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Encl: (1) Ninth Marine Amphibious Brigade Command Chronology

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9th Marine Amphibious Brigade, FMF and
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FPO, San Francisco 96602

Command Chronology

1 February 1968 to 29 February 1968

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PART I

ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

1. DESIGNATION

9th Marine Amphibious Brigade/TF 79 BGen W.C. CHIP
1Feb68 to 29 Feb68

SUBORDINATE UNITS

Headquarters Company/TG 79.0	Maj R.C. HAGERTY 1Feb68 to 29Feb68
Communications Support Company (Rein) TG 79.1	Maj R.C. KELLEY JR. 1Feb68 to 29Feb68
RLT-26	Col D.E. LOWNDS 1Feb68 to 29Feb68
26th Marines (Fwd)	Col D.E. LOWNDS 1Feb68 to 29Feb68
RLT-26 (Minus)(Rear)/TG 79.2	LtCol R.D. ALEXANDER 1Feb68 to 16Feb68 Maj J.B. BANY 17Feb68 to 29Feb68
First Battalion Thirteenth Marines	LtCol J.A. HENNLEY 1Feb68 to 29Feb68
Marine Aircraft Group 15/TG 79.3	Col W.C. KELLOGG JR. 1Feb68 to 29Feb68
Special Landing Force Alfa/TG 79.4	Col B.F. MEYERS 1Feb68 to 29Feb68
Special Landing Force Bravo/TG 79.5	Col M.W. SCHMIDT 1Feb68 to 28Feb68 Col W.A. BUTCHER 29Feb68
Provisional Service Battalion/TG 79.8	LtCol T.W. BURKE 1Feb68 to 29Feb68

2. LOCATION

1 February 1968 to 29 February 1968: Okinawa

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3. STAFF OFFICERS

Chief of Staff	Col J.A. ETHERIDGE 1Feb68 to 29Feb68
Staff Secretary	Capt P.M. BURTON 1Feb68 to 5Feb68 Capt H.W. HIGGINS 6Feb68 to 20Feb68 Capt H.D. SULLIVAN 21Feb68 to 29Feb68
Aide-de-Camp	1stLt J.L. KOLKANA 1Feb68 to 29Feb68
Sgt Major	SgtMaj T.H. HUGHES 1Feb68 to 29Feb68
G-1	LtCol G.H. BENSKIN 1Feb68 to 29Feb68
Adjutant	Capt H.W. HIGGINS 1Feb68 to 29Feb68
Assistant Adjutant (Awards Officer)	1stLt T.E. TANZEY 1Feb68 to 29Feb68
AG-1	Capt O.M. THOMPSON 1Feb68 to 29Feb68
PerO	Maj R.G. LEIDICH 1Feb68 to 10Feb68 1stLt H.F. CURTIS 11Feb68 to 29Feb68
APerO	1stLt J.E. GOODINE 1Feb68 to 29Feb68 1stLt J.M. WOODS 1Feb68 to 29Feb68
Civil Affairs Officer *	Capt R.J. SEXTON II 1Feb68 to 29Feb68
S&C Officer	1stLt T.L. PRICE 1Feb68 to 29Feb68

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Registered Pub Officer	2ndLt W.R. PAINTER 1Feb68 to 29Feb68
Legal Officer	Capt C.B. COX 1Feb68 to 29Feb68
Information Services Officer	Capt D.M. REPP 1Feb68 to 29Feb68
Chaplain (Protestant)	Cdr L.J. MAC DONALD 1Feb68 to 29Feb68
Chaplain (Catholic)	Lt C.T. KELLY 1Feb68 to 29Feb68
Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2	Maj J.V. KNAPP 1Feb68 to 29Feb68
AG-2	Maj H.S. JOLLEY 1Feb68 to 29Feb68
Combat Intelligence Officer	Capt B.J. BORCHELT 1Feb68 to 21Feb68 Capt W.N. FOWLER 21Feb68 to 29Feb68 1stLt D.E. EICH 1Feb68 to 29Feb68 1stLt J.F. AUDERER III 1Feb68 to 29Feb68 1stLt M. TOMA 1Feb68 to 29Feb68
Special Security Officer	Maj H.S. JOLLEY 1Feb68 to 29Feb68 1stLt J.W. JACKSON 19Feb68 to 29Feb68
Assistant Chief of Staff, G-3	Col J.A. CONWAY 1Feb68 to 29Feb68
AG-3	LtCol A. NOVAK 1Feb68 to 29Feb68
Operations Officer	LtCol L.C. WITT 1Feb68 to 29Feb68
Assistant Operations Officer	LtCol D.J. QUICK 1Feb68 to 29Feb68

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Plans Officer	Maj R.T. MAC PHERSON 1Feb68 to 29Feb68
Training Officer	Maj R.W. COCHRAN 1Feb68 to 29Feb68
Air Officer	LtCol J.H. REINHART 1Feb68 to 29Feb68
Assistant Air Officer	Capt T. TAFOYA 1Feb68 to 29Feb68
Assistant Plans Officer	None
Artillery Officer	Capt G.D. BERGER 1Feb68 to 29Feb68
NBC/OPSTAT Officer	Capt J.A. MURRAY 1Feb68 to 29Feb68
Naval Gunfire Officer	LCdr J.R. LOMAX 1Feb68 to 29Feb68
Assistant Chief of Staff, G-4	Col W.A. BUTCHER 1Feb68 to 26Feb68 LtCol P.R. FIELDS 26Feb68 to 29Feb68
Assistant G-4	LtCol P.R. FIELDS 1Feb68 to 29Feb68
Assistant G-4 (AVN)	LtCol J.H. WAGNER 1Feb68 to 29Feb68
Logistics Officer	LtCol J.A. COMO 1Feb68 to 12Feb68 Maj J.J. O'BRIEN 1Feb68 to 29Feb68 Capt N.J. LADUCA 1Feb68 to 29Feb68 Capt W.J. FLEMING 1Feb68 to 17Feb68 1stLt D.C. MOOG 27Feb68 to 29Feb68
Aviation Logistics Officer	Maj R.G. BUSTOS 1Feb68 to 29Feb68

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Embarkation Officer	Maj J.R. CATON 1Feb68 to 29Feb68
Supply Officer	LtCol W.R. JOHNSON 1Feb68 to 29Feb68
Assistant Supply Officer	Maj I.C. HILL 1Feb68 to 29Feb68
Ordnance Officer	Maj W.L. LANG 1Feb68 to 29Feb68
Aviation Ordnance Officer	None
Assistant Ordnance Officer	WOI R.J. O'BRIEN 1Feb68 to 29Feb68
Motor Transport Officer	Maj W.L. SNYDER 1Feb68 to 29Feb68
Brigade Surgeon	Capt F.M. MORGAN 1Feb68 to 20Feb68
Brigade Surgeon (Acting)	Cdr E.J. SULLIVAN 20Feb68 to 29Feb68
Medical Admin Officer	LCdr H.M. GOON 1Feb68 to 29Feb68
The Comptroller	LtCol P.P. PIRHALLA 1Feb68 to 29Feb68
Budget Officer	CWO-4 P.H. LEAHY 1Feb68 to 29Feb68
Communications - Electronics Officer	LtCol R.M. STEWART 1Feb68 to 29Feb68
Assistant Comm Electronics Officer	Maj R.D. BLOOMFIELD 1Feb68 to 29Feb68 Capt O.L. CAUDILL 1Feb68 to 29Feb68 2ndLt J.G. TEASLEY 6Feb68 to 29Feb68

HEADQUARTERS COMPANY
9th Marine Amphibious Brigade, FMF
FPO San Francisco 96602

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(c) BrigO 5750.1B

Encl: (1) Command Chronology Report

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

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4. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

FEBRUARY

	<u>USMC</u>		<u>USN</u>	
	Off	Enl	Off	Enl
Hq. Co. (79.0)	65	437	6	5
Comm Spt Co	9	173	0	2
Prov Serv Bn	22	408	1	13
RLT-26 (Rear)	38	616	8	100
MAG-15	266	2277	7	33
SLF "A"	115	1839	9	91
SLF "B"	118	1880	9	92
Total	<u>633</u>	<u>7630</u>	<u>40</u>	<u>336</u>

PART II

NARRATIVE SUMMARY

During the month of February, the 9th MAB continued to perform the assigned missions of rehabilitation of equipment, the replacement of personnel, training of aviation squadrons, and contingency planning as the Fleet Marine Force component of the Seventh Fleet. During the period 15-22 February the Provisional Service Battalion transferred Sub-Unit #1, consisting of 13 officers and 318 enlisted Marines together with appropriate equipment to Viet Nam.

The 26th Marines continued to execute Operation SCOTLAND during the month of February. Sightings, contacts and intelligence reports continued to indicate a massive enemy buildup around Khe Sanh. On 7 February the Lang Vei Special Forces Camp came under heavy ground attack. By utilizing tanks to penetrate the defensive wire the enemy quickly over-ran the camp. This attack served to accentuate the threat of a mechanized attack against KSCB and the defenses were strengthened and extended to counter this threat.

From 21-29 February, there was a marked increase in incoming artillery and rocket rounds received at KSCB. On 25 February the first sightings of NVA trench systems were made. As weather cleared, AO's were able to pinpoint several trenches extending toward the perimeter from the south and southeast. Steps were taken to destroy them with supporting arms.

