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3d Marine Division (Rein), FMF
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COMPANY CHRONOLOGY

PART I

ORGANIZATIONAL DATA1. DESIGNATIONSTAFF DENTAL OFFICER/COMMANDER

3d Dental Company
 3d Marine Division (REIN)
 PME, FPO, San Francisco 96602
 Phu Bai, Republic of Vietnam

CAPT L. H. GORDONIER, DC, USN

COMPANY DENTAL CLINIC LOCATIONS

- a. 3d Dental Company Headquarters. The 3d Dental Company CP is located in Contingent Four, 3d MarDiv Headquarters area in Phu Bai. The Commanding Officer, Administrative Officer, Administrative Chief, Clerical and Training Chief, two office clerks and one driver staff the CP.
- b. 1d Medical Battalion, Bai site. Six dental officers and 19 dental technicians staff this clinic. Operative, prosthetic, oral surgery, preventive dentistry services are provided. Six technicians man the prosthetic laboratory and one technician is assigned to full-time preventive dentistry. The oral surgeon treats the maxillofacial casualty injuries.
- c. Combat Dental Support Unit (M105 Dental Trailer). This unit, with one dental officer and two technicians, began a circuit type operation by helicopter lift-off to Col Co on 19 June 1967. In the short time this operation has been in effect the unit has visited Col Co and Cua Viet providing dental care to those remote areas. It is planned to complete a circuit of remote areas which include: Cam Lo (serving Cam Lo, Con Thien and CAC Units), Rockpile, Ca Lu and Hill #861 and #862. It is intended that each outfit will be visited, via helo-lift, quarterly, and that the duration of each visit will be varied as the dental requirements and work-load dictate.
- d. 3d Engineers, Phu Bai site. One Dental Officer and two dental technicians staff this clinic. One dental technician is assigned to full-time preventive dentistry.
- e. Headquarters Contingent 4, Phu Bai site. One Dental Officer and two dental technicians staff this clinic. One dental technician is assigned to full-time preventive dentistry.

- f. Camp Evans, 4th Marines site. The Combat Dental Support Trailer, M105, was replaced by a Dental/Surgical Van on 16 June 1967. One Dental Officer and two dental technicians are assigned here. One technician is assigned to full-time preventive dentistry.
- g. Headquarters Forward, Dong Ha site. This Clinic, formerly known as "D" Med. Clinic is staffed with four Dental Officers and seven dental technicians. One technician is assigned to full-time preventive dentistry. One technician is TAD under treatment aboard the USS SANCTUARY for wounds received on 28 April 1967.
- h. 11th Engineers, Dong Ha site. A Dental/Surgical Van is in this area with one dental officer and two dental technicians assigned. One technician is assigned to full-time preventive dentistry.
- i. Camp Carroll, Dong Ha site. A Dental/Surgical Van is in this area with one dental officer and two dental technicians assigned. One technician is assigned to full-time preventive dentistry.
- j. The Sub site. One dental officer and two dental technicians are assigned to this clinic. One technician is assigned to full-time preventive dentistry.
- k. 1st Medical Battalion site. This clinic was disestablished on 20 June 1967. This area of responsibility was assumed by the 1st Dental Company.
- l. 1st FSR/FIC site. Two dental officers and three dental technicians are assigned to this clinic. One technician is a full-time preventive dentistry technician. The Company Supply, Mount-Out, and Repair Sections are located here also. A pediatric hospital dental clinic for the Vietnamese is in operation at FSR. The two dental officers assigned to the FSR/FIC Clinic each work one-half day per week at the hospital dental clinic.
- m. 7th Engineers site. This clinic was disestablished on 8 June 1967. This area of responsibility was assumed by the 1st Dental Company.
- n. 7th Bulk Fuel site. This clinic was disestablished on 15 June 1967. This area of responsibility was assumed by the 1st Dental Company.
- o. III MAF Headquarters site. One dental officer and two technicians provide the dental support which includes preventive dentistry.

