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## " Screaming Eagles Arrive Based At Cam Ranh

The 1st Brigade of the 101st Airborne Division landed at Cam Ranh Bay on Thursday of this week after 20 days at sea aboard the USNS Eltinge.

Commanded by Col. James S. Timothy, the famed WW II unit came to Vietnam from Fort Camphell, Ky. The brigade was met by outgoing US Ambassador Maxwell D. Taylor, who served a wartime commander of the 101st in Europe.

Ambassador Taylor greeted his son, Captain Tom Taylor, who came over with the brigade, Sgt. Major Trinidad Frieto, with whom he served in Europe when the 101 fought against Nazi Germany, and many of the officers and men of the Screaming Eagle unit.

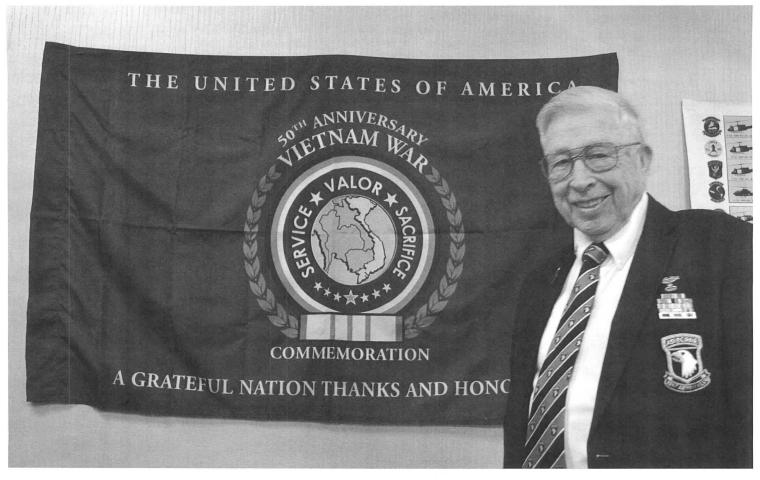
The former general returned to the United States Friday after serving one year as the US Ambassador to Vietnam, Gen. W.C. Westmoreland, USARV and MACV Commander, is also a former Commander of the div-

The 3700 man brigade, consisting of three infantry battalions and one artillery battalion, as well as a support battalion and an armored cavalry troop, will have the mission of protecting the Cam Ranh Bay logistical



Colonel Timothy

 $50^{\mathrm{TH}}$ ANNIVERSARY **OF FIRST BRIGADE (S)** ARRIVAL IN VIET NAM



Ivan Worrell INFO OFF 5/66-5/67, stands beside the 50th ANNIVERSARY OF THE VIETNAM WAR COMMEMORATION flag in the National Capitol Area Chapter of the 101<sup>st</sup> Airborne Division Association Hospitality Room during the 2013 Memorial Day activities.

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The 50th Anniversary Celebration should be a great time for all First Brigade (S) veterans to see and renew old acquaintances with your fellow troopers who served in the Brigade from July 1965 through January 1968. I thank the 101<sup>st</sup> Airborne Division Association, its officers, board and committees for all help rendered to make this reunion a joint effort.

The past few weeks have been sad ones for me. I must announce that the October 2015 magazine

This magazine is produced by and for veterans of the ALWAYS FIRST BRIGADE who served in the brigade from July 1965 through January 1968. The publication will chronicle the military history and accomplishments of veterans who served, as well as units that were assigned, attached or supported the brigade. The editor solicits material about the brigade for use in the magazine and for future publication in a book that will contain a comprehensive history of the brigade.

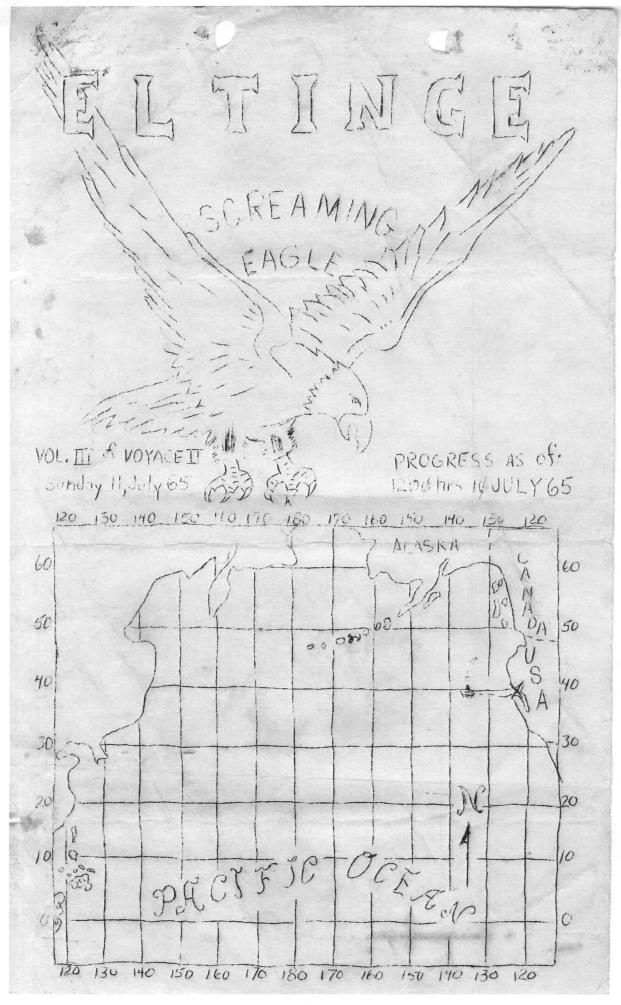
Another goal of the editor is to lead an initiative to place a monument, to honor members of the brigade, at the Wings of LIBERTY Military Museum at Fort Campbell, Kentucky (the museum will be located on the Tennessee side of Fort Campbell).

will be the final FIRST SCREAMING EAGLES in VIET NAM magazine. My health and my age (87) demand my finding less challenging projects to pursue.

My sincere thanks go to all the First Brigade (S) veterans who have helped and supported me with subscriptions and material for the magazine. Without you we would not have this historical collection of First Brigade (S) history that will total 70 issues.

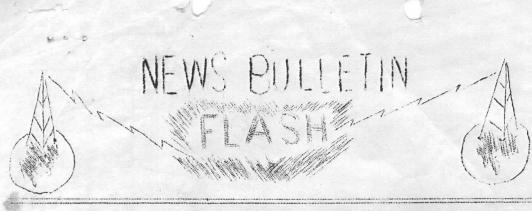
I plan to remain active in the 101<sup>st</sup> Airborne Division Association and look forward to future reunions.

My present hope is that we have an outstanding turnout for the Wednesday, July 29th, 50th Anniversary Commemoration.



**July 2015** 

The First Screaming Eagles in Viet Nam



SAIGON - U.S. Jets shot down 2 Mig17 jets in an air skirmish over North Viet Nam yesterday. Two U.S.A.F. FACU aircraft used air to air missiles to shoot down 2 enemy aircraft just 70 miles from the Communist China border during the deepest U.S. airraid penetration into North Viet Nam to date. It was the first "kill" for U.S. planes since the Korean War. The three Mig's which were previously downed were bagged by Navy carrier pilots with the U.S. Seventh Fleet. The dogfight took place 75 miles north west of Hanoi. The FhC's and the six in Force Thunderchiefs jots also attacked the Yen Sen ammunition depot and several bridges with rockets and bombs. During a morning bombing attack on Yen Sen, milots saw three unidentified HIG's, but the communist pl nes fled. A US military spokesman said that the 1200 iPH FLC's were flying cover at 25000 feet for the F105's on Saturday afternoon when they detected the enemy MIG's on radar.

\* PRESIDENT ANTOUNCES CHANGE IN TOP GOVERNMENT PERSONEL \* JOHNSON CITY, TWY -- LBJ announced yesterday a series of major changes in top government personnel, induding a new ir Force Secretary and resignation of Carl Rowen as Director of the United States Information igency. Air Force Secretary Eugene Zuckert, who has held the post since Ja wary 1961, is resigning endhis place will be taken by Dr. Herold Brown, presently director of defense research and current monsoon fighting. He sid that engineering. Brown's nomination goes to Congress shortly. Rowan, the first major Johnson appointed to leave office, asked to be rd ieved of his post as soon as possible. The President accepted his resignation, but did not name a successor immediately. Rowan's dem rture leaves the USIA's three top jobs vicent, and makes a major overhaul of the Agency necessary.

In addition, President Johnson approved the retirement of Mg Gen Chester Clifton from the irmy and as military i do to the President. Clifton's successor will be Johnson's Jetst r plane pilot, Naj James Cross (US.F), who will become a Lt Col 15 July. .

## MORE TROOPS TO VIET NAM

WASHINGTON --- The United States plans to expand its troop strength in the Viet Nam war still further, to about 100,000 or more by late summer or early fall, it was learned Saturday. This calls for an increase of at least 33,000, including thousands in 'rmy combat unit s.

