

3RD BRIGADE GOES HOME

CAMP ENARI -- The much-traveled 3rd Brigade of the 4th Infantry Division has left Vietnam as part of the Phase Three Redeployment.

The Brigade arrived in Vietnam in January of 1966 as part of the 25th Infantry Division. The "None Better" soldiers inherited an area of operations in the Central Highlands that was diverse and mysterious. Craggy mountain ranges stood beside triple canopy jungles.

From May to August of 1966, the brigade, working under the operational control of the 1st Air Cavalry, participated in one of the largest campaigns of the Vietnam conflict-Operation Paul Revere. When operations ended, more than 900 NVA regulars had been killed.

In addition to fighting the enemy, the 3rd Brigade engaged in civic action programs aimed at helping Vietnamese and Montagnard villagers establish self-help projects. During this period, the resettlement village

of Edap Enang was built to eliminate a source of forced labor for NVA units.

The brigade's first Medal of Honor in Vietnam was awarded posthumously to Captain Joseph X. Grant, a platoon leader with Company A, 1st Battalion, 14th Infantry, in November, 1966. A First Lieutenant at the time, Captain Grant braved an enemy barrage to rescue an injured fellow platoon leader and received multiple wounds in the process.

The second brigade soldier to receive the Medal of Honor was Staff Sergeant Kenneth E. Stumpf of Menasha, Wisc. While serving with the 1st Battalion, 35th Infantry during operations

near Duc Pho, Sergeant Stumpf rescued three of his wounded squad members and made a successful one-man assault on an NVA machinegun position.

On August 1, 1967, by General Order, the 3rd Brigade, 25th Infantry Division became a unit of the 4th Infantry Division and the 25th Division received the Ivy's 3rd Brigade in exchange. At that time, the Tropic Lightning's 3rd Brigade was located some 200 miles from its Division Headquarters.

Brigade operations during Tet of 1968 succeeded in driving the entire 2nd NVA Division from the coastal plains and jungle near southern I Corps.

The 3rd Brigade was an integral element in the Division's Operation MacArthur during 1968, aimed at clearing enemy units from the 9000 square miles of Pleiku, Kontum and Darlac provinces. More than 5000 enemy fell before Ivy guns during Operation MacArthur, for which the 4th Division was awarded the Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry with Palm.

By early March, 1969, the brigade increased emphasis in support of the Government of Vietnam pacification program. The brigade helped villagers develop defenses against the enemy, who had resorted to hit and run attacks against allied

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Golden Dragons Get Unit Citation

By CPT Bernard Mallett

CAMP ENARI -- A series of incidents, spanning some 30 years, made the award of the Presidential Unit Citation (NAVY) to the 1st Battalion, 14th Infantry of the 4th Infantry Division unusual.

The presenter of the award, Lieutenant General Arthur S. Collins, commanding general of the 1st Field Force, Vietnam, many years before served as a Lieutenant stationed in Panama with the Golden Dragons. Later on when he served as 4th Division commander in Vietnam, the Golden Dragons were a divisional unit. He returned to present the Presidential Unit Citation to his old unit.

The awards and farewell ceremonies took place at Camp Enari, in connection with a farewell ceremony for the 4th Infantry Division's 3rd Brigade.

The Golden Dragons earned the award by outstanding performance of duty while attached to the 1st Marine Division (Reinforced) from September 10-15, 1967. The Golden Dragons participated in a three-fold mission of seeking out the enemy, defending key air fields and routes of communication and conducting a pacification program. It is because of this somewhat

unusual attachment to a Marine unit that the unit received the Navy Presidential Unit Citation.

Also awarded the Presidential Unit Citation, in this case Army, at the same ceremony were Companies A and C of the 1st Battalion, 8th Infantry, for extraordinary heroism on 25 and 26 May, 1968, while engaged in military operations at Firebase 29 west of Dak To.

The men of these companies repelled a massive combined artillery and ground attack by an estimated regimental-sized North Vietnamese Army (NVA) force.



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FAMOUS FIGHTING FOURTH

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Dragons Find Cache

By SP4 Henry Veldman

CAMP RADCLIFF -- A four day patrol 15 miles north of here netted Company D, 1st Battalion, 22nd Infantry two enemy killed and an ammunition cache large enough to inflict a heavy loss on the enemy.

"We were combat assaulted into the area," said Sergeant John Grober of Ft. Smith, Ark., acting platoon leader, "and

immediately went on a patrol to search the area. We stopped for a break along the trail when the first platoon spotted an enemy soldier."

The first platoon sent a hail of fire toward the enemy, and a sweep of the area revealed a blood trail and an SKS rifle which was dropped by the fleeing soldier. A small tunnel was also found near the trail used by the enemy.

The next morning, the first

platoon, while still in their night location, received sniper fire from the east.

Specialist 4 Fred Herbold of Victoria, Tex. commented, "We shot at him, but then he spun around and headed south. In the meantime, he must have turned and headed north because he ran into the second platoon and was killed."

The patrol continued without further incident that day, but after Company D had set up their night locations an enemy soldier set off a trip flare and was killed by a claymore mine detonated by Private First Class Jerry Blufford.

The Chicago native said, "The enemy was well equipped."

Sergeant Grober added, "He carried about 10 pounds of rice, a good supply of medical things and an AK47 that was in very good shape. It could have passed a basic training rifle inspection."

Two days later, a landing zone was cut for a resupply helicopter, and as the helicopter was making its approach, small arms fire cracket out. The men below quickly spread out and searched the area.

As Company D was sweeping the area, Specialist 4 Freddie Harbold of Austin, Tex., discovered an enemy ammunition cache.

"The boxes were covered with bushes and leaves and were in a state of deterioration," commented Specialist Harbold.

The cache consisted of one case of dynamite, a case of 9mm pistol ammunition, 90 .51 caliber rounds, and 46 82mm rounds with charges.