2. Location

1 - 30 JUNE 1967: HWN

3. Staff Officers

CDR J. F. HARDIN, DC, USN, Executive Officer
 LTJG O. E. CUNNINGHAM, MSC, USN, Administrative Officer

4. Average Monthly Strength.USNOFFICERS

23

ENLISTED

58

PART IINARRATIVE SUMMARY

The 3d Dental Company furnishes dental support to Marine Corps personnel in the Hue-Phu Bai, Dong Ha, Khe Sanh, and Danang areas of RVN. There are eleven 3d Dental Company Clinics presently in operation. The construction on a new clinic in the 3d MarDiv CP area has begun. It is to include housing for the mount-out, supply, and repair sections. An additional hard-top clinic in the Dong Ha area is nearly completed and will be in operation in early July. It will include oral surgery and prosthetic facilities.

The 3d Dental Company has put into operation "Operation Circuit Rider" in which one dental officer and two dental technicians with the Combat Dental Support Trailer are helo-lifted into remote areas to render treatment. One technician is assigned to full-time preventive dentistry. It is intended that each remote unit will be visited quarterly, and that the duration of each visit will be varied as the dental requirements and work-load dictates.

The 3d Dental Company personnel assist Medical in Mass Casualty Care and are active in the Civic Action Program. The oral surgeons treat maxillo-facial wound cases.

PART III1. Personnel.

- a. Joined during month: 1
- b. Dropped during month: 8
- c. Total Strength 30 June 67: 81

2. Administration. The Administrative Officer meets daily with the supervisory personnel to discuss problems and disseminate information. He has made trips to Danang, III MAF, and Dong Ha to confer with the supervisory personnel in those areas.

3. Command and Control. The Commanding Officer maintains liaison with the Clinic Directors by periodic visits and telephone calls. The Commanding Officer, Executive Officer and the Administrative Officer confer daily concerning Company operations. The Commanding Officer visited the clinics in the Phu Bai, Danang, Dong Ha, Camp Carroll and Khe Sanh areas this month.

4. Training. The weekly training program for enlisted personnel (E-3 through E-6) is comprised of a weekly study assignment of subjects in military and professional fields followed by a test covering each assignment. Each week one-hour classes in leadership are held for all personnel. One billet has been requested for one dental officer to attend the III MAF Vietnamese Language School during July.

5. Civil Affairs/Military Government/Community Relations. The 3d Dental Company has a full time Civil Affairs Coordinating Officer who has received Vietnamese language training. He maintains close liaison with G-5. The Company's Dental Civil Affairs Program included the rendering of emergency dental treatment in the following villages in RVN, during June:

HUE DISPENSARY	TAY LOC CHAN Y VIEN	THUY LUONG
KIM LIEN	TIEP CU	CAM LO REFUGEE CAMP
MAC V HOSP QUANG TRI	CO CHIN ORPHANGE	CHON PENCO PHUONG
TRONG PHOE	LOC SON	VINH LOC
ANH HUE	CAU HAI	TA CONG, KHE SANH
GIA LE	JUNK FLEET	HOA KHANH HOSPITAL
KUAN DUONG	DONG HA CATHOLIC SCHOOL	THUY DONG I
THUY DONG II	HUE ORPHANAGE	LOC DIEN
LUONG XUAN	AP PHU LUONG	KA CHUY TAN
BACH THACH		

b. Treatment rendered during the month of June 1967, in the Dental Civil Affairs program:

Examinations	1805
Extractions	1999
Root Residual Removal	461
Sealing	"
Oral Hygiene Instruction	1
Temporary Linings	10
Shoes Inlaid	2
Cleft Lip	1
Miscellaneous	10
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>5789</u>
TOTAL VIETNAMESE PATIENTS	1805

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6. Maxillofacial injuries cases treated by 3d Dental Company during June 1967:

Fractures (Reduction and Fixation).....	4
Mandibular.....	3
Zygoma.....	1
Soft Tissue Laceration (Debridement & Repair)	
Facial.....	<u>11</u>
<u>TOTAL TREATMENTS</u>	15