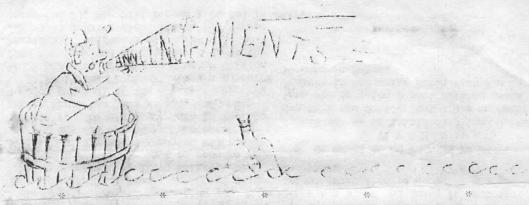
\* COM OWNER LITH SPACE AL EMISSARY TO HUNOI G IS NO LUSPONSE \* LONDON -- British Prime Minister Harold Prom's of ciel emissery is finding no response from North Viet Ham leaders in his Ha oi pe ace sounding s. Opposition Conservative Leader Sir Alec Douglas-Home Saturday accused ilson of sending the omissiry to Manoi on a poace mission that could succeed only if Britain pledged support of the Communist line.

\* HINOTONOICES OF SOLUTION TO MID WER \* 1103COW -- The government of Communist North Viet Ham said Saturday that the only correct way to solve the Victnemese problem is strict observance by the United States of the 1954 Geneva agreements on Viet Nam. The Communists failed to say nything about observing the agreement themselves, however.

\* TAYLOR PR DICTS US SUCCESS \*

SAIGON -- Outping US Ambassador to Saigon Mexical Taylor Saturday predicted bloody defeats for Communist forces during the successes by US and South Victnamese troops could lead to peace by the end of the year.

\* US SEIDS PLACE FLETIMS TO HORTH VIST HAM \* WASHINGTON -- Officials disclosed Saturday that the United States has on "more than one occasion 2 sent written peace f feelers to Communist North Viet Nam leaders in Hanoi.



PONIGHT T 1900 HOURS Lt.Col Rogers will make an announcement of interest to all military personnel.

NEID JOHT BULBS IN YOUR OF MARTHINT? Contact the ship's dearing gear locker on the third deck near Ladder Well #9.

SALT WITH SHOWLES are now available to troop personnel. Use the top faucets on the shower heads, and use the special salt water soap only - it is available from the deaning gear locker.

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YOUR NEW APO ADDRESS IS:

Rak Hme, ASN
Unit ----1st Bde, 101st Abn Div
APO San Francisco, Celif \$6347

SHIP'S NOON REPORT: The moon report is received in this office approximately 1400 hours dily. Yesterday's report showed -

Latitude 39-36 N Longitude 135-24 W Course 280° (T) Distance covered 1200 hrs 9 Jul to 1200 hrs 10 Jul - 363 mi. Distance to target area 5635 mi. Total distance from San Francisco - 596 mi. verage speed - 15.1 knots



## THE SIMPLE LIFE

I love the simple things in life Come rainy day, or sunny; A crust of bread, a sip of wine, A rocking chair . . and money!

F. G. Kernan



This portion of the paper is for the troops use. The news which we receive from the troops each day. This news may consist of anything. If you have some news, poetry, or any type of "hot skinny" feel free to write it on paper and deliver it to Lt Watson room 226.

Sgt Kenneth B. Yeisley, a squad leader from "B" Company, 2/327th may be found roving the main deck every morning entertaining the troops with authentic Scottish tumes on his barrine.

Sgt Yeisley was raised with the Scottish Clan Campbell, in Chico, California.
But it wasn't until years later at Fort Campbell that he taugh himself to play the pipes. This is Sgt Yeisley's fourth crossing of the Pacific and he considers it most enjoyable.

## MOVIE SCHEDULE:

Orew's Dayroom (Ships Crew only) . .1800 . Devil Doll (Bryant Haliday)
Officers' Ness (Cabin Class). . . . 1900 . Mark of Zorro (Tyrone Power)
Officers' Lounge (Ship's Officers). 1800 . Destination Gobi (Richard Widmark)
Topside #5 Hatch ( 2/502d Inf). . . 2100 . House of Rothschild (George Arliss)

## TARGET AREA WORDS FOR TODAY

Yesterday we found that Chao Ong meant hello. Chao Ong is actually hello to a man. Today's words cover the other ways to say hello.



Whenever and wherever the army moves, discipline and law and order are expected - and in most cases demanded. It is the function of the Provest Marshall to enforce the rules, orders and domands of law and regulations. The military policeman carries out his duty by executing his position in the full spirit of these domands.

The IP is not here to harass but to enforce.

He does not create, he regulates.

The mission of the 1st Brigade Task Force started many months ago. These ment eighteen days are a part of its mission. Hai ntan your military bearing by being in complete uniform (jungle or regular fatigues); shave, and present a good appearance. Hat e the jobs of your fellow soldiers on duty aboard easier, by respecting off limits areas, by keeping ladderwells free; don't lean or sit on railings, and establish a walkway on ock hon in mass ongregation.

Lt Col Rogers and his staff demand these points and the Provost Marshall Section and the Military Police will give it to him -- with your help!!



One of the most important things in life is to know what one should do with one's life. The question somer or later comes to everyone's mind. Why did God make mo? "by do I exist? God did not make me just to live and die and be heard of no more. God did not make me just to live and got married and die; God did not meko me just for one heroic ect. God made me with a mind and a will and with an immortal Spirit that will never die. For this reason, we say that God made me to know Him, love Him, and serve Him in this world, and thus be with Him for all eternity. God is everywhere, so no matter where the future days may bring us we must continue to use our whole being, our minds, wills, memories, emotions, and so forth, in the service of God.

Almighty God, creator of the universe, we must some day give to you an account of our lives. Grant us the grace that we may use all the talents you have given us in your service, both now and ducys.

> William J. Barragy Hejor, Chaplain Corps

RELIGIOUS SERVICES: 0745 Horning Prayer -- deily via ship's PA system

0830 Protestant Bible and Study Group -- Hon thru Sat on Hatch 35

0900 Catholic Confession -- deily on Mitter (Officers' Lounge if bad weather)

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UNIT HISTORIES IN BRIEF --

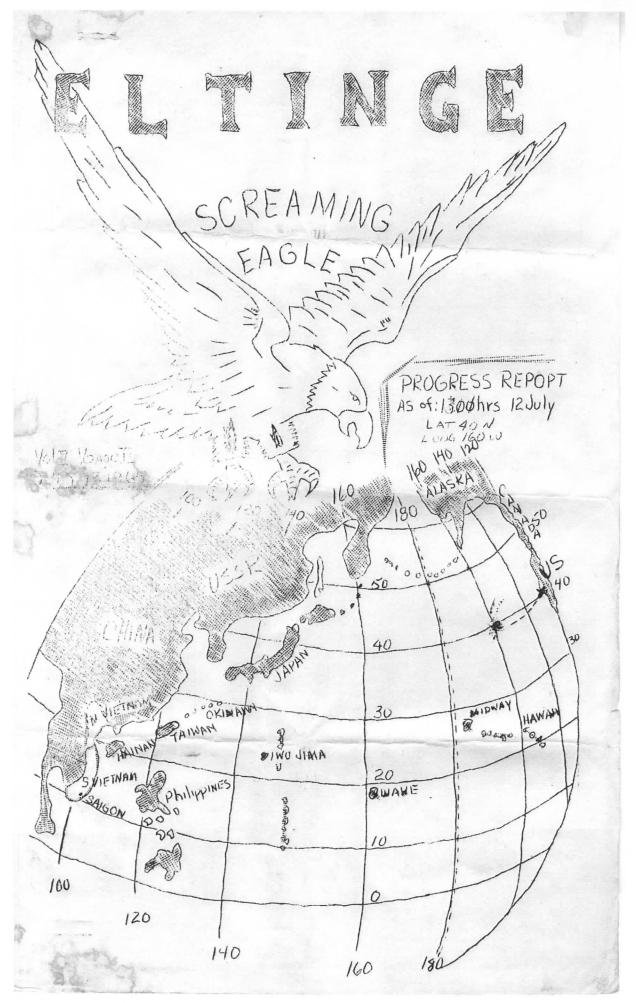
2d Howitz r Battalion (105mm, Towned), 320th Artillery

The 320th rtillery was originally organized in August of 1917, at Camp Claiborne, Louisiana. During World Wor I, the unit went overseas with the merican Forces and participated in the wor, earning carpaign credits and battle streamers at Alsace-Lorraine, St, Mihiel, and Meuse-Irgonne. Ifter the close of the war, it was returned to the States and inactivated.

In 1942, with the start of the Second World War, the 320th was reactivated as Bettery B, 320th Glider Field Artillery Bettalion, and became an organic element of the 82d Infantry Division - subsequently redesignated the 82d irborne Division. The 320th want oversees to the TTO with the 82d, and covered itself with glory in the Rhineland, Court 1 Duropo, and the Hormandy om paigns. Ifter World War. II, the Division returned to the United States, and the 320th Glider F. Battalion was

During the Korem War, the unit was activated as part of the 508th Abn RCT, and stationed in Jopan. After the Korean Conflict, the 320th become part of the 11th Division; and was subsequently inactivated again. In December 1962, the 320th was reactivated and made an organic part of the 101st Division; on 27 May 1965,

id wer attached to the 1st Brigade Task Force, 101st Airborne Division.



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SAIGON -- Infentrymen from the 1st Divi- h AIR FORCE PLANE CRASHES sion, the "Big Red One" of Torld War II fame, continued moving ashore at. Cam Ranh MANTUCKAT, MASS -- Sixteen airmen were was not known, but the 2d Brigade troops from Fort Riley, Kenses, eventually will number 3,900 in their new assignment.

