Front Row: SSgt Farrow.
 Second Row: Sgt Henderson, PFC Hinze, PFC Harris, SP4 McGrisken.
 Third Row: SP5 Kestler, PFC Sasser, PFC Howieson, PFC Walker.
 Fourth Row: SP5 Forrest, PFC Phillips, SP4 Monroe, PFC Spangler.
 Fifth Row: SP4 Walton, PFC Van Gelder, SP4 French, SP4 Jackson.

Battery A – First Troop Unit to Fire a Redstone Missile

FIRING BATTERY HEADQUARTERS

2d Lt Parker, SFC Wofford.

Assigned but not shown: SP4 White.



COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

Sgt Jordon, PFC Skovrinski, Pvt Price, PFC Larroque, PFC Colvin.
Assigned but not shown: PFC Zitzelsberger.

MESS SECTION

SFC DeVore, PFC Hoffman, PFC Reeser, PFC Bivens, PFC Mott,
SP5 Lawson.



Battery "A" – A Well Trained Army Team



MAINTENANCE SECTION

Front Row: Sgt Hall.
 Second Row: SP5 Busbee, PFC Giannone, SP4 Leach, PFC Malerich.
 Assigned but not shown: SP4 Clay.



FUELING CREW

Front Row: Sgt Henderson.
 Second Row: PFC Hinze, SP4 McGrisken.
 Third Row: PFC Van Gelder, SP4 Monroe, PFC Howieson.
 Assigned but not shown: SP4 Chapple.



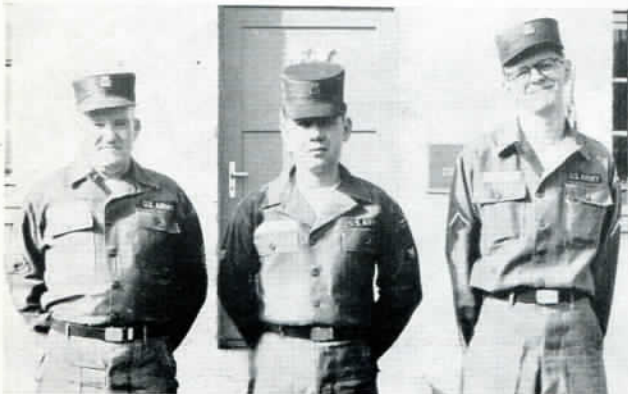
HANDLING CREW

Front Row: SSgt Farrow.
 Second Row: SP5 Kestler, SP4 Jackson, PFC Harris, PFC Walker, PFC Phillips.
 Third Row: SP5 Forrest, PFC Sasser, SP4 Walton, PFC Spangler, SP4 French.



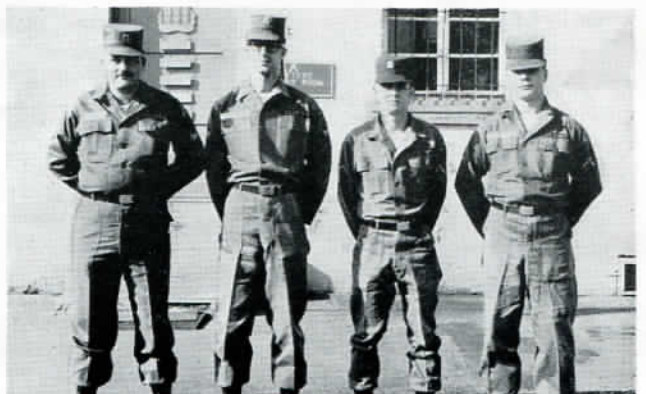
ELECTRONICS SPECIALISTS

Front Row: SP4 Rullo, SP5 Moore, SP4 Andrus, Sgt Dinkel, SP4 Pellegrino.
 Second Row: SP5 Zopp, SP4 Shaw, SP4 Noltner, PFC Bird.
 Assigned but not shown: SP5 Frazier.



