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From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding General, 1st Marine Division (-) (Rein) FMF
Subj: Command Chronology for the period of 1-31 January 1971

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(b) FMFPACO 5750.8B
(c) DivO 5750.2

Encl: (1) 1st Battalion, 5th Marines Command Chronology

1. In accordance with the provisions of references (a), (b) and (c), enclosure (1) is hereby submitted.

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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

1 January to 31 January 1971

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PART I

ORGANIZATIONAL DATA1. DESIGNATION

1st Battalion, 5th Marines (-) (Rein)

LtCol. F. A. HART JR.
1-31 January 1971

H&S Company

Capt. K. E. PITCHER
1-31 January 1971

Company A

1stLt. D. L. HUGHES
1-15 January 1971
1stLt. B. H. BECKETT
16-31 January 1971

Company B

Capt. A. C. SLATER
1-31 January 1971

Company C

Capt. J. L. HICKMAN
1-31 January 1971

Company D

1stLt. W. D. ALBRITTON
1-31 January 1971

2. LOCATIONS. From 1-9 January 1971, Company B was located at Division Ridge (Hill 244) for security of Division Rear. Company A assumed responsibility of Division Ridge on 9 January 1971 and was relieved by Company D on 30 January 1971. From 1-7 January 1971, Company C was located in the Que Son Mountains and on 7 January 1971 was returned to Hill 34. Company B remained in the Que Son Mountains from 10-31 January 1971 and was relieved by Company A on 31 January 1971 and returned to Hill 34.

3. STAFF OFFICERS

Executive Officer

Major F. M. KAUFFMAN

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1-31 January 1971
1stLt. R. B. TEDRICK II
1-8 January 1971
1stLt. S. E. CARLIN
9-31 January 1971

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S-2 Officer

1stLt. P. T. METZGER
 1-21 January 1971
 1stLt. R. H. KAYSER
 22-31 January 1971

S-3 Officer

Major W. M. ANDERSON
 1-31 January 1971

S-4 Officer

1stLt. J. M. WILLS
 1-15 January 1971
 1stLt. D. L. HUGHES
 16-31 January 1971

S-5 Officer

1stLt. M. J. HART
 1-31 January 1971

Communications Officer

Capt. K. E. PITCHER
 1-31 January 1971

Battalion Surgeon

Lt. C. W. COUCH (USNR)
 1-31 January 1971

Assistant Battalion Surgeon

Lt. E. E. PALMER (USNR)
 1-31 January 1971

Supply Officer

1stLt. J. A. ALEXANDER
 1-31 January 1971

Motor Transport Officer

1stLt. A. J. ANDREWS
 1-31 January 1971

Chaplain

LtCmdr. D. I. OLSON
 1-31 January 1971

4. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

	<u>USMC</u>		<u>USN</u>	
	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>
Chargeable	38	1076	3	49
Effective	38	949	3	47

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NARRATIVE SUMMARY

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During the month of January 1971 the Battalion continued Operation "IMPERIAL LAKE" in the Que Son Mountain area with two companies and a forward command group through 8 January. The command group returned to the rear cantonment on that date and one company remained on the operation under the operational control of the 2nd Battalion, 5th Marines. Security for the Division rear area and defense of the battalion area of operation was accomplished by two companies until 8 January and by three companies from 9-31 January.

On 9 January the battalion assumed responsibility for Hill 327, adjacent to Division Ridge complex and formerly occupied by MASS-3 of MACG-18. Units of the ASRT, 11th Marines and 1st Marines occupy the hill as tenants. On 31 January, security was provided for the USO sponsored "Miss Black America" show at Freedom Hill.

From 9 January to 30 January, Company A was assigned responsibility for Division Ridge (Hill 244) in defense of the Division CP. The company received extensive training in military subjects during the day and continued the repair of all defensive positions. On 29 January at about 1950 hours, the Assistant Division Commander visited Company A and observed a final protective fire demonstration. On 30 January 1971 Company A was relieved of the security of Division Ridge by Company D, and returned to Hill 34 in preparation for deployment to the Que Son Mountains. Prior to deployment on 31 January 1971, all Company A personnel received a class on Land Mine Warfare provided by a Contact Team from 1st Engineer Battalion.

Company B was engaged in defensive operations from 1-9 January on Division Ridge (Hill 244) and continued to improve the defense and conduct routine training. On 9 January, Company B returned to Hill 34 and prepared for assignment in the Que Son Mountains. Company B was helilifted into the operating area of "IMPERIAL LAKE" on 10 January and relieved Company D, assigned under operational control of the 2nd Battalion, 5th Marines.

On 1 January 1971, Company C's 2nd Platoon, (operating in the Que Son Mountains "IMPERIAL LAKE") discovered a cave containing one LAAW, three NVA E-tools and miscellaneous equipment. The equipment was destroyed and the cave was interdicted with CS crystals. 1st and 3rd platoons had several sightings and fired 60mm mortars without results. On 2 January 1971, C-2 platoon spotted one VC/NVA soldier carrying a pack. The enemy attempted to flee but was shot and found to have rice, tobacco, and salt in his possession. The body and supplies were returned to the CP. C-2 fire team patrol discovered a cave four feet high, three feet wide and 75 feet deep with smaller caves on both sides. They located one bicycle sprocket inside and destroyed it in place. The caves were interdicted with CS Crystals. At 2100, 4 January 1971, 2nd platoon squad ambush was fired upon by the enemy with an M16 rifle. The ambush returned fire and contact was broken immediately. The area was searched with negative results. On 5 January 1971, 2nd platoon discovered one VC/NVA base camp that had not been used recently. The large tunnel complex contained one 81mm mortar round, one

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knife and sheath, one US gas mask, five pounds of tobacco and miscellaneous other supplies. Cave was interdicted with CS crystals. A squad patrol from 3rd platoon found a cave complex containing three M16 rifles, one Chi-Com medical kit, grenades and green utilities. The grenades were destroyed and other equipment was sent to the platoon CP. Caves were seeded with CS crystals. CS crystals were spread at the base camp which was found on 22 December 1970 by the 1st platoon. The company continued without contact, findings or sightings through 6 January 1971. Company C was extracted at 1030 on 7 January and returned to Hill 34 (LZ469). Total enemy losses were one enemy killed. All caves discovered were interdicted with CS crystals and all supplies and equipment not of intelligence value were destroyed. On 9 January 1971, one squad from 1st platoon was inserted in Rumor Valley under operational control of Company A and conducted search and clear operations with daylight patrols and night ambushes. The 2nd platoon assumed responsibility for the external security of Force Logistic Command and nearby camps. The 3rd platoon was moved to Hill 327 for security of the cantonment. For the TET high threat period, the 1st platoon in Rumor Valley was deployed to FLC to augment the patrolling responsibility for the area and one squad from the 3rd platoon was moved to Camp VIKING to provide a reaction force for that camp. On 30 January 1971, two squads were removed from FLC and inserted in Rumor Valley for patrolling and ambush activities for the remainder of the month. During the period 7-31 January 1971, Company C conducted 78 daylight patrols, 83 night ambushes, ten night listening posts and ten daylight observation posts from Hill 327, FLC, and Rumor Valley.

Company D on Operation "IMPERIAL LAKE", on 1 January 1971, located a "Bouncing Betty" pressure release type booby trap that had been set from two weeks to two months prior to discovery. Attached engineers destroyed the booby trap in place. The morning of 2 January 1971, a squad from 1st platoon located a cave with a tunnel 30 feet long. The tunnel and cave complex were contaminated with CS crystals. At 1400 on 2 January, a squad from 2nd platoon discovered a cave complex with evidence of recent use by the enemy. Inside the caves were found soap, mosquito net, hammock, cooking pots, E-tool, jungle knife, fifty pounds of yellow corn, one Chi-Com grenade, and one can of corn oil. The corn oil and the ChiCom were destroyed and the other supplies were sent to the platoon CP. Caves were contaminated with CS crystals. At 1745, the 2nd platoon had enemy movement outside the PPB lines. Unit initiated contact with M79 HE and small arms fire and the area was searched with negative results.

At 1100 on 3 January 1971, one squad from 1st platoon found one US M173A1 mine. The mine was not booby trapped and was destroyed in place. The immediate area was swept with negative results and with no signs of enemy presence. At 1400, a 3rd platoon squad located a two story cave

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numerous tunnels leading in all directions. Old blood stained bandages were found but no recent use by the enemy was noted. All caves and tunnels were contaminated with CS crystals. At 1600 on 4 January 1971, a squad from 2nd platoon located a complex of caves. The cave complex was suspected to be a communications center. No extensive use by the enemy was evidenced within the last two months, but possible use within the last 24 hours by a small detail was noted. Located were radio jacks, headsets with Chinese writing, 25 pounds of salt, four pounds of tea, old BA-30 batteries, 15 BA-386 batteries, all sizes of cooking pots, one US case for a starlight scope with serial number 212248, and AK47 ammunition. The communication equipment and starlight scope case were taken to the platoon CP. Other supplies were destroyed and the caves were contaminated with CS crystals. At 1630, 1st platoon returned to previously used PPB and found one LAAW, a nine volt battery, three mosquito nets, and one knife handle with the name "DUONG SON". At 2130, 1st platoon in anight ambush heard movement and opened fire with small arms. The ambush returned to the PPB. The Platoon Commander requested 81mm mortar illumination to check the area, with no immediate results. 1st platoon observed lights and heard sticks being banged together north of the PPB. Artillery HE and illumination were fired on the enemy position. The lights were seen moving northeast. The patrol searched the impact area on the next morning and found fresh footprints, two bottles of penicillin, two hypodermic needles (all US made), and one poncho (NVA). At 1400 on 5 January 1971, a squad from 2nd platoon located a cave complex of average size (6x10). Unit also located an air parachute illumination canister, US canteen and cover, NVA belts, and assorted cooking utensils. The unit later located another cave with no significant findings and no evidence of enemy use. Continuing search of the route, the patrol found a cave complex that appeared to be an enemy officer quarters by the quality of conveniences such as wooden floors and stairs. In these caves were located sheets of paper with Vietnamese writing (later turned over to S-2). The unit located canteens, a US canteen cup, a US machette, a US mess kit, NVA belts, one dress belt with buckle, and one NVA helmet. The equipment was destroyed and the patrol employed CS crystals in the cave complex. At 2000, the second platoon received one incoming ChiCom grenade on the east side of the perimeter and spotted two VC fleeing from the area. Unit opened fire with small arms and M79 with no apparent results. At 1130 on 6 January 1971, 1st platoon squad patrol found a possible sleeping area for two people and one VC/NVA eye glass case with no identifying marks. At 1320, 3rd platoon was checking area of possible future ambush site when the point man detonated a booby trap receiving two small fragmentation wounds. There were no further findings and the patrol returned to the PPB with the wounded Marine. On 7 January 1971, the 2nd platoon squad patrol was enroute to search a suspected enemy area while the PPB provided security for the patrol from the high ground. The PPB observed enemy fleeing the area and fired machineguns and small arms. The enemy returned fire with approximately 20 rounds of AK47 fire at the patrol. The patrol returned fire, advanced to a treeline, and swept the area with negative results. The patrol continued with it's mission. The Platoon Commander requested a Cobra air strike on the area.

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The Cobra pilot observed one VC/NVA after completion of the air strike. A patrol was sent to search the area but returned to PPB with negative results. Through the period 8-9 January 1971, Company D had no contacts, sightings, or findings. On the morning of the tenth, Company D was extracted and returned to Hill 34 (LZ469). Company D remained on Hill 34 in a Quick Reaction Force assignment until 30 January, at which time the company displaced to Division Ridge and assumed responsibility for the defense of that area. The 1st platoon was assigned SPARROW HAWK responsibility from 15-17 January during a visit by the Commandant of the Marine Corps, but was not committed in that role. On 19 January 1971, the 3rd platoon was tasked the mission to search and clear the Rumor Valley area in order to exploit recent intelligence received of enemy activity in that area. At 1230 on 19 January 1971, the 3rd platoon located an old booby trap in Rumor Valley. The attached engineer destroyed the booby trap in place and the unit continued the mission. At 1330, two detainees with loaded M1 carbines were apprehended and questioned by the attached S-2 scouts and ITT. Both were held overnight with one being released the following morning. The second was returned to CIT for further investigation. On 23 January to 25 January 1971, the 2nd platoon was OPCON to Company A and continued operating in Rumor Valley.

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PART III

SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS1. PERSONNEL AND ADMINISTRATION

a. Strength. The Battalion strength at the beginning of the month was 37 officers and 1097 enlisted. On the 15th of the month the strength was 36 officers and 1063 enlisted. By the end of the month the strength was 41 officers and 1068 enlisted. On the last day of the month there were nine enlisted hospitalized.

b. Discipline, Law, and Legal. During January, seven Special and one General Court-Martial were recommended to Division, and one Summary Court-Martial convened by this headquarters. There were 17 Office Hours referred to the Battalion Commander and 16 Office Hours were completed at the company level. Six investigations were completed and ten are still pending.

c. Significant Casualties

	<u>KIA</u>	<u>WIAE</u>	<u>WIANE</u>	<u>DOW</u>	<u>DOD</u>	<u>NHC</u>	<u>NHD</u>	<u>DAI</u>
USMC	00	05	02	00	00	20	02	00
USN	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00

d. Morale. Morale and fighting spirit continue to be excellent.

e. Postal. Postal service continued at the same degree of excellence.

f. Awards. During January, five Bronze Stars, 14 Navy Commendation, 21 Navy Achievement, and one Navy - Marine Corps Medal were submitted. There was one Silver Star, one Bronze Star, one Navy - Marine Corps Medal, three Navy Commendation, six Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry, and eight Purple Hearts received approved in the month of January. There were two Meritorious Mast, and three meritorious promotions to Corporal during this reporting period.

2. ENEMY, WEATHER AND TERRAIN

a. Intelligence. During the reporting period two agent/source reports were received and acted upon. On 24 January, a team consisting of representatives of 3rd CIT, 11th Motors, and 1st Battalion, 5th Marines S-2, acting on a reliable source report, entered KHANH SON HAMLET at grid (AT950765) to check on VC presence, and met with negative results. On 31 January, a platoon from Company C along with members of 3rd ITT and Battalion S-2 swept through the village of AP HOA KHUONG (AT945730) with negative results.

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b. Enemy. During the period 1-8 January, (Operation "IMPERIAL LAKE", OPCON Fifth Marines) there were three contacts, of which one was friendly initiated and two were enemy initiated. There were two booby traps discovered and one additional booby trap detonated. A total of three enemy were sighted. There was one VC KIA. For the remainder of this reporting period tactical elements of this Battalion were under operational control of other commands.

(1) Scout Section. S-2 Scouts continue to be assigned to companies on an as required basis. Presently there are six Scouts and four Kit Carson Scouts assigned to the companies in the field.

c. Weather. During the reporting period weather consisted mainly of light rain, low cloudiness, and poor visibility.

High Temperature	77 degrees
Low Temperature	66 degrees
Mean Temperature	73 degrees
Total Rainfall	4.5 inches
Average Humidity	86 percent

d. Terrain. The terrain varied from open, lowland rice paddies to heavily vegetated mountains. Resupply in the lowlands was conducted freely. Resupply of companies located in the mountains was infrequent due to weather.

3. ORGANIZATION AND OPERATIONS

a. Organization

(1) Attachments: None

(2) Detachments:

(a) Company D: Detached OPCON 2/5, 8-10 January 1971

(b) Company B: Detached OPCON 2/5, 10-31 January 1971

(c) Company A: Detached OPCON 2/5, 31 January 1971

(3) Organic support: One Section 81mm Mortars and one section of 106mm Recoilless Rifles were attached to the company occupying Division Ridge throughout this period.

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b. Operations

(1) During the month of January 1971, 1st Battalion, 5th Marines was involved in Operation "IMPERIAL LAKE" with two companies and a forward CP group OPCON to the 5th Marine Regiment from 1-8 January 1971. From 8-31 January 1971, 1st Battalion, 5th Marines had one company OPCON to 2nd Battalion, 5th Marines "IMPERIAL LAKE".

(2) Security of Division Rear and defense of the Battalion area of operation was conducted with two companies from 1-7 January 1971 and with three companies from 7-31 January 1971. On 9 January, the Battalion assumed responsibility for Hill 327 adjacent to the Division Ridge complex.

4. SUPPORTING ARMS

a. Air

(1) Troop helilift and resupply missions in support of Operation "IMPERIAL LAKE" accounted for 90 percent of all air used by this Battalion during the month of January 1971. Tactical air support for the companies OPCON to the 2nd Battalion, 5th Marines was requested through the 5th Marine Regiment and consisted mainly of the Mission 86 (administrative) package.

<u>TYPE OF AIRCRAFT</u>	<u>NUMBER OF HOURS</u>
COBRA GUNSHIP	26
CH-46	78
CH-53	8
OV-10	6
FIXED WING	2

(2) Aircraft tasked for the 1st Battalion, 5th Marines (-) Rear were mainly for administrative purposed and were requested directly through the 1st Marine Division.