\* US TROOPS IN VIST NAM THORTAS: \* MASHINGTON -- It was learned here today that by late summer or early fall, the number of US military men in Viet Nam will have soared to 100,000 men. The present total is about 71,000 men.

\* US PLANES STRIKE!

SAIGON -- US planes bombed target throughout North Viet Nem in five waves Monday. ther direraft struck Viet Cong positions in the south, killing an estimated 260 querrillas. /merican military authorities mad few details of the action.

\* COM ONWEALTH PENCE ENISSARY TALKS \* LONDON -- British Prime Minister Harold Alson Monday told Parliament that his special peace emissary to Hanoi has held even hours of "discussions" with Communist Worth Victnamese officials. But he gave no indication of progress in his no-holdsberred efforts to get Viet Nam peace talks started.

\* WOMAN IS VC S COND-IN-COMMAND

MOSCOW -- Russian newsman just back from an assignment covering Communist guerrilla action in South Viet Nam reported londay that a forty-year-old woman serves as the deputy commander of Viet Cong forces.

\* COMMUNIST FORCES AUGILANT VIST CONG \*

WISHINGTON -- The State Department said Londay that there was "no reason to doubt" that a new group of North Vietnamese "volunteers" had arrived in South Viet Nam.

\* USSR MAY INCR AGE HELIT RY BUDGET \*

MOSO W -- Soviet Premier Lexei Kosygin hinted Sunday that the Soviet Union may be planning to increase military spending due to international tension and the fighting in Viet Nam.

Boy on the coast 185 miles northeast of reported dead or missing by the Coast Guard Scigon. The exact number of infantrymen - Monday in the crash in the Atlantic Ocean landing in Viet Nam for the first time - of an Air Force rader plane with nineteen crew members aboard. Only three men survived. The Coast Guard said a massive air-sea search, including the forces of two nations, searched the ocean eightyfive miles off Nentucket for the missing airmen - all feared drowned. The Coast Guard and Air Force officials had said earlier that eleven men had been rescued and eight perished. The upward revision in the death toll apparently stemmed from confusion in communications between search vessels and units on land. The three survivors were taken aboard a German destroyer which was on monuevers in the area with the carrier Wasp and other US destroyers. Six of the dead also were on the German vessel, and three other bodies were aboard the US destroyer Barry. The airmen had been in the water nearly twelve hours in life jackets after their plane ditched Sunday night with one of its four engines afire and another shut down.

\* DOLLER PEACH TALKS PROGRESS \*

SAMTO DOMENGO -- Inter-merican peace mediators moved Monday to fortify the posi+ tion of former foreign minister Hector Garcia Godoy, who said he'is supported by for provisional president by both rebels and the military junta.

CUFF ON Y

N SHVIILI, TIN -- Roy cuff, longtime star of the Grand Olo Opry, was reported in satisfactory condition Monday following a two-car collision Saturday near Sparta.

\* N GROUS UNG D TO R GISTER \*

Jickson, MISS -- Civil Rights leader Roy Wilkins told more than 1,000 Hegroes Sunday that under newly revised lississippi voter qualification laws and federal voting rights bill there was no excuse for them not to register.

TITY GOT SUPPORTS COLLMIN \* WASHINGTON -- Attorney General Nicholas Katzenbach, in a hearing room crowded with civil rights leaders, Monday urged con-firmation of former lississippi governor James Coleman as a federal judge.



No action in the major leagues Monday as baseball's top players begin to converge on Bloomington, Minn., for todays 36th All Star game. Juan Marinchal of the SF Giants and Milt Pappas of the Baltimore Orioles have been named the starting pitchers in the game. Willie Mays, Giants star center fielder, will be in the National League All Stars starting lineup and will hit leadoff. Mays suffered bad bruises Saturday in a home-plate collision but is determined to play. The

Weather Tureau in Minneapolis St Paul reported that there is about 25% chance of shower or thunder-storm activity during the course of the All Star baseball game. The greater probability is for no rain, more hund conditions and warmer temperatures, probable in the high 80's. No games were played in the National or American Leagues Monday. In the Pacific Coast League Oklahoma City stomped Seattle 9 to 3, Tacoma beat Hawaii 4 to 2, and San Diego edged out Indianapolis in a 14 inning scorcher with a score of 2 to 1.

Eight jurors, most of whom are not football fans, were questioned yesterday in the opening day of the trial of Jim Brown, fullback of the Cleveland Browns. Brown, 29 year old hotshot of the champian Browns, is charged with assault and battery against hiss Brenda Ayres, 18. Brown has pleaded innocent.

Rudi Prudhomme — a prize rookie catch of champion Buffalo Bills in the AFL — may be lost for the 1965 season. Prudhomme suffered torn ligaments in his ankle last March in an automobile accident. He underwent surgery on it last week. A club official said Prudhomme will be in a cast at least two months and may miss the regular season entirely. Prudhomme was a defensive end at Louisiana State University.

A.B. Woodson has returned his signed contract to St Louis of the NFL. Woodson, a defensive back and kickoff return specialist, went to the Cardinals from the 49er's during the winter in a trade for running back John David Crowe.

Norm Nelson roared past sentimental favorite
Jim Hurtubise on the next to last lap in the 200
mile late model stock car race at West Allis, Mis.,
Sunday. Hurtubise - who was badly burned in an accident at the same track last year - inished second,
followed by A. J. Foyt, Bobby Isaac, and Dave Pearson.



TRACK: Otrokovice, Czechoslovalia: Josef Odlozil of Czechoslovakia, Olympic Silver Medalist at 1,500 meters, handed struggling Peter Snell his 10th straight loss Menday. Odlozil beat the New Zealander by about 25 yards in a 2,000 meter race. Odlozil was timed at 5:08.5 for the distance, about 1 1/4 miles.

TENNIS: River Forest, Ill: Top speeded Dennis Ralston advanced to the second round of the National Clay Tennis Championships yesterday after beating Mike Sprengelemner of Dubuque, Iowa, 6-2, 6-0. Nancy Richey, also number one National Vomens player and the defending champion, outlasted Connie Cristler of Shawnee, Mission, Kansas, 6-2, 6-2.

PUGLISTICS: Johnny Pritchett, English lad weighing in at 154, keyoed Willie Fisher, tipping at 161 from Glesgow, in the first round of their bout in London yesterday.





\*\*\*\*\* En Mail Clorks may deposit mail at the Troop Office prior to 1600 hrs daily.

\*\*\*\*\*PAY CALL

The lat Ede's Finance Office is in operation with MQ's established in the shints discussing,

In order for all Ede personnel to be paid properly in July each individual should insure that he has completed the following forms if applicable:

1. Request for cash payment for July - to be completed by all personnel. 2. Request for Income Taxes to be withheld from pay - to be completed

2. Request for Encome Taxes to be withheld from pay - to be completed by all corningsloned officers who desire withholdings be made for income taxes while in a combat zone.

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. kendly Separatica Allowance - to be completed by all married personnel if climble under regulations.

Lt. Williamson

July's pay as being prepared now. For those who have not completed the above forms, all enlisted personnel should contact his personnel Staff NCO in-mediately, and all officers should come to Finance HQ's immediately for processing

Ede Finance Offi

For various reasons, many areas on board this sair rust be placed off limits. Three main reasons are scerrity, safety, and lack of space. For instance, all laddovuells should be kept free of Ede personnel in order to allow details and the ship's crew to nove freely, and simply for salety's sake.

Starrell 5 is particulary important; KP's must move on this ladder; chow lines and PK traffic all utilize this ladderwell. Consequently, there must be constant supervision on this stairway in order to keep traffic to the essential minimum, and it is requested that troops refrain from using ladder 5 unless absolutely necessary.

In this connection, chow lines will be controlled by guides so that a maximum number of personnel may leave the compartment to so directly to the chow line on deck and enter the mess hall. At no time will a line be allowed to form on any stairwell aboard ship.

Finally, religious services are performed every evening and morning on Hatch #5. As a courtesy to other troops, please loop this area free between the hours of 0770-1200 and 18/5-2000.

Restricted areas aboard ship are becoming a greater and greater problem, as more and more 1st Ede personnel are found leitering in restricted neval areas. Members of the ship's complement often have quarters in or are working in these areas.

Respect the signs abourd ship. Read then and obey them. Do not rum on deck or in ladderwells; do not crown, push, or showe. This vessel has many unfamiliar hazards, all of which require extra care on your part. The exercise of corron courtesy and extra procautions will enable you to enjoy as much as possible the remainder of your voyage abourd the USPS Eltinge.

Report any serious accident to the nearest cuard, MP, or officer. Know your compartments PX schedule.
Secure all weapons and valuables.

Provost Marshall





## THE IMPORT NOW OF PRIYER

Then was the last time you prayed? I don't mean listening to someone else's Prayer, but praying yourself. This is one way to take your own temperature,

spiritually speaking.

Jesus' disciples asked Him, "Lord, tead us to pray." In answer to their request, Christ gave them the beautiful model prayer which we usually call the Lord's Prayer. Josus Himself was to be found in preyer early in the morning, at noon, in the evening, and late at night. His life was satruated with prayer. How much more do we need prayer than Jesus, with all His spiritual strength!

