

$\frac{2}{3}$  of Okinawa, embarked again  
and came over here to  
Okinawa proper. We particip-  
ated in the tail end of the  
fighting before the island  
was declared secure on  
21 June 45. At the present  
time we are camped on a  
beach near Naha, the capital  
city of Okinawa, which  
formerly had a population of  
75,000 and in which not one  
building is intact now.

It is difficult to visualize a  
city approximately the size of  
Topeka completely leveled by  
bombs, artillery and flame  
throwers. Even these people  
out here played basketball  
as evidenced by some remains  
of basketball courts, gymnasiums  
and equipment.

Dana is still in Europe  
with the 7<sup>th</sup> Army. He was  
hospitalized for about two  
months with shrapnel wounds