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1. In accordance with references (a) and (b), the subject report is submitted as enclosures (1) through (6).
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MAG-13  
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PART ONE: ORGANIZATIONAL DATA1. Commanders and Staff:a. Headquarters, MAG-13 (1-28 February)

<u>NAME</u>	<u>BILLET</u>	<u>RANK</u>	<u>T/O</u>	<u>ACTUAL</u>
DOUGLAS D. PETTY JR.	CO (1-5 FEB)	COL	COL	
DAN H. JOHNSON	CO (5-28 FEB)	COL	COL	
FREDERIC T. WATTS JR.	XO	LTCOL	COL	
RICHARD R. EBERT	SGTMAJ	SGTMAJ	SGTMAJ	
ALONZO B. MCCALL	ADJ	CAPT	2NDLT	
FREDERICK L. FARRELL	S-1 (1-2 FEB)	MAJOR	MAJOR	
DONALD L. MAY	S-1 (2-28 FEB)	MAJOR	LTCOL	
CLYDE C. SIMON	S-2	MAJOR	CAPT	
HARRY G. ROBINSON	S-3	LTCOL	LTCOL	
KENNETH G. FIEGENER	S-4	LTCOL	LTCOL	

b. H&MS-13 (1-28 February)

<u>NAME</u>	<u>BILLET</u>	<u>RANK</u>	<u>T/O</u>	<u>ACTUAL</u>
WALTER E. DOMINA	CO	LTCOL	LTCOL	
VIRGIL B. BRANDON	XO	MAJOR	MAJOR	
JAMES H. FULBRIGHT	A/C MAINTO (1-10 FEB)	MAJOR	MAJOR	
DANIEL H. CHARRON	A/C MAINTO (10-28 FEB)	MAJOR	MAJOR	
LOUIS F. GAGNON	OPNSO	CAPT	MAJOR	
LIONEL D. TAKER	ADMINO	LT	2NDLT	

c. MABS-13 (1-28 February)

<u>NAME</u>	<u>BILLET</u>	<u>RANK</u>	<u>T/O</u>	<u>ACTUAL</u>
DAVID W. MORRILL	CO	LTCOL	MAJOR	
RAY B. STICE	XO	MAJOR	MAJOR	
JOHN L. LOHR	ADMINO	CAPT	2NDLT	
ROBERT L. BAINBRIDGE	BASEOPSO	MAJOR	MAJOR	
BERNARD H. THOMAS	BASESERVO (1-9 FEB)	MAJOR	MAJOR	
JOHN T. RADICH	BASESERVO (9-28 FEB)	MAJOR	MAJOR	

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d. VMFA-542 (1-28 February)

<u>NAME</u>	<u>BILLET</u>	<u>RANK</u>	
		T/O	ACTUAL
DONALD L. MAY	CO (1-2 FEB)	LTCOL	LTCOL
FREDERICK L. FARRELL	CO (2-28 FEB)	LTCOL	MAJOR
WALTER O. POITEVENT	XO (1-2 FEB)	MAJOR	MAJOR
RAY D. PENDERGRAFT	XO (2-28 FEB)	MAJOR	MAJOR
JAMES J. MORIN	S-1	LT	CAPT
VINCENT M. LEVITSKY	S-2	LT	1STLT
EDDIE R. MAAG	S-3	MAJOR	MAJOR
STEVEN S. EISENHAUER	S-4	WO	MAJOR
HARVEY D. BRADSHAW	A/C MAINTO	MAJOR	MAJOR

e. VMFA-323 (1-28 February)

<u>NAME</u>	<u>BILLET</u>	<u>RANK</u>	
		T/O	ACTUAL
GORDON H. KELLER	CO	LTCOL	LTCOL
JOHN L. THATCHER	XO	MAJOR	MAJOR
RONALD C. ANDREAS	S-1	LT	MAJOR
HUGH J. JULIAN	S-2	LT	CAPT
JOHN HUBNER	S-3	MAJOR	MAJOR
JOSEPH B. WUERTZ	S-4	WO	MAJOR
THOMAS WILLIAMS	A/C MAINTO	MAJOR	CAPT

f. VMFA-314 (1-28 February)

<u>NAME</u>	<u>BILLET</u>	<u>RANK</u>	
		T/O	ACTUAL
WILLIAM H. HEINTZ	CO	LTCOL	MAJOR
AUSTIN H. GREEN	XO	MAJOR	MAJOR
ROBERT D. MILLER	S-1	LT	MAJOR
DAVID E. FRITZ	S-2	LT	1STLT
JAMES RYAN JR.	S-3	MAJOR	MAJOR
JAMES E. LATTA	S-4	WO	CAPT
JOHN T. TYLER	A/C MAINTO	MAJOR	MAJOR

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2. Task Organization and Unit Location