SUPPLY SECTION

SFC McDaniel, SP4 White, PFC Burkett.

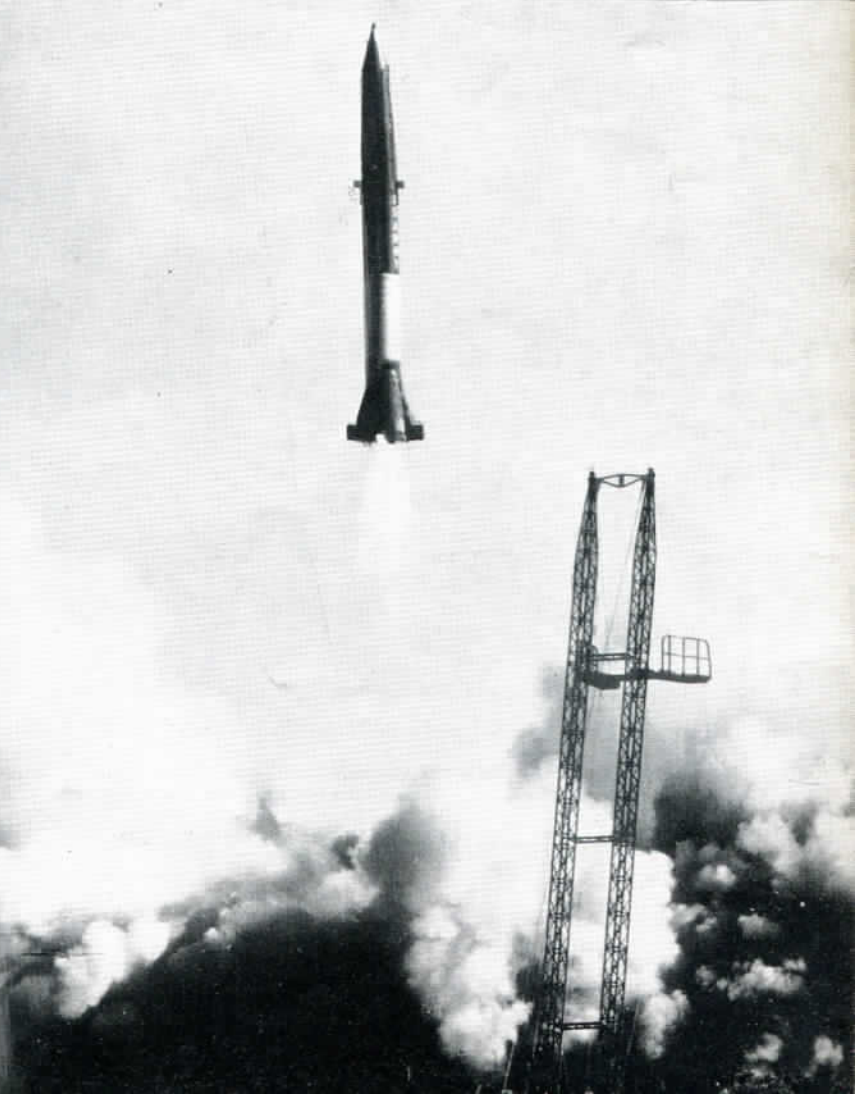
