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HEADQUARTERS  
3d Dental Company  
3d Marine Division (Rein) FMF  
FPO San Francisco 96602

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COMPANY CHRONOLOGYPART IORGANIZATIONAL DATA

## 1. DESIGNATION

3d Dental Company  
 3d Marine Division (Rein) FMP  
 FPO San Francisco 96602  
 Quang Tri, Republic of Vietnam

Commanding Officer  
 Division Dental Officer  
 CAPT T. D. STEPHENSON, DC, USN  
 1-31 October 1968

COMPANY DENTAL FACILITIES LOCATIONSa. 3d Dental Company Headquarters, 1-31 October 1968

The 3d Dental Company Headquarters, including Mount-Out, Motor Transport, Repair, and Supply Sections, are located in the Headquarters Battalion CP area, Quang Tri Combat Base. Facilities include one tropical hut and three floored strong-back tents.

Company Headquarters	- Commanding Officer, Administrative Officer, Administrative Chief, Training Chief, Clerical Petty Officers (2) and (1) driver.
Supply Section	- Supply Chief and (1) dental technician
Motor Transport Section	- (2) USMC drivers, (1) USMC Mechanic and supervisory petty officer
Mount-Out Section	- (5) Dental Technicians
Repair Section	- (2) Dental Technicians

b. CP Facility - Quang Tri Combat Base, 1-31 October 1968

Two tropical huts manned by (6) dental officers and (10) dental technicians. One of the two prosthetic facilities with the company is here.

c. 3d Medical Battalion Facility - Quang Tri Combat Base,

1-31 October 1968

Tropical hut manned by (2) oral surgeons and (3) dental officers with (5) dental technicians.

d. Battalion Rear Facilities - Quang Tri Combat Base, 1-31 October 1968

- (1) One mobile dental-surgical van, manned by (1) dental officer and (1) dental technician.
- (2) Tropical hut manned by (1) dental officer and (2) dental technicians.
- (3) Tropical hut manned by (4) dental officers and (4) dental technicians.

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e. Division CP - Dong Ha Combat Base. 1-31 October 1968  
Two tropical huts manned by (3) dental officers and (6) dental technicians.  
Second of company's prosthetic facilities is located here.

f. "D" Medical Company - Dong Ha Combat Base. 1-31 October 1968  
Tropical hut manned by (1) dental officer and (2) dental technicians.

g. Battalion Areas - Dong Ha Combat Base. 1-31 October 1968  
Two tropical huts in separate battalion areas, each manned by (1) dental officer and (1) dental technician.

h. Cua Viet. 1-31 October 1968  
Tropical hut manned by one dental officer and (2) dental technicians.

i. Camp Carroll. 1-31 October 1968  
Tropical hut manned by (1) dental officer and (2) dental technicians.

j. Vandegrift Combat Base. 1-31 October 1968  
Reinforced bunker manned by (1) dental officer and (2) dental technicians.

### 3. STAFF OFFICERS

LTJG E. R. OIEN, MSC, USN - Administrative Officer 1-31 October 1968

### 4. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

	<u>USMC</u>		<u>USN</u>
<u>OFF</u>		<u>OFF</u>	
0		27	
	<u>ENL</u>		<u>ENL</u>
	3		53

## PART II

### NARRATIVE SUMMARY

The 3d Dental Company provides dental support throughout the TAOR of the 3d Marine Division to personnel of the Division. In addition, it provides dental prosthetic treatment to Navy personnel of NSA and MCB units in the TAOR. A major dental facility in the Battalion Rear area, Quang Tri Combat Base, became operational during the month. Dental prosthetics care is provided at Division CP Clinic, Dong Ha, and CP Clinic, Quang Tri. Assistance to Graves Registration is provided in identification of the dead. Dental company personnel provide support to the Marine's Memorial Children's Hospital. On 22 October, the "D" Medical Company dental facility received a direct hit by hostile artillery fire, completely destroying it. Casualties to company personnel were (3) WIA (MEDEVAC) and (4) WIA (minor). Another tropical hut is presently being converted to a smaller facility. Another prosthetics laboratory is being constructed at Division CP Clinic, Dong Ha. The Repair section was moved to Quang Tri.

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PART IIISEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS1. PERSONNEL

a. Joined during the month	5
b. Dropped during the month	4
c. Total strength as of 31 October 1968	82

2. ADMINISTRATION

The Commanding Officer and Administrative Officer confer daily with supervisory personnel. The Commanding Officer made trips to III MAF facilities at Dong Ha, Quang Tri, Oa Viet, Camp Carroll and Vandegrift Combat Base during the month.

3. TRAINING

A vigorous in-service training program has been established and is functioning well. One dental officer and one dental technician attended the Division Personal Response course. Two dental technicians attended the Basic Organic Accounting School at Force Logistics Command, Danang.

4. ACTIVATIONS/DEACTIVATIONS/REDESIGNATIONS

a. The Battalion Rears facility, Quang Tri became operational during the month.  
 b. The major dental facility at "D" Medical Company was disestablished by reason of enemy action and a smaller facility is being constructed.  
 c. Relocation of the dental prosthetics facility is currently being accomplished at Division CP Clinic, Dong Ha as the result of enemy action.  
 d. Company Repair section was displaced to Quang Tri.

5. CIVIC ACTIONMONTHLY TOTALS - CIVIC ACTION TREATMENTS

Examinations	237
Extractions	224
Root Residual Removal	30
Oral Hygiene Instruction	108
Post Operative Treatment	13
Scaling	3
Temporary Restorations	17
Abcess I & D	0
Fractured Mandible Reductions	1
Total Treatments	637
Total Patients Treated	359

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