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1st Marine Aircraft Wing

Major General L. E. BROWN
 1 January - 17 April 1973
 Major General F. C. LANG
 17 April - 30 June 1973

SUBORDINATE UNITS

Marine Wing Headquarters Squadron-1

LtCol T. M. D'ANDREA
 1 January - 30 June 1973

Marine Aircraft Group-12

Col D. C. MACHO
 1 January - 5 April 1973
 LtCol H. L. JACKSON (Acting)
 1 January - 3 February 1973
 LtCol H. L. JACKSON
 5 April - 30 June 1973

Marine Aircraft Group-12(Forward)

Col D. C. MACHO
 1 January - 3 February 1973

Marine Aircraft Group-15

Col A. W. TALBERT
 1 January - 30 June 1973

Marine Wing Support Group-17

Col J. L. GOEBEL
 1 January - 16 June 1973
 Col R. M. WILLIAMS
 16 June 1973 - 30 June 1973

Marine Air Control Group-18

Col G. B. McPHERSON
 1 January - 22 June 1973
 LtCol W. J. McMANUS
 22 June - 30 June 1973

Marine Aircraft Group-36

Col W. R. MALONEY
 1 January - 26 May 1973
 Col N. J. KAPETAN
 26 May - 30 June 1973

Task Force Delta

BGen R. W. TAYLOR
 1 January - 30 June 1973

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2. (U) LOCATION

1st Marine Aircraft Wing

MCAS Iwakuni, Japan
1 January - 30 June 1973

Task Force Delta

Nam Phong AB, Thailand
1 January - 30 June 1973

Marine Aircraft Group-12

MCAS Iwakuni, Japan
1 January - 30 June 1973

Marine Aircraft Group-12(Forward))

Bien Hoa AB, Vietnam
1 January - 3 February 1973

Marine Aircraft Group-15

Nam Phong AB, Thailand
1 January - 30 June 1973

Marine Wing Support Group-17

MCAS Iwakuni, Japan
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Marine Air Control Group-18

MCAS Iwakuni, Japan
1 January - 30 June 1973

Marine Aircraft Group-36

MCAS Futenma, Okinawa
1 January - 30 June 19733. (U) STAFF OFFICERS

Assistant Wing Commander

Brigadier General R. W. TAYLOR
1 January - 30 June 1973

Chief of Staff

Colonel J. W. SMITH
1 January - 30 June 1973

Assistant Chief of Staff, G-1

Colonel C. D. CORN
1 January - 8 June 1973
Colonel O. L. OWENS
8 June - 30 June 1973

Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2

Lieutenant Colonel J. P. REICHERT
1 January - 25 June 1973
Major F. G. CASTILLO
25 June - 30 June 1973

Assistant Chief of Staff, G-3

Colonel J. W. PARCHEN
1 January - 30 June 1973

Assistant Chief of Staff, G-4

Col L. B. BAITES
1 January - 31 March 1973
LtCol G. A. CORLISS
31 March - 30 June 1973

Assistant Chief of Staff, Comptroller

LtCol G. F. GALLAGHER
1 January - 30 June 1973

Assistant Chief of Staff, Management

LtCol M. H. SAUTTER
1 January - 22 April 1973
Maj W. J. HANLEY
22 April - 30 June 1973

Assistant Chief of Staff, Human Affairs
Division

LtCol G. L. CARLSON
1 January - 17 June 1973
Col F. D. TOPLEY
17 June - 30 June 1973

Staff Secretary

LtCol E. F. TOWNLEY
1 January - 29 May 1973
Maj W. D. BAUER
29 May - 30 June 1973

Aide de Camp

Capt G. P. O'NEILL
1 January - 30 June 1973

Sergeant Major

SgtMaj W. R. MATSON
1 January - 30 June 1973

SPECIAL STAFF

Adjutant

Capt L. R. ROBERTS
1 January - 1 February 1973
Capt B. J. MULHERIN
1 February - 30 June 1973

Wing Chaplain

Capt D. K. VELTMAN, CHC, USN
1 January - 28 January 1973
Capt W. R. HOWARD, CHC, USN
28 January - 30 June 1973

Communication-Electronics Officer

Col H. L. FOGERTY
1 January - 24 June 1973
LtCol R. J. LEE
24 June - 30 June 1973

Wing Inspector

Col J. V. HANES
1 January - 2 April 1973
Col W. B. FLEMING
2 April - 30 May 1973
LtCol J. W. ABBEY
1 June - 30 June 1973

Public Affairs Officer

Capt T. W. TURNER
1 January - 30 June 1973

Director of Safety

LtCol C. G. REDMAN
1 January - 30 June 1973

Staff Judge Advocate

LtCol R. W. EDWARDS
1 January - 30 June 1973

Wing Supply Officer

Col J. H. STROPPE
1 January - 30 June 1973

Wing Surgeon

Capt E. REED, Jr. MC, USN
1 January - 30 March 1973
Capt B. C. JOHNSON, MC, USN
30 March - 30 June 19734. (U) AVERAGE STRENGTH

1st Marine Aircraft Wing

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USMCOfficers

1054

Enlisted

7945

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PART IINARRATIVEPREFACE

The First Marine Aircraft Wing Command Chronology for this reporting period covers a wide variety of operations conducted within a large geographical area. 1st MAW units were located in areas spread from Nam Phong, Thailand to Atsugi, Japan - including 7th Fleet ships at sea.

Task Force Delta and MAG-15 operating from Nam Phong continued to fly combat missions against Communist forces, as they have been with few interruptions since their reintroduction into the IndoChina war.

MAG-12 ended its intense combat involvement on 27 January and reverted to a ready status at MCAS Iwakuni.

MAG-36's helicopter squadrons remained quite active in support of training operations and exercises. MAG-36 H-53 helicopters from HMM-165, one squadron from NAG-24, HMM-463, including a SAR Det of CH-46's from HMM-164, and a Navy squadron, HM-12, formed the airborne mine clearing elements of Task Force 78 in Operation End Sweep. The operation was dedicated to clearing mines from the coastal waters of North Vietnam.

Other 1st MAW units were actively engaged in training activities and maintaining a high standard of readiness. For details, consult the Unit and Staff Section chronologies herein contained as ~~en~~ures.

NAM PHONG RTAFB, THAILAND

Following their move to Nam Phong from Danang in June 1972, MAG-15 of Task Force Delta continued to conduct combat operations against insurgent forces until the cease fire went into effect in North and South Vietnam on 28 January. However, Task Force Delta continued to conduct combat operations in Laos until 22 February when the cease fire went into effect in that country. Immediately following the Laotian cease fire, MAG-15 conducted an intensive training program. However, on 25 February, MAG-15 was tasked to provide 12 sorties in support of Khmer Republic forces.

On 30 March MAG-15's F-4s from VMFA-115 and 232 were tasked to fly in support of Khmer Republic forces and continued to fly between 12 and 20 combat sorties a day through the end of the reporting period. On 11 May, the A-6 aircraft assigned to MMA(AW)-533 were tasked to start combat operations in support of Khmer Republic forces.

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From 11 May through the end of the reporting period VMA(AW)-533 flew an average of 4.4 combat sorties per day. The F-4s were utilized for direct air support while the A-6s have been used against night moving targets and for RADFAC beacon drops.

The base facilities at Nam Phong continued to be developed throughout the reporting period. Continuing improvements were made in living quarters, working spaces, security arrangements, communications facilities, the base operations complex and the TAFDS installation.

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VMCJ-1 Det 101 based at NAS Cubi Point with their EA-6A aircraft was usefully employed in a large number of exercises that were beneficial to the training effort of the unit as well as that of other units. In addition to numerous Jamex exercises, VMCJ-1 Det 101 participated in the Eagle and Lark exercises, Exercise Commando Jade and Pagasa I. Det 101 also carried out monthly Beaverhound operations and flew sorties designed to update the radar order of Battle of the Philippines. VMCJ-1 Det 101 provided valuable services to other units, including 7th Fleet ships, while maintaining itself in a high state of readiness.

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1. (U) DESIGNATION

Assistant Chief of Staff, G-1

Col C. D. CORN
1 Jan - 8 Jun
Col O. L. OWENS
9 Jun - 30 Jun

2. (U) LOCATION

1 Jan - 30 Jun 73: MCAS, Iwakuni, Japan

3. (U) STAFF OFFICER

Assistant G-1

LtCol R. J. REID
1 Jan - 25 May
LtCol G. H. LEACH
25 May - 30 Jun

Personnel Officer

Maj W. J. NORRIS
1 Jan - 28 Feb
Maj R. B. BOOHER
1 May - 30 Jun

Officer Assignment Officer

Capt J. E. STOLL
1 Jan - 30 Jun

Enlisted Assignment Officer

GySgt E. S. SYBRANT
1 Jan - 30 Jun

Admin Officer

CWO 3 J. T. TENPENNY
1 Jan - 16 Jun
Capt L. HICKS
17 Jun - 30 Jun

Plans Analysis Officer

Capt R. L. OETTING
1 Jan - 30 Jun

ACU Liaison Officer

Capt J. W. WELLS
1 Jan - 16 Jan
Maj G. W. GERAGHTY
20 Feb - 30 Jun

Enclosure (1)

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PERSONNEL STRENGTHS FOR 1st MARINE AIRCRAFT WING DURING 1JAN
TO 30JUN

AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

	OFFICERS	ENLISTED
JAN	1090	7940
FEB	1040	7960
MAR	1060	7963
APR	1058	7940
MAY	1042	7928
JUN	1035	7942

AVERAGE DURING PERIOD

OFFICERS	ENLISTED
1054	7945

Enclosure (2)

C O N F I D E N T I A L

DEPLOYED STRENGTH OF FIRST MAW UNITS

DEPLOYED STRENGTHS AS OF 30 JAN 1973

	OFFICER	ENLISTED
TASK FORCE DELTA	217	2261
MAG 12 (FWD)	77	704
VMCJ DET	19	147

DEPLOYED STRENGTH AS OF 28 FEB 1973

	OFFICER	ENLISTED
TASK FORCE DELTA	214	2253
VMCJ DET	20	150

DEPLOYED STRENGTH AS OF 30 MAR 1973

	OFFICER	ENLISTED
TASK FORCE DELTA	210	2142
VMCJ DET	17	158

DEPLOYED STRENGTH AS OF 30 APR 1973

	OFFICER	ENLISTED
TASK FORCE DELTA	219	2120
VMCJ DET	16	148

DEPLOYED STRENGTH AS OF 30 MAY 1973

	OFFICER	ENLISTED
TASK FORCE DELTA	234	2319
VMCJ DET	16	147

DEPLOYED STRENGTH AS OF 30 JUN 1973

	OFFICER	ENLISTED
TASK FORCE DELTA	235	2277
VMCJ DET	16	146

Enclosure (3)
C O N F I D E N T I A L

S E C R E T

SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

- 1 January CG First MAW msg 190643Z Dec 72 to CG FMFPac, relocation of MASS-2 from Iwakuni Japan to Okinawa Island after 15 January 1973. Request authority to relocate MASS-2 from Iwakuni to Futema after 15 January 1973 as facilities become available. Early receipt of movement authority is desired in order to complete attendant personnel and Logistics Support actions. CG First MAW msg 181023Z DEC 72 recommends that only advance detail be deployed for admin and other functions prior to 15 Jan 1973. Facilities have been vacated for administrative functions at old site of MACS-4.
- 5 January TAD in excess of six months. CMC msg 051330Z Jan 73 approved three (3) months extension of TAD beyond 6 months as required by JTR M3003-2D. Due to continued indefinite nature of SEA operational commitments for First MAW units. Continuation of TAD status considered appropriate. Accordingly IAW par M3003-2D JTR, TAD. Additional 3 months for a total of 12 months for personnel involved in SEA operations is approved.
- 19 January CG FMFPac msg 190342Z Jan 73. Nickname of repatriation processing procedures for US personnel POW/MIA personnel has been changed EGRESS RECAP to Homecoming.
- 22 January Customs Inspection, Nam Phong, 1st MAW msg 220501Z Jan 73(U). Recent Staff visit from CG 1st MAW revealed an effective customs inspection established at Nam Phong in the area of personnel, personal baggage and aircraft. However, mandatory this program may be, customs inspections be expanded ASAP to include inspection of all supply shipments prior to boarding and inspection of at 2D, 3D, and 4th class mail prior to mailing.
- 17 February CINCPACFLT msg 170432Z Feb 73. Project End Sweep. Aviation Maintenance Personnel Augment. CINCPACFLT request in order to meet urgent requirements request CG FMFPac assistance in providing personnel for operation End Sweep.
- 17 February CG 1stMAW msg 170805Z Feb 73. Command relations

HMH-463. CG FMFPac msg 152220Z Feb 73 (TS) attached HMH-463 to FMAW effective 7Dec72 for a period of about 6 months. Transferred and promotion authority remains with 1st MARBDE. HMH 463 has own administrative capability. Personnel records will remain with that squadron.

21 February MAG-12 FWD msg 021200Z Feb 73, personnel strength report. Final Strength Report submitted. In-country Strength Balance as of 021230Z Feb 73 is zero. MAG-12 returned to Iwakuni Feb 1973.

14 March CG III MAF msg 140731Z Mar 73, Operation Homecoming Augmentation of processing team. Members of 1st MAF connected with operation homecoming directed to report to Cmdr, 13th, AFB, RP for duty with Marine Deputy, JHRC Cmdr.

22 March CG FMAW msg 220741Z Mar 73 to all Wing units regarding personal property shipment on PCSO. MCO 1300.8J limits shipment of personal property to and from CONUS by personnel serving unaccompanied overseas tours to unaccompanied baggage. Shipment of household goods (HHG) not authorized. Personnel who began overseas tour prior to 23 February 1973 air shipment limited to 500 lbs, surface shipments not effected by weight limitation. For all personnel with prescribed weight allowance who begin unaccompanied overseas tours after 23 February 1973 to 250 lbs by any shipping mode.

5 May WgBul 1070 1: CDC:mrw of 5 May 1973 activates Sub-Unit #2, Headquarters and Maintenance Squadron 17, placing Det "C", H&MS-15, MAG-15 under Iwakuni based admin control.

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1st Marine Aircraft Wing
Fleet Marine Force Pacific
FPO San Francisco 96602

2:EWK:jdm
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14 July 1973

From: Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2
To: Assistant Chief of Staff, G-3 (Attn: Plans0)

Subj: Command Chronology Input

Ref: (a) WgO 5750.1B

Encl: (1) G-2 Command Chronology, 1 Jan - 30 Jun 73, Parts I and II

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

vr.

F. G. Castillo
F. G. CASTILLO

G-2

from June 73

PART I

ORGANIZATION DATA1. DESIGNATION

1st Marine Aircraft Wing, G-2 Division

2. LOCATION

1 January 1973 - 30 June 1973 MCAS Iwakuni

3. STAFF OFFICERS

a. Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2/SSO

LtCol J. P. REICHERT
1JAN73-25JUN73Maj F. G. CASTILLO
26JUN73-30JUN73

b. Assistant G-2/Assistant SSO

Maj F. G. CASTILLO
1JAN73-25JUN73

c. Air Combat Intelligence Officer

Maj R. L. BROWN
1JAN73-25JUN73Capt D. HAMLIN
26JUN73-30JUN73

d. Assistant Air Combat Intelligence Officer

Capt D. HAMLIN
1JAN73-25JUN73

e. Staff Counterintelligence Officer

2dLt C. L. GRIFFIN
1JAN73-1MAR73Capt W. H. FRIZELL
2MAR73-30JUN73

f. Administrative Officer

CWO-3 J. F. GUENTHER
1JAN73-30JUN73

g. Photo Imagery Interpretation Officer

CWO-2 G. J. BOLICK
29JAN73-30JUN73

h. Assistant Special Security Officer

1stLt R. R. FITZGERALD
1JAN73-31MAY73Capt D. HAMLIN
1JUN73-30JUN73

4. Average monthly strength for this reporting period was:

OFFICERS

7

ENLISTED

38

ENCLOSURE (1)

PART II

NARRATIVE SUMMARY

1. Air Combat Intelligence Branch

a. Presented the intelligence portion of the Commanding General's weekly Commanding General's Brief. Members of the Branch conducted daily research of incoming messages and various documents to assist in the preparation of necessary graphics. On-the-job-training was conducted to familiarize personnel with terminology and procedures in researching documents.

b. Maps depicting location of enemy radars were produced on North Vietnam, Laos, North Korea, and South Korea.

c. A canned brief was prepared for the "Beaver Hound" missions, a continuing operation.

d. The Intelligence Annex for 1st MAW OpOrder 1-73 (Commando Jade) was compiled during this period to support requirements by higher headquarters.

e. Mounted briefing maps were prepared on all Countries within the 1st MAW area of interest.

f. Inventories were conducted of all Airfields and Seaplane Stations of the World (ASSOTOW) Volumes, of all classified material held by the G-2 Division, and of all 1st MAW Evacuation Maps/Blood Chit assets.

g. Briefings were prepared on the following countries: North Korea, South Korea, North Vietnam, South Vietnam, Laos, Cambodia, Thailand, Burma, Philippines, Taiwan and Okinawa.

h. Active physical fitness and technical training schedules were implemented within this Branch. The technical training is conducted weekly for all G-2 and other interested personnel.

2. Special Security Office

a. The SSO prepared and routed daily items of interest from Special Intelligence Communication Sources.

b. Special Intelligence briefs on areas of current interest were presented periodically to the Commanding General.

c. The SSO initiated and submitted SI clearance requests

for all 1st MAW personnel requiring SI access, a continuing as required project.

3. Photo Imagery Interpretation Branch.

a. The PIIB reviewed and forwarded 53 Aerial Reconnaissance requests; 35 were completed and 18 are still outstanding. In addition, the 1st MAW Air to Ground Range Targets folder used for briefing pilots was completed.

b. Liaison trips to FICPACFAC, VMO-6 and 3d MARDIV were accomplished. Also, SSgt HINTZ and Sgt GOEBEL participated in Operation Homecoming and 3 members of PIIB were provided in support of amphibious operations aboard the USS Blue Ridge LCC19.

c. This unit was tasked by FICPAC, Hawaii for the production of HLA/DZ studies of Laos, North Vietnam, South Vietnam. The training and experience derived from these studies was valuable. HLA/DZ's are produced when operational priorities permit on a non-interfering basis.

d. The Imagery Interpretation Facility (IIF), consisting of two (2) AN/TSQ-82 vans, was repainted and the technician work area between the vans was remodeled to allow for more expeditious deployment.

e. A liaison visit was conducted by a FICPAC team. Areas discussed were shipment of original negatives, future photo missions and pending missions.

4. Staff Counterintelligence Section (SCI)

a. SCI continued to monitor and report on subversive and racial elements within the Iwakuni, Japan area.

b. OPERATION STARGAZER commenced 1 February 1973 and was terminated 6 March 1973. The operation was considered successful.

c. Command briefings concerning Dissident and Subversive activity affecting 1st MAW Units were given to the CG, visiting officials, and newly designated unit CO's on a recurring basis by the Assistant Chief of Staff G-2, the SCIO, and local NIS Agents.

d. A Personnel Evaluation Committee was established and convened on several occasions to discuss administrative action contemplated/taken by respective units on dissident individuals.

e. A program of Classified Material Control Area Inspections

of Administrative Procedures (within the SCP) was initiated by the G-2 Division. The CMCC Officer is currently conducting these inspections throughout 1st MAW Headquarters and subordinate units.

f. Approximately 110 Defense Against Methods of Entry (DAME) assists were provided by SCI for 1st MAW Headquarters and subordinate units.

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PART IORGANIZATIONAL DATA1 January - 30 June 19731. (U) DESIGNATIONCOMMANDER

1st Marine Aircraft Wing

Major General L. E. BROWN
 1 January - 17 April 1973
 Major General F. C. LANG
 17 April - 30 June 1973

SUBORDINATE UNITS

Marine Wing Headquarters Squadron-1

LtCol T. M. D'ANDREA
 1 January - 30 June 1973

Marine Aircraft Group-12

Col D. C. MACHO
 1 January - 5 April 1973
 LtCol H. L. JACKSON (Acting)
 1 January - 3 February 1973
 LtCol H. L. JACKSON
 5 April - 30 June 1973

Marine Aircraft Group-12(Forward)

Col D. C. MACHO
 1 January - 3 February 1973

Marine Aircraft Group-15

Col A. W. TALBERT
 1 January - 30 June 1973

Marine Wing Support Group-17

Col J. L. GOEBEL
 1 January - 16 June 1973
 Col R. M. WILLIAMS
 16 June - 30 June 1973

Marine Air Control Group-18

Col G. B. McPHERSON
 1 January - 22 June 1973
 LtCol W. J. McMANUS
 22 June - 30 June 1973

Marine Aircraft Group-36

Col W. R. MALONEY
 1 January - 26 May 1973
 Col N. J. KAPETAN
 26 May - 30 June 1973

Task Force Delta

BGen R. W. TAYLOR
 1 January - 30 June 1973

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2. (U) LOCATION

1st Marine Aircraft Wing	MCAS Iwakuni, Japan 1 January - 30 June 1973
Task Force Delta	Nam Phong AB, Thailand 1 January - 30 June 1973
Marine Aircraft Group-12	MCAS Iwakuni, Japan 1 January - 30 June 1973
Marine Aircraft Group-12(Forward)	Bien Hoa AB, Vietnam 1 January - 3 February 1973
Marine Aircraft Group-15	Nam Phong AB, Thailand 1 January - 30 June 1973
Marine Wing Support Group-17	MCAS Iwakuni, Japan 1 January - 30 June 1973
Marine Air Control Group-18	MCAS Iwakuni, Japan 1 January - 30 June 1973
Marine Aircraft Group-36	MCAS Futenma, Okinawa 1 January - 30 June 1973

3. (U) STAFF OFFICERS

Assistant Wing Commander	BGen R. W. TAYLOR 1 January - 30 June 1973
Chief of Staff	Col J. W. SMITH 1 January - 30 June 1973
Assistant Chief of Staff, G-1	Col C. D. CORN 1 January - 8 June 1973 Col O. L. OWENS 8 June - 30 June 1973
Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2	LtCol J. P. REICHERT 1 January - 25 June 1973 Maj F. G. CASTILLO 25 June - 30 June 1973
Assistant Chief of Staff, G-3	Col J. W. PARCHEN 1 January - 30 June 1973

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Assistant Chief of Staff, G-4

Col L. B. BAITES
1 January - 31 March 1973
LtCol G. A. CORLISS
31 March - 30 June 1973

Assistant Chief of Staff, Comptroller

LtCol G. F. GALLAGHER
1 January - 30 June 1973

Assistant Chief of Staff, Management

LtCol M. H. SAUTTER
1 January - 22 April 1973
Maj W. J. HANLEY
22 April - 30 June 1973

Assistant Chief of Staff, Human Affairs
Division

LtCol G. L. CARLSON
1 January - 17 June 1973
Col F. D. TOPLEY
17 June - 30 June 1973

Staff Secretary

LtCol E. F. TOWNLEY
1 January - 29 May 1973
Maj W. D. BAUER
29 May - 30 June 1973

Aide de Camp

Capt G. P. O'NEILL
1 January - 30 June 1973

Sergeant Major

SgtMaj W. R. MATSON
1 January - 30 June 1973

SPECIAL STAFF

Adjutant

Capt L. R. ROBERTS
1 January - 1 February 1973
Capt B. J. MULHERIN
1 February - 30 June 1973

Wing Chaplain

Capt D. K. VELTMAN, CHC, USN
1 January - 28 January 1973
Capt W. R. HOWARD, CHC, USN
28 January - 30 June 1973

Communication-Electronics Officer

Col H. L. FOGERTY
1 January - 24 June 1973
LtCol R. J. LEE
24 June - 30 June 1973

Wing Inspector

Col J. V. HANES
1 January - 2 April 1973
Col W. B. FLEMING
2 April - 30 May 1973
LtCol J. W. ABBEY
1 June - 30 June 1973

Public Affairs Officer

Capt T. W. TURNER
1 January - 30 June 1973

Director of Safety

LtCol C. G. REDMAN
1 January - 30 June 1973

Staff Judge Advocate

LtCol R. W. EDWARDS
1 January - 30 June 1973

Wing Supply Officer

Col J. H. STROPPE
1 January - 30 June 1973

Wing Surgeon

Capt E. REED, Jr. MC, USN
1 January - 30 March 1973
Capt B. C. JOHNSON, MC, USN
30 March - 30 June 19734. (U) AVERAGE STRENGTH

1st Marine Aircraft Wing

1 January - 30 June 1973

USMCOfficers

1054

Enlisted

7945

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PART IINARRATIVEPREFACE

The First Marine Aircraft Wing Command Chronology for this reporting period covers a wide variety of operations conducted within a large geographical area. 1st MAW units were located in areas spread from Nam Phong, Thailand to Atsugi, Japan - including 7th Fleet ships at sea.

Task Force Delta and MAG-15 operating from Nam Phong continued to fly combat missions against Communist forces, as they have been with few interruptions since their reintroduction into the IndoChina war.

MAG-12 ended its intense combat involvement on 27 January and reverted to a ready status at MCAS Iwakuni.

MAG-36's helicopter squadrons remained quite active in support of training operations and exercises. MAG-36 H-53 helicopters from HMM-165, one squadron from MAG-24, HMM-463, including a SAR Det of CH-46's from HMM-164, and a Navy squadron, HM-12, formed the airborne mine clearing elements of Task Force 78 in Operation End Sweep. The operation was dedicated to clearing mines from the coastal waters of North Vietnam.

Other 1st MAW units were actively engaged in training activities and maintaining a high standard of readiness. For details, consult the Unit and Staff Section chronologies herein contained as enclosures.

NAM PHONG RTAFB, THAILAND

Following their move to Nam Phong from Danang in June 1972, MAG-15 of Task Force Delta continued to conduct combat operations against insurgent forces until the cease fire went into effect in North and South Vietnam on 28 January. However, Task Force Delta continued to conduct combat operations in Laos until 22 February when the cease fire went into effect in that country. Immediately following the Laotian cease fire, MAG-15 conducted an intensive training program. However, on 25 February, MAG-15 was tasked to provide 12 sorties in support of Khmer Republic forces.

On 30 March MAG-15's F-4s from VMFA-115 and 232 were tasked to fly in support of Khmer Republic forces and continued to fly between 12 and 20 combat sorties a day through the end of the reporting period. On 11 May, the A-6 aircraft assigned to WMA(AW)-533 were tasked to start combat operations in support of Khmer Republic forces.