As the month of February began, the majority of BLT 2/4 (-) was OPCON to the Fourth Marines participating in Operation LANCASTER II. Both artillery batteries, H and W 3/12 were OPCON

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to 2/12. Company H and 1st Platoon, Company A, 5th AT Battalion were OPCON to the Ninth Marines participating in Operation KENTUCKY. First Platoon, Company A, 5th Tank Battalion was OPCON to BLT 3/1 participating in Operation SALINE. Fourth Platoon, Company B, 1st AMTRAC Battalion was OPCON to 1st AMTRAC Battalion participating in Operation NAPOLEON. HMM-361 continued in support of CTG 79.4. On 10 February the exchange of HMM-361 to Marble Mountain and HMM-363 to CTG 79.4 began. The move was completed on 11 February. During February BLT 2/4 (-) provided security for the KHE GIO Bridge and the bridge at YD 043566; conducted road security along Route 9 between these two bridges; provided a reactionary force for the defense of Camp Carroll; and conducted patrolling and ambush activities to deny the enemy access to the area south of the Cam So River.

During the period 1-18 February SLF "B" remained in support of the LF engaged in Operation BADGER CATCH/SALINE. On 19 February Operation BADGER CATCH terminated and ARG/SLF Bravo departed for Subic Bay, P.I., where REHAB/UPKEEP was conducted during 20-29 February. On 29 February the ARG/SLF departed Subic Bay for Phu Bai.

PART III

SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

1. FMF organizations committed to combat and the SLF.

a. Combat missions assigned: Elements SLF/TG 79.4 continued to support various III MAF operations through out the month of February. SLF/TG 79.5 supported LF units engaged in Operation BADGER CATCH/SALINE until its termination on 19 February, at which time the SLF/TF proceeded to Subic Bay, P.I. for REHAB/UPKEEP, remaining there until 29 February.

b. *Casualties inflicted upon the enemy:

KIA (Conf)	KIA (Prob)
547	- - -

c. *Casualties sustained:

KIA	WIA
91	442

*BLT 3/1 casualty figures included above are for the period 23 January - 3 March 1968.

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2. FMF organizations not committed to combat.

a. Personnel

(1) The office of the G-1 continued normal staff functioning during the month of February.

(2) The following awards were presented/recommended for presentation during the month of February.

Silver Star Medal	3
Legion of Merit	0
Distinguished Flying Cross	0
Bronze Star Medal	4
Air Medal	359
Navy Commendation Medal	2
Navy Achievement Medal	2
Certificate of Commendation	0
Letter of Appreciation	0
Purple Heart Medal	133

(3) Special Services

One hundred fifty books (paperback) and a varied number of magazines were boxed and delivered weekly via the 9th MAB courier to the 26th Marines and the two SLFs.

(4) Career Advisory

Reenlistment by career categories for the month of February was as follows:

<u>1st Term</u>	<u>Career</u>	<u>Total</u>
28.6%	100%	38.4%

(5) Education

Enrollment and course completion during the month of February were as follows:

<u>Enrollment</u>	<u>Course Completion</u>
18.2%	7.8%

(6) Marine Corps Association Membership

Participation within the Marine Corps Association in the month of February for officers was 42.9%. Staff NCO participation showed 19.1%. Average for both staff and officers was 29.5% as compared to 53.1% in January.

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(7) Savings Bonds

Total participation in the Savings Bond Program for the month of February was 76.1%.

(8) Legal

The following legal work was performed during the month of February:

Legal Assistance cases handled:	56
NJP appeals reviewed:	0
Summary Courts-Martial reviewed:	11
Special Courts-Martial (Non-BCD) reviewed:	1
General Courts-Martial reviewed:	0
Special Courts-Martial (BCD) reviewed:	0
Investigations reviewed:	21
Offense/Incident Reports:	17
Traffic Violations:	10

b. Intelligence

(1) During this period, this section conducted daily intelligence briefings for officers and staff NCO's in transit to RVN. A total of 127 officers and 11 staff NCO's were briefed.

(2) The G-2 section also continued to conduct its monthly intelligence briefings for the officers of Camp Butler. A total of 43 officers were briefed during the reporting period.

(3) The Assistant G-2 (Major H.S. JOLLEY) participated in Operation FORMER CHAMP planning conference at Taiwan.

(4) Projects which required continued attention in their development during the reporting period are as follows:

(a) Special Intelligence Studies.

(b) The up-dating of contingency intelligence plans and studies.

(c) Rapid Intelligence Incident Reporting System utilizing data processing assets within this command.

(5) The section conducted two different informational lectures on "Why Vietnam" for the enlisted personnel of Camp Butler.

(6) The G-2 (Major J.V. KNAPP) participated in a Planning Conference in RVN with CTF 76/79.

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c. Training

(1) During the period 1-29 February 1968 Headquarters, 9th MAB continued in its role of providing training support to the units of the 9th MAB. The support consisted of schools, firing ranges, and other training requirements not available to units from their own resources.

(2) OJT: Three (3) officers and two (2) enlisted Marines of 9th MAB performed OJT with III MAF during the month of February in the following fields: MASS-3, 1st FSR, III MAF ISO, 3rd MAR DIV 9th MT. Details of OJT are included in Appendix C.

(3) Schools: The schools and courses utilized by the 9th MAB are included in Appendix C.

d. Logistics

Significant tasks undertaken by the G-4 and the cognizant staff sections are as follows:

(1) On 14 February 1968, based on a directive by higher authority the Supply Section under the auspices of the G-4 inducted five (5) Ontos, condition code "W" into the Ordnance Maintenance Company, 3rd FSR, for repair/rehabilitation. Extensive repairs were required and minor repair parts and maintenance difficulties were overcome. The Ontos were repaired and returned to condition "A" by 23 February 1968.

(2) Members of the Supply Section conducted a preliminary inspection of 9th MAB units scheduled for Field Supply Analysis three inspections during February 1968.

(3) Major LANG (Brigade Ordnance Officer) conducted a Nuclear Safety inspection of Marine Aircraft Group - 15 and a rating of satisfactory was assigned.

e. Embarkation

(1) In support of the Rehab Program, the Embarkation Officer coordinated the offload of supplies and equipment from the USS COCONINO CITY (LST-603) and the USS WESTCHESTER CITY (LST-1167).

(2) Coordinated with FMFPac (Fwd) the airlift of high priority vehicles, detachment of 5th AT's and Sub Unit One, PSB to RVN.

(3) Coordinated with MACS-6 and MACS-8 the staging and transfer of the units from the USS VERMILION (AKA-107).

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f. Community Relations

(1) PSB

(a) On 10 February 1968, PSB Personnel Participated in the improvement program conducted at the Yonabaru Orphanage.

(b) English Language teaching assistance continues at the OHNA and AFUSO Elementry Schools.

(2) RLT-26 (Rear)

(a) Two English Classes were conducted each Saturday at the American Cultural Center in Nago.

(b) A new class in Conversation English for doctors, nurses and medical technicians at the Nago Government Hospital.

(3) MAG-15

(a) On 3, 10, 17 and 22 February 68, groups of 10 to 35 Marines visited Shin Sei Gakuen Orphanage where they did general maintenance work and visited the children.

(b) Two visits were made to the Akebona-Ryo Orphanage by 7 Marines for general repair work.

(c) English instruction includes 14 classes during the reporting period conducted at the Perry School at MCAS Iwakuni.

(4) Communications Support Company

(a) On three separate occasions, between 15 and 25 volunteers assisted in the re-decking and repainting at the Yonabaru Orphanage.

g. Communications-Electronics

The Communications-Electronics Office has conducted normal routine business during the reporting period. Planning comprised the bulk of the sections activities.

h. Financial

Significant fiscal transactions occuring during the month of February are as follows:

(1) BPN 01 Flight Operations. No additional funds were received during this reporting period. It is estimated that \$75,000 in additional funds will be required to support the requirements funded by this project for the remainder of the third quarter.

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(2) BPN 08 Aviation Consolidated Allowance List (Supply Officers' Stores). No additional funds were received and none were required during this period.

(3) BPN 09 General Aviation Collateral Equipment. Additional funding in the amount of \$328 was requested due to price change in collateral equipment. These funds were provided by CG FMFPac.

(4) BPN 21 Aeronautical TAD. An additional \$3,394 was requested to support remaining third quarter requirements. No additional funds have been received during this reporting period.

(5) BPN 50 Aviation Maintenance. Additional funding in the amount of \$21,945 was requested on 1 February to support the requirements funded by this project. On 29 February an additional \$25,000 was received to support this project for the remainder of the third quarter FY 1968. It is estimated that this additional funding will be adequate to meet all remaining third quarter requirements.

(6) BPN 11 Maintenance of Expeditionary Equipment. No additional funding was received during this month but \$5,000 was reprogrammed from Program Code "U" to Program Code "L" (\$2,000) and "M" (\$3,000) on 10 February 1968. It presently appears that this project has sufficient funds available to support the remaining third quarter requirements.

(7) BPN 11 O&M,MC. No additional funding was received during this reporting period. It is estimated that adequate funding exists for the remainder of this quarter.

(8) Project 11 OpBud. It is estimated that this project is about \$1,500,000 in excess of current requirements for the third quarter. The primary reason for this excess is the slippage in the BLT rehabilitation program.

(9) Project 10 Opbud (Medical and Dental). No additional funding was received during this reporting period. It is estimated that adequate funding is available in this project for the remainder of this quarter.