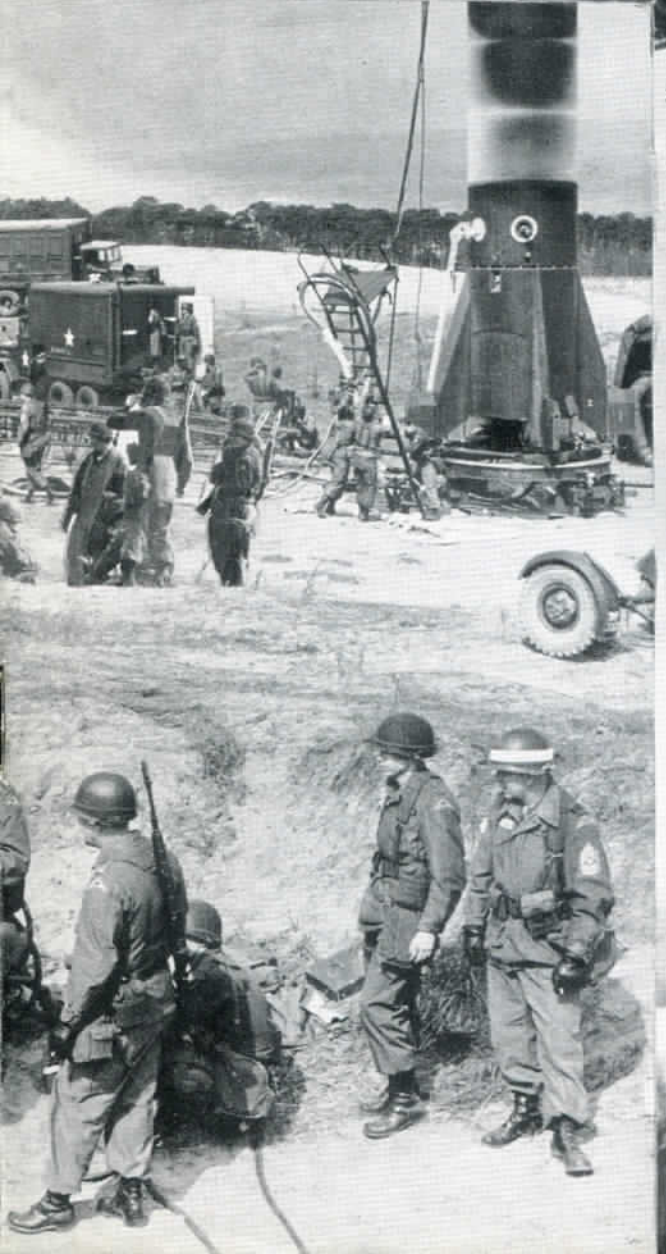
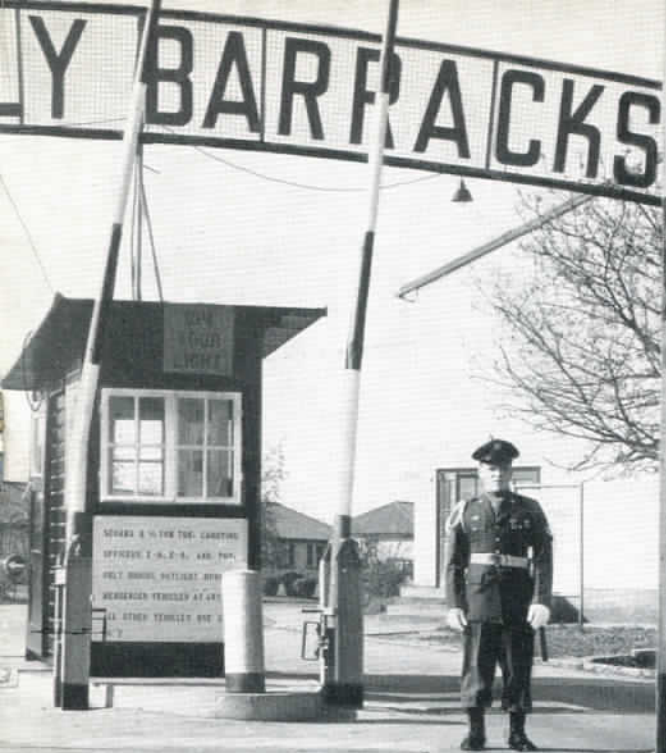