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From 11 May through the end of the reporting period VMA(AW)-533 flew an average of 4.4 combat sorties per day. The F-4s were utilized for direct air support while the A-6s have been used against night moving targets and for RADFAC beacon drops.

The base facilities at Nam Phong continued to be developed throughout the reporting period. Continuing improvements were made in living quarters, working spaces, security arrangements, communications facilities, the base operations complex and the TAFDS installation.

NAS CUBI POINT, R. P.

VMCJ-1 Det 101 based at NAS Cubi Point with their EA-6A aircraft was usefully employed in a large number of exercises that were beneficial to the training effort of the unit as well as that of other units. In addition to numerous Jamex exercises, VMCJ-1 Det 101 participated in the Eagle and Lark exercise, Exercise Commando Jade and Pagasa I. Det 101 also carried out monthly Beaverhound operations and flew sorties designed to update the radar order of Battle of the Philippines. VMCJ-1 Det 101 provided valuable services to other units, including 7th Fleet ships, while maintaining itself in a high state of readiness.

VMFA-115 deployed to NAS Cubi Point for a fifteen day FIREX/ACM training period. The results of the training were considered very satisfactory as numerous aircrews were able to qualify or requalify in missile firing techniques and procedures.

GULF OF TONKIN

The Cobra helicopters of MAG-36's HMA-369 were employed for two weeks in January 1973 on MARHUK operations near Hon La Anchorage. These operations prevented the landing of large quantities of supplies intended for the use of the North Vietnamese as the supplies were destroyed while floating ashore with the current and tides after being unloaded from third country merchant ships. With the cease fire in late January, these operations were terminated.

The most extensive use of MAG-36 helicopters in the Gulf of Tonkin involved the heavy participation of H-53 and H-46 helicopters in Operation End Sweep. H-53 helicopters from HMM-463 and HMM-165 along with those of HM-12 comprised the actual mine clearing aircraft and accomplished their task by towing devices on a long cable designed to duplicate the characteristics of a vessel passing through the minefield thereby exploding and clearing the mines. A Det from HMM-164 attached to HMM-463 provided H-46 helicopters to perform SAR duty. At the end of the reporting period, the mine sweeping operation was in its final stages.

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1st MARINE AIRCRAFT WING
IWAKUNI, JAPAN, 17 APRIL 1973

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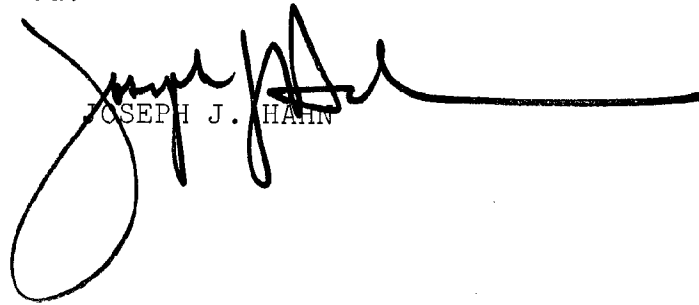
From: Staff Judge Advocate
To: Assistant Chief of Staff, G-3

Subj: Command Chronology for period 1 January 1973 to
30 June 1973

Ref: (a) WgO 5750.1B

Encl: (1) Law Center, 1st MAW Command Chronology

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


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James - June 73

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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

1 January 1973 to 30 June 1973

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ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

1. STAFF PERSONNEL

Staff Judge Advocate	LtCol Michael P. MURRAY
Deputy Staff Judge Advocate	Maj J. J. HAHN
Military Judge	Capt Michael C. VEYSEY
	Capt Franklin D. HOLDER
Lawyer Counsel	Capt Robert E. HILTON
	Capt Keith E. ROUNSAVILLE
	Capt Richard L. PROSISE
	Capt Steven C. EASTHAM
	Capt Van N. EDEN
	Capt V. J. BARTOLOTTA JR.
Legal Admin Officer	1sLt Ralph A. BINGHAM
Legal Chief	MSgt Joseph L. CROSS JR.
Docket Chief	GySgt Wesley H. ALLEN
Legal Admin Chief	GySgt Norman B. MERRILL
Review/Promulgation Chief	Sgt Jack H. YOUNG
Admin Discharge Chief	Sgt Larry G. RODARTE
Legal Assistance Clerk	SSgt William L. STURGEON

4. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

USMC

USN

$$\frac{\text{OFF}}{11}$$

$$\frac{\text{ENL}}{18}$$

$$\frac{\text{OFF}}{0}$$

$$\frac{\text{ENL}}{0}$$

PART II

NARRATIVE SUMMARY

Breakdown of General, Special, and Summary courts-martial completed during the reporting period:

	<u>GCM</u>	<u>SPCM(BCD)</u>	<u>SPCM(NBCD)</u>	<u>SCM</u>
1st MAW MCAS, Iwakuni	4	7	18	75
MAG-36 Futema, Okinawa	0	3	12	22
MAG-15 RTAFB, Nam Phong	6	6	41	93

Nonjudicial Punishments Imposed

1st Maw	-	<u>581</u>
Total		<u>581</u>

Administrative Discharges were as follows for the reporting period:

Unsuitability	- 15 (1 Suspended)
Unfitness	- 1 (1 Suspended)
Misconduct	- 8 (1 Suspended) (1 Retained)
Good of the Service	- 5 (2 Retained)
Convenience of the Government	- 0

PART III

SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

1. Negative Report.

Human Affairs Division
First Marine Aircraft Wing

Command Chronology
1 January 1973 to 30 June 1973

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Human Affairs

Jan - June 73

Part I

Organizational Data

a. <u>Designation</u>	<u>Commander</u>
Human Affairs Division	LtCol G. L. CARLSON 1Jan73 - 17Jun73
	Col F. D. TOPLEY 18Jun73 - 30Jun73

Subordinate Units

None

Attached Units

None

b. Location
1 Jan 1973 - 30 June 1973. MCAS Iwakuni, Japan.

c. Staff Officers

Assistant Chief of Staff (EAD)	LtCol G. L. CARLSON 1Jan73 - 17Jun73
	Col F. D. TOPLEY 18Jun73 - 30Jun73
Deputy Chief of Staff (HAD)	Maj R. R. LETCHWORTH 1Jan73 - 1Mar73
	Maj V. E. HOBBS 2Mar73 - 13Apr73
	Maj J. L. HUGHES 14Apr73 - 14May73
	Maj C. L. MCCAULEY 15May73 - 30Jun73
Wing Career Planner	Maj J. L. HUGHES 1Jan73 - 17Jun73
	Capt J. W. GUILD 18Jun73 - 30June73
Officer Retention Officer	Capt T. R. IRVINE 1Jan73 - 21May73
	Capt J. W. GUILD 18Jun73 - 30Jun73

Human Relations Training	Capt O. L. HUMPHREY 1Jan73 - 22Jan73
	1stLt C. R. PORTER 23Jan73 - 24Apr73
	Capt M. C. STILL 25Apr73 - 30Jun73
Coordinator, Human Relations Trng	1stLt R. L. SMITH 1Jan73-1Apr73
OIC, Drug Abuse	1stLt M. J. HILTON 1Jan73 - 23Feb73
	1stLt J. M. PARK 24Feb73 - 30Jun73
OIC, Personal Leadership Training	Capt J. E. MARTIN 1Jan73 - 28Feb73
	1stLt J. O. OWENS 1Mar73 - 30Jun73
OIC, Postal Services	Capt R. E. SCHARTCH 1Jan73 - 1Feb73
	Capt J. G. STEWART 2Feb73 - 30Jun73
OIC, Coffee House	1stLt R. M. KEANE 1Jan73 - 30Apr73
	2ndLt C. A. GONSER 1May73 - 30Jun73
OIC, Cultural Center	1stLt R. JONES 1Jan73 - 27Jun73
	1stLt D. L. TAYLOR 28Jun73 - 30Jun73
OIC, Education Center	1stLt J. F. LEE 1Jan73 - 6Feb73
	Capt R. E. KIAH 7Feb73 - 30Jun73

Wing Personnel Services Officer

1stLt L. G. THOMPSON
16Mar73 - 30Jun73

OIC, Joint Counseling Center

Capt O. L. HUMPHREY
22Jan73 - 30Jun73

d. Average Monthly Strength

USMC		USN		Other
<u>Officer</u>	<u>Enlisted</u>	<u>Officer</u>	<u>Enlisted</u>	
13	30	0	0	0

Part II

1st MAW Human Affairs Division Summary

The Human Affairs Division has continued to expand and implement more new programs during the period of 1Jan73 to 30June73. Improvements in all areas of the Human Affairs Division have greatly enhanced the efficiency of the program. New programs such as Human Relation Training II, formation of a counseling center with a "live-in" facility for counselees, and special leadership seminars have all helped to find solutions to the problems faced in Human Affairs.

a. Human Relations

(1) Human Relations Training

In keeping with the order set forth by the Commandant in ALMAR 97 of 11 August 1971, the First Marine Aircraft Wing has continued to provide human relations training for Marines stationed at Iwakuni, Futema, and Nam Phong. Since the program began in May 1972, over 15,000 servicemen completed the first 20 hours of human relations training. This number includes 400 Air Force personnel trained in Vietnam when MAG 12 was deployed there and also Navy personnel deployed here at Iwakuni.

During the first six months of 1973 over 3,500 servicemen (both Marine and Navy) received the 20 hours training at Iwakuni and Futema. Human relations training an average of 400 to 500 Marines per month. Beginning 23 April 1973 HR II classes were begun for those Marines who had previously received initial 20 hours instruction. Since then, a total of 328 Marines completed the second 20 hour requirement. On 18 May 1973 Unit Discussion Leader's Class 2-73 graduated 14 Marines qualified to lead both HR I and HR II. Part of this class returned to MAG 15 at Nam Phong in order to set up the HR II program at that location. MAG 36 graduated a UDL class in June in preparation for getting their HR II program underway at Okinawa.

(2) Human Relations Contact Teams

The formation of Human Relations Contact Teams to investigate the local housing and public facilities adjacent to MCAS, Iwakuni has done much toward identifying instances of discriminatory practices in the surrounding community. These teams, comprised of volunteers were randomly selected from varying ethnic backgrounds to investigate and report

in writing the reception received. Since 1 January 1973, a total of fifteen contact teams have been fielded. The teams were sent to bar/entertainment establishments in the Kawashima area adjacent to the MCAS Iwakuni, Japan and to rental housing in the Iwakuni community. Recent reports submitted by the contact teams reflected few discriminatory actions in the establishments visited.

(3) Cultural Center

Since 1 Jan 1973 the cultural center has done much to promote and foster better understanding between the different cultural groups within the Marine Corps and to promote self-pride in the individual Marine's cultural heritage. The cultural center has accomplished this through cultural exchange, educational study, and social activities. During this period the center has extended out into the Japanese community with many programs. In April a choir, a folk group, and an orchestral jazz band from the cultural center performed in an exchange of Japanese and American music at the Iwakuni Chamber of Commerce Hall. The cultural center presented a charity concert in May for the support of Vietnamese war orphans at the Hiroshima Labour Hall.

b. Personal Services

(1) Courtesy Patrol

The 1st MAW Courtesy Patrol was established on 20 March 1972 with the purpose of providing assistance and a helping hand to a Marine before he gets into trouble. This is especially important here at Iwakuni because the Courtesy Patrol helps improve the image of the Marine Corps and our country in the eyes of the local Japanese citizens in Kawashimo. This command's human relations efforts have been reinforced by the Courtesy Patrol through a significant reduction in Patrol through a significant reduction in embarrassing incidents involving Marines on liberty in the local communities. The Courtesy Patrol is fielded each payday, Saturday, and holiday evening. As a result of the improved conduct of the 1st MAW personnel on liberty, the number of courtesy patrols has recently been reduced from the previous four to only two teams going out into town on the designated evenings.

(2) Wing Postal Section

During the time period 1 Jan - 17 April 1973 the Wing operated postal sections at Nam Phong, Thailand and Unit

#2 of the branch provided postal services for MAG-15 at that location. Effective 18 April 1973 the Wing opened postal services at Iwakuni, Japan for members of the 1st Marine Aircraft Wing. In the two month period following the opening of postal services, located in Building 1477, MCAS, Iwakuni, the unit sold 2391 Money Orders for a cash value of \$139,010.64 while cashing money orders from home in the amount of \$6,753.10. Stamp sales for this period for outgoing mail was \$19,330.00. With reopening of the Wing Postal Unit, Marines mailing parcels to the Southwestern States were able to save as much as \$10.00 per parcel due to the fact that Wing Units prorate postage from San Francisco while Station Postal Units prorate from Seattle, Washington. The Wing Postal Unit located at Nam Phong during this period sold 13,927 money orders for a cash value of \$1,138,891.03 and cashed money orders in the value of \$70,853.21. Stamp sales on outgoing mail for this period was \$27,195.00 with a weight dispatch of 108,836 pounds of mail.

(3) Wing Hotline

The Wing Hotline is a cassette-type tape recorder capable of recording telephonic conversations. It was instituted on 22 June 1971 to provide faster response to individual queries and provide personnel with correct answers to provoking questions. The Human Affairs Division has received approximately 25 calls since 1 January 1973. Each inquiry is provided a response within two days. If the reply requires lengthy research, the caller will be advised.

(4) Congrint/Splinst

The Human Affairs Division has handled 88 Congressional/Special Interest cases, 34 financial assistance cases and 36 welfare reports during 1 Jan 1973 to 30 June 1973. The division passes each case to the applicable unit for action.

c. Leadership Training

Leadership training seminars continued during this reporting period for both officers and Staff NCO's. The primary objectives of this department of HAD are to enhance personal leadership qualities and effectiveness and reemphasize the chain of command as the primary channel of communication within the 1st Marine Aircraft Wing. During this period the Leadership Training Unit conducted classes for a total of 362 Marines, including 79 officers. Mr. Fred S. Owen from Seattle, Washinton conducted a special two week seminar emphasizing new leadership techniques during May of this year. This course was especially beneficial in updating the Unit.

d. Career Planning

The First Marine Aircraft Wing continues to experience a higher than average re-enlistment rate. From 1 January through 31 May the re-enlistment rates were 29.5 first term, 89.9 career, a total re-enlistment rate of 45.2%. Corresponding figures for FMF Pacific are: 24.6%, 86.5% career, and 36.3% total. Along with this high re-enlistment rate a large number of officers are applying for augmentation to the regular Marine Corps. Fifty-five officers have applied for regular commissions during this period. Because of the great length of time required to process these applications, there are no readily available figures on which to base a percentage of those applicants selected for augmentation into the Marine Corps.

During March of this year the Wing Career Planner, Maj J. L. HUGHES, attended the Annual Career Planning Conference at Headquarters Marine Corps. 1st Marine Aircraft Wing submitted agenda items for this conference.

The Career Planning staff conducted a briefing for Wing personnel on the Survivor Benefit Plan and the proposed NonDisability Retirement Plan. Two HAD staff assistance to insure command awareness of career planning responsibilities.

e. Joint Counseling Center

The Joint Counseling Center is staffed by a Marine Captain in charge of six counselors. They counsel servicemen involved with alcohol and drug abuse and inadequate personality manifestation (for example, Unauthorized Absence Syndrome, Over-aggressiveness, Chronic lack of discipline). Responses by various CO's throughout the Wing indicate that these programs are a success.

The OIC of the center is a Psychiatric Social Worker/ Human Relations Instructor. In addition, the center has three counselors who were trained at the Naval Drug Rehabilitation Center. The alcohol abuse counselor has extensive experience as an Alcoholics Anonymous member.

Techniques used at the center include both individual and group counseling and supplemental education. Timely referrals to medical facilities are affected when necessary.

On 25 June 1973 the "live-in" center became operational. This concept provides bunking facilities and 24 hour observation of all counselees. Current successes by both military

and civilian counseling centers are best assured by utilizing the "live-in" concept and undoubtedly offer the best atmosphere for accurate evaluations.

f. Coffee House

While the Coffee House has continued activities from last year, fundamental changes in its program have developed. Originally, as the Coffee House was invisioned, instituted, and administered, it served as the primary drug, alcohol, and personality disorder referral point and counseling center. However, with the inception of the Joint Counseling Center, most of the functions of the Coffee House were transferred to the larger, more highly trained staff of the Joint Counseling Center.

Since its functions were interrupted by the Joint Counseling Center, the Coffee House faced extinction. However, it was decided that the coffee house could be a valuable combatant to the boredom and tension of barracks life and the nightly exodus to the bars in town.

The Coffee House was redecorated to achieve friendly relaxing atmosphere. The coffee house is equipped with a television, a stereo, a dart board, a small library, chess sets, and is a pleasant place to relax. Free coffee is offered.

The Coffee House is staffed by volunteers who are interested in furthering its activities.

g. Drug and Alcohol Abuse Control

A separate section within the Human Affairs Division is the Drug and Alcohol Abuse Control Section which has the responsibility of administering the Drug Exemption, Drug Abuse Testing, and Drug Education Programs. Drug Education consists of Overseas Drug Orientation, presented to all Marines during their orientation week at Iwakuni, as well as special training classes given to individual units at their request.

Drug Education has taken the stand that extensive drug education programs often have the effect of spotlighting the issue of drug abuse and contributing, to some degree, to the perpetuation of the problem. This feeling, along with the fact that much of the resource material on

drugs is not totally reliable, has led to the Drug and Alcohol Abuse Control Section to adopt the policy of teaching only that which serves to protect the individual and that which allows him to formulate an informed approach to drug abuse for himself. Overseas Drug Orientation Classes consist of information on the Drug Exemption and Drug Abuse Testing Programs as well as drug laws and drug availability in both Thailand and Japan. Group discussions, including question and answer periods, are employed to further enlighten class attendees.

The Drug and Alcohol Abuse Control Section is staffed with two Drug Education Specialist Sergeants and a 1st Lieutenant as the OIC.

PART III

Sequential Listing of Significant Events

22Jan73	Joint Counseling Center organized
1Feb73	SSgt R. N. CHAPMAN attended the Marine Drug Counselor Course at NAS Jacksonville, Florida
9Feb73	One week training seminar completed which qualified eight unit discussion leaders for HR II training
12Mar73	A special leadership seminar held for twenty junior enlisted Marines
17Mar73	A team from HAD went to the U. S. Army Alcohol and Drug Education Specialist/Unit Counselor Course, U. S. Army Base Command, Camp Kue, Okinawa
23Mar73	Unit Discussion Leader Class 1-73 graduate 20 Marines qualified for both HR I and HR II.
6Apr73	Mr. R. R. GROS and H. D. JACKSON from the CMC Advisory Committee for Minority Affairs, visited the 1st MAW and the local community to investigate attitudes and relationships among Marines
8Apr73	The Cultural Center presented music of America in the East - West Concert at the Iwakuni Chamber of Commerce Hall. SSgt V. WINFIELD attended the Navy Drug Abuse Counselor course at NAS Mirmar, California
16Apr73	GySgt P. E. CORBITT ordered TAD for a fact finding tour of MCAS Futema, NAS Cubi Point and RTAF Nam Phong

23Apr73

Human Relation Instruction II
classes commenced at MCAS Iwakuni

7May73

A special two week leadership
seminar was held by Mr. Fred S.
OWENS from Seattle, Washington

13May73

The Cultural Center presented
a charity concert in support
of Vietnamese war orphans at
the Hiroshima Labour Hall.

27May73

1stLt J. M. PARK and 1stLt
B. K. MOORE attended the UCLA
Drug Abuse Training Course at
Los Angeles, California.

7Jun73

Maj O. L. MCCAULEY and GySgt
CORBITT procured Navy Drug
Training Aids from Naval
Air Station, Yokosuka.

10Jun73

Staff visit commenced to MCAS
Futema and RTAF Nam Phong.

26Jun73

Joint Counseling Center's "Live-
in" concept put into operation.

CHRONOLOGY

1 January 1973 - 30 June 1973

ORGANIZATION DATA

1. Designation: Adjutant Section, 1st Marine Aircraft Wing
2. Key Personnel:

ADJUTANT

Capt L. R. ROBERTS - 1 Jan - 1 Feb 1973
Capt B. J. MULHERIN - 2 Feb - 30 Jun 1973

AWARDS OFFICER

Capt K. SHAW - 1 Jan - 31 Mar 1973
1stLt J. R. HOWARD - 1 Apr - 30 Jun 1973

OIC, Classified Material Control Center

1stLt John J. MAHOOD - 1 Jan - 20 Feb 73
1stLt John G. TURNER - 21 Feb - 30 Jun 73

Custodian, Classified Material Storage

CWO-4 P. E. CLAUSEN - 1 Jan - 28 Jun 73

Administrative Chief

MSgt M. E. HASTY - 1 Jan - 30 May 1973
SSgt S. R. DRUMMOND - 1 - 30 Jun 1973

NARRATIVE SUMMARY

During the reporting period, the Awards Section processed 47 recommendations for individual awards from within the Wing headquarters, and 324 recommendations from subordinate units. There were five unit award recommendations.

During the same period courtesy inspections were conducted on 23 Secondary Control Points by personnel from the Wing Classified Material Control Center. All units were satisfactory. Four units will be reinspected after 1 July 1973. Also during this period the Wing CMCC converted the old manual accounting system for classified material into a punched data card operation.

Adjutant Sec.

Form - Form 73


Wing Staff sections reviewed their inventory of classified material for possible downgrading or destruction. During this period a significant amount of Top Secret Material was authorized for destruction and subsequently destroyed.

The following documents were processed during the reporting period:

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>NUMBER</u>
SECRET & CONFIDENTIAL MESSAGES	13,652
REGISTERED MAIL	1,712
TOP SECRET MATERIAL	338
SPECIAL CATEGORY	680
LIMITED DISTRIBUTION	145
MARINE DISTRIBUTION	19
TOTAL	16,546

The Reproduction Section during the period 1 January - 30 June 1973 produced 1,374,030 copies on the multilith machines.

In the last six months the Message Distribution Center has processed 79,646 messages and reproduced 1,771,591 copies for distribution. This is an average of 443 messages and 9,842 copies per day. Also 204,459 copies of routine administrative material were duplicated on a XEROX 3600 duplicating machine.


B. J. MULHERIN

HEADQUARTERS
1st Marine Aircraft Wing
Fleet Marine Force Pacific
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5700
2 August 1973

From: Wing Inspector
To: Assistant Chief of Staff, G-3

Subj: Historical Report For Period 1 January to 30 June 1973

Ref: (a) WgO 5750.1B

Encl: (1) Report of Corrective Action on IGMC Inspection 1972

1. In accordance with reference (a) the following report is submitted:

ROSTER OF KEY PERSONNEL

1	January 1973 to 2	April 1973	Col J. V. HANES	WI
3	April 1973 to 30	May 1973	Col W. B. FLEMING	WI
1	June 1973 to 30	June 1973	LtCol J. W. ALBER	WI
1	January 1973 to 30	June 1973	Maj D. E. ELEY	Asst WI
1	January 1973 to 17	June 1973	SSgt R. M. GRIMSLEY	NCOIC
18	June 1973 to 30	June 1973	SSgt M. D. SILVERSTORF	NCOIC
1	June 1973 to 30	June 1973	PFC L. J. CARLSON	CLERK

NARRATIVE SUMMARY

During the period of this report the Wing Inspector conducted informal inspections of subordinate units to ensure that regulations and directives were being complied with. Additionally, all Marines desiring request mast with the Commanding General were interviewed and comments/recommendations were prepared and submitted to the CG. Further, planning for the annual Functional Management Inspection (FMI) of subordinate Wing units commenced.

Pgt. IG Inspection

2 August 1973

SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

20 April 1973

Report of corrective action on
IGMC Inspection of 4-13 November
1972 submitted. See enclosure (1).

18 June to 22 June 1973

Armory Inspections of MWWU-1,
MWSG-17, and MACG-18.

During this period forty four (44) Marines were interviewed prior to
request mast with the Commanding General.


W. P. BROWN

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20 APR 1973

From: Commanding General
To: Commandant of the Marine Corps (Code AZ)
Via: Commanding General, Fleet Marine Force Pacific
Subj: Report of Corrective Action on IGMC Inspection
Ref: (a) CMC ltr AZA-era of 2Mar73
(b) CMC msg 041617Z Apr73

Encl: (1) Discrepancies/Corrective Action

1. In accordance with the instructions contained in reference (a) and modified by reference (b), the report of corrective action taken on the discrepancies noted during the Inspector General's Inspection of this command are forwarded as enclosure (1).
2. All subordinate units of this command which received a grade of unsatisfactory or had discrepancies considered to be of major concern have been inspected by this Headquarters with satisfactory results. Those discrepancies which were considered to be minor in nature have been corrected by the individual unit and reported to this Headquarters with the specific action taken to correct those discrepancies.
3. The Wing will continue to ensure that a comprehensive inspection program is conducted throughout the command with primary emphasis in those areas indicated as areas requiring increased command attention.


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DISCREPANCIES/CORRECTIVE ACTION1. PERSONNELa. Assignment Policies.

(1) Discrepancy. Projected personnel inbound summaries were being received for a thirty (30) day projection. This had resulted in a negative personnel picture and had increased problems in personnel management for the 1stMAW and its subordinate commands. A ninety (90) day projection of all inbound personnel was considered the minimum requirement for effective personnel management.

(2) Corrective Action. Paragraph 3a(1) of CMC letter AZA-era of 2 March 1973 addresses Headquarters Marine Corps position as it concerns inbound projections. Paragraph 3a(2) states that currently, projections are published approximately forty-five (45) days prior to the first day of the month concerned and that this procedure appears to be the best compromise between dependability and timeliness. No further corrective action is considered appropriate.

b. Local Inspection Procedures and Directives.

(1) Discrepancy. Local inspection procedures appeared to be keeping the Commanding General informed of the condition of his command. However, it was suggested that an inspection directive be published referencing paragraph 5040.3, MARCORMAN, to codify inspection procedures.

(2) Corrective Action. Wing Order 5041.1C was published on 6 December 1972 referencing paragraph 5040.3, MARCORMAN, and established a system for inspections throughout the Wing.

c. Career Planning Program.

(1) Discrepancy. Career planners were maintaining cancelled directives and publications.

(2) Corrective Action. All career planning files have been screened and purged of cancelled directives and obsolete publications.

(3) Discrepancy. Interviews were not being conducted on a timely basis.

(4) Corrective Action. A concerted effort has been directed toward ensuring that career planning interviews are conducted on a timely basis. Although a considerable back log was evident at the time of the inspection, this problem area has been rectified.

