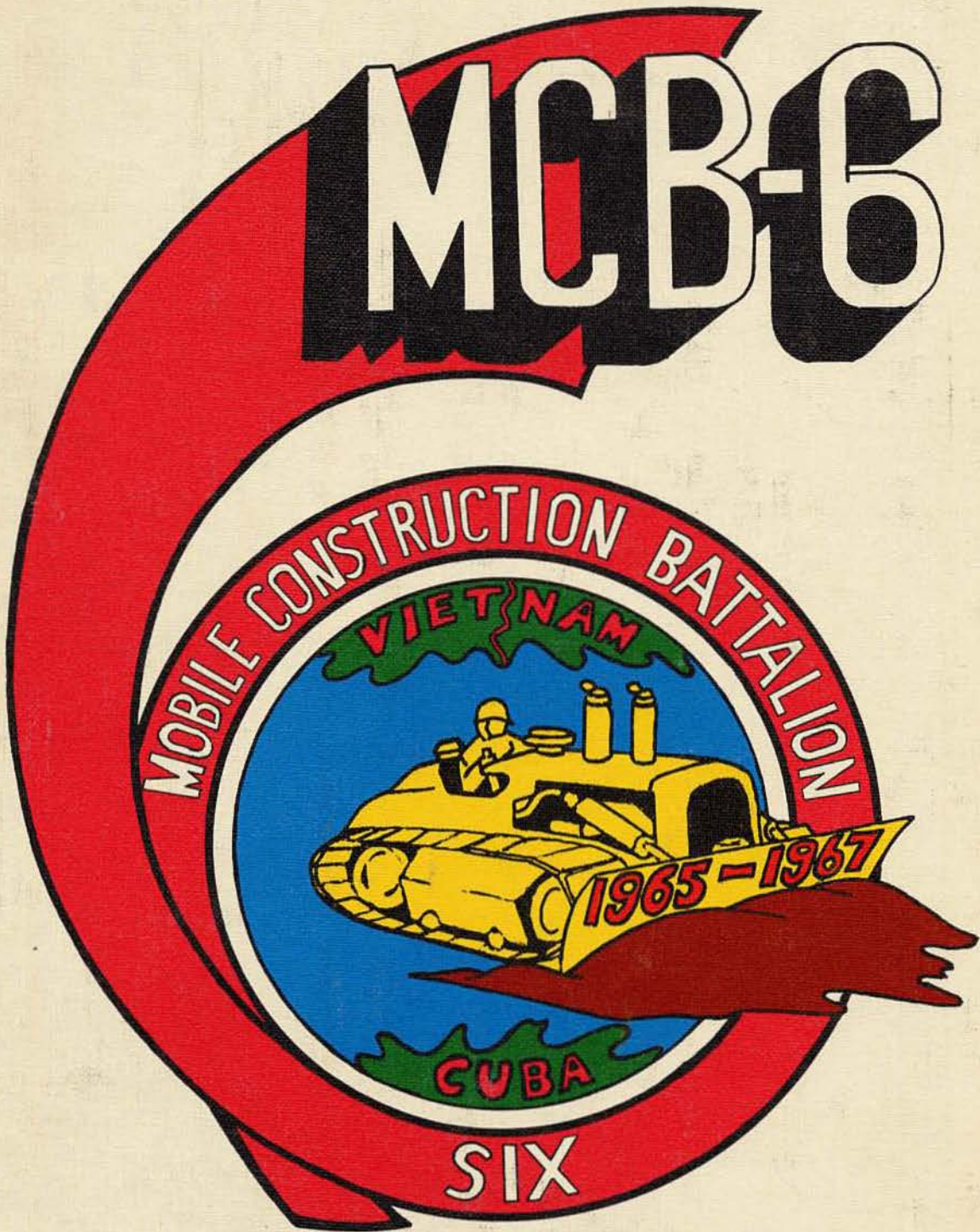


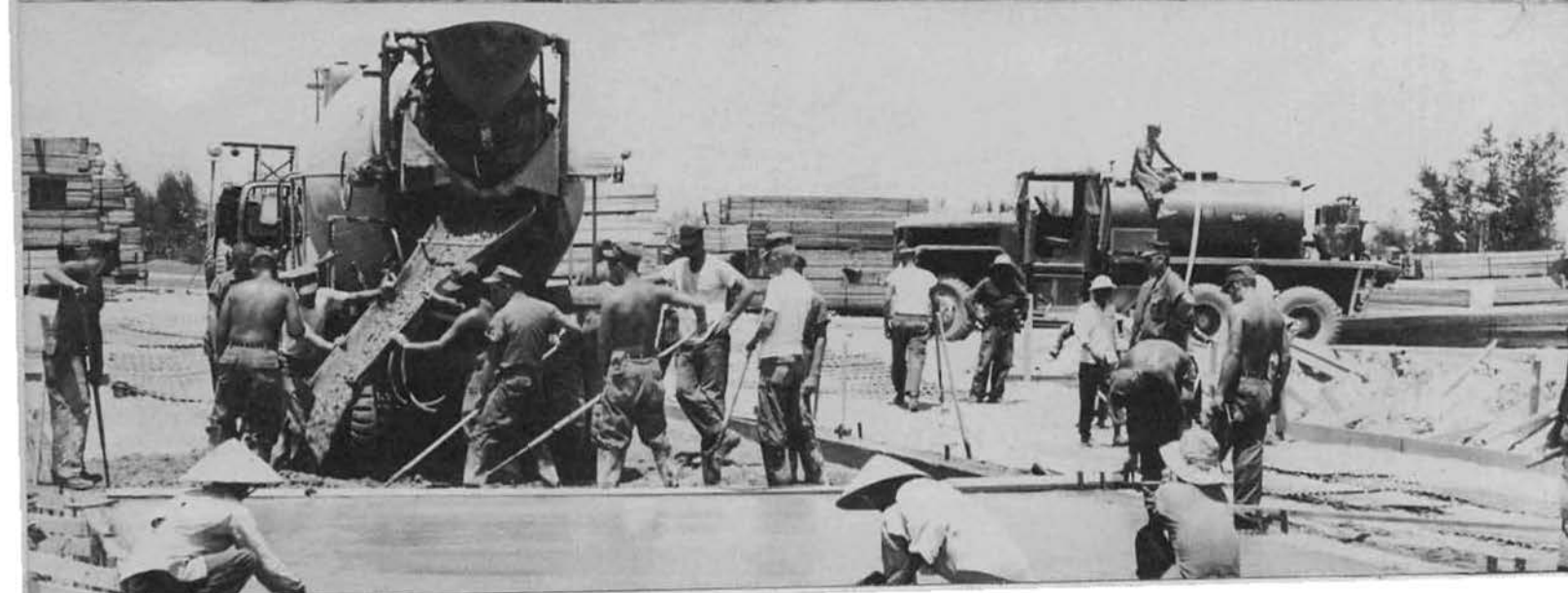
# MCB-6







**IN PEACE AND WAR WE BUILD AND FIGHT**





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# COMSERVLANT



**RADM H.A. Renken**

I have followed with great interest the work of Mobile Construction Battalion Six at Danang. Both through batallion reports and through personal contact with those who have inspected and visited your job sites, I know that your batallion has done much to inspire the new Seabee legend being carved in the hillsides and on the beaches of Viet Nam. You have added another memorable chapter on still another distant shore to the famed history of your unit.

Your battalion has again experienced the trials, deprivations, and heartbreak of war. You have demonstrated the ability to shoulder these sacrifices in the recognition that far greater common goals must be attained. It is this ability to carry on under adversities that marks a unit for greatness.

Now, in reflecting on that deployment, I wish to add confirmation to a job in which you can take justifiable pride.

Well done.

H. A. RENKEN  
REAR ADMIRAL, U. S. NAVY  
COMSERVLANT

# CONGRATULATORY MESSAGES



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## RADM M. Heaman

To the officers and men of U.S. Naval Mobile Construction Battalion SIX I extend my sincerest congratulations for the fine job you have done while employed in the Danang area of the Republic of Vietnam. It is with pleasure that I note the impressive manner in which you responded to the call to assist in the enormous construction effort the SEABEE's have been taxed with in Vietnam. In your response you have demonstrated one of the most valuable assets the SEABEE's enjoy, rapid mobility.

Your performance while in Vietnam was of the highest caliber, once again demonstrating the legendary "Can Do" motto of the SEABEE's.

Upon your return to homeport and reunion with your families and friends, I extend my wishes for your continued happiness and success in all future endeavors. "Well Done."

W. M. HEAMAN  
Rear Admiral, CEC, U. S. Navy  
Commander  
Naval Construction Battalions, Pacific



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## RADM Edwin B. Hooper

Seabees have been in Vietnam for many months building airfields, roads, warehouses, piers and anything else that needs building. Often the construction has taken place under Viet Cong fire. Several Seabees have made the supreme sacrifice in defense of liberty and country.

Every man in Mobile Construction Battalion SIX has lived up to the great record of World War II Seabees and the "Can Do" spirit. Your shipmates of the Service Force, U. S. Pacific Fleet and fellow Americans everywhere are extremely proud of the job you have done in Vietnam.

The Seabees' achievements in Vietnam reflect the motivated and dedicated Navyman of today. You have done a job and done it superbly. To all men of Mobile Construction Battalion SIX, I extend you a hearty, "WELL DONE!"

Sincerely yours,

EDWIN B. HOOPER



COMBLANT  
COMBLANT

## **CMDR Greer A. Busbee, Jr.**

As Commander of the Atlantic Fleet Seabees, I commend the officers and men of U. S. Naval Mobile Construction Battalion SIX, on your outstanding efforts while on deployment in Vietnam. When MCB SIX arrived in Vietnam, you faced a difficult job. Despite problems and dangers, you completed your assignment in true Seabee fashion.

You overcame heat, rain, and the enemy. Through constant work and vigilance you accomplished your tasks ahead of schedule. Not only did you get the job done -- you did it well.

You have again proven to the Navy, the Nation, and the World that the Seabees "CAN DO".

GREER A. BUSBEE, JR.



**COMMANDER 3RD NAVAL**



**CONSTRUCTION**

**BRIGADE VIETNAM**

**RADM Paul E. Seufer**

**COM - 30TH NCR**

**Danang Vietnam**



**CAPT. A. R. Marschall**

It is a pleasure to speak to the officers, men, families and friends of MCB SIX in this manner. MCB SIX has made a major contribution to the U. S. Navy's efforts in Viet Nam during its 1966 - 1967 deployment at DaNang. The many projects completed are well portrayed in this Cruise Book. Notable among these is the most important port facility at the DaNang River Bridge. The officers and men of MCB SIX can be justly proud of this and all your achievements. I know you have all made many new friendships during this deployment and that you have gained experience that will remain with you forever. It has been a privilege to have served as Commander 30NCR with you.

A. R. MARSCHALL



# COMMANDING OFFICER MCB - 6



**CDR J. C. Day, Jr.**

It has been my pleasure to serve as your Commanding Officer during this Vietnam deployment. I have seen countless examples of outstanding work completed on schedule despite material and equipment shortages, wet weather, Viet Cong harassment, and long, long hours on the job.

It is obvious from your performance on the MCB SIX team, that the goals of providing combat support to Marine and Naval Forces, and of assisting the struggling Vietnamese people toward peace and prosperity have been achieved.

Now that we have completed our first Vietnam deployment, we can look back, knowing that each of us has done his part on a difficult job. Well done!

J. C. DAY, Jr.

# EXECUTIVE OFFICER MCB-6



**CDR W. J. Burns, Jr.**

The courageous and determined efforts of MCB SIX has left an indelible mark at the sites where you men have toiled. As a representative of our country each of you has set an example which will inspire those that follow. I am proud to have served as your Executive Officer and am grateful for this opportunity to express my appreciation to each of you.

W. J. BURNS, Jr.



# FOREWORD

As you read through this book, you will grasp a message. The book was designed for this purpose. It's pages of messages, pictures and stories of the units activities will move you from tears to laughter as you retrace the path the men of MCB-6 have carved in military history.

As a member of the unit, you will be reminded for years to come of your deeds. As a dependent, friend or curious reader, the tale of MCB-6's achievements will give you a feeling of pride in the unit.

In the one year history, you will read of how the unit grew from 200 men to more than a 700 man Battalion. In the overall history, you will reflect upon the past and present struggles of MCB-6. The tale of its growth while continuing to carry out primary mission of "build and defend" is a story in itself.

You will see men leaving their families and friends to build and fight. As an intimate member of the unit, you will treasure these experiences. They will in the future as in the past, serve as a source of inspiration.

This is only part of the story. Some of it is told in the messages from the Commanders under which MCB-6 has served. Another part of the story lies in the faces of the men in MCB-6 as they toil against the elements of weather, disease, discomforts, and a violent enemy.

Regardless of your connection with MCB-6 this tale of the unit will make you as proud as they are of their role in support of the free world's efforts to aid oppressed mankind.

This book contains a story that is unfinished. History will write its conclusion.

EDITOR





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## 2 YEAR HISTORY

Fiscal year 1966-1967 proved to be the most outstanding for MCB-6 since its recommissioning in 1951. With Detachment Victor at Argentinia and the remaining personnel in various schools, MCB-6 started to grow in August 1965. Within a month the unit had increased to more than 350 men.

In September, a detachment of 200 men left its home at Davisville for a month of intensive military training at Camp LeJeune, the Marine Corps Base in North Carolina. While at LeJeune, the unit learned various offensive and defensive combat methods including perimeter defense, patrolling, live firing, "booby trap" tactics and other advance combat techniques.

After returning to Davisville in October, MCB-6 started to prepare for a "split assignment". Normally the unit deployed to the Antarctic, but this time it would be different. On October 18, the "ICE" Detachment, Det. Whiskey, composed of 100 men, left for a normal tour of duty and the main body of more than 350 men prepared for duty at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba. MCB-6 arrived in GITMO on November 9, 1965.

Immediately after arriving, MCB-6 assumed the duties of constructing facilities and maintaining an active defense perimeter of the base. The unit worked day and night for the next two and one-half months and during that period, set many individual construction records. One of the projects was the construction of housing for the Cuban and other non American workers who live on the base. MCB-6 returned to a joyous welcome at Davisville, January 15, 1966. The unit had accomplished in about two months an amount of work intended for a 120 day period.

In February, the "ICE" detachment, after building several projects vital to the American scientific effort at the Antarctic, rejoined the main body at Davisville in March. Not more than 600 strong, MCB-6 returned to Camp LeJeune for its second-month of military training. The course this time was more intensive and included various facets of guerilla warfare and tactics used by the Viet Cong.

In May the unit officially learned of its assignment to Vietnam. The advance party left during the first part of May. Within the next three weeks, the entire Battalion of more than 500 men had been airlifted direct from the Quonset Point Naval Air Station, in Rhode Island, to South Vietnam. The move was completed on May 24th.

Since arriving on duty at Da Nang in South Vietnam, the Battalion has again made its presence known by setting several construction records. One of them, was the construction of a 314 ft. pier which was started by MCB-6. The pier helped base the U.S.'s shipping problem in South Vietnam.

Despite the civil disturbances in Da Nang, MCB-6 worked 24 hours a day, seven days a week and completed the pier almost two weeks ahead of schedule, on June 20. The unit's performance attracted the praise of area commanders.

In the first month of its deployment, MCB-6 topped all other Seabee units in South Vietnam in terms of productive manpower. MCB-6 also initiated an effective Civic Action program. One of the projects gained the interest of the Commanding General, Fleet Marine Forces Pacific, who visited the site of a well that was constructed by MCB-6 for the people of SON THOY, a nearby village.

On July 5, Commander James C. Day, Jr. relieved Lieutenant Commander Henry A. Tombari, as Commanding Officer of MCB-6

Later in the month, MCB-6 began a \$10 million improvement program for Camp Tien Sha, the Naval Support Activity, Da Nang. Among the projects were; Post Office, laundry, soda fountain, 1,000 man galley, cobbler and tailor shop, numerous storage buildings and a Chapel. The new facilities either replaced or were the first of their type to service some 5,000 Navy Personnel at Tien Sha.

On July 23, the Viet Cong mortared the area near the MCB-6 camp. The unit received several rounds of small arms fire in the camp, but, there were no injuries due to the enemy action. However, the nearby activities of Marine Air Group 16 and the Naval Support Activity's hospital, did suffer light casualties.

One of the MCB-6 bunkers was commended for sighting the Viet Cong mortar flashes and opening fire. Their actions were believed to have averted the VC from inflicting heavier casualties on units in the Marble Mountain area of Vietnam.

The following months of August, September and October 1966 were busy ones for the men of MCB-6. In the ensuing period, the unit completed construction of one of the largest "cold storage" facilities in the world. The "big freezer" as it is called, equalled 30,000 standard refrigerators. The "cold" units were mounted on pads and represented 356,000 cubic feet of cold storage space.

The new Prisoner of War camp facilities were constructed for the Republic of Vietnam. Completion of this project on schedule, drew the praise of area Commanders. Five members of MCB-6 were formally cited for their performance in connection with the construction of the prisoner detention area during dedication ceremonies held in November. The Commanding Officer and four other MCB-6 Officers and men were awarded the Vietnamese Medal of Honor for their accomplishments.

Also during this period, the unit hosted a number of USO shows. In addition members of the Battalion witnessed a performance by renowned comedienne, Miss Martha Raye. Miss Raye was presented an honorary Seabee plaque during her visit to the camp.

MCB-6 also received a new Executive Officer. CDR William J. Burns Jr., relieved LCDR W.R. Ledder in October. As the year drew to a close, MCB-6's civic action program reached a high point. A Christmas Party was held in December for some 400 children in the village of Son Thuy and an orphanage near DaNang. In addition, some 20 member of the Orphanage who were convent students, visited the MCB-6 camp on Christmas Day for dinner.

1967 began as 1966 faded into the past with MCB-6 looking back on a wonderful year. During the past year while on duty in Vietnam, the unit had built some 600 "tinned huts", enough to house some 6,000 Marines who had been sleeping on the ground and under leaky tents. In early January, the advance party of Mobile Construction Battalion 133 arrived at Camp Faulkner and MCB-6 began full scale preparations to return to its homeport at Davisville, R.I. The advance party of MCB-6 left for the homeport on January 8, 1967. MCB-6 returned the following month after some eight months in Vietnam.

# STAFF OFFICERS



LT C. V. RIPA



LT M. J. CARRICATO



LT H. W. ARMENTROUT

## DENTAL



DR J. J. Spinale

## MEDICAL



DR N. A. Falconer

## ADMINISTRATION



LTJG R. O. Despain

## PERSONNEL



LTJG Storsteen

## SUPPLY



LTJG H. A. Vroman

## DISBURSING



ENS J. E. Hollander, Jr.

## CHAPLAIN



LT D. Bowes

## SECURITY



LT C. V. Eaton



LTJG R. R. Scholz

## ENGINEERING



LTJG A. C. Gaskill



# Past History of Mobile Construction Battalion Six

From the shores of Guadalcanal to Okinawa and Cuba to Vietnam, U.S. Naval Mobile Construction Battalion Six has upheld the Seabees motto of, "Can Do". The first Seabee Battalion to work under actual combat conditions was Naval Construction Battalion Six. This unit went ashore on Guadalcanal in 1942 under the command of Commander Joseph P. Blundon. From August 7 to December 9, 1942, MCB SIX fought with and built reinforced positions for the First Marine Division. During this period, the men of NCB SIX worked as Combat Engineers, Aviation Engineers and Construction Engineers 24 hours a day.