Paul encouraged his friends in Thessalonica to "pray constantly" (I Thess 5:17). We should remember to pray in any and all conditions of life. Our Meavenly Father is always more ready to hear our proyers than we are to pray.

Since prayer puts us "in tune with the Infinite," don't you agree that this can be one of life's most important and rewarding activities? Wait no longer. Begin right now to pray.

## RELIGIOUS SERVICES --

ROBERT C. H RLLIE Chaplain (Capt), USA

0745 Horning Prayer - daily via ship's PA system

0830 Protestant Bible and Study Group - Mon thru Sat on Match 5 0900 Catholic Confession - daily on Match 5 (Officers' Lounge if bad weather) 0930 Catholic Mass - daily on Match 5 (Officers' Lounge if bad weather)

1030 Protestant Service - daily on Match "5 (Officers! Lounge if bad weather)

1900 Catholic Rosary Service - daily on Hatch 5 (Officers' Lounge if bad weather)

1930 Protestant Vespors - daily on Hatch #5 (Officers' Lounge if bad weather)

## DVIE SCHEDULE:

Grew's Dayroom Officers' Mess (Cabin Class) 1900 House of Rothschild (George Arliss) Hatch #5 (Spt Bn)

1600 Destination Gobi (Richard Widmark)

Officers' Lounge (Ship's Off) 1800 Moon Spinners (Hayley Mills)

2100 Suez (Tyrone Power)

## TARGET AREA WORDS FOR TODAY

· · · . . Compass . . . . . . . . . . 2nd Lt . . . Four (4) . . . . This is a compass. Day La Dia Ban

"Begging your pardon; Sergeent, but how did you ever get into the Servies with such eyesight?"

# TRED CROSS NEWS

This section shall be a daily feature in the Eltin-e Screening Eagle. Any questions you may have concerning the Red Cross should be submitted in writing to Lt Vatson, Room 226, your questions will be answered in this publication.

Counseling in the field of personal and family problems is available to all military personnel and their dependents. In counseling, the field director endeavors to help the servicemen to identify and understand his problem and to arrive at a satisfactory solution. He does not seek to determine the servicemen's course of action but, instead, assists him to make his own decision and to carry full responsibility for solving his own problem. Because the Red Cross wants the Armed Forces to make the fullest use of its consultation and guidance services, efficers are encouraged to refer to the field director any servicemen who want assistance. Information given to the field director is held in strict confidence.

Problems involving the family of the servicemen are handled cooperatively with Home Service in the Red Cross chapter in the civilian community where the family resides. Under most circumstances it is preferable for the dependents to contact Home Service in the local chapter direct. In other cases - for example, when the family resides on the installation - the field director assumes responsibility for

counseling with both the servicemen and his dependents.

The Red Cross may furnish supplemental information on federal and state legislation, service allotment regulations, and insurance, civil relief, and other government benefits for servicemen and dependents, and it may assist servicemen in obtaining such benefits. To provide this service may require referral to the Red Cross liaison representative at a finance center, to a Red Cross field director assumed to a Veterans Administration office, to one or more chapters, or to a Jervice unit or esency.

Requests for information received by the field director often lead to referral to agencies specializing in legal aid, medical or psychiatric care, employment, public housing, and family and child welfare. Home Service in the Red Cross chapter, having thorough knowledge of local community agencies, normally handles such referrals. Careful use of referral usually will provent duplication of effort and result in better service to the applicant. However, no referral is made by the

field director without permission of the applicant.

Red Cross field directors and Home Service in chapters offer communications assistance when the servicemen and his family are unable to communicate with each other direct or to obtain desired information through correspondence. There are many circumstances that may provent the use of normal correspondence, lack of time often being the factor. Red Cross assistance may take the form of counseling, arranging direct communication, or securing reports about the whereabouts and welfare of family members.

Emergency messages are given priority handling. Such messages may involve notice of birth, death, serious illness, critacal family problems, and similar unent situations. The field director personally delivers or participates in the delivery of all Red Cross messages he receives from Home Service in chapters, particularly death messages. Presence of the field director makes possible providing any additional Red Cross service that may be needed. Then messages cannot be transmitted to Red Cross personnel, for example, when they are sent to ships at see or to stations where Red Cross staff members are not assisted, they are sent direct to commending officers.

When hospitalized or when illness or injury makes letter writing impossible, servicemen may have Red Cross assistance in writing letters to their families. If the illness or injury is critical, the Red Cross may be asked to send reports to families as needed. These reports are supplemental to the periodic reports

from medical authorities.

As authorized by Third U.S. Army General Order 140, the following Unit designations are to be used for all official correspondence and in mailing addresses. Modifications of these unit designations are not authorized.

HHC 1st Bde 101st Abn Div

1st Plat 101st MP Co 1st Bde 101st Abn Div

1st Plat (FASC) Co B 501st Sig Bn 1st Bde 101st Abn Div

Trp A 2d Sqdn 17th Cav 1st Bde 101st Abn Div

Co A 326th Engr Bn (Abn Div) 1st Bde 101st Abn Div

lst Bn (Abn) 327th Inf lst Bde 101st Abn Div HHC Co A Co B Co C

2d Bn (Abn) 327th Inf 1st Bde 101st Abn Div HHC Co A Co B Co C

2d Bn (Abn) 502d Inf lst Ede lOlst Abn Div HHC Co A Co B Co C

2d Bn (105 T) 320th Arty 1st Bde 101st Abn Div HQ & HQ Birg Btry A Btry B Btry C

HHD Spt Bn 1st Bde 101st Abn Div

Admin Sec 101st Admin Co Spt Bn 1st Bde 101st Abn Div

Fwd Spt Det (Grd) (Maint) Co A 801st Maint Bn Spt Bn 1st Bde 101st Abn Div

AES Plat 101st QM Co Spt Bn 1st Bde 101st Abn Div

Co D 326th Med Bn Spt Bn 1st Bde 101st Abn Div

Sup Det 501st Sup Co Spt Bn 1st Bde 101st Abn Div

\*\*\* EXAMPLE \*\*\*

SSGT DANNY C. HARKINS US 55 555 555 Trp A 2d Sqdn 17th Cav 1st Bde 101st Abn Div APO SF 96347

(Adjutant General)







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# LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

The First SCREAMING EAGLES in Viet Nam P.O. Box 675 Sweetwater, TN 37874-0675

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# U.S. POSTAL SERVICE

+ **DONALD R. LENC**, 2/320 FA HHB 6/67-6/68, 5240 Windfall Rd., Medina, OH 44256-8750, (330) 722-1879 wrote: Sign me up for two years. I have faith we can make it! Use extra as needed. Hope to see everyone at the reunion in Nashville. Keep up the good work. I look forward to getting each issue of the magazine. Also enclosed checks for reunion registration.

Editor's Note: I am accepting subscriptions through October 2015, the final magazine to be published.

+ COL(R) GEORGE W. AUX, JR., 2/320 FA HHB,A,B 1/67-8/68, 1529 Crenshaw Point, Wake Forest, NC 27587-7378, (919) 435-7007 along with his subscription renewal wrote: Please see the order attached for decals and coin. Some extra, too.

I am off to France this next week. Will include two special visits to the Normandy coast.

Keep up the good work, Ivan. We all appreciate all you do!

Editor's Note: I regret I can do little after the October 2015 issue.

+ LTG(R) DENNIS L. BENCHOFF, 20th CHEM DET 9/66-7/67, 380 Arbor Road, Lancaster, PA 17601-3204, (717) 560-1260 along with his subscription renewal wrote: I'm pleased to learn you're doing better. I hope to see you and the rest of the guys at the 50th in Nashville. Take care.

P.S. There's a little extra to help with the publication.

- + NICK "DOC" MIHALIC, 2/327 HHC 2/67-8/67, 605 13th Ave., Belmar, NJ 07719, (732) 681-2578 sent the following with his subscription renewal. I've heard that you are doing better and hope that this is true. Thank you again for all that you do. Jackie and I are looking forward to seeing you in Nashville.
- + **DONALD KORMAN**, 1/327 65-66, 14333 Thompson Blvd., Cleveland, OH 44142, (216) 676-4629, when registering for the First Brigade (S) 50th Anniversary Commemoration sent the following information. In early JUN 65 the Brigade sent five (5) Junior Officers to Vietnam to observe combat operations conducted by the 173rd ABN BDE and the 3rd MARINE Division. The officers sent were as follows: SPT BN A CPT whose name I cannot recall; 1/327 INF 2LT +John Howard; 2/502 INF 1LT

+Phil Mock; 2/327 INF – 1LT \*\*Walter Hess and 2/320 ARTY – 1LT +Don Korman.

+ **DAVID J. MARKHAM**, 1/327 C 10/66-10/67, 3410 Adelaide Drive, Erie, PA 16510-2102, work (814) 397-2816 home (814) 899-7252 with his subscription renewal wrote: As always I was very happy to get my issue of "The First Screaming Eagles." I sure wish I could attend the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary but unless things change I'll be elsewhere just wishing I could be there....