PROPULSION SECTION

SP4 Reiber, SP4 Shaw, PFC Buchanan, PFC Grzybowski.
 Assigned but not shown: SSgt Bell.

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Captain William L. Hughes
Battery Commander

BATTERY B



1st Sergeant William E. Brown
1st Sergeant

Bravo Battery, 217th Field Artillery Battalion was organized at Huntsville, Alabama as part of the 40th Artillery Group. On the 2d of June, 1958, Bravo conducted the first Military firing of the Redstone Missile at White Sands, New Mexico. In July of the same year the 40th was deployed to Germany, with Battery B stationed at Wackernheim. Shortly after its arrival in Europe, Battery B, 217th Field Artillery Battalion was redesignated Battery B, 1st Missile Battalion, 333d Artillery, and assigned to the 40th Artillery Group. While assigned to the North Atlantic Treaty Organization in Europe, Battery B traveled to White Sands, New Mexico to conduct four more tactical firings of the mighty Redstone. The first of these firings, 26 January 1960, was the "first on schedule." On 21 September 1961 and on 30 August 1962, two more tactical firings

were conducted. The last firing on 10 September 1963 was a beautiful night firing, the first made in the Battalion. In November 1962, Battery B was redesignated to its present unit designation, Battery B, 1st Battalion, 333d Artillery. In the six years of its existence, Battery B has set records in the Combat Capabilities Tests, Technical Proficiency Tests, Annual General Inspections, and Command Maintenance Material Inspections, as well as the Annual Service Firings, that have never been equaled or surpassed.

Individuals from the Battery have been selected as "Soldier of the Month" on numerous occasions, as well as "Soldier of the Quarter." With all of these individual and Battery achievements, everyone's effort was rewarded as the Battery was selected as "The Best Unit" in the Battalion during the First Quarter of 1964.



First Row: Amerson, Doane, Hankinson, Brown, Capt Hughes, Blaese, Elmore, Clay, Herron
Second Row: Cwiklinski, Denny, Apodaca, Cain, Boyd, McCormick, Barnett, Wheeler, Wharam, Wallace, Martin, Hamilton, Fordham, Archer, Kincaid
Third Row: Voelkelt, Zerby, Campbell, Shipman, Vaughn, Bell, Ashby,

Fritts, Branum, Wallace
Fourth Row: Akahoski, Cline, French, Alhberg, Scarborough, Reed, Evans, Ogdan, Norquest
Fifth Row: Shumate, Wright, Black, Popkes, Mae, Gorkowski, Mc-Griggs, Wichlen, Robertson, Narrin
Rear Center: Berg



SOLDIER OF THE MONTH

The Missile Firing Section

The firing section has the responsibility of connecting the electrical and pneumatic systems, of installing the stabilized platform, a large gyroscope which keeps the missile on course, and of making the necessary preflight tests. These tests consist of checking the various valves connected with the pneumatic system, checking the guidance system, and making an overall cutoff test to insure that the engine will cut off at the proper time in flight.



AGGRESSORS??

WHY??



Front: Doane, Norquest
 First Row: Fritts, Boyd, McCormick, Gorkowski, Evans
 Second Row: French, Vaughn, Moe

AT RHEIN MAIN



FIELD TROOPS



THE MISSILE SERVICING SECTION

The servicing section in the Redstone firing battery has the responsibility for emplacing the launcher, assembling the erection equipment, mating the warhead to the aft unit, fitting the complete body unit to the thrust unit, and attaching the fully assembled missile to the launcher. Then they erect the missile, lay it on the proper firing azimuth, and fuel it with alcohol and liquid oxygen. Finally they clear the area, ensuring that all appropriate equipment is disconnected and evacuated before firing. On command from the Battery Commander, the firing switch is pushed, giving ignition, main stage, and then—a mighty roar, as the Redstone heads for its target.