For their heroic efforts under fire, the Battalion earned the Presidential Unit Citation. After building and fighting on Guadalcanal, Espiritu Santo, Tulagi, Auckland, Noumea and Okinawa, NCB SIX was decommissioned in October of 1945.

## RECOMMISSIONED

Six years later, on May 3, 1951, two days after orders were issued for reactivation of NCB, SIX, now redesignated MCB SIX, CDR R. D. Pinkerton, CEC, USN, assumed command in Norfolk, Va. The NCB Battalions were renamed in 1949 by order of CNO (Chief of Naval Operations). On that date in 1951, MCB SIX became the only Seabee Battalion in Commission entitled to display the Presidential Unit Citation.

## 1951-1953

The first assignment given Mobile Construction Battalion Six, was the construction of various projects at the Naval Station, Bermuda. Upon arrival in Bermuda, MCB-6 relieved MCB-4. MCB-6 completed the construction duty in two months and headed for Guantanamo Bay, Cuba. The Battalion arrived on July 6, 1951. While in Cuba, MCB-6 built a complete Seabee Camp at Leeward Point. MCB-6 returned to the Davisville CB Center in December of 1951.

In March of 1952, MCB-6 departed for construction duties at Argentia, Newfoundland and remained in Newfoundland until August of that same year when they returned to Davisville.

In October of 1952, MCB-6 returned to Cuba and built both an Officer and Enlisted mens berthing facilities.

After a short return to the U.S. in April, MCB-6 deployed to French Morocco. The Battalion arrived on June 3 and later that month CDR P. J. Simmons, CEC, USN, relieved CDR Pinkerton.

## 1953-1956

From 1953 until 1956, MCB-6 built a variety of projects in Puerto Rico, Cuba, San Salvador, Grand Turks, Nova Scotia, Bermuda, Nantucket, Cape Hatteras and Antigua. In November of 1953 after finishing several of these projects throughout the Atlantic and Caribbean areas, SIX returned home.

On February 8, 1954, MCB-6 commissioned its first detachment named "DOG". This unit went to San Juan in April of 1954 and the main body returned to Cuba for the third time in three years. The Battalion commissioned its second detachment dubbed "EASY"; while in Cuba. This party went to San Salvador. Less than three weeks later on June 5, 1954, MCB-6 commissioned another detachment for duty in Grand Turks. This detachment was designated detachment "FOX". After arriving back in Davisville in July, 1954, MCB-6 commissioned its fourth detachment and received a new Commanding Officer. After commissioning detachment "GEORGE" and "HOW" in Davisville for duty in Bermuda and Nova Scotia respectively CDR C. Jaquess, CEC, USNR, relieved CDR Simmons in October. Only three of the original seven detachments were in commission by September. Detachments "ITEM" and "JIG", were working in Nantucket, Mass. and Cape Hatteras, North Carolina respectively. MCB-6 next deployment was to Antigua where the Battalion remained from October 1955 to July 1956. MCB-6 returned to Cuba in 1956 arriving there on October 3. On October 27, 1956 Commander V. M. Tregonis, CEC, USN, relieved CDR Jaquess.

MCB-6 had hardly returned to the States when the Battalion was again in Cuba. While deployed in Cuba, MCB-6 was awarded the title, "Best of the Atlantic Fleet Seabees". This title was earned through the hard work and sacrifices of the officers and men of the battalion.

After leaving detachment "OSCAR" behind, MCB-6 left Cuba for the U.S. in January, arriving in Davisville on January 17, 1958. Before leaving for duty at Roosevelt Roads, Puerto Rico on May 15, 1958, MCB-6 Commissioned and sent to Barbados T.W.I., detachment "PAPA", it's 9th detachment. Detachment "PAPA" rejoined the main body in Puerto Rico. On December 7, 1958, LCDR L.E. Stiffler who had relieved CDR V. M. Tregonis in Puerto Rico on November 22, 1958, was relieved by CDR L. W. Graves. After returning to Davisville in December of 1958 MCB-6 prepared for duty in Rota, Spain. On January 5, 1959, detachment "ROMEO" the Battalion's 10th unit, left for construction duties in Spain. When the main body arrived four months later, the advance party had built more than 50 Quonset huts, several buildings and other projects. Six, upon arrival, became the first Seabee Battalion to be on duty at Europe's newest base, Rota. Prior to arriving in Rota, MCB-6 had completed combat training at Camp LeJeune earning for the unit another first as the only MCB unit to under-go extensive military training. After arriving in Rota, MCB-6 once again resumed their building duties and constructed a school, gymnasium, library, E.M. Club, Service Station, Dry Cleaning plant and many more projects. In January 1960, the Battalion left Rota for the States. In February of that same year, LCDR O. R. Butterfield, CEC, USN relieved CDR Graves as Commanding Officer of MCB-6. Later that year, MCB-6 tacked on another first by becoming the only Seabee command to be located in the States with two detachments deployed. On December 11, 1960, MCB-6 again earned honors by becoming the first MCB Battalion to attend classes in disaster recovery.

1961-1962

On February 27, 1961, LCDR Charles W. Calhoun relieved LCDR Butterfield. Later that year, the unit deployed to Argentia and re-roofed the 10 story BOQ, repaired and replaced lighting fixtures in the station hospital and among a host of other duties, worked on a seaplane ramp. In August 1961, MCB-6 went to Bermuda and performed various repair duties at the Naval Station.

The Battalion returned to Davisville on December 15, 1961. In early March 1962, the Battalion again went to Camp LeJeune for military training. In May of that year, the unit deployed to Roosevelt Roads to build a crash facility, several small buildings and three and one half miles of road-work.

MCB-6 deployed to Greece in late 1962. On Sunday, March 24, 1963 now under the command of LCDR R. J. Biederman, MCB-6 embarked on a series of "People to People" activities in Southern Europe. While there, the battalion saved a church from burning. Possessing the only fire-fighting equipment within 20 miles, the Battalion's "firefighters" quickly brought the blaze under control.

During the 1962-63 deployment to Greece, MCB-6 built under the name, Project Judy, a completely new Naval Communications Station. Despite the wind, rain and freezing cold along with various other delays, MCB-6 completed the facility on time.

1964-1965

On February 18, 1964, MCB-6 returned to Rota, Spain. While there, the Battalion built an extension to the Library, and several other projects. Also while in Rota, the unit received a new Commanding Officer when LCDR Henry A. Tombari relieved LCDR Biederman on May 27, 1964.

Leaving a detachment of 65 men in Rota to finish transferring equipment and materials to MCB-8, MCB-6 returned to Davisville to prepare for duty at the Antarctic.

# ALL HANDS

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## Seabees Learn to Protect What

**F**OR A MARINE, digging foxholes, firing and cleaning M-14 rifles, mortars, machine guns, antitank weapons and 3.5 rocket launchers, sleeping in tents, eating C rations and marching in the hot sun is routine.

And so it is with the Seabees from Davisville, R. I.

For a 30-day period, more than 500 officers and men from Mobile Construction Battalion Four and a detachment from Mobile Construction Battalion Six took combat training courses at Camp Lejeune, N. C.

Their predecessors, who took the

training earlier in the year, are now serving in Vietnam.

Combat training has become an integral part of Seabee life, due to their threefold mission—to build advance bases for military operations, often on short notice, anywhere in the world; to protect themselves and what they've built; and disaster recovery in the event of atomic, biological or chemical attack, or natural disasters.

The Seabees began their training by throwing live hand grenades. Also included in the first days of instruction were night firing exercises and

exposure to tactics used by the Viet Cong.

They learned about Viet Cong booby traps; the use of spring-like sharpened bamboo sticks on jungle trails and camouflaged man-traps with poisoned bamboo sticks in them.

Next the Seabees learned the principles of attack and defense, and received instruction on types of patrols.

**T**HE MEN then made a seven-mile march in full battle dress to the field training area. After establishing their camp, the Seabees put their



## They Build

lessons to practical use.

Selected squads were to make a reconnaissance patrol. Their mission—to obtain intelligence information about Combat Town, located several miles behind enemy lines. In addition to the enemy, the Seabee patrols encountered snakes, insects and a variety of other hazards. The first time out, only one of the groups returned with the required information.

An evaluation period was held after the exercise, during which the Marine instructors showed the Seabees how to improve on the methods that had been used.

**WHERE IS HE?** There's a Seabee in the above picture. See if you can find him. Left: Woods camouflage includes branches and twigs on helmet.

The units then dug foxholes in preparation for an impending attack.

Again patrols went out, this time engaging aggressor forces. In addition, the men had to wade through mud and water, sometimes waist deep, to get to their objectives. They killed several copperhead snakes while on the patrols.

Near the end of the training, a final exercise was held. The Seabees' job was to attack and destroy an enemy position several miles away, then withdraw to their defensive lines. Battle conditions were real, except for the ammunition used.

The Seabees demonstrated they had learned their lessons well. In the exercise they turned back the aggressors.

Combat is nothing new to MCB Six. While serving with the First Marine Division on Guadalcanal in World War II, the battalion earned the Presidential Unit Citation.

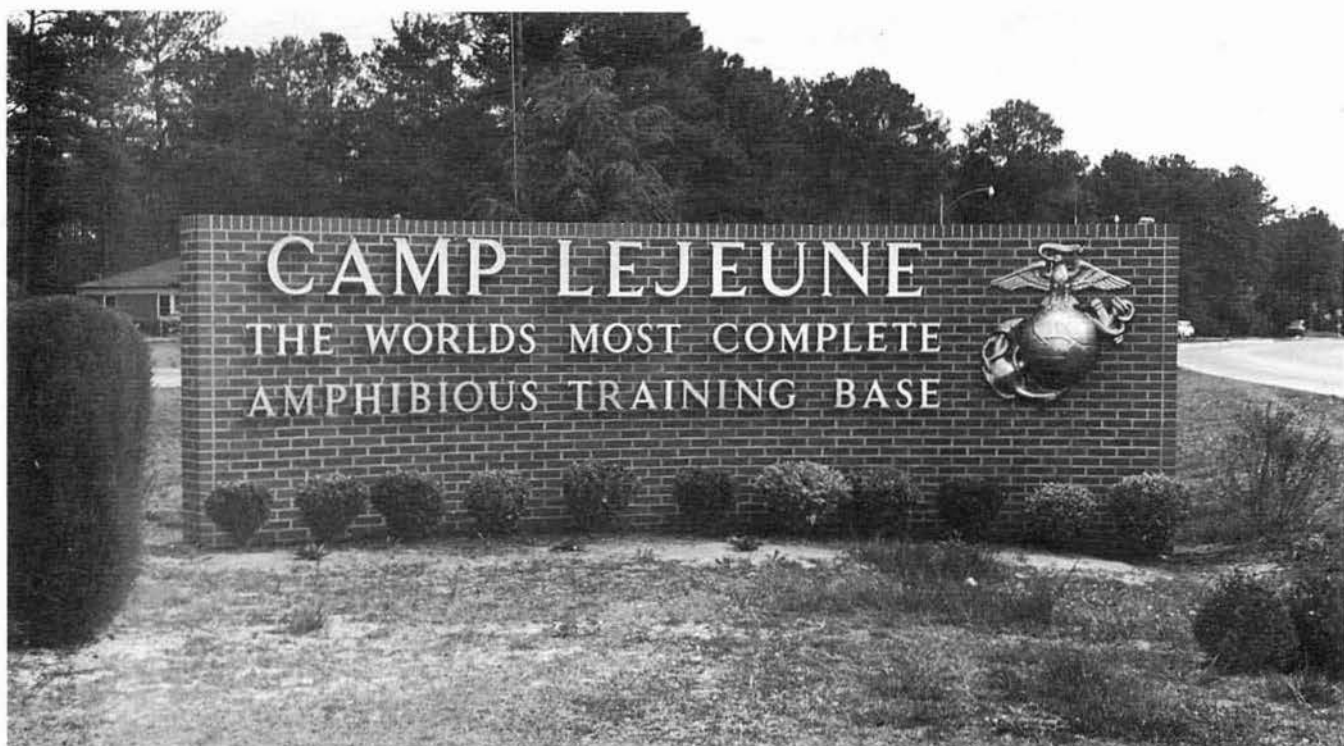
And during the month-long training, the Seabees proved once again that they are ready, willing and able to build and defend what they build—and help defend their country, as well—whenever the need arises.

—W. Stephen, JO2, USN



# MILITARY TRAINING

**"The more we sweat in peace,  
the less we bleed in war."**



In seeking to carry out its primary mission of "Build and Defend," MCB-6 traveled to Camp Lejeune, the Marine Corps Training Center in Jacksonville, N.C., on two occasions within six months. The first 30 days training period was in September 1965. The last infantry training period was in March-April 1966 prior to leaving for duty in Vietnam. The training was "rough" but helpful as the men found out during their tour of duty in Vietnam. Tactics such as patrolling booby traps, and weapons firing were later to be used by several men in the unit who temporarily stopped building and used their weapons against the Viet Cong.



RIFLE RANGE TRAINING WAS FIRST



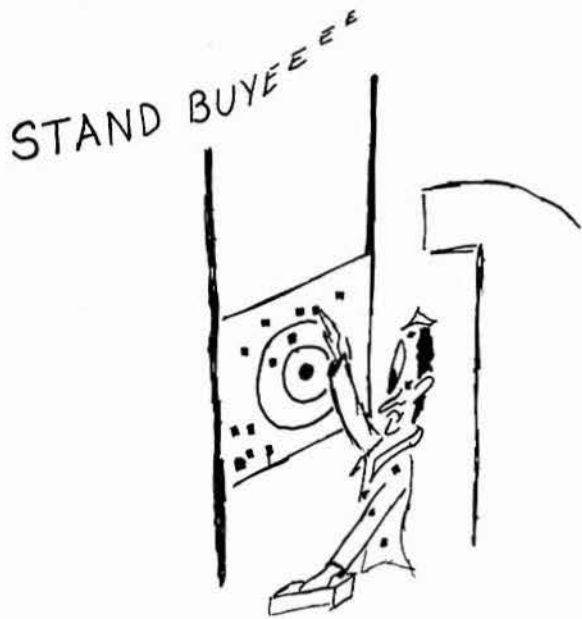
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FROM THE PRONE POSITION WE DID FIRE



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STAND BY TO FIRE THE 3.5 ROCKET LAUNCHER





BOTH HANDS TO FIRE THE .45?



DRY FIRING THE M-60 MACHINE GUN



FIRING THE M-60 MACHINE GUN



THROWING GRENADES



ADMIRAL RENKEN RECEIVES A FEW POINTERS ON FIRING THE 3.5 ROCKET LAUNCHER

# FIELD COOKING



SEABEES ARE INSTRUCTED IN FIELD DISPOSAL METHODS



CLEANING UP AFTER A HEARTY MEAL



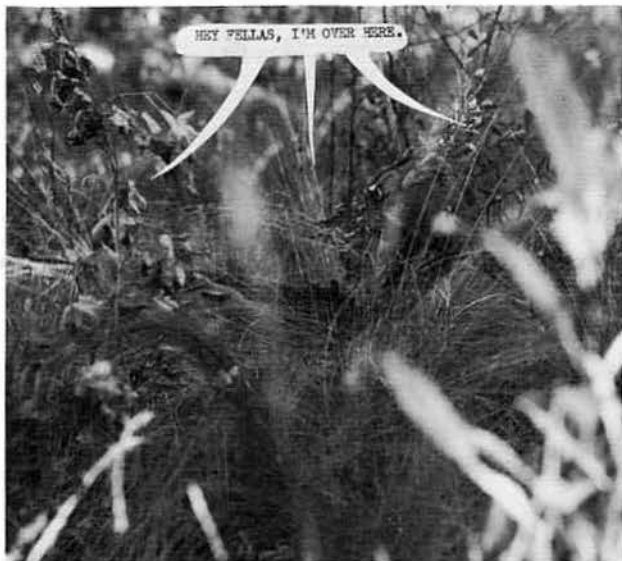
GETTING INSTRUCTIONS ON THE USE OF FIELD RANGES



GETTING A HOT MEAL OUT IN THE FIELD



TAKING PROVISIONS FROM THE UNDERGROUND ICE BOX



USING CAMOUFLAGING TECHNIQUES



EXPLODING MORTAR ROUNDS  
IN NIGHT ACTION SPECTACLE



FLARES DISPLAY A LIGHTNING  
LIKE EFFECT AS THEY DESCEND



A ROUND EXPLODES AS FLARES LEAVE A FIERY PATH



CLEANING THE M-60 MACHINE GUN



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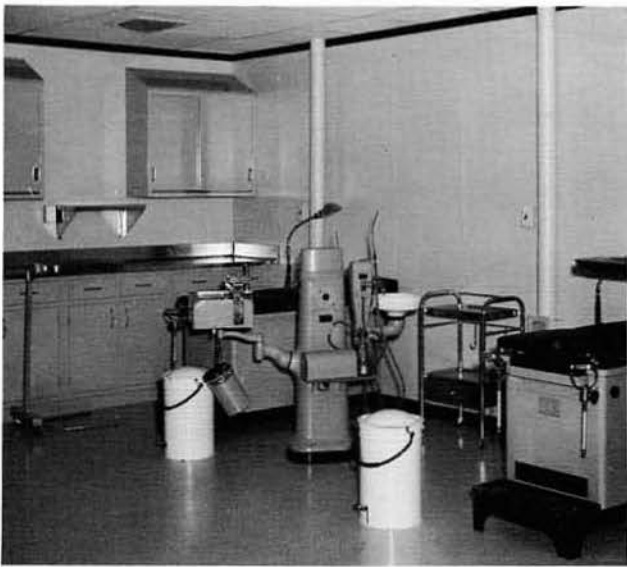
# OPERATION DEEP FREEZE

## The Story of MCB SIX Detachment WHISKEY



Detachment WHISKEY of MCB-SIX, composed of five officers and 104 enlisted men deployed from Davisville to the Antarctic in October, 1965. The detachment with a few Antarctic veterans but largely young construction men, was led by LT Carl V. RIPA, CEC, USN with LTJG Richard D. Whitmer, CEC, USN as assistant officer in charge.

With construction projects assigned at many locations on the Antarctic continent, Detachment WHISKEY first mobilized at McMurdo Station. Much of the assigned construction workload consisted of replacing facilities with modern structures. Consequently, the detachment's work was given the motto "Urban Renewal Program". The detachment was organized using the Mobile Construction Battalion company concept with Chief Petty Officers as company commanders. Senior Chief Builder (now Warrant Officer) John D. BECKER was assigned as Operations Chief and senior enlisted man in the detachment. Company Commanders were: Chief Equipment Operator John J. GALLAGHER, Alfa Company; Chief Utilitiesman Floyd M. MCLAIN, Bravo Company; Chief Steelworker John T. TATE, Charlie Company and Storekeeper First Class Edgar E. THIBAUT, Headquarters Company, Chief Construction Electrician James L. HANSON, Jr. acted as CMAA, Assistant Bravo Company Commander and supervisor of all electrical projects.





In early January, LTJG Steve WARWICK and Equipment Operator First Class (now EOC) Richard H. GERN departed for Byrd Station with a large crew to commence construction of a Very Low Frequency scientific research station. The facility, located approximately twelve miles from Byrd Station, consisted of a large corrugated metal "Wonder Arch" which housed the modular research station. The crew worked around the clock to complete the facility in some of the roughest weather Antarctica can offer.