Staff Sergeant Jim Graham of Little Rock, Ark., said, "It appeared that the cache had been dropped or just thrown into the area. It was in various stages of decay and the fuses and charges were decayed to the point that I doubt if they could be used."

The Regulars also found a 50-pound box of solid white lubrication which according to a Company D Kit Carson Scout, is used for a lubricant and a protective coating for weapons when they are buried.



STANDING TALL -- With flags flowing, members of the 3rd Brigade stand at attention under the command of Colonel Gilbert Procter during farewell ceremonies at Camp Enari. (USA Photo by SP4 Tom Hodson)

VNAF Converts to Jets

(Editor's Note: The following is the second in a series of articles on the Vietnamese Air Force. The texts have been provided by the Vietnam Feature Service. The article has been prepared and edited by the 4th Division Information Office.)

Vietnamese Air Force (VNAF) Command Headquarters is at Saigon's Tan Son Nhut Air Base, home of the 33rd VNAF Wing. The 62nd Wing is at Nha Trang, the 41st at Da Nang, the 23rd at Bien Hoa and the 74th at Binh Thuy. From these bases, from Pleiku and from a number of smaller fields, VNAF performs such functions as assault sorties, photo and visual reconnaissance, search and rescue, troop transport, psychological warfare, interdiction, close air support, resupply, medical evacuation, flare illumination, cargo drops, target marking, courier and liaison flights, and training programs.

In all four Corps Tactical Zones (CTZ) of the Republic, the emphasis now is on gradual turnover of more tactical responsibilities to VNAF from United States Air Force (USAF) squadrons. In the 18 Mekong Delta provinces of IV CTZ, where seven million citizens live on 37,000 square kilometers of watery flatlands, VNAF now is flying approximately 50 percent of all fixed-wing strike missions. It is in the Delta that VNAF is making the most visible progress in carrying out the VNAF-USAF replacement and turnover program.

The crack air mobile 74th VNAF Wing, based at Binh Thuy 40 kilometers southwest of Saigon, was formed in April 1965 from what had been the 74th Special Squadron. Like the other four VNAF wings, the 74th is supported by components including a communications squadron, an armament squadron, a maintenance squadron, a psychological warfare division and groups providing transportation, supply, civil engineering and base defense.

Within three months after the wing became operational the enemy in the Delta was all too familiar with the sound of Choctaws and Skyraiders as they gave close support to ARVN and U.S. infantry operations. In June 1966, when the 74th's pilots supported the 21st ARVN Division in battle of Dan Chi, the wing



A flight of A-37s from Nha Trang heads for a communist target near Qui Nhon on the central coast. Vietnamese pilots from Nha Trang range deep inland to the Central Highlands, destroying enemy targets that artillery cannot reach. (VFS Photo)

began a series of offensive operations that gave it the distinction of being the first to receive the U.S. Presidential Unit Citation. Since then it has scored a number of other impressive firsts, becoming

- * the first to achieve complete air mobility;

- * the first to make the transition to jet-engine helicopters;

- * among the first to complete transition from prop-driven fighters to jet attack bombers;

- * the first wing to fly scheduled night alert flights over its own base, and

- * among the first to have its Forward Air Controllers directing both VNAF and USAF fighter-bomber strikes.

The wing's 520th was the second squadron to convert to the A-37, followed by the 516th Fighter Squadron of the 41st Wing at Da Nang. The first to convert was the 524th Squadron of the 62nd Wing at Nha Trang. Pilots of all

three squadrons average 25 years of age and have logged an average of 1,500 to 1,900 combat hours. All are enthusiastic about the capabilities of the A-37, which carries 4,200 pounds of explosive ordnance and is armed with a mini-gun that fires more than 6,000 rounds a minute.

Making the transition from the Skyraiders, 22 pilots from Binh Thuy started their special training in the United States in April 1968. Two remained there to study at the USAF Instrument and pilot Instructor School, and are returning to take instructor's jobs. But 20 came back to Vietnam in time to witness delivery of the first jet attack bombers in February 1969.

A final transition program was initiated for them at the Air Training Center in Nha Trang, where the new aircraft were assembled. Then the pilots were checked out—either at Nha Trang, or by men of the U.S. Air Force Advisory Team 7

(AFAT-7) at Binh Thuy. The 520th became fully operational in A-37s on May 1, 1969, two weeks ahead of schedule.

Most of the U.S. advisory program at the 520th is being gradually phased out. AFAT-5 at Da Nang also plans to curtail its advisory program with the 516th and other operational elements of the 41st Wing. At Nha Trang, the phase-out is even faster and more thoroughgoing. Units of the 14th U.S. Special Operations Wing started to move out of Nha Trang in October 1969, turning facilities over to the 62nd Wing and the Air Training Center in order to give these expanding VNAF units more buildings and ramp space.

Arrival of new A-37, UH-1 and O-1 aircraft had left the 62nd cramped for space. Now most of the USAF personnel originally stationed at Nha Trang have moved on. Throughout the country more functions are being turned over to VNAF.

VALOR AWARDS

SILVER STAR

Brock, Randy SP4
Camcho, Frank F., Jr. PSG
Domer, Gerald R., SGT
Dore, Daniel M., CPT
Giovannacci, Alan SP4
Gulotta, Charles A., PFC
Herron, Clyde R., CPT
Hesse, August H., III CPT
Salmons, Arthur W., SSG
Winslow, James S., SGT

DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS

Blalock, Johnny L., 1LT
Hight, John M., PFC

SOLDIERS MEDAL

Crow, Thomas O., PSG
Dains, Douglas E., PVT
Fitzenz, David G., CPT
Luna, Jorge L., SP4
Sargent, Brian T., SGT
Silver, David E., PFC