<u>TYPE OF AIRCRAFT</u>	<u>NUMBER OF HOURS</u>
CH-46	10
CH-53	4

b. Artillery. The Battalion continued to receive direct support by "F" Battery, 2nd Battalion, 11th Marines during the month of January. Further, 1st Battalion, 5th Marines was supported by elements of the 11th Marine Regiment in a general support capacity. Due to the concentration of friendly units in the Battalion Area of Operation, support was largely restricted to illumination missions. The ammunition expenditure in supporting 1st Battalion, 5th Marines operations as part of "IMPERIAL LAKE" is as follows:

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<u>GAL.</u>	<u>NO. MISSIONS</u>	<u>NO. & TYPE AMMO</u>	<u>TOTAL RDS.</u>
4.2 in.	1	14 ILL	14
105mm	7	107 HE 14 WP 22 ILL	143
155mm	10	101 HE 12 WP 18 ILL	131

c. Engineers. Engineer personnel from Company B engineers provided extensive demolitions support on Operation "IMPERIAL LAKE".

d. Shore Party (HST). HST personnel were provided by Company C, 1st Shore Party Battalion and were primarily employed during Operation "IMPERIAL LAKE" coordinating operations of LZ-469 (Hill 34).

e. Scout Snipers. None attached.

5. TRAINING

a. The following training was conducted during the month of January:

- Weapons Safety
- Weapons Inspection, Care and Cleaning
- Mapping and Compass
- Combat Leadership
- Viet Cong Mines and Booby Traps
- Drug Abuse
- Familiarization Firing of the M16, M60, M79 and Pistol, Cal.45
- Pistol, Cal.45
- Uniform Appearance
- Military Customs and Courtesy
- Individual and Group Hygiene in the Field
- Troop Leading Steps
- Anti-personnel Mine, M18A1 (Live Firing)
- Grenade, Fragmentation, M26 (Live Firing)
- AN/PRC - 25
- Training of 81mm Mortar Crews
- Physical Training
- Care and Cleaning of the 106mm Recoilless Rifle
- Crew Training of the 106mm Recoilless Rifle
- Preventive Maintenance of the AN/PRC - 25

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TABS "A" THROUGH "K" TO THE 1ST BATTALION, FIFTH MARINES
COMMAND CHRONOLOGY FOR THE PERIOD OF 1-28 FEBRUARY 1971:

- ✓ TAB "A" S-3 JOURNAL
- ✓ TAB "B" 1ST BATTALION, FIFTH MARINES S-3 JOURNAL
FROM FORCE LOGISTICS COMMAND (FLC)
- ✓ TAB "C" 1ST BATTALION, FIFTH MARINES NEWSLETTER DATED 1 MAR 1971
- ✓ TAB "D" BATTALION SPECIAL ORDER NUMBER 69-71
- ✓ TAB "E" MEMORANDUM ON SPECIAL TRAINING DATED 19 FEB 1971
- ✓ TAB "F" BATTALION BULLETIN 1650 DATED 14 FEB 1971
MERITORIOUS MAST; CASE OF SGT J. M. TYLER
- ✓ TAB "G" BATTALION BULLETIN 1650 DATED 14 FEB 1971
MERITORIOUS MAST; CASE OF LCPL W. F. DOHRING
- ✓ TAB "H" BATTALION BULLETIN 6100 DATED 6 FEB 1971
- ✓ TAB "I" BATTALION ORDER 3120.3E DATED 5 FEB 1971
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TIME IN/OUT	##	DTG	MESSAGE, INCIDENT, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN
	1	010001H	JOURNAL OPENED	
0400	2	010400H	Div (landline)- DaNang Air Base received rockets. Landline will be kept open for further instructions.	S F
0430	3	010430H	OP Condor- Spotted flashes at azimuth 4280 mills from his position.	SF
0430	4	010430H	Div- Item #3 was reported to Div COC	S F
0505	5	010505H	Co. D- Reported one explosion in vicinity of 932737. C-2 (Hill 327) reported seeing flashes from azimuth 270 deg. from their position.	S F
0505	6	010505H	Div- Item #5 was reported to Div COC	S F
0520	7	010520	Co. D- Reported at time of rocket attack their lights went out and at this time still have no lights.	S F
0530	8	010530H	Div (Landline)- Secure landline from Rocket Attack Alert.	SF
0910	9	010910H	S-3A- Range activities commenced	S F
0915	10	010915H	S-2- Reported that Rocket Launch Site be- lieved to be at 901725.	S F
0935	11	010935H	S-3A- Reported that there were two dud gren- ades at range #10.	S F
0935	12	010935H	S-3A- Notified EOD of item # 11 and was in- formed that they would remove at 011030H.	S F
	13	011014H	CH46 arrived at LZ469 with 15 PAX'S From 1	S F
	14	011015H	CH46 departed LZ469	SF
	15	011022H	CH46 mission 32 VR arrived at LZ469	S F
1035	16	011035H	Div- Forecast of Events	S F
1036	17	011036H	S-3A- Ceased range activities. EOD removing dud grenades from range #10.	S F
	18	011136H	CH46- VR flight left LZ469	S F
	20	011245H	CH46-VR flight returned to LZ469	S F
	21	011300H	CH46-Departed from LZ469	S F
1525	22	011525H	Div- G-3 Plans summary 6-12 Feb submitted	S F
2045	23	012045H	Div-Unit location report submitted.	SF
	24	012200H	Illumination registration fire commenced H34	S F
	25	012240H	Illumination registration fire ceased. H34	S F
	26	012400H	JOURNAL CLOSED.	

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TIME IN/OUT	##	DTG	MESSAGE, INCIDENT, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN
	1	020001H	JOURNAL OPENED	
	2	021000H	CO Left battalion CP	
	3	021100H	CO returned to CP. CH46 arrived with 16 PAX's from 1/1.	S F
1110	4	021110H	S-3A- Range activities commenced	S F
1130	5	021130H	Div- Forecast of events submitted.	S F
1140	5	021140H	S-3A- Range activities ceased.	S F
1455	6	021455H	CO-Reported a dud 105 round at bottom of Hill (327).	
1545	7	021535H	BOD- Approximately 20 HE 105 rds. were found in area of item #6.	S F
1548	8	021545H	IIIMAF- Intel report. Agent reports that 1 Plt. of NVA from 575th NVA ARMY BN, com- manded by man named DAI, are carrying 4, 122 Rockets and launchers. Moved from DNY-XUYEN DISTRICT to LA CHAU #3 Hamlet. Vicinity of grid 968665. Mission to mix with VC in area and infiltrate hamlets at Hoa Vang District. Headquarters. Also fire rockets at DaNang Air Base, Marble Mt., and Hoa Cam training center, and military units in the DaNang area during dates 1 and 7 Feb 71.	S-2, F
1700	9	021700H	Co. C- one NBC	S-1, SM, F
1745	10	021745H	ASPl. Co. D and Co. C, Hoa Cam Training Center, 504th MP Bn.- was informed about item #8.	S F
2100	11	022100H	Div- Unit location report was submitted.	S F
2140	12	021300H	Co. D- will be firing preplanned 60mm Illum	S F
2200	13	022200H	Co. D- Ceased 60mm Illum	S F
	14	022400H	JOURNAL CLOSED	

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TIME IN/OUT	##	DTG	MESSAGE, INCIDENT, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN
	1	040001H	JOURNAL OPENED	
0905	2	040905H	Co.D: HQBN will run MEDCAP in RUMOR VALLEY	S,F
	3	041425H	Bn CO departed Hill 34	F
	4	041545H	Bn CO returned to Hill 34	S,F
1720	5	041720H	Co.D: Will fire 81mm Illum on call targets	S,F
			at 042030H at following grids, 944744,	
			952744, 956744, 960743, 964742.	
	6	041830H	Bn CO departed Hill 34	F
2050	7	042050H	DIV: Unit location rep as of 042100H Feb71	S,F
			submitted as follows: (A) Co.A OPCON 2/5	
			(B) H&S Co., Co.B, Co.C, BnCP at 989709	
			(C) Tactical Helilift rep - NEG.	
			(D) ALERT CONDITION FOUR	
	8	042220H	Bn CO returned to Hill 34	S,F, FLC
2300	9		1st TASK FORCE: Telecon rep.: 81mm Illum.	
			cannisters falling on Camp VIKING. The	
			1/5 COC at FLC was called and told to	
			check fire.	
2335	10		FLC COC: Telecon msg: Camp HASKINS was	S,F,DIV
			firing Illum NOT Camp VIKING. Firing has	
			ceased.	
2355	11	042355H	DIV: Intell. rep. from MASS 3 concerning	S-2,F
			one enemy regiment. Unit designator is	
			unknown. 500th NVA Artillery Battery have	
			sixty 122mm rockets and twenty 82mm rounds	
			and will fire at 902608, 915685, 955677,	
			and 957684. This unit will shoot rockets	
			and mortar rounds at DaNang Air Base,	
			Marble Mountain, HOA CAM Training Center,	
			and HOA VANG tonight or tomorrow.	
			1 Corps rates this as B-2	
			24th Corps rates this as F-2	
			MASS 3 rates this as F-2	
	12	042400H	JOURNAL CLOSED	

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	1 / 060001H	JOURNAL OPENED	
	2 / 060515H	1/5 81mm mortars commenced illum fire.	S,F
	3 / 060545H	1/5 81mm mortars ceased illum fire.	S,F
	4 / 060717H	CH46 picked up three pax at LZ469	F
0910	5 / 060910H	Co.A: Weather rep for insert of troops	S,F
	6 / 060940H	CH46 picked up XO and ten pax for Co.A	S,F
1057	7 / 061055H	DIV: Forecast of events for 7Feb71 sub- mitted as follows: (A) Co.A OPCON 2/5 (B) Bn(-) continue CAT II opns in AO in defense of Div Rear OPCON to 1st Mar Div. (C) Co.C designated Quick Reaction Force (D) Tactical Helilift rep is negative	S,F
	8 / 061135H	Helicopter dropped off six pax LZ469 from Co.A and the Bn XO.	S,F
	9 / 061500H	CH46 arrived LZ469 for 3rd 8" How. pers.	F
	10 / 061505H	CH46 departed LZ469	
	11 / 061545H	Bn CO departed Hill 34	F
	12 / 061611H	Bn CO returned Hill 34	S,F
2105	13 /	Monitor of radio net indicated that a man is at ASP-1 shouting through a bullhorn. He is asking personnel to surrender, etc.	S,F,DIV
2105	14 /	ASP-1: Telecon msg: Person in item #13 is at the base of Hill 327. He was firing his weapon and is at present hiding. The man on the bullhorn was an officer asking the man to return to the compound. A patrol is searching for him.	S,F,DIV,327
2130	15 /	DIV: Telecon msg: Request all units in AO for check fire. MEDEVAC mission is going north to south across AO and aerial flare mission will run in AO. Notified all con- cerned units.	S,F
2150	16 /	ASP-1: Telecon msg: Man in item #13 can- not be found. Notified Hill 327 of situa- tion.	S,F
2220	17 /	BRAVO COG: Telecon msg: One unidentified person in front of lines at bunker 2-12 is digging. OD requested 81mm illum. Request denied.	S,F
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	1	080001H	JOURNAL OPENED	
0305	2	080305H	DIV: Weather rep for 08-09 Feb71	S.F
	3	080700H	S-3 departed Hill 34 for 1st Marines	F
0900	4	080900H	Co.D: One NBC Zulu rep	S-1.F
	0910.5	080910H	DIV: Forecast of events for 9Feb71 sub-	S.F
			mitted as follows: (1) Co.A OPCON 1st MAR	
			(2) Co.C OPCON 1/1 (3) Co.B.D. H&S Co.	
			continue present mission in AO. Bn(-)	
			OPCON 1st Mar Div. (4) Tactical helilift	
			rep. negative	
0945	6	080945H	3rd BN, 1st MAR: LZ cleared for Co.A at	S.F.Co.A
			grid 985735.	
	7	081000H	Co.C chopped OPCON 1st Marines.	S.F
1100	8	081100H	DIV: Acknowledged receipt of msg., item #7	S.F
	9	081310H	Bn CO departed Hill 34 cantonment	S.F
1510	10	081510H	Co.A: 1 NBC Zulu rep	S-1.F
	2005/11	082005H	DIV: Unit location rep for 082100H Feb71:	
			(A) Co.A OPCON 2/5 (B) Co.C OPCON 1/1.	
			(C) Co.D at 946744 (D) Bn(-), Co.B, H&S Co	
			at 989709 (E) Tactical helilift rep-NEG.	
			(F) ALERT CONDITION FOUR	
	12	082014H	81mm illum registration fire begins Hill 34	F
	13	082045H	81mm illum registration fire ends Hill 34	F
2220	14	082220H	OP CONDOR: Flashes spotted on 3920 mls.	S.F.DIV
			Div alerted.	
2300	15	082300H	OP CONDOR: Flashes in item #14 were imp-	S.F.DIV
			acts in the vicinity Hill 270 (865681)	
			where a 4.2" mortar battery is located.	
			Observed flashes identified as a friendly	
			fire mission.	
	16	082345H	81mm mortars at Hill 34 fired three illum	F
			rounds.	
	17	082400H	JOURNAL CLOSED	

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	1	090001H	JOURNAL OPENED	
0210	2	090210H	Div- Weather report for 9-10 Feb 71	S.F
0755	3	090810H	Co. A- Ceiling 2000 ft, 5000 ft visibility	S,F Div
			Troop lift to commence 45-50 minutes.	
0845	4	090845H	Co. A- Lift in progress at this time. 2/5	S,F
			chopped Co. A OPCON to 3/1.	
1000	5	091005	Div- Forecast of events for 10 Feb 71.	S,F
			(1) Co. A OPCON 1stMar. (2) Co. C OPCON 1/1	
			(3) Co. B, D, and H&S continue present mis-	
			sion in AO, Bn(-) OPCON 1stMarDiv. (4) Tac-	
			tical helilift requirements negative.	
1130	6		CH46- Dropped off 17 PAX's at LZ469.	S,F
1132	7		CH46- Left LZ469	S,F
1150	8		CH46- Dropped off 8 PAX's at LZ469	S,F
1152	9		CH46- Left LZ469	S,F
1155	10		CO returned to CP Hill 34.	S,F
1205	11		CH46- Dropped off 9 PAX's at LZ469	S,F
1207	12		CH46- Left LZ469	S,F
1730	13	091730H	Bn. Commander departed compound.	S,F
1910	14	091910H	Bn. Commander returned to compound.	S,F
2005	15	092005H	Div- Unit position report as of 092100H.	S,F
			Feb 1971.	
			A. Co. "A" OPCON 3/1	
			B. Co. "C" OPCON 1/1	
			C. Co. "D" Located AT946744	
			D. Bn(-), Co. "E" Located 989709	
			E. Tactical helilift report - Negative	
			F. Alert condition - Four	
	16	092400H	JOURNAL CLOSED	

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	1	110001H	JOURNAL OPENED	
0600	2	110600H	Co.C- Zulu Report: C-3 recv'd 1 WIA from booby trap.	S-1 SM, F
0715	3	110715H	Div Landline- The ADC will be at Hieu Duc at 1400.	S, F, G, C, G, C, P
0900	4	110900H	Div- Forecast of events for 12 Feb 71.	S, F
			1. Co. A OPCON to 3/1. Co. C OPCON to 1/1.	S, F
			2. Co. B, D, and H&S continue present mission in AO. Bn(-) OPCON 1stMarDiv.	S, F
			3. Tactical helilift requirements neg.	
0920	5	110920H	Bn Commander departed compound to attend MEDCAP.	S, F
0940	6	110940H	Commenced range operations.	S, F
1000	7	111000H	Co.A- Request Bn Commander stop at different "A" Plt's position to pick up rotating personnel.	S, F
	8	111034H	Bn CO returned to Hill 34	S, F
1130	9	111130H	Co.B- Submitted activities for 14Feb71	
	10	111150H	Range operations completed.	S, F
1300	11	111300H	Commence range operations (106 RR)	F
	12	111550H	Completed range operations (106 RR)	S, F
1630	13	111630H	Co.A- 12 pax to be lifted to Hill 34 12Feb 1971	S, F
1635	14	111635H	Co.D- will fire 81mm on-call illum at 2030H	S, F
1645	15	111645H	Co.C- 1 NBC Zulu, possible appendicitis	S-1 SM, F
1700	16	111700H	Co.C- Zulu rpt., 1 NBC, bad feet	S-1 SM, F
2015	17	112015H	DIV: Unit location rep as of 112100Feb71	
			(A) Co.A OPCON 3/1 (B) Co.C OPCON 1/1	
			(C) Co.D at 946744 (D) Bn(-), H&S co., Co.B located at 989709 (Hill 34) (E) Tactical helilift rep-NEGATIVE (F) ALERT CONDITION FOUR	
	18	112035H	11th Marines spotted a red star cluster between OP CONDOR and OP JONES. Requested report of friendly troops in area. Reply negative.	S, F
	19	112045H	BRAVO COC- Reported incoming explosion, to South of Hill 34.	S, F
			Contacted DIV FSCC for information.	F
2105	20	112105H	1/11-requested information on item #19	
	21	112110H	DIV FSCC reports 1stBn, 11thMar. firing 81mm mortars at 9869.	S, F
2200	22	112200H	DIV: OP JONES reports movement 200 meters from position.	S, F
	23	112400H	JOURNAL CLOSED	

