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WITH
CHARLIE AND EVELYN HEEDEN
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Norman Benton Greenwood. Mo. Dear Comrades and Families:

If you think old soldiers fade away, you ought to see some of us trying to get into our WWII Uniform!

"Just a line or two to let you know I'm O.K. Write when you can...Goodby...E.S.M."

Above quote was a standard form I used when I wrote home during the Big One...saved alot of time.

Well, How in the Hell are you all anyway? O.K. Well, that's great! Guess that about does it for now.

- EXCEPT IT'S ABOUT -

REUNION TIME AGAIN. S-0-0-0, you all start getting all siked up. (whatever that is), or whatever it takes to start your propeller. Be prepared - come the third weekend in July you'all head for JAWR-jih-ah. The last of the original thirteen English Colonies to be founded. Georgia is often called the Empire State of the South...it's also been called other names, some of the letter ones were The Goober State, The Cracker State, and then of course, there was "Jimmie" and "Billie's" State.

The 591st has alot of good buddies in Georgia...among them is one by the name of Charlie Heeden and Charlie's livin' with a lil' Georia Gal, by the name a' Evelyn, and theys 'thu' ones whuts gonna shake yo' han' when ya'alls gits' to Atlanta... yassuh, Charlie and Evelyn Heeden's Great like and they'll make you "Dade" proud ya'alls went.

In 1864, General Sherman burned Atlanta. 1983 the 591st will meet there for three or four days of od Comradeshiv, and leave its mark on Atlanto also, such as a Good Impression.

I'm positive this will be the one you don't dare miss, and speaking of missing one, if you missed last year's Reunion...shame on you...cause we had a ball! Yah! "Ole", dat Voss Von Hell of a Blow Out, Minnesota and Olsen style...Ole and Lorraine and Sons and Daughters, Daughter-in-laws and Son-in Laws...you sure know how to make it all hang out. We love you all! Thanks a million!

I know by now you've all read the "Book" entitled "History of the 591st Engineers" (at least two or three times) authored by "Our Old Man", Colonel Thomas L. Allen.

Well, after you've read it about the third time, you begin to relate to what you're reading. At least it took that many times for me. (course I ain't too brite 'neither) At the time in which this book covers, most of us were young (All except Colonels Allen and Wieler) and didn't really realize what was taking place or where we were. We were too damn busy Lootin', Fraternizen, and Workin, trying to save our Butts that alot of what we were doing could have been classified as a fantasy or fanaticism (look that'un up in your Funk and Waynalls).

Whatever or however you classify it, there was one element we're all sure of, and agree on, and that was our Army Buddys, and in order to put the whole ball of wax together, some character thought of Reunions, so arriving from WWII, with Buddy's Reunions and a Book, we have a situation where good Comradship prevails...and for anyone who has not attended a Reunion and don't understand what I just wrote, come to Atlanta and get it fresh off the front stool.

Reckon you should know where to go when you get to Atlanta. How about the Ramada Capitol Plaza at 450 Capitol Avenue, S.E. Atlanta, Georgia, 30312...Phone 1-800-282-3341?

Now, if you all want to call Charlie, he said do it any time of the night ...he's always up....number to call is (404) 981-3256...Charlie and Evelyn live at 3151 Roseheath Lane, Lithonia, Georgia, Zip 30058.

FLASH! Just talked to Charlie and Evelyn and they said Montreal and the Braves were playing at the Stadium on Friday - Saturday - Sunday, which is just across the Intersection from the Ramada Capitol Plaza.

If you all are drivin' in from the Nawth, just stay on 75-85, the Ramada will be on your left...if your comin' from the South, use the same....Ramada on your right. Coming from the East on 20....Ramada on the left and from the West, you cain't get there! NO - Use 20 and the Ramada will be on your Right. (I think)

I notice all reservations must be made by the 14th. Forget that line. How about making them 30 days sooner? By doing this, Charlie and Evelyn will know how many possums to ketch, and how many sweet taters to dig.

I anticipate a good turn out this year, as always. Wouldn't it be Hell if your Best Buddy whut you hain't seen since the Big One, was there and you weren't? Depressing! NOT IF YOUR THERE!

We're getting old...last year I heard a lady tell one of our Buddys,"Oh, you're only interested in one thing." Then she had to tell him what it was!

How many of you fellows still like to camp out, or sleep in tents? You don't know what fear is until you've zipped up your sleeping bag and the itch on your big toe starts to move.

Remember that Army Coffee? I used to drink three cups, go to the local burlesque an' holler, "Put it on! Put it on!"

Company Mess Sgt. to K. P. "Wash those Pots." K. P. "But Sir I'm a college graduate." Mess Sgt. "You are? All right, I'll show you how."

Just thinking about a Georgia Buddy I was with in North Africa, Murphy D. McDaniel. Would you Georgia people check on him for me? "Cracker" McDaniel.

As I've mentioned before, I maintain a card file of about Three Thousand, 591st names. If you have an address (current), I'd like to have it. If you are wondering about an address, let me know...I may have it.

For those of you who have not attended Reunions (but plan to this year), be sure and feel free to bring your wife, sons, daughters, friends or any one else's. This is a time when Buddys (notice I didn't say old?) get together an' Reminisce..an' to enjoy a few hours of good-ole-down to earth Comradship.

On Saturday morning there's a business meeting... Saturday Evening a Banquet, followed by a dance. You'll enjoy it. Ordinarily, we have a Hospitality Room where ever' one can get to-gether... your Host and Hostess have your welfare at heart when asking to Host a Reunion. I will assure you that Charlie and Evelyn will do just that. They are remarkable people and you will love them and your Reunion.

Had a note from Buelah Rudloff thanking you all for the card with all the signatures... also states Hank is thoroughly disgusted—with his golfing that is——finds he's standing too close to the ball...after he hits it!

Ladies, start savin' them coupons so's you and yours can be in Atlanta for the ReRun come July...SEE YOU THERE!

Kindest Regards,

Everett Mills