AT RHEIN MAIN



"THE GANG"



Front: Herron, Blaese

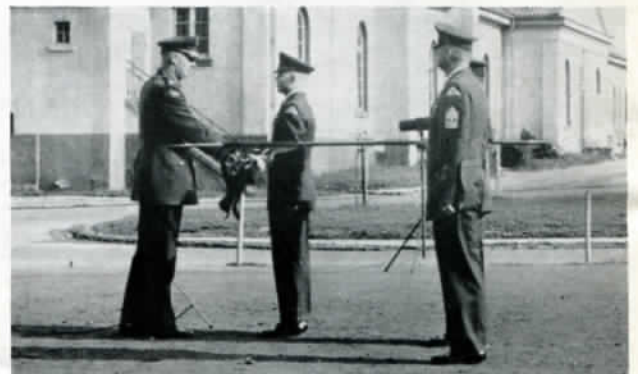
First Row: Cline, Archer, Wheeler, Hamilton, Narrin, Branum

Second Row: Denny, Bell, Apodaca, Fordham, Ashby

Third Row: Berg, Black, Wharam, Wichlen, Coleman, Cwiklinski, McGriggs, Zerby, Voelkelt



"MOVIE MAKERS"



Best Unit Award Presentation

THE MAINTENANCE AND SUPPLY SECTION



PRESENTATION OF THE "BEST UNIT AWARD"

Commo Section

Front: Elmore

First Row: Martin, L Wallace

Second Row: Scarborough, Campbell, Ahlberg



Maintenance and Supply Section

Front: Wood, Hankinson

First Row: Barnett, Shipman, D Wallace, Ogden, Robertson, Shumate

Second Row: Popkes, Reed, Cain, Wright, Kincaid



Disaster Force

Front: McCormick

First Row: Clay, Apodaca, Zerby, Cwiklinski, Wheeler

Second Row: Robertson, Boyd, Reed, Archer

Third Row: D Wallace, Ogden, L Wallace, Kincaid

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EDWARD H HUNTER
Captain CE
Commanding



ROSS B HAVER
First Sergeant



ESSAYONS

ENGINEER COMPANY

On October 5, 1956, the Engineer Company was activated as the 580th Engineer Company (Redstone) at Ft Belvoir, Virginia. The 580th was the first unit to be formed in the US Army for the support of the Redstone Guided Missile System. Its mission then, as it remains today, was to manufacture and store liquid oxygen and nitrogen for the Redstone, and to provide Engineer field maintenance for its parent unit. On September 19, 1957, the 580th left Ft Belvoir and became a component part of the 40th Artillery Group at Redstone Arsenal.

In June, 1958, the Redstone had completed its test firings and was declared a tactical weapon. The 580th moved overseas with the 40th Group that same month

and set up shop in Bad Kreuznach, Germany. On 16 September 1962, the 40th Group was redesignated as the 1st Battalion, 333d Artillery, and the 580th Engineer Company became simply The Engineer Company.

This unit has established an exemplary record for itself under the leadership of men such as Capt Michael Clayton, Capt John Yeager, Major Leon Bickford, Capt Roger Tam, Capt Warren Shenesky, Capt Jack McDermott, Capt Llewellyn Aho, and Capt Edward Hunter. The First Sergeant at the time of the 580th's activation was Ross B Haver. 1/Sgt Haver is again handling administrative matters for the Engineer Company's deactivation.

