



517th Parachute Regimental Combat Team



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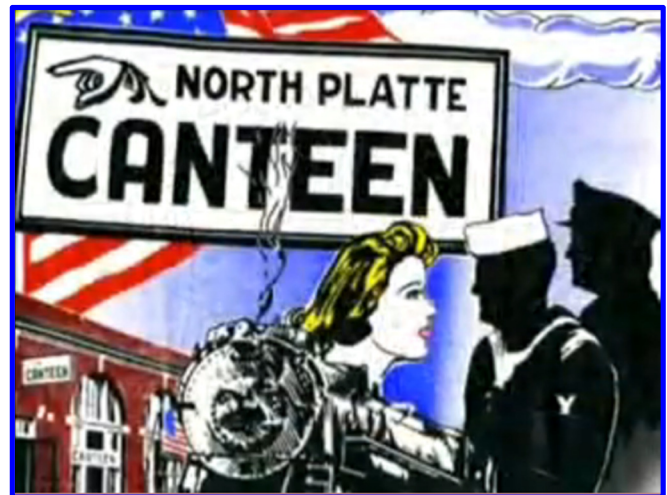
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North Platte Canteen

This may be of interest. -- Harris Johnson

From December 25, 1941 until April 1, 1946 more than 6 million servicemen and women who traveled through Nebraska during World War II fondly remember the hospitality of the North Platte Canteen where every troop train was met by volunteers who prepared and served sandwiches, coffee, cookies, cakes, and other homemade 'goodies' during stops there.

This site is in honor of those servicemen and women, the Canteen and its volunteers as a reminder of its proud past; an opportunity to look back in time.



[North Platte Canteen](#)

MailCall News

Bob,

I am saddened to hear of the passing of **Cecil Doty**. Like all of the troopers of the 517th PRCT, he was a true American Hero. My sincere heart felt sympathies go out to his family and friends. May that continue on, that we keep this legacy of these great men of the 517th alive forever.

Lory Curtis, son of **Bud Curtis**, HQ, 1st BN



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I found this on the Internet and thought I would send it to share as the 11th Airborne would be part of this protracted invasion.

Dennis Sura son of a buzzard

The 1945 planned invasion of Japan:

<http://www.theabsurdreport.com/2007/1945-invasion-of-japan-plans/>

This is one of the most beautiful renditions of Auld Lang Syne ever created. Please watch and listen.

Lois Short

[Happy New Year - Auld Lang Syne by Sissel \(Live\)](#)

Message to **Pat Seitz and Allan Greer**:

Did you know that in the 2002 movie "Big Trouble", starring Tim Allen, there are two characters with interesting names:

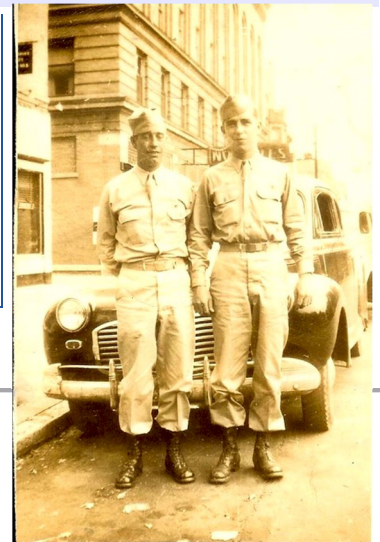
- Special Agents **Pat Greer and Alan Seitz** ([Heavy D](#) and [Omar Epps](#)) Two FBI agents determined to retrieve a missing nuclear bomb.

See: [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Big_Trouble_\(film\)](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Big_Trouble_(film))

Bob B.

Guestbook Entries

Submitted by	Comments:
Name: Chris Walters From: Dallas, TX E-mail: cwchrisw@hotmail.com	Will Jessie Ellington Jr. please contact me? You recently submitted photos of your father. In the photo of the 2 men standing in front of a car, which one is your father? The man on the right looks a lot like my grandfather. They both were in A Company and both from Ohio. Chris Walters



Pvt. Jesse Ellington with
Cpl. Virgil Frances Dunlevy
A Company

A: My Dad is on the left. -- Jesse Ellington Jr.

Thanks for the response.

Then that for sure is my grandfather on the right. Virgil Frances Dunlevy. Your dad and my grandfather were probably friends. Any other pictures of your father that might have my grandfather in it?

I am going to the mini reunion in Florida next weekend with my mom and uncle -- my grandfather's daughter and son.

Thanks again for the response and submitting the photo.

Chris Walters



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A Tour of Camp Toccoa

Here's a preview of the July 2011 Reunion, submitted by Jerry Wofford:

Found on the Community Forum of the MilitaryHistoryOnline.com

<http://www.militaryhistoryonline.com/forums/ViewPost.aspx?ForumID=7&ID=20760>

Camp Toccoa and Mt. Currahee

Posted on: 10/17/2010 4:09:48 PM by "Anne in GA"

On Friday JP was off so we decided to take up trip up to Toccoa, GA to check out the Currahee Military Museum, Camp Toccoa and climb Mt. Currahee. Camp Toccoa was the training camp for the Airborne during WWII, and Mt. Currahee the troopers had to run up and down it 1 to 2 times a day. Of course this became all popular when the Band of Brothers come out, for it's where Easy Company trained.

We had a WONDERFUL time! JP brought 2 friends and it was the perfect group of kids to go. The Currahee Military Museum was fantastic. The boys really could not get enough of it. The whole time were there all we heard was "Awesome", "Cool", "Come look at what I found". It was really neat to see this. I would recommend this museum. We then drove over to Camp Toccoa, well what was left, which is one building which some say was the Mess Hall or some say they really don't know for sure. At the entrance is a monument to all the troops who trained at the Camp. Other than that it's all gone. We then got to climb Currahee, we were not going to run it, however leave it JP he just could not stand NOT run it. So there he went, running on a head, to honor his heroes of Easy Company. I was kinda of surprised that the first 2 miles were not bad, there we actually some down hills. But that last Mile that was a KILLER. Straight up! But so well worth! It was hard not to think about all those young men who ran Currahee. I have a feeling this will not be our one and only trip to Currahee. I wanted to get pics from the top however, my camera battery died! Give me an excuse to go back up.

A Stable that the 501st live in in Aldbourne, England, which they brought over from England.



A Trooper donated his T-shirt to the Museum.





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Bust of Dick Winters



Inside the stable



What we called the Wall Of Medals - they were mostly of Easy Company Men.



Entrance to what was Camp Toccoa



Starting out on the Col. Robert Sink Trail, up Currahee.



Trail Up





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View from the top - well worth it!



Mt. Currahee



In the Army





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- Send any news, stories, or feedback to: MailCall@517prct.org
- If you send me email that you do not want included in MailCall, just label it as FYEO.
- I now understand how Ben could get confused about what he already posted and what he didn't. If I miss something, please just send it again.
- Donations for any programs involving the 517th should be sent to our treasurer:

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Reunions - Save the Dates!

[Florida Mini-Reunion](#)
January 15-17, 2011
[Register now!](#)

Annual 517th Reunion (Probably the Last)
July 13-18, 2011, Atlanta, GA
with visits to
Camp Toccoa and Fort Benning



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