<u>Organization</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Commanding Officer</u>	<u>Date of Office</u>
MAG-13	CHU LAI, RVN	COL DOUGLAS D. PETTY JR.	1-5 FEB
MAG-13	CHU LAI, RVN	COL DAN H. JOHNSON	5-28 FEB
H&MS-13	CHU LAI, RVN	LTCOL WALTER E. DOMINA	1-28 FEB
MABS-13	CHU LAI, RVN	MAJOR DAVID W. MORRILL	1-28 FEB
VMFA-542	CHU LAI, RVN	LTCOL DONALD L. MAY	1-3 FEB
VMFA-542	CHU LAI, RVN	MAJOR FREDERICK L. FARRELL	3-28 FEB
VMFA-323	CHU LAI, RVN	LTCOL GORDON H. KELLER	1-28 FEB
VMFA-314	CHU LAI, RVN	MAJOR WILLIAM H. HEINTZ	1-28 FEB

3. Average Monthly Strengths

<u>SQUADRON</u>	USMC			USN		
	<u>NA</u>	<u>NFO</u>	<u>AG</u>	<u>ENLISTED</u>	<u>OFFICERS</u>	<u>ENLISTED</u>
H&MS-13	27	0	23	448	0	0
MABS-13	5	0	16	711	2	26
VMFA-542	23	20	7	280	1	0
VMFA-323	20	21	6	276	1	1
VMFA-314	21	20	5	270	1	0
MAG-13	96	61	57	1985	5	27

4. Important Visitors to the Command

a. Mr. Darold SILKWOOD, General Purpose Forces Division of the Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Systems Analyst) and a party of two which included Colonel Thomas L. RANDALL, USMC, OASD, and Lt. Colonel Hugh S. AITKEN, USMC, Plans Section, G-3 HQMC, visited on 21 February 1967.

b. Colonel Kenneth J. HOUGHTON visited on 25 February 1967.

c. Major General TYLER visited on 27 February 1967.

~~SECRET~~PART TWO: NARRATIVE SUMMARY

MAG-13 flew 1636 sorties for a total of 2102.3 hours delivering 2806 tons of ordnance. This was flown in support of operations' Prairie II, Independence, Chinook, Trinity, Desoto, and Deckhouse VI for III MAF. Also, an average of 8 sorties per day were flown in support of 7th Air Force.

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PART THREE: SIGNIFICANT EVENTS1. Personnel

During the month of February, Marine Aircraft Group-13 had a loss of twenty-two (22) officers and eighty-three (83) enlisted personnel due to rotation and transfers. During this same period, twenty-one (21) officers and one hundred and eighty-six (186) enlisted personnel reported to the Group for duty.

2. Awards

There were one hundred and seven (107) Air Medals and stars in lieu of medals received by members of this command during the month of February. In addition to these medals, two (2) Purple Heart medals were awarded.

3. Casualties

## a. Non-hostile casualties

- (1) Total for February-----ten (10)
- (2) Total returned to duty-----four (4)
- (3) Total MedEvac out of RVN-----one (1)
- (4) Total number of man days lost-----twenty (20)

## b. Hostile casualties - none

4. Civic Action

a. Our most active civil affairs program is MEDCAP. A Group Flight Surgeon goes to An Tan each Tuesday and Thursday and treats patients who come to the local Dispensary/Maternity Ward. An average of thirty-five (35) patients are treated each week. Contributions of soap, medicines, and food are included in this program.

b. MAG-13 has participated in local self-help projects to a limited degree. Some material has been donated to complete a local Protestant Church and a parsonage.

5. Industrial Relations

a. MAG-13 is utilizing all thirty-six (36) Local National civilians authorized by 1st MAW. These personnel include one interpreter and laborers utilized by Utilities and Motor Transport.

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b. A request has been submitted to 1st MAW for an additional 30 Local Nationals with some technical skills (auto mechanics, diesel mechanics, carpenters and electricians).

## 6. Intelligence/Counterintelligence

### a. Preparation for execution of assigned mission

#### (1) Particular events related

(a) Continued Intelligence Operations, Briefing and Debriefing of assigned aircrues, and orientation to ensure assigned units receive maximum familiarity with combat conditions in the Republic of Vietnam.

#### b. Activities

(1) Capt. G. W. BROKATE started a weekly General Intelligence Brief for MAG-13 Tactical Squadrons on 19 Feb 67. The Brief is prepared by the Group Intelligence Section and given by the Tactical Squadrons' Intelligence Officer. The Intelligence brief for H&MS-13 and MABS-13 is given by Group Intelligence personnel.

(2) A 7th Air Force Briefing Team conducted a SAR Brief for all available aircrues at the MAG-13 EM Club on 22 Feb 67. There were approximately 97 Officers present.

(3) The most significant BDA during this reporting period was on 16 Feb 67, with 8 structures damaged and 15 VC killed by Marine Air.

#### (4) Training

(a) Capt. G. W. BROKATE Briefing continued for the Group Guard on a weekly basis. This briefing is approximately one (1) hour long and covers the general situation in the Republic of Vietnam and in the Chu Lai TAOR in more specific detail.