The logistics involved in a diverse multi-station construction program as this were capably coordinated by LTJG Henry A. VROMAN, SC, USN, the detachment Supply Officer. In addition to supporting all the construction effort of Deep Freeze 1966, the majority of construction material for the following year was offloaded from ships, inventoried and staged in construction sequence; a mammoth undertaking.

Detachment WHISKEY wrote an impressive chapter into the books of Operation Deep Freeze. Though few in number, our Seabees demonstrated skill, patience and the ability to get the job done. The mottos "Urban Renewal" and "Can DO" became synonymous as the detachment completed not only all assigned projects, but several additional alternates including the emergency rebuilding of the South Pole station balloon inflation building after a disastrous explosion. The men of this detachment will be remembered as the "guys who would not quit." Detachment WHISKEY returned to Davisville on 28 February 1966 and was decommissioned.





# BATTALIONS FAMILY PARTY



NEW GUY!!



MR. AND MRS. SMOOT AND FAMILY  
...THAT IS FELLOWS FROM MCB-6..hee-hee



I DON'T KNOW WHAT THEM CHIEF'S ARE  
HAMMING IT UP FOR



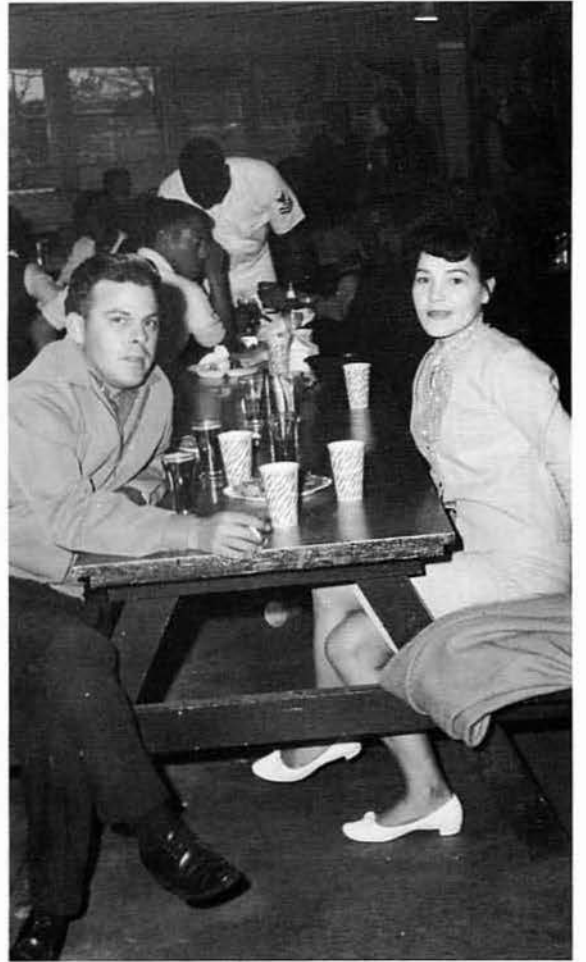
CHIEF BARNES AND FAMILY  
...(THE LITTLE BARNES HAMS IT UP)



WATSON, DOC MORRIS AND DOC SPINALE AND  
THE BEER BARREL BOYS



FUTURE STOREKEEPERS LITTLE VALKO'S AND JAMERSON'S  
WITH SW TAYLOR IN THE BACKGROUND



MR. AND MRS. PHILMON...THE SHAKER IS WAY ON  
THE END TRYING TO OUTTALK GRIFFIN



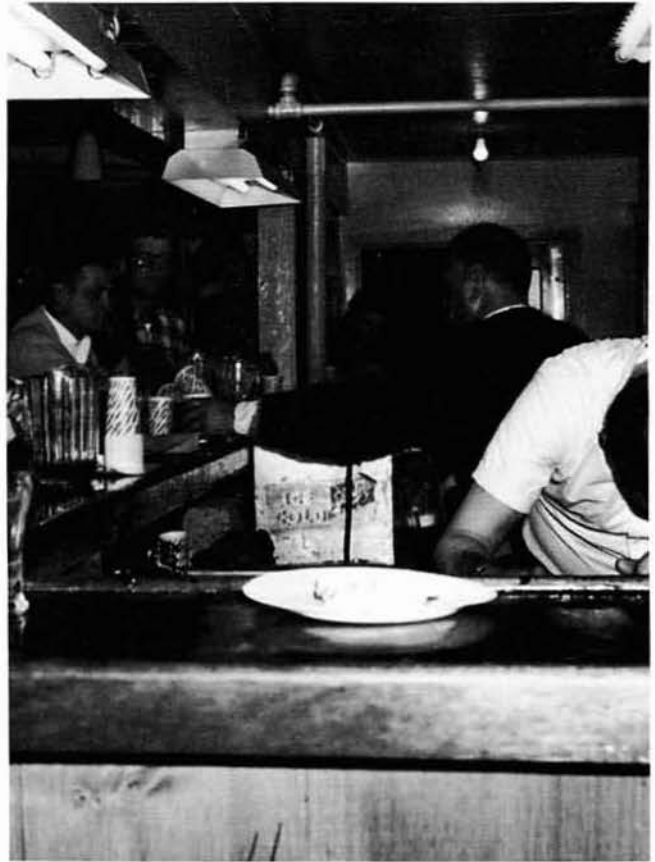
BIG DADDY COOL AND MATT DILLON ON THE LEFT  
AND RIGHT IN A STANDOFF



NOW YOU SEE THEM GUYS THERE  
...MAN YOU ARE SO RIGHT



NOW DOC MC CLELLAN DON'T TELL ME  
COKE MAKES YOU LAUGH LIKE THAT



BAD PICTURE BUT YOU GET THE RIGHT IDEA?



NOW MRS. SMOOT, TELL OLD DOC AGAIN  
ABOUT THEM CRUTCHES...

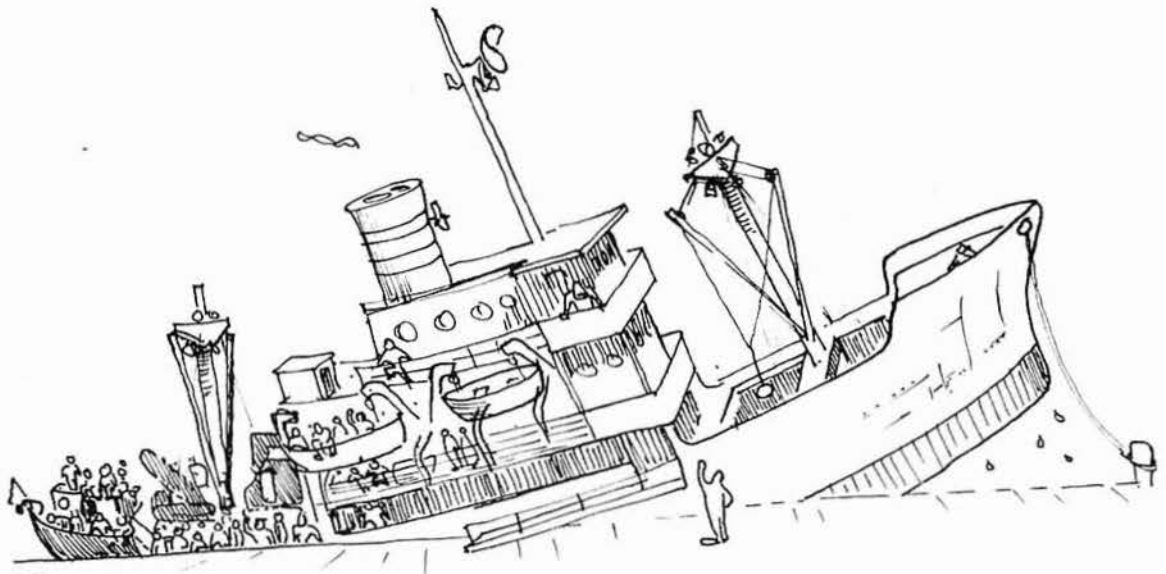
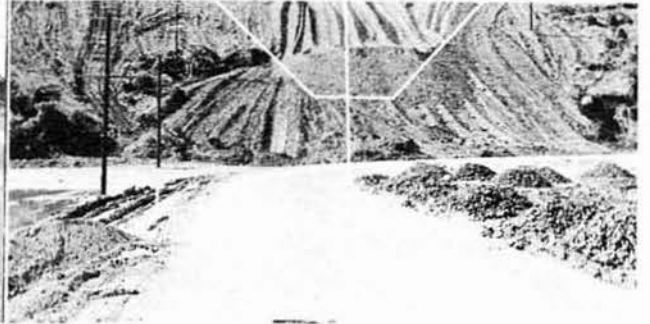


MR. KELLEY AND HIS NEST OF "OCEAN EAGLES"



DEPLOYMENT TO

# Guantanamo Bay, Cuba



# ADVANCE PARTY



THE MEN GET A FINAL WORD BEFORE DEPARTING



BOARDING THE PLANE FOR THE DEPLOYMENT SITE

## CEREMONIAL HIGHLIGHTS



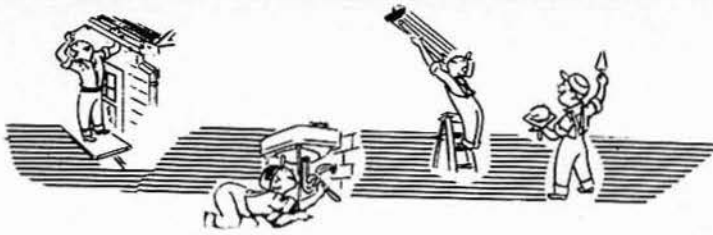
Painting the face of a mountain



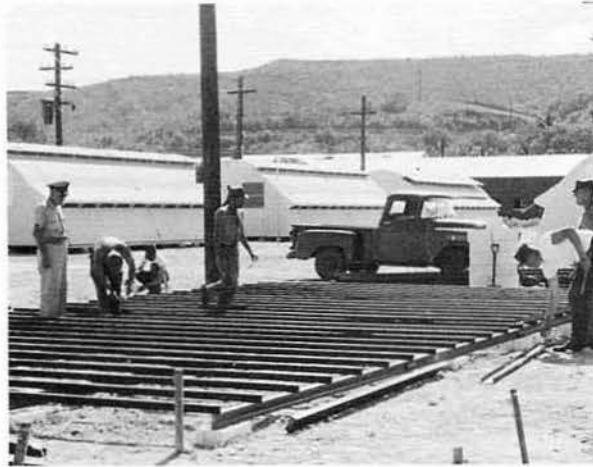
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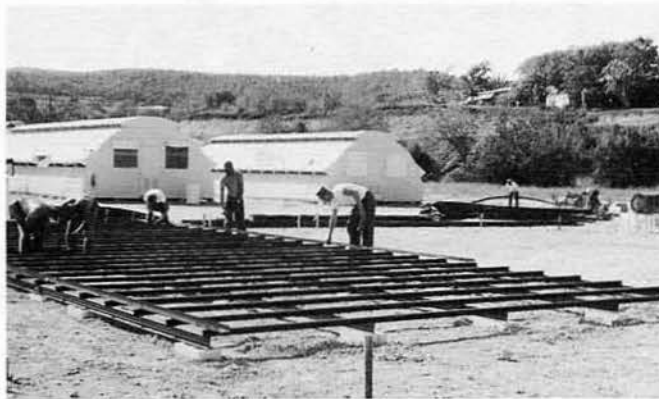
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CARIBE  
VILLAGE



CHRISTMAS PRESENTS - Members of MCB-Six are busy as "beavers" trying to finish the Quonset Huts where Cubans and other Non American workers at the GITMO base will live. The Seabees are expected to have enough quarters finished for more than 450 of these civilians before February. The first group of workers will move in by Christmas day.



SHOPS BUILDING



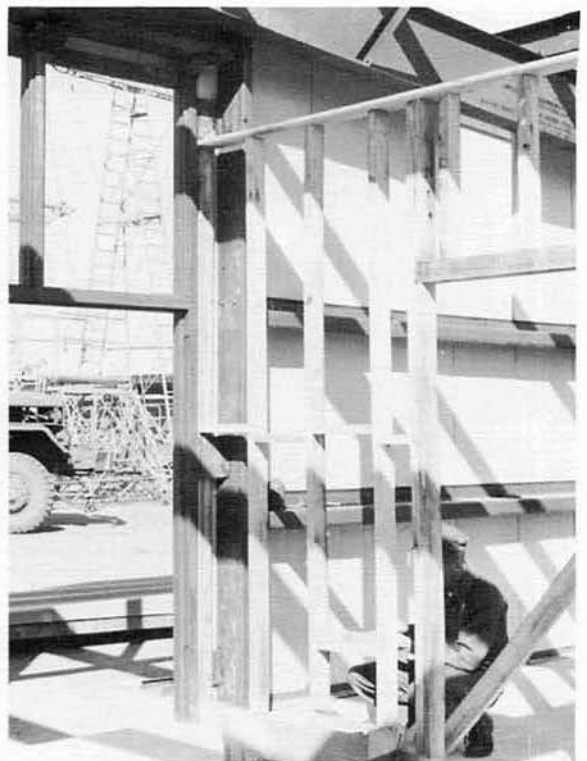
WORKING ON THE VILLAGE PLANS



HOW DO YOU DESCRIBE MORE WORK?



I WONDER WHAT KIND OF GAME IS GOING ON IN THE CORNER?



HE'LL NEVER THINK TO LOOK FOR ME IN HERE

# A COMPLETED JOB

LITTLE FRESHLY PAINTED BUILDINGS OF THE NEW VILLAGE FOR CUBANS AND OTHER WORKERS AT THE GITMO BASE AS THEY APPEARED WHEN FINISHED BY MCB-6.





THERE WAS NO SNOW BUT THEY STILL HAD A TREE ON THE BEACH  
...WHAT A WAY TO SPEND CHRISTMAS

## CHRISTMAS AT GITMO



GO AHEAD DEBORD, IT CAN'T BE THAT BAD...YEAH BUT WHAT DO YOU CALL THAT PILE  
OF CHRISTMAS FOOD?...MAYBE IT'S A CHRISTMAS FRUIT GOULASH..EH?

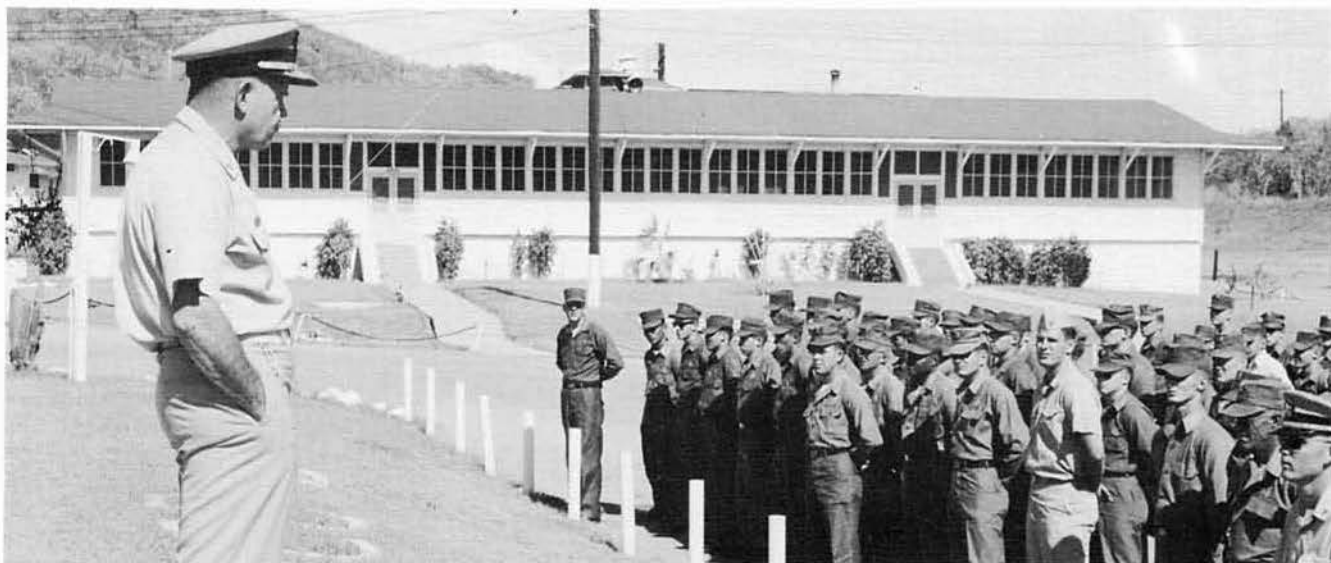


## PREPARING TO GO HOME



ENGLISH AND ODOM WOULD BE ON THE FIRST FLIGHT...STOP GRINNING AND GO ON YOU LUCKY...

## ADVANCE PARTY HOME



ADMIRAL BUCKELEY, COMNAVBASE GITMO COMMENDS THE OFFICERS AND MEN OF MCB-6 FOR THE EXCELLENT JOB THEY DONE WHILE IN GITMO...HE ALSO SAID, "THE PEOPLE OF GITMO WILL NEVER FORGET SIX." ONE SEABEE IN THE BACK ROW SAID, "AND WE WILL NEVER FORGET THEM CACTUS IN THE HILLS OF GITMO EITHER."

## Last of the Battalion leaving Gitmo



BOARDING THE LST FOR THE RETURN VOYAGE TO HOMEPORT

# VIET NAM



1966



1967



# GETTING THE OFFICAL WORD



NOW REMEMBER YOU ARE GOING TO A LAND OF OPPRESSION WHERE THE SEABEES ARE DOING A FABULOUS JOB IN VIETNAM AND I KNOW THAT SIX WILL CONTINUE TO UPHOLD THE TRADITION OF... "CAN DO"....ETC.....ETC.....



A FEW LAST MINUTES TOGETHER BEFORE A 10 MONTH SEPARATION

# ADVANCE PARTY



NOW VAN YOU AND STEVE GO ON AND I WILL BE ALONG IN A FEW DAYS AFTER I SEE DICK WHITTMER OFF TO HIS ICE DUTY AND YOU SEE THE REASON I AM NOT GOING TODAY, ETC..ETC..ET





I DON'T CARE WHAT THEY SAY...I JUST AM NOT GOING...



ANOTHER HAPPY GROUP ON THE DAY OF DEPARTURE...AT LEAST FOR THE MOMENT...



LOADED FOR BEAR..THE LAST OF THE SECURITY PLATOON STANDS BY TO LOAD UP...