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0001		1	120001H	JOURNAL OPENED	S-3
0310		2	120310H	Div- Received weather report 12-13 Feb 71	S F S2
0845		3	120845H	Bn Commander and Operations Officer and 2 PAX's Helilifted to Co. A Position.	S F
0910		4	120910H	Co.B- Activities for 14 Feb 71. B 3/3 (0800 to 1200) CP#1-968735, CP#2-967733, CP#3-963733. B 3/3 (1900 to 0700) 964733.	S F
0930		5	120930H	Bn Commander and Operation S-3 and 8 PAX returned to Hill 34.	S F
1015		6	121015H	Co.A-6 PAX's dropped at LZ469	S F
1120		7	121120H	Div-Forecast of events for 13 Feb 71. (1) Co.A OPCON TO 3/1. (2) Co.C OPCON TO 1/1 (3) Co.B. D. H&S. continue present mission in AO. Bn(-) OPCON 1st MARDIV. (4) Tactical Helilift-Neg.	S F
1530		8		Co. D- Mortars being fired from HOA CAM impacting in Rumor Valley outside of HOA CAM impact area. Squad patrol in valley could be endangered if fire adjustments are not ceased. Unable to contact HOA CAM by telephone or by radio. Contacted S-3(Mobile) advised him of the situation. S-3 is enroute to HOA CAM at this time.	
1805		9	121805H	Co.D-Submitted activities for 15 Feb 71 B-1 (0900-1100) PPB-952732; B11 (1600-1800) CP#1-953734, CP#2-958734, CP#3-954730, B12 (1900-0645) 954736.	S F
2010		10	122010H	Div-Unit location report as of 122000H Feb 71. (A) Co.A OPCON 3/1 (B) Co.C OPCON 1/1 (C) Co.D at 946744 (D) Bn(-) H&S Co., Co.B located at 986709 (Hill 34) (E) Tactical Helilift report Negative. (F) Alert condition four.	S F
2320		11	122320H	81mm Mortar PLT. commenced firing Illum rounds.	S F
2350		12	122350H	81mm Illum terminated	S F
2350		13	122350H	Div "Landline" Restrictive fire plan received.	S F
2400		14	122400H	JOURNAL CLOSED	

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	1	130001H	JOURNAL OPENED	
0220	2	130220H	Div- Weather forecast 13-14 Feb 71.	S-2,F
0725	3	130725H	1 CH46- picked up two PAX's at LZ469 in route to baldy.	S,F
0727	4	130727H	CH46 departed LZ469	S,F
0815	5	130815H	Co.B- Request 1 priority and 1 routine MEDEVAC.	S,F
0845	6	130845H	Co.B Submitted activities for 15 Feb 71.	S,F,M
0850	7	130850H	Co.B- Both medevacs completed.	F
1005	8	131005H	Div- Forecast of events for 14 Feb 71.	S,F
			1. Co.A OPCON to 3/1 2. Co.C OPCON to 1/1	
			3. BN(-) continue present mission in AO.	
			OPCON to 1stMarDiv 4. Tactical helilift negative.	
1115	9	131115H	BN Commander and S-3 Officer departed Hill 34.	S,F
1230	10	131230H	BN Commander and S-3 Officer returned Hill 34.	S,F
1430	11	131430H	Co.B- Submitted B-1 activities for 16 Feb.	S,F,M
1825	12	131825H	BN C.O. & X.O. departed Hill 34.	S,F
1930	13	131930H	BN C.O. & X.O. returned Hill 34.	S,F
1950	14	131950H	HQBN.- Spot report- At 131920H Feb/71, 1st Med. reported 02 rounds were fired from 972759 at man fixing lightoon tower at 973755. 1st Med. notified 1st MP's.	S-2,F
2015	15	132015H	Div- Unit position report as of 132100H Feb 71. A. Co.A OPCON 3/1 B. Co.C OPCON 1/1. C. Co.D AT946744 D. BN(-) H&SCo. Co.B AT989709 E. Tactical helilift report negative. F. Alert condition - four.	S,F
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	1	140001H	JOURNAL OPENED	S,F
0225	2	140225H	Div- Weather report for 14-15 Feb 71	S,F
0830	3	140830H	Div- Forecast of events submitted as fol- lows for 15 Feb 71: (1) Co.A OPCON 3/1 (2) Co.C OPCON 1/1 (3) Bn(-) continue pre- sent mission in AQ, OPCON 1stMarDiv. (4) Tactical helilift req.- negative.	S,F
1240	4	141240H	B-1- Day/night acts for 17 Feb 71: Day Act/ Patrol B-1-3 CP#1-951737, CP#2-945734 CP#3-946732 (2) night act: Ambush, B-1-3 947733 (1900-0645), B-1 FEB 952732.	S,F,M
1515	5	141515H	Div COC- Inquired about explosion on Divi- sion Ridge.	S,F
1520	6	141520H	Co.D- reports burning of old bunker No.1 and think explosion was old grenade.	S,F
1522	7	141522H	Reported to Division Item #6.	S,F
1550	8	141550H	Co.C- one NBC with dissentary.	S-1,SM,F
1750	9	141750H	Co.D- While destroying old bunker, burning old sandbags, and garbage, a claymore was detonated. The detonation caused two secon- sary explosions, believed to be M26 grenades Area was cleared. No casualties.	S,F
1855	10	141855H	Div- Unit location report submitted with no change.	S,F
2005	11	142005H	DivAir- Telephone msg: Cease fire below 71 grid line. Helicopters are flying.	S,F
2015	12	142015H	1stMar- Telephone msg: Will fire 81mm HE Fire Mission.	S,F
2016	13	142016H	OP CONDOR- spotted small arms flashes on 4100 mils azimuth.	S,F
2055	14	142055H	Div- Reported OP JONES took small arms fire.	S,F
2225	15	142225H	Co.D- OP CONDOR reported LMG Fire and illum from 3255 mils approximate grid 947692	S,F, Hoa Vang Co.C
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	1	150001H	JOURNAL OPENED	
0445	2	150445H	Div- Weather report for 15-16 Feb71.	S-2,F
1010	3	151010H	Div- Forecast of events for 16 Feb71.	S,F
			1. Co.A OPCON 3/1 2. Co.C OPCON 1/1	
			3. BN(-) continue present mission in AO.	
			OPCON 1stMarDiv. 4. Tactical helilift-neg.	
1330	4	151330H	Bn Commander departed Hill 34	S,F
1500	5	151500H	Bn Commander returned Hill 34	S,F
1710	6	151710H	Co.C- Zulu WIA: Lacerations of both hands.	S-1,SM,F
1710	7	151710H	Co.C- Witnesses in regards to 151710H Zulu	S-1,SM,F
			report. 1. E-4 C. R. DALEY 2575544 2. E-3	
			B. T. AMOS 2120915 3. HN V. A. LIPA B551728	
			Neg Co.B witnesses. Kids gave Marine .50 cal.	
			round w/wire attached. It was a booby trap.	
1940	8	151940H	Div- Unit locations for 15 Feb71. 1. Co.A	S,F
			OPCON to 3/1. 2. Co.C OPCON to 1/1.	
			3. Co.D (AT946744) 4. BN(-), H&S Co. &	
			Co.B Hill 34 (AT989709). 5. Tactical heli-	
			lift neg. 6. Alert condition - Four.	
2120	9	152120H	Div Landline- Div COC wants 81mm illum	S,F
			cleared for 2/1 at grid 970697. Arty Officer	
			cleared mission for 2/1.	
2140	10	152140H	Div COC Landline-Post#17 at Camp Purdue re-	FLC,S,F
			ceived 5 rounds small arms fire from the	
			village of KWAN/SON at 952765.	
2220	11	152220H	FLC- Concerning fire taken at 1st Motor5from	S,F
			vicinity KWAN/SON. No action taken at this	
			time. Area will be patrolled tomorrow.	
2310	12	152310H	Div COC Landline- Wants a 105 illum cleared	S,F
			for 1st Mar at grid 952700. Mission was	
			cleared with 1/5 COC and 1stMar. Mission	
			was on edge of our AO and 1st Marines.	
	13	152400H	JOURNAL CLOSED	

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	1	160001H	JOURNAL OPENED	
0220	2	160220H	ASFL- Recv'd 4 rounds. Southeast corner returned 5 rounds. spotted 01 Vietnamese approximately 175 meters with weapon at grid 986774.	S,F
0845	3	160845H	Div- Forecast of events for 17 Feb71. 1. Co.A OPCON 3/1 2. Co.C OPCON 1/1 3. BN(-) continue present mission in AO. OPCON to 1stMarDiv. 4. Tactical helilift negative.	S,F
1000	4	161000H	CO.D- HQ.BN. will run a MEDCAP in Rumor Valley today (16Feb) at 1300. HQ.BN. will be on your Company Prep. in case tactical assistance is needed.	S,F
1610	5	161610H	BN Commander departed Hill 34	S,F
	6	161050H	3/5 personnel started arriving 17469.	S,F
1140	7	161140H	BN Commander returned Hill 34.	S,F
1225	8	161225H	Received call from Div about woodcutters climbing Div Ridge. Notified Hoa Vang and Co.D for action.	S,F
1320	9	161320H	11th Mar S-2 (PHONE) reported LOH landed out side Hill 34 with engine trouble. Dispatched 2 men w/radios for communication.	S,F
1330	10	161330H	Co.D reports two groups woodcutters. One group of six 200 meters east of Delta-3. One group behind bunker #10 approximately 350 meters. (See entry #8)	S,F
1450	11	161450H	ADC visited Hill 34.	S,F
1500	12	161500H	Engine repaired in LOH. Comm Personnel re- turned to Hill 34.	S,F
1525	13	161525H	ADC left Hill 34.	S,F
1530	14	161530H	Co.B- Day/night acts for 19 Feb71.	S,F
1605	15	161605H	Co.A- Bn. CO will visit provided company is not pulled out within next 24 hours.	S,F
1615	16	161615H	Co.B- Submitted day/night acts for B-1.	S,F,M
1620	17	161620H	Co.D- will be firing 81mm on call illum targets at 2100H.	S,F
2045	18	162045H	Div- Unit location for 162100H Feb 71.	S,F
	19	162400H	JOURNAL CLOSED	

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	1	170001H	JOURNAL OPENED	
0210	2	170210H	Div- Weather report for 17-18 Feb71.	S-2, F
0225	3	170225H	Co. B- B-1-1 AT951737 heard movement and re-	S, F
			quested illum. Area swept under illum w/ neg	
			results.	
0852	4	170852H	Div- Forecast of events for 18 Feb71.	S, F
			1. 1stMar Return OPCON of Co. A	
			2. Co. C IMPERIAL LAKE OPCON to 5th Marines	
			3. BN(-) Continue present mission in AO.	
			OPCON 1stMarDiv. 4. Tactical helilift-	
			mission 86 to lift 160 PAX from LZ469	
			to LZ Baldy. Pickup 0715.	
1000	5	171000H	Chief of Staff visited Command.	S, F
1030	6	171030H	Chief of Staff departed.	S, F
1040	7	171040H	Co. C- Returned to Hill 34 from OPCON 1/1	S, F
1305	8	171305H	BN Commander departed compound.	S, F
1307	9	171307H	BN X.O.- Reported accident near south end	S, F BAS
			of DaNang AB. Request one jeep and corpsman.	
			BAS was notified.	
1400	10	171400H	Co. D- BN Commander reported cow on Division	S, F Div
			Ridge. G-5 was notified (Capt. ATKINSON)	
1522	11	171522H	BN Commander returned to Hill 34.	S, F
1955	12	171955H	Co. D- Zulu report. One NBC.	S-1, SM, F
2005	13	172005H	Div- Unit location report for 172100H Feb71	S, F
2020	14	172020H	11th Mar- Tower reported Cau Do Bridge rec'd	S, F
			small arms fire. Called 1stMar and Hoa Vang.	
2052	15	172052H	2/1- Request to know if we have any friend-	S, F
			lies over blue line at grid 9870.	
2055	16	172055H	2/1- Informed of all units within 1000 meters	S, F
			of grid 9870.	
2149	17	172149H	Div- At earliest opportunity on 18 Feb 71,	S, F, Co. C
			chop one company to 5th Marines for opera-	
			tions in 5thMar AO. Chop effective upon	
			arrival of company in 5thMar AO.	
	18	172400H	JOURNAL CLOSED	

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TIME IN/OUT	##	DTG	MESSAGE, INCIDENT, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN
	1	190001H	JOURNAL OPENED	
0205	2	190205H	Div- Weather Report for 19-20 Feb71.	S-2, F
0800	3	190800H	Co. B- BOD destroying ordnance at B-3 position.	S, F
	4	190840H	Div- Forecast of events for 20 Feb71.	S, F
			1. Co. C remain OPCON 5th Marines 2. BN(-)	
			continue Cat II operations in AO. OPCON to	
			1stMarDiv 3. Tactical helilift - negative.	
0855	5	190855H	Co. B- Submitted day/night acts for B-3 on	S, F
			21-22 Feb 1971.	
1100	6	191100H	Div- All OTC's of COC will insure that all	S, F
			friendly fire incidents are reported ex-	
			peditionously to Division. Spot reports are	
			to be submitted without delay and follow-up	
			spots as additional information becomes	
			available.	
	7	191330H	BN Commander departed Hill 34.	S, F
1425	8	191425H	Co. D- Submitted day/night acts for 22 Feb71.	S, F
1520	9	191520H	BN Commander returned to Hill 34.	S, F
1605	10	191605H	Co. D- Will fire 60mm and 81mm illum on pre-	S, F, M
			viously cleared grids at 192030H as follows.	
			81mm illum DLZ-D5Z 60mm illum: 947743.	
			945744, 963743, 960744, 943740.	
	11	191740H	18 PAX picked up for Baldr.	S, F
	12	191900H	Div- Unit location report. (1) Co. C OPCON	S, F
			5thMar (2) Co. D at 946744 (3) Co. A, B, H&S	
			and BN CP at 989709 (4) Tactical helilift	
			requirements - negative. (5) Alert condi-	
			tion - four.	
2257	13	192257H	Div COC (Telephone) Reported OP Jones recv'd	S, F
			SAF and 1stMar is firing illum.	
2315	14	192315H	Div COC- Requested if Division Ridge were	S, F
			firing tracers and illum. Was informed	
			firing illum only and had observed fire	
			fight near OP Jones.	
2330	15	192330H	Co. D- Firing routine illum. 3 cannistors	S, F
			impacted Hill 327. Ceased fire. Setting on	
			gun correct. Believed to be incorrect in-	
			crements on round.	
	16	192400H	JOURNAL CLOSED	

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	1	200001H	JOURNAL OPENED	
0830	2	200830H	Div-Telephone msg: Chop 1 Company OPCON to 1st Marines ASAP. Co.A designated.	S.F
0840	3	200840H	Co.B- Submitted day/night acts for 22Feb71	S.F,M
0845	4	200845H	Forecast of events for 21 Feb 71.	S.F
			1. Co.C OPCON 5thMar 2. Co.A OPCON 1stMar	
			3. BN(-) continue CAT II opns in AO OPCON	
			to 1stMarDiv 4. Tactical helilift negative.	
0940	5	200940H	Co.B- reported 01 grenade with pin pulled and laying near Co.B COC bunker. Engineers were notified and discovered grenade did have pin inserted. Grenade was turned over to S-4.	S.F,ENG.
1020	6	201020H	HQBN(Telephone msg)- Will test all sirens at 201200H.	S.F
1030	7	201030H	Hieu Duc- Request AO extension for 02 CAP. time period 0600 21Feb71 thru 0600 26Feb71. Grids as follows: UL-915740 UR-945740 LR-940710.	S.F
	8	201045H	Hieu Duc- Item#7 denied.	S.F
1305	9	201305H	Div- Co.A- chopped OPCON 1stMar 201305H Feb71.	S.F
1450	10	201450H	Co.D- Passed freq in plain over tactical net.	S.F,Comm
1535	11	201535H	Co.B- B-1 submitted day/night acts for 23Feb71	S.F,M
1700	12	201700H	Co.D- Will be firing 81mm illum on-calls at 2030. At following targets: D5Z, D3Z, D1Z, D4Z, D2Z, 60mm illum at following grids: 947743, 954744, 963743, 960744, 943740.	S.F
1710	13	201710H	Div.G-2-Landline- Outposts, Military bases and ARVN/US checkpoints leading to the city/are to be attacked by sapper squads and special action teams at 2000 on 20Feb71. Primary targets to be attacked within DaNang will be checkpoints and mobile patrol groups. Large amounts of C-4 have been smuggled into city. C-3 source.	S.F
2030	14	202030H	Div- Unit location report for 202100H Feb71.	S.F
			1. Co.A OPCON 1stMar 2. Co.D OPCON 5thMar	
			3. Co.D Division Ridge (AT946744)	
			4. BN CP & Co.B & H&S (AT989709)	
			5. Tactical helilift-Neg 6. Alert condition-4.	
2220	15	202220H	MP (Came from Hoa Vang Village District Headquarters) 1 VC Platoon and local guerrilla	S.F