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(5) Discrepancy. Career Planners were not utilizing the pamphlet "The Plan For Your Future".

(6) Corrective Action. The Wing Career Planner has visited all career planning offices to assist unit career planners and to emphasize the requirement for the pamphlet "The Plan For Your Future". The required quantity of these pamphlets is still not on hand, but will be distributed when received.

2. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

a. General Administration

(1) Discrepancies

(a) Tables of Allowances for publications and directives were not being reviewed or annotated for possible increase or decreases in allowances when such increases/decreases were received.

(b) Missing directives/publications were not on requisition.

(c) Locator/cross reference sheets were not properly updated to include location of additional directives/publications.

(d) Cancelled Marine Corps bulletins/obsolete directives were not being removed from the master directives systems.

(e) Marine Corps directives and the Navy All Ships and Stations check lists had not been thoroughly worked.

(f) Command directives contained format errors.

(g) Disposal procedures for "Cancelled Official File Copies" of command/unit directives has not been implemented.

(2) Corrective Action. The many administrative discrepancies listed in the inspection report have received additional attention at all levels of command with a view toward correcting existing problem areas and eliminating future discrepancies. Some of the discrepancies revealed a lack of detailed supervision by administrative personnel and commanders. Post IG Inspections by this Headquarters have indicated significant improvement and appears to be a very effective method of ensuring resolution of the problem areas. In connection with the above discrepancies and to preclude recurrences, action has been initiated to ensure that unit administrative personnel are properly indoctrinated in regard to job procedures, current regulations, internal systems of control and proper OOR/SRB entries. The unit diary is used by all units as the source document

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for entries in service records. A complete audit, page by page, of service records is required by each unit prior to a join entry being placed on page 3 of the SRB. At the time of audit, corrective action is taken by RUC to preclude erroneous information being reported into the manpower management system and service records are corrected prior to being filed.

(3) Discrepancy. Joint directives published by 1stMAW/MCAS were not in the proper format.

(4) Corrective Action. Joint Wing/Station directives have been reviewed for proper format. Corrections have been made by published changes or by publishing new directives in the proper format. All directives are now thoroughly checked by the Wing Adjutant to ensure compliance with proper procedure.

b. Personnel Administration

(1) Discrepancy. Required service record book entries had not been properly authenticated, in some cases, and line out and pen corrections had not been initiated as required.

(2) Corrective Action. Required entries in OQR's and SRB's have been properly authenticated in accordance with 4001.4, IRAM. All lined out entries contain initials by an officer as required by paragraph 4001.4e(1), IRAM.

(3) Discrepancy. Combat Service Codes were not recorded on Administrative Remarks pages.

(4) Corrective Action. Combat Service Codes are now recorded on administrative pages of OQR's and SRB's in accordance with paragraph 4013.3b, IRAM.

(5) Discrepancy. Page 17 of SRB's was not being removed and put on the document side of the new SRB upon reenlistment.

(6) Corrective Action. Page 17's of SRB's are removed and placed on document side upon reenlistment. If page 17 did not contain entries, it was removed and destroyed in accordance with paragraph 4013.1, IRAM.

(7) Discrepancy. SGLI Forms (VA Form 29-8286) were incorrect or incorrectly completed.

(8) Corrective Action. All incorrect SGLI Forms (VA 29-8286) have been completed and placed on document side of SRB as required by MCO P1741.8.

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(9) Discrepancy.
to format errors and none

(10) Corrective Action.
updating due to format errors
been prepared in accordance

(11) Discrepancy.
by paragraph 5002, IRAM.

(12) Corrective Action.
required by paragraph 5002, IRAM.
units. This audit is accomplished
to each unit by the MRS.

c. Manpower Management

(1) Discrepancy.
cross-referenced with unit

(2) Corrective Action.
to ensure that all Unit
unit diary entries in accordance

(3) Discrepancy.
paragraph 5 entries on UTR's
reported on the unit diary
Management System.

(4) Corrective Action.
required, have been resubmitted
were informed of this effort.

(5) Discrepancy.
Registers were not properly

(6) Corrective Action.
Commanding Officers in accordance

(7) Discrepancy.
had not been completely audited
reported into the Manpower

(8) Corrective Action.
units are now being audited
by unit diary entries in accordance
problems still exist with personnel

Records of Emergency Data needed updating due
to missing telephone numbers were missing.

Record of Emergency Data requiring
and NOK telephone numbers missing, have
with paragraph 4016, IRAM.

The monthly audit of service records required
not being accomplished in some cases.

A monthly audit of all service records
IRAM, is being accomplished by all reporting
units with the weekly Alpha roster provided
per.

System.

Transaction Registers were not being
filled with entries as required.

Unit diary clerks were thoroughly briefed
Transaction Registers are cross-referenced with
in accordance with Chapter 9 of the PRIM.

Reporting units were not resubmitting
entries, where required. As a result many entries
are not being accepted into the Manpower

Paragraph 5 entries on UTR's, where
indicated by unit diary entries. Reporting units
are to eliminate future discrepancies.

Personnel Verification Unit Transaction
Registers are not properly certified.

PVUTR's are now properly certified by
in accordance with Chapter 10, PRIM.

Visual Audit Sheets in personnel reporting units
are not being audited and corrected information was not being
reported into the Manpower Management System.

Visual Audit Sheets in personnel reporting
units and corrected information has been reported
in accordance with Chapter 11 of the PRIM. Minor
problems exist with personnel who are involved in FAP, but closer

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Liaison with Station is solving that problem area.

(9) Discrepancy. Several reporting units had not submitted correspondence to HQMC requesting that Headquarters controlled items be corrected.

(10) Corrective Action. Reporting units are now submitting correspondence to HQMC requesting that Headquarters controlled items be corrected in accordance with paragraph 11006.1, PRIM.

(11) Discrepancy. VMO-6 had not been reporting joins and transfers.

(12) Corrective Action. All joins and transfers of VMO-6 have been reported in the unit diary. Liaison visits to this squadron conducted by a member of the Wing Manpower Management Data Base Management Unit to ensure that such discrepancies were corrected and reported. The Wing Manpower Management Data Bases Management Unit is still conducting liaison visits to all reporting units within the 1st Marine Wing to assist units in correcting the above type discrepancies. A liaison visit is planned to each reporting unit. Additional action reports are being programmed to provide all reporting units with increased visibility on their data base. This includes periodic availability edits matching such items as primary and billet MOS, TAD in status and Temporary RUC, etc.

Security of Classified Information

(1) Discrepancy. Classified material control officers and top secret control officers were not appointed in writing as required by OPNAVINST 5510.1C.

(2) Corrective Action. Recent inspections of all units by this command indicate that this discrepancy no longer exists. Classified Material Control Officers and Top Secret Control Officers are assigned in writing as required by OPNAVINST 5510.1C.

Postal Affairs

(1) Discrepancy. Postal officers were not initialing the Accountable Mail Log as required by OPNAVINST 2700.14B.

(2) Corrective Action. The Unit Postal Officers have been alerted in the importance of a complete inspection on a weekly basis include the verification of the Accountable Mail Log. Accountable Mail is delivered and verified as required by OPNAVINST 2700.14B.

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f. Joint Education Program

(1) Discrepancy. The Pre-discharge Education Program had a low rate of completion.

(2) Corrective Action. Students are thoroughly counselled by military counselors prior to enrollment. Attendance standards have been established and class attendance is closely monitored by the Wing Education Officer who immediately contacts any student who misses a class. PPEP teachers are briefed by an officer concerning the proper procedures for handling military personnel enrolled in PPEP, and the Wing Education Officer provides assistance to teachers concerning disciplinary problems. There has been significant improvement noted in the Pre-discharge Education Program since the IG Inspection.

(3) Discrepancy. Combinations on the safes containing USAFI testing material were not changed when personnel were transferred.

(4) Corrective Action. The combination on the safe containing USAFI testing material has been changed and procedures have been established to ensure combinations are changed when responsible personnel are transferred.

(5) Discrepancy. The building housing the education office was not adequate in square footage to allow private individual counseling.

(6) Corrective Action. Due to the limited facilities aboard MCAS, Iwakuni, it is not feasible to provide the space required for private counseling of individual students.

g. Safety

(1) Discrepancy. There was a need for additional technical expertise to assist in ground safety inspections. The inspections should address unsafe acts of personnel as well as unsafe mechanical conditions.

(2) Corrective Action. This command does not have the required technical expertise available to ensure an adequate ground safety program. Arrangements have been made with the Commanding Officer, MCAS, Iwakuni to utilize the services of Station ground safety personnel during inspections at Iwakuni and to accompany Wing inspection teams to MAG-36 whenever feasible. A constant effort has been initiated to instill good safety practices throughout subordinate units by means of ground safety councils and command emphasis down to each individual within the work center.

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(4) Corrective Action. Outstanding requisitions have been reconciled and firm reconciliation procedures set up and monitored by cognizant officers.

(5) Discrepancy. Numerous excesses were evident in the Supply Officers' Stores. The present criteria to report and await disposition instructions is a lengthy process; it was suggested that procedures be reviewed with Headquarters, FMFPAC, COMFAIRWESTPAC, and the Supply Officer at NAS, Cubi Point, to develop a more efficient and expeditious program.

(6) Corrective Action. Excess turn-in procedures are currently being reviewed with CG FMFPAC, COMFAIRWESTPAC, COMNAVAIRPAC and COMSERVPAC with an objective of reducing the present unsatisfactory time delay between identification of excesses and physical turn-in of excess material.

c. Avionics

(1) Discrepancy. WGR-152 did not have an adequate test equipment repair program in effect.

(2) Corrective Action. A 1st MAW request to transfer the WGR "I" level maintenance functions from the squadron to the supporting IMA has been approved by CMC. With the transfer of these maintenance functions, all test equipment has subsequently been transferred from WGR-152 to H&S-36. MAG-36 has initiated a comprehensive test equipment repair program for repair of all test equipment that is beyond the repair capability of the IMA by the NAVCALAB Annex at Iwakuni. This program is currently in progress.

(3) Discrepancy. Insufficient support equipment and personnel were on hand to maintain the TA-4F's in H&S-12(rear), although total Wing assets were adequate.

(4) Corrective Action. MAG-12 has re-consolidated all A4/TA4F personnel and material resources. The shortages reported during the inspection no longer exist.

(5) Discrepancy. WMCJ-1 had not complied with a NAVAIRSYSCOM message of July 1972, which directed that excess photo processing equipment be returned to CONUS for rehabilitation.

(6) Corrective Action. Approximately forty percent (40%) of all excess photographic equipment held by WMCJ-1 at the time of the inspection

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Program Status. The President's Zero In on Safety Program had been implemented in some units.

Program Action. The importance of the President's Zero In on Safety Program has been reiterated and reemphasized to all command units. AFM 30.1B, published 11 January 1973, outlines a safety program to include "Zero In on Safety".

Program Status. Various solvents were being used without proper instructions.

Program Action. A Ground Safety School was conducted for all officers and Safety NCO's in December 1972 and January 1973. Constant supervision and unannounced inspections were conducted to correct discrepancies of this type.

Program Status. Safety inspections certificates on compressors were being completed.

Program Action. Liaison has been established with the Wing Command Inspection Program to correct this discrepancy.

Program Status. First Aid Packets.

Program Status. were too long or improper in several cases.

Program Status. were excessively oily and in general need of

Program Status. NCO's were not familiar with all aspects of drill.

Program Status. movements lacked precision.

Program Action. The discrepancies noted above will be corrected and emphasis at all levels and improvement will be maintained through the Wing Command Inspection Program AFM 30.1C.

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(3) Discrepancy. It was suggested that the Medical Units develop a more positive program for personnel inspections, Physical Fitness Testing and Weight Control.

(4) Corrective Action. The Wing Medical Officer routinely conducts monthly personnel inspections. This practice has been in effect since September 1972. At the time of the inspection, the Medical Department had two (2) personnel on a weight control program. At present, one person is on weight control and he is progressing satisfactorily. Physical Fitness is conducted quarterly in accordance with BUPERS Instruction CDD.2. Organized athletics are conducted weekly during working hours in order to encourage maximum participation. Individuals within the command also participate in intramural sports such as golf, bowling and softball.

b. Clothing and Equipment Inspection

(1) Discrepancies

- (a) Clothing improperly marked.
- (b) Coat sleeves and trousers were short.
- (c) Lack of standardization in uniform displays.

(2) Corrective Action. The individual discrepancies listed above which were reported to unit commanders on the Inspector's Report have been corrected. The Wing Training Officer in conjunction with the Command Inspection Program will continue to emphasize the necessity for clothing and equipment inspections and will ensure standardization in accordance with the instructions contained in MCO 10120.42.

c. Training Management

(1) Discrepancies

- (a) There was a lack of adequate training SOP's.
- (b) Individual training records were incomplete or being improperly maintained.
- (c) There was a lack of evidence of participation by SNCO's in ~~essential~~ subjects evaluation.
- (d) There was a lack of performance evaluation in essential subjects, ~~and~~ and career training.

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(e) Unit training directives required updating/revision.

(f) Most groups were conducting block training on variations of essential subjects for subordinate units. This consolidation was effective in relieving squadrons of a time consuming requirement. It was noted, however, that many Marines were not participating in training effort at Group level due to oversight/insufficient training made available.

(g) Additionally, it was noted that the concept of block training had been recently instituted with little indication of prior subjects testing, evaluation and additional training and testing required.

1.2) Corrective Action

(a) All units have copies of the Wing Training SOP and unit SOPs have been re-written or revised.

(b) The training SOP, Wing Order P5100.1B, was recently revised to reflect recommendations made by the IG regarding Training Management. All subordinate commands, with training management disapproved, were reinspected by this Headquarters during February 1973 to determine that corrective action had been accomplished. Subsequent liaison was maintained with those units desiring additional assistance, and all units are now complying with MCO P1510.26 concerning the administration of the essential subjects performance tests.

1.3) MCI Program

1.3.1) Discrepancies

(a) R-5 cards were being improperly maintained.

(b) Lessons were not being submitted through training NCO's.

(c) Some units were failing to make appropriate entries in record books upon receipt of the notice of enrollment card from the MCI.

(d) Excessive numbers of disenrollments and delinquencies.

(e) The Unit Activity Report was not being properly utilized.

(f) The MCI completion rate of forty-five percent (45%) was below the required 75%.

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(1) Corrective Action. Proper administration of the MCI Program for this Wing has been hampered by the constant unit deployments and personnel transfers between units to maintain combat effectiveness. Headquarters has initiated a program for assisting unit MCI administration through staff visits and inspections of local procedures. The discrepancies listed above have been corrected and a continuing program has been directed toward improving the overall MCI program for the Wing.

Weight Control Program

(1) Discrepancy. There was improper documentation of the weight control program and participation was not being accomplished in accordance with 6100.3F.

(2) Corrective Action. The weight control program for the Wing is being accomplished in accordance with the instructions contained in 6100.3F.

(3) Discrepancy. Additional command emphasis was needed in the weight control; some Marines were observed who should be on the program but had not been so assigned.

(4) Corrective Action. Command emphasis has been directed to the weight control program throughout the Wing, and commanders will ensure overweight personnel and personnel who do not present proper military appearance are assigned to the program and monitored in accordance with 6100.3F.

ISTICS

Armory Maintenance and Operations

(1) Discrepancy. Required pen and ink changes to some publications had not been made.

(2) Corrective Action. All units have screened the SL-1-2, Index of Publications, to determine all publications required to support their mission. All publications/editions not on hand have been ordered. Required pen and ink changes to on hand publications have been made and subsequent receipt of missing publications will have the pen and ink changes made upon receipt.

(3) Discrepancy. SOP's required closer review, particularly in maintenance procedures.

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Action. SOP's have been reviewed and modified as

g. Net sleeping area per Marine, though exceeding (7 square feet), did not meet the criteria established by MCO 11012.7B.

Action. Net sleeping area is still inadequate. New modular BEO's are now available for erection and will provide some relief. However, retro-cause overcrowding aboard the Station. The planned Squadron and Navy Air Support Unit from Iwakuni new facilities which will help to bring the billeting aboard Iwakuni up to established standards.

h. MCAS, Iwakuni was considered unsatisfactory in live housekeeping and self-help; however, would have shown to some degree within Wing unit billeting

Action. A self-help effort is being instituted comprehensive program that will include criteria and implementation of self-help projects. One officer has been designated as primary self-help coordinator with Station Public Affairs Office. Also has been given to form a self-help section. The SMCO to aid units by providing technical skill and training, the above increased emphasis on self-help, availability of materials, has resulted in a noticeable improvement in living conditions.

i. Meal passes (Form 714) were not being collected prior to their departure on authorized leave.

Action. Procedures have been established by all units. Meal passes are recovered upon termination of an individual's assignment at government expense, i.e., date of departure from PCS orders, or PCS orders.

j. There was inadequate first echelon maintenance,

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particularly on vehicles that were on administrative deadline or deadline.

(2) Corrective Action. Maintenance Teams have been established and weekly schedules for the performance of 1st echelon maintenance on all equipment on deadline are now published and completed.

(3) Discrepancy. A modification program in accordance with Wing Order P11240.1A did not exist.

(4) Corrective Action. A modification program in accordance with Wing Order P11240.1A has been implemented.

(5) Discrepancy. Maintenance management procedures were lacking.

(6) Corrective Action. Guidelines have been established and promulgated to enhance maintenance management procedures which includes the proper scheduling and performance of preventive maintenance, calibration procedures and the use of test equipment by maintenance personnel, and procurement and utilization of technical manuals. Shop and motor pool inspection procedures have been established to ensure that equipment is inspected prior to and after dispatching, and prior to and after completion of repairs in maintenance shops. Additionally, staff visits by this Headquarters are in progress to ensure the implementation of sound maintenance management procedures.

(7) Discrepancy. TERO's were not being completed in the remarks column in accordance with MCO P4400.28.

(8) Corrective Action. MCO P4400.28 does not appear in the effective check list of Marine Corps publications. However, the procedures for completion of motor transport maintenance forms are being complied with and required remarks are being entered in accordance with TM 4700-15/1A.

(9) Discrepancy. Scheduled PM on "Q" or "A" type vehicles were being omitted for over thirty (30) days without the vehicles being placed on deadline.

(10) Corrective Action. Equipment that goes beyond a scheduled "Q" PM for fifteen (15) days, or thirty (30) days beyond a scheduled "A" PM, is now being taken out of service and will remain out of service until the PM service is completed.

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e. Engineer/Engineer Equipment

(1) Discrepancy. Repair parts were not available and repair procedures to effect timely repair to deadlined equipment were not in effect.

(2) Corrective Action. Recent Wing engineer visits disclosed that repair parts availability and repair procedures had improved considerably since the inspection. On 1 March, Groups stationed at Iwakuni centralized third echelon maintenance personnel and shop stores at WERS-17. To increase the depth of spare parts and supplies to support the maintenance effort, FSR has set up a subsidiary Shop Stores account and warehouse at WERS-17.

(3) Discrepancy. Engineer equipment records were not being maintained in accordance with current directives.

(4) Corrective Action. Units have been instructed on correct engineer equipment records maintenance procedures. Recent Wing Engineer staff visits revealed records to be in accordance with current directives. Additional emphasis has been directed toward the discrepancies.

(5) Discrepancy. Current directives for engineer equipment were not on hand.

(6) Corrective Action. Units have been inspected for completeness of current directives files. Shortages have been pointed out and corrective action taken. The Wing Engineer has distributed instructions directing specific actions be taken for current directives acquisitions.

(7) Discrepancy. There was a lack of organizational preventive maintenance on items of engineer equipment.

(8) Corrective Action. Concerned units have been instructed in remedial preventive maintenance procedures. A recent Wing Engineer staff visit revealed improvements in this area and additional instructions have been provided to correct the remaining discrepancies.

(9) Discrepancy. Tool sets/chests were incomplete, missing components, or were not on requisition.

(10) Corrective Action. Missing components for tool sets/chests have been placed on order.

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f. Communications/Electronics

(1) Discrepancy. Secondary repairable float held by MWCS-18 was largely depleted due to non-documented disposition in support of Task Force Delta equipment.

(2) Corrective Action. The secondary repairable float has been separated into two (2) separate accounts: Q-1 for aviation peculiar items and J-9 for non-aviation peculiar items. The Q-1 account is managed by MWCS-18 and the J-9 account by MMSG-17. This dual management allows closer supervision of each area. An inventory has been conducted of the secondary repairable float including those items at Task Force Delta. The return of items no longer required from Task Force Delta is in progress and a accountability of the items held by Task Force Delta has been accomplished by receipts signed by the custodian.

(3) Discrepancy. The Coordinated Shore Base Allowance List authorized MATCU-60 was only twenty-three percent (23%) on hand versus seventy-five percent (75%) on hand provided MATCU-60, which supported Task Force Delta.

(4) Corrective Action. A re-inventory of the MATCU-60 Coordinated Shore Base Allowance List (COSBAL) in conjunction with the receipt of some parts previously ordered has resulted in an increase from twenty-three percent (23%) to sixty-nine percent (69%) at this time. Funding was identified and the remaining MATCU-60 COSBAL deficiencies are on order.

(5) Discrepancy. The implementation and adherence to the Planned Maintenance System by the MATCU's was considered poor.

(6) Corrective Action. At the time of the inspection, documentation and material for the Planned Maintenance System (PMS) for Marine Air Traffic Control Units (MATCU's) was only partially received and implemented. The PMS within the MATCU's of the 1st Marine Aircraft Wing is now fully implemented and strictly adhered to.

g. Embarkation

(1) Discrepancy. The Mechanized Embarkation Data System (MEDS) had not been implemented.

(2) Corrective Action. Cards 1 and 2 are complete at this time with cards 3 and 5 currently at DPI awaiting punch. Some difficulty has been experienced in the initial punch with the program format at DPI. MEDS should be fully implemented by 1 May 1973 and a Wing Master Deck will be on hand.

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(3) Discrepancy. Approximately fifteen percent (15%) of the boxes were incorrectly marked.

(4) Corrective Action. Unit follow-up and staff assistance inspections have been and will continue to be conducted to rectify discrepancies in this area.

(5) Discrepancy. In two (2) warehouses, there were no cargo manifests.

(6) Corrective Action. All warehouses now have cargo manifests as required.

(7) Discrepancy. The Wing Embarkation SOP was outdated (7 November 1969).

(8) Corrective Action. A new Wing Embarkation SOP has been completed, staff routed and is currently in word processing for completion. It is anticipated that it will be ready for distribution during May 1973.

(9) Discrepancy. Approximately thirty percent (30%) of the boxes checked were not waterproofed.

(10) Corrective Action. Waterproofed paper has been in short supply within the 1st MAW. However, additional waterproof paper has been procured and waterproofing of boxes will be accomplished.

5. MEDICAL.

a. Discrepancy. The Wing health records located at MCAS(H), Futema, needed to be completely reviewed and updated.

b. Corrective Action. MAG-36 health records were in the process of being reviewed at the time of the inspection. Review has now been completed and MAG-36 health records are complete and current.

c. Discrepancy. The MAG-36 medical supply block needed a complete inventory to ascertain its readiness and condition of the gear.

d. Corrective Action. During the period, 23 February to 27 February, the MAG-36 field hospital was set up in order to exercise the block. The block was found to be in a high state of readiness and the condition of the gear was satisfactory. During the above period, the field hospital was used as the primary facility for conducting routine sick call. The block was replenished prior to securing the exercise.

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e. Discrepancy. A suitable warehouse was needed to store medical supplies and allow space to work with gear in MAG-36.

f. Corrective Action. The MAG-36 medical supply block is presently stored in a Butler Building. The space is adequate for both storage and working space.

g. Discrepancy. Command personnel needed more training in the maintenance and use of medical equipment.

h. Corrective Action. All personnel participated in the exercise of the field hospital. A training program has been established whereby designated personnel will periodically work with various items of medical equipment.

6. AVIATION MATTERS

a. Aircraft Maintenance

(1) Discrepancy. The Visual Information Display System (VIDS) had not been fully implemented in accordance with current directives.

(2) Corrective Action. The 1st MAW Analysis Officer is currently sending teams to all commands to instruct in NAMP/3M procedures and to ensure compliance with current directives.

b. Aviation Supply

(1) Discrepancy. There was a requirement in MAG-12 to establish detailed pre-expended bin procedures and also, rotatable pool lists did not exist for both regular and modular pool items by part number and nomenclature sequence, reflecting cross reference to substitute items for more efficient use by the supported squadrons and IMA.

(2) Corrective Action. A Group Order has been published by MAG-12 cancelling the existing PEB instructions. The new PEB is consistent with proper PEB procedures, and rotatable pool lists are now printed and are in accordance with OPNAV Instruction 4790.2.

(3) Discrepancy. Firm requisition reconciliation procedures were not evident. Monitoring of these procedures is a direct responsibility of the GASSCO, SRSO and the applicable Materiel Officer or CCS/SSSO, depending on the type of requisition.

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has been disposed of. First MAM has initiated a request for disposition instructions for all remaining equipment in excess of authorized allowances.

(7) Discrepancy. It was suggested that selected TA-4F and RF-4 avionics personnel, MOS 6243 on hand in FMSG-17, be reassigned to relieve the technician deficiencies in HAMS-12(rear).

(8) Corrective Action. The personnel transfers recommended by the IG have been completed.

d. Aviation Command and Control

(1) Discrepancy. MACG-18 was marginally capable of performing the tasks associated with providing the Wing Commander a viable tactical air control center. In garrison, utilizing existing facilities and provided with trained personnel, they were capable of accomplishing their mission. Attainment of a deployable capability was dependent upon the arrival and redistribution of equipment. The deficiencies had been recognized and equipment was on order. A recently initiated training program required continued command support to alleviate the shortage of trained personnel.

(2) Corrective Action. Attainment of a deployment capability was dependent upon the arrival of a refurbished APTSO-6 operations shelter. However, subsequent to the IG Inspection, notification was received that the requisition had been cancelled due to the expected shipment of the semi-automated TACC/TACC, ANEYO-1 and ANEYO-3. This equipment has arrived and is expected to be fully operational by 1 May 1973. This will give the 1st MAM a fully deployable TACC. Additionally, a training program has been initiated and is being pursued at this time. One officer and one enlisted are going to 2nd MAM to receive information and training to assist in setting up a school at 1st MAM for TACC operations.

(3) Discrepancy. SOP's for command operations, typhoon center operations and security center operations required updating.

(4) Corrective Action. The TACC SOP has been updated, but will be replaced by a new SOP for the semi-automated TACC. The Typhoon Center operations and Security Center operations SOP's are being updated by Wing C-3.