# DRIVERS



ALPHA  
ANTELOPES



RS

Mechanics

# ALPHA COMPANY COMMANDERS

Company Commander



LT. R.T. PERRINE

Assistant Co. Commander



LTJG J.F. THIMES

Leading Chief



HARRAR, D EOCS



SHEA, L.I. CMCS



BARNES, D.J. EOCS



BOWLING, L.A. EOC

GERN, R.T. EOC



GILHAM, E.J. EOC



HUTCHINSON, J.V.D. EOC



MORROW, A.L. EOC



PURKIS, W.W. CMC



REES, J.C. EOC

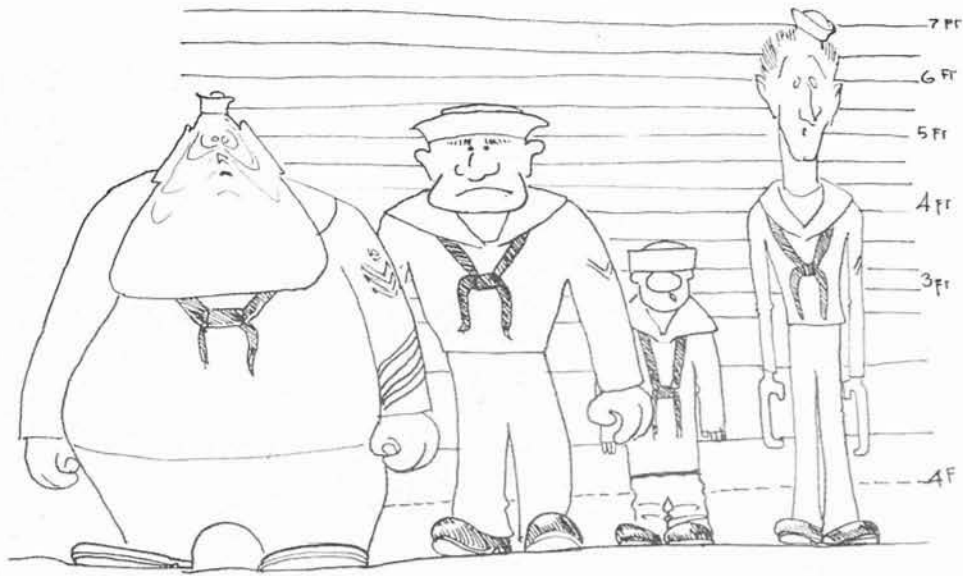


WEINTRAUB, A.I. CMC

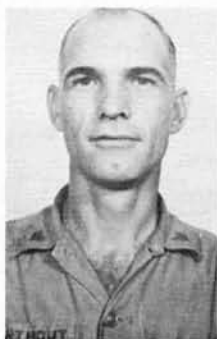


WILLIAMSON, E.L. EOC

# THE CREW



Acker, T.W., CMA3; Aldrich, D.K. EONCN; Aloisi, R.A., EONCN; Altman, J.M., EP1; Antram, A.P., EON3



Apple, C.W.; CM1; Armentrout, C.L., EO1; Armstead, J.D., EONCA; Arsenault, B.J., EON3; Ballard, M., EO1



Barnes, M.J., CN; Bartels, J., CMH3; Belcher, R.A., EO1; Biller, R.B., CN; Blair, D.R., EON3





Blake, R.F., CMA3; Bowers, F.M. CMA2; Bowyer, R.K., EOH3; Bradshaw, A.L., EON3; Brant, J.S., CN



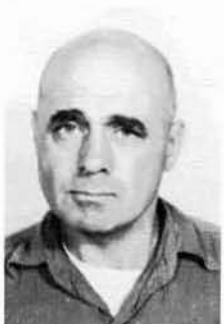
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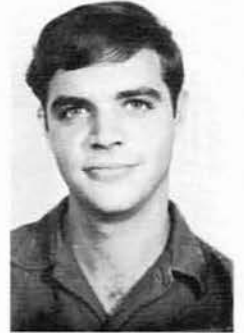
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Couey, J.E., Jr., CMH3; Cousiney, H.C., EO1; Craig, M.A., CMH3; Crist, R.L., CMH3; Cunningham, W.E., Jr., CM1



Dale, W.G., CN; Daley, R.B., EONCA; D'Andrea, F.E. CMA3; Davis, T.P. Jr., CMA3; Dean, R.D., EOHCN



Debord, T.A., EO1; Demers, S.M. CN; Deroche, J.M., CMM3; Dixon, V. Jr., CN; Dorwart, R.J., FA



Dow, H.G., EON3; Dufresne, P.F., EOH2; Emond, M.C. Jr., EO1; Encinias, C.G., EON3; Eriksen, M.G., EON2



Farler, S. EONCN; Fawbush, R.G., EOH3; Field, G.D., EON3; Fisher, J.R., CMA3; Fitchie, J.S., EON3



Fluckey, E.A., EONCN; Foster, J.S., CN; Freshour, K.B., SFM2; Fronczek, K.F., EONCN; Fuchs, K.T., CN



Gagne, W.J. EON3; Garner, R.M. Jr., EON3; Gerken, R.L., CMACN; Gibbs, H.D., EONCN; Glaubig, T.G., EON3



Goebel, H.W., CMA2; Gothrow, T.H., EON2; Grieve, D.W., EO1; Haines, D.J., EOH3; Hamilton, W.M., CN



Haney, T.K., EOH2; Hann, W.E., EON3; Hardesty, R.O., CMA3; Hart, J.L., EON3; Hart, R.J., CN



Haselden, J.F., CM1; Havens, W.D., CM1; Helmly, W.R. Jr., CN; Higgins, C.E., CMA2; Hightower, A.G., EO1



Hoskins, B.R., EOH3; Hubbard, C.N., CN; Humphrey, E.B., CN; Hunter, C.M., EOH3; Jackson, D.L., CN



Jacobs, D.C., CMH3; Jenkins, G.R., CN;

EON3; John, R.E., EON3; Johnson, E.M., EO1



Johnson, E.V., EONCN; Jones, D.E. CMA3; Juntunen, A.W. EOH3; Kelly, T., EON3; Kupiec, R.J., EONCN



Kyne, J.M., CN; LaBranch, A.O., CMH3; LaRock, D.L., CMA3; LaRosa, R.G., SA; Latham, E.W., EOH3



Lawter, J.M., EON2; Lawver, L.D., EOH3; LeCompte, L.A., CN; Lee, J.D., CMHCN; Lester, J.L., EOH2



Livingston, J.B., CN; Lock, J.A., CMA3; Long, R.M., CN; Lygo, D., CN; Manes, T.L., CN





Maske, W.N., EON3; McClintock, D.E. EON3; McCroy, E.F., CMH3; McClellan, W.R. Jr., EON2; McFarland, A.J. EO1



McNicholl, G.E., CN; McNulty, M.J., CMACA; Mickler, R.R., EO1; Miernicki, A., EONCN; Mills, J.M., CMH2



Mobley, R.M., CN; Mooney, B.D. EON2; Morford, D.G., CN; Munger, H.M., EO1; Murdock, D.B., CN



Murphy, J.M., CA; Nolen, G.W., CN; O'Keefe, D.M., MR3; Olson, W.G. Jr., EOH2; Patterson, F.J., EON2



Penney, G.R. Jr., CN; Perren, J.L., CMHCN; Peterson, J.L. EONCN; Pezza, F.J., EONCN; Philmon, W.B., MR1



Poiroux, B.P., EON3; Raudibaugh, Z.A., EOH3; Reith, A.L. Jr., EO1; Reuter, D.G., CMH2; Roberts, E.E., CN



Robnison, W.D., EOH3; Selvey, R.M. EOH3; Sesely, J.A., EON3; Sexon, J.G., EO1; Sherk, E.F., CMA3



Shockley, D.D., EOH2; Shumaker, M.F. EOH3CN; Simmons, B.R., CMA3; Sisneros, G.D., EON3CN; Smarsh, G.D., CN



Smith, E.T., CN; Soltis, J., EON3;

Stoneking, P.L., EON3; Streeter, J.A., CMA3



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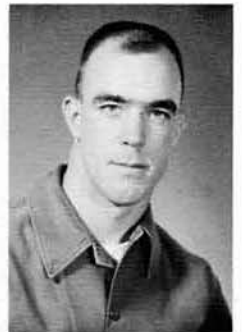
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Waters, K.E., EON3; Watterson, L.D., EONCN; Welchman, E.J., CN; Wicklund, W.R., CMA3; Will, R.L., CMH2



Wilson, L.E., CMA3; Winter, B.W., CN; Wittman, G.R., EONCN; Womack, R., CMA3; Woodcock, C.S., CN



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Belliveau, R., EONCN

Blackwood, J.J., CN

Cahill, J.C., EONCN

Cheney, H.R., EM1

Dunkerson, H.D., EONCN

Enos, T.W., EON2

Estos, R., CMHCN

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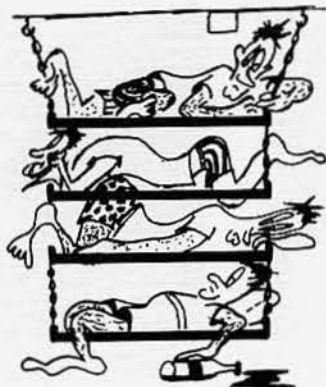
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Woods, M.D. CMA3; Yadon, J.E., EOH2; Gordon, T.B., CMA3



A whole lot  
of fun  
candid photos  
"A" Co.



Back in the Old Bees



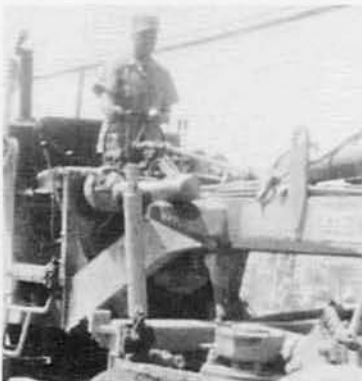
The old man and the house



Where's that bailing wire  
for the 20 wagons?



Well when we came in  
the recruiter said . . .



Now it said in the  
instruction manual



I'm the gate guard, why?



I could have sworn there was  
rock in there!



I told you a wrench wouldn't  
work, now hand me a hammer





Chief, I've been raking for two hours & still no leaves



Look Chief, no cavities



Look Buddy, next time I say .....



Now how do I get it down?



You sure we have to dress like this just to go to the head?



Him! My brother!?!?



Well before I started this Charles Atlas thing...



What's this about ship over?!



So that's what a engine looks like!



I don't know, they daid they needed a Murphey rod or something



DEAR SANTA



HOW DID I GET STUCK WITH THIS JOB?



QUICK, GET THE BUBBLE GUM



I DON'T KNOW EITHER, IT WAS APART WHEN I GOT HERE!



YEAH, I LAID ON A WET FUNNY BOOK



COMBAT READY YES! BUT THIS IS RIDICULOUS



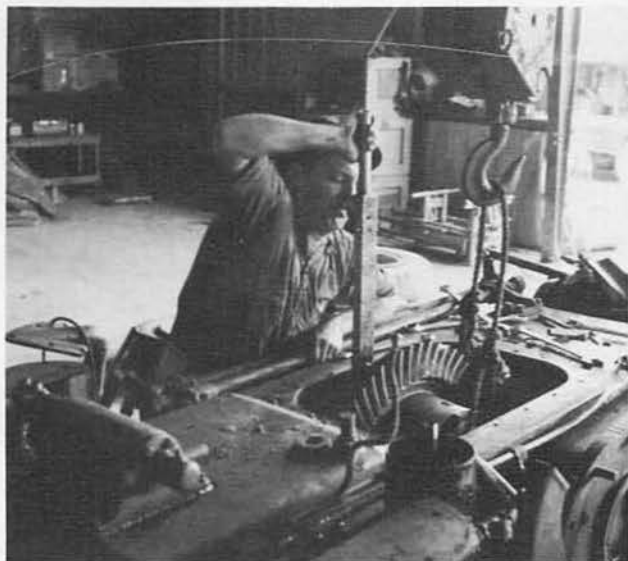
MY MOTHER WON'T BELIEVE THIS IS WAR!



LOOK KID, 500 P'S IS A LOT OF MONEY FOR ...



SMILE??



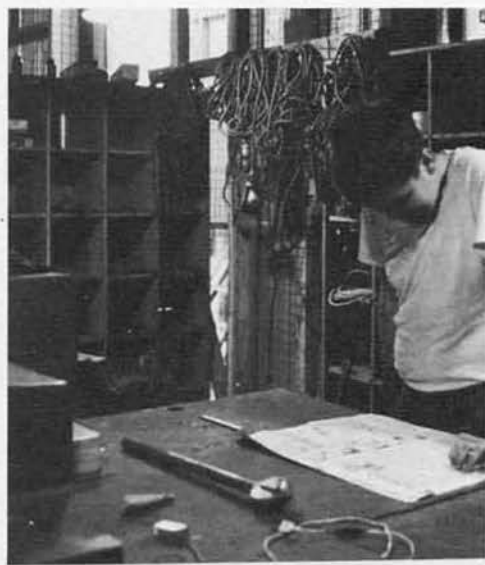
HMM, MAYBE WITH A 10FT  
CHEATER BAR!



I WANNA HOLD YOUR HAND!



HEY, FLASH GORDON GOT AWAY AGAIN



STUDYING FOR PO 3, WITH THE COMIC SECTION



WHAT ARE YOU DOING IN THERE?



PEOPLE ANALYZER



I THINK IT'S TOO SMALL



I DON'T CARE IF YOU ARE A CHIEF!



# CHANGE OF COMMAND CEREMONY



NO, NO! YOU take it.





## CHANGE OF COMMAND



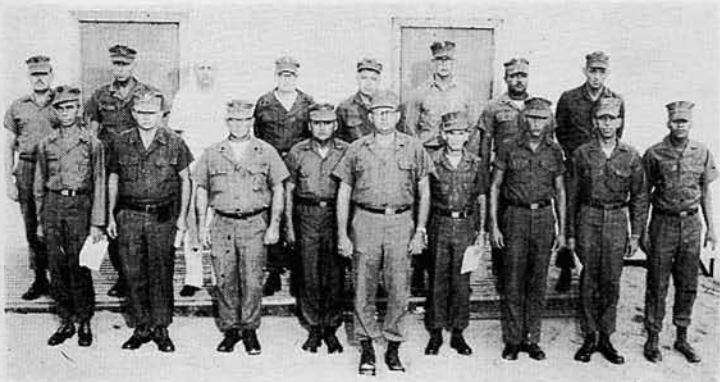
# Highlights Of Battalion Ceremonies



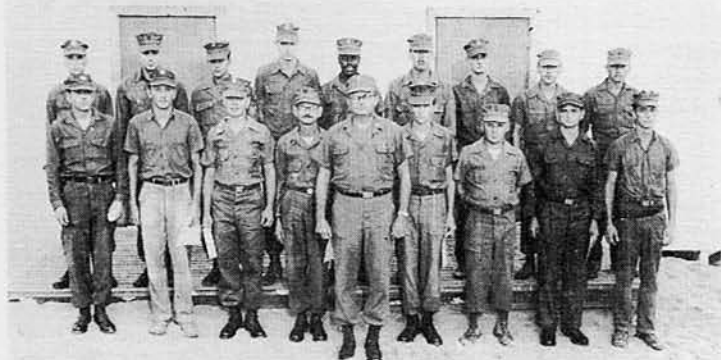
**NEW SUPER CHIEFS**--Commander Day congratulates Senior Chief Construction Mechanic L. Shea upon his promotion in November as Senior Chief Equipment Operator D. Harrar who was also advanced looks on.



**ADVANCED TO CHIEF**--Commander James C. Day Jr., Commanding Officer of MCB-6 presents a certificate of advancement to HMC R. McClellan in ceremonies held here October 16. Other personnel advanced to pay grade E-7 were: CEC J.M. Melvin, BUC L.D. Midkiff, BUC C.M. Hageman, SKC J.A. Valko and Gunnery Sergeant D. Henderson, USMC.



**ADVANCED TO PETTY OFFICER FIRST CLASS**--The following personnel were advanced to Petty Officer First Class in ceremonies held here October 16. Personnel advanced were- EO1 A.L. Reith, EO1 R.R. Mickler, EO1 J.H. Sexson, BU1 K.C. Miller, UT1 R. E. Harrison, EO1 A.J. McFarland, UT1 H.J. Igo, EO1 J.M. Altman, EO1 R.A. Belcher, SW1 E.W. Eickhoff, BU1 T.W. Howell, BU1 R.A. Victorian, CE1 A.L. Mixon, UT1 R.R. Woods, SH1 E. Toupin and YN1 D.L. Griffin.



**ADVANCED TO PETTY OFFICER SECOND CLASS**--The following personnel were advanced to Petty Officer Second Class and received their certificates of advancement in ceremonies held here October 16. Personnel advanced to pay grade E-5 were: SK2 G.L. Craig, BUR2 L.D. Dill, SWF2 D.V. Elliott, EOH2 M.C. Emond, EON2 M.G. Eriksen, EON2 T.H. Gothrow, BUR2 W.D. Haefner, BUL2 W.P. Hontz, BUH2 F. Jordan CEP2 A.J. Katona, BUL2 E.J. McMahon, HM2 Morris, EOH2 W.G. Olson, YN2 L.C. Parmiter, EAS2 L. Reistetter, BUH2 W. Steinmetz, HM2 R.D. Thetford, and BUH2 M.E. Whipkey.



**ADVANCED TO PETTY OFFICER THIRD CLASS**--The following personnel were advanced to Petty Officer Third Class and were presented their advancement certificates in ceremonies held here on October 16. Personnel advanced were: EON3 R. Pintabona, EON3 J.S. Fiichie, EOH3 R.G. Fawbush, CMA3 J.R. Fisher, CEP3 M.A. Congemi, SWF3 U.A. Lotti, BUL3 S.A. Collins, CMA3 D.M. Swerdoski, PN3 F.P. Rhinehart, EON3 A.L. Bradshaw, BUL3 W. Anderson, BUR3 F.G. Kirwan, EON3 G.D. Field and EOH3 B.R. Hoskins.



**SHIPS FOR SIX**--Ship's Serviceman First Class (SH1) Edward Toupin is administered the oath of reenlistment by Commander James C. Day, Commanding Officer of MCB-6. Toupin who is the senior Ship's Servicemam in MCB-6 is in charge of the unit's Navy Exchange and other related duties.



# PINNING ON CEREMONY, - ADVANCEMENTS







BARNES



## RETIREMENTS

MCB SIX CHIEF RETIRES AFTER TWENTY. Paul Lambdin EOC, retired recently from active duty in the U. S. Navy. The Chiefs of MCB Six piped him overboard. During his Seabee career, he received five Good Conduct Medals, the Antarctica Service Medal, National Defense Service and World War II Victory Medals. Chief Lambdin and his wife, Helen, and children plan to reside in Middlesboro, Kentucky.

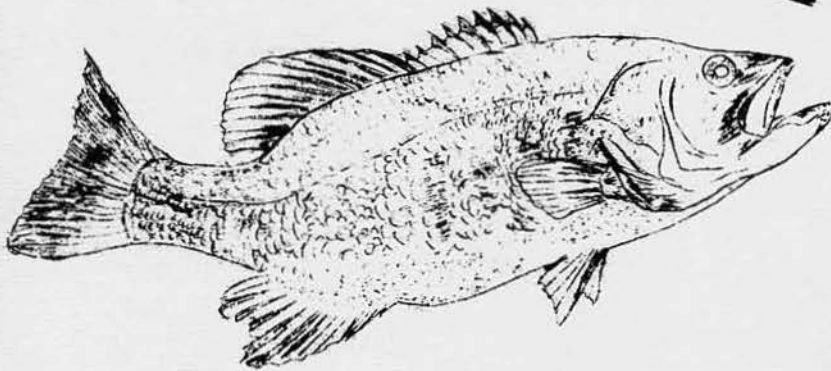








# REUPS



HELP AGAINST ANOTHER FIGHT - J. A. Gill, GMG1, MCB SIX's senior Gunnersmate helps the Navy fight retention problems by reenlisting. The "Seabees" reenlistment rate is normal despite the hard training and regular deployments. LT W.R. Ledger, MCB-SIX's Executive Officer swears Gill in.