3. Chronological Listing of Events

1Feb68 - ARG/SLF Bravo remained in support of the LF conducting
to Operation BADGER CATCH/SALINE
18Feb68

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- 3Feb68 - Commanding General returned to Okinawa from RVN.
- 8Feb68 - Commanding General co-hosted General KRULAK.
- 9Feb68 - Commanding General called on Admiral COOPER and Mr. CARPENTER.
- 10Feb68 - Commanding General hosted General HISE.
- 14Feb68 - Major General R. McC. TOMKINS visited CTG 79.4 aboard the Iwo Jima.
- 16Feb68 - RLT-26 (Rear) Change of Command; LtCol R.D. ALEXANDER to TF 79.4, Major J.B. BANY to Commanding Officer, RLT-26 (Rear).
- 16Feb68 - BLT 3/1 (Rear) displaced ashore under OPCON of 1st to AMTRAC Battalion and HMM-165 reported to 1st MAW
18Feb68 for OPCON during this period.
- 19Feb68 - Operation BADGER CATCH terminated.
- 20Feb68 - ARG/SLF Bravo underwent Rehab/Upkeep in Subic Bay,
to P.I.
29Feb68
- 23Feb68 - Commanding General, 9th Marine Amphibious Brigade passed command of MACS-6 assets to CG FMFLant.
- 26Feb68 - Commanding General off-island; visited Iwakuni and Atsugi Japan.
- 28Feb68 - Operation NAPOLEON/SALINE terminated; Operation SALINE II commenced.
- 28Feb68 - Commanding General returned to Okinawa.

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PART IV

CHRONOLOGY OF SUPPORTING
COMMANDS AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

Appendicies

A. Command Chronology of Supporting Units

- ✓(1) HqCo TG 79.0, 9th MAB Command Chronology
- ✓(2) CommSptCo, TG 79.1, Command Chronology
- ✓(3) - 26th Marine Regiment, Command Chronology
- ✓(4) - RLT-26 (Rear), TG 79.2, Command Chronology
- ✓(5) - 1st Bn, 13th Marines, Command Chronology
- ✓(6) MAG-15, TG 79.3, Command Chronology
- ✓(7) SLF/TG 79.4, Command Chronology
- ✓(8) SLF/TG 79.5, Command Chronology
- ✓(9) ProvServBn, TG 79.8, Command Chronology

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B. News Releases

- (1) Release No. 18-68
- (2) Release No. 19-68
- (3) Release No. 20-68
- (4) Release No. 22-68
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C. Training Statistics

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PART I

ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

1. DESIGNATION

COMMANDER

Headquarters Company
 9th Marine Amphibious Brigade, FMF
 FPO San Francisco 96602

Major R. C. HAGERTY

ATTACHED UNITS

1. UNIT

1st Marine Air Wing Band (1-23 Feb 1968)

2. LOCATION - 1 to 23 Feb 1968, Camp Hansen, Okinawa3. OFFICERS - Commanding Officer R. C. HAGERTY4. AVERAGE FEBRUARY STRENGTH

<u>USMC</u>		<u>USN</u>		<u>OTHER</u>	
<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>
86	415	5	9	3	39

PART II

NARRATIVE SUMMARY

1. This unit's activities for the period covered by this report were those of Administrative and training support for the members assigned and attached to the Headquarters and Headquarters Company of 9th Marine Amphibious Brigade, FMF, FPO San Francisco 96602

SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

1. FMF organizations not committed to combat.

A. Personnel.

(1) The T/O for Headquarters and Headquarters Company is 91 Officers and 298 enlisted men. Due to units attached and other assigned personnel responsibilities, the average strength of this unit has considerably exceeded the T/O manning level. The average strength, attached units included, is as follows:

<u>USMC</u>		<u>USN</u>		<u>OTHERS</u>	
<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>
86	445	5	9	0	0

b. Training

(1) Requalification firing for this period is as follows:

<u>RIFLE</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>PISTOL</u>	<u>RIFLE</u>	<u>ENL</u>	<u>PISTOL</u>
0		0	12		0

PART IV

CHRONOLOGY OF SUBORDINATE COMMANDS
AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

1. None.

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COMMUNICATION SUPPORT COMPANY (REIN)
9th Marine Amphibious Brigade
FPO San Francisco, California 96602

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Encl: (1) Communication Support Company Command Chronology

1. In accordance with the provisions contained in references (a), (b) and (c), enclosure (1) is submitted herewith.
2. This letter becomes unclassified upon detachment of Enclosure (1).

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PART I

ORGANIZATIONAL DATA1. DESIGNATION

COMMUNICATION SUPPORT COMPANY
9th Marine Amphibious Brigade
FPO San Francisco, California

COMMANDER

Major R. C. KELLEY JR.

1 February 1968 - 29 February 1968

2. LOCATION

1 February 68 to 29 February 68: Camp Hansen, Okinawa

3. STAFF OFFICERS

Not Applicable

4. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

	USMC		USN	
	OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL
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PART II

NARRATIVE STATEMENT

During the month of February this command continued to conduct intensive MOS and GMS training.

M-16 rifle training and FAM firing was conducted during the period 5-16 February for 83 personnel in the command. A night firing exercise employing the M-16 rifle and the M-60 machine gun was conducted 23 February 68 at Hansen Range #4, in which 80 personnel participated.

Operational communication training was provided for three Philippine enlisted Marines under the Marine Corps Military Assistance Program (MAP). Training, which included Wire, Radio, Radio Relay and Communication Center operations, began 5 February and is to continue thru 29 March 68.

Command communications was provided for the Commanding General, FMFPac during his visit to West Pac based units from 3 thru 8 February 68.

Four radio operators were deployed for duty with SLF 79.5 and participated in operation Badger Catch during the period 13 January thru 23 February. Nine radio operators were deployed for duty with TR 76 during the period 17-25 February.

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Personnel from this command participated in the betterment of community relations by volunteering to perform badly needed repair work on the Airen-en Orphanage in Yonabaru. New Floors were laid and the outsides of several buildings painted. Working parties were on the site on 10, 17, 24 and 25 February 68.

PART III

SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

13 Jan - 23 Feb 68	Four radio operators deployed for duty with SLF 79.5
3 - 8 Feb 68	Command Communications for CG, FMFPac
5 - 16 Feb 68	M-16 rifle training and FAM firing
5 - 29 Feb 68	Operational communications training for 3 enlisted Philippine Marines under MAP
10, 17, 24 & 25 Feb 68	Working parties to Airen-en Orphanage, Yonabaru
17 - 25 Feb 68	Nine radio operators deployed for duty with TF 76
23 Feb 68	Night firing exercise employing M-16 & M-60

PART IV

CHRONOLOGY OF SUBORDINATE
COMMANDS AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

1. None

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Provisional Service Battalion
9th Marine Amphibious Brigade FMF
APO San Francisco, California 96602

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21 Mar 1968

From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding General, 9th Marine Amphibious Brigade (Attn: AC of S,
G-3)

Subj: Command Chronology for period 1 Feb to 29 Feb 1968

Ref: (a) MCO - 5750.2
(b) FMFPACO 5750.8
(c) BrigO 5750.1C

Encl: (1) Provisional Service Battalion Command Chronology.

1. In accordance with reference (a), enclosure (1) is submitted
herewith.

T. W. Burke
T. W. BURKE

Power down by 9th MAB

24 Feb 1968

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PART I

ORGANIZATIONAL DATA1. DESIGNATION

Provisional Service Battalion
9th Marine Amphibious Brigade

COMMANDER

Lt. Col. T. W. BURKE
1 Feb 68 - 29 Feb 68

SUBORDINATE UNITS

Headquarters and Service Company
Provisional Service Battalion
9th Marine Amphibious Brigade

Major E. L. DICKSON
1 Feb 68 - 29 Feb 68

Supply Company
Provisional Service Battalion
9th Marine Amphibious Brigade

Major J. M. WINBERG
1 Feb 68 - 17 Feb 68

Capt. W. J. BIEN
17 Feb 68 - 29 Feb 68

Maintenance Company
Provisional Service Battalion
9th Marine Amphibious Brigade

Major D. W. WILSON
1 Feb 68 - 29 Feb 68

Truck Company
Provisional Service Battalion
9th Marine Amphibious Brigade

Capt. A. S. EVERISS
1 Feb 68 - 12 Feb 68

Capt. M. J. HYLAND
12 Feb 68 - 17 Feb 68

1stLt. J. R. WHITWORTH
17 Feb 68 - 29 Feb 68

Sub-Unit #1
Provisional Service Battalion

Major J. M. WINBERG
17 Feb 68 - 28 Feb 68

2. 1 Feb - 29 Feb 1968, Camp Hansen, Okinawa

3. STAFF OFFICERS

Commanding Officer

Lt. Col. T. W. BURKE
1 Feb - 29 Feb 1968

Executive Officer

Lt. Col. J. F. CONLON
1 Feb - 29 Feb 1968

S-1 Adjutant

Lt. R. W. FULLER
1 Feb - 29 Feb 1968

S-2/S-3

Major A. V. ROCHA
1 Feb - 29 Feb 1968

S-4

Major P. R. STINGLEY
1 Feb - 29 Feb 1968

4. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

	<u>USMC</u>		<u>USN</u>	
	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>
Headquarters and Service Company	16	199	1	11
Supply Company	2	88	0	0
Maintenance Company	5	110	0	0
Truck Company	1	20	0	0
	<u>USMC</u>		<u>USN</u>	
	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>
Sub Unit #1	13	314	0	4

PART II

Narrative Summary

During the period covered by this report normal garrison supply operations in support of the 9th Marine Amphibious Brigade continued.

In addition, this Battalion was required to furnish a major portion of its personnel and equipment to support operations in the Republic of Viet Nam. A total of 13 officers and 318 enlisted were transferred to Sub-Unit #1 which had been at zero strength. During the period 15 - 22 February the Sub-Unit deployed by sea and air to RVN.

The movement of the Sub-Unit necessitated the cancellation of the Battalion field problem which had been scheduled for 6 - 8 March at Kin Blue Beach.

PART III

SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

- 15 - 16 Feb 1968: Thirteen officers and 318 enlisted personnel transferred to Sub-Unit #1.
- 17 - 18 Feb 1968: Initial movements of Sub-Unit #1 by airlift to RVN.
- 19 - 22 Feb 1968: Remaining personnel and bulk of supplies and equipment for Sub-Unit #1 embarked aboard ship.