I notice from time to time 327<sup>th</sup> people write in that I don't have pages for on our website. If you could include our website address <a href="http://www.327infantry.org">http://www.327infantry.org</a> or Hannibal's email — <a href="hannibal@327infantry.org">hannibal@327infantry.org</a> for 2/327<sup>th</sup> or my email — <a href="davidj@327infantry.org">davidj@327infantry.org</a> for 1/327<sup>th</sup> so that these 327<sup>th</sup> men can use them to hook up with us, I would appreciate it.

+ **DEAN J. BEAUPRÉ**, 2/502 A 1/67-1/68, 716 Access Hwy, Caribou, ME 04736, (585) 615-5851 wrote: So sorry about your pelvis. Our prayers are with you. Get back in the commander's chair soon. Looking forward to seeing you in Nashville.

Wanted to update our new address. Good time to renew again. Also included is a little extra to help expenses.

All the best to you and yours.

"Strike Force"

Dean and Elaine Beaupré

+ CSM(R) HALS. GLADSON, 1/327 B 5/66-5/67, 56 Woodland Hills Dr., Ste. 6, Southgate, KY 41071-2963, work (859) 380-3001 home (859) 441-7899 wrote: Thanks for the reminder. You are doing a super job for 1st BDE members in VN.

God Bless, Hal

+ COL(R) RICHARD R. MAGLIN, 2/17 CAV A 6/66-6/67, 123 Red Oak Trail, La Grange, GA 30240-6508, (706) 845-9120 sent the following note along with his subscription renewal. Hope that you are doing better health-wise and will continue to do well.

I sincerely appreciate all the work you are doing with the magazine. Keep it up.

I'll be going to Nashville in late May for a reunion of A Trp 2/17 CAV. We will visit the unit at Ft Campbell.

Hope to see you sometime in the future. We go back a long way  $-10^{th}$  SFG 62-65.

+ RAYMOND A. "CHIP" LYNCH, 2/502 A 5/67-3/68 & 69-70 Pathfinders, Box # 43, Rt. # 32, North Chatham, NY 12132, (518) 766-3414 wrote: Thank you for everything you do to keep the 1st Brigade alive & well. See you in Nashville.

+ ROYCE MCCREARY, 2/320 A BTRY 12/65-12/66, 241 Hwy 107, Unicoi, TN 37692-6050, (423) 743-4173 when renewing his subscription wrote: Sorry to hear you were ill. I hope you are well in health and spirit.

+ ARTHUR W. "OSSIE" BURTON, 2/327 B 12/65-5/66, 3993 State Hwy AA, Crane, MO 65633-6227, (417) 224-5173 wrote: The magazine is great. Thanks for all the work you do to keep it going. The extra is for however you see fit to use it. God bless.

+ MICHAEL A. WILLEY, BRIGADE PIO 9/66-10/67, 32176 Chester, Garden City, MI 48135-1742, work (734) 718-4945 home (734) 458-1501 along with his subscription renewal wrote: Dear Sir and former boss, Please use the extra money in the accompanying check to help someone with his or her subscription costs or use it for your coffee fund at the office.

Thanks for keeping up the good work and may God bless you and your family.

Editor's Note: It is particularly good to hear from you. You were part of a great team in the Information Section.

+ **DAVID E. SNYDER**, 1/327 A 7/65 - 6/66, 316 Lynn Lane, Waynesboro, VA 22980-5447, (540) 942-4808 wrote: Thanks for the reminder. Sorry I'm a little late. It seems like as we get older we need a little nudge on a lot of things. Enclosed is my renewal.

Glad you are back on your feet. Take care and hope to see you in Nashville.

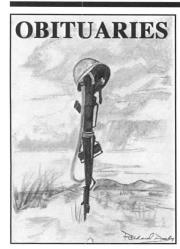
Above The Rest and Stand in The Door.

Editor's Note: Thank each of you for your kind words. After the October issue the magazine will be no more.

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# Tom Caramanno \* 1/327 C 12/66-1/68 February 24, 2015

A message was received that Tom Caramanno of Fayetteville, North Carolina, had passed away on 24 February 2015. No other information was given.

SGM (Ret.) Jackie M. Harlow \* 2/502 B 5/66-6/67 February 13, 2015

SGM (Ret.) Jackie Meredith Harlow, age 84 of Clarksville passed away Friday, February 13, 2015 at Gateway Medical Center.

Mr. Harlow was born May 14, 1930 in Del Rio, Texas, to the late Albert Morris and Marie Nora Harlow. He was also preceded in death by one half brother, Wayne Hunt and sisters, Collen Ellen Maloley and Shirley Jean Harlow.

He was retired from the US Army after serving in the Occupation Forces in Japan after WWII, the Korean War and having served two tours in Viet Nam.

He is survived by his wife of 63 years, Margaret Griffey Harlow (21 Welch St., Clarksville, TN 37040-6512) and daughter, Rev. Janet Denise Harlow.

Sykes Funeral Home and Crematory was in charge of arrangements. A graveside service was held on February 15, 2015 with Rev. Lonnie Penrod officiating. Burial was in Resthaven Memorial Gardens.

# Keith D. Hegnauer \* 2/17 CAV A 4/66-11/67 March 31, 2014

A message was received that Keith D. Hegnauer passed away March 31, 2014. No other information was given. Condolences may be sent to Mrs. Hegnauer at N27888 Lee Lane, Blair, WI 54616-9024.

# COL(R) Manfred Kelman \* 1/327 XO 67-68 February 7, 2004

The following note was received from Janice Kelman (23 Clinton St., Gardiner, ME 04345-1809).

I'm writing in regards to the reunion in July. Col Manfred Kelman died on February 7, 2004. He is buried in Arlington, as were his wishes.

As his widow, I had a stroke five years ago and I am unable to travel except to doctor appointments and grocery shopping.

We always had a great time at these reunions. I met a lot of Fred's friends who I enjoyed very much.

Thank you for the invitation but wanted to let you know I am unable to attend.

## Leonard G. Kruck \*\* HHC S-3 66-67 May 2014

Notice was received from Valta A. (Kruck) Creed (2739 Ocean Oaks Dr., N, Amelia Island, FL 32034) of the death of Leonard G. Kruck in May 2014 after a battle with Agent Orange induced cancers. He was always proud to be a

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"Screaming Eagle." To the end he never gave up! Thank you all for the brotherhood you provide each other and your service to this country.

# COL(R) Harold A. Polson \*\* 1/327 HHC dates??

The following letter was received from Mrs. Harold A. Polson. My husband would have loved to come to the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Commemoration but unfortunately he passed away four and a half years ago. I thought the 101<sup>st</sup> Airborne Division knew of his passing. Please express this news to whoever should know. Thank you.

Mrs. Polson may be reached at 9300 Craig Ave., Alexandria, VA 22309.

# Rick "Sam" Sanders + 1/327 A 9/66-9/67 May 19, 2015

The following notice was received from Michael Ainsworth + (1/327 HHC&A 9/66-5/67).

I just learned sad news that Vietnam Veteran Rick "Sam" Sanders passed away May 19, 2015. Sam as he was known to the 3rd Plt A Company 1/327 Abn Inf 9/66 to 9/67 and in the 82nd in 1968, was an excellent rifleman and became a RTO. He leaves behind a daughter Jenny and wife Sandy.

Have to say I have not seen or talked to Sam for sometime and was very surprised as Art Timmons + (1/327 A 7/66-7/67 - also in Vietnam with) was to find out Sam had been ill for a long while. Sam was an excellent Stained Glass Artist; his work is enjoyed by many in their homes today. He has helped restore historical Stained Glass in churches in Oregon. I walked behind him from Dak To to Duc Pho and we jumped in the same stick from Ft. Benning to Kontum! Rest in Peace, Sam. You can see Snow, Mike and Roy and the rest now!



Mike "Doc" Ainsworth and Rick "Sam" Sanders – Dak To 12/66. Photo by Art Timmons

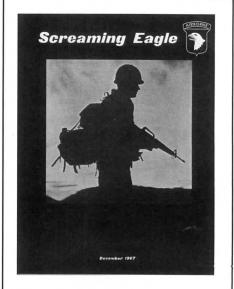


Rick "Sam" Sanders – Duc Pho 5/67. Photo by Mike "Doc" Ainsworth

# Raymond Siso \* 2/502 A 1/67-12/67 April 2013

Raymond Siso's 50th Anniversary Reunion flyer was returned marked deceased 04/2013. No other information was given.

+ = Subscriber, \* = Dropped Subscriber, \*\* = Never Subscribed



Reprint of the December 1967 issue of THE SCREAMING EAGLE magazine. The magazine covers First Brigade (S) history from July 1965 through December 1967. See page 35 for order form.

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# FIRST BRIGADE SCRAPBOOK



The FIRST BRIGADE, 101st Airborne Division SCRAPBOOK was compiled by Department of the Army "For Fighting Men too Busy to Keep Their Own!"

The SCRAPBOOK contains 105 8.5 x 11 inch pages and is three hole punched ready to be secured in a regular three ring notebook. Great care was taken to make copies that are true to the original.

Cost is \$15.00 per copy postpaid. See the order form on page 35.

This center section is an edition of the **DIPLOMAT and WARRIOR**, Sept 16, 1966. Those mentioned in this paper that are in the First Brigade (S) magazine database, are listed below.