#### FIRST FOR ATLANTIC FLEET SEABEES

3 + 3 = 18 IN UNIQUE SEABEE REENLISTMENT -- Normally in Navy and other military reenlistment ceremonies, an officer usually the Commanding or Executive Officer swears in one or more men separately. However, one Seabee Battalion from Davisville, R.I., initiated a first for their unit and for the Atlantic Fleet Seabees on February 28, when their department heads from MCB-6, reenlisted simultaneously three of their individual Petty Officers for a combined total of 18 more years Naval service. Administering the reenlistment oaths to G.D. Smoot BUH2, Taylor, J.D. SM1 and R.H. McClellan HM1 are, LTJG W.J. Smith, Jr., ENS T.C. Kelley and Dr. J.F. Galles, LT., Medical Corps, USNR







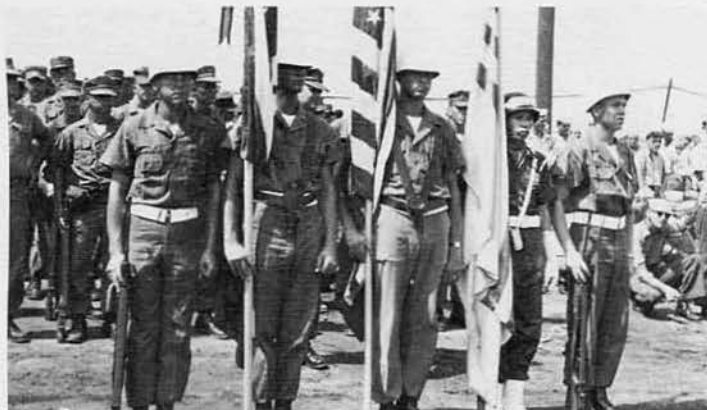




# BOOT CHIEFS



# Dedication of completed pier at Danang



MEN OF DELTA COMPANY WHO BUILT THE PIER ARE ON HAND FOR DEDICATION OF THE PIER



DEDICATION CEREMONIES FOR THE PIER



LCU/LCM RAMPS AND 300 FOOT TIMBER PIER COMPLETED



DEDICATION OF THE PIER



## Highlights of 1966 Seabee Ball



**Six Escorts the Queen  
and  
Senior Builder Chief T. Norman Jones  
Seabee of the Year**

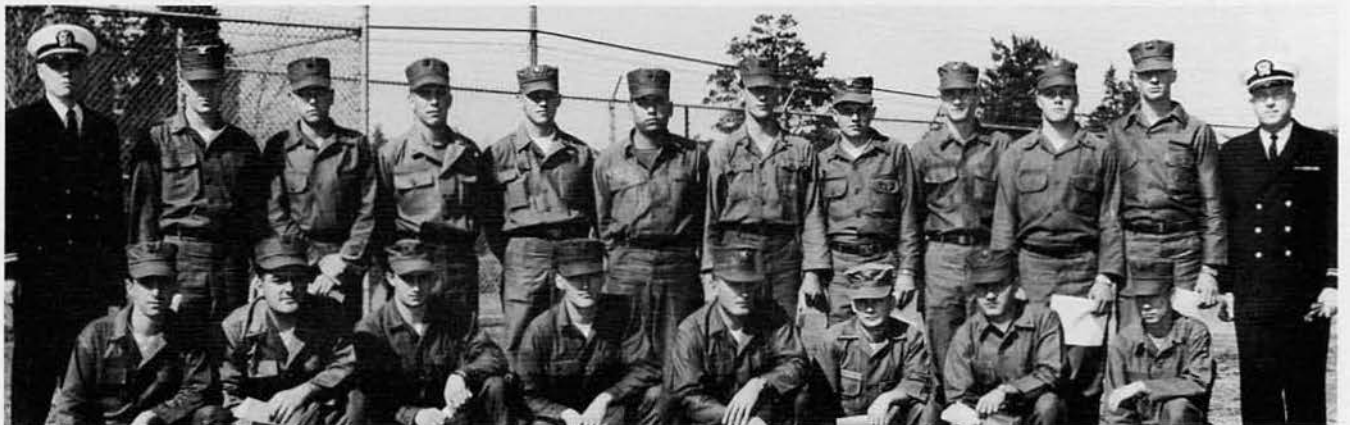


**Wins Byron Award**



### SIX HOLDS AWARDS DAY IN VIET

Ten members of MCB-6 received medals and letters of citation for their individual accomplishments. The awards were presented in a combination ceremony at the units camp outside Da Nang. CDR James C. Day, Jr., C.O., MCB-6 extends congratulations to Robert D. Glueck, "Seabee of the Month" while Richard H. Gern, EOC waits to receive his third good conduct award. (l-r) LCDR W.R. Ledger, LTJG R.O. Despain and Herbert F. Underwood, BUL3, all received expert pistol medals. Advanced to Builders Third Class were; M.D. Buckner, M.A. Chiappone, R.J. Boss and William Trefzger. E.W. Miller, BUH2, completed the Navy's GED course. LT C.V. Eaton and other MCB-6 Officers watch the proceedings.







# EXPERTS - RIFLE AND PISTOL





RS

*BRAVO*

*BEAVERS*

# Company Commanders

COMPANY COMMANDER



LTJG L. AKSIONCZYK

ASSISTANT CO. COMMANDER



ENS T.A. COONEY



CHANCE, R.A. UTC



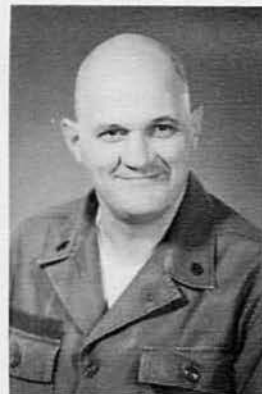
KNIGHT, D.W., CEC



McLAIN, F.M., UTC



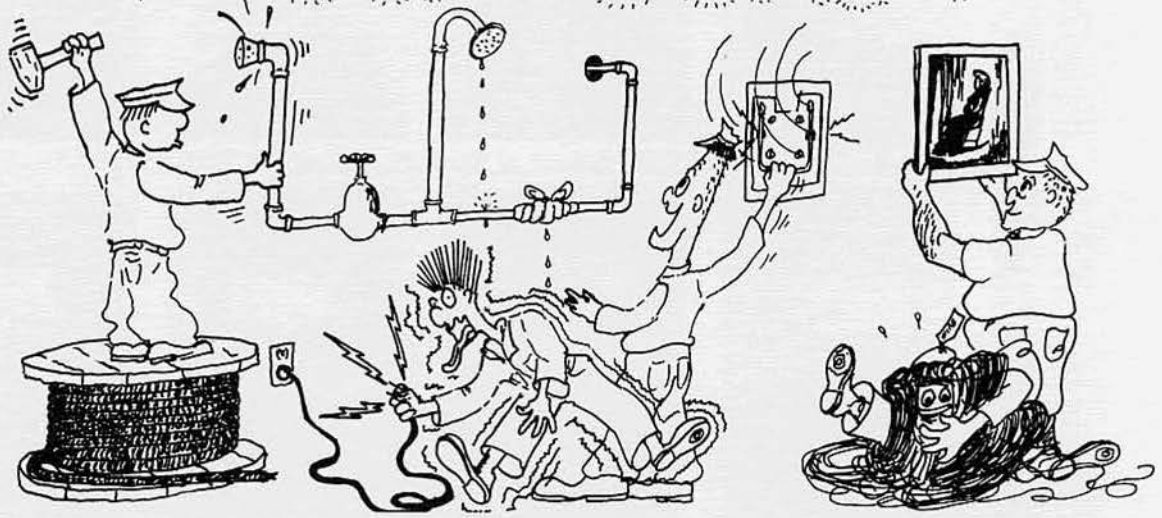
MELVIN, J.H., CEC



MYERS, W.M., BUC



# THE CREW



Abbott, D.C. UTACN; Adama, R.S. CN; Almeida, D.E. CETCN; Arthur, J.E. CEW3; Berg, D.R. CN;



Bernhardt, K.A. CEP3; Bernstein, J.J. CN; Bittle, G.W. SN; Blanton, G.W. CN; Bordeaux, L.E. UTP3;



Bouldin, J.A. UT1; Boyce, R.E. CN; Burlison, R.M. CES3; Campbell, M.J. CN; Cangemi, M.A. CEP3;



Caric, D.A. CEP3; Carney, J.J. CN; Casper, F.W. CET3; Coffield, P. III CEW3; Conner, C.F. UTW2



Corcoran, A.J. Jr CEWCN; Daily, J.A. CES3; Daily, W.F. CES3; Daugherty, C.W. CET2; Dickson, G.L. CN



Dunkley, A.W. CEW3; Facski, G.J. UTP3; Garner, J.A. CEW2; Gilpin, B.J. CEWCN; Glueck, R.D. UTP3



Haessly, W.G. CEW2; Hampton, R.E. CE1; Hanson, K.D. CESCN; Hataway, J.L. CET3; Haymond, C.C. CN



Hill, F.E. UTP3; Hinds, B.R. CEW3; Holata, T.J. UTP3; Igo, H.J. UT1; Johnson, J.S. UTW2



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A FUNNY THING HAPPENED  
ON THE WAY TO WORK



TV FOR V.C.



HEY, WAIT FOR ME



WHAT WAS THAT NOISE



WHO'S THE GUY SECOND FROM  
THE END?



FOLLOW ME!



ARE YOU MAN ENOUGH TO EAT  
GRANNY GOOSE CORN CHIPS?



THAT'S WHAT KEEPS IT FROM GOING  
OVER WHEN THEY DO WHEELIES?



UT'S JOHNSON, CAMPBELL AND FASCKO AT THE DOG KENNELS



THEORY'S GREAT BUT I DOUBT IF IT WILL REPLACE THE M60'S



WHAT ME WORRY



A LETTER FROM MOMA



PUT IT RIGHT THERE



WOULD YOU BELIEVE DOWN HILL



THEN SHE BIT ME RIGHT HERE



OH YEA! YOU'RE BAT MAN!



YOUR FRIENDLY ROTO ROOTER MAN



WHAT'S TURN TO?



WHY CAN'T THE WOODPECKERS DO THIS?



COME ON GENERATOR, ONLY 25 MORE DAYS TO GO!!



COKE, PEPSI, ROOT BEER, ORANGE OR GINGER ALE, BUT NOT ONE HAMMS!!



BRAVO BUILDERS WORKING ON THE EXTENSION TO THE SOG HUT



THAT'S FUNNY, THE MECHANICS GUARANTEED IT!

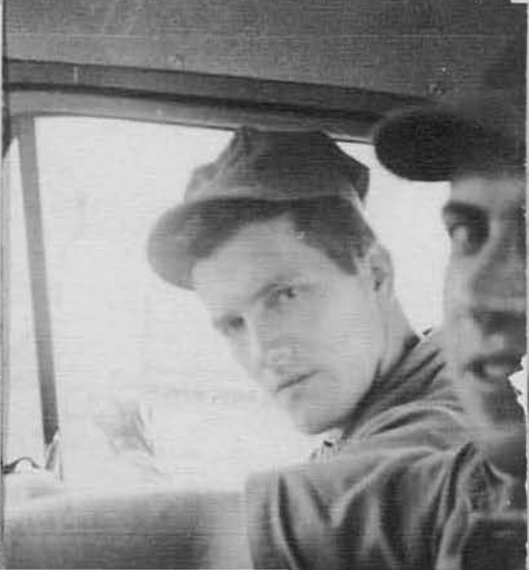


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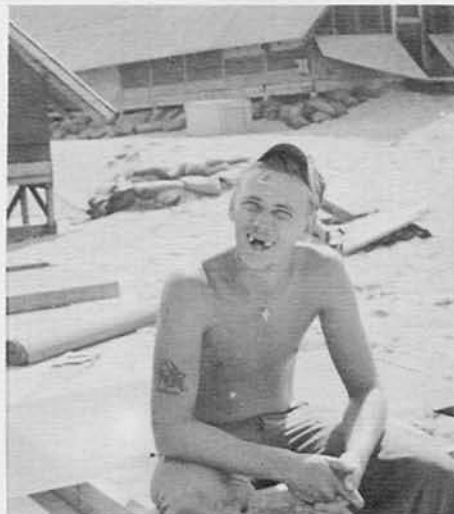








ARE YOU SURE THE WALLS GO HERE?



WHISTLE WHILE I WORK?



SW1 LASTER TURNS TO AS  
LEARY BULCN LOOKS ON



COMPANY CLERK PATRICK CAUGHT  
AT A RARE MOMENT, WORKING?



HI HO, HI HO IT'S OFF TO WORK I GO



COME BACK HERE WITH THAT PICTU



LITTLE ORPHAN ANNIE DIED?



HEAR NO EVIL, SPEAK NO EVIL,  
SEE NO EVIL



IF CHARLES ATLAS COULD DO IT





PLEASE CHIEF, I'D RATHER DO IT MYSELF



MR. CLEAN GETS RID OF GREASE & GRIM



NOW LOOK, BACK IN "A" SCHOOL



SHEL



SHE'LL DO 110 MPH IN THE QUARTER



I QUIT!!



ZIPPER AT WORK



A LITTLE TIGHTER



WOULD YOU BELIEVE A MERRY-GO-ROUND?



RARE OR WELL DONE



THE COFFEE'S READY





**MIXING CONCRETE**--This group of MCB-6 Seabees wade in concrete while preparing a base for "reefer pads" outside Da Nang.



**HOI AN IMPROVEMENT**--Once barren except for leaky tents housing Marines of the First Battalion, 1st Marine Division, Seabees of MCB-6 finish the floor of this "tinned hut" which will replace one of the tents in the foreground.

## MCB-6 Helping

If there is such a thing as modernization in a war, then the one in Vietnam is probably among the first.

Months ago, places like Dong Hoa, An Hoa, Hoi An, Dai Loc, Hue, Phu Dai and Chu Lai, were barren wastelands where the sound of "fighting" between Allied Forces and the V.C. raged day and night. The battles continue, but another sound is now present at these and other places throughout Vietnam.

From the so-called "front line" to the rear, the sound of metal against metal, machine against earth and man against the almost unbearable elements of heat, mud, rain and the V.C., can be seen and heard along with the clatter of machine gun, mortar and rifle fire.

Behind the new sounds are men of the Navy's Mobile Construction Battalions; the Seabees. The primary mission of the Seabees is to build. In seeking to carry out this mission, they rise before dawn and struggle into the night.

Their 24 hour a day-seven day week work efforts are in effect, "changing the look" of Vietnam. Areas once covered with mud, rocks and punctured by weaponry in this war, are now being converted to

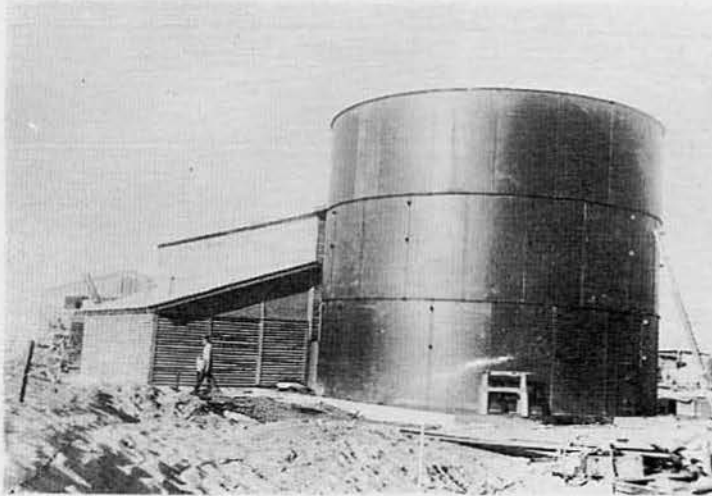
areas of comfort for thousands of troops now in Vietnam.

There are now eight Seabee Battalions in the Republic of Vietnam. Mobile Construction Battalion Six is one of these units.

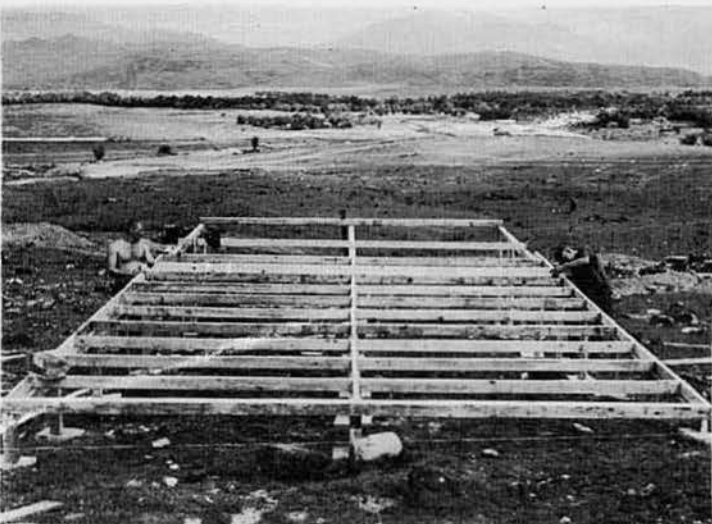
Since arriving for duty outside Da Nang in May, MCB-6 has maintained a productive labor output of more than 80 per cent. This is among the highest of any Seabee Battalion now on duty in Vietnam. Among the changes the Seabees are providing for troops in Vietnam are, "tinned huts". MCB-6 has built some 400 of these "houses," enough to protect more than 4,000 men from the monsoon wind and rain.

The U.S. is spending millions of dollars a day in Vietnam and the Seabees are helping to put the materials into the place. MCB-6 has put over \$500,000 worth of materials into place each month since arrival by building galleys, huts, storage spaces and other facilities.

A typical change is the completion of a 356,000 cubic ft. "cold storage" facility. Another is the nearing of completion of Camp Tien Sha's multi-million dollar improvement program. Camp Tien Sha houses facilities of the Naval

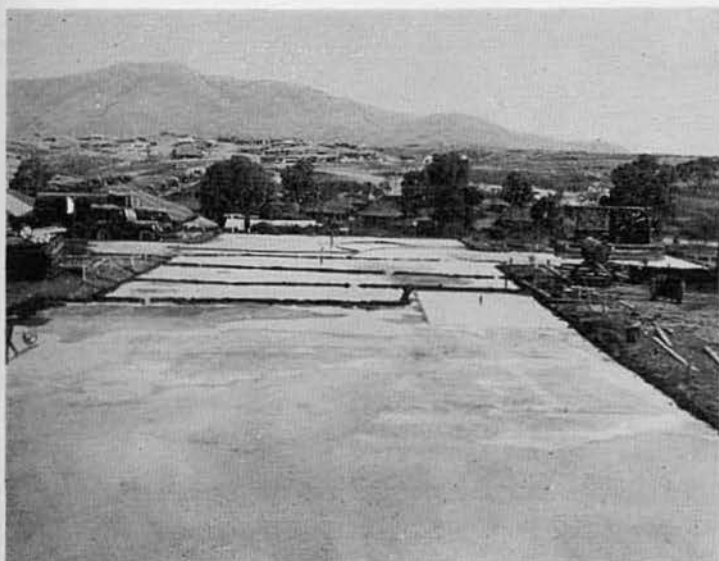


**WATER & ICE PLANT**--Plenty of fresh water is contained in this 3,000 gallon steel water tank which also feeds the 15 ton a day ice plant at NSA Covered Storage outside Da Nang.



**BEGINNING OF A CHANGE**--Seabees of MCB-6 build the foundation for a new "hut" high on one of the "hill top" positions held by Marines in Vietnam. All photo's Official USN by Taylor PH2.





**SMOOTH LAKE OF CONCRETE**--represents a portion of the concrete pad poured for a 500 man galley/mess hall for personnel of the Marines 1st Am Trac Battalion outside Da Nang.

## Modernize War

Support Activity at Da Nang.

Each facility the Seabees builds is considered a morale factor for troops in Vietnam. A "tinned hut" in most cases replaces a leaky tent and relieves troops from sleeping on the ground.