MONTHLY REPORT---ISO RELEASES

Total of 23 releases for the period 2 Feb- 29 Feb 68
bringing the total for 1968 to 40 releases.

Copies of all releases except for below mentioned exceptions
are included in this folder.

Not included (due to error in filing, or else
release was only given to "The Landing Zone"):

21-68 (Certificate of Commendation)
26-68 (Merit ~~M~~asts at RLT-26)
27-68 (Staff Promotions at RLT-26)
~~36-68~~ (Demonstration)

H. D. Schwendner
W. D. SCHWENDER
LCPL. USMC

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Story REUNION OF WEST FRANKFORT MARINES			Photo No: 1-32-68		Release No: 18-68
Date/Time 0900/ 5 Feb 68		Unit 9th MAB ISO			By: LCpl. Wayne Schwendner
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x		InfoCoord USARYIS	x		Standard Bearer
x		AFNE	x		Western Eagle
x		AFRTS Oki	x		MAHC Digest
x		Stars & Stripes	x		Midwest Reporter
x		The Boot	x		Dixie Digest
		The Sentry	x		Leatherneck
		Observation Post			PHTC
		Prospector			Naval Aviation Week
		The Scout			All Hands
		The Globe			Leeward View
		Flight Jacket			Windjammer
x		The Chevron			Outpost
x		Navy Times			The Falcon
		Windsock			The Seahawk
		Cactus Comet			The Skywriter
		Jet Stream			Okinawa Times
		Torii Teller			Ryukyu Shimpō
x		Landing Zone			Morning Star
		Imblem			Life on Okinawa
		Rotovue			Ryukyuan Review
x Evansville Courier			x	file	x This Week on Okinawa
x Evansville Press			x	St. Louis Post	
x West Frankfort Herald-American			x	Camp Courtney ISO	
Date Released 5 February 1968			Released By: LCpl. <i>Wayne Schwendner</i>		

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REUNION OF WEST FRANKFORT MARINES
Release No: 18-68
By: LCpl. Wayne Schwendner

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Camp Hansen, Okinawa, February 4--When four West Frankfort, Illinois, men enlisted in the Marine Corps over twenty years ago, they each figured that their chances of serving with someone from their hometown were rather slim. Since the town, located in the southern tip of the state, had only a population of about 11,000 at the time, the possibility of finding a fellow Marine from West Frankfort wasn't too great.

As the years rolled by and each travelled from duty station to duty station, he occasionally ran across someone from the West Frankfort area, but these occasions were few and far between. Time eliminated most of their hometown friends in the Corps, and the growth of the Marine Corps spread the remainder further apart.

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REUNION OF WEST FRANKFORT MARINES

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It came as a complete surprise then last week when the four Marines met accidentally at Camp Hansen, Okinawa. Since they enlisted over two decades ago, the four: First Sergeants Charles E. Drake and Edward L. Campbell, Master Sergeant Clarence B. Stodghill and Staff Sergeant Edward E. Kubelus, have compiled nearly a century of active duty between them, and have served at just about every major Marine post in the world.

The quartet has 93 years of service in the Marine Corps altogether. First Sergeant Drake leads the four with 26 years of active duty, followed by Master Sergeant Stodghill, with 25 years, Staff Sergeant Kubelus, 22 years, and First Sergeant Campbell, 20 years.

The reunion began several weeks ago, when MSgt. Stodghill and SSgt. Kubelus both found themselves attached to the Communication Support Company of the 9th Marine Amphibious Brigade (9th MAB) at Camp Hansen. The two Leather-necks had crossed paths several times in the past, both serving in China, Korea and at MCAS El Toro, California together, but they had not seen each other in several years.

On January 22, 1stSgt. Drake reported to Regimental Landing Team 26, 9th MAB, on Okinawa, and happened across his fellow West Frankfort Marines.

"It was quite a pleasant surprise," 1stSgt. Drake admitted.

The three spent several days bringing each other up to date on families, friends and respective careers, when Fate stepped in once again and another West Frankfort native joined the group.

1stSgt. Campbell, en route to duty with the 1st Marine Division, stopped at Camp Hansen and while waiting to complete his journey, he met the other three.

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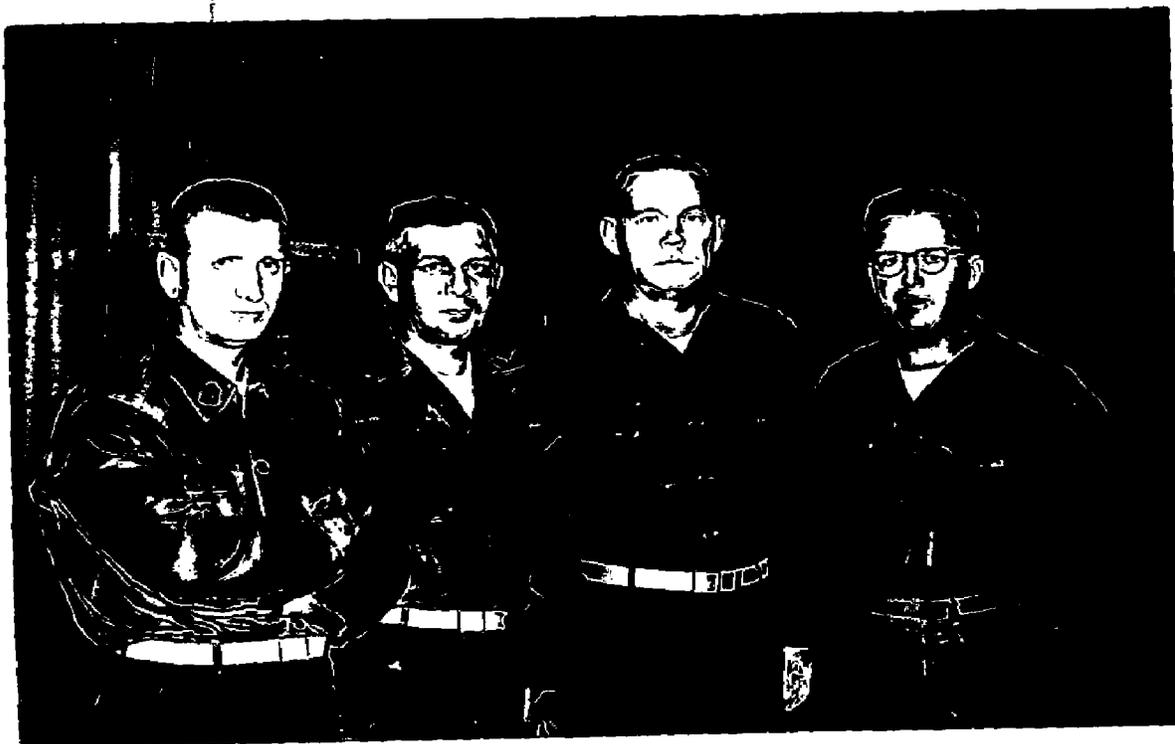
REUNION OF WEST FRANKFORT MARINES

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During the two days that the four spent together, they had much to relive and reminisce about. All attended West Frankfort Community High School, and went on to colorful careers in the Marine Corps.

"I couldn't even begin to guess at the odds of this happening," SSgt. Kubelus commented, "but after this I'm beginning to think the world isn't that big after all."

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93 YEARS OF SERVICE—Four West Frankfort, Ill., Marines, representing nearly a century of Marine Corps service, met by accident Jan. 30 at Camp Hansen, Okinawa. The four are (l-r): First Sergeant Edward L. Campbell (20 years), Staff Sergeant Edward E. Kubelus (22 years), Master Sergeant Clarence B. Stodghill (25 years) and First Sergeant Charles E. Drake (26 years).
(Official Marine Corps Photo by LCpl. Wayne Schwendner)

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Story		RYUKYUAN-AMERICAN PROGRAM		Photo No:	2-35-68	Release No:	19-68	
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		AFRTS Oki				MARC Digest		
		Stars & Stripes				Midwest Reporter		
		The Boot				Dixie Digest		
		The Sentry				Leatherneck		
		Observation Post				BHTIC		
		Prospector				Naval Aviation Week		
		The Scout				All Hands		
		The Globe				Iceward View		
		Flight Jacket				Windjammer		
		The Chevron				Outpost		
		Navy Times				The Falcom		
		Windsack				The Seahawk		
		Cactus Comet				The Skywriter		
		Jet Stream				Okinawa Times		
		Torii Teller				Ryukyu Shimpō		
		Landing Zone				Morning Star		
		Emblem				Life on Okinawa		
		Rotovue				Ryukyuan Review		
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RYUKYUAN-AMERICAN PROGRAM
Release No: 12-68
By: Capt. Lynn Schwendner

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

CAMP HANSEN, OKINAWA, Feb. 5--Organized with the intention of developing a lasting spirit of friendship and cooperation between Okinawans and Americans, the Ryukyuan-American Community Relations program plays an important role in civic affairs on the island.

Through the program's efforts, Ryukyuan and Americans on Okinawa are developing a better understanding of each other, and combining in projects to promote better community facilities and relations.

Here at Camp Hansen the efforts for better community living are coordinated by the Camp Hansen Joint Committee. Although the committee began on a very small and simple level, its members have worked diligently to make their organization a vital factor in bettering their community.

RYUKYUAN-AMERICAN PROGRAM
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Colonel James A. Etheridge, 9th Marine Amphibious Brigade Chief of Staff, plays an important individual role in the Camp Hansen program. As chairman of the committee, he is responsible for coordinating the projects undertaken by the committee and mediating in Ryukyuan-American affairs in the area.

Col. Etheridge and local Ryukyuan leaders in education, business, government and civil affairs handle the task of meeting with problems within the community area around Camp Hansen. Through their efforts they have assisted the less fortunate citizens in the area, and strengthened the intangible spirit of cooperation within the community.