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TIME IN/OUT	##	DTG	MESSAGE, INCIDENT, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN
	1	210001H	JOURNAL OPENED	
0135	2	210135H	Div- 8 rockets impacted on airstrip. Div Ridge and 327 both notified. Azimuth of 4190 by OP CONDOR. Movement spotted at grid (AT937736). Reported activity in Rumor Valley at grid (AT935725). Suspected launch site at (AT893735).	S, F
0230	3	210230H	H37, AN-HOA, H55 all took rockets. 4800 azimuth from Hill 327. approx 9000 meters out. 1 rocket impacted ASP-1. (AT984736). No damage sustained.	Div, S, F
0252	4	210252H	Div- found 5 impacts of the 8 rockets launched One KC-130 was destroyed.	S, F
	5	210830H	Final determination of rocket launch grid (see item #2) is (AT903734)	S, F
0945	6	210945H	Div- Forecast of events for 22 Feb71. 1. Co. A remain OPCON 1st Mar. 2. Co. C remain OPCON 5th Mar 3. BN CP, Co. B, D, and H&S continue present mission in AO OPCON 1st Mar Div. 4. Tactical helilift - negative	S, F
1230	7	211230H	CH46- Took resupply to Co. B	S, F
1850	8	211850H	Co. D- Zulu report (1) NBC.	S-1, F
2000	9	212000H	Div- Unit location report for 212100H Feb71 Co. A OPCON 1st Mar Co. C OPCON 5th Mar Co. D Division Ridge (AT946744) BN CP, Co. B and H&S (AT989709). Tactical helilift - neg Alert condition - four	S, F
	10	212400H	JOURNAL CLOSED	

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	1	220001H	JOURNAL OPENED	
	2	220040H	81mm illum registration begins	S.F
0220	3	220220H	Div- Weather report for 22-23 Feb71.	S-2, F
0910	4	220910H	81mm Plt Cmdr began firing 81mm mortars	S.F
	5	221140H	Div- Forecast of events for 23 Feb71.	S.F
			1. Co.A remain OPCON 1stMar	
			2. Co.C remain OPCON 5thMar	
			3. BN CP, Co.B CP, Co.D, and H&S Co. con	S.F
			tinue present mission OPCON 1stMarDiv.	
			4. Tactical helilift - negative	
1150	6	221150H	Plt Cmdr 81's- Range activities secured.	S.F
1445	7	221445H	Scamp G-2 moving up Hill 327 with 3 men	
			and gear.	
1450	8	221450H	FLC COG- (telephone msg) Camp Haskins re-	S.F
			ports that Vietnamese small craft are	
			landing at their beach almost daily. Sea	
			Bees contacted harbor authority who said	
			they couldn't do anything about it.	
1615	9	221615H	Scout dogs assigned to Co.C arrived.	S.F
1625	10	221625H	CH46 arrived LZ469.	S.F
	11	221626H	CH46 departed LZ469.	S.F
	12	221830H	Unit Location Report for 22 Feb71.	S.F
			1. Co.A OPCON 1stMar 2. Co.C OPCON 5thMar	
			3. Co.D Division Ridge (AT946744)	
			4. BN CP, Co.B and H&S (AT989709)	
			5. Tactical helilift - negative	
			6. Alert condition - four	
2030	13	222030H	S-2: Intel report- 30 NVA w/1 VCI located	S.F. Co. D
			along stream vicinity (AT962739). Mission:	
			10 men to harass Hoa Loc Village HQ in	
			coming nights and 20 men to launch ground	
			and mortar attack on Hoa Phu Village com-	
			pound. Basic text relayed from Hieu Duc.	
2120	14	222120H	OP CONDOR- H.E. flashes at (AT964735).	
			This is 100 meters from friendly night act.	
2220	15	222220H	B-1- Reports two rocket flashes at 260°	S.F
			azimuth. Contacted B-3 for confirmation.	
	16	222227H	OP CONDOR - reports negative sightings.	S.F
	17	222231H	Hill 327- reports negative rocket flashes.	S.F
			No rockets have impacted in AO.	
2330	18	222330H	FLC- At request of MCE-3, B-2 Reaction	S.F
			squad with Plt Cmdr to 967800 to check on	

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	1	230001H	JOURNAL OPENED	
0245	2	230245H	Div- Weather report for 23-24 Feb71	S-2,F
0800	3	230800H	Follow-up on quick reaction squad 222330H / Feb71. Arrived at Camp Haskins and searched area w/neg results. Squad returned to CP.	S,F
	4	231105H	Div- Forecast of events for 24 Feb71.	S,F
			1. Co. A OPCON 1stMar 2. Co. C OPCON 5thMar	
			2. BN(-) continue ops in AO OPCON 1stMarDiv	
			4. Tactical helilift - negative	
1300	5	231300H	Hoa Vang- HOA PHAT VIQCC, will conduct a search operation within AT985746, 985744, 944750, 996746, from 232000H to 240600H Feb71.	S,F
	6	231350H	BN Commander departed Hill 34.	S,F
1510	7	231510H	BN Commander returned to Hill 34.	S,F
1950	8	231950H	Hoa Vang- Request for clearance of operations in 9471 and 9571 grids. Request cleared.	S,F
	9	232000H	Div- Unit location submitted for 23 Feb71 with no changes.	S,F
2030	10	232030H	Co. A- submitted S/Sgt BLAIR's name for VCG.	S,F
	11	232147H	Co. D- On 24 Feb at 0600, FF Plt 47 will conduct a one day operation at 940713, 953712, 956718, 943719. Operation to be conducted from 240600H to 250600H Feb71.	S,F
	12	232400H	JOURNAL CLOSED	

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	1	240001H	JOURNAL OPENED	
0216	2	240216H	Div- Weather report for 24-25 Feb 1971	S-2, F
0745	3	240745H	Div- Forecast of events for 25 Feb 1971	S, F
			1. Co. A OPCON 1st Mar 2. Co. C OPCON 5th Mar	
			3. Bn (-) continue opns in assigned AO OPCON	
			1st Mar Div. 4. Tactical helilift - neg	
0845	4	240845H	Co. B- 3 man team from G-2 Scamp will operate with B-3.	
0925	5	240925H	CH46- dropped off 2 PAX and departed.	S, F
1115	6	241115H	Div- On 24 Feb 71 NLT 1600 chop one rifle from 1/5 to 1st Mar for opns in 1st Mar AO.	S, F
			Chop effective upon arrival 1st Mar AO.	
1330	7	241330H	HQBN- Intel report- DTG: 161530H Feb 71. Village policeman living in Hoa Khuong Hamlet reported to S-5 "A" on VC activities on the hillside at Phuoc Thuan Hamlet. He said that approx 15-20 VC w/ rifles and packs who were digging holes (AT940736). He sent his intel member as a woodcutter to observe and he reported it was true.	S-2, F
1530	8	241530H	Co. D- D-21 has jumped off from line of departure (AT945744) enroute to objective area (AT940736). Patrol will return when mission is completed. ETA: 1930	S, F
1845	9	241845H	Co. D at 241800H (AT941736) found 01 rocket launch site 18" square at the bottom and 36" square at top. Tree limbs cut away to allow aiming. Foliage was burned in 6 foot area around site. Bottom of rocket site was powder burned. Remainder of area was searched w/ neg relslts.	S, F, S-2, Div
2000	10	242000H	Div- Unit location report for 241200H Feb 71	S, F
			1. Co. A OPCON 1st Mar 2. Co. C OPCON 5th Mar	
			3. Co. D (AT946744) 4. Bn GP, Co. B, H&S Co.	
			(AT989709). Tactical helilift- negative	
			6. Alert condition - four	
2030	11	242030H	504th MP- called saying Hoa Cam was shooting small arms at them. 1/5 COC called Hoa Cam telling them to cease fire. 1/5 called 504th MP and they requested we call Hoa Cam tomorrow and tell them this as its becoming a nightly occurrence.	S, F
12		242400H	JOURNAL CLOSED	

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			1	250001H	JOURNAL OPENED	
0215			2	250215H	Div- Weather Report for 25-26 Feb 1971.	S-2, F
		0945	3	250945H	Div- Forecast of events for 26 Feb 71.	S, f
					(1) Co. A OPCON 1stMar (2) Co. B OPCON 1stMar (3) Co. C OPCON 5thMar (4) Bn (-) continue CAT III ops in AO OPCON 1stMarDiv (5) Tactical helilift- negative	
		1300	4	251300H	Bn. CO departed Hill 34.	S, F
1350			5	251350H	EOD- Ordnance to be destroyed at main gate.	S, F
			6	251500H	Commence helilift of Co. B CHOPPED OPCON to 1stMar	S, F
			7	251635H	Co. B helilift to 1stMar completed.	S, F
1640			8	251640H	Bn CO returned to Hill 34.	S, F
		1810	9	251810H	Bn CO departed Hill 34.	S, F
2100			10	252100H	Co. D- Spot rep.: (a) D-2-2 (b) 252100H (c) 950727 (d) D-2-2 had movement. OP CONDOR verified moving lights outside PFB at above grid. (e) Fired 81mm illum - Negative results. (f) Heg. (n) Final (o) Night	S-1, SM, F
2130			11	252130H	Bn CO returned to Hill 34	S, F
		2145	12	252145H	Div- Tactical helilift rep submitted; (A) Co. B-141 PAX (B) LZ 469 (C) 855795 (D) 1510H (E) 1640H (F) Displacement OPCON to 1stMar (G) HMM 263	S, F
		2200	13	252200H	Div- Unit position report submitted for 25Feb71. (1) Co. A OPCON 1stMar (2) Co. B OPCON 1stMar (3) Co. C OPCON 5thMar (4) Co. D at 946744 (5) Bn (-) CP and H&S Co. at 989709 (6) Tactical helilift- Co. B-141 PAX (7) Alert condition- four	S, F
			14	252400H	JOURNAL CLOSED	

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			1	260001H	JOURNAL OPENED	
0020			2	260020H	Div- Restrictive fire plan "Sandy" discontinued.	S, F
		0215	3	260215H	Div- Weather report for 26-27 Feb 71.	S-2, F
1055			4	261055H	Co. A- Zulu report- E-3, fever 103.8°. Normal behavior (PPB-808696).	S-1, SM, F
			5	261056H	Bn Commander departed Hill 34.	S, F
			6	261115H	Bn Commander returned to Hill 34.	S, F
			7	261350H	Bn Commander, S-3 departed LZ469 to Hill 510.	S, F
			8	261530H	Bn Commander, S-3 returned to Hill 34.	S, F
1530			9	261530H	Co. D- (A) D-2-3 (B) 261205H (C) 045736 (D) While on patrol found marker on trail. Marker was 3 green sticks in shape of "V". Searched area w/ neg results. Vietnamese civilian nearby claimed no knowledge of marker but was reluctant to enter marked area. (N) Final	S, F, Div, S-2
1625			10	261625H	Co. D- day/night acts for 1 Mar 71.	S, F, M
1730			11	261730H	Spot report- (A) D-2-2 (B) 261715H (C) 950728 (D) Vietnamese child informed D-2-2 of M-26 grenade hanging in bush. (E) D-2-2 located grenade at (AT954725). Grenade was 4 feet from ground. Was not rigged as B/T. Engineers will blow on 27 Feb. F-L-neg. M- 01 M-26. N- fair. Clear Brush.	S-2, SM, F
1945			12	261945H	Co. D- Zulu report. 01 NBC cut on chin from fall	S-1, SM, F
	2000		13	262000H	Div- Unit locations for 26 Feb 71.	S, F
			14	262400H	JOURNAL CLOSED	

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	1	270001H	JOURNAL OPENED	
0200	2	270200H	Div- Weather Report for 27-28 Feb71.	S,F
0820	3	270820H	HQBN- 20 Vietnamese civilians cutting wood on slopes from (AT943754) southeast to (AT948749) in violation of authorized work areas.	S,F, Div Hoa Vang
0920	4	270920H	Div- Forecast of events for 28 Feb71.	S,F
			1. Co.A and Co.B OPCON 1stMar	
			2. Co.C OPCON 5thMar	
			3. Bn(-) continue Cat III ops in AO OPCON	
			1stMarDiv. 4. Tactical helilift request-	
			negative.	
1120	5	271120H	Bn XO departed Hill 34.	S,F
1305	6	271305H	Bn XO returned to Hill 34.	S,F
1400	7	271400H	Bn Commander departed Hill 34.	S,F
1630	8	271630H	Bn Commander returned to Hill 34.	S,F
2135	9	272135H	Div- Called on landline and wanted a spot report on the KNBC of the night of 26 Feb71.	S,F
2145	10	272145H	Div- Unit position report as of 272100H Feb71. (A) Co.A&B OPCON 1stMar (B) Co.C OPCON 5thMar (C) Co.D (AT946744) (D) Bn CP (-), H&S Co. (AT989709) (E) Tacti- cal helilift- negative. (G) Alert condition- four.	S,F
21	11	272400H	JOURNAL CLOSED	

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	1	280001H	JOURNAL OPENED	
0235	2	280235H	Div- Weather report for 28 Feb71.	/S-2,F
	3	280745H	S-3 departed Hill 34 enroute to Baldy.	/S,F
1015	4	281015H	Div- Forecast of events for 1 Mar 71.	/S,F
			1. Co.A and B OPCON 1stMar 2. Co.C OPCON	
			5thMar. 3. Bn(-) continue CAT III ops in	
			AO OPCON 1stMarDiv. 4. Tactical Helilift-	
			negative.	
1300	5	281300H	S-3 returned to Hill 34.	/S,F
1315	6	281315H	Bn Commander departed Hill 34.	/S,F
1400	7	281400H	S-3 departed Hill 34.	/S,F
1430	8	281430H	CH46- dropped off 25 PAX from Baldy.	/S,F
1435	9	281435H	Bn Commander Returned to Hill 34.	/S,F
1450	10	281450H	S-3 returned to Hill 34.	/S,F
1715	11	281715H	Co.D- submitted day/night acts for 2 Mar 71	/S,F
2040	12	282040H	Div- Unit position report as of 282100H	/S,F
			Feb71. (A) Co.A and Co.B OPCON 1stMar	
			(B) Co.C OPCON 5thMar. (C) Co.D (AT946744)	
			(D) BN CP(-) and H&S Co. (AT989709).	
			(E) Tactical helilift- negative (F) Alert	
			condition- four.	
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	1	050001H	JOURNAL OPENED	
	2	050600H	B-2- Night Acts returned. Reported the loss of 01 Frag by the third squad.	F, S
	3	050750H	B-23- Returned to night act position to look for frag. M2C	F, S
	4	050830H	B-2,3- Returned with the missing frag.	F, S
	5	051300H	B-2- Two day acts departed.	F, S
	6	051530H	B-2-1- Day act returned.	F, S
	7	051545H	B-2-3- Day act returned.	F, S
	8	051700H	1/5 S-3 arrived at FLC COC to find out why the 1/5 COC Watch Officer at Hill 34 had been unable to contact the 1/5 Watch Officer at FLC. In order to get MCB 3 to check fire on the night of Feb. 4 illum canisters had been landing in a nearby compound. 1/5 COC Watch Officer at Hill 34 talked to the FLC Watch Officer concerning the check fire. The FLC Watch Officer knew nothing about the firing and the 1/5 Watch Officer at FLC was not informed.	F, S
1800	9	051800H	S-3B- Informed MCB 3 that illum canisters had not been impacting in the ocean as planned.	MCB 3
	10	051805H	B-2- Night acts departed.	F, S
	11	052400H	JOURNAL CLOSED	
			Summary: Continued defensive patrolling in Sector A.	