Another example is fresh food--hot, cooked, fresh food. Once considered a rarity in war, the "fighting man" was content with his canned "C" rations. Because of the Seabees efforts, this rarity is becoming non-existent.

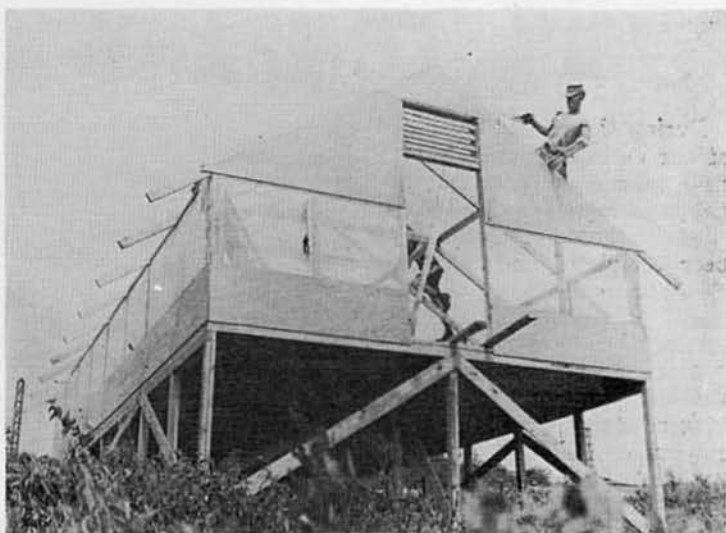
Again from Da Nang to Chu Lai and other areas of troop operations, galleys are replac-

ing "outside" tents where the soldier or Marine has to fight off flies while eating their food. The new galleys provide in-side comfort and "hot food" for the troops.

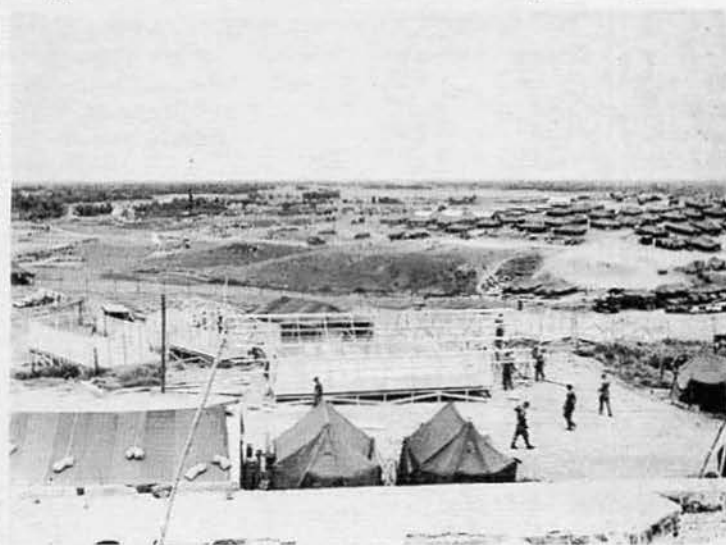
Overall, with the many changes now being made by the Seabees in Vietnam, this war comes closer to modernization than any before. Due to its nature and intensity, the war of the 1940's may have offered little in the way of occasional comfort to the fighting man, but thanks to Seabee Battalions such as MCB-6 that is now in Vietnam, this one does.



**A NEW EATING PLACE**--This completed 500 man galley for 3/1 Marines outside Da Nang is just one of several built by the Seabees of MCB-6 and other units.



**SOUTHWEST OF DA NANG**--Improvements for the Third Anti-Tank Battalion included nine 16 x 32 "metal" topped huts. Builders from MCB-6 are busy on this one.



**CHANGE AT DAI LOC**--New 16 x 32 "tinned huts" are replacing tents now being used by Marines at DaiLoc, outside Da Nang.



**COMPLETED UNITS**--New huts and cleared away foliage produce a modern look for this Marine camp outside Da Nang that was once a "tent city".



**COMBINATION ACHIEVEMENT**—The "cold storage" was built by workmen from three MCB-6 companies, A-B-C. Workmen here are busy putting the final touches on the roof of a section of the new facility.

Same As 30,000 Refrigerators

## MCB-6 Completes One Of World Largest Freezers

MCB-6 has finished construction of what is believed to be one of the largest "cold storage" areas in the world, capable of preserving enough meats, vegetables, and other perishable foods to feed more than 40,000 U.S. troops for several months, is now operational in Vietnam.

The new facility is located here at Da Nang. Equivalent to more than 30,000 home refrigerators, the units 102 "chill" boxes and 66 freezers, combine to form over 350,000 cubic ft. of cold storage space. Because of its capability, the facility is considered the largest of its type in Vietnam and also one of the largest outside the U.S.

Prior to the new activity, several Navy refrigeration ships were required to supply frozen foods for troops in the

"I" Corps area of Vietnam. The ships had to remain on station for weeks. The new unit will service American forces from Da Nang to Chu Lai.

Constructed in banks, each box is mounted on a pad and is generator powered. The boxes also vary in size with the larger units ranging from 18,000 to 21,000 cubic ft., and the smaller "reefers" approximately 1,000 cubic ft. There are now 13 pads in operation.

The "cold storage" is now fully operational, and supplies are rapidly filling each unit to capacity. A typical item now being preserved is potatoes. Another is bacon. More than 278,000 pounds of bacon and 449,000 pounds of potatoes are now being kept fresh by the cold storage



**VIEW OF COMPLETED HALF SECTION OF 48" CM.P DRAINAGE DITCH WITH CONCRETE CURB AT COVERED STORAGE.**



VIEW OF REEFERS AND ROAD WORK AT COVERED STORAGE DA NANG.



'C' CO POURING REEFER SLAB WITH VIETNAMESE ASSISTANCE AT COVERED STORAGE.



ICE PLANT AT COVERED STORAGE FINISHED BY 'C' CO.



C CO SETTING FORMS FOR WALLS OF DRAINAGE DITCH AT COVERED STORAGE



VIEW OF COVERED STORAGE AREA FROM ATOP 3000 BBL WATER TANK





C CO AT WORK SETTING WALL FORMS ON DRAINAGE DITCH AT COVERED STORAGE. NOTE USE OF POST & WIRE MESH IN PLACE OF REBAR.



C CO STEEL WORKERS TYPING RE-INFORCING STEEL ON DRAINAGE DITCH SYSTEM



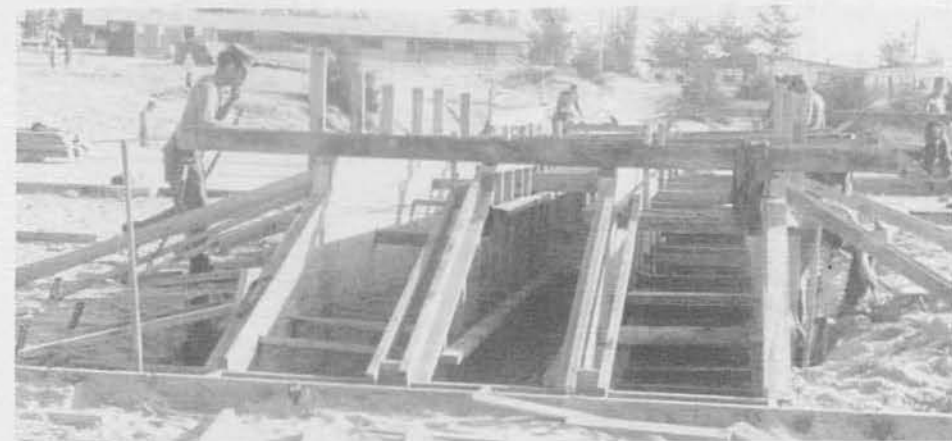
C CO PLACING BLOCK FOR CESSPOOL WHICH WILL SERVE THE HEAD FOR THE ADMIN. AREA AT COVERED STORAGE



VIEW AT MIDPOINT OF 2700 FT. DRAINAGE DITCH AT COVERED STORAGE. THE DITCH IS 4 FT. HIGH AND 12 FT. WIDE.



C CO SETTING RAFTERS OVER REEFERS AT COVERED STORAGE.

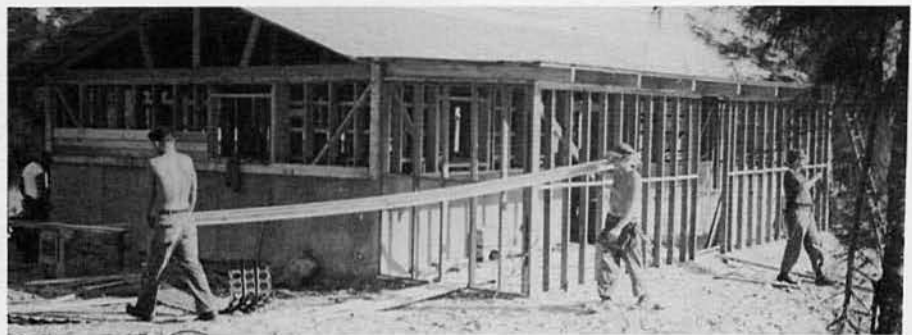


'C' CO AT WORK SETTING FORMS FOR A GREASE PIT AT 5TH SPECIAL FORCES



'C' CO AT WORK ON MAINTENANCE FACILITY AT 5TH SPECIAL FORCES

A CO LEVELING GROUND FOR AMMO DUMP AT SPECIAL FORCES



'C' CO AT WORK ON VIP QUARTERS AT 5TH SPECIAL FORCES



A CO EARTH MOVERS AT WORK ON DUMP AREA AT SPECIAL FORCES

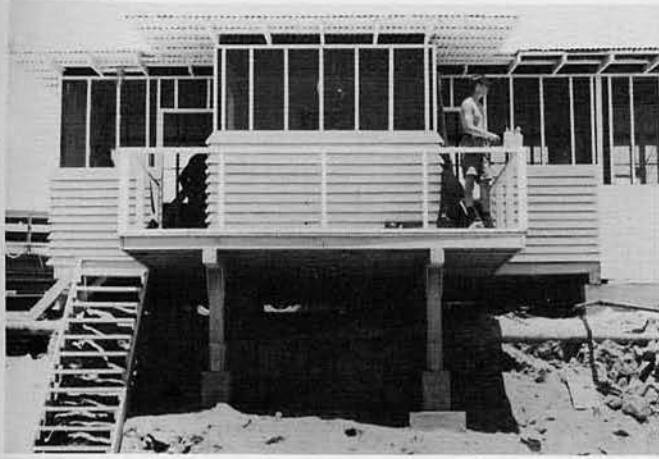
'C' CO FINISHING CONCRETE PAD AT 5TH SPECIAL FORCES

# Mortar damage at MAG-16

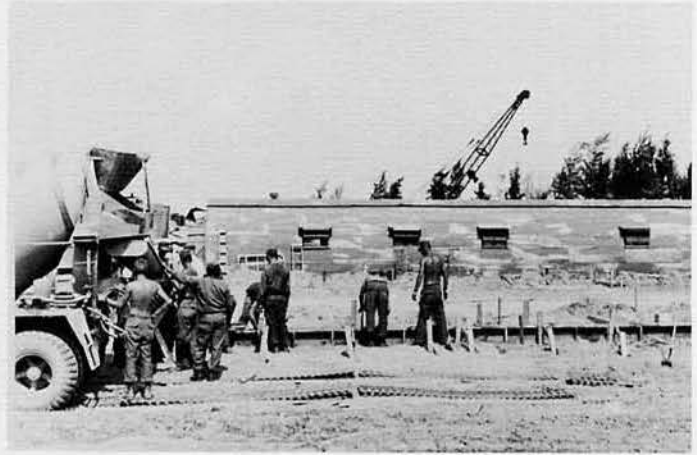




# Tien Sha \$10 Million Job



C CO POURING PAD FOR SODA PARLOR  
AT TIEN-SHA



COFFEE HOUSE AT TIEN-SHA RAMP



VIEW OF PARTIALLY COMPLETED 3000 BARREL  
WATER TOWER AT CAMP TIEN-SHA



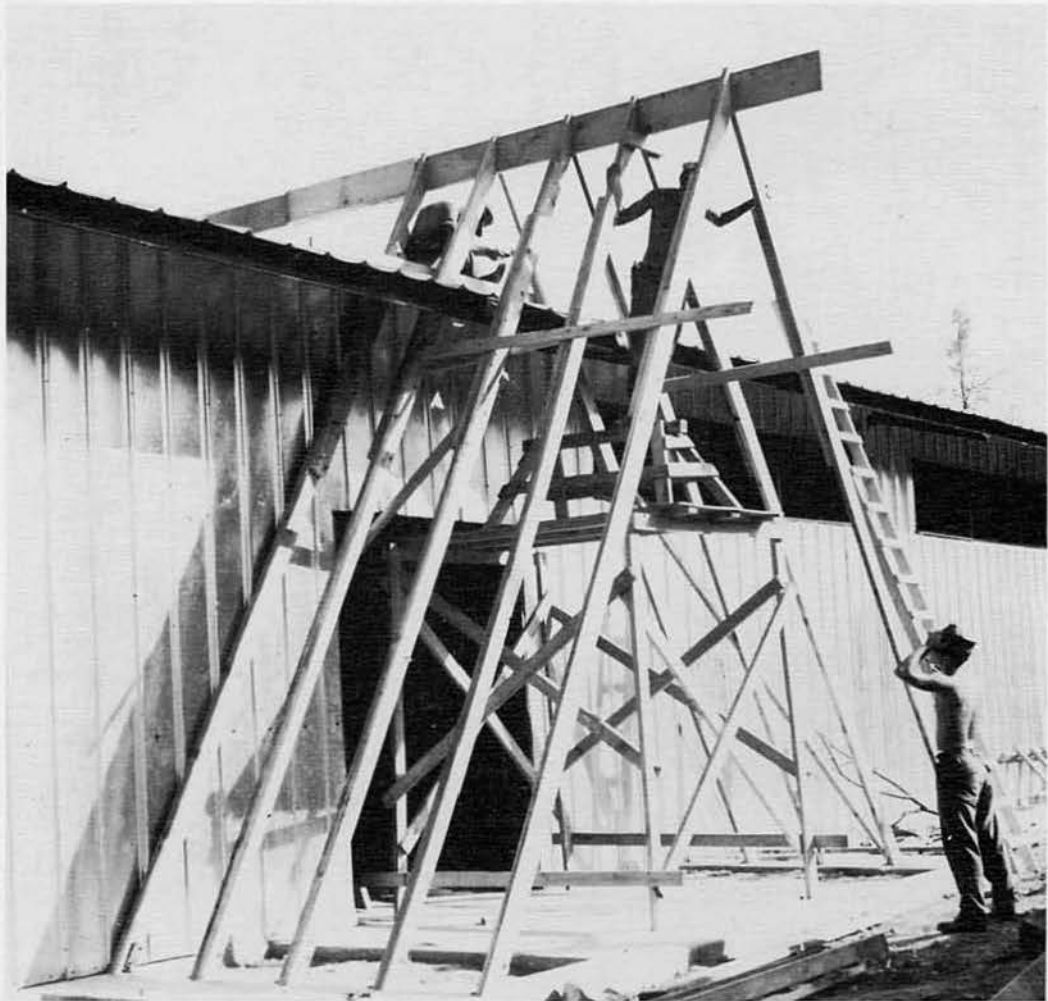
VIEW OF PARTIALLY CONSTRUCTED GALLEY AT  
TIEN-SHA . WORK IS BEING DONE BY 'C' CO.



INTERIOR VIEW OF ICE CREAM PARLOR  
AT CAMP TIEN-SHA



'C' CO STEEL WORKERS ERECTING TANK  
AT CAMP TIEN-SHA



'C' CO ERECTING A FRAME ENTRANCE ON CHAPEL AT CAMP TIEN-SHA



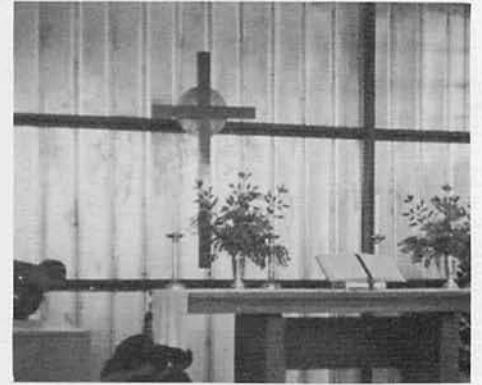
DRILLING ROCK FOR CAMP TIEN-SHA LAUNDRY



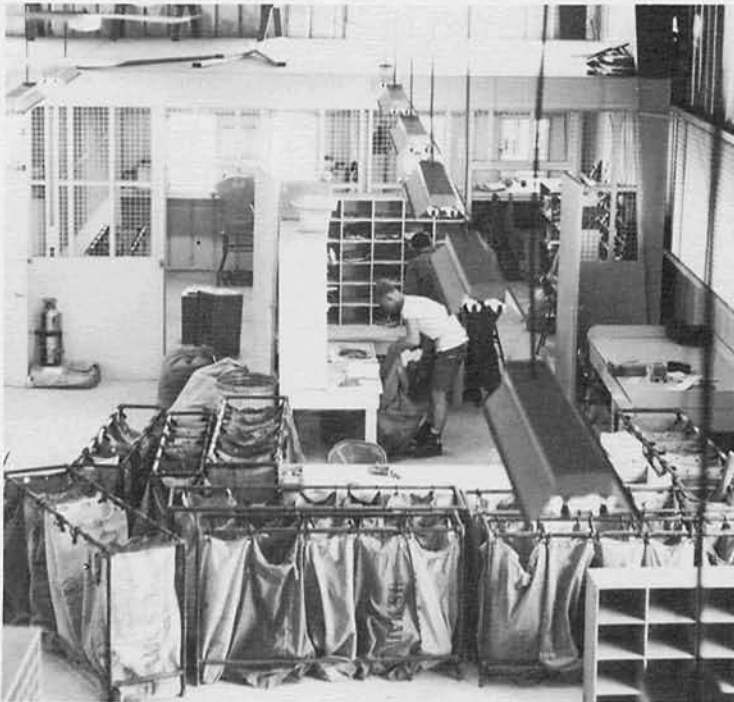
ELEVATED VIEW OF GALLEY NO. 3 COMPLEX AT CAMP TIEN-SHA



'C' CO AT WORK ERECTING SHIPS STORE AT CAMP TIEN-SHA



INTERIOR VIEW OF CHAPEL CONSTRUCTED BY 'C' CO AT CAMP TIEN-SHA



VIEW OF COMPLETED POST OFFICE AT CAMP TIEN-SHA



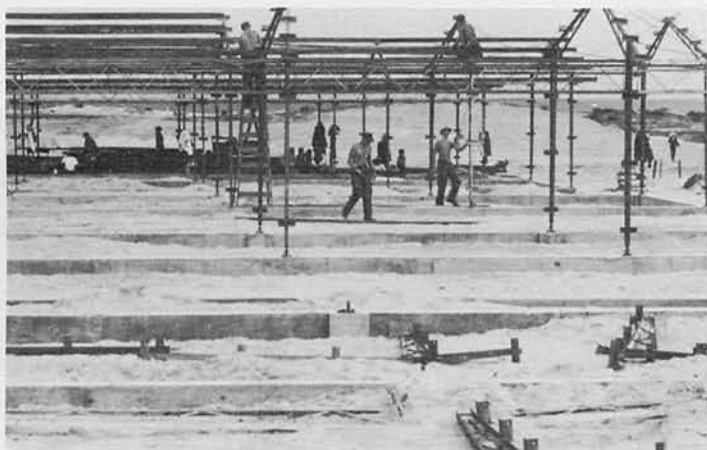
HEY, MY FOOT...OOOO-THAT SMARTS





# POW CAMP

COMPLETED HOME FOR V.C. PRISONERS



PREFABRICATED RIDGE FRAME BEING ASSEMBLED



POURING A CONCRETE FOUNDATION AT THE "POW" CAMP



VIETNAMESE INTERPRETER READS STATISTICS ON POW CAMP DURING CEREMONY



PRESENTATION OF MEDALS TO UNIT LEADERS



LT GEN LEWIS W. WALT, COMMANDER III MAF AND GEN XUAN LAM, I CORPS COMMANDER PASS THROUGH A CORDON OF QC'S DURING CEREMONY



FLANKED BY VIETNAMESE HOSTESS, THE GENERALS MARK THE CAMP OPENING WITH A HANDSHAKE SIGNIFYING THE COOPERATION BETWEEN U.S. AND SOUTH VIETNAMESE FORCES.