Since the Camp Hansen project was initiated several months ago, the committee has succeeded in accomplishing tasks such as repairing schools and community facilities, donating needed supplies and funds to local hospitals and mental institutions, and constructing new buildings in the community.

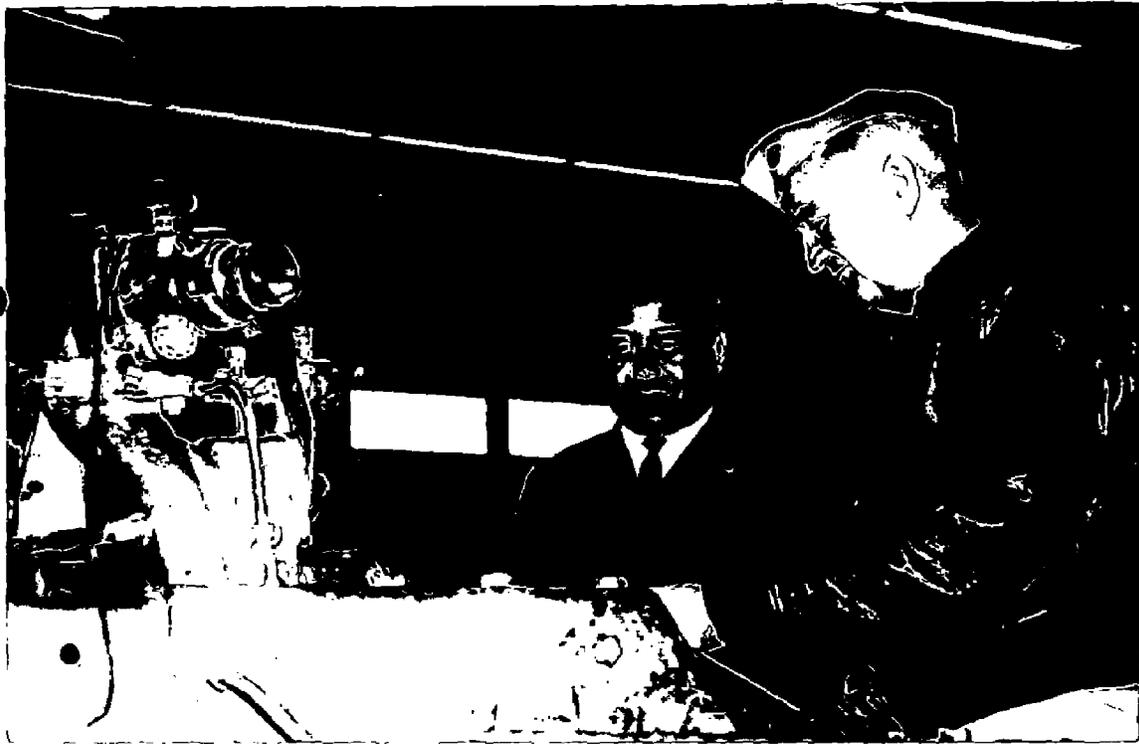
Mr. Yogi, Mayor of Ginoza, summed up the sentiments of many of the people in his village when he told the committee, "We appreciate what you have done in community activities, and your cooperation and assistance in obtaining material and labor for construction projects."

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RYUKYUAN-AMERICAN PROGRAM
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Aside from these working projects, the Ryukyans and Americans have been able to gain a better bond of understanding and friendship through concerts, language classes, and the simple act of sharing their talents and energy to make their community a better place for all.

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CONSULTATION--Colonel James A. Etheridge, Chairman of the Camp Hansen Joint Committee, discusses repairs of a fire truck engine with Mr. Akira Okamura, Mayor of Kin Village. Through the efforts of the Ryukyuan-American organization, the fire truck was restored to working order and returned to the village. (Official Marine Corps Photo by Cpl. F.O. Robb)

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Story General Krulak's Visit			Photo No: 1-36-68		Release No: 20-30
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		Stars & Stripes			Midwest Reporter
		The Boot			Dixie Digest
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		Observation Post			FMTC
		Prospector			Naval Aviation Week
		The Scout			All Hands
		The Globe			Leeward View
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		The Chevron			Outpost
		Navy Times			The Falcon
		Windsock			The Seahawk
		Cactus Comet			The Skywriter
		Jet Stream	1		Okinawa Times
		Torii Teller	2		Ryukyu Shimpo
		Landing Zone	3		Morning Star
		Emblem			Life on Okinawa
		Rotovue			Ryukyuan Review
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GENERAL KRULAK'S VISIT
Release No: 20-68
By: LCpl. Wayne Schwendner

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Camp Hansen, Okinawa, Feb. 5--Lieutenant General Victor H. Krulak, Commanding General, Fleet Marine Force Pacific (FMFPac), visited units of the 9th Marine Amphibious Brigade (9th MAB) and 3rd Force Service Regiment (3rd FSR) at Camp Hansen yesterday as part of his tour of Marine facilities in the Far East.

General Krulak arrived at Camp Hansen by automobile after inclement weather had grounded the helicopter scheduled to be used as transportation.

Accompanied by Major General John G. Bouker, FMFPac (Forward) Commanding General, General Krulak began his tour of the camp by inspecting some of the transient facilities and attending a conference at 9th MAB Headquarters.

Brigadier General William C. Chip, 9th MAB Commanding General, later accompanied the FMFPac commander and his party on a tour of the 3rd FSR Ordnance and Engineer Maintenance facilities aboard the base.

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GENERAL KRULAK'S VISIT
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During this segment of the visit, General Krulak and the members of his party had the opportunity to view Marines working in the different departments of the ordnance and engineer operations, and observe the procedures that the units follow to keep vital weapons and equipment in good operating condition.

Completing the inspection tour, General Krulak and his party departed Camp Hansen to continue their island visit.

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INSPECTION--Lieutenant General Victor H. Krulak, Commanding General, Fleet Marine Force Pacific (1), examines the barrel of an M-16 rifle during his tour of Camp Hansen, Sunday, as Major A.A. McVitty, Commanding Officer of Ordnance Maintenance Company, 3rd Force Service Regiment, observes. (Official Marine Corps Photo by Cpl. F.O. Robb)

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BRONZE STAR AWARD
Release No: 22-68
By: LCpl. Wayne Schwendner

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

CAMP HANSEN, OKINAWA, Feb. 8. Sergeant Thomas Martin Shea, Regimental Landing Team 26, 9th Marine Amphibious Brigade (9th MAB), was awarded the Bronze Star medal with Combat "V" in ceremonies at Camp Schwab yesterday. Brigadier General W.C. Chip, 9th MAB Commanding General, presented the award.

In the award citation, signed by Lieutenant General Victor H. Krulak, Commanding General, Fleet Marine Force Pacific, Sgt. Shea was praised for "...heroic achievement in connection with operations in the Republic of Vietnam while serving as a scout with "M" Company, Third Battalion, Fourth Marine Regiment (3/4)."

While serving with 3/4 on Operation Prairie II, Feb. 14-20, 1967, Sgt. Shea participated in daily search and clear operations conducted over an extensive enemy controlled area near the Demilitarized Zone.

"Throughout these operations," the citation stated, "he exhibited an outstanding knowledge of scouting and patrolling techniques, and was instrumental in inflicting heavy losses upon the enemy."

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BRONZE STAR MEDAL
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On many occasions during the six-day operation, Sgt. Shea exposed himself to intense enemy fire to assault enemy positions and capture valuable documents and equipment.

During the second-to-last day of Operation Prairie II, Sgt. Shea fearlessly pursued an escaping enemy soldier across 3,000 meters of exposed terrain and succeeded in taking the man prisoner.

The citation lauds Sgt. Shea in that "...his daring actions inspired all who observed him, and contributed significantly to the accomplishment of his unit's mission."

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

BRONZE STAR AWARD--Brigadier General William C. Chip, (1), Commanding General, 9th Marine Amphibious Brigade, congratulates Sgt. Thomas Martin Shea after presenting him with the Bronze Star medal in ceremonies at Camp Schwab on Monday. (Official Marine Corps Photo by Cpl. F.O. Robb)

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Story			Photo No:		Release No:
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		Rotovue		X	Ryukyuan Review
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PURPLE HEART AWARD
Release No: 23-68
By: LCpl. Wayne Schwendner

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

CAMP HANSEN, OKINAWA, Feb. 8--Staff Sergeant William H. Clark, Headquarters Company, 9th Marine Amphibious Brigade (9th MAB), received two gold stars in lieu of second and third Purple Heart medals in ceremonies here Monday. Major R.C. Hagerty, HqCo. Commanding Officer, made the presentation.

While serving as a platoon sergeant with "E" Company, Second Battalion, Third Marine Regiment, SSgt. Clark was wounded in action during Operation Fortress Sentry (Sept. 22, 1967) and Operation Badger Hunt (Nov. 14, 1967).

SSgt. Clark received his first Purple Heart medal for wounds sustained on May 14, 1967, during combined Operations Belt Tight and Hickory.

At the present time SSgt. Clark is serving with the training and tactics section of 9th MAB Headquarters.