(5) Discrepancies. MATCU-66 was not capable of performing its mission. The state of equipment precluded all but a minimal operation.

(a) Nine (9) of twelve (12) generators were out of commission.

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- (b) Both TACAN's were out of commission.
- (c) Over fifty percent (50%) of on hand radios were inoperative.
- (d) The portable tower was out of commission.
- (e) The two (2) frame shelters which house and protect the portable radars were in such a poor state of repair to render them ineffective.
- (f) An extensive maintenance effort was required to attain a deployment capability.
- (g) Only minimal technical training had been documented in the previous six (6) months.

(6) Corrective Action

- (a) Only two (2) of the thirteen (13) generators, held by MATCU-66, are currently in a deadline status.
- (b) Replacement AN/TPN-29 TACAN was shipped to MATCU-66 on 5 April 1973 and should be received prior to 1 May 1973.
- (c) Radio repair continues to present problems due to the lack of qualified technicians. MATCU-66 currently has ten (10) of twenty-nine (29) radios in an inoperative status, five (5) of which are NORM. The MAC-36 IMA is assisting MATCU-66 with those that are NORM. This is necessary because qualified personnel are not available within the MATCU.
- (d) The AN/TSA-23 Air Control Group (Tower) held by MATCU-66 is currently in an operational status.
- (e) The materials needed to repair the frame shelter covers for the AN/TPN-8 Radars were received shortly after the inspection and and both shelters are now in good condition.
- (f) MATCU-66, under current MARFS reporting criteria, is C-2 in equipment readiness.
- (g) All technical training is now documented and increased attention will continue to be directed in this area. The establishment of a formal Marine Air Traffic Control Unit on-the-job-training syllabus and receipt of lesson plans and material has aided in standardizing personnel training in this area.

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PART II

NARRATIVE

During the month of January, the 1st MAW completed Safety Standowns and post holiday "Back-in-the-Saddle" programs to improve Aviation Safety and enhance NATOPS Standardization procedures. A meeting was held with MAG-12 Safety and Standardization Officers to up-date their operations so as to be in consonance with the criteria for Air Operations at MCAS Iwakuni. Continued emphasis will be placed on these areas and hopefully the 1st MAW will achieve a new low in the aircraft accident rate for 1973.

The year-end accident summary in Ground Safety shows that there were fewer reportable accidents and deaths in 1972 than in 1971. There were 114 reportable accidents in 1972 vice 152 in 1971. Deaths dropped from 7 in 1971 to 4 in 1972. Workdays lost from accidents in 1972 increased from 1,529 in 1971 to 5,183 days lost. Accident costs were reduced from \$520,655 in 1971 to \$453,344 in 1972.

PART III

SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

6 January 1973. VMFA-115, F-4B, 4-73A. Aircraft was in its second run, 45 degree dive. The aircraft was hit by 23 37mm rounds as ordnance was released. Pilot made an uneventful single engine landing. Aircraft Damage "C", Injury "G", Preliminary msg 060814Z JAN 73.

18 January 1973. VMFA-115, F-4B, 5-73A. Approximately 40 miles from the field pilot observed right fire warning light. Wingman advised no fire evident and A/C proceeded to base. After making a single engine landing it was noted that aircraft had sustained heat damage from bleed air manifold failure. Aircraft damage "C", Injury "G", Preliminary msg 180535Z JAN 73.

29 January 1973. HMH-462, CH-53D, 2-73A. Aircraft was enroute to Cubi Point when the no. 1 engine flamed out. The pilot headed for shore and the no. 2 engine flamed out 20-30 seconds later. Pilot autorotated to water. After impact, aircraft rolled over to the right. Crewmembers and passengers exited the aircraft and deployed life rafts and were later picked up by fishing boats. Aircraft damage "A", Injuries 1-"F" 11-"G". Preliminary message 271842Z JAN 73.

Ground Safety. The first fatality, due to a ground accident, in the Wing for the new year was L/CPL Cecil BAKER, H&MS-17. The death occurred 13 January and was due to an automobile accident.

19 January 1973. PFC Robert Joe SHULTHEIS, VMFA-232 died from multiple head and internal injuries received from a motorcycle accident in Thailand.

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PART II

NARRATIVE

During the month of February continued emphasis was placed in the areas of Aviation Safety and Standardization. A Safety Survey was conducted on MAG-12. On MCAS, Iwakuni's request a survey was also conducted of the MCAS, Iwakuni Flying Club.

A Ground Safety School was held for 1st MAW Ground Safety Officers' and NCO's.

PART III

SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

6 February 1973. VMA-311, A4E, 4-73A. During landing rollout with left crosswind, the aircraft left the runway and overturned. The aircraft sustained "C" damage. The pilot was uninjured. Preliminary msg 060812Z FEB 73.

Ground Safety

A liberty bus enroute to Udorn, Thailand with 18 Marines aboard collided with a tanker. One Marine was fatally injured.

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PART II

NARRATIVE

During the month of March a C-117 operations inspection was conducted by this section at the request of MWSG-17. Continued emphasis was placed in the areas of Aviation/Ground Safety and NATOPS Standardization.

PART III

SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

11 March 1973, H&MS-36, CH-46D 1-73A. A CH-46 enroute from MCAS Iwakuni, Japan to MCAS Futema, entered IFR conditions approximately 15 minutes after take-off from Kanoya. While attempting to return to VFR conditions the aircraft struck tree tops on mountain range south of Kagoshima, Japan. The aircraft was destroyed. The pilot was not injured. The co-pilot and crew chief sustained BRAVO injuries.

18 March 1973, HMH-463, CH-53D, 2-73A. A CH-53 aircraft enroute to minefield towing operations, entered a violent right descending spin and impacted in the water. Preliminary reports and the pilot's statement indicates rotary rudder separation of the tail pylon. The aircraft was destroyed. The pilot received minor injuries. The co-pilot and three passengers sustained BRAVO injuries.

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PART III

SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

16 April 1973, VMA-211, A4E, 5-73A. Forty nautical miles from Naha, Japan, while on a special weapons target run the pilot heard muffled explosion, a decrease in acceleration and an increase in EGT was noticed. Pilot ejected safely without injury, while aircraft sustained "ALPHA" damage.

16-20 April 1973. Wing Safety Center assisted H&MS-12 in a Safety Survey.

19 April 1973. 1stLt M. PERBETSKY was assigned as Ground Safety Officer.

23 - 27 April 1973. Wing Safety Center assisted VMQJ-1 in a Aviation Safety Survey.

27 April 1973. The Quarterly Consolidated Area Aviation Safety Council meeting was held.

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PART II

NARRATIVE

During the month of May, the 1st MAW was accident free. This accident free month is worthy of note in that the 1st MAW has exceeded the target established for a new low concerning the accident rate for FY-73. With a target of 1.75, the Wing attained a 1.64 for the period ending 31 May 1973. A staff visit to MAG-12 was accomplished during this period. Hopefully, the accident rate will continue its downward trend as a result of a survey of units attached to that Group. Command attention to Aviation/Ground Safety and NATOPS Standardization was emphasized during these visits. An Aircrew Factors Committee meeting was held on 31 May 1973.

The Ground Safety Officer conducted Staff visits to MAG-12, 36 and MACG-18 of the 1st MAW to include MWHS-1. During these visits both the Unit's Safety Officers and Safety NCOs were briefed on their duties and responsibilities in the area of Ground Safety. A Safety Conference conducted by MAG-36 at Futema, Okinawa was attended by the Wing Ground Safety Officer.

PART III

SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

1. No Aircraft Accidents.
2. 24 May 1973 - Maintenance and Material Factors Meeting.
3. 31 May 1973 - Aircrew Factor Committee Meeting.

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PART II

NARRATIVE

During the month of June, the 1st MAW was accident free. The 1st MAW has exceeded it's safety goal of 1.75 by attaining an accident rate of 1.48 for the Fiscal Year. (Est.)

On 21 June 1973, the Facilities Factors meeting was attended by the Wing Natops Supervisor. On 27 June 1973, the 1st MAW Consolidated Area Aviation Safety Council meeting was held. Representatives from all 1st MAW aviation units were in attendance.

GROUND SAFETY. During the month of June a courtesy inspection was conducted on MWSG-17. A briefing was also given to the newly assigned Ground Safety NCO. The Wing Ground Safety Officer also attended the MACG-18 Safety/Safe Driving Council meeting. Continued emphasis was placed on Health and Safety Standards particularly in the areas of Hearing Conservation and Load Testing of Crane and Hoist equipment.

PART III

SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

1. No aircraft accidents.
2. Maj. R. C. BAGLEY, Jr. checked in as relief for Maj. C. K. CONLEY who departs 6 July 73 for CONUS.

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Command Chronolgy
Electronic Warfare
1-31 January 1973

Messages were sent from the FMAW Electronic Warfare Office coordinating the Annual Electronic Warfare (EW) Training Team Visit scheduled for 13-16 March for FMAW/Iwakuni based units and 20 -30 March for FMAW/Futema based units. Names of contact officers were requested by 1 Feb 1973. (CG FMAW MSGS 090613Z JAN 73 (C), 1232325Z JAN 73 (U) and 240219Z JAN 73 (U) REFER).

A message was sent to the VM CJ-1 Det Cubi requesting that additional, more detailed information be included in EW OPREP-4 reports to satisfy an earlier request by AFSPCMM CEN. (CG FMAW 120031Z JAN 73 (S) REFERS).

Long standing TSQ-90 problems, all of which pointed out the poor utilization of the EW capabilities of the TSQ-90 System, were discussed in a message to FMFPAC. FMAW recommended that a TSQ-90 Program review Conference be convened and suggested that Washington, D.C. as the conference site. (CG FMAW 190123Z JAN 73 (S) REFERS).

Recent Employment of India Band Range-Only Radars (T8209) at NVN Sam sites considerably increased the threat to linebacker operations. VM CJ-1 Det is the Only operational support unit with I-Band stand-off jammers.

The employment of the EA6A in support of CTF 77 Strike Forces compounded the command and control problem and reinforced the operational requirement for a second UHF radio in EA6A. Accordingly, FMAW recommended that immediate Quick Reaction Capability Actions be initiated to provide a second UHF radio capability for the EA6A. (CG FMAW 060557Z JAN 73 (S) REFERS).

Beaver Hound missions for March were scheduled. Beaver Hound missions for January were cancelled due to operational commitments.

Maj F. G. CASTILLO (G-2), and Capt J. W. STONE JR (Asst EWO) attended both the February 1973 Elint Requirments Coordination/Technical Exchange Meeting and the monthly Pacom PARPRO Conference at Fuchu AS Japan.



H. K. MILLS
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Electronic Warfare
Command Chronolgy
1-28 February 1973

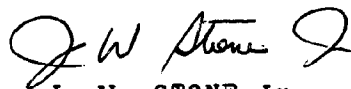
In order to coordinate resumption of EA6A participation in COMSEVENTHFLT scheduled Eagle Exercises initial informal liaison with VMCJ-1 and the 18th TFW was accomplished on 22 Feb. Accordingly, VMCJ's EA6A's were scheduled to participate in the Eagle Exercise from 5-9 March 1973.

Fringe City/Beaver Hound missions for FMAW EA6A's resumed this month with the first mission being flown on 15 Feb 73. Prior to this new Route Flight plans were submitted for the tracks currently identified for Fringe City/Beaver Hound missions. Other than a change from primary to secondary altitude the first mission was flown as scheduled. The three remaining missions for February were cancelled. Beaver Hound missions for April were scheduled.

COMOPTEVFOR (052030Z FEB 73 (S)) and CG FMFPAC (100423Z FEB 73 (S)) both stated that present ALQ-91 and ALQ-91A installation (in F4 Acft) give responses that are inaccurate, unreliable and which may be exploited by the enemy. Accordingly, FMAW is holding installation of ALQ-91/91A in abeyance pending further information on availability of modifications/kits, or a replacement enemy IFF interrogation system.

JAMEX Services for the 7th Fleet units transiting Cubi Point have been resumed during February. During the month, 6 JAMEX's have been accomplished with 4 different ships (USS Bradely, USS King, CTG 77.8, and USS Bausell). All ships noted that JAMEX's greatly enhanced much needed radar operator training and that the exercise provided extremely realistic training. All expressed the desire to utilize JAMEX services whenever possible as they are invaluable for shipboard equipment operators and for exercising equipments. Due to the Transient nature of these training operations and the quantitative chaff stores required to support them, not allocated to FMAW, FMAW recommended to III MAF that 7th Fleet be requested to position chaff at Subic for use by EA6A's supporting Fleet Units.

Maj F. G. CASTILLIO (G-2) and Maj H. K. MILLS (EWO), attended the February PACOM PARPRO Conference at Fuchu on 2 Feb 73.


J. W. STONE Jr.

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Electronic Warfare
Command Chronolgy
1-31 March 1973

Maj H. K. MILLS represented CTG 79.3 at the PACOM PARPRO Scheduling Conference on 2 Mar 73 at Headquarters Fifth AF and scheduled 4 Fringe City/Beaver Hound missions against North Korea for April. Maj MILLS departed from the conference for his new assignment to Third MAW.

Commanding General First MAW submitted a request on 4 Mar 73 via the chain of command to have the Fringe City/Beaver Hound alternate altitude block changed from 20-23 thousand to 15-23 thousand. This request was approved by CINCPAC 132110Z Mar 73 (C).

The Eagle/Lark exercise scheduled by COMUSTDC 5 through 9 Mar 73 was supported by deployment of 5 EA6A's to Tainan, Taiwan. 23 EA6A active support missions were flown against the total Taiwan air defense system. The ROC National Defense Ministry, COMUSTDC and MAAG China REPS at the exercise debrief were very enthusiastic about the high quality of ECM services furnished and the ECCM training derived. The total array of air defense type radars encountered greatly enhanced our ability to maintain our ECM crew combat capability and it was recommended by all concerned that EA6A support be provided for future exercises.

On 6 Mar 73 Commanding General First MAW directed VMCJ-1 to conduct ESM training missions in the local Cubi Pt. area and to report the results of the missions to this Headquarters via MIRE and MIRC. The Wing EWO evaluates the MIRC's and returns them to the squadron with mistakes/errors and areas for improvement annotated.

The Electronic Warfare Training Team from the first Radio Bn. visited Iwakuni from 13-16 Mar 73. The team provided four briefings to over 200 First MAW personnel.

Four Fringe City/Beaver Hound training missions were flown against North Korea on 15 and 16 Mar 73. Fourteen North Korean signals were intercepted and reported to PACOM Elint Center via MIRE and MIRC reports.

Jamex services for 7th Fleet ships transiting the Subic area were provided 4 times to 5 ships (USS Fox, USS Sellers, USS Constellation, USS T. E. Chandler and USS Mackenzie). All units noted that much needed operator training and ECCM fix utilization was accomplished and recommended further Jamex's.

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Command Chronogly
1-30 April 1973

The PACOM PARPRO and ELINT Requirements Coordination conferences were attended by LtCol J. P. REICHERT and Capt J. W. STONE on 3 and 4 April at Headquarters Fifth AF. Four Beaver Hound missions were scheduled for May against North Korea.

Three Fringe City/Beaver Hound missions were flown against North Korea on the 11 and 12 April. The forth scheduled mission was cancelled due to weather in the track area. Nine Sino Soveit type signals were impacted in North Korea and reported to PACOM Elint Center.

EA6A Jamex services were furnished to USS Rodgers, USS Waddell, USS Ranger and USS Constellation during April in the Subic area. During the Jamex for the USS Ranger two A4's were also employed as Stix ASM simulators. The Ranger reported this exercise was excellent and provided operators with an opportunity to track low altitude high speed targets in a dense jamming environment. All units reported that the Jamex Service were very comprehensive and provided very realistic training.

On 30 April 73 First MAF Forces participated in the Korean Air Defense Exercise Commando Jade Bravo. The First MAF furnished 8 EA6A, 12 A4E and 4 RF4B sorties in two waves. All aircraft were fully ECM/DECM configured and ECM was directed against GCI, MC/MG, AAA and AI radar. Air Forces Korea reported that with 8 EA6A sorties the Korean Air Defense system encountered the most effective ECM training in almost two years and that very heavy ECM conditions were encountered with 6 faker tracks and that throughout the exercise light to medium ECM and chaff was reported. All participants at that exercise debrief strongly recommended continued EA6A support in Commando Jade Exercises.

J W Stone Jr.
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1-31 MAY 1973

The PACOM PARPRO conference was attended by Maj. F. G. CASTILLO and Capt. J. W. STONE on 3 May 73 at Headquarters Fifth AF. Four Beaver Hound missions were scheduled for June 73.

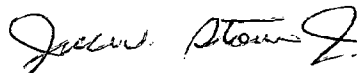
EA6A Jamex service were furnished to USS HORNE, USS CONSTELLATION, USS LONG BEACH and HMS ANTRIM during May 73. All units reported services provided were outstanding and that excellent training was provided both search and weapons control radar operators.

VMCJ-1 deployed 5 EA6A's to Tainan Taiwan for Eagle/Lark exercise 6-11 May 73. 23 ECM support sorties were flown against the total Taiwan air defense system; which included GCI/search, AAA control, missile control and AI radars. The exercise debrief was conducted at the ROC ministry of defense and was hosted by Major General CHANG. ROC representatives reported the exercise to be highly beneficial and strongly recommended continued EA6A service. The exercise was observed by AFSCC personnel and the exercise results will be reported in a Comfy Fluff report.

VMCJ-1 Det 101 participated in PAGASA I exercise 16-17 May. EA6A aircraft provided electronic and mechanical jamming support to Navy and Marine units during the amphibious operation in the Philippine Islands.

Four Fringe/City/Beaver Hound missions were flown against North Korea on 23 and 24 May 73. Ten Sino Soviet type signals were impacted in North Korea and reported to PACOM Elint Center.

On 29 and 30 May 73 a Jamex was conducted with Marine Air Control Squadron Four at MCAS, Futema. Although the ECM was only furnished for one radar, the exercise was particularly valuable as the ECMO's were able to view the jamming at the ground site. In addition to the Jamex, the period was used to set up procedures for future Breaklock Exercises for F4B/J aircraft.


J. W. STONE, JR.

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UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS
Headquarters
1st Marine Aircraft Wing
Fleet Marine Force, Pacific
FPO San Francisco 96602

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MEMORANDUM

From: Assistant Chief of Staff, Comptroller
To: Assistant Chief of Staff, G-3

Subj: Command Chronology for Period 1 January 1973 to 30
June 1973

Ref: (a) WgO 5750.1B

Encl: (1) Comptroller Division Command Chronology

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G. F. GALLAGHER

Comptroller Div.

COMPTROLLER DIVISION COMMAND CHRONOLOGYI. ORGANIZATION DATA

Assistant Chief of Staff,
Comptroller

LtCol. G. F. GALLAGHER
(1 Jan 73-30 Jun 73)

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OFC-02 Facilities Maint	-0-
OFC-09 IMRL	137
OFC-15 Photo	-0-

OFC-21 TAD 2,500

OFC-50 A/C Maint 12,352

O&MMC

PE 31,548

RA 14,132

First Marine Aircraft Wing
Fleet Marine Force Pacific
FPO San Francisco 96602

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2 July 1973

From: Wing Medical Administrative Officer
To: Headquarters (Attn: G-3)

Subj: Command Chronology (Report Symbol MC-5750-06)

Ref: (a) WgO 5750.1B

Encl: (1) Wing Medical Semi-annual Command Chronology

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


S. C. BAZZELL
LCDR, MSC, USN

Wing Medical

COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

1 January 1973 - 30 June 1973

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PART I

ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

1. Unit: Medical Section, Headquarters, First Marine Aircraft Wing, FMF
2. Location: Marine Corps Air Station, Iwakuni, Japan
3. Staff Officers:

Wing Medical Officer

CAPT E. C. REED, JR., MC, USN
1 January - 30 March 1973CAPT B. C. JOHNSON, MC, USN
6 April - 30 June 1973

Assistant Wing Medical Officer

LCDR C. H. MC ALLISTER, MC, USN
9 March - 30 June 1973

Medical Administrative Officer

LCDR S. C. BAZZELL, MSC, USN
1 January - 30 June 1973Subordinate UnitsUnitGroup Medical OfficerMedical Section
Marine Air Group-12 (FWD)
Bien Hoa AB, RVNLT J. M. WENTZ, MC, USNR
1 January - 26 January 1973Medical Section
Marine Air Group-15 (FWD)
RTAFB, Nam Phong, ThailandLT P. H. IZENBERG, MC, USNR
1 January - 5 April 1973LT J. E. HAWKINS, MC, USNR
5 April - 4 June 1973LT S. W. HALL, MC, USNR
5 June - 30 June 1973Medical Section
Marine Air Group-36
MCAS, Futema, OkinawaLT J. B. CRESS, MC, USNR
1 January - 10 February 1973LT J. E. HANNA, MC, USNR
10 February - 30 June 1973

4. Average Monthly Strength:

NavyOfficerEnlisted

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64

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Enclosure (1)

PART II

NARRATIVE SUMMARY

During the period 1 January to 30 June 1973, the Medical Section of the First Marine Aircraft Wing, provided medical personnel and support to garrisoned and deployed units of this command.

CAPT E. C. REED, JR., MC, USN, Wing Medical Officer, was transferred to Naval Safety Center, Naval Air Station, Norfolk, Virginia, on 30 March 1973 and was relieved by CAPT B. C. JOHNSON, MC, USN.

During OPERATION PAGASA I, the medical officer and hospital corpsmen assigned to PROVMA-10 conducted sick call for the local populace at Memburao, Mindoro, RPI.

MASS-2 was reassigned to MCAS, Futema, Okinawa. A 650 block was deployed with the unit.

Medical department personnel were deployed during this period as follows:

<u>Unit</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>MC</u>	<u>HC</u>	<u>Inclusive Dates</u>
MAG-12 (FWD)	Bien Hoa AB, RVN	2	10	1Jan- 5Feb73
MAG-15 (FWD)	RTAFB, Nam Phong, Thailand	3	20	1Jan-30Jun73
MAG-36	MCAS, Futema, Okinawa	1	10	1Jan-30Jun73
HMM-164	Embarked	1	2	
HMM-165	Embarked	1	2	
HMH-463	Embarked	1	-	
VMCJ-1, Det 101	NAS, Cubi Pt., RPI	-	1	1Jan-30Jun73
9th MAB	Embarked USS BLUE RIDGE	-	1	20Apr-23May73
PROVMAG-10	OPERATION PAGASA I	1	3	2May-24May73
MCWS-18	COMDEX 3-73	-	1	21May-25May73
CTG-78	OPERATION END SWEEP	-	3	28Jan-30Jun73
VMA-311	FLEACTS, Naha, Okinawa	1	2	10Mar- 7Apr73
VMA-211	FLEACTS, Naha, Okinawa	1	2	8Apr- 4May73

PART III

SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

1. Significant events which occurred during this reporting period:

a. Staff Visits:

13-16 Feb 73: CAPT D. W. ROBINSON, MC, USN, Force Medical Officer, FMFPAC

b. Receipts/Transfers:

9Mar73: LCDR C. H. MC ALLISTER, MC, USN received for duty as Assistant Wing Medical Officer
30Mar73: CAPT E. C. REED, JR., MC, USN, Wing Medical Officer, transferred to Naval Safety Center, Naval Air Station, Norfolk, Virginia
6Apr73: CAPT B. C. JOHNSON, MC, USN, Senior Medical Officer, Marine Corps Air Station, Iwakuni, received for additional duty as Wing Medical Officer

c. Reenlistments:

16Jan73: HM2 Richard J. MC DANIELS reenlisted for 4 years
31Jan73: HM1 James K. SYKES reenlisted for 4 years
1Feb73: HM3 Jesus A. ESTRADA reenlisted for 6 years
4Apr73: HM3 William V. FREELAND reenlisted for 6 years
11Apr73: HMC George G. BROWN reenlisted for 4 years
26May73: HMC Warner E. LEONARD reenlisted for 3 years
31May73: HM3 John A. KOZEE reenlisted for 6 years
4Jun73: HMC George R. WILLIAMS reenlisted for 3 years

d. Advancements:

1Jan73: HM3 Richard J. DOBIAS advanced to HM2
1Jan73: HM3 Keith M. KENNIS advanced to HM2
1Jan73: HN Hulen L. WILLIAMS advanced to HM3
3Apr73: HM1 Charles E. CEPHAS frocked a HMC
3Apr73: HM1 George R. WILLIAMS frocked a HMC
1May73: HM3 Rodney G. EARLY advanced to HM2

PART IV**SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS**

None



OFFICE OF THE WING CHAPLAIN

1st Marine Aircraft Wing, Aircraft, FMF, Pacific
c/o FPO, San Francisco, California 96602



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18 Jul 1973

From: Wing Chaplain
To: Commandant of the Marine Corps (Code HD)
Via: (1) Commanding General, First Marine Aircraft Wing
(2) Commanding General, Fleet Marine Force, Pacific

Subj: Command Chronology for period 1 January 1973 to 30 June 1973

Ref: (a) MCO 5750.1B
(b) FMFPacO 5750.8B
(c) ForO 5750.1A
(d) WgO 5750.1B

Encl: (1) Wing Chaplain's Command Chronology
(2) Religious Service Schedules effected by consolidation of
Wing/Station Religious Activities
(3) Wing Chaplain Roster as of 30 June 1973

1. In accordance with the provisions of references (a) through (d),
enclosures (1) through (3) are submitted.

Wm. R. HOWARD
CAPT CHC USN

Wing Chaplain

SIGNIFICANT EVENTS FOR THE RELIGIOUS CHRONOLOGY

1 Jan 73 - 30 Jun 73

I. Squadron Sunday Initiated.

a. Squadron Sunday is rotated among units every other week. This participation by squadrons has doubled attendance.

b. The program was established in accordance with WgBul 1730 of 23 Feb. 1973.

II. Religious Libraries.

a. Ecumenical religious libraries were established in day rooms and chaplain's offices where Marines could have access to reading materials that would encourage personal and spiritual growth.

III. Coffee House opened at MAG-36 Okinawa.

a. Coffee House adjacent to the chapel provides a modern environment under lay leadership.

IV. Self Help Program Established.

a. The chapel center at Task Force Delta/MAG-15 and the Wing Chapel complex were renovated and painted.

V. Systematic Support of Charities was established through unit support and sharing chapel funds with supporting units.

a. Especially noteworthy was the elephant shop operated by the chaplain of MAG-12 in Viet Nam which supported Group charities. Approximately \$10,000 was contributed from projects.