**CAROL ROBBINS**

**SPOT LIGHT**



# Vietnam's GO GO REVUE



DRUM & BUGLE CORPS 3RD MARINE DIV.



YOU'VE GOT TO BE KIDDING



WHAT AN AUDIENCE



BOBBY WORKS



YOU'RE DOING IT WRONG:  
IT'S THIS WAY.



OH! IT'S STUCK AGAIN.

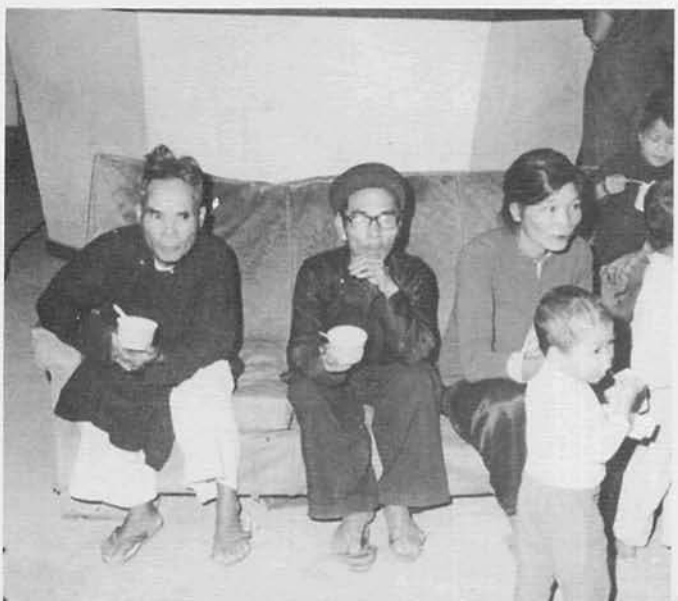


A PRETTY THING!



# International Spirit of Christmas





# PURPLE HEART AWARDS



**EON3 ALEXANDER CHRISTIE**

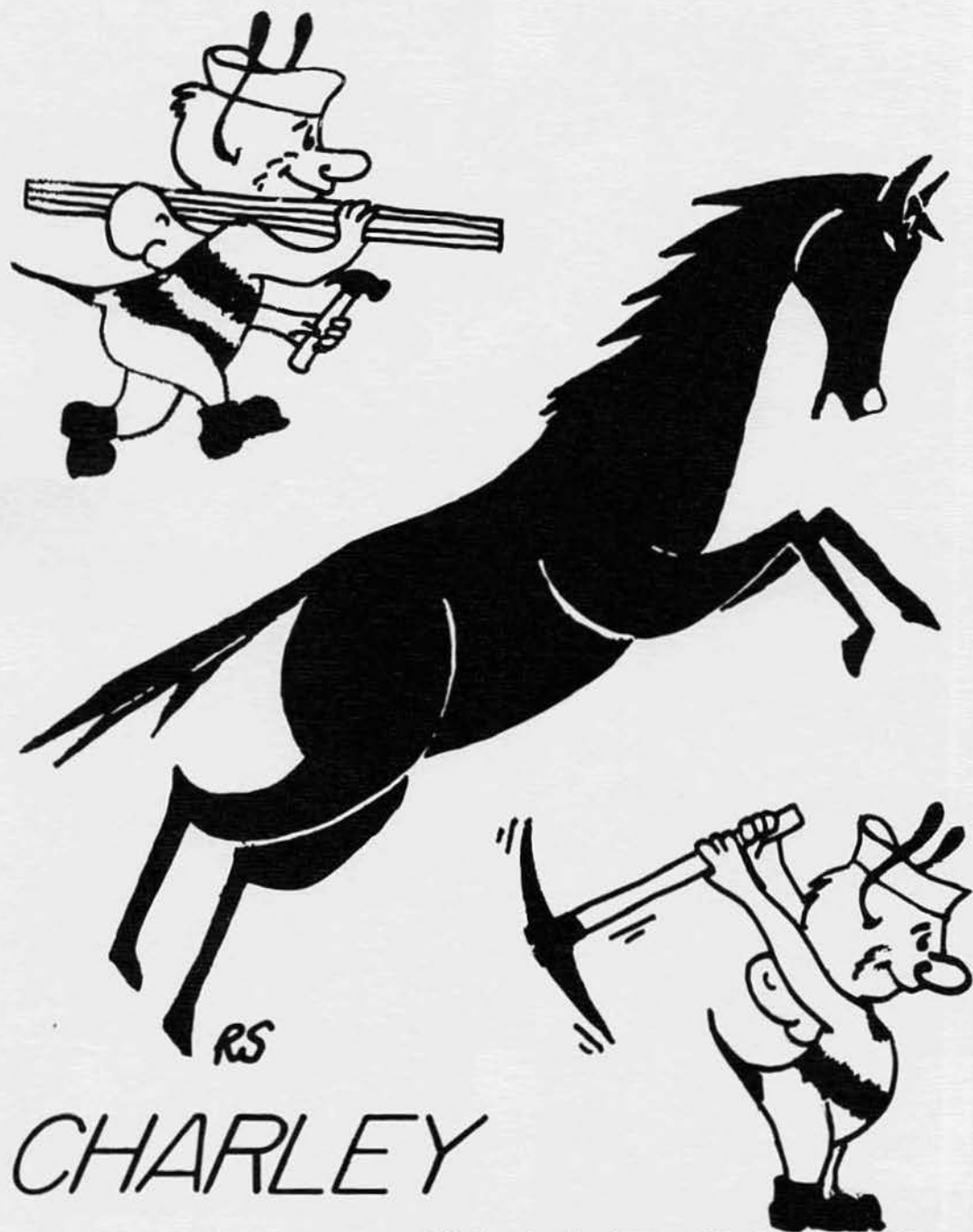
EON3 ALEXANDER CHRISTIE RECEIVES THE PURPLE HEART MEDAL FROM CDR JAMES C. DAY, JR., CO OF MCB-6. CHRISTIE WAS WOUNDED WHEN A VIET CONG MINE DESTROYED THE REAR WHEELS ON HIS TRUCK WHILE HE WAS HAULING MATERIALS TO MARINE CONDUCTING COMBAT OPERATIONS OUTSIDE DA NANG.



**EOH3 RODNEY K. BOWYER**

EOH3 RODNEY K. BOWYER, RECEIVES HIS PURPLE HEART MEDAL FROM CDR DAY. BOWYER WAS RIDING "SHOTGUN" ON THE TRUCK DRIVEN BY CHRISTIE WHEN A VIET CONG MINE EXPLODED, INJURING HIM.





CHARLEY

CHARGERS

# CHARLIE COMPANY COMMANDERS

CO. COMMANDER



LTJG S. E. Warwick

ASSISTANT CO. COMMANDER



LTJG G.F. Everhart

CO. CHIEF



Segault, R.E., BUC



Edgerton, R.E., SWC

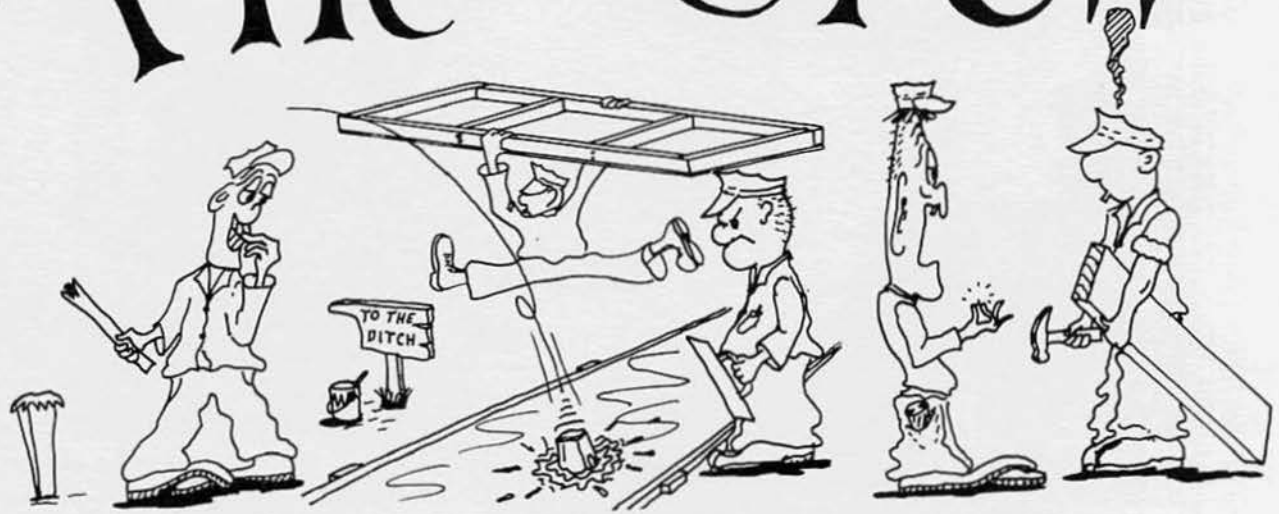


Hagemann, C.E., BUC



Midkiff, L.D., BUC

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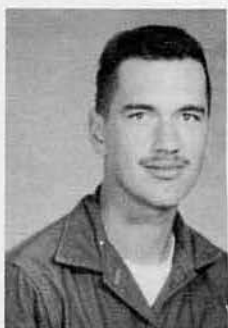
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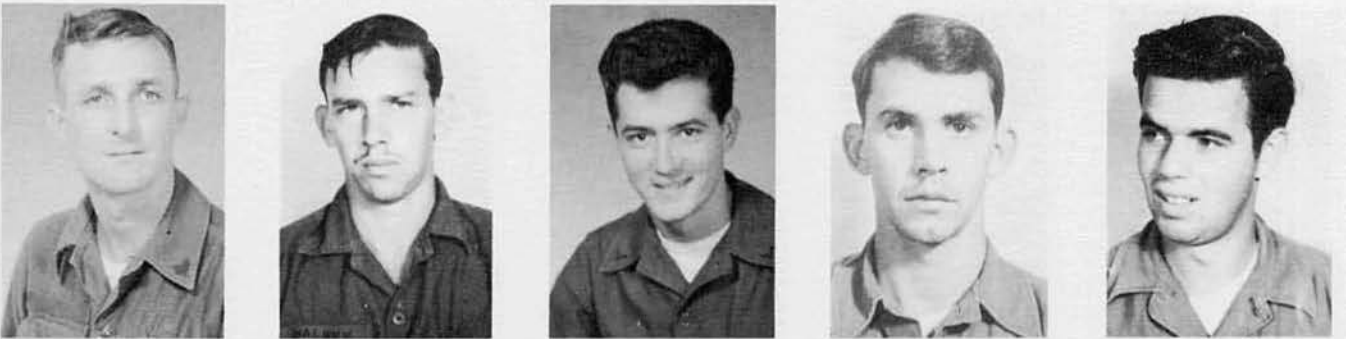
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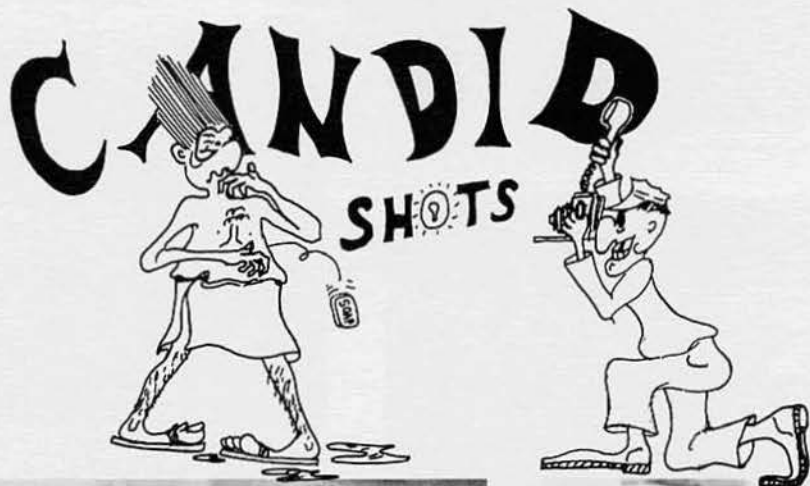


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McMenamy, J.T., BUR2  
Walker, E.C., CN.

Morse, R.L., BUL3; Taylor, J.D., SW1; Brown, J.W., BUR3



WE ALWAYS LOOK LIKE THIS



LET'S SEE NOW! 70 IN A 20 M.P.N. ZONE



SOMEBODY MUST HAVE A MATCH



WHAT'S THIS? BUILDERS TAKING OVER FOR SURVEYORS



IT'S THE LAST DOWN, WHAT PLAY SHOULD WE USE?



SOME GUYS CAN SLEEP ANYWHERE, EVEN HONTZ



ME? I'M THE HONCHO



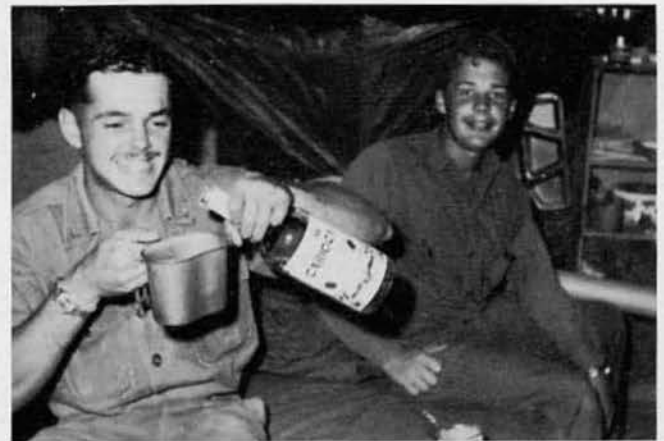
HEY DOC! WRONG ROLE



FINALLY MY VERY OWN CREW!



IF YOU PUSH THAT SAW AT ME  
ONE MORE TIME!--ZAP!



LET'S HAVE A PARTY!



NEW JACKET LARRY?



SO TODAY'S SUNDAY. NOW WHAT DO WE DO?





WONDER HOW THINGS ARE AT HOME



SO MY UNCLE DRESSES ME FUNNY



US! OUT OF UNIFORM



I'M A HACKER



COULD YOU BELIEVE THEY AREN'T TWINS? TRICK PHOTO



HEY: WHAT IS IT?



AND ON BEHALF OF ALL THE CHARLIE  
CHARGERS TEETH..WE WOULD...



THANK YOU...AND AS HEAD CHARGER MR. SMITH..  
DID YOU USE GLEEM...OW MY HAND



NOBODY CARES



A GATHERING OF THE INNOCENT?



TAKE MY PICTURE.



**HAPPY CHILDREN**—Decker D.F. CS1 and Sister Mary Angela and her assistants watch as the children wave at the photographer. The apples are gifts from Decker and his friends. (OFFICIAL USN PHOTO TAYLOR PH2)



**I WANT MY MOMMY**—David E. Toher, Corpsman gives this Vietnamese cough drops for a routine cold. Her friend seems to wonder if the piece of candy is worth it.

## MCB-6 "Locked In Battle With Elusive Enemy

The primary mission of MCB-6 in Vietnam is to build and if necessary, "defend" what they build. However, while building, and on occasion fighting the Viet Cong, this unit, like other U.S. forces here, has been struggling against another enemy just as dangerous as the V.C.

Each day, specially trained men from the Battalion go into the villages, hills, cities and rice paddies in search of the enemy that not only kills men, women and children, but like the V.C., threatens the very existence of the people of this country.

Their mission is to "Find and Destroy". On occasions, they succeed, but like "Charlie", they suffer continuous punishment and then escape to strike again.

At the first sign of the enemy, many Vietnamese seek these specially trained forces for help. They come by the thousands throughout Vietnam to escape their enemies, disease, poverty, and

loneliness. Their only defense is the knowledge of specially trained U.S. doctors, nurses, corpsmen and just plain "fighting men" who form defensive units called "Civic action teams".

Three MCB-6 Navy Lieutenants and a cook are just one of these teams. They are: LT's H.A. Falconer Jr., J.J. Spinale, Chaplain Bowes and Commissaryman First Class (CS1), Donald F. Decker, all members of Mobile Construction Battalion Six (MCB-6).

Each morning, Dr. Falconer and his corpsmen along with Chaplain Bowes, descend a hill outside the Seabee camp and wait for patients from the nearby village of SON THUY. One of the "Doc's" patients is a 4 year-old girl. She has tropical ulcers. Another is Pa-Pa-San, a 75 year-old man with eye trouble.

Vietnamese who cannot be treated at the temporary dispensary, are carried to the Seabees main medical unit. It is also while at the dispen-

sary, that Chaplain Bowes gives them clothes donated by various U.S. communities. The Chaplain distributes over 40 pounds of soap and clothing each month.

### DENTAL CARE

Dr. Spinale and his assistants try and help the Vietnamese with their dental problems. Some are routine while others are not. The medics of MCB-6 treat more than 1,000 Vietnamese a month.

### HOMELESS CHILDREN

The war in Vietnam has left many children homeless and lonely without parents. Hund is the son of a Viet Cong. He has no toes and his parents are dead, killed in a fight with U.S. Forces.

One of his playmates is Xuan Thu an 11 month-old girl. She was bought from her poor parents by the people of the village for 10,000 piasters. (about \$95 in American money). They are but

two of the more than 75 children who now live in an orphanage outside Da Nang run by Sister Mary Angela.

Petty Officer Decker goes there regularly to give the children clothes, toys and food donated by members of MCB-6 and people in the states. It is due to the work of Navy and other Armed Forces personnel in organized and unorganized "civic action" efforts, that many of the Vietnamese people no longer believe that Americans are devils who kill women and torture children.

Their efforts are considered one answer to the Vietnamese peoples hope and dreams of an abundant life, free from the bondages of poverty, disease and the Viet Cong.

The civic action workers role also adds hope to the free world's desire for peace for the people of Vietnam and the world. MCB-6's civic action program is coordinated by LT. C.V. Eaton.



**SOAP AND CLOTHES**—A Vietnamese woman and children wait for clothing and soap given by Chaplain D. Bowes.



**IT WON'T HURT A BIT**—LT. Harold A. Falconer of MCB-6's medical department, examines a Vietnamese boy. Villagers come from many parts throughout the Da Nang area to receive medical aid and assistance from civic action teams.