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Story FUND DRIVE CLOSSES			Photo No: 1-41-68		Release No: 24-68
Date/Time 1200 / 9 FEB 68		Unit 9th MAB ISO			By: LCPL WAYNE SCHWENDNER
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1		Stars & Stripes			Midwest Reporter
		The Foot			Dixie Digest
		The Sentry			Leatherneck
		Observation Post			PHIC
		Prospector			Naval Aviation Week
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		Navy Times			The Falcon
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		Torii Teller	1		Ryukyu Shimpo
1		Landing Zone			Morning Star
		Imblem	1		Life on Okinawa
		Rotovue	1		Ryukyuan Review
			1		CAMP COURTNEY ISO
			1		THIS WEEK ON OKINAWA
Date Released 9 FEBRUARY 68			Released By: <i>Doc M. Kelly</i>		

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FUND DRIVE CLOSSES

Release No: 24-68

By: LCpl. Wayne Schwendner

Photo No: 1-41-68

Additional Information:

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Informational Services Officer

Telephone: 4310

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FUND DRIVE ENDS--Brigadier General William C. Chip, Commanding General of the 9th Marine Amphibious Brigade, endorses the letter of transmittal forwarding the funds collected during the brigade's two-week Olympic Fund Drive, which ended on Jan. 31. Brigade Marines donated over \$300 to help sponsor American athletes at the Olympics to be held in Mexico City. (PLEASE CREDIT-Official Marine Corps Photo by PFC W.A. Oberg)

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Story Bowling Banquet			Photo No: 2-34-68		Release No: 28-58	
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Bowling Banquet
Release No: 28-68
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Camp Hansen, Okinawa Feb. 12 - The Camp Schwab Wednesday Night Bowling League closed its season with an awards banquet at the Camp Schwab Surf Side Club, Feb. 10.

LtCol. R. D. Alexander, RLIT-26 and Camp Schwab commander was guest of honor at the banquet and made trophy presentations to team and individual leaders.

The Rebels with a impressive 35-9 record accepted the first place team trophy while TOSS 31-13 received the second place team trophy.

John Gaudet, high bowler for TOSS with a 173 average, received the High Individual Scratch Game trophy from Col. Alexander for his 257 game.

Leo Vanderhoff^e, high average bowler in the league with a 185, accepted the High Individual Series award for his 616 series with the Rebels.

Individual Handicap Game and Series honors when to Bill Wesche and Wayne Duffy both of the not so famous Bowling Stones. Bill had a fine 259 handicap game and Wayne a 666 handicap series to earn their trophies.

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FINAL STANDINGS

<u>TEAM</u>	<u>WON</u>	<u>LOST</u>
1. Rebels	35	9
2. TOSS	31	13
3. Gearbusters	23 1/2	20 1/2
4. Bowling Stones	22 1/2	21 1/2
5. Tractor Rats	21 1/2	22 1/2
6. Tradtor Birds	20 1/2	23 1/2
7. Medical	18	26
8. Gutter Guys	17	27
9. Unknowns	16	28
10. Frightened Ones	15	29



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Airin-en Orphanage
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By: LCpl. David A. Przybylski

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Camp Hansen, Okinawa Feb. 12 - A group of approximately 50 Marines from the 9th Marine Amphibious Brigade (MAB) arrived at the Airin-en Orphanage in Yonabaru, near Naha, last Saturday morning to replace deteriorated flooring on a number of cottages at the orphanage.

The Marines volunteered their work as part of the Camp Hansen Community Relations program which has organized such projects to promote better community facilities and relations on the island.

Equipped with hand and power tools, a truck load of lumber, nails and a fork lift, the Marines completely covered the cottage floors with new lumber by evening. Minor repair work was also undertaken by the Marines.

In addition to the work on the cottages, Commander L. J. McDonald, (Protestant Chaplain, 9th MAB), the Recreation and Education Committee chairman at Camp Hansen, presented two checks to Miss Mary Higa, the Orphanage Director. One, for \$40, represented a contribution from the Protestant Chapel at Camp Hansen. The second check, for \$102.93, was a contribution from the 9th MAB Marines stationed at Camp Hansen.

Although many individuals have contributed to the success of Airin-en projects, Marine Staff Sergeant W. J. Gray, Career Advisor, Provisional Service Battalion, 9th MAB, deserves special commendation

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for his work these past months.

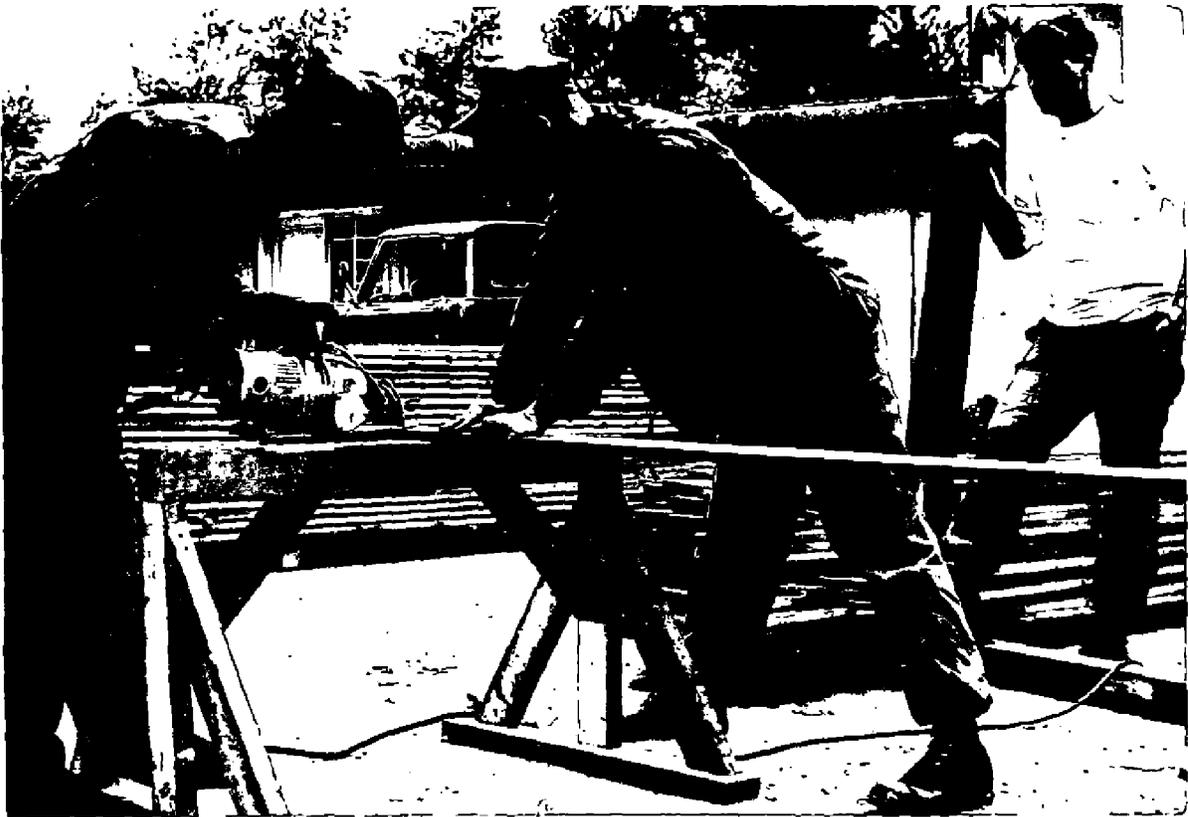
Through Sergeant Gray's tireless efforts at Airin-en a new frontier has been conquered; the frontier of understanding and cooperation for a common goal. This goal being, a brighter future for the less fortunate children of Airin-en.



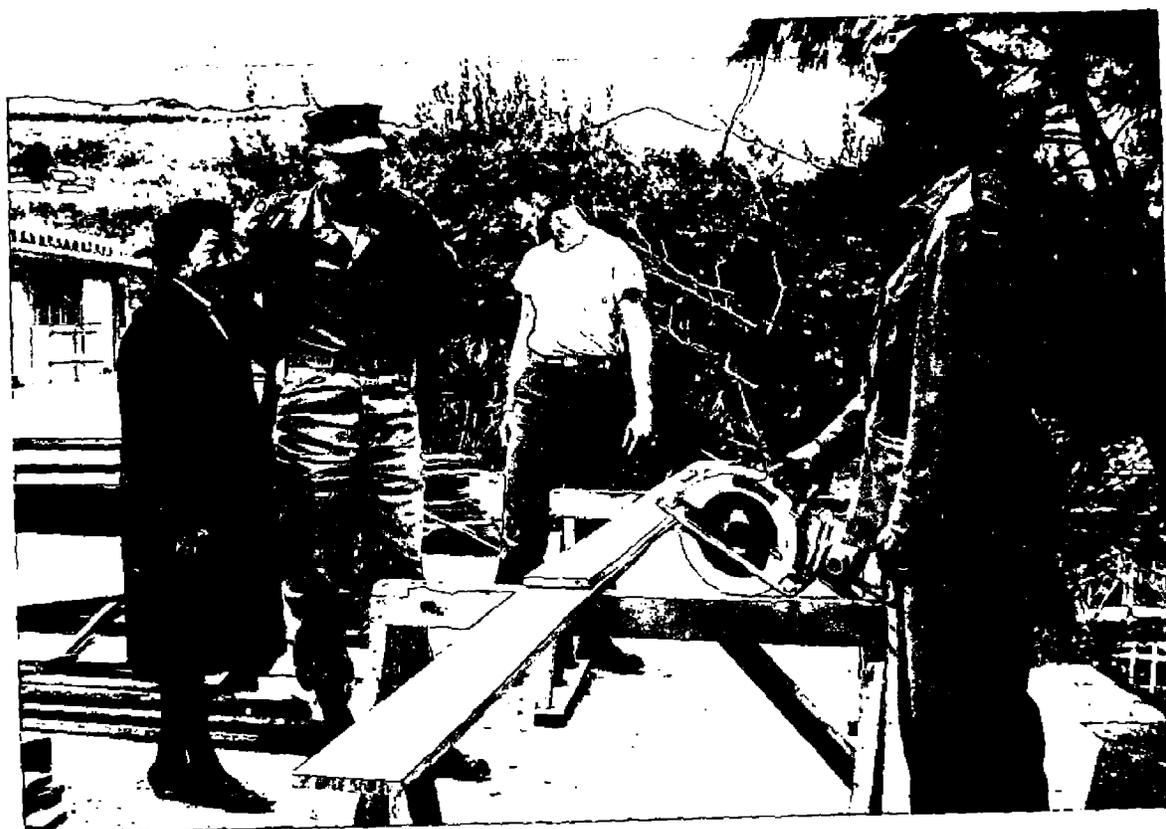
Marines moved furniture out of the cottages at the orphanage to replace the deteriorated flooring. The 9th MAB Marines volunteered their services as part of the Camp Hansen Community Relations program.
(Official Marine Corps Photo)