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PRICE, Warren L., CPT

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Brannen, Markalee D., CPT
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Cozart, William L., PFC
Cullen, Richard D., SP4
Curtiss, Herbert V., PFC
England, James W., SSG
Fisher, James L., CPT
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Grimes, Frank A., SP4
Guidry, Melvin J., PFC
Hadrick, Donald P., SFC
Hart, John C., SGT
Hedley, John C., 1LT
Kraft, Gary L., SP5
Martin, John T., 1LT
Mendez, Juan SP5
Moler, Charles F., CPT
Nakken, Jack E., SGT
Ojala, Gary M., SGT
Olague, Samuel S., SP4
Rakauskas, George J., PFC
Red, Aubrey L., SP4
Roark, Danny L., SP4
Scott, Oshell F., SP5
Siglow, David R., SP4

Tusie, Willis SP4
Wallace, Kim L., SP4
Walls, Robert N., PFC

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Aponte, Hector L., PFC
Armes, Thomas SP4
Bachert, David G., PFC
Bays, Charles R., PFC
Bazzinotti, Charles A., 2LT
Bell, Gary L., SP4
Buckley, Wayne PFC
Calabree, Leonard A., SSG
Carney, Von D., SSG
CLARK, James G., SP5
Collins, Ronald S., CPT
Darby, David W., SP4
Davis, Dwight F., SSG
Dettmers, Daniel L., SP4
Echols, Robert M., 1LT
Epps, Johnny L., SP4
Evener, Albert SP4
Ferrell, Arnold E., SP4
Fisher, Robert C., Jr. SGT
Flores, Mario PFC
Freeman, Henry SP4
Froehlic, Lee F., SGT
Gridley, Philip SP4
Griffin, Charles C., Jr. SGT

Stork Flies To Field With News

CAMP RADCLIFF -- The stork flew to the field recently to deliver happy news to Specialist 4 Curtis Turner, a Company D, 1st Battalion, 12th Infantry soldier.

The American Red Cross (ARC) chapter, Danville, Va., sent a message to the Field Director, ARC, 4th Infantry Division. The situation prevented direct conveyance of the message, so it was delivered through the Battalion S-1 via radio to Specialist Turner.

The Danville, Va. native

explained, "We had just set up for the night when the Radio-Telephone Operator called me on the platoon's radio to deliver the happy news."

The radio message, delivered by Specialist 4 Robert Lemaue of Alameda, Calif., was: "Wife Judy gave birth to a six pound, five ounce baby boy at 7:45 p.m. Both wife and boy doing fine. Wife sends her love."

"I always wanted a boy, and right now I'm one happy father, anxious to return home to my wife and new son," beamed Specialist Turner.



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A Veterans Benefit - Your Old Job Back

WASHINGTON (AFPS) - Almost a million first-term Service people will return to civilian life in 1970.

Many of these young men-and women--will be returning to the same jobs they held before entering the Service, with perhaps a pay raise or two thrown in. Some will even find a promotion waiting for them.

All this is possible because Congress, in 1940, decided that one's military service should not carry with it an economic burden beyond the period in uniform.

While the full intent of Congress is still being evolved by court decisions, the law as it

stands today could be summarized roughly as guaranteeing veterans the same status they would have enjoyed had they remained on the job. In addition to promotions and pay-raises, the courts have held that in many instances, the veteran is entitled to fringe benefits which are acquired by seniority--severance pay, vacations, and pensions.

Department of Defense Instruction 1205.12, issued Jan. 15, 1969, spells out the responsibility of commanders to ensure that individuals separating from the Service are aware of their rights under the law.

An easy-to-use form - called OVR-2 - is filled out at the separation center and mailed to the Office of Veterans' Reemployment Rights in the Department of Labor. Both the individual and his previous employer will then receive a brochure outlining the requirements of the law.

Eleven field offices in major cities around the country take over from there, serving the veteran's interest

No Drinks To Injured

Don't kill an injured person with kindness! While the average person realizes the obvious danger of giving liquids to an unconscious or semiconscious person, few people realize that there are other times when the administration of liquids is bad.

Do not give liquids to people who have obvious or suspected internal injuries.

New Vestment Given To Brigade Chaplain

CAMP RADCLIFF -- Second Brigade Chaplain (CPT) Jerome Taddy of Green Bay, Wis., got a new green uniform recently. The new uniform is green, but not OD (olive drab) and Chaplain Taddy got it in the mail, not from the friendly supply sergeant.

Chaplain Taddy received a new Sunday service vestment from a former Highlander, now a policeman in Hazzlewood, Mo. Former First Lieutenant Mike Paul could never get used to the idea of going to Sunday services and seeing Chaplain Taddy in an

OD vestment which had a camouflage pattern. The OD camouflaged vestment had become quite tattered from many trips to the field and Lieutenant Paul thought it was time for a change.

"When he left, Lieutenant Paul said he would send me a surprise but didn't say what it was to be," said Chaplain Taddy. The former Liaison Officer to the 173rd Airborne Brigade at Landing Zone English enlisted the aid of his wife and mother and together they hand-made the new service vestment.



HIGH ANGLE - A howitzer from the 4th Division's 6th Battalion, 29th Artillery, throws out fire support from IZ Hard Times. (USA Photo by SP4 David Farabaugh)



BLACK BUSINESS - Don't sell cases of soft drinks or beer on the Black Market. It will get you in deep trouble and this practice inflates the Vietnamese economy. Be smart.

Mysterious Animal Trapped

By SGT Don Bodey

CAMP RADCLIFF -- Specialist 4 Jack Bilder is from Ashland, Pa. and they don't have them there. Nor do they in Puerto Rico, from whence Specialist 4 Fidel Rodriguez hails. But whatever it is, a lot of its kinfolk live near Norfolk, Va. says Specialist Mike Shanks. These three soldiers of Company E, 1st Battalion, 12th Infantry, 4th Division have caught one. Here's how:

Coming back to his hootch late after a night firing program, Specialist Bilder heard an unfamiliar sound, and so informed the others in his squad only to be answered with disbelief. Undaunted by the criticism, he excluded the sound as snoring of a hootchmate or of someone chowing down on crackers. With the aid of a flashlight he found the source, and succeeded in convincing the others of his sincerity.

rodent eventually ran, and Shanks strategically hypnotized the game with a flashlight.

