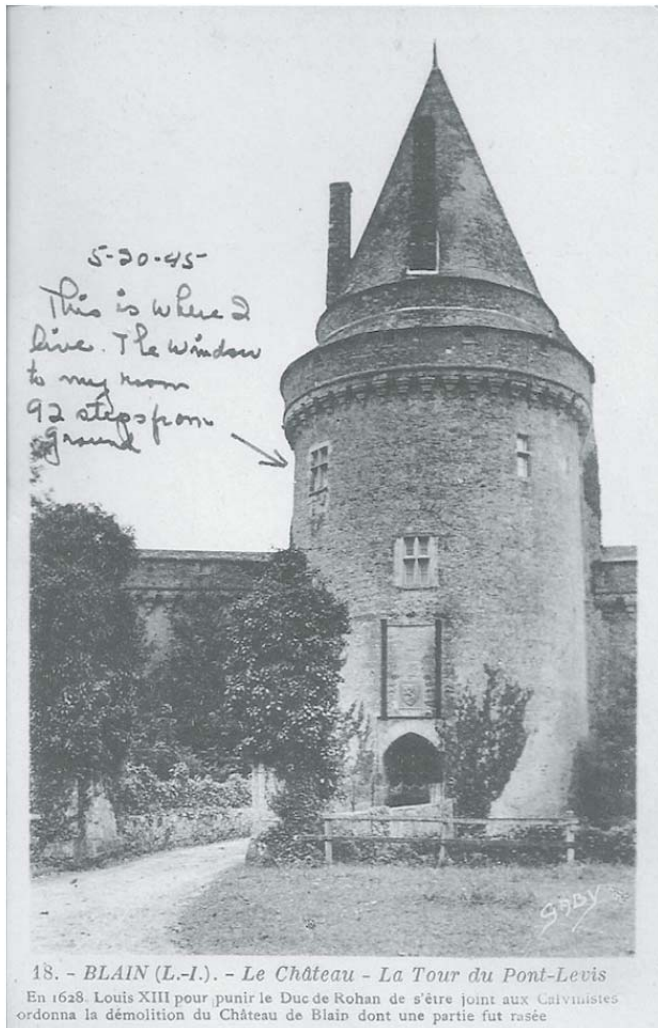


seffrin says:

The following picture and some of the text (in a different typeface) were gently lifted from the December 7, 2016 Edition of the Western Wayne News. It is easy and very inexpensive to keep track of the events and happenings in and around Cambridge City by subscribing to the [Western Wayne News](#).



Years ago, when we were kids, Paul Seffrin was an editor for the National Road Traveler, wrote the column, "seffrin says:", was an avid Lincoln High School sports writer/booster/fan and all around good guy. I just found out that Paul Seffrin was also a soldier in World War II and was "a corporal with a field artillery unit, his job as a radio operator was to call in locations of German artillery batteries to American artillery so they could fire on the enemy guns and take them out."

The picture to the left is where Paul and his fellow soldiers stayed while in France. The following is from the writings of his son, Michael. "According to World War II military records I obtained from the National Archives, my dad's unit patrolled in the area of Blain. After the war in Europe ended in May 1945 with the unconditional surrender of the Axis powers, his unit was stationed in Blain. The soldiers' accommodations were in a castle that dated back to the Middle Ages. The castle was part of Le Chateau de Blain. The soldiers were housed in a tower in an outer wall above where a drawbridge over a moat

had allowed access to the castle in earlier times. The moat apparently was filled in over the years and by 1945, a path led to the tower entrance."

I have just lost a friend who was also involved in WWII but he was in the French resistance. [John Renault](#) passed on October 14, 2016. I have no idea where John was located but I wonder if Paul and John had crossed paths in France (that is something we will never know). The article that Michael has written about his father is especially poignant since we all grew up very close to end of WWII and we all in the LHS Class of 1960 have fathers, uncles and cousins who fought and in some cases died in the war.