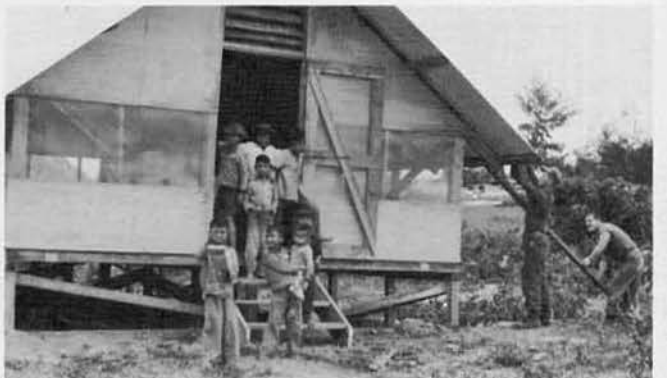




**CIVIC**



**ACTION**



A MERRY GO ROUND FOR VILLAGE CHILDREN

INSTANT ORPHANAGE--NEW HOME FOR SOME MORE CHILDREN BUILT IN ONE DAY

DELTA



DEMONS

COMPANY COMMANDER

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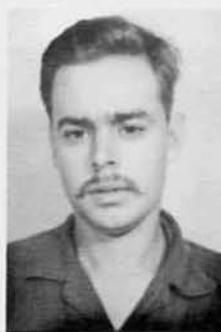
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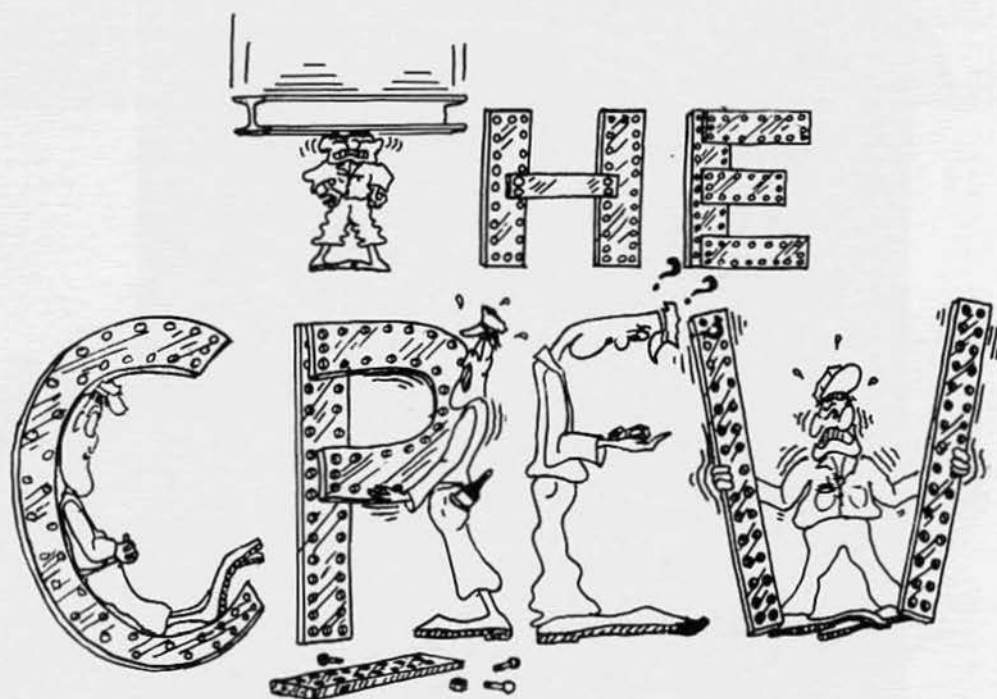
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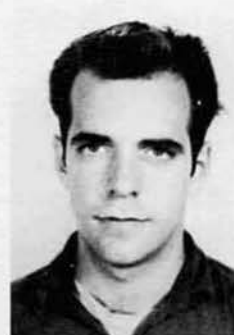
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STEELWORKER'S TWENTY MAN BUS



IF YOU ASK ME?  
IT'S THE WRONG WAY.



STEELWORKERS TAKE TIME  
OUT FOR WATER.



SEE THE BIRDY.



CHIEF PIVIDORI SHOWS 'EM HOW.



STEEL WORKER LINE UP FOR INSPECTION.



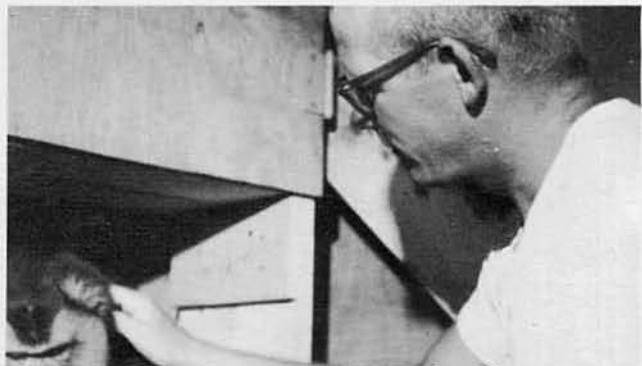
I DON'T MIND THE BUST, BUT THIS RESTRICTION AIN'T GOT IT.



DREAMING OF HOME.

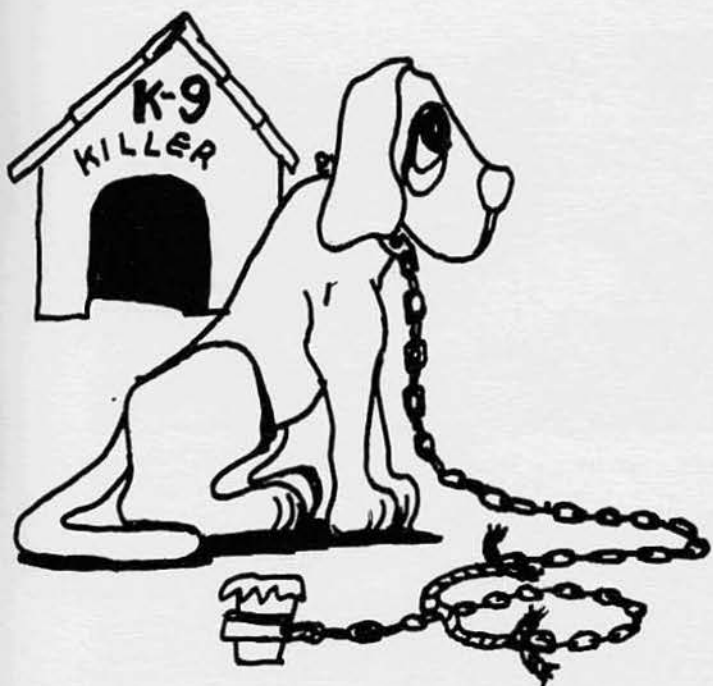


GET HOT, ZIPPER!



DON'T WORRY...YOU CAN'T TAKE THE E-8 EXAM AGAIN.

# DOG KENNELS



D CO. AT WORK SETTING TRUSSES  
IN PLACE AT DOG KENNELS -  
STEEL WORKERS ERECTING CAGES.



NSA SENTRY DOG KENNELS  
DOG HANDLERS QUARTERS AT LEFT.  
BUILT BY D CO.



NSA SENTRY DOG KENNELS  
FORMING OF COMPOUNDS BY D CO.



NSA SENTRY DOG KENNELS  
VIEW OF PARTIALLY  
CONSTRUCTED ROOF D CO





ANYBODY ELSE WANT  
TO SHIP US OVER?



LET'S GET OUT BEFORE IT FALLS DOWN!



I OWE MY SUCCESS TO HUNSINGER



NEXT TIME HE'LL SHAVE BEFORE QUARTERS.



"I'LL FIX THAT LEAK".



"WE'RE LOW ON WORK AT CHU LAI."



"THE MODERN NAVY"



AH COM'ON FELLOWS I'LL TAKE A SHOWER  
I DECLARE I WILL (GLUB..GLUB)



HAVE A COOL ONE!



MMM...I THINK I'LL  
LET HIM FIND  
OUT FOR HIMSELF.



CLOSE ENOUGH FOR  
GOVERNMENT WORK



DAMN, I WISH THEY'D GET  
A PUMP



SO I HIT HIM



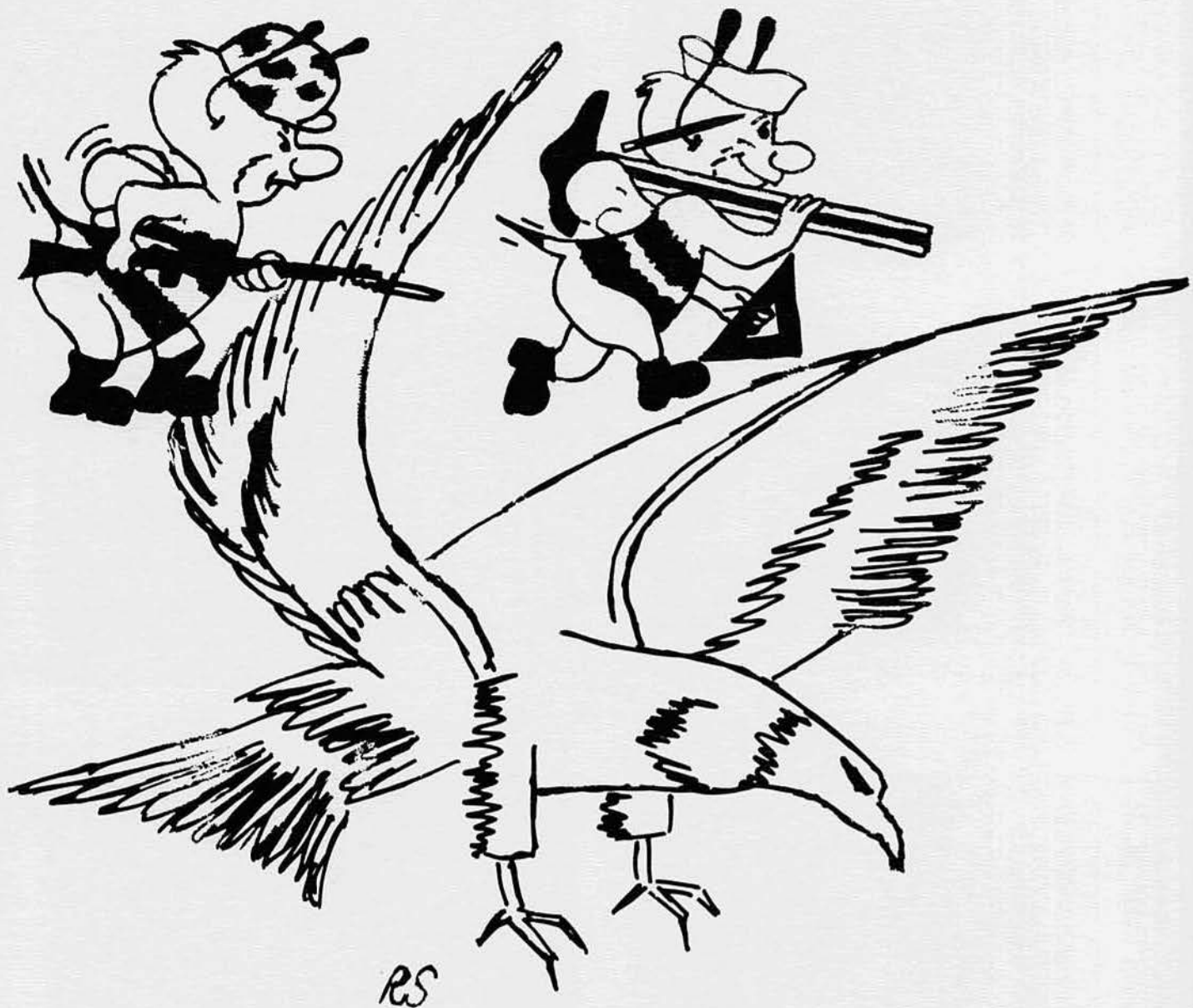
YOU BUY FEELTHY PICTURE?



CONDITION WHAT??



NOT AMBUSHED...JUST PLAIN BUSHED!



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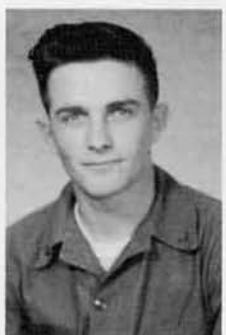
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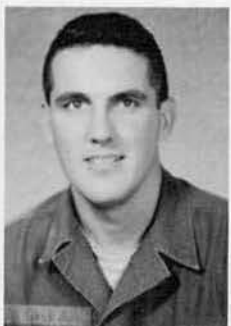
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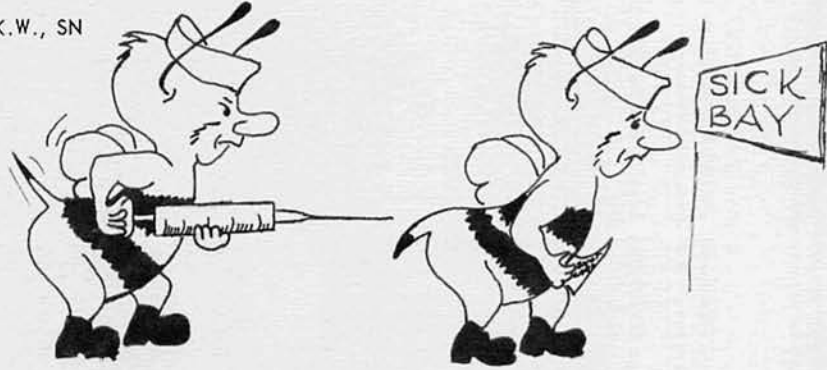




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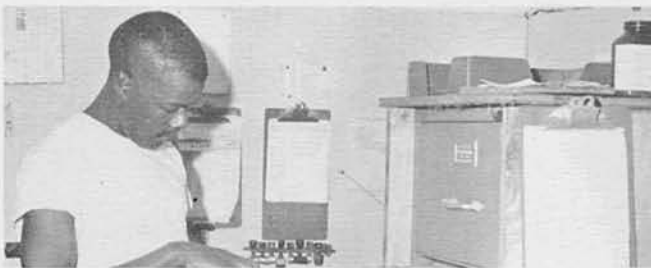
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DR. FALCONER - HONCHO NO. 1



A MEDICAL CONFERENCE?



THE MIGHTY "DOC MORRIS"



CHAIK IN HIS REGULAR ACTION  
 WHEN NOT IN ADMIN.



YOUR FRIENDLY SICK BAY!



AND SO, FOR FORGETTING TO TAKE  
 YOUR MALARIA PILL...

# Administration - Personnel - Security



NOW MEN, THIS IS A HAMMER.  
BANG-BANG GOES THE HAMMER.



HO-HO-HO AND A MERRY TRANSISTOR TO YOU!



ONLY OUR HAIRDRESSER  
KNOWS FOR SURE



I WOULD'VE MADE IT BUT  
I FORGOT THE WORD  
FREE IN THE CORNER



WE'LL PLAY BY MY RULES  
OR WE WON'T PLAY AT ALL



MY SEA DADDY AND I.



I'LL SEE THAT AND RAISE YOU ONE MATCHSTICK



LOOK NO CAVATIES - WE BOTH USE X-BRAND

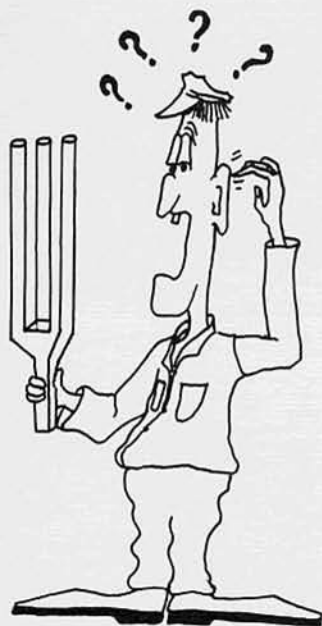


GUESS WHO MADE LTJG?

# EA'S - D'S



SOME TELESCOPE, ALL I SEE ARE LITTLE LINES WITH NUMBERS.



HEY WOODY! THERE'S SOMETHING CRAWLING INSIDE THE PHONE.



NO SIR - WE HAVEN'T SEEN ANY VIETNAMESE IN THE AREA



OK GUYS MAKE LIKE YOUR'RE DOING SOMETHING.



PROFILE OF A TRAINED KILLER



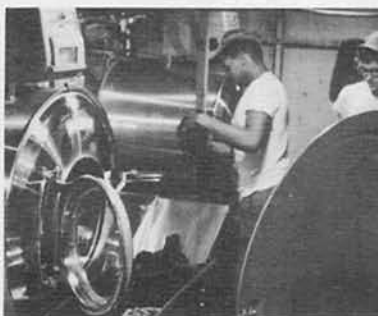
HOLD IT! THAT'S THE SPOT I DROPPED MY MARBLE.



WILL THE REAL STOREKEEPER PLEASE STEP FORWARD?



"MONEY MEN AT THE BUDGET PLAN"



HEY WARRICK! REMEMBER THAT FROG YOU STUCK IN YOUR POKK

# Cooks & Stewards & Mess Men



WHADDYA MEAN, COLD CUTS  
FOR THANKSGIVING DINNER?



WHAT? INSPECTION AGAIN/



ALL WE SAID WAS...C-RATIONS  
OR OUR CHOW - TAKE YOUR PICK



WHY SURE, I ALWAYS USE JAM WITH MY HOTDOGS



SLEEP IS THE GREATEST FOR ME



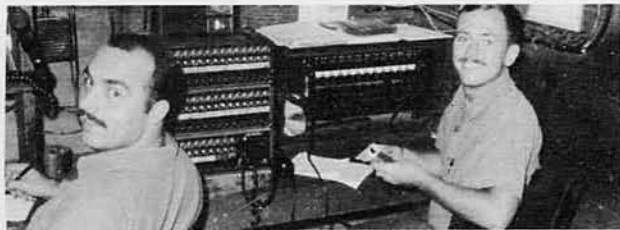
WE ALL LIVE LIKE THIS



# Laundry - Security - Warehouse - Admin.



I THINK THIS IS THE HOT WATER.



GIRLS! HERE?



I SAID A TRIM!!



ALL IN A DAYS WORK



FOR QUICK RELIEF OF  
TIGHT JAWS--



SO I SHIPPED!  
AT LEAST THEY'RE SENDING ME HOME



SO WHAT IF WE DON'T KNOW  
WHAT WE'RE DOING!



MOUSE!! WHERE?



OUR STAFF IS EAGERLY(?)  
WAITING TO SERVE YOU.



I'LL TAKE \$500.00 ON DANCER



PC1 L.R. WILSON RECEIVES "MCB-6"  
PLAQUE FROM CDR DAY



WE ARE ALWAYS READY TO LEND AHELPING HAND



IT WASN'T THIS WAY WHEN I CAME IN



WHO? ME? AFRAID OF A MOUSE!!



CAUGHT IN THE ACT



WHAT'S THIS? GIVE BACK 5 DOLLARS



BUT BOB, THOSE "SHIPPING OVER"  
PAPERS WERE FALSE, THEY WERE FA----

# Security Platoon



NUMBAH ONE GATE GUARD CATCHES A NUMBAH II CORPSMAN--COP DOC NO. 1 TOO



MR. DILLIONNNNNN, HONCHO'S AND STAFF



SECURITY ON PATROL

# HOMeward BOUND



A VIETNAMESE SEABEE?



DEPARTURE FROM DANANG





NOT ANOTHER DELAY



DEPARTING FOR DAVISVILLE



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RELIEVING

# CHANGE OF COMMAND



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