PAGE 1, 48th AVIATION MOVES IN AS 17th CAVALRY GETS PINNED – DOWN BY ENEMY FIRE, +COL(R) Richard R. Maglin (2/17 CAV A 6/66-6/67).

**PAGE 3, 'GET OFF MY NET'.... BUT THE BAND PLAYED ON,** +MG(R) James R. Harding (2/17 CAV A 6/66-1/68). **PHOTO** - +LT GEN (R) Donald E. Rosenblum (2/327 HQ CO 6/66-6/67).

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If you have not registered for the 50th Anniversary Commemoration in Nashville on July 29th, 2015 — it's almost to late. See page 30.

<u>VIETNAM ODYSSEY, The</u> <u>First Year</u> is available for ALWAYS FIRST BRIGADE veterans.

The story of the first year of action of the 1st Brigade in Vietnam is filled with photos of brigade activities written accounts of all operations, drawings by brigade artists, statistics and

other interesting personal and unit material.

The book was edited by 1LT Charles J. Apodaca. The writing and layout was done by SGT Robert F. Barry with

sketches and art by SGT Robert Finney and PFC Raymond Brown. Photographs were by SGT Bernardo Mangaboyat, SP4 Richard Houghton, SP4 Oddvar Breiland and SGT Jack Baird. PFC Robert B. Gray furnished special mechanical assistance. Frank Faulkner and Steven Van Meter, who served with the

brigade for the first six months in Viet Nam, provided many of the photographs.

VIETNAM ODYSSEY is a 108 page 8.5 by 11 inch format, soft cover, with four pages of color photos. The layout is excellent, the photos, sketch art and text were produced by members of the 1st Brigade

who were part of history the that is recorded. The manuscript completed was in Viet Nam and sent to the 101st Airborne Division Association publication.

This third printing of VIETNAM

ODYSSEY is now in short supply and will probably never be printed, in quantity, again.

If you wish to obtain a copy of VIETNAM ODYSSEY, postpaid, send a check for \$15.00 to: The First Screaming Eagles in Viet Nam, P.O. Box 675, Sweetwater, TN 37874.



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# 48th Aviation Moves In As 17th Cavalry Gets Pinned - Down By Enemy Fire

(By PFC Luis Callender)

TUY HOA— "We were starting back, after having killed four of them. Feeling pretty good... you know how it is when it's after a battle and none of the guys got hurt," Captain Richard Maglin, the commanding officer of the 17th Cavalry's "A" Troop, said. "Then they hit us. All hell broke loose. They were firing at us from every side."

The action had really begun the night before. The first and third platons of "A" Troop and an element of RVN Popular Forces - "Piffs" - were deployed to a village with instructions to set up a blocking force and then sweep the area the following morning.

At dawn when the sweep began, the men came under very heavy automatic weapons fire from a cemetary near the village. Artillery and gunship support were called. The call was quickly answered. The VC withdrew from the graveyard and were caught in the open by 48th Aviation Company gunships.

As Capt. Maglin advanced his troopers, two of the VC who had only been wounded by the gunships' barrage retrieved their weapons and opened-up. They were swiftly cut down by the advancing allied unit.

The men quickly moved

out in search of more enemy. They found several bunkers, tunnels, and well constructed fortifications. Air strikes were called to destroy them.

Then, they got pinned down "We couldn't see where they were firing from,"

## President Seeks Increased Combat Tax Exemption

WASH. (AFNB) —
President Johnson has asked
Congress to increase from
\$200 to \$500 the monthly
combat pay tax exemption for
commissioned officers serving
in combat zones.

Under present law, the pay received by enlisted personnel while serving in a combat zone is fully exempt from Federal income tax; however, commissioned officers receive only a \$200 exemption per month.

the 17th Cav's CO said.
"The rice was about three feet tall there, and if you stuck your head above it, you were sure to get shot. We just had to eat mud for awhile."

Medical men, Specialist 5
Carl Hinten and PFC Paul
Hanna crawled around in
the mud on their stomachs
with rounds kicking up at
every side. The two medics
moved constantly aiding the
wounded. At one time, Hinten and Hanna had to crawl
over 200 meters of land to
administer aid.

The gunships came back with a new stock of ammo and were accompanied by a Medevac... The action was far from over for the 17th. They still had a 15 man patrol on the other side of the rice paddy. Later that night the fifteen would have to run 3000 meters in sucking [sic] mud with a platoon

(Conl'd on p-2, Col. 3)



Mortar crewmen of the 2d Battalion, 327th Infantry await adjustments from a Forward Observer during a fire mission near Tuy Hoa during Operation JOHN PAUL JONS. (Photo by PFC Daniel Hines)

# 498th Meds Celebrate 1st Year

NHA TRANG (1st Log) — A year can pass quickly in Vietnam for American soldiers. The men of the Army's 498th Medical Company have had a fast 12 months and a busy one. The 1st Logistical Command "flying medics" evacuated sick and wounded to medical care at a rate better than two per hour for the entire first year of their operation in II Corps.

The helicopter-ambulance "dustoff" crews of the 498th this year evacuated more than 20,000 American and Vietnamese sick and wounded. In a war where front lines are non-existant;

so too are so-called "milk run." The danger of mortal enemy fire is ever present. Every "Huey" helicopter in the 498th has been hit at least once. While flying in support of the 1st Brigade, one crew was shot down twice in the space of 24 hours.

The reputation of "dustoff" crews is well known and respected among infantrymen throughout Vietnam. A typical story of these modern airborne "angels of mercy" concerns a 498th medic who unhesitatingly gave mouth-to-mouth resuscitation to a Vietnamese woman suffering the plague. Actions such as this prompted one 101st trooper to succinctly describe the "dustoff" crews: "They're the greatest."

The 101st salutes the 498th on their anniversary... and many thanks for their help, too



"Always First" commanding general, Willard Pearson, climbs out of an F-4C at Cam Ranh Bay. Assisting Gen. Pearson ofter their flight is Captain Luther E. Thweatl, a pilot in the 557th Atlack Squadron, a unit that has supported the 101st on many occasions. (Photo by Sp4 Oddvar Breiland)

# Airport USO Opens

WASH. (AFNB) — The first USO lounge open at any U. S. commercial airport of entry or departure for overseas assignments since World War II is now operating at San Francisco's International Airport.

The lounge is open around the clock to provide rest and relaxation for military travelers and their families.

Some 300 use the lounge daily, officials said.

The Red Cross; USO; City of San Francisco, Association of the U.S. Army; military services; and dozens of other groups in the Bay Area cooperated in a team effort to bring about establishment of the lounge, officials said.

# DIPLOMAT and WARRIOR

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CG . . . . Brig. Gen. Willard Pearson
IO . . . . Maj. Ivan G. Worrell
EDITOR . . . . Sp4 Gil B. Valle

# **Editor's Column**

These reminders about the use of public transportation in the Saigon area.

You should ride only in vehicles licensed to carry passengers. Rides should not be accepted on motor scooters or in cars not licensed for hire. Taxi rates, which recently increased in the city, are set by the government. The meter starts with four piastres, each kilometer traveled registers another 5 P's, and the minimum fare is 10 piastres.

Trips from 2200—0500hours and trips to the outskirts of the city, cost 50 per cent more than the rate shown on the meter. Passengers should register any complaints about taxi charges with U.S. Military Police or a Vietnamese policeman. Standard fares are not set for pedicabs and cyclos, so passengers always should settle the rate in advance. With all types of public transportation it is advisable to have enough small piastre notes to cover the fare exactly and thus avoid problems about change. Users should pay the standard or lowest rate available because overpaying and overtipping tend to cause further boosts in fares. Another way to make traveling easier is to know where you're going or to have a map. This will assist in communication problems. Maps are available at the Saigon USO.

Any mail which is unsolicited and contains inflammatory material, material which is critical of the military effort in Vietnam or which could be of intelligence interest should be reported to your commanding officer. Don't reply to such correspondence. It could backfire in your face!

REMEMBER THAT YOU MAY NEED SHOTS BEFORE GOING ON R&R — SIX DAYS BEFORE

Officers who wish to serve in this time of need without committing themselves to a career, may request voluntary extension of obligated periods of service for 12, 18 or 24 months. See your personnel officer regarding USARV Cir 135-215, 22 Aug 66.

Interested eligible personnel should contact their personnel officers concerning curtailment of their tour due to concurrent tours of family members.

It is the responsibility of the individual proceeding to and returning from emergency leave in the US to be sure that a stamped copy of his leave orders, indicating the date and time of arrival in and out of the US is forwarded to his unit of assignment. Don't forget because your leave does not start until you arrive at a stateside port and ends when you pass through it on your way back here or at your next assignment.



Ten per cent interest is nothing to sneeze at... and that is what the new Savings Deposit Program is paying now. See the Finance Office about signing up.

## WARRIORS OF THE WEEK

Lt. Dee McKern



First Lieutenant Dee T. McKern, a member of Company "C" 2d Battalion, 327th Infantry, was chosen as the Officer Warrior of the Week for his recent actions against the enemy on Operation JOHN PAUL JONES.