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	1	220000H	JOURNAL OPENED	
	2	220605H	B-2- Night acts returned.	F. S
	3	221000H	B-2- Day act departed.	F. S
	4	221055H	B-2- Day act returned.	F. S
	5	221400H	B-2- Day act departed.	F. S
	6	221600H	B-2- Day act returned. B-2 found approximately 100 rds. of 30 cal. link ammo at coordinates 969775.	F. S
1630	7	221630H	MCB 3 S-2- Called to inform the 1/5 S-3 Rep. of recent problems with Vietnamese civilian small craft landing on the Camp Haskins beach.	F. S
	8	221800H	B-2- Night acts departed.	F. S
	9	221830H	B-2- Night act which to be located at grid 953768 returned due to comm difficulties.	F. S
2210	10	222210H	FLC Watch Officer- Informed 1/5 S-3 Rep. that Camp Haskins had been firing 60mm illum over the ocean off their beach. 1/5 S-3 Rep. called Camp Haskins but the Watch Officer was not present. Informed phone to find the Watch Officer and have same call back immediately.	F. S
2220	11	222220H	MCB 3 Watch Officer- Called requesting clearance to fire 81mm illum 200m southeast along the shoreline from concentration 17. Relayed request to 1/5 and received neg. clearance. Informed MCB 3 of this.	F. S
2300	12	222300H	MCB 3- Called requesting that 1/5 send React squad to check out boats and personnel on the beach, immediately south of Camp Haskins perimeter.	F. S
	13	222320H	React squad departed.	F. S
2330	14	222330H	FLC COC S-3 1/5- Sent Msg. to 1/5 COC concerning action and requesting notification of Hoa Vang.	F. S
	15	222400H	JOURNAL CLOSED	

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	1	250001H	JOURNAL OPENED	
	2	250600H	106- Night acts returned.	F, S
	3	250745H	NCO School- Patrol departed.	F, S
	4	250930H	NCO School- Patrol returned.	F, S
	5	251300H	106- Patrol departed.	F, S
	6	251515H	106- Patrol returned.	F, S
	7	251515H	1/5 Bn. Cdr. arrived at the FLC COC to inquire about operations.	F, S
	8	251530H	1/5 Bn. Cdr. departed.	F, S
	9	251800H	106- Night acts departed.	F, S
2025	10	252025H	FLC H&S Bn. S-3- Informed 1/5 S-3 Rep. that the night of 25 Feb. is a very high threat period for rocket and/or sapper activity in Danang area. Informed Camp Viking and Camp Haskins of same.	F, S
2035	11	252035H	S-3 Rep.- Sent Msg. to the night acts advising them to increase alert status for the night.	F, S
	12	252400H	JOURNAL CLOSED	
			Summary: Continued defensive patrolling in Sector, A.	

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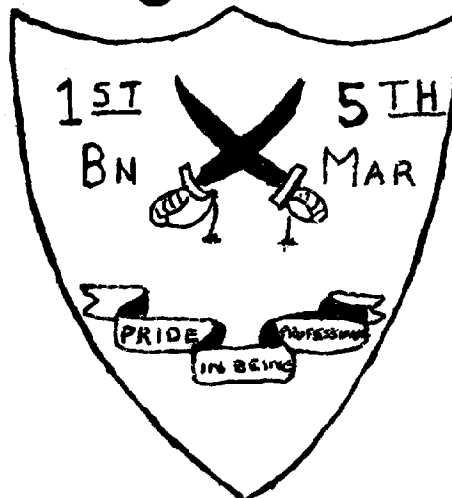
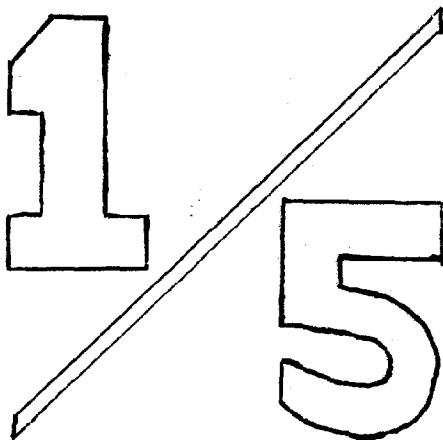
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NEWS ABOUT
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ONE GOOD DEAL AFTER ANOTHER

1ST BATTALION, 5TH MARINES @ 1ST MARINE DIVISION (-)(REIN), FMF

Volume II, No. 4

1 March 1971

CO's COMMENTS. . . .

I have noted a marked improvement in personal appearance and military courtesy throughout the battalion during this last month and am particularly pleased. When a Marine takes pride in his personal appearance and looks sharp and squared away you can bet that his weapon is the same way and that he does his job with the same sense of pride and accomplishment. When Marines exchange snappy and military salutes combined with a verbal greeting it is a strong expression of mutual respect and esprit de corps that is part of our heritage. These are healthy signs and good indicators of unit morale and efficiency. Keep up the good work.

-- LtCol F.A. HART, Jr., Commanding

MORE GOOD SCOOP FROM THE IO

Proficiency marks are the subject of this final article concerning 'Pro and Con' marks and the compilation of your "cutting score." Remember, a 3.5 proficiency mark is necessary for an Honorable Discharge.

PROFICIENCY

<u>MARK</u>	<u>RATING</u>	<u>STANDARD</u>
0 to 1.9	Unsat	Does unacceptable work in most of his duties, generally undependable; needs considerable assistance and close supervision.
2 to 2.9	Poor	Does acceptable work in some of his duties but cannot be depended upon. Needs assistance and close supervision.
3. to 3.9	Fair	Handles routine matters acceptably but needs close supervision when performing duties not of a routine nature.
4 to 4.4	Good	Can be depended upon to discharge regular duties thoroughly and competently.
4.5 to 4.8	Excellent	Does excellent work in all regular duties, but needs assistance in dealing with extremely difficult or unusual assignments.
4.9 to 5	Outstanding	Does superior work in all of his duties. Even extremely difficult or unusual assignments can be given to him with full confidence that they will be handled in a thoroughly competent manner.

Any Marine who follows his oath of enlistment should have no difficulty in obtaining those marks which will assure promotion and an Honorable Discharge. The requirements are comparatively easy -- much easier than in civilian life. Regardless of how an other than honorable discharge affects your future -- jobs, schools, etc., or whether you just consider it an easy way out, it means one thing above all else: a personal failure on the part of the individual Marine. To fail while in the Marine Corps is difficult -- to succeed takes personal pride and push, but it is the best road.

"I do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same; and that I will obey the orders of the President of the United States and the orders of the officers appointed over me, according to the regulations and the Uniform Code of Military Justice. So help me God."

HISTORY OF FIRST BATTALION, FIFTH MARINES

PART II

Following World War II, as part of the Regiment, the First Battalion went to China for occupation duty. In October 1949, they returned to Camp Pendleton, Calif. and stayed at that training base until the Communists crossed the 38th Parallel in Korea in mid-1950. As part of the 1st Provisional Brigade, they landed at Pusan, Korea a short while later. They served for a short time on the Pusan Perimeter and then joined the rest of the 1st Division to make the amphibious assault on Inchon and Wonsan. In November 1950, the 1st Battalion, along with the 1st Division, having been cut off by the Communists at the Chosin Reservoir, along with 2/5 and 3/5 made the deepest penetration inside enemy lines south of the Yalu River. Following the break-out at Chosin, after a short rest, the Battalion joined the rest of the Allied Forces in Central Korea to participate in operations against the Communists in 1951. With the Regiment, they also participated in many battles on positions with names such as Reno, Carson, Vegas, etc. The 1st Battalion, 5th Marines returned to Camp Pendleton from overseas in February 1955.

From 1959 to 1965, the Battalion was designated as Battalion Landing Team 1/5 and continually rotated as part of the transplacement program between the 1st Marine Division at Camp Pendleton, California and the 3rd Marine Division on Okinawa. On 1 July 1965 the BLT sailed from Long Beach, California to Kaneohe Bay, Hawaii, and became a part of the 1st Marine Brigade. The Battalion underwent an extensive training cycle prior to sailing for South Vietnam on 22 February 1966. On 3 March 1966 the BLT began preparation for Operation "Jackstay" in the Rung Sat Special Zone. The area of operation (in the Saigon River Delta) was one of the worst mangrove swamps ever encountered by Marines. From 26 March until 6 April 1966 the BLT captured and destroyed numerous munition factories, repair shops and a large VC hospital plus hundreds of thousands of rounds of various types of ammunition. Three weeks later found the BLT again hitting the beaches of Phu Loc on Operation "Osage". The BLT came ashore permanently on 2 May 1966. After sending all attached units back to their parent organizations, the Battalion became OPCON to the 7th Marines for Operation "Montgomery", which lasted from 6 May 1966 to 14 May 1966. On 15 May 1966 the Battalion moved to a Combat Base on Hill 54, twelve miles north of Chu Lai. The Battalion conducted nine battalion size operations and numerous company size and platoon size operations, in addition to continuous patrol activities within the TACR. On 10 August 1966, while on Operation "Colorado", the Battalion became engaged with two Main Force North Vietnamese Battalions. After a five hour engagement, the enemy broke contact, leaving 236 dead. The Battalion also participated in Operations "Dover", "Sutter" and "Napa".

On 7 February 1967 1/5 participated in Operation "Clay" in the Pineapple Forest north of the Provincial Capital, Tam Ky. Again, on 17 February, 1/5 was committed to Operation "Rio Grande" in the southern portion of I Corps, south of Quang Ngai. On 5 March 1967, 1/5, along with 3/5, was chopped back to the 5th Marine Regiment from the 7th Marine Regiment, therefore being relieved of the possibility of returning to 7th Marines area south of Chu Lai. At this point 1/5 was able to work their TACR more effectively. Although they still maintained one Company as part of the Chu Lai Defense Command to secure the perimeter around the air strip, 1/5, always on the alert to help allies in the area, conducted numerous Platoon (+) and Company (-) activities in order to hold a firm control of the Battalion TACR. Working their TACR on 12 March 1967, 1/5 participated in Operation "Tippicanoe" in the westernmost area of the TACR. The end of the seasonal monsoon saw 1/5 working its TACR with constant, aggressive patrols through late April.

SGTMAJ NEVEU's NOTES

Listed below are important excerpts from Division Order 1020.1G, Div Uniform Regulations:

All items of clothing will be clean and properly maintained. Personnel will be clean shaven, operational commitments permitting. It is recognized that under combat conditions standards of appearance must be adjusted to compensate for lack of time, water and facilities; however, when not exposed on a prolonged basis to this situation, all hands are expected to present a neat military appearance. Conversely, this Order is not intended to alter the accepted rules of camouflage in required areas.

(1) Haircuts. Reference (b) prescribes that hair shall be worn neatly and closely trimmed. It shall be clipped at the sides and back so as present an evenly graduated appearance. The hair at the top must not be over 3 inches in length. Long or conspicuous sideburns are prohibited. The afro natural haircut is authorized provided it conforms to aforementioned standards. Navy personnel wearing the MARCOR uniform while assigned to a MARCOR unit shall abide by the grooming standards for Marines. However, Navy personnel authorized to wear the Navy uniform while assigned to a MARCOR unit are governed by Navy grooming regulations. Conversely, local orders shall not prohibit personnel from wearing their hair to the limits authorized.

d. Jewelry. The only items of jewelry that may be worn in conjunction with the uniform are wrist watches and inconspicuous rings. Religious medals and medallions suspended on inconspicuous chains and beads may be worn around the neck, similar to the standard identification tags; however, they will remain concealed under either the coat or undershirt.

e. Sun Glasses. Sun glasses may be worn on leave, liberty or in garrison, but not in formation with troops. Sun glasses, when worn, shall be conservative in appearance. Chains or ribbons will not be attached to sun glasses. Personnel required to wear subscription glasses may wear an inconspicuous elastic band for the purpose of holding glasses in place.

f. Miscellaneous. No articles, such as pencils, pens, watch chains, fobs, pins, jewelry, handkerchief, combs, cigars, cigarettes, pipes, or similar items shall be worn or carried exposed upon the uniform.

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USO STATESIDE TELEPHONE SERVICE
GOLDEN GATE USO (by 1st MAW)

Sun/Fri: 0900-1600, 2000-2300
 Tues/Wed/Sat: 0900-2300
 (it is best to be there by 1800 for calls at 2000 and later)

CHINA BEACH USO

Tue/Wed/Sat: 0900-1600
 95th EVAC. HOSPITAL (patients first)
 Mon/Thur: 0900-1600, 2000-2300

MARS CALLS HOME
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Morning	0900	Calif.	Daily
Afternoon	1400	Hawaii	Daily except Sun/Mon
Evening	2130	Calif.	Daily
		MAC-16 (Marble Mtn MARS Station)	
Evening	2000	ElToro	Odd Days
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Morn's	0700	"	" "
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Aft's	1500	Hawaii	Daily (not Sun/Mon)

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PREACHER'S PULPIT

The majority of the Officers, SNCO's and men of this Battalion have not worshiped in Hill 34 Chapel since I have been in the Battalion. Will you go through a full tour in the Nam and not worship with us there? The Lord, Super Sky-Six, has a command about regular worship together. The Christian season of Lent is a fine time to change your pattern of living, particularly in your worship life. Start now and keep it up when you get back to the States! God says He will bless all who honor Him and thank Him, among other things, in the assembly of His people. See you in Chapel, for YOUR sake! If you're not on Hill 34, but close to Division or FLC Chapels, you are more than welcome there. Get your stuff together!

Our worship schedule here on the Hill is:

0900, Sunday - Catholic Mass
1000, " - Protestant Worship
1330, " - LDS (Mormon)

At Division the schedule is:

1800, Saturday - Catholic Mass
0730, Sunday - LDS
1000, " - Catholic
1100, " - Protestant

At FLC the schedule is:

0800, Sunday - Catholic
1000, " - Protestant
1330, " - LDS
1700, " - Catholic

Besides the regularly scheduled Services, there are others, when announced, and the Services I hold at 1130, Sunday on Hill 327 and during the week on Division Ridge in accord with the work, etc. sked there, plus occasional Services in the 'bush'.

For your general information, the Catholic Chaplain here on the Hill, LT J. GROSKO, CHC, USNR, has his office and hootch next to the Dentist, near the PX. He is with 3rd 8". My office is near the Chapel and my hootch, with the S-3, is next to the BnCP and COC Bunker. Leave a note in the respective S-1 Guard Mail boxes if you can't find us. We do travel around alot! Give your name, rank and Co., Plt., & Sect.

OF SPECIAL CONCERN
(from the Chaplain)

A KIDNEY MACHINE is urgently needed for a 4 1/2 year old boy in San Jose, Calif. born with underdeveloped kidneys and now just one is functioning. Parents and friends of the family are collecting 800,000 Betty Crocker coupons for the costly machine. Have your family and friends send their coupons by mail directly to Tommy Davis, 6220 Omaha Court, San Jose, California 95123.

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"Once upon a time there were four men who belonged to the same church. Their names were Joe SOMEBODY, George ANYBODY, Jack EVERYBODY and Sam NOBODY.

EVERYBODY thought he would like to go to Church School but he figured SOMEBODY would be friendly with ANYBODY so NOBODY went.

EVERYBODY was asked to teach a Sunday School class, but he thought surely ANYBODY would want to be a teacher and at least SOMEBODY would want to do it; but NOBODY finished up teaching it.

Whenever there is a job to be done, EVERYBODY agrees with ANYBODY that SOMEBODY will do it, but NOBODY does it.

Precious memories: These four men died and went to be with the Lord. Guess who got the rewards? You're right! NOBODY. Amen."

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"Christianity is like some diseases. If you get inoculated with small doses of it, you may never catch the real thing."

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QUOTABLE QUOTES

"Courage that is not accompanied by good sense is hardly a virtue."

"Good ideas are worthless unless they are changed into good deeds."

"Where self-control ends, self-debasement begins."

"Love that asks and takes is not real love. Real love sacrifices and struggles against all the odds."

"Showing-off is the fool's idea of glory."

"Self-education makes great men."

RIFLE COMPANIES REPORT NEWS

ALFA -- The Company has been like a jumping bean this month! It has moved throughout the Division TACR. Even with all the movement the troop morale is high. During the brief two days that Company 'A' was in the rear the troops enjoyed a 'beer bust', with all that each man could eat or drink. We extend our thanks to the 1/5 messhall and Sgt KIEL for providing some great chow.

Congratulations to Gunnery Sergeant HONAKER and Sergeant COOKE for being good Marines! They received their fifth and second Good Conduct Medals, respectively. Speaking of medals and ribbons, a 'well done' to the troops of Alfa 3 whose members finally received their CAR's in the Que Son Mtns their last time out. It's neat to get another ribbon, says one Marine, but he says he has no anticipation of another. (??????)

During the month of February the Company took great pleasure in the promotion of the following Marines: Private First Class was awarded to W.K. CHAPMAN and J.J. JAWORSKI; Those promoted to Lance Corporal were S. HODGE, J.L. SHIPP, D.A. CRNELAS, A.J. BARNETT, J.L. AGUAYO and S.G. BULINSKI; and, due to the higher cutting scores, few men were promoted to Corporal, but those who were are R. BURRELL, J.R. CHAVANA and W.A. YOUNGREN. (I knew there had to be a good Scandahoovian in there somewhere!)

Company 'A' is delighted to have their First Sergeant back from R&R in Hawaii. He says he spent alot of money but it was worth it! The Co. XO is especially glad to have him back, greeting him with a "Glad to have ya' back, 'Top' AIMS!"

With the rapidity and extent of transfers in and out of the Company, we do not want to forget to thank all those who took part in making 1st Battalion, 5th Marine history for a job well done and to extend greetings to those of you who have recently joined the Company. This all means we're getting 'SHORT'!!!