VI. Counseling Center Participation.

a. The chaplains became instructors in the techniques of counseling for leaders working with people problems such as drug, alcohol, etc. The chaplains conduct profile psychological testing and offer interpretation of the results.

VII. Seminar and retreats established on a periodic basis for chaplains and laity.

a. Yuki retreats, Hagi retreats and Tsuano retreats were begun in small group encounters. Retreats are held at the Iwakuni Evangelistic Center in an indigenous environment for the enlisted.

VIII. Religious Emphasis Week with a National Leader provided.

a. Dr. Lou EVANS, Pastor of the National Presbyterian Church conducted a series of conferences and evening services for the Iwakuni Military Community 26 May - 31 May.

IX. Consolidated Chapel Center.

a. Hidaway Club (former chapel) renovated and occupied 20 April 73 as the Marine Memorial Chapel serving Station and Wing functions.

b. Station Chapel and Wing Chapel became the Human Affairs Department.

c. NAESU relocated. NAESU space utilized as the Blessed Sacrament Chapel. The move was completed on 30 April 1973.

d. The Marine Memorial Chapel will be utilized by all religious groups to the maximum.

X. The Visit of the Chief of Chaplains.

a. The visit of the Chief of Chaplains gave impetus to the Holy Week schedules.

b. Ecumenical Palm Sunday Service with Station/Wing as well as Catholic/Protestant was observed. Both communions were administered from the same altar with 500 in attendance. The occasion was proceeded on Saturday evening by a Japanese six course dinner at the Kinsui Hotel with 147 in attendance. The Cultural Choir provided the program.

c. Good Friday Service was ecumenical with 300 attending.

WING/STATION RELIGIOUS ACTIVITIES

CATHOLIC WORSHIP

<u>Sunday</u>	Mass	0800, 1145, & 1700	Bldg. 1101
	Sunday School	0900	Perry School
<u>Daily</u>	Mass	1140	Bldg. 1101
<u>Saturday</u>	Mass	1715	Bldg. 1101

PROTESTANT WORSHIP

<u>Sunday</u>	Worship Service	1015	Bldg. 1101
	Country Church	2000	Bldg. 1101
	Correctional Facility	0830	
	Sunday School	0900	Perry School
	CYF (Jr. High)	1900	Trailer 26 "C" area
	CYF (Sr. High)	1900	Qtrs 585-C
<u>Monday</u>	Noon Day Devotions	1200	Bldg. 1101
	Women's Bible Study	1315	Qtrs 585-C
	Men's Bible Study	1900	Bldg. 1101
<u>Tuesday</u>	Noon Day Devotions	1200	Bldg. 1101
	Latter Day Saints	1730	Bldg. 1101
	Christian Science	1730	Bldg. 1450-G
	Fellowship	1900	Qtrs 585-C
<u>Wednesday</u>	Noon Day Devotions	1200	Bldg. 1101
	Bible Study	1900	Bldg. 1101
<u>Thursday</u>	Noon Day Devotions	1200	Bldg. 1101
	Jr. Choir Rehearsal	1830	Bldg. 1101
	Sr. Choir Rehearsal	1930	Bldg. 1101
<u>Friday</u>	Noon Day Devotions	1200	Bldg. 1101
<u>Saturday</u>	Noon Day Devotions	1200	Bldg. 1101

JEWISH SCHEDULES Yokosuka (Transportation arranged by Wing Chaplain)

DEPLOYMENT OF 1ST MAW CHAPLAINS

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ON BOARD

____ LCDR P. J. HOLWAGER, CHC, USNR, ASST WG CHAP, RTD AUG 73

____ LT V. H. SMITH, CHC, USNR, REASSIGNED TO IWAKUNI MARCH 73

____ LT J. F. SHEA, CHC, USNR, REASSIGNED TO FUTEMA APRIL 73

____ LT T. J. LUKASZEWICZ, CHC, USNR, RTD JULY 73

____ LT T. J. LUKASZEWICZ, CHC, USNR, REASSIGNED TO NAM PHONG APRIL 73

____ LT J. F. SHEA, CHC, USNR, RTD OCT 73

____ CAPT W. R. HOWARD, CHC, USN, WG CHAP, RTD JAN 74

____ LCDR C. J. MEEHAN, CHC, USNR, RTD AUG 73

____ LCDR E. G. MARSH, CHC, USN, RTD MARCH 73

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ENCLOSURE (3)

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CONSOLIDATED PUBLIC AFFAIRS OFFICE
U. S. Marine Corps Air Station
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To: Commanding General, 1st Marine Aircraft Wing (Attn: G-3 Historical)
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Encl: (1) Consolidated Public Affairs, Wing Command Chronology

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Consolidated Pub. Affairs


T. W. TURNER

CONSOLIDATED PUBLIC AFFAIRS OFFICE
1st Marine Aircraft Wing, Marine Corps Air Station
Fleet Marine Force, Pacific

COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

1 Jan 1973 to 30 June 1973

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PART I

ORGANIZATIONAL DATA1. DESIGNATION

COMMANDER

Consolidated Public Affairs Office

CAPT T. W. TURNER, USMC
Consolidated Public Affairs Officer
1 Jan 1973 - 30 June 1973SUBORDINATE UNITS

None

None

ATTACHED UNITS

None

None

2. LOCATION

1 Jan 1973 - 30 June 1973: MCAS, IWAKUNI, Japan

3. STAFF OFFICERS

* Asst. Consolidated Public Affairs Officer

CWO-3 R. W. DEEVER, USMC
1 Jan 1973 - 30 June 19734. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

USMC	
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2	14

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OTHER	
Off	Enl
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PART II

NARRATIVE SUMMARY

This office submitted Fleet Home Town News releases on Wing personnel and prepared and distributed news releases and photographs to U.S., Japanese and military news media.

* TAD, TF-78

PART III

SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

a. FLEET HOME TOWN NEWS PROGRAM: 1,198 forms on Wing personnel were processed during the reporting period and forwarded to the Fleet Home Town News Center, (TAB A to Enclosure (1)).

b. NEWS RELEASES TO MEDIA: During the reporting period (45) news releases were distributed to civilian and military media. Other stories and photos were provided to the Torii Teller only, and are not included. (See TAB B to Enclosure (1) for news releases and TAB C for copies of the Torii Teller).

c. DEPLOYMENTS: One officer is currently TAD with Task Force Delta and one enlisted is TAD with 31st MAU afloat. During the reporting period one enlisted was TAD to 33rd MAU afloat for 1 month.

PART IV

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

- a. Air Station Bulletins 5724 concerning Fleet Home Town Program
- b. News Releases (45), with photographs
- c. Torii Tellers for reporting period

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FPO San Francisco 96602

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<u>MARINE CORPS AIR STATION</u>	<u>December</u>	<u>January</u>	<u>Taped Interviews</u>
H&HS	21	3	
<u>1ST MARINE AIRCRAFT WING</u>	TOTAL ----- 342	152	
MWHS-1	6	7	
11th Dental Company	0	0	
<u>MARINE AIRCRAFT GROUP-12</u>	TOTAL ----- 21	18	
H&MS-12	6	1	
MABS-12	15	15	
VMA-211	0	0	
VMA-311	0	2	
<u>MARINE AIRCRAFT GROUP-15</u>	TOTAL ----- 223	58	
H&MS-15	0	53	
MABS-15	55	0	
VMFA-232	94	0	
VMFA-115	47	0	
VMCJ-1	5	5	
VMA(AW)-533	22	0	
<u>MARINE WING SUPPORT GROUP-17</u>	TOTAL ----- 43	25	
H&MS-17	32	16	9
WERS-17	11	9	

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	<u>December</u>	<u>January</u>	<u>Taped Interviews</u>
<u>MARINE AIR CONTROL GROUP-18</u>	TOTAL ----- 49	44	
H&HS-18	10	4	
MWCS-18	17	34	12
MASS-2	22	6	
<u>NAVY AIR SUPPORT UNIT</u>	18	4	
<u>FLEET AIR WING ONE DETACHMENT</u>	0	0	
<u>PATROL SQUADRON NINE</u>	1	0	

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<u>MARINE CORPS AIR STATION</u>	<u>January</u>	<u>February</u>	<u>Taped Interviews</u>
H&HS	3	40	
<u>1ST MARINE AIRCRAFT WING</u>	TOTAL--- 146	188	
MWHS-1	7	82	
11th Dental Company	0	3	
<u>MARINE AIRCRAFT GROUP-12</u>	23	46	
H&MS-12	1	16	9
MABS-12	15	13	
VMA-211	0	6	
VMA-311	2	1	1
VMCJ-1	5	10	
<u>MARINE AIRCRAFT GROUP-15</u>	TOTAL--- 53	0	
H&MS-15	53	0	
MABS-15	0	0	
VMFA-232	0	0	
VMFA-115	0	0	
VMA(AW)-533	0	0	
<u>MARINE WING SUPPORT GROUP-17</u>	TOTAL--- 25	36	
H&MS-17	16	29	
WERS-17	9	7	

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	<u>January</u>	<u>February</u>	<u>Taped Interviews</u>
<u>MARINE AIR CONTROL GROUP-18</u>	TOTAL--- 38	21	
H&HS-18	4	1	
MWCS-18	34	20	
<u>NAVY AIR SUPPORT UNIT</u>	4	0	
<u>FLEET AIR WING ONE DETACHMENT</u>	0	0	

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<u>MARINE CORPS AIR STATION</u>	<u>February</u>	<u>March</u>
H&HS	40	8
<u>1ST MARINE AIRCRAFT WING</u>	TOTAL--- 188	221
MWHS-1	82	59
11th Dental Company	3	2
<u>MARINE AIRCRAFT GROUP-12</u>	46	23
H&MS-12	16	0
MABS-12	13	2
VMA-211	6	17
VMA-311	1	0
VMCJ-1	10	4
<u>MARINE AIRCRAFT GROUP-15</u>	0	59
H&MS-15	0	24
MABS-15	0	10
VMFA-232	0	0
VMFA-115	0	5
VMA(AW)-533	0	20
<u>MARINE WING SUPPORT GROUP-17</u>	36	54
H&MS-17	29	44
WERS-17	7	10

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		<u>February</u>	<u>March</u>
<u>MARINE AIR CONTROL GROUP-18</u>	TOTAL---	21	24
H&HA-18		1	11
MWCS-18		20	13
<u>NAVY AIR SUPPORT UNIT</u>		0	0
<u>FLEET AIR WING ONE DETACHMENT</u>		0	0

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<u>MARINE CORPS AIR STATION</u>	<u>March</u>	<u>April</u>
H&HS	8	8
<u>1ST MARINE AIRCRAFT WING</u>	TOTAL--- 221	193
MWHS-1	59	59
11th Dental Company	2	0
<u>MARINE AIRCRAFT GROUP-12</u>	TOTAL--- 23	47
H&MS-12	0	7
MABS-12	2	28
VMA-211	17	12
VMA-311	0	0
VMCJ-1	4	0
<u>MARINE AIRCRAFT GROUP-15</u>	TOTAL--- 59	61
H&MS-15	24	44
MABS-15	10	0
VMFA-232	0	0
VMFA-115	5	9
VMA(AW)-533	20	8

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		<u>March</u>	<u>April</u>
<u>MARINE WING SUPPORT GROUP-17</u>	TOTAL---	54	19
H&MS-17		44	16
WERS-17		10	3
<u>MARINE AIR CONTROL GROUP-18</u>	TOTAL---	24	7
H&HS-18		11	7
MWCS-18		13	0
<u>NAVY AIR SUPPORT UNIT</u>		0	6
<u>FLEET AIR WING ONE DETACHMENT</u>		0	1

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<u>MARINE CORPS AIR STATION</u>	<u>April</u>	<u>May</u>
H&HS	8	27
<u>1ST MARINE AIRCRAFT WING</u>	TOTAL---193	248
MWHS-1	59	64
11th Dental Company	0	0
<u>MARINE AIRCRAFT GROUP-12</u>	TOTAL--- 47	85
H&MS-12	7	42
MABS-12	28	4
VMA-211	12	31
VMA-311	0	7
VMCJ-1	0	1
<u>MARINE AIRCRAFT GROUP-15</u>	TOTAL--- 61	37
H&MS-15	44	20
MABS-15	0	0
VMFA-232	0	0
VMFA-115	9	10
VMA(AW)-533	8	7

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	<u>April</u>	<u>May</u>
<u>MARINE WING SUPPORT GROUP-17</u>	TOTAL--- 19	24
H&MS-17	16	23
WERS-17	3	1
<u>MARINE AIR CONTROL GROUP-18</u>	TOTAL--- 7	38
H&HS-18	7	2
MWCS-18	0	36
<u>NAVY AIR SUPPORT UNIT</u>	6	8
<u>FLEET AIR WING ONE DETACHMENT</u>	1	0

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MCAS IWAKUNI, Japan, Jan. 2--Marine Lance Corporal William McDaniel stared into the innards of the engine and shook his head. "They should have gotten rid of these things a long time ago," he said in wishful thinking. But, he knew that when he is long gone from the Marine Corps, the engine that he cursed and the aircraft that it powered would still be on active duty, and doing a job.

It was the kind of challenge the aircraft mechanic from Little Rock, Ark. faces daily as he works at keeping the oldest airplane in the armed forces' inventory flying. It's called the C-117 Skytrain now, but in its lifetime which so far has spanned 37 years, it has held as many names as jobs and performed each of them well.

When they first rolled the C-117 out back in 1935, she was the "Queen of the Airway"; the latest thing in air transportation. Now, in the days of the SST and jumbo jet, the C-117 has been laid to rest by all domestic airlines in the United States.

The Armed Forces, meanwhile, have utilized the old "Gooney Bird" for everything from cargo carrier to flying machine gun emplacement. The Marine Corps, known around capitol Hill for making a defense dollar stretch, utilizes the C-117 for cargo, training, and V.I.P. transportation.

There are five such money-savers assigned to the 1st Marine Aircraft Wing in Japan. Those men assigned to maintain the ageless aircraft are assigned to Headquarters and Maintenance Squadron-17.

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"It's still a good aircraft," says Staff Sergeant Jack Bettis, a crew chief on one of the C-117s. "Some of the planes in this squadron were flying the Burma to China supply runs in World War II and they fly just as well today. I'd say the government has gotten their money out of this bird."

And the Marine Corps will still get its money out of the C-117 as long as there are men around like McDaniel who can keep them flying.

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HE KEEPS THEM FLYING--Marine Lance Corporal William McDaniel peers into the engine of a C-117. As an aircraft engine mechanic with Headquarters and Maintenance Squadron-17 of the 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, McDaniel has the job of keeping the C-117, the oldest aircraft in the Armed Forces inventory, flying.

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Officer of the Month
Release 2-73
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MCAS IWAKUNI, Japan, Jan. 9--A Queens, New York native was selected as the most outstanding junior officer in the 1st Marine Aircraft Wing in a program to select the top company grade officer in the Wing.

First Lieutenant Gerard M. Godsil was the first man to receive the title, Company Grade Officer of the Month, and was presented a Letter of Appreciation from the Commanding General of the wing, Major General Leslie E. Brown, at a ceremony here Jan. 4.

Godsil was selected for the award based on his superior performance of duty while temporarily assigned to an Air Force unit, the 621st Tactical Air Control Squadron at Ubon, Thailand. During his month-long assignment with the Seventh Air Force squadron, Godsil attended classes in directing air strikes against targets in North and South Vietnam. While there, he directed a number of air strikes involving Marine and Air Force fighter-bombers. During the last two weeks of his assignment, the 22 year-old New Yorker became the first Marine to instruct Air Force classes in tactical air control, according to the letter.

Godsil is assigned to Marine Air Control Squadron-4 of the 1st Marine Aircraft Wing and is stationed at Marine Corps Air Station Futenma, Okinawa.

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The Company Grade Officer of the Month selection goes to the Warrant Officer, Lieutenant or Captain who demonstrates exceptional skill and leadership abilities. Each group of the 1st MAW selects a worthy officer and the nominees are reviewed by a panel of judges chosen by the Wing's Human Affairs Division.

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MASS-2 ANNIVERSARY
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MCAS IWAKUNI, Japan, Jan. 9—The Pacific Vagabonds sat down last week to an afternoon of cake, coffee and reflection into a distinguished past.

The occasion was the celebration of the 30th anniversary of the Vagabonds, the nickname of the men of Marine Air Support Squadron-2.

The squadron, activated on January 1, 1943 as the headquarters squadron of Marine Aircraft Base Defense Group-43, first saw action in the battle of Okinawa where they directed close air support for infantry units during the fight for the island. They also were used as the early warning unit for the Okinawan Air Defense Command. For service during the island campaign the unit, then Headquarters Squadron-43, was awarded the Presidential Unit Citation.

After returning to the United States and relocation at El Toro, California, the unit was named Marine Tactical Air Control Squadron-2, part of the redesignated MABDG-43 now called Marine Air Warning Group-2.

When the Korean War broke out, MTACS-2 was split into two units. The air support section of the squadron went with the 1st Provisional Marine Brigade to provide direct tactical air support at the Pusan perimeter.

The remainder of the squadron joined forces with the air support element and went with the 1st Marine Division to guide the necessary air support to aid in the Inchon landing. From that time, MTACS-2 worked with the 1st Division in coordinating the air support for the ground combat unit and delivered vital support which helped the Marines break out of the Chosin Reservoir.

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At the end of the Korean War, MTACS-2 remained in Korea as part of the American garrison and in February, 1953 became Marine Air Support Squadron-2.

In 1956, MASS-2 transferred to Iwakuni and five years later moved to Okinawa. It was from there that the squadron entered the Vietnam conflict in April of 1965.

Landing at Da Nang, MASS-2 began operations in the Da Nang and Chu Lai areas. In four years of action in Vietnam, the squadron directed close air support for the 1st and 3rd Marine Divisions at such places as Hue City and Khe Sahn.

In November of 1969, MASS-2 came back to Iwakuni where they remain today as a vital and integral part in aiding the 1st Marine Aircraft Wing in their mission as a tactical air arm.

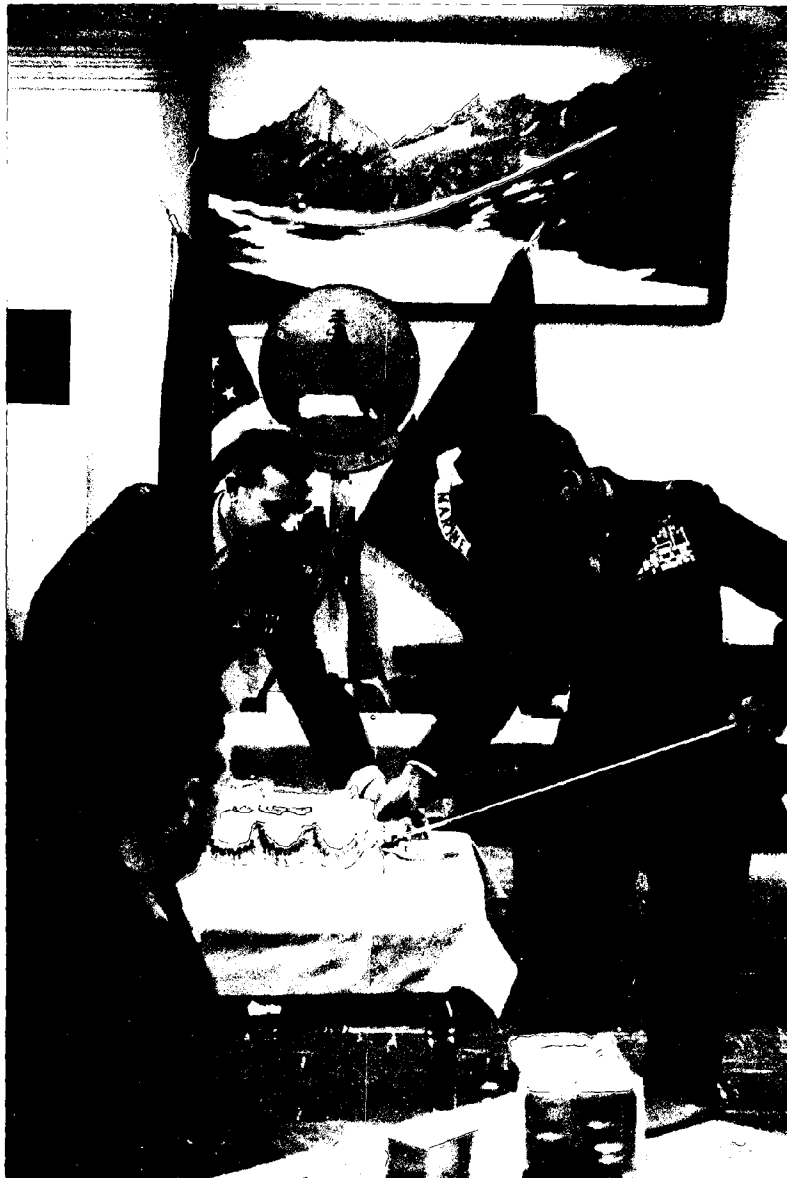
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ANNIVERSARY CAKE—Major Carroll R. Franklin assists Brigadier General Robert W. Taylor in cutting the Marine Air Support Squadron-2 thirtieth anniversary cake. Taylor, the Assistant Wing Commander of the 1st MAW, was present to assist the squadron celebrate its anniversary on January 4th. Franklin is the commanding officer of MASS-2.

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MCAS IWAKUNI, Japan, Jan. 10--Two Iwakuni Marines who played good samaritan to a Japanese man who had been injured in an auto accident Dec. 16, were officially thanked by the man here last week.

Major Bill Wehrung of the 1st Marine Aircraft Wing G-3 section and Sergeant Fred Rowe of Headquarters and Headquarters Squadron, Operations Maintenance Department were leaving the base on December 16 when they came upon Mr. Nobuhiko Daimon. Daimon had been involved in a two car collision and was trapped inside his car for what he thought would be a long time.

"I'm sure some Japanese in cars or pedestrians must have gone by the accident but were reluctant to help," says Daimon, a 25-year old native of Iwakuni. "Most Japanese are heartless in such cases because they apparently don't want to become involved."

Rowe was the first person to stop at the scene of the accident. He was on his way home and had just gone through the north gate when he saw the accident. He was joined shortly by Wehrung who assisted him in prying open the car door and getting Daimon out.

"We must've gotten there not more than five minutes after the accident occurred," says Wehrung, of Yuma, Ariz. "Mr. Daimon was trapped in the car and bleeding quite badly. There was a girl in the car that struck Daimon's who appeared dazed or semi-conscious."

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While Rowe and Wehrung struggled to get Daimon out of his car, the people who lived in the vicinity of the accident called an ambulance and the Japanese police.

"It was about fifteen or twenty minutes before the police arrived," says Norfolk, Va. native Rowe. During that time, the two Marines comforted Daimon.

"I was cold and in pain," says Daimon. "The Americans kept asking me if I was warm enough and tried to comfort me. I shall never forget what they did for me that night."

While he was recuperating from neck injuries in Matsubayashi Surgical Hospital, Daimon and his family launched a search for the two men who came to his aid. Through appeals in the base newspaper at Iwakuni and the Far East Network radio and television station, Daimon finally learned the names of his benefactors. He then made arrangements to meet the two Marines and thank them personally for what he called a "humanitarian act."

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THANK YOU--Nobuhiko Daimon of Iwakuni meets Major Bill Wehrung (left)
and Sergeant Fred Rowe at the Main Gate of Marine Corps Air Station,
Iwakuni to thank them for their assistance to him when he was
trapped in his automobile following a highway accident.

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MCAS IWAKUNI, Japan, Jan 9--Mr. and Mrs. Norman D. Martin of Route 1 in Evington, Va., will be pleased to know that their son Calvin turned out to be a pretty good carpenter.

He turned out so good, in fact, that his supervisors at Headquarters and Maintenance Squadron (H&MS)-17 of the 1st Marine Aircraft Wing in Iwakuni, Japan, decided not to wait until promotion time came around to reward him. They meritoriously promoted him Jan. 3.

The brand new Marine corporal is accustomed to the responsibility that goes with his second stripe--he's already in charge of the tool room at the H&MS-17 Utilities section where he works.

"I studied carpentry when I was in school at Staunton River High School," the 1971 graduate says. "I'm in charge of issuing tools and ordering supplies for the carpenters shop."

Martin is looking forward to a career in the Marine Corps, but he plans to broaden his talents by retraining in an administrative job, possibly going into record and bookkeeping as a pay master's clerk.

"I like building things, and my job with the carpenter shop," however, Martin says, "I just want to go on into something new."

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Corporal Calvin D. Martin confirms a supply request over the phone. As the man in charge of the Headquarters and Maintenance Squadron-17 utilities tool room, Martin was awarded a meritorious promotion based on his outstanding performance of his assigned duties.

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MCAS IWAKUNI, Japan, Jan. 15--The 1st Marine Aircraft Wing got a new senior enlisted Marine Jan. 10 as SgtMaj. William R. Matson relieved SgtMaj. S.M. Weaver in the post.

Matson, a 26-year veteran of the Marine Corps, comes to the 1st Wing from the senior enlisted post with the 7th Marine Regiment at Camp Pendleton, Calif. Weaver leaves Iwakuni for Washington, D.C., where he will be assigned to the Inspector General Division at Headquarters Marine Corps.

During the change-over ceremony, Major General Leslie E. Brown, the commanding general of the Wing, lauded Weaver's work in his duty as Wing Sergeant Major, complimenting him on his outstanding job.

In referring to Matson, Brown stated that he had come to the Wing highly recommended.

Sergeant Major Matson is from Troy, New Hampshire.