## PFC James Bellman



James Bellman, a member of Company "C" 2d Battalion, 327th Infantry, was chosen as the Enlisted Warrior of the Week for his recent actions against the enemy on Operation JOHN PAUL JONES.

# 48th Aviation...

(Cont'd from p-1, Col. 3)

of VC in hot pursuit.

As Sgt. Downer was in the process of moving his men into position for a perimeter, two Viet Cong came on the scene to check out their four dead comrades killed at the beginning of the battle. "They walked right up on top of us," said the sergeant. "We opened up on them."

He recalled later that he had counted 25 "well organized" VC moving around the area. He decided to make a run for it. "Once they realized we were leaving, they started running after us," he reported, "and we were running!" It was scarry as hell in all that mud. But the patrol finally reached the brigade's perimeter.

Later that night the troopers of the 17th watched as USAF F-1058 paid the Viet Cong a visit and raised a little hell with them.

# **LETTERS**

## From The Prime Minister:

Dear Brig. Gen. Willard Pearson,

I am writing to express my warm thanks for the generous welcome shown to me throughout my visit to your Brigade command post at Dak To on 15 June 1966.

I want you to know how pleased and proud I was to receive your greetings and a war trophy captured from the 24th NVA Regiment during Operation Hawthorne.

The bravery, determination and fighting qualities of your Armed Forces have been a constant source of inspiration to all Vietnamese who have had the privilege of serving their country.

In again thanking you, and officers and men of your units for helping the people of Phu-Yen in the building up of our New Society and in banishing communist aggression.

Yours sincerely, NGUYEN CAO KY Air Vice Marshal VNAF Prime Minister RVN

## From The Ex-Bde CO:

Dear Gen. Pearson:

Thank you for your kind letter on the occasion of my nomination for promotion. Major credit goes to the outstanding feats of the officers and non-commissioned officers of the Brigade. I would appreciate you transmitting my feelings to the members of the Brigade.

With my warmest wishes for your success and for the success of the Brigade.

Sincerely, JAMES S. TIMOTHY Colonel Inf

### From The DCGU5ARV:

During the Annual General Inspection of your brigade, the United States Army Vietnam Inspector General Team was greatly impressed by the favorable and receptive attitude of your personnel toward the inspection. More important than these intangible qualities, it was evident from the outstanding results achieved in many areas that the individual and collective effort to excel was exceptionally high.

Accomplishments such as these can be obtained only through application of exemplary leadership, firm guidance and supervision by staff personnel, and many hours of hard work, I am aware that these achievements were attained without interrupting the vigorous operations of your brigade in locating and defeating the enemy on the field of battle.

I congratulate you upon this commendable attainment. Please convey to your command my personal appreciation as well as my confidence that future achievements of the Ist Brigade, 101st Airborne Division will continue to merit laudatory comments.

Jean E. Engler
Lt. Gen. USA-DCGUSARV

## From Hollywood:

The Screen Actor's Guild notified me, and in all probability many other personal managers, that you would like to have glossies of glamour girls for your newspaper, «The Diplomat and Warrior.»

In doing my small part to help, I am enclosing this glossy of Miss Darlene Riveers. Darlene is the most exciting and vivacious new personality to hit Hollywood in years and is now one of our fastest rising young actresses. Aside from her tremendous acting talent, Darlene also dances and sings. She has appeared in many popular motion pictures and TV shows, including The Steve Allen Show, Dr. Kildare, Bonanza, The Fugitive, and Gunsmoke.

We are negotiating with the U.S.O. in regard to Darlene coming to Vietnam around Christmas time to entertain the troops. A little encouragement, in the form of letters, from the troops would further assure her arrival, Darlene would enjoy receiving letters from our servicemen, everyone of them which she will answer personally. She will be happy to send a similar photograph to anyone who would like to have one. They may write to her at Paramount Pictures, 5451 Marathon St., Hollywood, California.

(See Page 4)

Sincerely yours, Bill Martin

# 'Strike Force' Troopers Build At Phu Hiep

TUY HOA - Seven months ago, the Viet Cong took over Phu Hiep, a hamlet south of Tuy Hoa.

The VC closed down the schoolhouse and used the building as a barracks and headquarters. They dug large, gaping holes in the concrete floor for cookingfires and made small slits in the walls for sniping

the "Screaming Eagles" of the 101st began operations in the area, the VC decided it was time to find a new home. But before they left, they destroyed the schoolhouse.

The terrorists also dealt another blow to the defenseless hamlet. They rounded up all the abie-bodied men and herded them off at gunpoint. Those who refused to go were shot in full view of the populus. The children of Phu Hiep went without a schoolhouse for seven months for lack of manpower to repair the facility.

The mothers in the village

decided their children had been away from their desks too long, so they asked for help in repairing the school.

Each morning group of 502d "Strike Force" troopers, led by Sp4 James Stockwell, goes to work rebuilding the schoolhouse.

Children are always around to keep the troopers company while they work. Some of the kids have picked-up a little English, too, while teaching the troopers a few words of Vietnamese.

When the repairs are completed, the school is expected to have an enrollment of 600



This trooper of the 502d may seem to be on the other side of bars, especially when one considers the view is from the inside of a schoolhouse... but he is actually just repairing the roof of the Phu Hiep school.

# 'Get Off My Net'.... But The Band Played On

(By PFC Luis Callender)

TUY HOA - Lieutenant James Harding likes American music - but it has its time and place.

As platoon leader of "A" Troop, 17th Cavalry, he lay pinned down with his unit by Viet Cong fire. He called for artillery.

The lieutenant adjusted the volleys by sound on several enemy locations, keeping his face in the mud and his ear listening intently to the sound of the incoming shells.

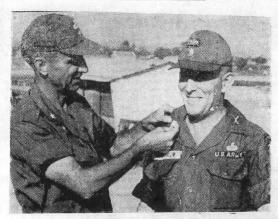
Said Harding. "I was just completing an adjustment when I heard it. It was soft, sweet dinner music. It was American hearing music out there with bullets flying all around. Then it came to me that the VC were jamming my net. I shouted, 'Get off my net, you bastards,' and they turned up the volume."

To make matters worse, his radio antenna had been spotted sticking up

above the rice, and the enemy zeroed in on his position. He crawled around in the mud until the Viet Cong could no longer find him.

After the action, Harding

was checking his radio back at the base camp. He switched it on and music was still playing. "There it is again," he said, "...music to eat mud



Gen. Pearson pins a new silver oak leaf on the brigade S-3 officer, just promoted, Lt. Col. Donald Rosenblum.



A trooper of the 502d, using the roof of the Phu Hiep school as a vantage point, keeps watch for his fellow troopers and local villagers as they repair the village's VC damaged schoolhouse.

In the mountainous jungles near Tay Hoa on Operation JOHN PAUL JONES, Gen. Pearson talks with members of the 2d Battalion, 502d Infantry "Recondos" after they returned from a nine day patrol. (Photo by Sp4 Oddvar Breiland)

# DOD Announces Plan To Cut Piaster Spending In RVN

WASH. (AFNB)-The Defense Department has announced a comprehensive plan to reduce piaster spending in Vietnam as part of a FY67 government-wide program to lessen the impact of the military buildup there on the local economy.

Enlarging the range of PX products and services will be one of the means to reduce piaster spending by indiv-

A four-fold increase in the "Out-of-Country Rest and Program" Recuperation provide in FY67 at least 250,000 individual trips is also addressed to diverting personal funds that would otherwise flow into the Vietnamese economy.

DOD also anticipates that personnel will spend fewer piasters when they begin to take advantage of the new Uniformed Service Deposits program that pays a 10 percent interest rate on overseas

# Recondo Stares At Death

Ware is nineteen years old. While on operations with his unit, the Recondo platoon of the 2d, 502d Infantry he met death face to face.

Ware and five others were detailed to make a water run at a stream. Instead of traveling bunched-up, the men fanned out though the jungle and were to meet at the stream. Ware took a small trail.

He had not been on the path long when he came to a bend, went around it and came face to face with a North Vietnamese regular.

"Charlie" just stood there, ready to fire from the hip with his AK-47, related Ware. "I stopped and we just

other... no more than ten meters apart. I saw his eyes blink a couple of time.'

Ware said that the enemy soldier seemed to have been in his twenties and in good physical condition.

We just stood there looking at each other for I don't know how long," continued the 101st Recondo. "It could have been five, ten seconds... it seemed like a lifetime; it was like neither of us knew what to do. I know all kinds of things ran through my mind. But we just stood there...looking at each other."

But Ware knew what to do and did it. He was the first to react. He dropped to the ground, clicked the safety off on his M-79 grenade

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launcher. and fired. The enemy fell, his body ripped apart by a 40mm-shotgun gun shell that can be used in the M-79.

Ware's fellow Recondos were at his side in seconds. They found him still in the prone, staring un-blinkingly at the dead body.

"I felt weak afterwards. kept seeing the color yellow... I kept asking myself, 'Howcum' shoot...??' " he didn't

PFC Billy Ware met death in the face of an enemy... and walked away.



"Take these and disconnect your phone for ten days; her hoarseness will disappear."