The next day the trio turned the catch loose far away from their hootch. After seeing it in daylight they were still unable to identify it any more precisely than something looking like a small groundhog, gnawing like a squirrel and making noises like a guinea pig.

The unidentified walking object was later tentatively identified as a mongoose.

Long accustomed to team effort due to their jobs as mortar crewmen, the three launched a coordinated operation. Specialist Bilder probed the furry ball with a mattick - handle (which the animal promptly bit hard enough for an impression as if he needed false teeth). Specialist Rodriguez held out an empty fuze can into which the trapped



Hairdresser Finds Little Work In Infantry Unit

CAMP RADCLIFF - Styling, cutting, coloring and curling women's hair is a far cry from fighting in Vietnam's Central Highlands, but it is the civilian occupation of Specialist 4 Robert T. Simone, a Company A, 1st Battalion, 12th Infantry soldier.

Specialist Simone explained that after eight months of trade school at Queens Beauty Institute in his hometown, Hempstead, N.Y., he started working with another male hairdresser at Mister Carl Hair Stylists.

"Having a five-day week was great, and I met a lot of interesting women. Most of the women brought in pictures of the way they wanted their hair done, and as a result were very pleased with my work," he explained.

"Red," as his buddies call him, said, "I got a real workout with my two sisters at home when trying to get my rest. But it was okay because I really enjoy the work."

"I hope to return to my job when I leave the service in three months," he concluded. "And I hope to eventually be able to get my own shop and have people work for me."

THE C-RATION CONNOISSEUR

By Big Al

With a little imagination and a knack for scrounging, you can take a basic C-ration and do wonders with it. Big Al, who just "loves" C-rations has a fist full of tasty menus and wants to share them with all you other C-ration lovers. This is the first of many menus from Big Al's collection.

BIG AL'S DINNER FOR TWO

- Two spoons oil or fat
 - One and one half spoon of flour
 - * One can of chicken and noodles
 - * One can turkey loaf, cut into small pieces
 - One half teaspoon hot sauce
 - * Salt and peper to taste
 - * Two packs of cream
 - * Crackers from B-Unit
 - Twelve spoons of water
- Big Al doesn't like to dine alone so he dreamed this one up so he could have a friend over for dinner.
- Melt oil or fat, add flour and stir just like making a gravy base. Mix cream packs and water, add to mixture and continue to cook until sauce begins to thicken. Add cheese spread and cook until cheese melts. Empty cans of turkey loaf and chicken noodles into sauce. Season with hot sauce, salt and peper to taste and continue cooking. Cover Big Al's dinner with crumbled crackers and serve piping hot in your nearest bunker.
- * These items are in you basic C-rations.

AS 3RD BRIGADE BIDS FAREWELL CEREMONY ENDS 4 YEARS C



BON VOYAGE - The first five Iyemen from the 3rd Brigade received flowered leis from Vietnamese Air Force Women.



TAIL END - Vietnamese Military Policemen and members of the 4th Division Color Guard await the file of departing Iyemen.

PHOTOS BY SP4 TOM HODSDON AND PFC FRED DREW

By SP4 Tom Hodsdon

CAMP ENARI - The wings of the huge aircraft dipped as it sat momentarily quiet and stilled on the concrete apron, giving it the crouching look of a gigantic bird impatient to leap skyward.

At planeside, in brief ceremonies, but amid the appropriate display of fluttering flags, sound of two bands and words of its leaders, the 4th Infantry Division was bidding farewell to its 3rd Brigade. Brigade units returning home were the 1st Battalion, 8th Infantry; 1st Battalion, 35th Infantry; 2nd Battalion, 9th Artillery and 1st Battalion, 69th Armor.

The flags were those of the 4th Division color guard and the words were spoken by Lieutenant General Arthur S. Collins, commanding general of the 1st Field Force, Vietnam, an ex-4th Division commander in Vietnam, along with Major General Glenn D. Walker, the Division's present commanding general.

General Collins was reflective, saying, "I remember seeing the first plane leave McCord Air Force Base, Wash., to begin the 4th's time in Vietnam, and I'm happy to be here as the first plane leaves for the United States." General Walker commended the men of the much-decorated brigade for their outstanding record in over four years of combat service.

Two days earlier, in a farewell ceremony at Camp Enari for the 3rd Brigade, General Walker had also praised that record. "When the 3rd Brigade arrived here in January of 1966, the invasion of the Republic of Vietnam by regular divisions from the north had begun. The enemy dominated the countryside, no civilian traffic moved on the highways, and all activities of the people were severely restricted by the terror tactics of the enemy. The 3rd Brigade fought throughout the highlands from Dak To to Ban Me Thuot and found heavy combat wherever they



FAREWELL ADDRESS - Major General Glenn D. Walker addresses members of the 3rd Brigade during ceremony.