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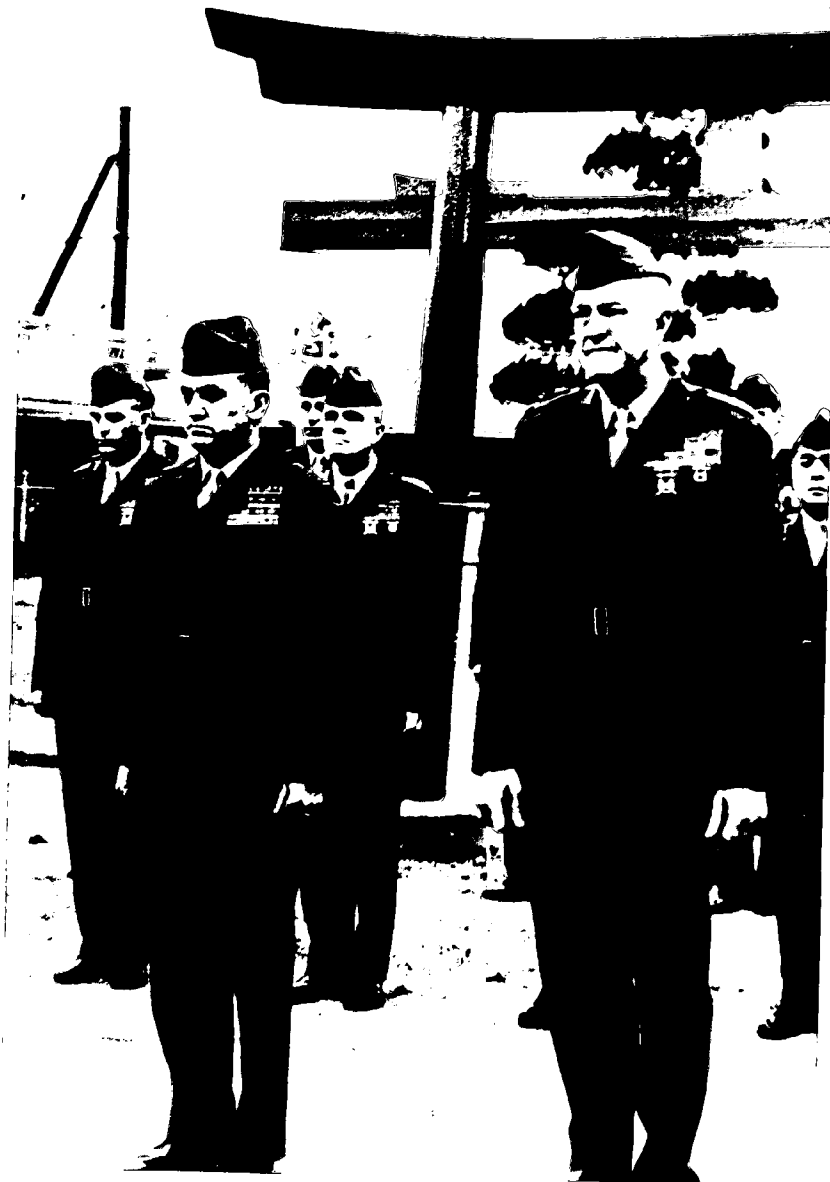
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OLD AND NEW—Sergeant Major William R. Matson (right) replaces SgtMaj. S.M. Weaver as the top enlisted man in the 1st Marine Aircraft Wing. Matson is a 26-year veteran of the Marine Corps, serving last as the sergeant major of the 7th Marine Regiment, 1st Marine Division at Camp Pendleton, Calif. Weaver leaves Iwakuni and the 1st MAW for duties with the Inspector General Division at Headquarters Marine Corps in Washington, D.C.

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SEAT SHOP
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MCAS IWAKUNI, Japan, Jan. 31--"Garbled message sir..I heard something about engine trouble then it went blank, sounded like he had to eject."

Somewhere, drifting slowly earthward from an altitude of approximately 12,000 feet, an F-4 Phantom pilot is thinking, "Thank God, my seat worked."

This pilot and all F-4 Phantom pilots know when they sit in their cockpit, if an accident does occur while flying, they will be safely ejected from their plane within three-fourths of a second.

The people at Iwakuni who make sure the F-4 ejection seats function properly work in the Marine Composite Reconnaissance Squadron (VMCJ-1) hangar.

Sergeant Carl D. W. Johnson, the man in charge of the seat shop says, "We're not just a seat shop anymore. We are now called the environmental section." As such, the people there handle other systems too: air conditioning, pressurization and the oxygen systems.

However, the main mission of the shop is still to insure that each H-7A ejection seat can safely eject the pilot from his craft.

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"We are constantly checking the seats," says Sergeant John Price, assistant-in-charge; "but we also make sure that those people who have to enter the cockpit, whether they be mechanics, crash crewmen, or pilots, are familiar with the seat, its safety pins and each of its operational functions."

The H-7A ejection seat has one major difference from all others: it can safely be ejected at ground level. This is due to the extra thrust it receives from the rocket pack underneath, giving a higher ejection to deploy the parachute.

The seat, when fully loaded without a pilot, weighs approximately 250 pounds. There are four main sections and each section has various cartridges, clips, belts and other parts involving the function and safety of the seat. The seat shop people must check and recheck each one of these parts.

One of the main sections, the seat pan, contains necessary emergency gear the pilot would need such as an inflatable life raft survival gear and an emergency air bottle, which holds 10 minutes of air. The seat pan and, of course, the parachute stay with the pilot until he has reached earth.

There are three parachutes, one large one--28 feet in diameter--and two drogue chutes. One of the drogue chutes is used as a controller and the other as a stabilizer chute.

The remaining seat sections do not stay with the pilot; they are used mainly to ensure the pilot ejects safely. One is the rail, which is used to guide the seat at an angle after the other section, the rocket assembly, has given the seat its thrust.

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LCpl. Jerry Lambert prepares an H-7A ejection seat for a lecture
that will be given on its safety factors.

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"In total", states Corporal Gerald Baxter, one of the seat shop mechanics, "there is about 500 pounds of weight that must be jettisoned from the cockpit because the maximum weight of a fully equipped pilot is 247 pounds."

That amount of weight, and the requirement that each function of the seat must be perfect, make the shop's job one of the most important.

Each aircraft must have its ejection seat completely overhauled every seven months. However, the various cartridges of the seat have expiration dates which dictate frequent inspection and change as a matter of routine, and at any time the chance of a problem may arise.

When the F-4 comes in for its major seat inspection, the entire assembly must be removed and transported into the shop. Once in the shop it is broken down into its major assemblies and a variety of tests are completed. Since the entire operational function of the ejection and parachute deployment is based on altitude and time delays, these tests must equal actual ejection from inside a plane.

"This is where we use our time delay, time release mechanism test which we call TRM," says Lance Corporal Jerry Lambert, one of the shop mechanics.

In this test a miniature pressurization chamber is used to determine the altitudes at which the TRM will actuate.

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The chamber runs pressure up above the altitude at which the barostat, which insures parachute deployment, is designed to actuate. Then the altitude is slowly bled down to that designed altitude to check for proper actuation.

"We run this test and all others three times," says Lambert, "The actual designed altitude for the time release mechanism is between 13,000 to 10,000 feet."

Each main section has its various time releases and pressure checks which the seat shop people complete. When something does not meet the time or pressure standards, it is replaced. No part is repaired. Everything is replaced for the utmost safety of the pilot.

When a pilot runs into trouble and pulls his face curtain lever, the entire operation of the ejection begins and, thanks to the effectiveness of the seat shop people, he may have confidence that he will be up and out of his plane, safely parachuting toward earth.

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Sgt. Johnson - 29, Quincy, Illinois

Sgt. Price - 24, Nauvoo, Illinois

Cpl. Baxter - 20, Lubbock, Texas

LCpl. Lambert - 19, Texarkana, Texas

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Major Carroll R. Franklin, Commanding Officer of Marine Air Support Squadron (MASS)-2, receives a certificate of commendation from Colonel Gordon D. McPherson, Commanding Officer of Marine Air Control Group (MACG)-18. Franklin, a native of Fulton, Mo., was awarded the commendation by the Commandant of the Marine Corps in recognition of his outstanding work while stationed at Headquarters Marine Corps. Franklin was presented the award just prior to leaving Iwakuni with his squadron for Futema, Okinawa where the squadron will be permanently stationed.

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SIMULATOR
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MCAS IWAKUNI, Japan, Feb. 8--The Radar Intercept Officer peers into the radar screen as his F-4 sweeps down at the bottom of a loop. Dead ahead of the Phantom, an enemy fighter emerges from a cloud, ready for the kill. The RIO directs the Phantom into position; FIRE, and the enemy goes down in flames.

"Not bad," comes a voice from the sky, "Three kills in one day."

The RIO looks up from his radar scope. The sky has transformed into a roof and the clouds have become florescent lights. The sleek F-4 has turned into a steel box--hardly aerodynamic--called the 1504E Radar Intercept Simulator.

Like a sophisticated Snoopy's dog house, which periodically changes into a Sopwith Camel and rises to do battle with the dreaded Hun, the 1504E is a veteran of a multitude of fighter-interceptor missions. It has crossed the untrespassed sanctity of space without leaving the ground.

The purpose of the simulator is to train Radar Intercept Officers (RIO's) in the finer points of intercepting and doing battle with enemy fighters.

"The simulators are used because it is a lot more practical to practice and develop these techniques on the ground than it is in the air," says SSgt. Mike Stiano, the supervisor of the simulator project. "For one thing, it's cheaper to use the simulator than to fly an F-4 around for a couple of hours. Also, we can run several intercepts in a few minutes while it may take hours to do the same thing in the air."

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In essence, the 1504E is the land-locked rear cockpit of a Phantom coupled to an analog and digital computer. An instructor can feed into the computer various forms of data to set up an intercept problem. The computer translates this information into radar pulses that are projected on the RIO's scope. "Using this method," continues Stiano, "the RIO gets an actual picture of what he would see in a real combat situation in the air."

This kind of training is extremely valuable to both pilots and RIO's alike. Using the simulator, techniques of air to air combat can be developed and refined.

"Of course," says Stiano, "nothing can take the place of actually flying an intercept. But, as far as training goes, nothing can take the place of the simulator. Most people find it easier to learn on the ground than it is from 10⁰⁰⁰ or 15,000 feet."

At a cost of more than half a million dollars, the simulator must be maintained constantly to insure the scope readings are as accurate as the radar scope in the F-4. Stiano and the technicians who work on the 1504E, Corporal Steve Mahan and Lance Corporal Norb Logsdon, maintain constant maintenance checks on the simulator.

"Most of the work we do is preventive maintenance," says Mahan.

According to Stiano, a RIO will normally spend an hour in the simulator for every hour in the air.

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Cpl Mahan: Ft. Smith, Ark.
LCpl Logsdon: Louisville, Ky.
SSgt Stiano: New York City, N.Y.

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SCHMITZ VISIT

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MCAS IWAKUNI, Japan, March 20--Mr. Charles A. Schmitz, the Political Military Counsellor to the U.S. Ambassador to Japan greets Lieutenant Colonel Donald McCarthy, the commanding officer of Headquarters and Maintenance Squadron-12, 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, during a visit here March 15. Accompanying Mr. Schmitz is Karl Richardson, the principal officer at the American Consulate in Fukuoka, and Colonel Dean C. Macho, commanding officer of Marine Aircraft Group-12. Major General Leslie E. Brown also joined the two diplomats during their tour of Air Station facilities, and later briefed them on the mission of the 1st Marine Aircraft Wing.

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Gunnery Sergeant Ray "Spider" Degagner, Iwakuni Boxing Coach, presents the Runner-Up Trophy won by the team at the Western Pacific Regional Boxing Matches, to Major General Leslie E. Brown, commanding general of the 1st Marine Aircraft Wing. Present for the ceremony are (l to r), Tony Davis, Hector Rodriguez and Bill Hightower, team trainers, and Capt. Bill Blakely, officer in charge. Not present for the photo were team members Andy Gillard, who won the Heavyweight title during the Feb. 28 matches, David Fleetwood, who won the Welterweight crown, and Mike Falcon, Light Middleweight champ. (USMC Photo by LCpl. John McClellan)

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Davis: 30, Kansas City, Mo.
 Rodriguez: 20, Newark, N.J.
 Hightower: 26, Philadelphia, Pa.
 Blakely: 27, Darien, Wisc.
 DeGagner: 38, New Bedford, Mass.
Not Pictured
 Gillard: 24, Memphis, Tenn.
 Fleetwood: 21, Dayton, Ohio
 Falcon: 21, Omaha, Neb.

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NAVY COMMENDATION MEDAL
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MARINE CORPS AIR STATION, IWAKUNI, Japan, March 23--Tireless efforts resulted in a Navy Commendation Medal for Marine Lieutenant Colonel Gerald F. Gallagher, 1st Marine Aircraft Wing comptroller. The award was presented by Major General Leslie E. Brown, commanding general, 1st MAW, and covered the period of July 1969 to July 1972. During that time Lt.Col. Gallagher served as assistant chief of staff, comptroller, Marine Corps Base, Camp Smedley D. Butler, Okinawa. His citation states in part: "...he developed and directed a financial management program which ensured maximum support to his command during a period marked by extreme organizational turbulence and imposed economic stringencies....As a result of his consistently high level of efficiency, the operational effectiveness of his command was greatly enhanced." (Official USMC Photo by Sgt. J. G. Harmon)

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Lieutenant Colonel Gallagher--42, Cedar Falls, Iowa

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Master Sergeant Manuel Valtier, who makes his home in (3423 Thomason Ave.) El Paso, is awarded the Meritorious Service Medal at the Marine Corps Air Station in Iwakuni, Japan. Valtier, who is currently serving as the Personnel Chief for Marine Wing Headquarters Squadron (MWHS)-1 of the 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, received the medal for his distinguished service with the Marine Liaison Section at the U.S. Army base at Ft. Bliss. While at Ft. Bliss, Valtier was in charge of handling all of the personnel administration work for the Marines assigned to the Army's Hawk missile school at that base.

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Valtier: 39, 3423 Thomason Ave., El Paso, Texas

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Lance Corporal Bernard C. Hilla of Monticello, Minn., receives a Meritorious Mast for his exceptional performance of duty while serving with the 1st Marine Aircraft Wing at Iwakuni, Japan. Hilla, whose wife is the former Bonnie Ann Jansen of Monticello, was lauded for his exceptional know-how and proficiency in carrying out his duties as an administrative man with Marine Wing Headquarters Squadron (MWHS)-1. Hilla is due to leave Iwakuni and the 1st MAW in April. He is a 1970 graduate of Monticello High School and has been in the Marine Corps since August of 1971. (Official USMC Photo by Cpl. Bob Bocell)

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Hilla; 21, Monticello, Minn.

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FRIENDLY REUNION
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MCAS IWAKUNI, Japan, April 30--"I thought his face looked familiar, but I couldn't place it at first." But when Lance Corporal Thomas M. Kane realized the Marine Air Group-12 career planner, with whom he was checking in, was his recruiting sergeant from Sunbury, Pa., his reaction was immediate and pleasurable relief. "I was glad to see somebody I knew."

It had been nearly two years, but Gunnery Sergeant John H. Montgomery's recruiting office prediction had come true. "I told him when he enlisted that the Marine Corps isn't all that big and that we might see each other again."

And that is exactly what happened April 19, when Kane checked in with Montgomery two days after his arrival at the Air Station. They met once again.

For Kane, who enlisted in 1971 and became a missile technician, the experience of traveling halfway around the world to this Marine Corps Air Station was an experience unique in itself. Then the small world of mid-twentieth century was effectively illustrated to him upon his coincidental reunion with Montgomery.

For Montgomery the meeting, or its type, had become comfortably familiar and welcome. "I'm always glad to see the men I've recruited," he said.

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Since his recruiting days, Montgomery has repeatedly found himself in proximity to men he enlisted into the Marine Corps.

While serving a tour of duty with Marine Fighter-Attack Squadron-115 in 1967 and 1968, Montgomery discovered that seven Marines he had enlisted were in the same area. One of the men actually worked for him.

What are the former recruiter's thoughts about it all? "I think it shows that in the Marine Corps everyone does his own share. Here I am living the same life as the men I recruited."

During his most recent recruiting duty, Montgomery worked in Sunbury and Pottsville, Pa.

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MONTGOMERY: 38, Pottsville, Pa.
KANE: 21, Locust Gap, Pa.

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Recruiter and recruit are reunited with a warm handshake in Marine Aircraft Group-12's career planner office. Lance Corporal Thomas M. Kane, a missile technician, met his recruiter, Gunnery Sergeant John H. Montgomery from Sunbury, Pa., during routine check-in procedures with MAG-12.

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MARINE OF THE MONTH
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MCAS IWAKUNI, Japan, 1 May--Corporal Gary A. Dean, 21, Scottsboro, Ala., Service Record Book clerk for Headquarters and Maintenance Squadron-12, 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, was named Marine of the Month for May for his squadron, based at the Marine Corps Air Station, Iwakuni, Japan. The award stressed Dean's willingness to give freely of his off-duty time as well as his diligent and courteous manner of handling routine daily work. His commanding officer made special mention of his efficient manner of working and getting along with others.

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DEAN: 21, Scottsboro, Ala.

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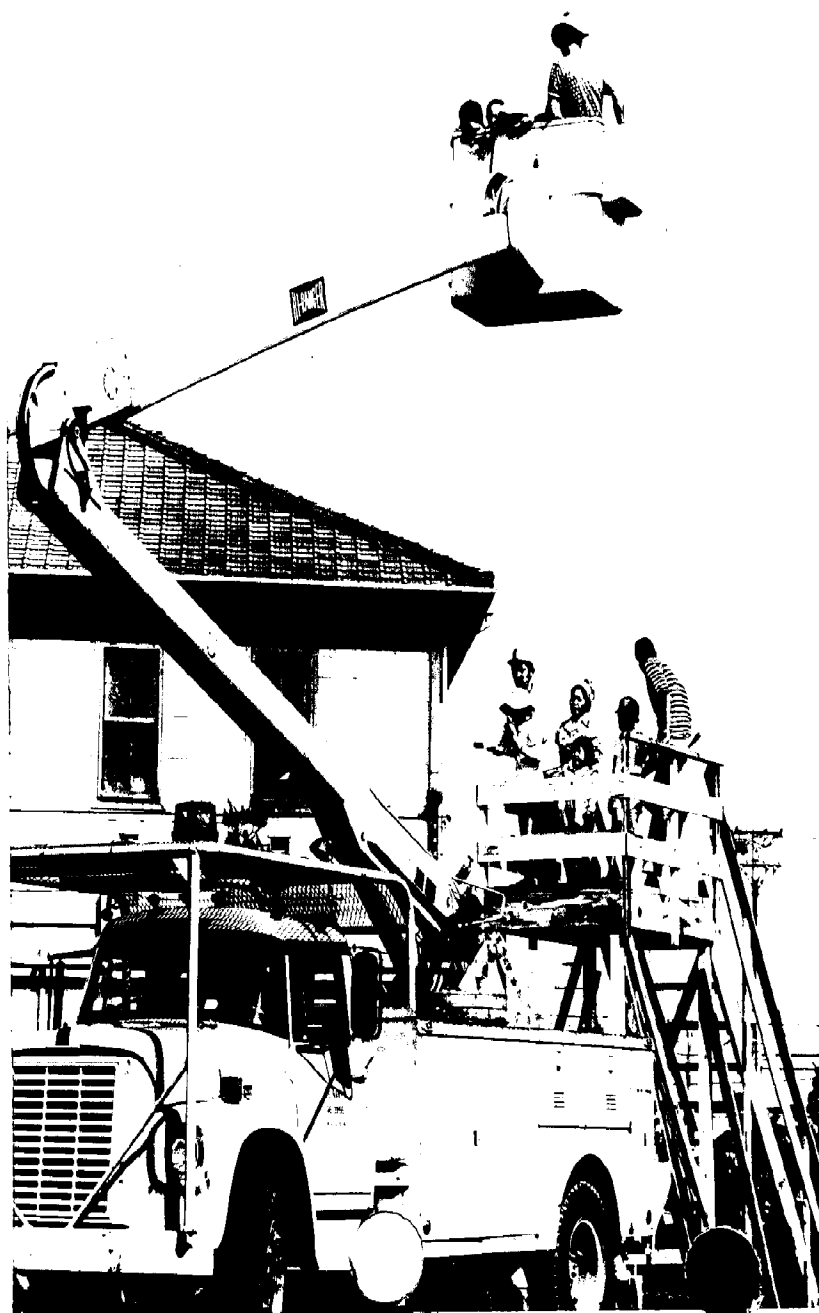
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A woman and her child examine the interior of an American house on
Friendship Day at Marine Corps Air Station, Iwakuni. The exhibit was
set up to show the Japanese what an American home is like.
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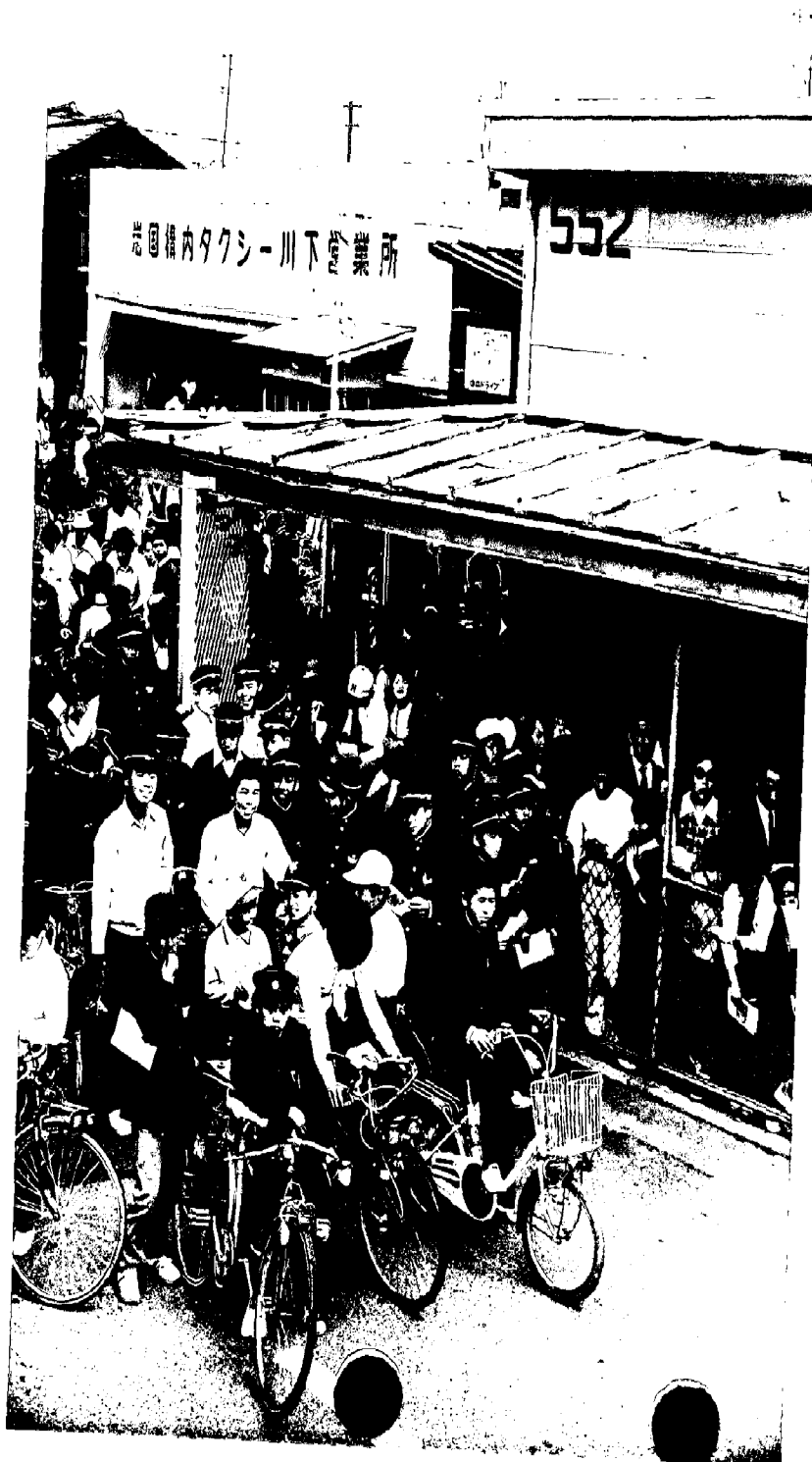
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A popular bird's-eye view of the whole proceedings was provided by the Public Works Department and its elevating cherry-picker bucket. So in demand was this attraction that the bucket operated non-stop all day long. A complete ride averaged about two and a half minutes.

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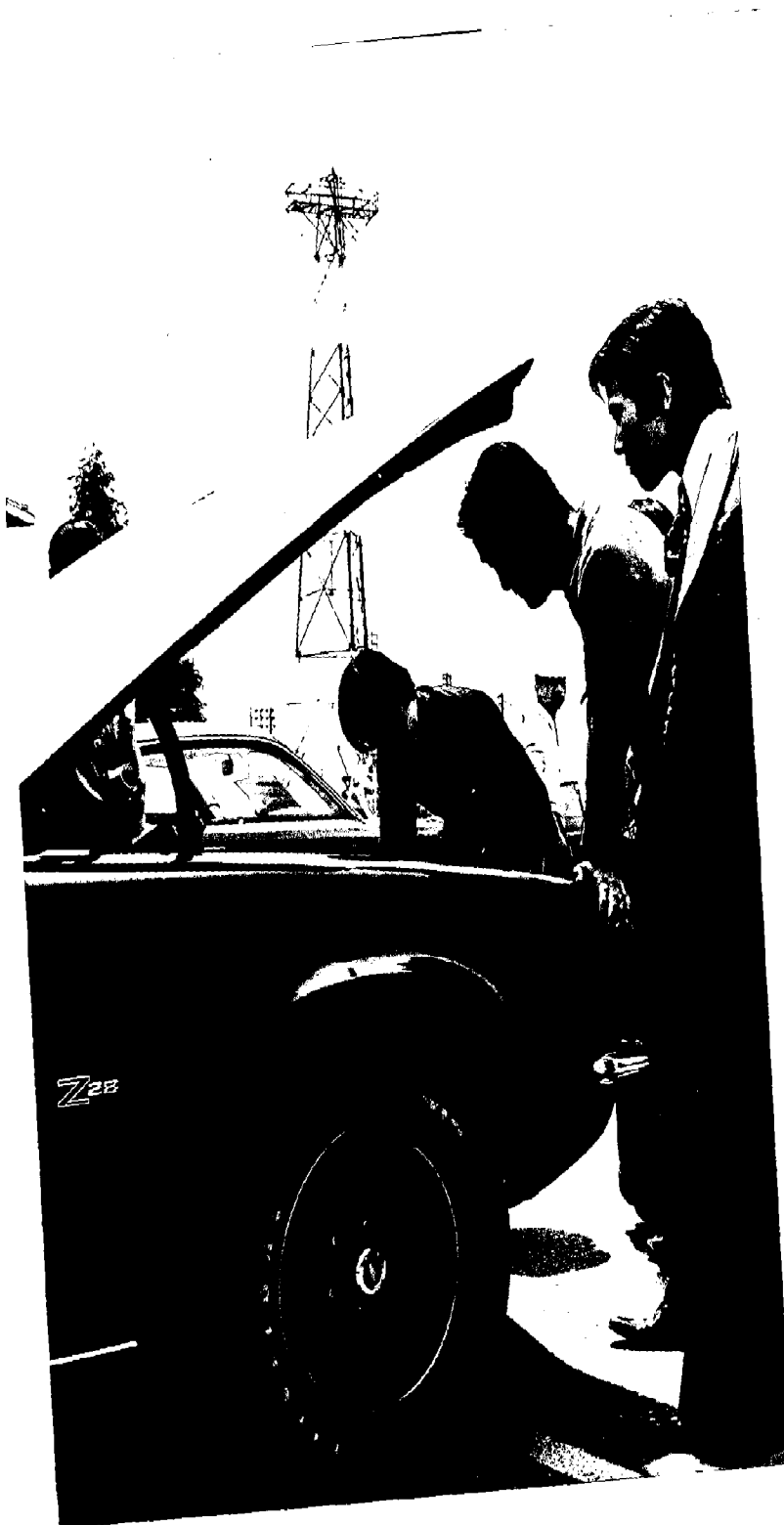
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As the gates open to begin Friendship Day 1973 festivities, the first
of many cyclists and pedestrians passed through the main gate.
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Japanese men prove to be as adept at car buying as their American friends.