SHANGHAI - A young girl from the Mirin-shan Orphanage carries on a lively conversation with Captain David H. Repp, 9th MAB, Informational Services Officer. Brigade Marines have helped members of the orphanage by improve the facilities and spending countless hours at the orphanage to show the children that "someone cares." (Official Marine Corps Photo)



Equipped with hand and power tools, a truckload of lumber, nails and a fork lift, the Marines completed covering the cottage floors at the Airin-en Orphanage with new lumber by evening. (Official Marine Corps Photo)



Corporal E. J. McDonald, (Protestant Chaplain, 9th IAB), the Recreation and Education Committee chairman at Camp Hansen, and Miss Mary Higa, the Orphanage Director, look on as workers from 9th IAB cut lumber for use on the floors at the orphanage. (Official Marine Corps Photo)

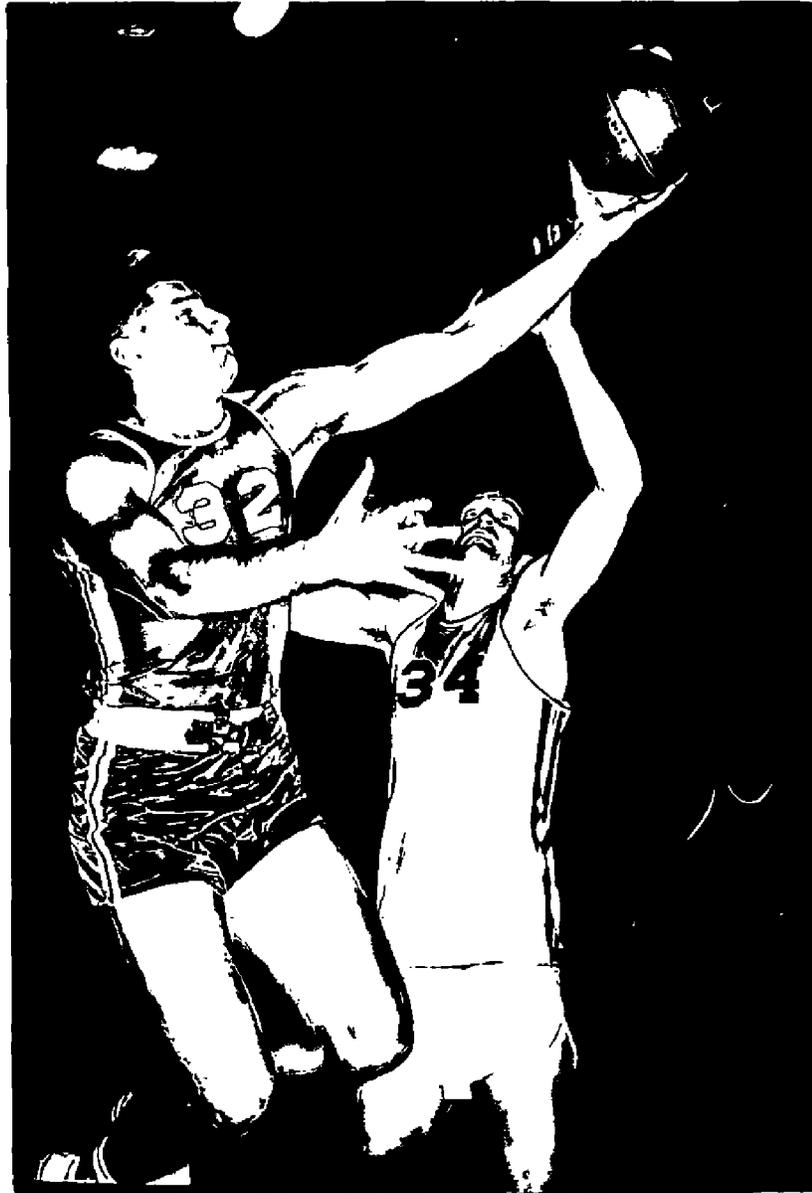


A Marine soldier (left) and another Marine (right) are on the deck of the ship at the Marine Corps Camp located near Hahaione. (Photo by the Marine Corps)

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Viking Basketball
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Camp Hansen, Okinawa Feb. 12 - Lead by the brilliant outside shooting of guard Jim Taylor, the Camp Hansen Vikings romped to their seventh consecutive victory as they crushed the Camp Courtney Champions 95-63 Friday night in a game at the Camp Hansen gym.

Taylor opened the game with a bang, scoring ten points on driving lay-ups and deadly jump shots from the corner to give the red-clad Vikings a 23-13 lead at the end of the first quarter.

Taylor and teammates Tony Kaufman and Jim Bower combined for 22 points in the second quarter, literally catching the Champions flat-footed with their wide-open, fast-break style of play.

Down 47-21 at the half, the Champions made a desperate bid to stay even with the hard-charging Vikings in the third period, Courtney forward Larry Green tallied 10 points in the quarter, but the Hansen quintet held on to their 26 point lead.

Both squads substituted freely in the final stanza, but the Vikings managed to increase their lead to 32 points by the end of the game.

By triumphing over the Courtney crew the Hansen squad also claimed a moral victory by blanking an individual who helped engineer the Viking's only defeat in All-Star play.

Jay Levan, a ^{6'7"} member of the Interservice Marine Defender squad, playing for the Champions was held to six points during the contest as the

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aggressive Viking defense blocked many of his shots and kept him off balance all evening.

In the Vikings first game of the season Levan had tallied 21 points to lead the Defenders to victory.

Taylor finished the evening with 28 points while Jim Bower and Tony Kaufman *collected* 12 apiece. Larry Green paced the Courtney attack with 18 markers.

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K.K.O.-A sport incorporating features of fencing and swordsmanship
is demonstrated by 11 Chishawm Junior High School students and three
members of the Chishawm Fencing Association at the Camp Hancock Gym,
Feb. 10. (Official Marine Corps Photo by PFC W. A. Oberg)

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Story		CHANGE OF COMMAND, RL1-26		Photo No:	2-56-68	Release No:	32-68	
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CHANGE OF COMMAND
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 Photo No: 2-56-68
 By: PFC W.A. Oberg

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PARADE AND REVIEW--Major J.B. Bary (r), Commanding Officer of Regimental Landing Team 26 (Rear), 9th Marine Amphibious Brigade, stands at attention after assuming command of the regiment from LtCol. R.D. Alexander (l) in change of command ceremonies last Friday at Camp Schwab. (Official Marine Corps Photo by PFC W.A. Oberg)

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

CAMP HANSEN, OKINAWA, Feb. 19— Major J.B. Bany assumed command of Regimental Landing Team 26 (Rear), 9th Marine Amphibious Brigade (9th MAB) in ceremonies at Camp Schwab last Friday afternoon.

Relieving Lieutenant Colonel R.D. Alexander, who was transferred to Task Group 79.5 with the Seventh Fleet, Major Bany was honored with a parade and review by RTL-26 Marines and the 9th MAB Band.

Guests of honor for the change of command ceremonies included Colonel James A. Etheridge, 9th MAB Chief of Staff; Colonel H.E.L. Zastrow, Camp Butler Commanding Officer, and other prominent military and civilian personnel in the Camp Schwab area.

Major Bany assumes command of RTL-26 (Rear) after serving as the regiment's executive officer since Sept. 18, 1967. He will also serve as the Commanding Officer, Camp Schwab, as well as RTL-26 commander.

The major graduated from Marquette University in 1953 with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Speech, and entered the Marine Corps in the same year.

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The major served a tour of duty on Okinawa in 1957-58, when he was attached to the 3rd Marine Division. Prior to transfer to RIT-26 last fall, Major Bany had served with the Officer Assignment Section of the Personnel Department, Headquarters Marine Corps from June, 1965 until August, 1967.