OF COMBAT IN HIGHLANDS

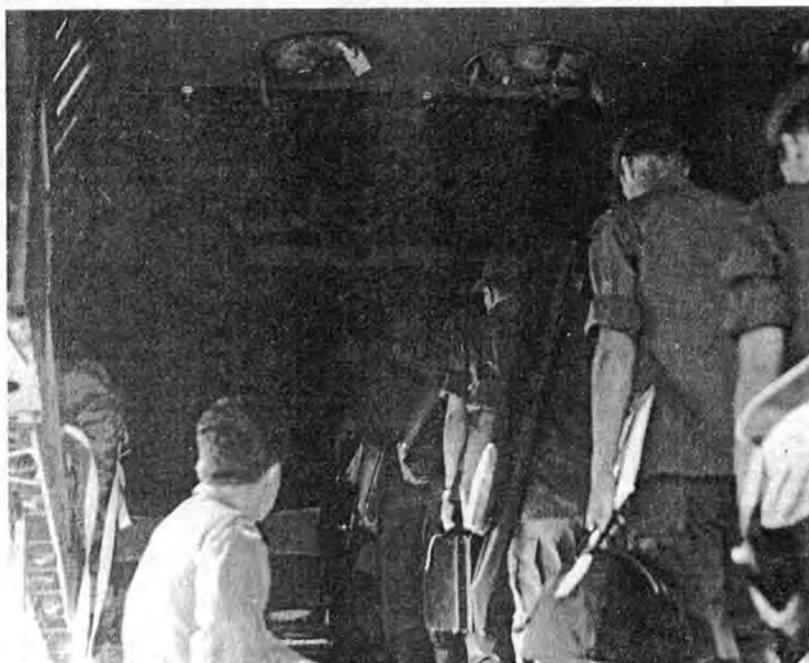
went." He went on to contrast the present situation to that of January 1966. "Commerce flows on the highways, much of the land is under cultivation and most of the people live in their villages and hamlets under their own protection." In conclusion he said, "Officers and men of the 3rd Brigade—your job in the highlands is done, and you can return home with great pride in your service. I join the remainder of the 4th Infantry Division is saying 'well done.' I salute you and wish you Godspeed."

Also witnessing the departure ceremonies were Major General Doan Van Quang, deputy commanding general of II Corps Tactical Zone and another former Ivyman, one-time 4th Division chief of staff, Brigadier General Gordon J. Duquemin, now Deputy Senior Advisor, II Corps Tactical Zone.

After the brief speeches, the 4th Division Band, followed by the Vietnamese II Corps band, struck up "Auld Lang Syne" and the homeward-bound G.I.s marched through a cordon consisting of the bands, a group of Vietnamese Air Force women, a company of cadets from the Highland Junior Military Academy and honor guards from both the 4th Infantry Division and II Corps Tactical Zone.

The first five Ivyman who passed through the cordon received leis of native flowers presented by Vietnamese Air Force women. The last to walk up the cargo ramp through the immense doors were Colonel Gilbert Procter, Jr. of Nogales Ariz., Brigade commander and the unit's top enlisted man, Sergeant Major Curtis Carroll of Fayetteville, N.C.

Although the big jet may have lacked some of the luxuries of a commercial airliner, more than one envious set of eyes followed as it roared down the runway into the air, set course for home and quickly disappeared into the the clouds—marking an end to fighting by a gallant brigade.



FINAL FLIGHT - Members of 3rd Brigade enter the huge tail of the freedom bird with a load of memories.



EYES RIGHT - Members of the departing 3rd Brigade, led by Colonel Gilbert Procter, pass in review.



YOUTHFUL TRIBUTE - Cadets from Highland Junior Military Academy stand at attention at the 3rd Brigade farewell ceremony at Pleiku Air Force base.



General Glenn Walker speaks to the ceremonies at Camp Enari.

Longing to Belong

By Chaplain (CPT) Gerald W. Conner

While camping one summer two young children found playmates before the tents were pitched. As they were busily at play, one little boy who was evidently being ignored in the group cried out: "I am here! I am here: Don't you see I am here?" Although the little fellow was not able to philosophize about it, or analyze it psychologically, or express it theologically, he cried out of a need that he sense could be met in the group. In his cry, he expressed a need that is universal—the need for acceptance.

In a culture in which the person is being ignored by the impersonal forces that have been let loose by the industrial and scientific revolution—in the morass of regimentation that characterizes our modern society, how many echo the cry of this little boy: "I am here! I am here! Don't you see, I am here!"

The length that men, soldiers, will go to be accepted is most amazing. In anxious attempts many have sacrificed their own integrity without a thought. The Swiss psychiatrist Paul Tournier describes a person in two ways. He says that first there is the "person" as he really is and knows himself to be. Second, there is the "personage," which is the image one projects, the role often played. These linguistic distinctions are important.

Often the needs of one's "person" bring extreme actions in his "personage." Such extreme actions can be seen in the advice given one soldier by his buddies. It is reflected in his prayer.

"Lord, I want to belong."

Bill says, "Get on Pot."

Joe tells me, "It's slipping through the wire into An Khe."

Fred states, "It's how much booze you can drink and how loud you curse."

To them all those things work. Still, each in its own way, Lord, is still a trap. And I choose to be free."

In the play "Green Pastures" Noah says, "I ain't very much, but I've all I got." Spiritual pilgrimages and maturity begin here in self acceptance and honesty with God. May we have the courage to begin.

PSYOPS Group Sings To Strengthen GVN

By SP4 Morris S. Jordan

CAMP RADCLIFF - Sergeant Tim Dailey of Escanaba, Mich. PSYOPS team leader for the 2nd Brigade, needed a new way to reach the people with his messages. So he got together a little traveling group to help get the villagers into a more receptive state of mind for his talks about the government of South Vietnam.

The group is composed of two Kit Carson Scouts. One of the men, a guitarist and singer named Tung, was a PSYOPS worker for the Viet Cong before he came over to the side of the government. The other, Be, ("Tiny") is an accomplished sleight-of-hand magician. Both have great talent for humor and entertainment and are intensely loyal to their adopted cause.

They travel to various villages in the area with the 2nd Brigade PSYOPS and MEDCAP teams. The villagers are pleasantly surprised when they see two young men ready to entertain them instead of giving them dull speeches. Tung picks up his guitar and sings Vietnamese folk songs to his own accompaniment. Tiny then begins his puzzling and hilarious tricks with cards, a pea which disappears under one of three cups, and pieces of paper which unite themselves miraculously.

When they finish their act, the audience is in a happy and receptive mood. Tung then talks to the villagers about the government of South Vietnam, asking any Viet Cong or enemy sympathizers in the audience to rally to the Allies' cause. If a member of the audience knows the location of any enemy units, supplies, or arms caches, that person is guaranteed a reward for volunteering the information.

Tung, who has a good command of English, comments on the program in a positive manner. "The people are happy

when we sing and do magic. They are also happy to listen to us when we finish."