Here they closely look over the engine of a Z-28 Camaro which was one of
16 American cars on display. (Official USMC Photo by Sgt. J.E. Huffman)

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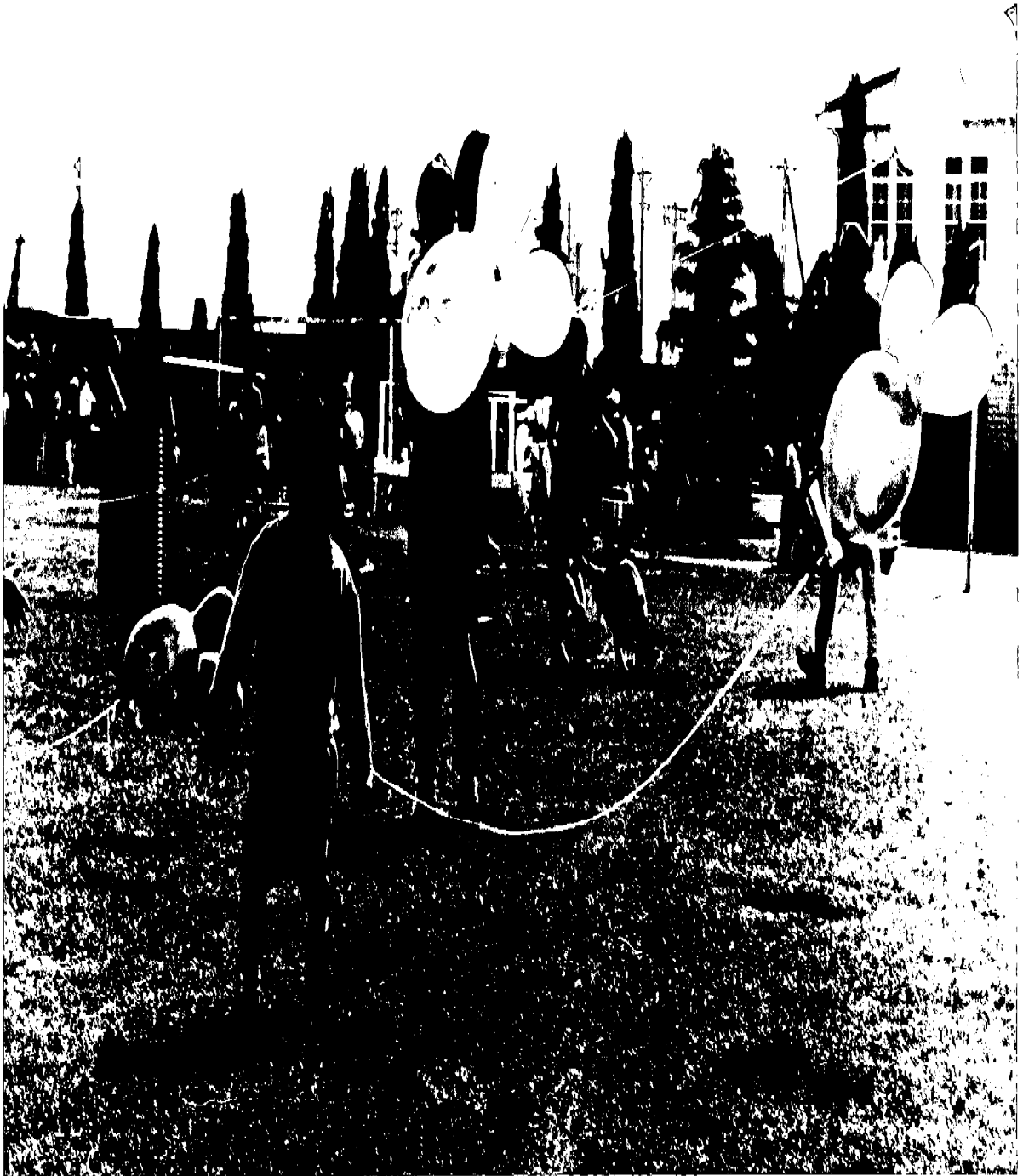
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It didn't take fancy painted carnival rides to please 15,000 kids, as evidenced here by the pleasure found in riding on forklift blades with two Marines. (Official USMC Photo by SSgt. Guy Hitler)

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Give a boy a balloon and a gigantic field of grass to maneuver on and
his imagination can do the rest. A day of happiness. A day of
friendship. A memory of bliss. (Official USMC Photo by Sgt. J.G. Harmon)

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Despite a near-perfect throw to home plate from the outfield, this member of the Japanese Maritime Self Defense Force was able to slide under the catcher and score the JMSDF's only run in the softball game played between the Iwakuni All-Stars and the Japanese. The All-Stars won the game 5-1. (Official USMC Photo by ICpl. J.B. McClellan)

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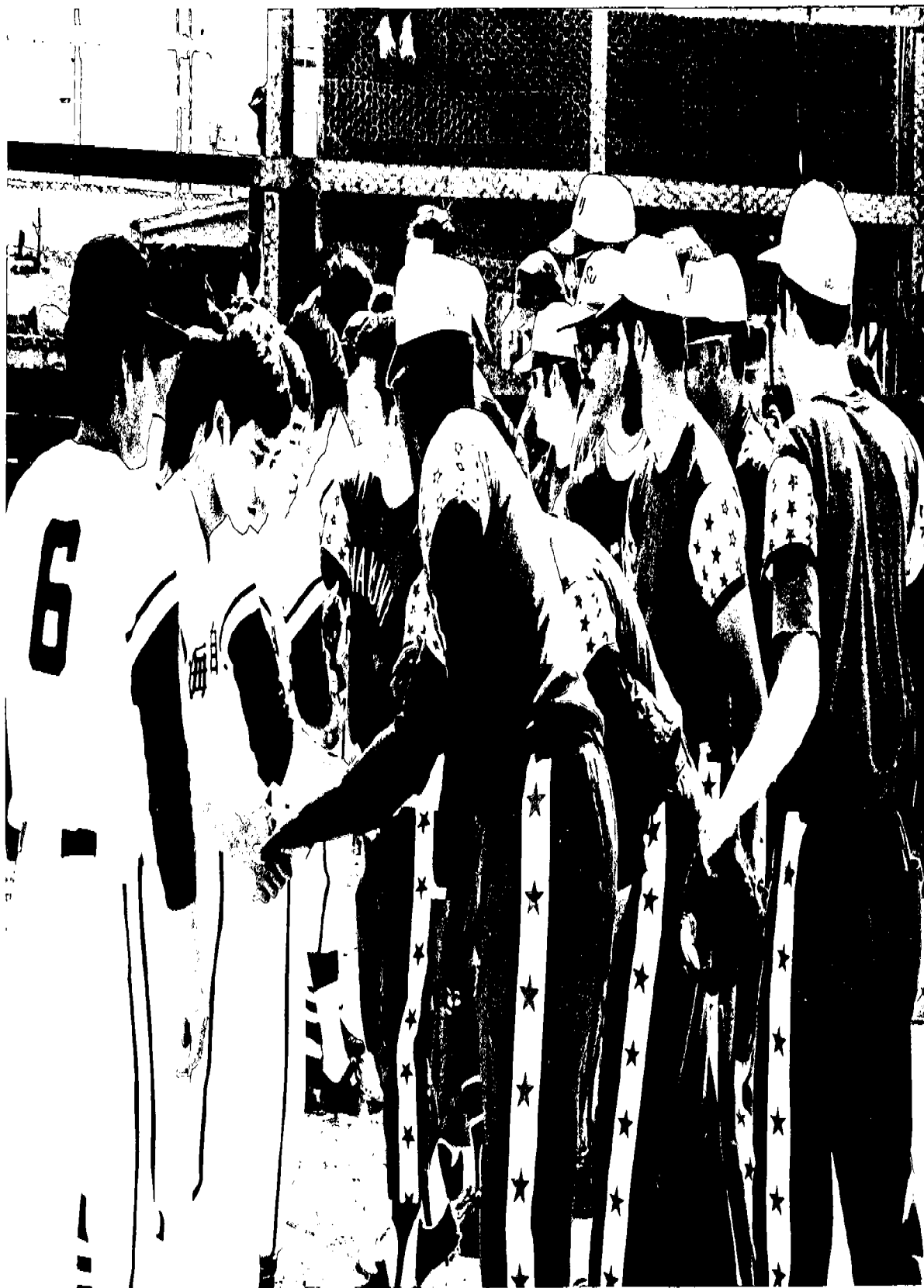
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Quivering like a huge block of gelatin, a water filled fuel bladder kept youngsters tumbling and fumbling as they tried to stay on their feet.

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One purpose of the Open House last Sunday was to promote goodwill and friendship between people stationed here at Iwakuni and the Japanese neighbors. This purpose was demonstrated here as the members of the Japanese Maritime Self Defense Force (R) and Iwakuni All-Star softball teams congratulate each other with warm handshakes after their softball game. The All-Stars won the game 5-1.

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Yes sir. I think we're all agreed about it. Hot dogs are about the
best thing of this whole affair. (Official USMC Photo by Sgt. J.G. Harmon)

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During their lunch break a family of visitors consults the Friendship

Day brochure for events they will visit in the afternoon.
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Some visitors needed a lift in order to appreciate the mysteries to be found in the cockpit of the A-4 Skyhawk aircraft. The static aircraft display on the airfield proved to be a major attraction for visitors of all ages. (Official USMC Photo by Sgt. J.G. Harmon)

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Land, sakes! It's a Martian! Or, so the little girl appears to be, after donning the headgear of a crash-crewman during Friendship Day at MCAS, Iwakuni. The crash-crew equipment was part of the display.

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A youngster pretends to hold up the tail section of a Shin Meiwa PS-1
anti-submarine patrol plane which was one of 20 Japanese and American
aircraft on display. (Official USMC Photo by SSgt. Guy Hitler)

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Marines put on an unexpected demonstration of American music for

Japanese guests during Friendship Day at Iwakuni. The band members

played for several hours, drawing a crowd of young people.

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MARINE CORPS AIR STATION, IWAKUNI, Japan, May 7--There were plenty of (takusan) people, balloons, hot dogs, candy bars, soda pops, beautiful sunshine, and the sound of laughter that accompanies a good time; as the Air Station here became a fairground with a carnival atmosphere for Friendship Day 1973 yesterday.

Playing host to nearly 23,000 people from surrounding Japanese communities is no easy task, but everyone here discovered yesterday that it can certainly be an enjoyable experience.

The unique open house event is the only one of its kind in Japan, and visitors from as far away as Tokyo journeyed to Iwakuni to crowd attraction and exhibit areas for the six hours the base was open to the public.

Members of the 1st Marine Aircraft Wing Band set the friendly mood of the day as they played quick and lively march music at the main gate to usher in the early arrivers and lead them to the parade field attraction area at 10 a.m.

Once there, visitors found exhibits to look at, carnival-type attractions to ride on, a variety of music to listen to and athletic events for those spectators who preferred to watch rather than participate.

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At the other main attraction area on the flight line, guests searched for parking places, and then rushed to look at, climb on and shoot pictures of some of the 20 Japanese and American aircraft on display throughout the day.

Near the Main Gate, an American house welcomed those interested in seeing how Westerners live. Some toured the house with no change of expression, and others found many of the conveniences, or lack of them as they say it, to be either quite amusing, or in most cases, almost unbelievable. However, none went away without a little better understanding of the American way of life.

The Far East Network Radio and Television Station drew a large crowd, and unmistakably, the most popular attraction for Japanese guests entering the studio was seeing themselves on a closed circuit television monitor. The smiling facial expressions and graphic gestures of pleasure that appeared on the monitor gave evidence to the good time had by all. Outside the studio, children waited their turn in line to receive some of the banners, badges, buttons, records, and sweat shirts that were given away until supplies were exhausted.

No carnival or fair would be complete without kids, and Friendship Day 1973 showed everyone that kids are kids no matter where in the world you see them. The estimated 15,000 that were among yesterday's guests were no exception. They roared with laughter at the American and Japanese cartoons at the Station Theater, grinned with embarrassment when they fell down attempting to balance on the water bag attraction, gorged themselves with soda pop, hot dogs and candy, and then, of course, cried their disapproval when being dragged away from their favorite events by impatient and tired parents.

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In front of the Marine Corps Exchange, Japanese men proved themselves to be worthy automobile buyers, or at least capable of giving a car the usual reliable tests such as tire-kicking, door-shutting, ashtray-pulling and knob-turning, as they carefully scrutinized the 16 American automobiles on display there. The cars belong to proud servicemen stationed here, and the looks of envy and admiration seen on the faces of the guests viewing their machines made the owners extremely happy that they were a part of the Friendship Day 1973 activities.

Other events and attractions included displays of tactical vehicles, boats and camping equipment, men's and women's softball games, model airplane demonstrations and golf and bowling for the sports-minded.

The day ended as it had begun, on a note of music from the 1st MAW Band playing as they marched back to the Main Gate at 4 p.m.

The guests returning to their homes by foot looked somewhat tired as they passed through the gates and onto the Japanese streets, but the smiles on their faces told the Americans watching them go that the gate separating the two communities is definitely no barrier to friendship.

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Photo No.: 136-127-73

MCAS IWAKUNI, Japan, May 9--Major John Quist, the new commanding officer of Marine Composite Reconnaissance Squadron (VMCJ)-1, logged in his 5,000th accident free hour of flight time prior to accepting command of the squadron May 4.

After landing in his RF-4B Phantom, Major Quist was greeted by Lieutenant Colonel John Dailey, the squadron's former commanding officer. The men of the unit presented Major Quist with a large decorated cake. "It's troops like you that have made these 5,000 hours possible," said the major as he cut the cake.

Major Quist has flown many types of Marine Corps aircraft, including the T-2 Buckeye, F-10 Skyknight, A-4 Skyhawk and the F-4 Phantom. It has been computed that his 5,000 hours in the air is equal to approximately 120 40 hour work weeks.

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MCAS IWAKUNI, Japan, May 9--Captain Rudy T. Schwanda, Intelligence Officer for Marine Aircraft Group-12, is presented the Navy Commendation Medal during a ceremony held on May 5th. The award was for his meritorious service as an air intelligence analyst at Fort Meade, Maryland, from August 1969 to October 1972. The citation reads in part, "the careful application of his combat air experience resulted directly in the exceptional usefulness of the intelligence which he produced as well as a definite improvement in the intelligence effort of his associates and his organizational element." Presenting the medal is Lieutenant Colonel Donald J. McCarthy, commanding officer of Headquarters and Maintenance Squadron-12. (USMC Photo by Sgt. J.E. Huffman)

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SGTMAJ. FLIES
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MCAS IWAKUNI, Japan, May 9--Sergeant Major John M. Roberson, (R), the Headquarters & Maintenance Squadron (H&MS)-12 sergeant major, accepts a memento of his first tactical jet flight from the squadron's commanding officer, Lieutenant Colonel Donald J. McCarthy. Roberson, a former infantryman and a newcomer to the Wing, grinned as he climbed out of the TA-4F Skyhawk and commented, "I waited 25 years for that flight, never knowing what I had been missing. It's the only way to go."
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BRONZE STAR

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MCAS IWAKUNI, Japan, May 9--SSgt. Donald J. Elseroad, Marine Air Group (MAG)-12 administration chief, receives the Bronze Star Medal from the group's commanding officer, Lieutenant Colonel Herald L. Jackson Jr. Elseroad was awarded the medal for his superior service while in the Republic of Vietnam from May 1972 until Feb. 1973. His citation reads in part, "...during frequent rocket attacks on the Bien Hoa air base, he completely disregarded his own safety to protect equipment and direct other Marines to protective shelters." (USMC Photo by Cpl. T.J. Gottfried)

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TACC
By: Sgt. J.B. HARMON
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MCAS IWAKUNI, Japan, May 8--Command and control of tactical air operations of the First Marine Aircraft Wing has acquired the benefits of advanced computer technology to aid in the accomplishment of the Wing's military mission.

The AN/TQY-1, Tactical Air Command Center (TACC), a semi-automatic system, arrived here March 9, and went operational April 23. The system employs general purpose computers for command and control technology.

The TACC is the senior agency of the Marine Air Command and Control System, and is the tactical air commander's command post. The TACC is responsible for the overall command, control and coordination of air operations within an amphibious objective area.

The TACC comprises a planning group, an operations group and a communications group. The planning group, where the tactical air commander sits, includes a five foot square command display board which can depict air combat situations at a glance. In the operations group, automatic and manual status boards are fed by teletype and digital data communications which provide information needed to direct air battles in selected areas. The entire system is adaptable and can be reprogrammed to meet changing combat conditions.

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The semi-automated TACC employs digital data links over greater distances than possible before. Shortly after its installation at this Air Station, a link was established with Marine Air Control Squadron-4 on Okinawa. This is the longest distance recorded for such data link communications, according to Major Gerald Hunt, assistant officer in charge of the Center.

The TACC in use by the 1st MAW is the second such system now in use by the Marine Corps. The Second Marine Aircraft Wing received the first TACC in early 1972. The Third Marine Aircraft Wing is scheduled to get the system in the near future.

Technicians and operators who support the TACC at this Air Station are members of Marine Air Control Group-18, commanded by Colonel Gordon D. McPherson. Officer in charge of the unit is Major Leonard A. Sollberger.

In addition to instantaneous tactical information feedback and control, the TACC is also extremely mobile. The system is entirely transportable by air, and once delivered to a site, can be set up and operational in eight hours.

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A symbolic drenching with champagne officially "launched" the First Marine Aircraft Wing's Tactical Air Command Center here May 3. The TACC has been installed and functional since April 23. Michelle Katen, wife of Sergeant Arthur C. Katen of the Tactical Data Systems Maintenance section of Marine Air Control Group-18, christened the Center. Present for the ceremony are (left to right): Major General Frank C. Lang, First Marine Aircraft Wing commander; Brigadier General R. W. Taylor, assistant wing commander; Colonel Gordon D. McPherson, MACG-18 commander. (USMC Photo by Sgt. J.G. Harmon)

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The KATENS: Michelle, 21; Arthur, 23; San Diego, Calif. and
Fitchburg, Mass.
LANG: 54, Springfield, Va.
TAYLOR: 48, Quantico, Va.
McPHERSON: 52, Howell, Mich.

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WING REPRO
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MCAS IWAKUNI, Japan, May 10--The Addressograph-Multigraph 1250 multilith machine is far from being a musical instrument. But, the clank and hum that it emits when in operation is music to the ears of the Marines in the Wing Reproduction Center.

In the last six months, the reproduction center has cranked out more than three million printed pages for the First Marine Aircraft Wing.

Included in this work were Wing orders, bulletins, lesson plans, reports and transfer orders. Orders alone accounted for 55,000 copies of material during the past month.

This great volume of work is handled by a three-man section consisting of Sergeant James Brayton, Lance Corporal David Bauer and Private First Class James Probst. It is not uncommon to find one or more of these men working as late as midnight to provide last minute orders for men leaving MCAS, Iwakuni.

Brayton and his assistants spend many off-duty hours maintaining and improving their working area. They recently repainted the entire shop, placed clear plastic around the walls to protect them from ink stains and, further utilizing the self-help system, laid tile on the floor.

The three lithographers are as proud of their credentials as their work. Sgt. Brayton and LCpl. Bauer have attended the Fuji Xerox Company's school in Tokyo. PFC Probst worked as a professional printer before entering the Marine Corps.



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MCAS IWAKUNI, Japan, May 10--Private First Class James Probst, from the Wing Reproduction Center, takes time out to clean the rollers on the AM 85 multilith machine he operates. (USMC Photo by PFC G.F. Gutjahr)

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The entire atmosphere and purpose of the Wing reproduction center is expressed by a sign inside the door. It reads: Professionalism Resulting In Departmental Excellence...PRIDE.

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SOUND SUPPRESSOR
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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

MCAS IWAKUNI, Japan, May 11--It was announced Wednesday that the official ground-breaking ceremony for the construction and installation of a noise suppression facility aboard the Air Station will take place at 2:30 p.m. on May 16.

Lieutenant Colonel George M. Lawrence, Jr., Air Station Executive Officer, made the announcement at the monthly meeting of the Iwakuni Japanese-American Coordinating Committee (IJACC) here on Wednesday afternoon.

The Air Station will sponsor the Shinto ground-breaking ceremony hosted by the Kajima Corporation of Japan, which was awarded the initial contract for construction of the facility's foundation, structures and the installation of utilities at the Station's engine run-up area. A reception for officials and invited guests from the prefectural and local governments will be held in the Slipway Club following the ceremony at the construction site.

The contract let by the Officer in Charge of Navy Construction for the Far East at Yokosuka, calls for a completion date of the initial construction on September 6, at a cost of ¥39,000,000 or approximately \$147,000.

The design of the power check pad with sound suppressor was done by Daniel, Mann, Johnson and Mendenhall, a Los Angeles, Calif. construction firm.

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Koppers Company Incorporated of Baltimore, Md. will begin installation of the suppressor itself on August 15. The facility, which uses water baffles to act as a muffler to jet engine noise, will become operational on or about October 15 and will greatly reduce the noise around the Station's engine test center.

The cost of the system purchased from the Kopper Company is \$134,000, and installation will run an additional \$46,000. The total cost of the facility will be more than \$325,000.

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THE PROFESSOR WEARS GREEN
By: PFC G.F. Gutjahr
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MCAS, IWAKUNI, Japan, May 11--Captain William McBride, Jr., of the 1st Marine Aircraft Wing Communication Electronics Office, is an example of what an education can accomplish. He is also an excellent example of Marines helping Marines. He attributes his successful career to the educational programs sponsored by the Marine Corps.

After serving as an enlisted Marine, he decided to shoot for the big one -- the Naval Academy and a commission. "Some Marines feel that they could never be accepted by the Naval Academy," said McBride, "but if you want something badly enough, it is never out of reach."

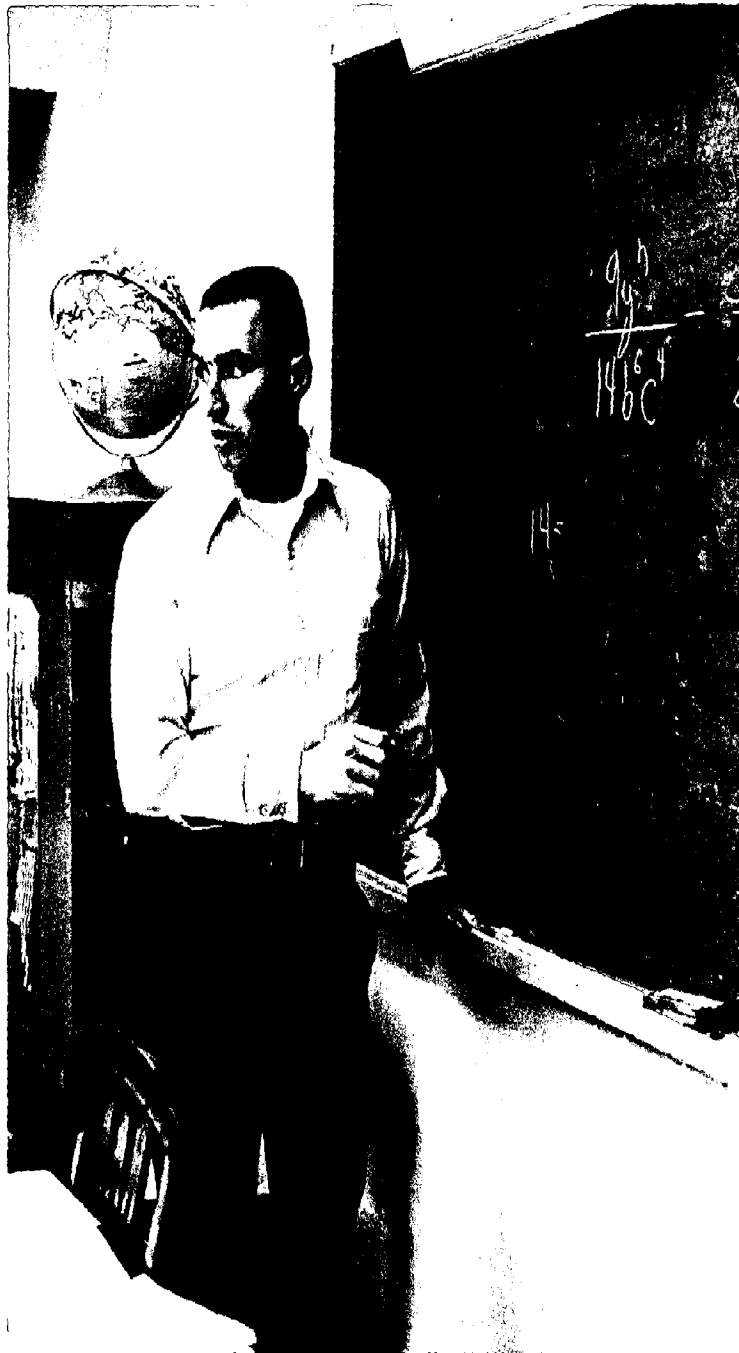
The captain also believes that one of the best places for a man to extend or begin his education is here at MCAS, Iwakuni. "It is especially good for the guys in the Wing, since they're here for a year with relatively little to do but their job," he said. "I feel that the math courses being offered here can be a big help to anyone interested in aviation."