THE TROOPS



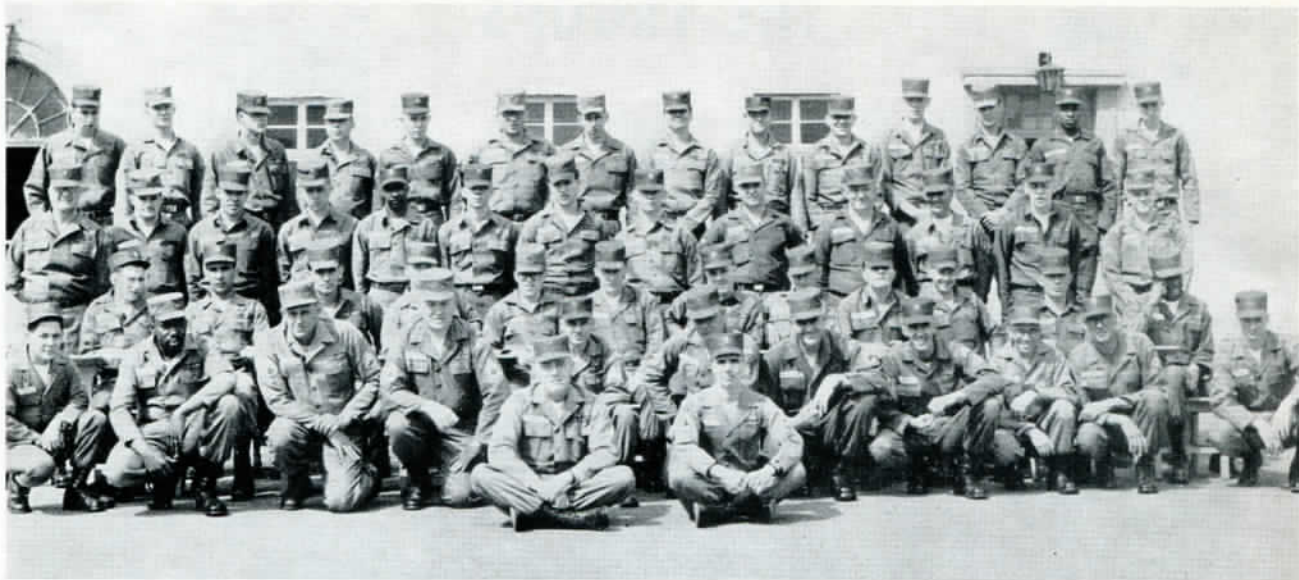
HEADQUARTERS PLATOON . . . 4th row — Gonzales, Odoms, Jackson, Ramos, Fletcher, Caudillo, Larramendy, Fowler, Low, McDonald, Stevenson. 3rd row — Olson, Davis, Phelps, Brereton,

Bayard, Kenner, Cooper, Morgan, Stone. 2nd row — West, Rusher, Liberio, Powers, McCool, Henson, Kersey, Brannan, DeRepentigny. Front row — Channel, Slattery, Burke, Lt Adamson, Neary, Bechtel.



LOX PLATOON . . . 4th row — Brown, Shuster, Williams, Smith, Cowden, Bluthenthal, Doss, Burnham, Lessak, Winkle, Jones, Kennedy. 3rd row — Camisa, Mikosinski, Sheridan, Helms, Maffucci, Peterson, Farley, Clark, Barbour, Bielski, LaBatt, Galvan. 2nd row —

Rawlins, Anderson, Vermette, Trost, Miles, Michaud, Paul, Karou-saios, Shuler, Prince, Hill. Front row — Curtis, Huffman, Lt Holland, Dupuy, Kennedy, Jasinski.



MAINTENANCE PLATOON . . . 4th row — Bryan, Haun, Wachsmuth, Koenig, Massey, Pijanowski, Genter, Thelander, Zacher, Sauerwald, Kreuzer, McDonald, Page, Albright. 3rd row — CWO Walker, Yoerger, Willoughby, DeConter, Allen, Ray, Nugent, Bulow, Kolatis, White, Car, Amey, Dwire. 2nd row — Barry, Carmona,

Villavicencio, Schrader, Rutherford, Thompson, Crofoot, Koll, Matlock, Ray, Robertson, Turner. 1st row — Cardona, Cooper, Kettle-son, Jan-son, Farra, Muir, Rhubottom, Skinner, Hepner, Mont-gomery, Thomas. Front row — CWO Lister, Grass.

PERMANENT



Rear — Myles, Babcock, Windsor, Thomas. Front — Schmid, Butler, Holling, Bonin, Sgt Kytola.

GUARD



Rear — Forrest, Phillips, VanGelder. Front — Moore, Bird, Spangler, Dominguez, Sgt Henderson.