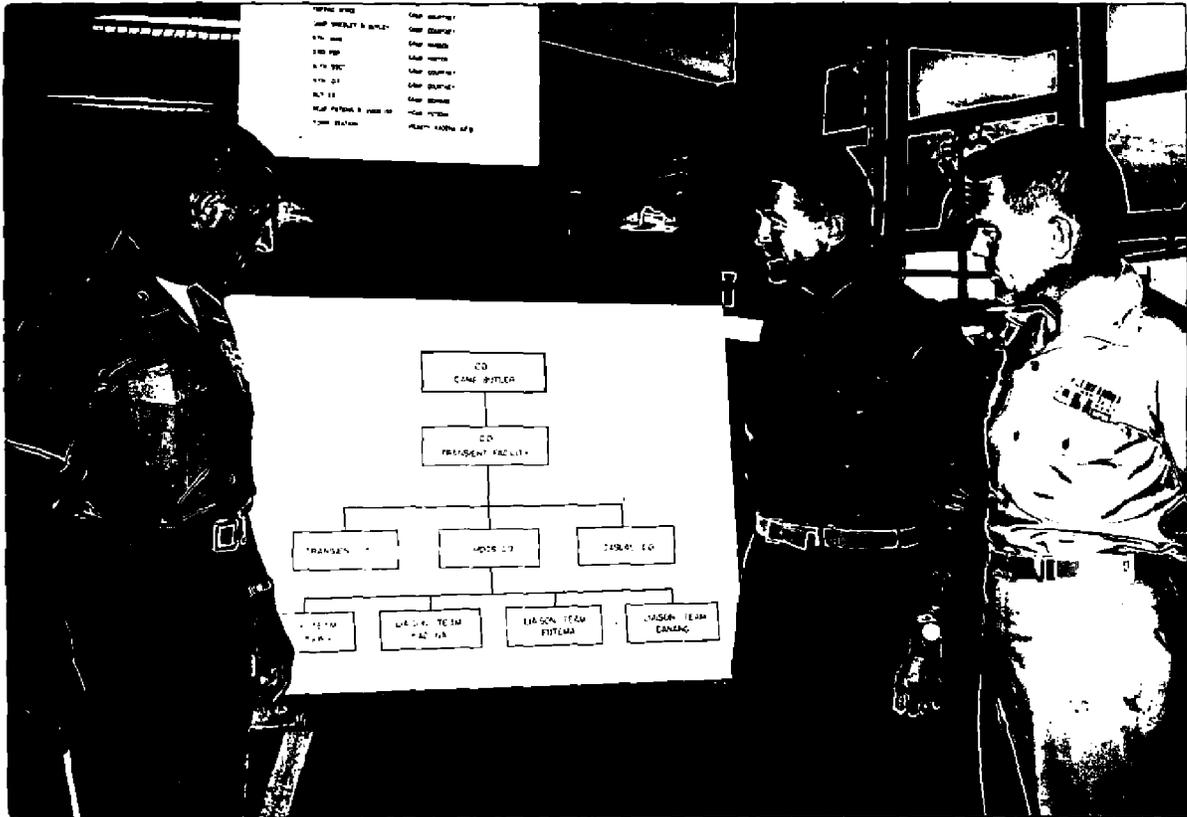
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GEN. McLAUGHLIN'S VISIT
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 By: PFC W.A. Oberg

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EXPLANATION---Lieutenant Colonel J.R. Greenstone (1), Commanding Officer of the Camp Hansen Transient Facility, explains a table of organization to Brigadier General John N. McLaughlin (c) and Brigadier General William C. Chip, 9th Marine Amphibious Brigade Commanding General. The discussion was held recently when General McLaughlin took an orientation tour of the Hansen facilities prior to departing for the Republic of Vietnam.

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BON VOYAGE!—LtCol. R. D. Alexander (left) received the RLt-26 Regimental Flag from Sgt. I. K. Archer on behalf of the Marines of RLt-26 (rear) at the Camp Schwab Surf Side Club Monday night. Col. Alexander was transferred to Task Group 79.5 with the Seventh Fleet after serving as RLt-26 and Camp Schwab commander since July 14, 1967. (USMC PHOTO by Pfc W. A. Oberg)

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SILVER STAR
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SILVER STAR PRESENTATION--Brigadier General William G. Chip (r), Commanding General, 9th Marine Amphibious Brigade, pins the Silver Star Medal with Combat "V" on Captain R.L. Harshman, Regimental Landing Team 26. Captain Harshman earned the award for heroism while serving as CO of Gulf Company, 2/4. (Official Marine Corps Photo by Corporal Floyd Robb)

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HANSIE BURLING
Release No: 77-58
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CAMP HANSEN, OAHU, Feb. 26--The 9th MAB Engineers rolled to victory in three out of four games against New Tokyo to take sole possession of third place and highlight last Wednesday night's action in the Camp Butler Winter Baseball League at the Hansen Annex.

Gus Fernandez and "Eki" Panyhiani rolled 544 and 323 wickets respectively to pace the 9th MAB bowlers. The three victories ended a seven-game losing streak for 9th MAB. Earlier in the season they had gone 15 games without a defeat.

New Tokyo, despite Skip Izzi's 497 wickets, fell to fifth place in the league standings, as the Clatsaws slipped into fourth. Bar Sea and Club Ice each won four games to remain in the top two spots in the league. Standings:

1. Bar Sea	32-4
2. Club Ice	31-5
3. 9th MAB	25-13
4. Clatsaws	19-17
5. New Tokyo	18-18
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**HANSEN VOLLEYBALL
Release No: 59-60
By: Lt Col Corporal Wayne Schneider**

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CAMP HANSEN, OKINAWA, Feb. 26--31st Five teams ready for action, the Camp Hansen Intramural Volleyball League prepared to open its 15-game schedule this week.

Squads representing the 9th Marine Amphibious Brigade Informational Services Office, the Provisional Service Battalion Personnel Office, Schools and Range Company, Communications Support Company and "A" Co., 5th Tank Battalion underwent final practice sessions in preparation for the coming games.

Games will be played on Tuesday and Thursday nights in the Hansen gymnasium. Each squad will play a six-game schedule against the other teams to determine the Camp Hansen net champion for 1960.

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		The Boot			Dixie Digest
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		The Scout			All Hands
		The Globe			Leeward View
		Flight Jacket			Windjammer
		The Chevron			Outpost
		Navy Times			The Falcon
		Windsock			The Seahawk
		Cactus Comet			The Skywriter
		Jet Stream			Okinawa Times
		Torii Teller			Ryukyu Shimpō
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Although comparatively small in the terms of manpower and size, the 9th Marine Amphibious Brigade (9th MAB) Headquarters Company Supply Section performs the vital function of providing expedient supply support for the ~~headquarters~~ ^{headquarters} of the "B rigade in Motion."

The headquarters supplymen have the important job of providing adequate supplies for the Brigade headquarters ^(Company) both in garrison and in the field. They can deliver anything ranging from a box of paper clips to a complete line of field equipment, weapons, and rations in case the unit is called upon to "mount out."

Operating in a small but efficiently planned office-warehouse building located near the central 9th MAB offices at Camp Hansen, the supply section is concerned primarily with keeping a full store of good quality supplies for the headquarters nucleus,

Gear may be issued to an individual Marine reporting aboard, or to a particular section or office, depending on the item and its function.

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In addition to the normal stock of items needed to keep the unit running in garrison, the supply section also maintains a special "mount out" stock supply, so that the equipment would be ready for instant issue if the ~~headquarters~~^{company} nucleus is forced to deploy in a combat situation.

Under the leadership of First Lieutenant B.L. Lloyd, the supplymen spend long hours keeping their section and gear in top-notch shape.

They play a crucial role in maintaining the strength and mobility for an ~~important unit in~~^{important unit in} a "brigade in motion", whether it be stationed on Okinawa or deployed anywhere in the world.

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		Stars & Stripes			Midwest Reporter	
		The Boot			Dixie Digest	
		The Sentry			Leatherneck	
		Observation Post			MNTC	
		Prospector			Naval Aviation Week	
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		The Globe			Iceward View	
		Flight Jacket			Windjammer	
		The Chevron			Outpost	
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CAMP HANSEN, OKINAWA, Feb. 28-- Netmen from A" Co., 5th Tank Bn., edged the 9th MAB Supply-ISO squad in two straight matches, 21-15 and 21-16 to win the opening game in the Camp Hansen Volleyball League last night at the Hansen gymnasium.

Capitalizing on teamwork and good serving, the Tankers easily downed the 9th MAB netters in the first match. Only a desperation last scoring outburst by the Supply-ISO men moved them to within six points of the Tankers.

Things were a bit different in the second match, however, as both teams struggled valiantly for the victory. The lead changed hands throughout the game, and only a great display of teamwork pulled the game out for the Tanker netmen.

Late in the second match the 9th MAB squad held a 16-15 lead, due largely to the outstanding play of Steve LeBarron and Gerry Johnson. The Tankers were not to be denied, though, as they rallied for eight points while holding 9th MAB scoreless.

In the second game of the evening Schools and Ranges Company found that they could not muster a team by game time, and as a result forfeited

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their match with Personnel Office, Provisional Service Bn. The PSB netmen moved into a first-place tie with 5th Tank, even though they didn't have to play their scheduled game.

Next Tuesday the PSB squad will play their first actual game of the season, when they face the 9th MAB netmen in a contest at the Hansen gym. Game time is 6 pm.

On Thursday, the PSB netters will again take the floor, competing this time against a team representing Communications Support Co.

The Camp Hansen volleyball season will conclude in early April, at which time the Camp Hansen 1963 Intramural champions will be decided.

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APPENDIX C

TRAINING STATISTICS

1. OJT with III MAF

a. Total of 3 officers and 2 enlisted Marines completed OJT with units of III MAF during 1-29 February 1968.

<u>UNITS TRAINED WITH</u>	<u>OFFICERS</u>	<u>ENLISTED</u>
MASS-3 1st MAW	2	
3rd Mar Div 9th MT	1	
FLC/1st FSR		1
III MAF ISO		1

2. Schools. The following is a listing of the schools and courses utilized by 9thMAB during the period 1-29 February 1968.

<u>SCHOOL</u>	<u>STUDENTS</u>
NCO Leadership School	25
Vietnamese Language School	4
Registered Publications School	3
Comm/Sec Crypto School	1
Basic Infantry Weapons Repair School	2
Career Advisory School	3
Embarkation School	6
16mm Projectionist School	8

3. Reconnaissance Training.

- a. E Co, 3rd Recon completed 6 weeks transition training 20 Feb 1968.
- b. E Co, 1st Recon completed 6 weeks training 1 March 1968.
- c. A Co, 5th Recon conducted training 25-27 Feb 1968 utilizing submarines.

4. NGFT Training. 9thMAB NGFT conducted training in Subic Bay, Philippine Islands 27-29 February 1968.

5. AIO/FAC Training. AIO/FAC Mobile Training Team conducted two classes in February. First class 5-9 February, second class 12-16 February 1968. Two officers attended each class from 9thMAB.