Sergeant Dailey commented, "The two men really enjoy performing and supporting the government. They are becoming proficient enough in the PSYOPS business, that I intend eventually to hand the leadership of the team over to Tung. I'm sure he'll be able to handle it."

By just doing their thing, these two ex-Viet Cong are helping the South Vietnamese to win their struggle against the forces of Communism. Their tools of warfare strangely enough, are not rifles, tanks, and bombs, but a microphone, a guitar, and a deck of cards.



LAST FORMATION - During recent ceremonies at Camp Enari, Company A, 4th Engineers was deactivated as the colors were retired. (USA Photo by PFC Fred Drew)

Dollies Bring Smiles

By PFC Joel Stafford

CAMP RADCLIFF - Service in Vietnam can and does tend to become a monotonous experience at times. The need for companionship and word from home, especially in the female sense, is often foremost in a soldier's mind.

The American Red Cross, in its efforts to ease this problem, extends its hand in a friendly and helping manner. One of its most popular advocates of happiness is the "Donut Dolly."

These talented ladies possess the knack of visiting GIs and instantly making their world a little brighter. Home becomes tangible as you look at the girls, and no longer are you isolated in a world of strangers.

Jo Jenkins of Charleston, S.C., and June Smith of Lubbock, Tex., while in the midst of their weekly visit to the 124th Signal Battalion, explained: "We serve a year's tour as part of our commitment, and our main purpose is to help morale and spirit."

It is obvious that these aptly named "Dolls" accomplish their goal in fine fashion.

Games, jokes, and stories form the basis of their magical repertoire, and the silent grins of gratitude signify their importance to all servicemen.

The girls are all college graduates, and a combination of intelligence and feminine charm make them a ready remedy for the soldiers' blues.

A quick amusing game, a word of home, and encouragement and the soldier is transferred from the bottom to the top of the world. There is still a tomorrow and there are still dreams to fulfill. The world is suddenly more complete.

However, the average GI often may have trouble expressing himself. But a thousand smiles and a thousand quiet thoughts speak a secret language that sometimes means more than all the words ever spoken.

If this is true the Donut Dollies need never worry about a lack of friends or appreciation. They have the appreciation of a million friends.



HOT LINE - 4th Division radio operator, Specialist 4 Charles Siner of New Camden, N.J., keeps the mission going at the 1st Battalion, 14th Infantry's resupply pad at LZ Susie.

(USA Photo by SP4 Dave Sumrall)

Dragon Cooks Keep Troops Well Fed

By PFC Stephen Heck

CAMP RADCLIFF - Stars twinkle overhead as shadowy figures move phantomlike through the gloom of the field tent. Base security prevents any form of illumination so they must carry out their tasks through touch and instinct. Soon the smell of bacon begins to fill the air, accented by steady cracking of countless egg shells. Another day has begun for the cooks of the 1st Battalion, 14th Infantry at Landing Zone (LZ) Hard Times.

Feeding several battalions at every meal could truly be a cook's nightmare, yet the Dragon cooks take this in stride. Staff Sergeant John Morris of Grand Rapids, Mich. is mess sergeant in charge of eleven

cooks and KP's who serve hundreds of people per meal.

"We use about 100 pounds of meat for every meal," said the sergeant. "We also make about 30 gallons of iced tea or lemonade per meal, and in this heat it's never enough!"

Sergeant Morris was with the Fourth Division in 1966 and has noticed a considerable improvement in the quality of the equipment. At that time maintenance of equipment was difficult. Today, thanks to improved equipment and cleaning procedures the operation runs efficiently.

A typical day for the cooks begins at 4:30 a.m. and ends 18 hours later. The heat and dust are ever present with relief provided only by the coming of darkness.

"The heat of the stoves inside the cook tent makes it like a sauna bath," said Private First Class Robert Spencer of Jacksonville, Tex. "We don't have any fat cooks out here!" The cooks work in shifts allowing them some "free time."

"We fill sandbags and work on our bunkers when we're not cooking," stated Private First Class Sammy McGirt of McCall, S.C.

"Actually I'd rather be out in the field as an infantryman," continued PFC McGirt. "I like the outdoors because it's wide open. I feel crowded back here on the firebase. It's too much like a city."

The last meal of the day is served and the sun becomes a red glow in the western sky. Night quickly descends upon their activities as the provisions are laid out for the next morning. At the end of the day each man is alone with his own thoughts, thinking of the next day and beyond.



HISTORY BOOK - This photo was taken in Saigon in early 1966 when the 1st Battalion, 69th Armor arrived. The "Black Panthers" have now redeployed as part of the 4th Division's 3rd Brigade.

(USA Photo)

Dragon Misses Sea

By PFC Stephen Heck

CAMP RADCLIFF - The shrill cry of hungry seagulls wheeling in the air above does little to intrude on the bustling scene below where the ships of many nations mingle in a potpourri of sounds and smells. One is not likely to find many scenes like this in the wind-swept hills of the Central Highlands, but for Specialist 4 Ali Haimed of Brooklyn, New York, with the 4th Division's 1st Battalion, 14th Infantry, the sea is not so far distant.

Specialist Haimed came to the United States from his native Yemen four years ago where he was a wheat farmer.

"I left Yemen to visit my brother in Brooklyn," said the Specialist, "While I was there I joined the Merchant Marine."

As a merchant seaman for two years, Specialist Haimed visited almost every major world seaport. Frequenting such countries as Thailand, the Philippines, Japan, France and England, he was even able to visit his homeland three times. Ironically, his ship visited the locale of his future employment:

"During 1966-67 our ship stopped at all the major South Vietnamese ports regularly," he

said, "We came into Vung Tau, Qui Nhon and Cam Ranh Bay quite regularly, and little did I know that in less than a year I would be back, but this time without my ship!"

Uncle Sam soon gave his regards to Specialist Haimed, who found himself with the 4.2 mortar section of the Golden Dragons.