Rear — Wessling, Helmuth, Peterson, Smith. Front — Rager, Nadeu, Osborne, King, Sgt Morgan.

MISCELLANEOUS



Our Mission



Our Home



One for the road



... Like pulling a tooth



No Comment



Rolling, rolling, rolling ...



Anyone knowing the whereabouts of these four men ...



And furthermore ...



Kenneth F Johnson
Captain, Ord
Commanding



ORDNANCE COMPANY



Lloyd W Summers
First Sergeant

The 630th Ordnance Company (Ammo) was constituted in the organized reserves 15 October 1921 and allotted to the Regular Army in January 1938. The company was activated at Savanna Ordnance Depot, Illinois, 19 June 1941. In November of that year, the company was moved to Ft. Custer, Michigan until 19 May 1942, when it was transferred to Australia and later to New Guinea.

It was redesignated the 630th Ordnance Ammunition Company 18 March 1943 before departing for New Guinea. In New Guinea, it was awarded the Campaign Silver Band for the period 24 January 1943 to 31 December 1944. The new unit left New Guinea for the Philippine Islands 19 July 1945, and later that same year moved on to Japan.

The 630th saw action in the Korean conflict after having been assigned there 18 July 1950. During the period 18 July 1950 to 27 July 1953, it was awarded the UN Defensive Campaign Silver Band, UN Offensive

Campaign Silver Band, Republic of Korea Presidential Unit Citation, CCF Intervention Campaign Silver Band, First UN Counteroffensive Campaign Silver Band, CCF Spring Offensive Campaign Silver Band, UN Summer-Fall Offensive Campaign Silver Band, Second Korean Winter Campaign Silver Band, the Korean Summer-Fall 1952 Campaign Silver Band, Meritorious Unit Commendation, Third Korean Winter Campaign Silver Band, and the Korean Summer-Fall 1953 Campaign Silver Band. The company was inactivated in Korea on 24 June 1955.

On 1 June 1957, the company was reactivated at Redstone Arsenal, Huntsville, Alabama as the 630th Ordnance Company, and was deployed to Germany in July 1958.

In December 1962, the 630th Ordnance Company was redesignated The Ordnance Company when the 40th Field Artillery Missile Group became the 1st Battalion, 333d Field Artillery.



First Row: 1st Sgt Summers, Lt Wilkinson, WO Pritchard
Second Row: Lt Stork, CWO Hannington, CWO Moor, Capt Linderman

Third Row: Lt Bourgerie, Lt Bowden, Capt Johnson, CWO Stuart,
Lt Dabney



HEADQUARTERS PLATOON

First Row: Miller, Blevens, Baquera, Garcia, Chilson, Hawkins

Second Row: Nelson, Weatherwax, Gerber, Sansing

Third Row: Willett, Johnson, Westhoff, Burke

Fourth Row: Jeffers, Keast

Fifth Row: Spears, Rogers, Wasgatt, Armour, Skirvin

Assigned but not shown: Nelson, Barrett, Cangiano, Wilson, Bradshaw, Johnson, Summers, Tuller, Lt Bowden, CWO Moor

AUTOMOTIVE PLATOON

First Row: Davis, Ramsey, Wireman, McCorkle, Lucero, Getz, Ryan

Second Row: Brown, Bistline, Florence, Loepke, Bergerson

Third Row: Dieter, La Flex, McAdory, Mann

Fourth Row: Kukawa, Kehl, S Johnson, Chepely, Galvin, Garcia

Assigned but not shown: Roth, Shackelford, Stoneking



GENERAL SUPPLY PLATOON

First Row: Chavez, Fletcher, Baldwin, Petty, Hall

Second Row: Barnett, McKenney, Backenger, Lt Wilkinson, Wilderson, Houx, Harrison, Gilliam