BRAVO - Still 'with it', Bravo Company has just returned to the 'bush'. Joining us are new arrivals from the 1st Marines, whom we wish a hearty 'Welcome Aboard!! These men are: Sgt M.W. CASTER, Ferndale, MI, Cpl's G.R. STANLEY, Bay City, MI, K.N. STANLEY, A. AGRON, Bronx, N.Y., G.R.G. COUNTTRYMAN, Vincentown, NJ, C.E. RILEY, Memphis, TN, C.G. MCINTYRE, LA, CAL., S.F. CAROCCO, Cambridge, MA, J.E. PENROSE, Sacramento, CA, K.C. FIELDER, Jr. of Bloomington, IN, M.A. CRONIS, Tacoma, WA, J.E. SCOTT, Strongsville, OH, J.E. BIRDS, Toledo, OH; LCpl's H.D. GATES, Lafayette, LA, J. MATA, Jr., of Calipatria, CA, C.E. HALL, Birmingham, AL, R.G. SWARTHOUT, Silver Spngs, MD, H.L. SPENCER, N.Y. NY, N. VEREEN, Jr. of Daytona Beach, FL, D.L. WORRELL, Longmont, CO, P.W. DUNN, Riverside, CA, J.P. KENOE, West Action, MA, H.L. GREEN, Awenden, SC, D.C. MCKENZIE, Rialto, CA, M.D. RICHTER, Hazen, ND, W.B. SICKLER, Tampa, FL, L.D. BATCHELOR, Dallas, TX, S.H. LOTT, Hardin, TX, W.M. HARRIS, Phila., PA, L.J. TAYLOR, Columbus, GA, T.M. ROBERTS, Gordenville, MO, G.E. ZARBOCK, Racine, WI, C.L. YOUNG, Federalsburg, MD, A. WHITFIELD, Jr. of Clearwater, FL, C.M. WHITE, Palm Beach, FL, R.L. WELCH, Granite City IL, C. WALTON, Phila. PA, M.A. GUTTEIRREZ, Vallejo, CA, P. GOMEZ, Jr. of New Haven, MD, B.R. DEATHERIDGE, Beaumont, CA, J.A. PALADINO, Bronx, NY, J.R. PHILLIPS, Columbia, SC, J.W. LOVEDAY, Sieverville, TN, D.J. GUIDROZ, New

NEWS FROM THE RIFLE COMPANIES (cont'd)

BRAVO - Orleans, LA, J.N. MAUER, Harahan, LA, D.E. BLANKENSHIP, Pounding Mill, VA, P.E. SITZMAN, Plymouth, IA, K.J. WAGNER, St. Paul, MN, D.L. NEIL, Avalon, TX, B.C. JENSON, Eau Claire, WI, S.L. SHOOP, Mapleton, PA and PFC Samuel BAILEY, St. Albans, NY.

Congratulations to the following men upon their promotion to their present rank: Cpl's D.L. CORUTHERS, C.D. JOHNSON, D.K. WATSON, R.A. BOUCHETTE, J.R. TOSH, and L.D. BATCHELOR. Finally, congratulations to 'Gunny' John V. BROWNE, our Company Gunnery Sergeant, who just shipped over for six more glorious years (his third enlistment)!

CHARLIE -- Company 'C' recently added another operation to their long list of accomplishments by participating with elements of the First Marines and Popular Forces. Not wanting to get out of practice, Charlie Company took one day to relax from their demanding schedule, then took off again for their home away from home - the Que Sons!

Congratulations to Gunnery Sergeant FRADY and Staff Sergeant ETHERIDGE on their new billets as Company First Sergeant and Company Gunnery Sergeant.

Congratulations to Sergeant TYLER and Lance Corporal DOHRING, who both recently received Meritorious Masts from Lieutenant Colonel HART for their outstanding performance in Charlie's administrative affairs. Congratulations are also in order for Charlie's newest Corporal, Cpl ROGNESS (alias Hollywood), promoted recently and doing an outstanding job on the Unit Diary.

'Welcome Aboard' to Cpl LINDVALL, who recently joined us from 2/1. He is presently undergoing extensive training in translating Lieutenant ANDREWS' stylish handwriting and unique method of writing end-of-tour awards. Good luck! And, yes, we must bid 'sayonara' to our XO, Lt. ANDREWS, who leaves in early March for duty at Quantico, Va. Best wishes and congratulations for an outstanding job in the Nam! Now who will challenge the ingenuity of Cpl LINDVALL? (See, I knew it, another Swede!)

DELTA -- On, or about, 28 February, Delta will be saying 'Farewell' to Lieutenant ALBRITTON as Company Commander. Lt. ALBRITTON has been our CO since 5 December 1970, taking the place of Capt ROBINSON, and will be rotating in early March. Congratulations to him for doing an outstanding job as our CO! Taking his place will be 1stLt McCOWN, who arrived in RVN on 2 February after a 5 month stint on Okinawa.

The third platoon would like to congratulate LCpl NOYES, who recently took a 14 day leave in CONUS. He returned from the 'world' with the announcement that he is now engaged to Miss Lorie KLIMELS of Garden Grove, Calif. His fiancée is presently attending Fullerton Junior College.

The pay raise came just in time for LCpl WARD and his wife, Joan, who were blessed with a set of twins on 10 February. Donna Lee and Richard Paul are the two newest additions to Hopewell, VA, where the family resides. The whole family is in good health.

The 27th of February will be a sad day for the third herd when it loses its Platoon Sgt, SSgt PUCKETT. He is heading back to Texas, where he will

Delta (Continued) - be reunited with his wife and four children. We wish him the best of luck and thank him for all that he has done.

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Hand-drawn sign that reads "A NO-NO"

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SCOOP FROM THE SECTIONS

H&S COMM

It is a pleasure to welcome MSgt AMEY, the new Rn Comm Chief. MSgt AMEY reported in from Camp Lejeune, 2nd MarDiv. The Comm section also welcomes the following men from the 1st Marines: Sgt J.P. RHODES; Cpl's R.R. IMLER and J.T. WINTERS; and LCpl's D.R. OLSEN (now there is a name!), T.J. KOLB, B.G. BROWN, J.A. RUELE, G.R. PORTER, L.J. MARTINEZ, A.J. ANDERSON, M. SMITH, E.J. SMITH, R.J. WALLEN, S. PERRY, D.E. PERRON, E.K. BOWEN, G.T. THOM, A.E. GREEN and L.R. LYNCH.

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Congratulations to new Cpl's R.W. ARBSTER, N.T. CURRY and K.A. SMITH, promoted as of 1Feb71. We bid 'goodbye' to Cpl PALMER, who left on 22 Feb for CONUS. His next 'duty' is RELAD. Good luck in the future! SSgt HORN is soon to depart for CONUS, also. His RTD is 8 March. His next duty station will be FortTrps, North Carolina. He retires on 31 July 1971. We thank SSgt HORN for his good work during his time with 1/5 and wish him success in the future upon his retirement.

Lt. ANDREWS, the MTO, is taking a short trip beginning 26 Feb. He is going to Sydney on R&R for a bit of fun. Enjoy yourself, Lt!

Pre-embark cleaning of mules and trailers is coming very well. Sections and companies should keep their drivers busy cleaning their vehicles when not actually working so that the pre-embark, final cleaning will be easier.

IF
YOU WANT TO BE 'HOOKED',
GET HOOKED ON JESUS!

SCOOP FROM THE SECTIONSS-1DUTY STATION EXCHANGE PROGRAM
(MCO 1301.18)

Although individual preference of duty is a major consideration in determining future assignments for Marines, it frequently occurs that personnel must be assigned to locations and duty not of their choosing due to Marine Corps needs and the constraints of individual and billet availability. Where such assignments have to be effected, it has been determined that the situation occasionally exists where two individuals have been ordered to duty stations which they could mutually agree to exchange while continuing to satisfy Marine Corps requirements at each station. The afore-mentioned order provides the means for such exchange.

Personnel are authorized to request exchange of duty provided the following criteria are set:

1. Individuals concerned are of same grade and possess an MOS compatible with the duty assignment and mutually agree to exchange future assignments.
- 2.. Both are in receipt of orders and have not moved dependents or personal effects at Government expense in conjunction with those orders.
3. Both have sufficient active service remaining to meet tour length requirements for the duty stations under consideration.
4. If the proposed exchange involves one unaccompanied WestPac assignment, both assignments in question must be unaccompanied in WestPac.
5. Both individuals must meet all essential assignment criteria for duty stations to be exchanged.

If you find someone willing to change assignments and you meet all of the prerequisites mentioned above, see your Company First Sergeant for administrative assistance in submitting your request.

"SKY MARSHAL"

(MCBul 1910 of 5Jan71)

Interested in a secure job, travel and the possibilities of excitement?

The "Sky Marshal" Program is a special recruiting program which will be accomplished under the existing Civilian Police Recruiting Program outlined in MCO 1910.26A. The program offers employment as a Customs Security Officer in Civil Service grades GS-4, 5 or 7 depending on the qualifications of applicants.

About 2100 security officers will be hired to enforce complex customs and related laws to deter smuggling and pilferage and to detect and prevent criminal acts at airports and in-flight on U.S. flag air carriers. These officers will replace temporary agents now riding as armed guards. New marshals will be used at key "gateway" airports around the country. Two out of every three months will be spent flying.

Qualified military personnel may apply. INTERESTED? See your Company First Sergeant for further information.

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SCOOP FROM THE SECTIONSS-3

Welcome aboard to Cpl Darick FULLEM (Pittsburgh, PA), Cpl Tim CARTWRIGHT (Botkins, OH) and Sgt Roy BEMBRY (Orange, TX). They come from the 1st Marines and are a welcome addition to the '3' shop.

Sgt BEMBRY has a lengthy experience with the various Marine Corps training programs and is assigned as Indoctrination Instructor. He has his hands full with new personnel reporting into the Battalion almost daily. The Corps proves to be small again: Sgt BEMBRY's last Stateside tour was Instructor duty at 2nd ITR, working with Capt. R.B. ROBINSON, the present Operations Assistant.

Cpl CARTWRIGHT served a tour with the 5th MEB prior to coming to Vietnam. "Humping the hills of Camp Pendleton provided good training for the hills of Vietnam", he tells us, "but you could see a little better!" Cpl CARTWRIGHT is a proficient typist and is industrious as well.

Cpl FULLEM, a draftsman, spent his last Stateside tour as a grunt in 'Swamp' Lejeune, NC. The area is fairly flat, but vegetation is almost as beautiful as that in Vietnam. "The Marine Corps trains you with a little bit of everything," he states, "but horticulture has never been my bag!"

A point of interest: 1/5 has one of the largest and most complex Areas of Operation of any comparable Marine unit in Vietnam. This battalion provides or coordinates security for the 1stMarDiv Headquarters and subordinate units, for FLC, for H.Q. III MAF and many independent commands within the AO. The VIP list is not short, either, with one LtGen, one MajGen and one BGen enjoying the protection of 1/5. Security is an important function of any 'grunt' unit and should never be taken lightly. The fine job being done by the men of this Battalion in meeting these security requirements is a testament to the pride and professionalism of all the 1st Battalion, 5th Marines.

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A recent Bn Special Order, dated 25 Feb 1971 provided the following assignment:

ROBINSON, R.B.	CWO2	H&S	1Mar71	ADD	Bn "Couth" Officer
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I would suggest the following for our other 'new' Warrant Officer:

PITCHER, K.E.	CWO2	H&S	1Mar71	ADD	Bn "Rumor" Officer
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TAB "D" BATTALION SPECIAL ORDER NUMBER 69-71

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HEADQUARTERS
First Battalion, Fifth Marines
First Marine Division (-) (Rein), FMF
FPO San Francisco, California 96602

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24 Feb 1971

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BATTALION SPECIAL ORDER
NUMBER 69-71

1. The following assignment is directed.

NAME	ORG	ED	REMARKS
MCCOY, C. Jr.	1stLt USMC	"D"	28 Feb 71
011 20 79/0302			Commanding Officer, Company "D" vice Lt. ALBRITTON, relieved awaiting detachment.

2. The following reassignments are directed.

NAME	ORG	ED	REPORT TO
QUINN, E. J. Jr.	Cpl. USMC	"B"	25 Feb 71
245 66 51/0311			CO, Company "H&S" fordu w/S-1.

3. The following change of MOS is directed.

NAME	ORG	FROM	TO
PHILLIPS, J. N.	1stLt USMC	"A"	PRIMARY
011 32 16/0301			Prim 0302 Infantry Officer. MOS's now 0302/0000. Auth MCO P1000.6 par 1104.3b.

S. E. CARLIN
1STLT USMC

Adjutant

By direction of the Commanding Officer

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TAB "E" MEMORANDUM ON SPECIAL TRAINING DATED 19 FEB 1971

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HEADQUARTERS
First Battalion, Fifth Marines
First Marine Division (-)(Rein) FMF
FPO San Francisco, California 96602

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1500
19 Feb 1971

MEMORANDUM

From: Commanding Officer
To: Distribution List

Subj: Special Training, Drug Abuse Classes; scheduled for the period
22 February to 27 February 1971.

Ref: (a) CG, 1stMarDiv msg 250730Z Jan 71

1. Purpose. To publish instructions for the coordination of the subject training.

2. General

a. Reference (a) provides the services of HM2 COLLINS (DIVISION INSPECTION SECTION) for special Drug Abuse Lectures to all E-5 and below.

b. The classes are approximately 50 minutes in length, with the last 20 minutes being a question and answer period.

c. Arrangements have been made for the subject class to be given to members of this command in accordance to the schedule listed in paragraph three.

3. Schedule

a. 22 Feb 71:

Co. D - Division Ridge 0900-1100, 1300-1500

b. 23 Feb 71

Co B - Hill 327 0900-1100, FLC 1030-1230, "B" Rear, Hill 34
1500-1600

c. 26 Feb 71

Co. A Rear - Hill 34 0900 - 1100

d. 27 Feb 71

H&S Co. - Hill 34 0900-1100, 1300-1500


4. Action

a. S-3 Training will:

- (1) Provide the Indoc Classroom for all Hill 34 classes.
- (2) Provide transportation for the Instructor.
- (3) Assure proper coordination of scheduling and facilities.

b. Company Training Officers will:

- (1) Assure maximum participation within the time frames listed in paragraph 3.
- (2) Assure that classes have no more than twenty-five Marines per class.
- (3) Schedule seperate sessions for E-5/E-4 and for E-3 and below.


W. H. ANDERSON
By direction

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TAB "F" BATTALION BULLETIN 1650 DATED 14 FEB 1971
MERITORIOUS MAST; CASE OF SGT J. M. TYLER

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HEADQUARTERS
First Battalion, Fifth Marines
First Marine Division (-) (Rein) FMF
APO San Francisco, California 96302

BnBul 1650
FAH/deg
14 Feb 1971

BATTALION BULLETIN 1650

From: Commanding Officer
To: Distribution List

Subj: Meritorious Mast; case of Sergeant John M. TYLER 247 97 18/0141
U. S. Marine Corps

Ref: (a) MCO 1650.19
(b) MCO P1070.8 IRAM, par 4012

1. Purpose. To award Meritorious Mast to Sergeant John M. TYLER
247 97 18/0141 U. S. Marine Corps.

2. Meritorious Mast

I take great pleasure in awarding this Meritorious Mast to Sergeant TYLER for his outstanding performance of duties as Chief Clerk of Company C, First Battalion, Fifth Marines from 4 November 1970 to 14 February 1971.

Sergeant TYLER has displayed outstanding initiative since assuming his duties on 4 November 1970. He applied himself and his professional knowledge in preparing the company records for an upcoming Division Administrative Inspection. With his "can do" attitude and untiring energy he succeeded in having the Company Office in excellent condition and received an outstanding grade on the complete inspection.

On 31 December 1970 Sergeant TYLER took on the additional duties of Unit Diary Clerk in the absence of the Unit Diary Clerk. He continued with all his duties in an outstanding manner, while at the same time instructing a new Service Record Book Clerk.

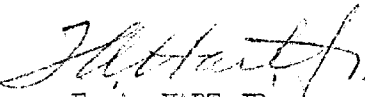
Sergeant TYLER is continually instructing his clerks and keeping them alert to all changes and proper administrative procedures.

Sergeant TYLER maintains himself in an excellent degree of personal appearance. His devotion to duty and initiative have earned him the respect of his superiors and subordinates alike, and are in keeping with the highest standards of the Marine Corps.

3. Action. In accordance with the provisions of references (a) and (b), the Commanding Officer, Company C is directed to have an appropriate entry made in Sergeant TYLER's Service Record Book. A copy of this Meritorious Mast will be forwarded with Sergeant TYLER's next fitness report.