"When I came over here," the Specialist said, "I was hoping that I might be stationed near Saigon or Qui Nhon, but I ended up in the Central Highlands near Pleiku which wasn't too close to the sea."

The former seaman enjoys his job as a mortar crewman, taking things as they come. "Life doesn't have to be complicated to enjoy it," he said. "so I don't worry about too much. I don't even let C-rations get me down."

After his military service is completed, Specialist Haimed plans to go back to his first love, the Merchant Marine.

"I'll probably live in San Francisco for a while, and then go back to the sea, but really it's too early to plan that far ahead."

Officers Make Big Run Daily

CAMP RADCLIFF - Physical Fitness - words that are not apt to create much enthusiasm with GIs are gratefully minimized inside the confines of a base camp. However, two officers of the 124th Signal Battalion have initiated their own form of physical training.

Major Anthony G. Bauer of Queens, N.Y., assistant division signal officer, and First Lieutenant Jeffrey L. Williams of Oceanside, N.Y., commanding officer, Headquarters and

Headquarters Detachment, can be observed daily as they embark upon a one and one-half mile run that has become a routine event with the two officers.

"Running is the best possible conditioner," comments Major Bauer who participated in intramural cross-country running at the U.S. Military Academy. "It helps me to become more efficient in my job, in the respect that I feel much better when I run."

Lieutenant Williams, a former 9.7 sprinter who also lettered in tennis at Muskingum College, New Concord, Ohio, says that "personal pride has a great deal to do with my running. Pride in knowing that your body is in shape, as well as feeling healthful."

Occasionally other officers and EM have decided to join the jaunt. It seems that heat and humidity has a habit of forcing the newcomers to stop-short of the run's completion.

Regular Swallows Razor Blades, Glass

By SP4 Henry Veldman

CAMP RADCLIFF - He swallows swords, breathes fire, eats light bulbs and razor blades, walks on broken glass, sleeps on a bed of nails and sticks pins in his arms without drawing blood.

But right now, Specialist 4 Rodney Hurley from Litchfield, Mich. is a radio teletype operator for the 1st Battalion, 22nd Infantry. Three years ago, he performed an act known as "The Yoga Act" with a small traveling carnival.

"The summer between my sophomore and junior year in high school," explained Specialist Hurley, "a small carnival, Hentschel Amusements Inc. of Traverse City, Mich., came to my home town and was in need of a set up man. I took the job and when the carnival moved out, I followed."

While working with the carnival, Specialist Hurley met a man who performed the yoga act which consisted of swallowing swords, eating light bulbs and razor blades, lying on bed of nails, walking bare foot over broken glass, swallowing fire and sticking pins through his arms drawing no blood.

"I really wanted to learn to perform this act," admitted Hurley, "so I asked the man to teach me. He said the only requirement was a strong desire to learn it, so in three weeks I was able to perform the act."

"I used to find someone in the audience who smoked, ask him to come up, and then I'd light his cigarette with fire from my mouth."

Specialist Hurley worked with the carnival for three and a half months, and then went back to school. After completing high school, he was inducted into the Army and was sent to Germany. There, his act was discovered, and he was offered a job with the special services.

"I liked my job as a radio-teletype operator though," said Hurley, "so I decided to stay with my job."

The sword man is now stationed in Vietnam with the tactical operations center of the 1st Battalion, 22nd Infantry. He is still performing his act, but now it is only for interested friends. A few field expeditors are employed, however. Since he said he can't find the right kind of sword, he performs his sword-swallowing act with a 15 inch clothes hanger. The obvious thing to think when he swallows light bulb and razor blades is that he will cut himself, but Specialist Hurley says, "It is simply a feat of mind over matter. I only swallow regular razor blades though: the stainless steel blades give me indigestion."

He Keeps Warriors Laughing

CAMP RADCLIFF - "We don't have television, but we've got Ed Sullivan, Jack Benny and John Wayne to keep us entertained," explained Specialist 4 John Ullman of Fort Thomas, Ky., a Company A, 1st Battalion, 12th Infantry soldier.

While on a recent stand down, with the usual beer and soda to enjoy the show, the men of Company A watched their own celebrity, PFC Garry Bond, do his imitations of these men.

The Tarzana, Calif. native said, "Well, easily lapsing into his Jack Benny characterization, "I'm just the all-around clown of Company A, and enjoy entertaining my buddies."

PFC Bond's father, Herbert P. Bond, owns a company that produces commercials in Hollywood, and he said that it was probably just the proximity of the stars that prompted his own act.

Specialist Ullman added, "Being in the same squad as PFC Bond gives us a chance to watch and enjoy his own little show at any time, and he sure does entertain the men of the company."

Specialist Bond (as John Wayne) explains, "I am plannin' to go back to that purty little spread of my Dad's and make some commercials."

Brigade Leads New Trend in Civil Affairs

CAMP RADCLIFF - The 1st Brigade was first again in getting behind the current trend in civil affairs projects. With increased emphasis on helping the Vietnamese people to help themselves, civil affairs projects in the 1st Brigade are providing labor and building materials.

Typical of recent projects are a soccer field and a bridge near Landing Zone (LZ) Hard Times in the 1st Brigade's area of operation.

Near the village of Phung-Thien, one-half mile south of LZ Hard Times, a 4th Engineer Battalion grader leveled an area for a soccer field. Final

preparation will be made by the villagers.

Further south, Captain Ty, subdistrict chief of Vinh Tan, requested help building a bridge. A grader and a bulldozer were provided by the 4th Engineer Battalion and First Lieutenant James Moyer of Sellersville, Penn., provided the technical assistance.

The bridge was made by sandbagging two steel culverts in a stream bed.

"About 500 villagers showed up for work," said Captain Theodore Gillrup of Jacksonville, Fla., 1st Brigade S-5. "We never expected such enthusiastic support."