Assigned but not shown: Lt Bourgerie, Serrano, Peoples



MISSILE MAINTENANCE PLATOON

First Row: Cook, Wallace, CWO Stuart, Capt Linderman, CWO Hannington, Stephenson
 Second Row: Shuler, Alaniz, S Freeman, McOmber, Eisele, Schultz

Third Row: Himes, Wilkins, Baker, Weise, Blackburn, Crane, J Peterson

Fourth Row: Carpenter, Ostrowski, Plunkett, Simmons, Bianchi
 Assigned but not shown: Foss, Wiederspan, Ward, Clear, Whitcher, Dubz, Klintonowski, Barnes, Williams

SPECIAL WEAPONS

First Row: Capt Johnson, Collins, Nager, Walker, WO Pritchard
 Second Row: Freeman, Williams, Duran, Stamegna, Weatherwax



SECURITY PLATOON

First Row: Lt Dabney, Mason, Peterson, Brothers, Reid, Taylor, Moore, Morris

Second Row: Mosley, McMillian, Hardy, Frank, Huff, Orr, Corum, Hatfield, Sims

Third Row: Parker, Littlefield, Miner, Nero, Weatherall, Campbell, Hamilton, Maggard, Bowling

Assigned but not shown: Owens, Prestidge



**FOOTBALL TEAM
BATTALION CHAMPS FOR 1963**

First Row: Capt Johnson, Morris, Kehl, Ramsey, Parker

Second Row: Chilson, Blevens, Nagel

SOFTBALL TEAM

First Row: Ramsey, Fletcher, Parker, Kukawa, Harrison

Second Row: Chavez, Weatherwax, Corum, Hall, Foss

Third Row: McAdory, Blevens, Morris, Nagel



PFC Chavez and SP4 Hall update stock record cards in Tech Supply Van.



CHRYSLER TECHNICAL REPRESENTATIVES

Don Mortensen, Dean Church, Dick Ostrom, Kiyoski Yamasaki



CHRISTMAS TIME IN WACKERNHEIM

Sitting: Barnett, Fletcher, Bell, Peoples
 Standing: Gilliam, Houx, Chavez, Walker, Freeman



SECURITY MOTOR PARK

Sgt Corum, Sgt Parker, and PFC Mosley, Security Platoon, are shown in the motor pool preparing vehicle for turn-in.



Convoy stops in a small town can be great fun, as Wiederspan, Russel, Slisz, and Weise will attest.



Automotive Platoon Shop Area



Missile Maintenance Platoon conducts a 180 day check of the missile



Ouch!

BATTALION SPORTS



Small Bore Champs, Engr Co.
Whitworth, West, Brannan, Albright, Blevens



Jumping



Instruction



Basketball Team: Rawls, Lt Perry, Gasher,
Gianone, Rusher, Smith, Peoples, Kreutzer



Practice

10% NEVER GET THE WORD



Battery "A"

Front Row: SSgt Bell, Sp4 Chapple, Sgt Smith.
 Second Row: Sp5 Frazier, Pfc Zitzelsberger, Sp5 McCormack,
 Sp4 Clay.



Information Section—
 Lt O'Connor, Lt Fisher



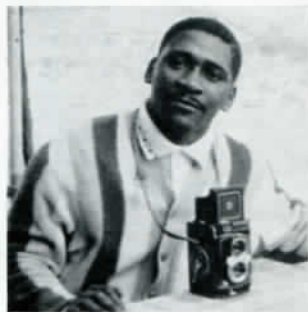
Lt Distel with the B Battery Special Guard



CWO Schaefer



CWO Cantrell



Pfc Clark



Pfc Lockwood

Battalion Photographers



Engineer Company

1st Row: Blevins, Montgomery, Zalien, Carmonia, Williams
 2d Row: Williams, Lipton, Gossman, Anderson
 3d Row: Lane, Nicholson, Larkin, Lawson



Capt Chapman



Ordnance Company

Sp4 Wiederspan, SFC Serrano, Sgt
 Nelson, PFC Klinkovski, PFC Peoples

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