McBride might be a little prejudiced in favor of math courses, since he teaches it twice a week. He also tutors individuals, preparing them for a General Education Diploma (GED) or College Level Examination Program (CLEP) tests.

"I don't mind helping a guy who needs it," said the captain, "I'm glad people got on me and helped me further my education."

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Perhaps it was a good thing that someone did get on him. It certainly helped Captain McBride. But, more important, it helped other Marines by giving them an example of the motto, "Marines take care of their own."

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Captain William McBride, Jr., of the 1st Marine Aircraft Wing Electronics Communication Office at MCAS, Iwakuni, goes through a mathematical equation for his class. In conjunction with the off-duty education program at Iwakuni, McBride teaches math extension courses twice a week for Los Angeles City College. (USMC Photo by PFC G.F. Gutjahr)

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MCAS IWAKUNI, Japan, May 18--A formal Shinto ground breaking ceremony for construction of a \$325,000 jet engine noise suppressor and facility took place here Wednesday at MCAS, Iwakuni, Japan.

Brigadier General Robert W. Taylor, assistant wing commander, First Marine Aircraft Wing, Colonel Edward S. Murphy, air station commander, and Mr. Shoichi Ito, deputy mayor of Iwakuni each took part in the ceremony, turning a spade of earth.

Construction work of the facility itself is being done by a Japanese firm, Kajima Corporation, and is scheduled to allow the Koppers Co. to commence the actual suppressor installation on or about August 15. The suppressor is scheduled to be completely installed and operational by October 15. Construction cost of the facility will be ¥39,000,000 or about \$150,000.

The facility which uses water baffles to act as a muffler to jet engine noise, will greatly reduce the noise around the Air Station's engine test center. It was designed by Daniel, Mann, Johnson and Mendenhall, a Los Angeles firm, and will be installed here by Koppers Company Incorporated of Baltimore.

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JESSEL SHOW
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MCAS IWAKUNI, Japan, May 18--George Jessel, comedian and singer, appeared at the Sakura Theater aboard MCAS, Iwakuni May 17 at 6 p.m. Mr. Jessel was accompanied by composer Ben Oakland and vocalist Kiki Paige.

Major General Frank C. Lang, commanding general of the First Marine Aircraft Wing, greeted Jessel upon his arrival at the air station. The veteran performer appeared on the Far East Network television station, channel 73, for a live interview.

Following the interview, Mr. Jessel arrived at the Sakura Theater to begin his show. The audience gave him a standing ovation when the curtain opened. Jessel's first remarks of the evening were, "I thank you...you also have good taste."

Following the opening monologue, Ben Oakland played and sang a medley of his compositions. Kiki Paige who sang several selections was accompanied by Oakland.

Jessel returned once again to close the show with a medley of patriotic songs and a rendition of Al Jolson's "California Here I Come."

Mr. Jessel and his troupe were hosted at the commanding general's mess after the performance.

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George Jessel, attired as the Navy Commander, closes his performance at the Sakura Theater aboard MCAS, Iwakuni. Mr. Jessel was accompanied by composer Ben Oakland and vocalist Kiki Paige.
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MANAGEMENT SEMINAR
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MCAS, IWAKUNI, Japan, May 23--Servicemen from throughout the Western Pacific area converged on the Marine Corps Air Station, Iwakuni, Japan, to attend a two week Advanced Management Seminar.

The class, made up of 33 members from Hawaii, Okinawa, and mainland Japan, attended the class offered by the Los Angeles City College Extension course here. The class spent two weeks studying advanced personnel and business management techniques.

Mr. Fred S. Owen, president of the Seattle Chapter of the American Society for Personnel Administration, was the visiting course director.

Professor Minoru Nonaka, a member of the faculty at Kochi University, Kochi City, Japan, attended the course as a special guest.

Major General Frank C. Lang, commanding general of the 1st Marine Aircraft Wing here, presented certificates of completion to the class members during a course completion ceremony on May 18.

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Major General Frank C. Lang (left), commanding general, 1st Marine

Aircraft Wing, discusses the Advanced Management Seminar with Mr.

Fred S. Owen, instructor of the course. General Lang was guest

speaker at the course completion ceremony May 18.

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DISCUSSION LEADERS

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MCAS IWAKUNI, Japan, May 30--Members of the 1st Marine Aircraft Wing's units deployed throughout the Far East assembled at Marine Corps Air Station, Iwakuni, Japan for a three week Human Affairs Discussion Leadership class from May 7 to May 25.

Similar classes are normally held every three months and are taught by Marines from the Human Affairs Division of the 1st Marine Aircraft Wing.

During the three-week course, students are shown how to become effective discussion leaders. Upon completion, they return to their parent units and become involved as Human Affairs Discussion Leaders.

During the graduation ceremony, Major General Frank C. Lang, commanding general of the 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, presented the Navy Achievement Medal to First Lieutenant Charles R. Porter. Porter, a Human Affairs Officer with the Wing, has been in charge of the discussion leaders' course during the past year. He was cited for being instrumental in establishing the, "...training unit discussion sessions..." at the various bases used by the 1st MAW.

General Lang congratulated the graduating students and presented each with a diploma for his successful completion of the course.

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WOOD BADGE
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MCAS IWAKUNI, Japan, June 4--Volunteer workers don't do the job for recognition or gain, except perhaps for gaining knowledge of a particular subject.

This was the case with Staff Sergeant Gerald L. Weidert, assistant scoutmaster of Boy Scout Troop 77, Marine Corps Air Station, Iwakuni, Japan, when he was called to the office of Major General Frank C. Lang, commanding general of the 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, and was presented the scouting Wood Badge certificate. The award represented more than 20 years in Scouting for Weidert.

Weidert, noncommissioned officer in charge of the Commissioned Officers Mess (Closed), underwent the initial phase of his Wood Badge training at Mataguay Scout Reservation near San Diego during late 1970. This consisted of a 10-day camping exercise during which he performed the various duties of each Scout in a Patrol. He also studied the techniques of Scout counseling.

Upon completion of the camping exercise, it takes between six months and two years to complete the written and practical portion of training.

Sergeant Weidert completed this final phase last fall, and upon approval from the National Boy Scout Headquarters in New Jersey, his certificate and wooden beads were forwarded to the Far East Council office for presentation.

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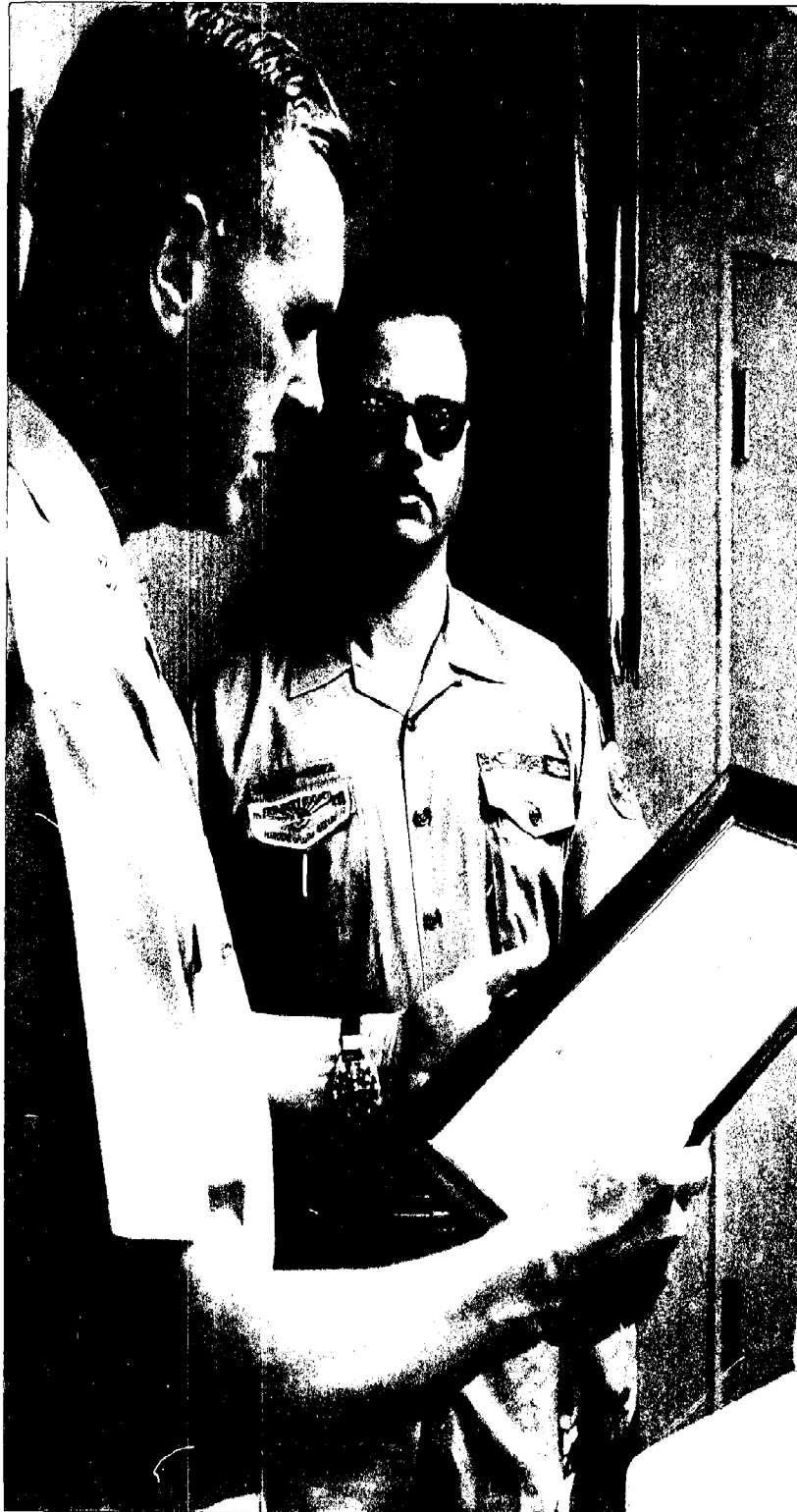
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Staff Sergeant Gerald L. Weidert (right), noncommissioned officer in charge of the Commissioned Officers Mess (Closed) at Marine Corps Air Station, Iwakuni, Japan, receives his Wood Badge certificate of training with the Boy Scouts, from Major General Frank C. Lang, commanding general of the 1st Marine Aircraft Wing here. His certificate was forwarded to Iwakuni from the Far East Council office near Tokyo.

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CERTIFICATES OF COMMENDATION

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MCAS IWAKUNI, Japan, June 4--Seven Marines were presented Certificates of Commendation at the 1st Marine Aircraft Wing headquarters, Marine Corps Air Station, Iwakuni, Japan, May 30 for their participation in Operation Homecoming.

The Marines were given special recognition for their superior display of professionalism while working with the returning prisoners of war at Clark Air Force Base, in the Republic of the Philippines.

The awards, given by the Commanding General of the III Marine Amphibious Force, were presented to: Lieutenant Colonel Melvin H. Sautter, Major Richard L. Brown, Master Sergeant Joseph E. Huerta, Staff Sergeant Roger K. Kirk and Staff Sergeant Richard V. Anderson. Receiving the certificates, but not present for the ceremony were: First Lieutenant Jerry D. Owen and Chief Warrant Officer Gerald K. Rainwater.

Major General Frank C. Lang, commanding general, 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, made the presentations, adding his personal congratulations for a job well done.

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Major General Frank C. Lang (left), commanding general of the 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, chats with the Marines who received Certificates of Commendation for their participation in Operation Homecoming. They are, from left to right, Master Sergeant Joseph E. Huerta, Lieutenant Colonel Melvin H. Sautter, Major Richard L. Brown, Staff Sergeant Roger K. Kirk and Staff Sergeant Richard V. Anderson.
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EVANGELISTIC CENTER
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MCAS IWAKUNI, Japan, June 8--Gunnery Sergeant Wesley H. Allen, of the 1st Marine Aircraft Wing legal office, Marine Corps Air Station, Iwakuni, Japan, has returned. GySgt. Allen is also an ordained minister in the Church of God in Christ and a member of the Mission of Japan.

When GySgt.-Reverend Allen was transferred to Camp Pendleton, California, he left the Iwakuni Evangelistic Center here. Now that he has returned, he has begun to spread Christian faith and American culture among the Japanese Nationals just as he did on his previous tour.

Upon his return, Reverend Allen found that the Evangelistic Center he left had enlarged its congregation, and that the old center was too small.

Finding a larger building, and making the necessary preparations, Reverend Allen, with the help of Chaplain William R. Howard, chaplain of the 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, based at Iwakuni, dedicated a new Iwakuni Evangelistic Center, June 3.

The Bible used in the dedication service was traditionally placed in the window of the center to be a light to those who need spiritual guidance.

Major General Frank C. Lang, commanding general of the 1st MAW, and Chaplain Bob Canfield, Senior Chaplain at Marine Corps Air Station, Iwakuni, were among the special guests attending the Christening services for the new center.

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CANFIELD: 52, 8432 Royce Ct., San Diego, Ca.

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Gunnery Sergeant Wesley H. Allen, (left) an ordained minister and pastor of the Iwakuni Evangelistic Center, reads the Sunday scriptures with the aid of Mr. Aoki Megumu, the interpreter for the bilingual service.
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ALLEN: 39, 142 Carey Rd., Oceanside, Ca.
MEGUMU: Iwakuni, City, Iwakuni, Japan

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Gunnery Sergeant Wesley H. Allen, outside the new Iwakuni Evangelistic Center, is ready to greet those who attend services. Allen, an ordained minister, is pastor at the center during his off duty hours from the War, legal center. (USMC Photo by Sgt. J.E. Huffman)

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ALLEN: 39, 142 Carey Rd., Oceanside, Calif.



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MCAS IWAKUNI, Japan, June 8--Second Lieutenant Loyd T. Weeks, (center), assigned to the ordnance section of Headquarters and Maintenance Squadron-12, 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, Iwakuni, Japan, was promoted to his present rank June 5. Lieutenant Colonel Donald J. McCarthy (left), commanding officer of the squadron, made the presentation. Assisting the colonel in the ceremony is Captain Billy K. White, ordnance officer for H&MS-12.
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"DROPOUTS"

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MCAS IWAKUNI, Japan, June 12--People drop out of high school for various reasons. Some leave because of financial hardships at home, while others quit because they've become disenchanted with the whole thing.

No matter what the reason, these people have one thing in common...most never go back and complete their education.

However, this is not the case with three men stationed aboard MCAS, Iwakuni, Japan: Aviation Fuel Farm Chief Jimmy Jones, USN, Staff Sergeant Calvin Miller, assistant NCOIC of the Tactical Air Fuel Dispensing System, Marine Air Base Squadron-12, and Lance Corporal James Lynch, of the Classified Message Control Center, First Marine Aircraft Wing.

These men took the time and attended night classes at Matthew C. Perry school to earn their diplomas.

It took Chief Jones one year to attain the necessary credits for a high school diploma. While stationed at Iwakuni, he enrolled in four courses, math, algebra, English and U.S. history. "I did it so I could become eligible for the Navy's Associate Degree Completion Program," said Jones.

LCpl. Lynch spent 32 weeks to complete his history, math and English courses and pick up his diploma. "I wanted to prove to myself that I could do it," said Lynch.

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The men received their diplomas in the office of Major General Frank C. Lang, commanding general of the First Marine Aircraft Wing. At the conclusion of the ceremony, SSgt. Miller said, "The instructors at Iwakuni are to be congratulated for helping Marines with their education. They treat you like an adult and not a child. We appreciate that."

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Miller: 28, 595 1/2 Lewis, Pomona, Calif.

Lynch: 22, 2504 S. R, West, Ashtabula, Ohio

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BRONZE STAR
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MCAS IWAKUNI, Japan, June 12--Major Kenneth D. Holland, Headquarters and Maintenance Squadron (H&MS)-12, First Marine Aircraft Wing, Iwakuni, Japan, is awarded the Bronze Star Medal. Major Holland's citation read in part, "...he carefully monitored intelligence reports and provided sound recommendations concerning targets and the execution of air strikes, in the Republic of Vietnam during 1972. In the midst of a rocket attack on the Bien Hoa Air Base, Major Holland disregarded his own safety, and moving about the base, aided in evacuating casualties and clearing debris from the taxiways." (USMC photo by: PFC G. F. Gutjahr)

Holland: 35, 2845 Madison Ave., Yuma, Arizona

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SGT. MAJOR CHANGE OF COMMAND
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MCAS IWAKUNI, Japan, June 12—Sergeant Major Fredrick G. Canfield (right), accepts the squadron sword from First Sergeant James N. Floyd on June 7. Canfield relieved Floyd as sergeant major of Marine Attack Squadron (VMA)-211, First Marine Aircraft Wing, Iwakuni, Japan.
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MCAS IWAKUNI, Japan, June 12--Lieutenant Colonel Arthur Crane assumed duties as commanding officer of Headquarters and Maintenance Squadron (H&MS)-12 on June 8, relieving Lieutenant Colonel Donald McCarthy.

Lt.Col. McCarthy is on orders to the Naval Air Station, Jacksonville, Florida, where he will take command of the Marine Air Reserve Training Detachment.

LtCol. Crane was commissioned in July, 1954, upon completion of flight training. In 1964 he was selected as a Navy exchange pilot and served aboard Sixth Fleet aircraft carriers in the Mediterranean. LtCol. Crane is a graduate of the University of West Florida and his personal decorations include the Distinguished Flying Cross, the Bronze Star with combat 'V' and 19 Air Medals. (USMC photo by: PFC G. F. Gutjahr)

McCarthy: 42, 7602 Marian Ct., Falls Church, Va.

Crane: 40, 5054 Midas Rd., Pensacola, Fla.

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MWSG-17's NEW PLAQUE
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MCAS IWAKUNI, Japan, June 12--Sergeant Larry D. Larson, of Marine Wing Support Group (MWSG)-17, receives the first copy of the unit's new plaque which he designed, from the commanding officer, Colonel Jerome L. Goebel. Larson's design was selected from approximately five other entries to represent MWSG-17, 1st Marine Aircraft Wing.

On the plaque is the numeral '1' and a Japanese torii with pilot's wings designating the 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, and various illustrations depicting the missions of the group. Larson is a supply man with Headquarters and Maintenance Squadron (H&MS)-17, a unit within the group.
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53rd AIR MEDAL
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MCAS IWAKUNI, Japan, June 18--Captain Henry A. Robertson III, with Marine Air Base Squadron-12, Marine Aircraft Group-12, 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, Iwakuni, Japan, received the Navy Commendation Medal and his 47th through 53rd awards of the Air Medal, June 13.

He was awarded the Navy Commendation Medal for his actions during enemy rocket attacks on Bien Hoa Air Base in Vietnam.

According to the citation accompanying the award, "Captain Robertson completely disregarded his own safety as he moved from one area to another to ensure the safety of his men and coordinate security for valuable equipment."

Robertson's 47th through 53rd Air Medals were awarded for, "courage and devotion to duty in the face of hazardous flying conditions."

Captain Robertson has totaled more than 1,000 combat missions. The 47th through 53rd awards of the Air Medal was awarded for missions flown from August 20, 1972 to January 27, 1973, in Republic of Vietnam.

Major Gerard G. Guenther, commanding officer of Marine Air Base Squadron-12, made the presentations.

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MCAS IWAKUNI, Japan, June 18--Major Curtis G. Arnold assumed duty as commanding officer of Marine Wing Communications Squadron-18, 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, Iwakuni, Japan, June 11, relieving Lieutenant Colonel Raymond A. Becker, who has commanded the squadron since July of last year.

Lieutenant Colonel Becker is on orders to Headquarters Marine Corps, Washington, D.C.

Major Arnold has been serving as executive officer of the squadron since September 1972. Before starting his tour of duty in Japan, Maj. Arnold served as an instructor at the Command and Staff College, Marine Corps Education and Development Center, Quantico, Virginia.

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Lieutenant Colonel Raymond A. Becker (left), former commanding officer of Marine Wing Communications Squadron-18, shakes hands with Major Curtis G. Arnold, the new squadron commander, following a change of command ceremony June 11. (USMC Photo by Sgt. J.E. Huffman)

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MCAS IWAKUNI, Japan, June 16 -- Colonel Royce M. Williams assumed duties as commanding officer of Marine Wing Support Group (MWSG)-17, First Marine Aircraft Wing, Iwakuni, Japan, on June 16 relieving Colonel Jerome L. Goebel. Colonel Goebel is on orders to the Fourth Marine Aircraft Wing, Glenview, Illinois, where he will serve as the commanding officer of the Marine Aviation Reserve Training Detachment.

Colonel Williams joins the 1st MAW after completing duty with a survey team at the Department of Defense. Williams has been a pilot since 1943 and has served in World War II, Korea and the Republic of Vietnam. His personal decorations include the Legion of Merit with Combat 'V' and the Distinguished Flying Cross.

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Colonel Royce M. Williams, the new commanding officer of Marine
Wing Support Group (MMSG)-17, First Marine Aircraft Wing, Iwakuni, Japan,
addresses his new group during the change of command ceremony June 16.

Colonel Williams relieved Colonel Jerome L. Goebel. (USMC photo by: PFC
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MCAS IWAKUNI, Japan, June 27 -- Chief Warrent Officer Gerald
Rainwater, of Marine Air Control Group (MACG)-18, is presented with
a Letter of Commendation by Lieutenant Colonel Walter J. McManus,
commanding officer of the group.

CWO Rainwater received the letter for his part in "Operation
Homecoming" which brought the POW's home from Vietnam.

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RAINWATER: 39, CHERAW, S.C.

McManus: 43, 4361 NARRAGANSETT, SAN DIEGO, CALIF.

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MCAS IWAKUNI, Japan, June 28--Courage is doing something worthwhile in the face of criticism, regardless of what people may think or say.

Sergeant David H. Townsend had this kind of courage last Monday, at Marine Corps Air Station, Iwakuni, when he demonstrated his respect and feelings for his country's flag.

While reading the June 14 issue of the Pacific Stars & Stripes, he came across an article on the birth of the United States flag. "I wanted to do something then, to show my respect, but I didn't. I guess I really didn't have the courage at the time," related Townsend.

However, he was determined to show his loyalty and pride in the American flag. Townsend placed a number of unusual items in a shoe box, then had it wrapped in red, white and blue flag motif paper,

For four days he kept the package with him, not being able to build up the courage to go through with the ceremony he had planned.

From the window of the Headquarters and Maintenance Squadron-12, Duty Non-Commissioned Officers' office, where Sgt. Townsend was on duty, he could see the Station's flag pole.

At 3:30 Monday afternoon he made his decision. He logged himself out of the office and marched to the flagpole. Townsend presented the package to 'Old Glory' with a birthday card and a letter explaining his actions, rendered a 60-second hand salute, did the proper facing movements and returned to his office.

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"I didn't know what would happen. I was a little afraid after I had done it," said Sgt. Townsend,

When the color guard came to lower the flag, he was watching from the office. "I was very impressed with the color guard," said Townsend.

"They went through their ceremony without touching the box. For all they knew, it could have been a bomb." Only when the colors had been secured did they pick it up.

The package was taken to the Provost Marshal's Office, where the explosive Ordnance Disposal Team was called. When the box was opened they found a uniform cap, a Marine Corps emblem, a can opener, a sergeant's chevron, a bullet, a belt buckle, a Marine Corps tie clasp and a ball point pen.

"I was trying to symbolize what the flag means to me," related Townsend,

He explained his interpretation of the items in a two-and-a-half page letter enclosed in the package.

Utility cap: "...I give you my cover that it might keep you from the weather and not let you be soiled, and that you may wear it as proud as I have,"

Marine Corps emblem: "...you are the globe to me. The eagle is a symbol of the height you fly, and the rope is my ladder to you which is anchored in my heart."

Can opener: "...which has opened my heart to the good times, as you have."

Sergeant chevron: "...I am proud of them and respect them and their meaning. I present them to you."

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Belt buckle: "...it has kept my uniform up for years, which has made me a man. I hope that it will be useful to you."

Bullet: "...a symbol of life or death. It has saved life by ending wars and bringing peace. It has pierced your colors, but never your spirit."

Pen: "...to write your glories, forever."

"Some people might think it was a little corny, but what I said was said with the heart," Townsend commented.

Since Townsend's test of courage, he has received both encouragement and criticism from friends. Comments such as 'Brown Noser' have been directed at him. However, derogatory statements were in the minority. Many Marines' bordered admiration for the man who was willing to do something that other people were afraid to do.

Townsend related what another Marine wished to present to the flag. "He wanted to give a plastic hotdog and a bag of plastic peanuts. When I questioned him as to why, he said, 'Because that is what I like best, and I want to give something that I hold close.' I could understand his feelings, because almost everyone associates hotdogs with America."

The lack of knowledge concerning the American flag's birth bothered Townsend. "Until I read the article in the Stars & Stripes, I didn't realize when the flag's birthday was. I'm sure that the majority of Americans are in the same position that I was," he commented. "It's time that the birth of our flag is publicized more. Perhaps what I have done will help in some way."

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TOWNSEND: 203 Meadowville Dr. Kerrville, Tex., age 25

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MCAS IWAKUNI, Japan, June 29--Sergeant Manfred Stancombe, of Marine Wing Support Group (MWSG)-17, First Marine Aircraft Wing, Iwakuni, Japan, is promoted to his present rank by LtCol. James Pierce, commanding officer of Headquarters and Maintenance Squadron (H&MS)-17, during a ceremony June 20. (USMC Photo by Pfc G. F. Gutjahr)

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MCAS IWAKUNI, Japan, June 29--Gunnery Sergeant James Colvin, Administration Chief for Headquarters and Maintenance Squadron (H&MS)-17, First Marine Aircraft Wing, Iwakuni, Japan, is presented with the Navy Achievement Medal by LtCol. James Pierce, commanding officer of H&MS-17. GySgt. Colvin was awarded the medal for his efficiency and professionalism while serving in the Republic of South Vietnam.
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MCAS IWAKUNI, Japan, June 29--Colonel Gordon D. McPherson (left) relinquishes command of the Air Control Group (MACG)-18, 1st Marine Aircraft Wing to his executive officer, Lieutenant Colonel Walter J. McManus, during a recent ceremony. Attending the change-of-command was 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, Commanding General, Major General Frank C. Lang. Col. McPherson's next assignment is Marine Corps Air Station, Cherry Point, N. C. (USMC Photo by: Cpl. T. J. Gottfried)

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MCPHERSON: 53, Howell, Mich.

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