DESERVED REST - Six combat-seasoned "tubes" of the 4th Division's departed 2nd Battalion, 9th Artillery stand ready for shipment to a maintenance facility depot.

(USA Photo by SPS Steve DiBiase)

Here's How to Become A Cadet Former Choir Singer Entertains RTO's

HQ USARPAC - Many U.S. Army, Pacific (USARPAC) enlisted men will have the opportunity to enter the U. S. Military Academy's Preparatory School during 1970. The West Point Cadet Corps was enlarged in 1969, permitting increased Preparatory School quotas for outstanding EMs.

There are no hard and fast rules which apply for admission to the West Point Preparatory School. Basic standards, however, are set forth in AR

351-12 (which supersedes AR 350-55). No tests of any kind are required. After interview and endorsement by his commander, application is made to the USMA Preparatory School, Ft. Belvoir, Va., where the individual students are selected on the basis of their records.

Courses at the USMA Preparatory School prepare students to compete for appointments to West Point and provide additional preparation

for those who win appointments to the Academy.

The program will be actively supported within U. S. Army, Pacific, with strong encouragement from General Ralph E. Haines, Jr., CINCUSARPAC.

Commanders at all levels are the primary contact point for EM who wish to enter the Prep School. Only men with outstanding motivation and qualifications can achieve the objective.

By SP4 David Farabaugh

CAMP ENARI - If you were to walk into the Tactical Operations Center (TOC) of the 3rd Battalion, 8th Infantry, you might hear a muffled voice or a high pitched laugh coming from the underground communications conex.

The voice and laugh both belong to Sergeant William Ellis of Boston, a radio-telephone operator for Headquarters, 3rd Battalion, 8th Infantry.

Sergeant Ellis has used his voice for much more than sending and receiving radio messages. Before entering the Army, Sergeant Ellis was the lead singer and assistant director of the Ronald Ingram Concert Choir of Boston.

The choir was organized by Ronald Ingram of the New Hope Baptist Church in 1965. The choir began singing for their own enjoyment and a few church functions. In two short years they turned to the professional ranks and began touring the country. They have appeared with Harry Belefonte, the Edward Hopkins Singers and Sidney Poitier.

They have recorded two albums entitled "My Reward" and "Prayer Changes Things." The albums are a mixture of Gospel and Rock. The choir's 35 members are adept at both.

Sergeant Ellis explained, "We put the whole thing together mostly for our own pleasure but of course the money from the concert tour is always nice to have. I can't wait to get back and start singing again." The Ronald Ingram Concert Choir can't wait either.

Can You Name...

... the nine men who have worn the five stars of the nation's top military rank?

They are: Generals of the Army Omar N. Bradley, Dwight D. Eisenhower, Douglas MacArthur and George C. Marshall; Henry H. "Hap" Arnold, commander of the Army Air Corps during World War II; and Navy Admirals Chester W. Nimitz, Ernest J. King, William D. Leahy and William F. "Bull" Halsey.

John J. Pershing held the rank of General of the Armies of the United States, but he wore only four stars.

BRIGADE GOES...

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installations. But the brigade did not sacrifice its combat operations in the face of a pacification program.

The 1st Battalion, 8th Infantry arrived in Vietnam in early August, 1966 as part of the 4th Division. Among the numerous valor awards presented to "Bullets" in Vietnam were four Medals of Honor. Three of the citations were presented posthumously to Platoon Sergeant Bruce Grandstaff, Private First Class Leslie Belrichard and Staff Sergeant Frankie Molnar. The fourth individual cited was First Sergeant David McNamey.

The 1st Battalion, 35th Infantry, 2nd Battalion, 9th Artillery, and 1st Battalion, 69th Armor all came to the 4th Division from the 25th Infantry Division. All had come to Vietnam with the Tropic Lightning in early 1966.

While in Vietnam the 1st Battalion, 69th Armor and the

"Cacti Green" were both awarded the Presidential Unit Citation for action between April and October of 1968.

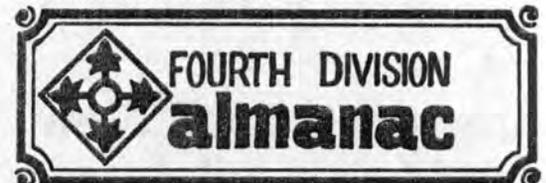
On January 15, 1968, the Medal of Honor was awarded to Specialist 5 Dwight Johnson of the 1st Battalion, 69th Armor for heroism in holding off the enemy with a variety of small arms after his tank had thrown a track.

By 1970, the brigade itself had seen more than 1,340 consecutive days without rest or complete stand down. And now, they're receiving some well-deserved relaxation.

Redeploying to the United States as 3rd Brigade elements were 1st Battalion, 8th Infantry, 1st Battalion, 35th Infantry, 2nd Battalion, 9th Artillery and 1st Battalion, 69th Armor. The brigade was feted before departure at ceremonies at Pleiku Air Force Base. The colors were returned to Fort Lewis, Wash. where the unit will be inactivated.



WATCH THOSE CURVES! - Joey Heatherton reminds drivers in the 4th Division to be specially careful of those curvy mountain roads. The first drop is a long one! (Photo Courtesy Roy Cummings, Inc.)



- May 1 - Labor Day (RVN)
Law Day
15th Anniversary - Army Intelligence School
- May 7 - 89th Anniversary - Command and General Staff College
- May 10 - Mother's Day
- May 14 - 28th Anniversary - Women's Army Corps
158th Anniversary - Ordnance Corps
- May 16 - Armed Forces Day
- May 18, 1967 - PSG Bruce Grandstaff awarded Medal of Honor (post) for action with 1st Bn., 8th Inf.
- May 19 - Brith of Buddha
- May 20, 1967 - PFC Leslie Belrichard awarded Medal of Honor (post) for action with 1st Bn., 8th Inf.
SSG Frankie Molnar awarded Medal of Honor (post) for action with 1st Bn., 8th Inf.
- May 27 - 28th Anniversary of Americal Division

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