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# VC Keep Clear Of 'Black Rifles' (By Lt. John H. Hensley)

TUY HOA - The "black rifles" of the 1st Brigade moved out again. They had earned the name from the Viet Cong. The VC had been known to say, "Stay away from the men with the black rifles and the eagle patch on their shoulder." The eagle was moving again, this time against what was thought to be a North Vietnamese battalion.

A company had been ambushed by a large enemy force and two platoons from a sister company moved to the high ground to help them.

They moved through the jungle under the straffing runs of USAF "Phantom" F-4C's. They were nearing the enemy and they knew it.

The "black rifles" stopped for a short break and sent out security elements along a nearby trail. No sooner had the troopers settled down than firing broke out; one of the security elements had ambushed an enemy patrol. A dead enemy soldier lay sprawled in the middle of the trail. A black rifle had again taken its toll.

The two platoons immediately moved out in persuit.

One hour, two hours, a day, two days-they didn't give up. The paratroopers kept going through the mountainous jungle.

The point man stopped short. "I can hear 'em. They're ahead in that draw on the left." "How many?" "I can see six" "Sixty" "No, damit, six, but I can hear a lot of voices."

Radios came alive as the platoon leader relayed the message to the company commander, and the commanding officer radioed back instructions. Squad size elements were sent out to encircle the enemy. All elements were to be in place by six o'clock-just one hour away.

The time drew near-ten minutes... five... the order came: "Move out—close the circle." The jungle was deadly quiet as they closed in.

Suddenly, firing broke

out on the far side of the draw.

The enemy ran the opposite direction to take up positions, then the crack of black rifles was heard from everywhere. For fifteen minutes the small creek bed rocked with gunfire.

The platoons reported in: We got three and my detached squad got one."
"We've got five so far and my sub-element has two and a prisoner." They closed the area and five more prisoners were taken. A "friendly" nose count - no casualties.

The order was given to move out. The paratroopers cautiously faded into the thick jungled undergrowth, The enemy wouldn't be safe as long as the "black rifles" were after them.

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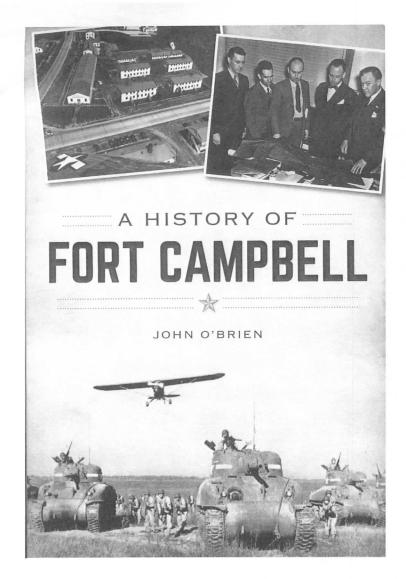
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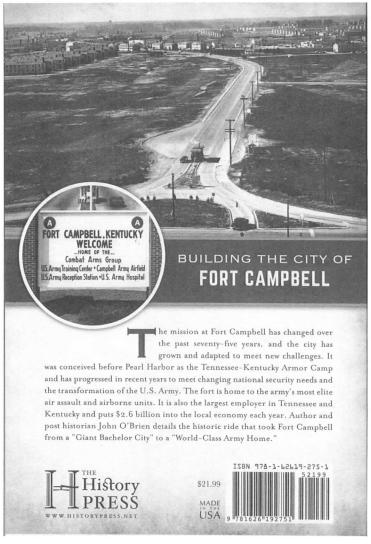
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The two logos are the artwork to identify the July 2015 50th Anniversary Commemoration of the First Brigade (S) 101st Airborne Division landing in Viet Nam. The back of the logo will depict the date and location of the reunion. The celebration will be on July



29th, 2015 with a cash bar at 6:00 p.m. and dinner at 7:00 p.m. The hotel will be the Nashville Airport Marriott and the schedule is a work in progress. The 50th Anniversary gathering will be sponsored by THE FIRST SCREAMING EAGLES IN VIET NAM magazine.



LTG (R) Henry E. (Hank) **Emerson** (Gunfighter) CO 2/502 10/65-9/66 May 28, 1925 - February 4, 2015

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Second Signal Group Feature

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# General Kinnard Arrives | 101st - ARVN Sweep VC Stronghold Cav. Commander

VIETNAM, (USARV-IO)— Major General Harry W.O. Kinnard, Commander of the 1st Air Cavalry Division, arrived here this week. He was met by Brig. Gen. John Norton, DCG, U.S. Army Vietnam.

The 16000-man Division is due to arrive here shortly from Fort Benning, Georgia. Upon arrival it will be assigned to Task force Alpha.

General Kinnard is a graduate of the U.S. Mili-Academy at West tary Point (Class of "39") and a veteran of WW II. He took part in the invasion of Normandy and was at Bastogne in the Battle of the Bulge.

He was promoted to the rank of colonel at the early age of 29.

He formerly commanded the experimental 11th Air Assault Division (test).

The famed 1st Cavalry Division brings with it a new concept in the modern Army as well as a history that dates back to the days of the frontiermen.



FIRST CAV COMMANDER-Major General Harry W. O. Kinnard (Center) was greeted on arrival at Tan Son Nhut by Brig. Gen. John Norton (Right) and Col. John D. McLaughlin, USARV Chief of Staff. (Photo by USARV-IO)

BINH DINH, (USARV-IO) - Elements of the «Screaming Eagles» assigned to Task Force Alpha and ARVN troops teamed up in scattered actions to account for a total of 12 VC killed, 4 wounded, and 24 captured.

Friendly casualties were reported as light, in all actions.

The operation began on Sunday and consisted of three company-size elements of the 101st along with a Vietnamese Ranger Company and a CIDG unit. Their mission was to comb through a Viet Cong stronghold area on the Qui Nhon-An Khe axis.

The first contact with the VC took place about 260 miles northeast of Saigon as the 1st/327th Artillery of the 101st flushed out 10 armed Vict Cong by bom-barding tunnels. Ground barding tunnels. troops closed in to capture the 10 insurgents.

The big catch came near the Song Con River, 19 miles west of An Khe. A sweep of the cave-studded area resulted in nine VC killed, three wounded and 92 VC suspects detained. Fourteen of the suspects have since been confirmed Viet Cong soldiers.

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JULY 29 – AUGUST 1, 2015
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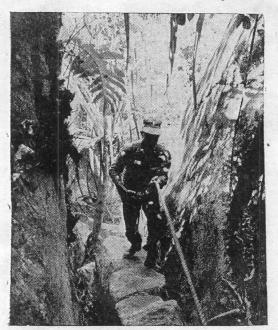
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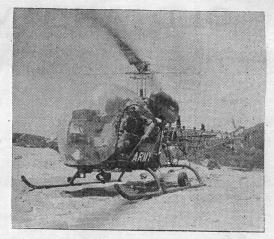


A LONG CLIMB— Just walking to your post becomes work in the area of Cam Ranh where the elements of the 101st have taken security positions.

CAM RANH BAY, (MACV IO) - Some «Screaming Eagles» of the 101st Airborne Division have come to roost in one of the most desolated stretches of land imaginable, where they protect the largest engineering pro-ject in Vietnam.

The Division's 1st Brigade arrived from Fort Campbell, Ky. It will provide security for U.S. Army Engineers busily transforming this deep water harbor into a first class port, capable of funneling supplies rapidly to U.S. and Vietnamese troops in the vital highlands and central plains.

In a spot where the average daily tempera-ture soars past 100 deg rees by noon, the troopers have settled into the routine of field living as best they can. Those who are lucky found a place under the shade of huge hard-wood trees; others have stretched their ponchos



TRANSPORTATION— This lighter version of the helicopter has become one of the many vital means\_of transportation for the 101st at Cam Ranh.

in the heavy brush to protect themselves from the burning sun. Fields of fire have been hacked out of the jungle-like bramble with its inchlong thorns with machetes and any other tool at hand.

The trooper's day of preparing his defense positions and living area is broken by a noon nap and a cold bottle of local

orange drink. His night is broken by guard duty and the screech of night tlying bats and birds and the scramble of foot-long li-zards through the under-brush.

Solidly in position, the brigade has begun opera-tions against the Viet Cong in the rugged mountains that loom above them to the west.



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# ere Quiet—Too

"Can you get them out?" asked on the end to blast a path to the job of probing and marking until the battalion commander.

"I sure can try, sir," was the reply from Sp4 Wayne Lear, the section leader of the engineer team.

Six men of the last Brigade, 101st Airborne Division had entered an enemy mine field and were now lying wounded, forward of their platoon. Two of their buddies had rushed out to help them - now there were more casualties.

Grim faced commanders watched and waited while the soldiers of Company A, 326th Engineers began throwing out

mine victims.

The wounded waited too. They treated their own wounds as best they could. They were quiet - a couple of them too quiet.

The engineers used the detonator cord to blast paths until they were too close to the wounded to use this method. Then be- tinuous hunt for the Viet Cong.

DAK TO, (101st ABN-IO) - detonator cord with rocks tied gan the slower, and more tedious they reached each wounded man and pulled him out for evacua-

> With the wounded evacuated and field marked the paratroopers of the Always First Brigade again moved out, disappearing into the thick jungle in their con-





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