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14 Feb 1971

4. Self-Cancellation. 13 July 1971.


F. A. HART JR.

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TAB "G" BATTALION BULLETIN 1650 DATED 14 FEB 1971
MERITORIOUS MAST; CASE OF LCPL W. F. DOHRING

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HEADQUARTERS
First Battalion, Fifth Marines
First Marine Division (-) (Rein) FMF
FPO San Francisco, California 96602

BnBul 1650
FAH/dcg
14 Feb 1971

BATTALION BULLETIN 1650

From: Commanding Officer
To: Distribution List

Subj: Meritorious Mast; case of Lance Corporal William F. DOHRING III
261 91 20/0311 U. S. Marine Corps

1. Purpose. To award Meritorious Mast to Lance Corporal William F. DOHRING III 261 91 20/0311 U. S. Marine Corps.

2. Meritorious Mast

I take great pleasure in awarding this Meritorious Mast to Lance Corporal DOHRING for his outstanding performance of duties.

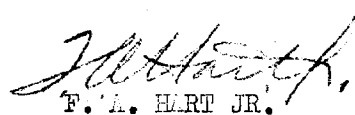
Lance Corporal DOHRING displayed unique initiative while serving as Company Mail Orderly, Files Clerk, and Service Record Book Clerk from 5 December 1970 to 14 February 1971. Lance Corporal DOHRING has applied himself to his assigned duties with an aggressive attitude and untiring energy. He has applied himself to learning every administrative task vital to his job, and any additional information useful in the Company Office. By applying himself in an aggressive and professional manner, he has earned the respect of all who have come in contact with him.

Lance Corporal DOHRING has become an integral part of the Company Office. His earnest desire to continue to learn has contributed greatly to the effectiveness of the Company Office.

During this time Lance Corporal DOHRING has maintained himself in an excellent degree of personal appearance. His devotion to duty and enthusiasm for his work has reflected great credit to himself and are in keeping with the high standards of the Marine Corps.

3. Action. In accordance with the provisions of reference (a), the Commanding Officer, Company C is directed to have an appropriate entry made in Lance Corporal DOHRING's Service Record Book.

4. Self-Cancellation. 13 July 1971.


F. A. HART JR.

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TAB "H" BATTALION BULLETIN 6100 DATED 6 FEB 1971

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First Battalion, Fifth Marines
 First Marine Division (-)(Rein) FIF
 FPO San Francisco, California 96602

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 6 Feb 1971

BATTALION BULLETIN 6100

From: Commanding Officer
 To: Distribution List

Subj: Physical Fitness/Weight Control Program

Ref: (a) LCC 6100.3E
 (b) CG, 1stMarDiv msg 290621Z Oct 70
 (c) 12nMed, chapter 15

1. Purpose. To publish instructions for the implementation of a Battalion Physical Fitness and Weight Control Program.

2. Information. In accordance with reference (a) and (b) this Battalion has established a Physical Fitness/Weight Control Program. The mission of the Marine Corps demands the highest physical fitness standards and weight control of all Marines, and therefore requires the attention of all unit commanders and leaders at all echelons. Reference (a) further states that failure to maintain satisfactory progress toward reaching assigned weight goals, or toward satisfactorily maintaining the ability to pass the prescribed physical fitness test at any time, or toward maintenance of appropriate weight and appearance standards will be the subject of appropriate remarks in fitness and evaluation reports by reporting seniors.

3. Action

a. All Company Commanders will submit to S-3 not later than 1300, 12 Feb 1971 the name, rank, service number and RPD of all personnel who, in their opinion, could benefit from an organized weight control program.

b. H&S Company will further provide one officer or staff non-commissioned officer who will be designated Instructor of this program. The Instructor will coordinate with the S-3 for further information on exercises, scheduling, etc.

c. The Battalion Surgeon, in accordance with reference (c), will examine all candidates to determine medical acceptability in a weight control program. He will also provide a method for monitoring and evaluation each individual's progress.

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6 Feb 1971

d. S-3 will coordinate scheduling and furnish instructions on the exercises to be conducted as provided in reference (a).


W. M. ANDERSON

By direction

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TAB "J" BATTALION ORDER 3120.3E DATED 5 FEB 1971

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First Battalion, Fifth Marines
First Marine Division (-)(Rein) FMF
APO San Francisco, California 96602

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5 Feb 1971

BATTALION ORDER 3120.3E

From: Commanding Officer
To: Distribution List

Subj: Standing Operating Procedure for COC during Mortar, Artillery
and/or Rocket Attacks

Ref: (a) DivO 3120.16

Encl: (1) Notification Check List

1. Purpose. To publish instructions for the Combat Operations Center (COC) of the 1st Battalion, 5th Marines in the event of mortar, artillery and/or rocket attack on DaNang Air Base or other critical targets within the Division AO in accordance with reference (a).

2. Cancellation. SSDCO 3120.3E.

3. Background. In the event of an attack, it is the responsibility of this headquarters to alert/notify appropriate personnel and units immediately and to coordinate reaction within the sector.

4. Action. The Watch Officer in the Combat Operation Center, upon receiving an initial report of mortar, artillery and/or rocket attack on DaNang Air Base or targets within the sector, will initiate the following action:

a. If rounds have not impacted yet, or if rounds are impacting within the 1/5 cantonment, contact alternate COC and sound COC alert siren. NOTE: If impact outside Hill 34 is reported, there is no need to sound the alert.

b. Notify Division COC (Hot Line) where the alert came from, azimuth and approximate range. Maintain contact with the Division COC and pass on all pertinent information. Ensure the reports are complete, factual and promptly forwarded.

c. Contact OP's HAWK, CONDOR and TIGER for azimuths and send azimuth and grid of possible launch site to Division. (Use artillery radio for this).

BnO 3120.3E
5 Feb 1971

d. Call Hill 327, Division Ridge, and Rumor Valley for azimuths to possible launch sites and azimuths to impacts.

e. Notify those personnel and units specified in enclosure (1) expeditiously, in the sequence listed. Use communications facilities listed, or fastest means available.

f. Insure that a chronological record of reports received and actions taken is kept, beginning with initial notification of attack (S-3 Journal Clerk should do this).

g. Sound the all clear only when directed.


W. M. ANDERSON

By direction

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BnO 3120.3E
5 Feb 1971

NOTIFICATION CHECK LIST

1. In the event of a mortar, artillery and/or rocket attack on the DaNang Air Base or other critical targets, the COC Watch Officer will ensure that the following personnel/units notified in the general order listed, and by the most expeditious means possible. Time of notification and the name of the person notified will be logged below.

<u>COC WATCH OFFICER</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>PERSON NOTIFIED</u>
(1) 1st Bn Div COC(Hot Line)(Report call of reporting OP, azimuth and grid)	_____	_____
(2) "WALL THIS NET, ROCKET/MORTAR/ARTILLERY ATTACK, ESTABLISH 100% ALERT STATUS" (Bn Tac Net)(40 Nets) (Rocket Alert Net)(Only in case impacts in area and still impacting)	_____	_____

COC WATCH OFFICER OR NOC

(1) S-3 OFFICER, 1/5 (Alert)	_____	_____
(2) CO/NO, 1/5 (Alert)	_____	_____
(3) OP's HAWK, TIGER & CONDOR (Army Rocket Alert Net)	_____	_____
(4) Hill 321 (Radio or Land Line)	_____	_____
(5) Division Ridge (Radio or Land Line)	_____	_____
(6) HqPn COC(Radio or Land Line)	_____	_____
(7) FIC COC(Radio or Land Line)	_____	_____
(8) Hoa Can PF Training Center (Radio or Land Line)	_____	_____
(9) 504th MP Bn (Radio or Land Line)	_____	_____
(10) 4SP-1 (Radio or Land Line)	_____	_____
(11) 366th MWS (Radio or Land Line)	_____	_____

ENCLOSURE (1)

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TAB "J" MACV LETTER OF APPRECIATION

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HEADQUARTERS
UNITED STATES MILITARY AEROSPACE COMMAND, VIETNAM
APO SAN FRANCISCO 96222
Director of Intelligence Collection

MACJ21


9 FEB 1971

SUBJECT: Letter of Appreciation

THRU: Commanding Officer
5th Marine Regiment
1st Marine Division
FPO 96602

TO: Commanding Officer
Company B, 1st Battalion, 5th Regiment
1st Marine Division
FPO 96602

1. On 16 January 1971, in the vicinity of AT 967410, Republic of Vietnam, cryptologic and signal documents of intelligence value were captured by members of your command.
2. The expeditious forwarding of the documents by the members of your command to the proper intelligence activity greatly assisted in the timely and effective exploitation of this important information.
3. Please express my appreciation to the men of your command who were responsible for evacuation of the materiel, and especially to the men of Company B, for a high degree of demonstrated professionalism in support of combat intelligence.

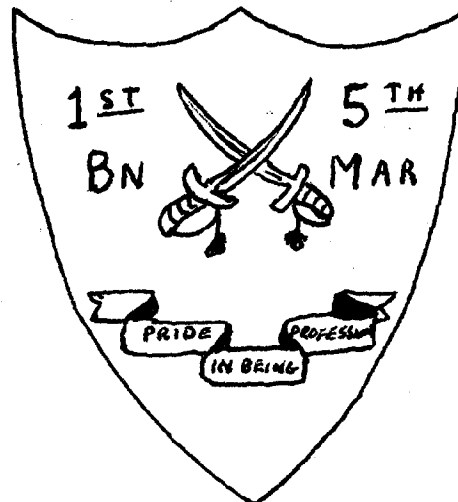
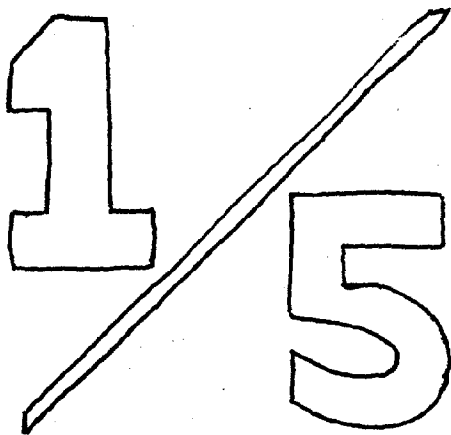

CLARENCE R. GLASEBROOK
Colonel, USAF
Dir, Intel Coll

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TAB "K" 1ST BATTALION, FIFTH MARINES NEWSLETTER DATED 15 FEB 1971

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NEWS ABOUT THE PRO'S



ONE GOOD DEAL AFTER ANOTHER

1ST BATTALION, 5TH MARINES, 1ST MARINE DIVISION, FMF

Volume II, No. 3

15 February 1971

CO's CORNER. . . .

We have seen several hundred men leave recently whom we wished good luck and 'goodbye'. I personally want to welcome those several hundred new Marines who have recently joined 1/5.

This will be a busy time for all and I ask each one to do his best to keep high our 'pride in being professional'. Our many commitments to 1/5's mission continue. We are to be prepared at any time to go anywhere in the Province. I know I can count on you, our new professionals, to join us in fulfilling that mission today and tomorrow in the same manner as we have in the past. Together, old hands and new joiners, keep up your good work.

Best wishes to those men who depart us in the next few weeks.

-- LtCol F.A. HART, Jr., Commanding

PREACHER'S PULPIT:::

Before the next issue is out we will have begun the season of LENT, which is an excellent time to deepen our commitment to Jesus Christ. Holy Communion will be held for Protestants on Ash Wednesday, 24 Feb, at 1830 at Hill 34 Chapel. Other Services will be announced as they become known.

Remember: the Coffee-Hootch (#8629) is behind the PX, open, normally, 1100-1300 and 1630-2130 daily except Sunday, 1830-2130. We will have another Cultural Tour of Danang for 30-35 men on Friday, 26 Feb. Sign up at S-1 and be there at 0845 on 26 February. Bring your camera and enough money for lunch at China Beach.

From:

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To:

FIRST BATTALION, FIFTH MARINES AWARDED MUC

The Secretary of the Navy presented the MERITORIOUS UNIT COMMENDATION to 1/5 for service as set forth in the following citation:

For exceptionally meritorious service from 7 to 12 June 1969 while engaged with enemy forces in QuangNam Province, Republic of Vietnam. During the early part of June 1969, captured documents, prisoners of war, and other reliable sources indicated that the 90th North Vietnamese Army Regiment was operating in the mountains adjacent to the "Arizona Area" with the mission to annihilate the Marine Battalion located there. Once accomplished, the 90th Regiment was to join with the 141st North Vietnamese Army Regiment to attack the Marine Combat Base at An Hoa. Alerted by this intelligence, the Fifth Marines (-) (Reinforced) commenced operations to find, fix, and destroy elements of the 90th North Vietnamese Army Regiment. Imbued with an unrelenting combat spirit, the Marines of the First Battalion, Fifth Marines patrolled day and night in search of the enemy that was attempting to rout them. Contact increased at every level until it became evident that the First Battalion, Fifth Marines had succeeded in locating at least one battalion of the 90th North Vietnamese Regiment. Every supporting arm was brought to bear on the enemy's positions, relentlessly pounded them, and sealed off all avenues of escape. On the morning of 12 June 1969, the remnants of the 90th North Vietnamese Regiment fled to the mountains a defeated and ineffectual combat organization. Behind them they left 275 North Vietnamese Army bodies, innumerable individual and crew-served weapons as well as irrefutable evidence that many other bodies had been dragged from the battlefield during darkness. All this was accomplished with relatively light Marine casualties. Through their continuous display of professionalism, resourcefulness, and bold courage in the face of overwhelming, numerically superior enemy forces, the officers and men of the First Battalion, Fifth Marines demonstrated performance in combat that was in keeping with the highest traditions of the Marine Corps and the United States Naval Service.

This award was presented by MajGen C.F. WIDDECKE, USMC, CG, First Marine Division, to 1/5 on 30 January 1971.

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A HISTORY OF FIRST BATTALION, FIFTH MARINES - PART I

The history of the 1st Battalion, 5th Marines dates back to 13 July 1914. The battalion was formed in Vera Cruz, Mexico as a part of the 5th Marine Regiment. They served their first 2 years as a battalion in Haiti and Santo Domingo. The 5th Marine Regiment was disbanded in 1916. Less than a year later, on 27 May 1917, President WILSON issued orders to re-organize the regiment for duty with the U.S. Army in France. At this time 1/5 was reformed from remnants of the Old Fifth Marines, who had served in Haiti and Santo Domingo. The other two battalions were formed at Norfolk, Va. and the remainder of the regiment came from Pensacola and Quantico. In June 1917 the regiment sailed for France and in less than a month they were ready for action. The Marines were among the first troops to land at St. Nazaire. On 6 June 1918 the Fifth Marines and other units of the Marine Brigade captured Hill 142 in

the Chateau Thierry Sector. Following this action and for the next 3 weeks, Leathernecks of 1/5 fought in the Battle of Belleau Wood. For their action in this battle, the French Government twice recognized the ability of the Marines by renaming Bois Du Belleau to Bois DeLa Brigade De Marines. The Fifth Regiment was cited in French General Army Orders. The Germans, in grudging tribute to the Marines, gave them the name "Devil Dogs" after the Belleau Woods Battle. The Fifth Marine Regiment was awarded the French Fourragere in the Red and Green colors of the Croix De Guerre, a distinction which is still evident on the uniform of all members of the 5th Regiment. Following their return to the USA on 9 August 1919, the regiment was again disbanded. Within less than a year, the regiment was re-organized at Quantico, with the 1st Battalion, 5th Marines given the assignment of guarding Post Offices and mail distribution throughout the U.S. until March 1922. In the latter part of 1926, as part of the 5th Marines, 1/5 was sent to Nicaragua and fought bandits until January 1933. In December 1933, the unit became part of the FMF and remained at Quantico until the outbreak of World War II. A month after the Pearl Harbor attack, the 1st Battalion was detached from the Regiment and became the 1st Raider Battalion. A new battalion was formed with recruits from Parris Island, South Carolina and Marines from other battalions of the Regiment. During World War II, 1/5 participated in landings at Cape Gloucester, Guadalcanal, Peliliu, and in the Okinawa Campaign. On 29 May 1945, 1/5 seized Shuri Castle, one-time seat of Okinawa's rulers and Headquarters for the Japanese 32nd Army.

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VIETNAMESE GALLANTRY CROSSES AWARDED

to the following Marines who served with 1/5 for their fine work on Operation Imperial Lake:

Cpl R.D. EMORY,	formerly of A Co.
Cpl N.J. NORDSTROM,	" " A Co.
LCpl A. VASQUEZ,	" " A Co.
1stLt W.D. BERRY,	" " B Co.
Cpl A.J. SANDERS,	" " C Co.

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STRAIGHT SCOOP from the XO

A continuation of the promotion picture, initiated in our last issue, follows: This time take a look at the grading system for your conduct marks. As you saw in the last edition - your conduct marking is quite an important part of your cutting score. You can readily see that it is difficult to perform in an Unsat or Poor manner, that it is easy to perform in the Fair to Good category, and that it takes real work to perform in the Excellent to Outstanding area. An average of 4.0 in conduct is absolutely necessary for an Honorable Discharge.

(a) Unsat (0 to 1.9). Habitual offender, or convicted by special or more than one summary court-martial. If an unsatisfactory mark is given on the basis other than entries on page 12 or 13, an explanatory entry shall be made on the first line after the mark. A Mark of "0" shall be given upon declaration of desertion and for any period of confinement pursuant to sentence of a general court-martial.

(b) Poor (2 to 2.9). No special and not more than one summary court-martial, or two non-judicial punishments that involve confinement or reduction in grade. Considered to meet minimum standards.

(c) Fair (3 to 3.9). No court-martial and not more than one non-judicial punishment. Conduct such as not to impair appreciably his own usefulness or the efficiency of the command.

(d) Good (4 to 4.4). No offenses. No unfavorable impressions as to attitude, interest, cooperation, obedience, after-effects of intemperance, courtesy and consideration, and observance of regulations.

(e) Excellent (4.5 to 4.8). No offenses. Positive, favorable impression of the qualities listed in subparagraph (d), above. Demonstrated reliability, good influence, sobriety, obedience and industry.

(f) Outstanding (4.9 to 5). No offenses. Exhibits to an outstanding degree the qualities listed in subparagraph (d). Observes spirit as well as letter of orders and regulations. Demonstrated positive effect on others by example and persuasion.

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APPRECIATION EXPRESSED

LCpl Ronald A. DECKER of 81 mm. Mortar Plt. has expressed his gratitude to everyone who contributed to a gift of money presented to him in behalf of his parents and 6 siblings. Their home, with everything in it,

was destroyed by fire in rural Everton, Arkansas recently. The saying, 'Marines take care of their own', has again been graphically been shown by your generosity.

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COMPANY NEWSALPHA CO.

On 30Jan71 the Co. returned from Division Ridge with an eager and hurry-up attitude, hoping to return to the Que Son Mountains.

Pvt D.H. WOOD has returned from 14 days in sunny California. We can tell he enjoyed seeing his wife and new baby by his big grin whenever someone mentions the trip.

Congratulations to Cpl J.H. BLACKWELL, Jr. on being meritoriously promoted effective 28Jan71. His diligent work and professional attitude are examples for all of us to be proud about. Congratulations, also, to our new 1stLts: J.N. PHILLIPS and J.A. BORZELLO!!

Finally, a special welcome to SSgt McKELVEY and Sgt Danny ALLEN, from H&S 1/5; Cpl B.W. CASADY, LCpl's D.B. TUGGLE, M.W. KINKEAD, R.M. HOWARD, C.D. NEWBERRY and M.A. CHAMPAGNE from 1/1; and Cpl S. ESERA, Jr. from 3/1, who are new personnel.

CHARLIE CO.

Charlie's Chargers have returned from the FLC, Rumor Valley and Hill 327 circuit back to Hill 34. Since returning to the Hill, we have been kept busy and alert so that others may be secure!

'Welcome back' to Capt J.L. HICKMAN, our Co. Cdr, who returned from Special Leave prior to his extension in the 'Nam'. A big 'Thank You' to 1stLt Jeff ANDREWS for his outstanding leadership as Co. Cdr in the interim.

Congratulations to Cpl D.E. GREGORY and Cpl J.S. LAWSON for the award of Meritorious Mast. We welcome GySgt Johnny FRADY from H&S 1/5 106 Plt, who

BRAVO CO.

Bravo's Bushmasters have done it again! We are proud to announce that in keeping with the 'finest traditions' of the company, LCpl and Mrs. David E. BAILEY are the parents of a spanking new baby boy, David E., Jr. The 'little Beetle' was born 26Jan71 at Greenville, Pa. while 'Dad' was out in the bush, weighing in at 7lb 10oz. Mother and baby are doing fine. Congratulations, Beetle!

Cpl F.J. LEON, Unit Diary Clerk, was promoted to his present rank meritoriously on 1Feb71. Keep up the good work! 1stLt R. ESSINK, 3rd Plt Cdr, was promoted on 4Feb71 and LCpl H.L. HYMANS, Jr. picked up his new rank on 5Feb71. Congratulations to each one.

We were glad to have the Bn Chaplain, LCDR D.I. OLSON, USN, with us in the 'bush' for a few days. Too bad he had to hump it a few 'klicks' but he made it!

Upon our return from the Que Sons, we enjoyed another one of those famous cook-outs. 1stSgt DUENAS and GySgt BROWNE cooked up some 'No. 1' chow: Steak, lobster and all the trimmings. The 'Top' came up with two more USO girls to grace the party. We don't know how he does it. It must be that Latin (Guamanian) charm! Or is that one of our Marine's fiancée is a USO Hostess here in DaNang?

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will be taking over as Co. 1stSgt in the near future. 'Sayanora' to GySgt SCHAAD, who has done an excellent job as acting 1stSgt since 1stSgt IRRERA departed in '70. Finally, 'welcome aboard' from 1st Marines to: Cpl M.L. SEIBERS; LCpl's R.K. STONEHOUSE, S.R. JONES, B.E. WHEELER, J.M. KENNEDY, D.D. RICHARDSON, C.M. RIGSBY, J.M. CAHRERA, T.C. HARRIS, T.D. JONES, T.J. KYLE and R.G. WILLIAMS.

COMPANY NEWS continuedDELTA CO.

1stSgt George WINDISCH and Cpl Paul TAYLOR will soon be leaving the Delta Co. Office staff. The officers and men of Delta want to thank 1stSgt WINDISCH for his devotion to the well-being of the men in the company. Also, we would like to thank Cpl TAYLOR for his excellent work as mail clerk. Good luck to both of you.

Congratulations are in order for Cpl R.E. McKEAN and Cpl. W.P. LORENZI upon their receipt of Meritorious Masts recently. The same are due to Sgt Leon MILLER and his wife, Bessie, residing in Savannah, Ga., upon the birth of their third child (a girl, at last!), born 20Jan71, weighing 7 lbs. Sgt MILLER, Plt Guide for 3rd Plt, says the little girl was 16 days late but he finally got the girl he wanted! Great! The MILLER boys, Leon and Eugene, aren't so bad to have around either! Future Marines, yet.

After spending a week in Rumor Valley, the 3rd Platoon discovered that it doesn't ALWAYS rain when Delta Co. goes to the field. Now the third herd is busily burning fields of fire on Division Ridge and hopes that the FLC's Division Fire Dept. knows what a fire out of control is before it makes a move!

This is really the Age of Aquarius as the 3rd Plt celebrates seven birthdays in February. Happy Birthday! to HN SHAFER, Cpl's ESTEREROOK, KENNEDY and RIVERA and LCpl's WARD AND WEIMER as well as to PFC DOANE.

We certainly express our gratitude to Radio Station WSPA in York, Pa., which dedicated an hour program to LCpl BRUBAKER. The tape they sent of the broadcast has given many hours of pleasure and entertainment.

How about that! Cpl KENNEDY recently won \$500.00 in the New York State Lottery. He is going to use the money to do graduate work in Marketing. We all wish him the best of luck.

Finally, we bid 'farewell' to seven members of the company who are leaving this month: Sgt HAWKINS, Cpl KENNEDY, LCpl's CHAPMAN, HUGHES, KERNAN, PIPP and WATKINS. It won't be the same without you!

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FIRST MARINE DIVISION ANNIVERSARY MESSAGE

On 1 Feb, 1971, as the officers and men of the famed First Marine Division celebrate the anniversary of the founding of the Division, they look back at 30 years of dedicated service.

Honor and distinction have been the hallmarks of this proud unit from its initial baptism of fire on Guadalcanal. The numerous battle streamers which embellish the Division's colors are daily evidence of the past glory earned by this valiant Division. The present generation of Marine continues to garner laurels in the Republic of Vietnam where today's dedicated Marines still engage a relentless enemy.

All members of the Fleet Marine Force, Pacific, join me in expressing our congratulations to this esteemed Division and wish you continued success.

--LtGen JONES, CG. FMFPAC

'S' - SHOPS IN THE NEWS

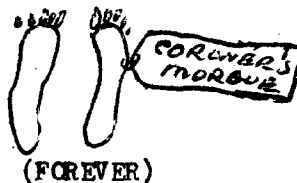
S-1 - On 2Feb71 SSgt SCHOFF, the Battalion Admin Chief was transferred to 1/1. GySgt OAKLEY, formerly Admin Chief of 1/1, reported aboard on 1Feb71 as SSgt SCHOFF's replacement. Welcome aboard, Gunny!

Did you know that during the 1970 Christmas season mail program 87 million pounds of mail were processed through the Saigon, CamRanh Bay and Danang Aerial Mail Terminals? Thanks to our Battalion and Company Mail Room personnel, 1/5 mail was expeditiously moved and placed in the hands of addressees in a minimal period of time. To all Mail Clerks and Mail Orderlies: 'Thanks' for a job well-done!

Commercial Airlines have recently reported an upsurge in recent weeks of military personnel requesting reduced Standby and Reservation fares without the REQUIRED DD Form 1580 in their possession. Recent changes to Service policies by which formal orders for week-end leave are no longer required may tend to increase this problem. DD Form 1580 is necessary for military personnel desiring to avail themselves of reduced air fares for leave travel. So, if you don't want to have to pay the full price or be left standing watching that big silver bird take off without you, make sure that you have the DD Form 1580 in your possession. The requirement is a provision of carrier tariffs which have a full force and effect of law. Airline personnel have no alternative.

DRUGS:

A great way to
get away from it all



REVISION OF DISBURSING HOURS OF OPERATION

Effective 1Feb71, hours of operation for counter-service at Division Disbursing activities will be 1130 - 1730. Personnel departing on Emergency Leave will continue to be served at any time and Travel Claims processing will remain open from 0730 - 1730.

DRUGS:

You don't have to get hooked on the stuff
for it to KILL you,
You could be lucky the FIRST time!

S-1 (cont'd): All Marines in RVN in receipt of permanent change of station (PCS) orders are entitled to ship personal effects (unaccompanied baggage) to their home or new duty station. Personnel in receipt of movement orders (orders issued for bulk movement of personnel) are only allowed to ship their personal effects to designated next duty station. Weight allowances for PCS and Movement Orders are as follows:

E-4 over 4 years of service and above, regardless of rank....1,000 lbs net
E-4 and under 4 years service and below.....200 lbs net

Personnel must have orders. Seven copies are required by the Household Goods Office. Additionally, in accordance with MCO 4650.33, a copy of the individual's orders must be placed in each shipping container.

Personal Effects to be shipped must personally be delivered by owner to Personal Property Branch (Warehouse No. 2) of U.S. Army Support Command, located adjacent to the old Danang Air Force Base PX. The office is open 0730 to 1700 Monday through Saturday.

It is strongly recommended that personnel do not purchase Vietnamese made foot-lockers for the purpose of shipping gear as they afford little protection against damage in shipment. Complete packing and crating is provided.

All baggage is Customs inspected. Personnel cannot ship items forbidden by law out of country. War Trophy Firearms must be hand carried and cannot be shipped as unaccompanied personal effects.

Shipping time averages about 30 days to the West Coast, so plan ahead and ship early. Division Supply will be providing transportation during standdown.

PAYDAYS for SECOND HALF FY 1971

Division paydays will be as follows:

28 February	30 May
30 March	30 June
30 April	

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S-3 Shop - Live firing of hand grenades and rifles at Hoa Cam range commenced this past week and will eventually give all personnel in this Battalion a short refresher on the Marine's basic weapons. The mud-spattered Marines seen walking around Hill 34 these days are not necessarily returnees from the Que Son Mountains. It seems that some people can't throw a grenade past the mud hole on the grenade range.

New personnel arriving from other Marine units in RVN are being given a special one-day Indoctrination Course to help them become acquainted with this Battalion's procedures and policies, and instill in them "Pride in Professionalism".

Personnel are reminded that continuous training, even in a combat zone, is a must to keep the individual Marine at the peak of his professional ability. When a Marine does not take his training periods seriously, he becomes a detriment to his unit and in many instances, a liability. Don't let that happen to you!

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S-4 Shop - Embark - Supply -

Each of the above are working long and hard to get ready to move in several directions at once:

S-4 keeps the water and electricity coming plus repairs all the old, empty huts which can be used in the future;

Embark is getting ready -- getting you ready to move. Results of their professional work shows as new embark boxes are showing up all over the hill;

Supply is taking all excess and unsat property, yet still stands ready to supply the logistic needs of every Marine in the Battalion.

A fine job is being done by these sections. We were sorry to see GySgt FUMINA go home on Emergency leave with PCS orders and now we are sorry to see 1stLt John ALEXANDER depart Supply for another unit. The best of luck to you, Lt, and hearty thanks for the fine job you have done! We welcome back Sgt HUTCHINSON, who was on Okinawa for 2-3 weeks for school.

Motor Transport -

The Motor Vehicle Operators assigned with 1/5 are Cpl W.L. KIMMEL, LCpl's D.W. HUFNAGEL, R.D. DENNY, R.W. ARBSTER, L.D. MISYIAK, M.C. MISTRETTA, M.J. McKENZIE, M.J. MAHER and J.E. THOMAS. These are the Battalion's best - hardworking - and we congratulate them for their continual good work. All have RTD's between May - August 1971. Three of these Driver's responsibilities, among many, are:

1. Personal responsibility as in the case of a vehicle assigned to an individual and in his care.
2. Reporting to the Motor Pool one hour prior to checking out a vehicle in order to perform "before operation maintenance".
3. Performing first echelon maintenance as prescribed by the Motor Transport Officer, Motor Transport Chief and the current directives regarding vehicle maintenance.

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ANCHORS AWEIGH

Special congratulations to HM3 G.S. RODRIGUEZ who, at an afternoon formation, recently received the Bronze Star for heroism. This was a well deserved award. HM3 RODRIGUEZ has been transferred to 1st Med Bn.

We welcome aboard HM3's SABIN (B Co), YEAKLEY (C Co), and WEAVER (D Co) as well as HN SMITH (C Co).

The BAS (Rear) has seen HML R.A. IRELAND and HML W.L. SOBON studying hard for the upcoming HMC exam on 12 February. Hope you both make it and don't get quota'ed.

Have you noticed the 'squids' in Bravo Co? HM2 MEIER has seen to it that the grunts can recognize a 'squid' when they see one by having the Corpsmen wear little rubber squids in their helmets, etc. At least he has one, where did the others go?

YOU CAN QUOTE THIS!

"Pleasure is the fool's idea of happiness; happiness is the wise man's idea of pleasure."

"Every goal attained is the starting point for the next goal."

"Thrift is a great source of income." -- Cicero

CAVITY CORNER

During the recent operations in the Que Sons, the drill has been whistling away for the gang down at Hill 34 Dental, LT Roger MILLER, DC, USNR and DT3 SAENGER, USN. There operations included a 'clearing project' undertaken on SSgt PALMER's (H&S Co. Gunny) first visit to Dental. Resupply has since then filled the gap in his lines and he now has the brightest plastic smile on the Hill. Our Dental Detachment saw other losses as both HM3 George RODRIGUEZ and SSgt Wm. WILLIAMS gave up wisdom teeth. Some Vietnamese also suffered losses as one bar girl and one Vietnamese 'sanitary engineer' were also treated.

Capt PITCHER, H&S Co. Cdr dropped by for an inspection of his famous smile. We are happy to report that he had only one minor discrepancy and it has been corrected. On a search and destroy mission deep in the molar region of HM3 Gene BUREAU's mouth, a decay bunker complex and base camp was discovered. We are happy to report that much of this area has been pacified and further operations are continuing.

Congratulations to "Crazy" HARDART, a veteran of many hours duty in the "chair", as he nears the completion of his dental work and will soon be awarded a meritorious Class I designation in his dental record. We would like to welcome Chaplain OLSON back to the Hill after his recent stay in the Que Sons. Some guys will do anything to stay out of Dental!

All Marines are reminded not to wait until the end of their tour to complete their Dental work.

-- Dr. MILLER

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THE 'ON-CALL'

I see the enemy in the valley below,
I chuckle then, for I'm the Delta One-Five F.O.
The Skipper laughs and says, "Arty's fine,"
A smile parts my lips, for soon they'll be mine.

I call to the battery, they promise a show,
I chuckle again, for I'm the Delta One-Five F.O.
It looks to be a good-old-frying,
The battery adjusts, the enemy starts skying,
But when I fire for effect, the enemy is knowing,
That o'er some of their ranks flowers will be growing,
I chuckle then, for I'm the Delta One-Five F.O.

-- Dedicated to W.P., H.E. and the
'bailey boys' who make them go.

BULL SHOOTER'S COLUMN

Anyone heard about the plowboy two Actual, better known as the phantom of the privy? It seems Lt VAUGH was doing his daily duty and absentmindedly flicked a cigarette beneath him. In complete command of the situation, he was seen running back to the now blazing privy with two canteens of water. But - alack and alas - the privy burned down. When questioned about the matter, Lt VAUGH said he was quite burned up about the whole situation. Later that night D-2 reported movement outside their lines. After firing illumination, the movement proved to be a large brown bear wearing a D.I. hat who ran off muttering something about matches, fires, and Marines on Division Ridge.

And then have you seen the envious look in the eyes of Dr's COUCH and PALMER? They are wondering if they will pull a 2-3 month hus out of the Nam!

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