## 7. Air Operations

a. During February 395 routine and 10 emergency aircraft arrestments were made. The Air Freight and Passenger Section processed 15,078 passengers, both incoming and outgoing. The cargo section moved 3,689,362 pounds of freight and 37,808 pounds of mail. The following number of aircraft were loaded/unloaded through the MABS-13 Air Freight:

Marine Aircraft	614
Army/Air Force Aircraft	206
Navy Aircraft	50

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The Crash Crew responded to 43 emergencies and assisted in 20 MedEvacs.

b. Squadrons: The following sorties and hours were flown during February:

<u>SQUADRON</u>	<u>SORTIES</u>	<u>HOURS</u>
H&MS-13 TF-9J	143	193.4
C-117D	27	52.9
VMFA-542	548	703.6
VMFA-323	451	562.4
VMFA-314	<u>467</u>	<u>590.0</u>
TOTAL	1636	2102.3

8. Logistics. MABS-13 Ordnance Section assembled and delivered an average 135 tons of ordnance per day to the operating squadrons. This is an increase of 75% over the amount of ordnance delivered in January. The TAFDS Section opened four new dispensing systems and provided MAG-13 aircraft with 3,446,529 gallons of jet fuel.

9. Supply

a. Navy Supply Section

(1) MAG-13 Group Supply is currently supporting three tactical squadrons and a H&MS and MABS. At the present time, all materiel is stored in General Purpose Tents. Ground work is slowly progressing for five Group Supply warehouses. The completion of these structures is estimated to be within the next thirty days.

(2) Project 08 AVCAL Funds in the amount of \$66,000 was allocated MAG-13 for the third quarter. However, the amount of funds allocated is not sufficient to maintain the desired stocks of NSA materiel to be held by Group Supply. The available balance this date is \$14,000. Group Supply will request additional funds from the Commanding General, 1st Marine Aircraft Wing.

(3) A letter request has been forwarded to Commanding General, 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, on twelve chronic troublesome F-4B items for positioning these assets in the WESTPAC area.

(4) Group Supply is currently implementing phases of the Maintenance Materiel Management (3M) Program.

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b. Marine Corps Property Section

(1) A Communications Shop Stores was established and located at the Group Communications Section in order to expedite requests and maintain stock of spare parts.

(2) Administrative/Materiel Inspections were conducted on all squadrons within Marine Aircraft Group-13.

(3) Two senior SNCO's have attended the presentation of the Marine Corps Unified Materiel Management System (MUMMS) on Okinawa.

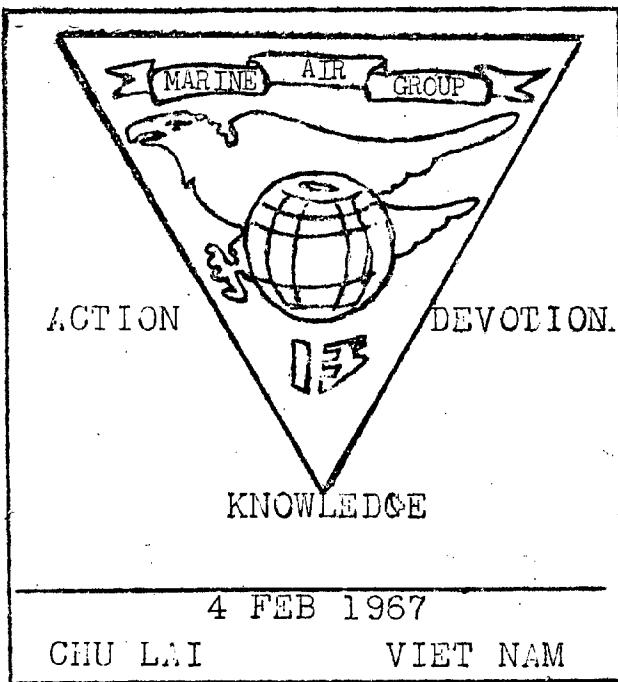
10. Motor Transport

a. A new maintenance office was constructed. The refueler office and parts room were completed and a carburetor and ignition shop was started. A total of 50,712 miles were recorded by all vehicles. 6,132,945 pounds of cargo and 41,990 passengers were transported. The Refueler Section delivered 94,505 gallons of MOGAS; 61,500 gallons of diesel fuel, 36,000 gallons of JP-4 and 338,100 gallons of 115/145 AVGAS. A total of 2,394 miles was recorded.

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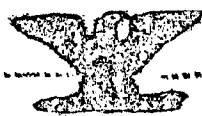
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MARINE AIRCRAFT GROUP  
13's BAND ENTERTAINS  
FIRST BATTALION, 7TH  
MARINES.

On the afternoon of 30 January, Marine Aircraft Group 13's Band embarked aboard two of Marine Aircraft Group 36's birds and were lifted into the First Battalion, 7th Marines' area. Jumping out of the copters with all their equipment and music tools they were well greeted by about 200 Marines of the Battalion. Music was provided for about two hours. Our thanks to Marine Aircraft Group-36 for the copters which made this possible. A note of interest our Band turned down an offer to remain overnight with the "MORE FOR THE CORPS" Marines.

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CONTACT YOUR SQUADRON ISO

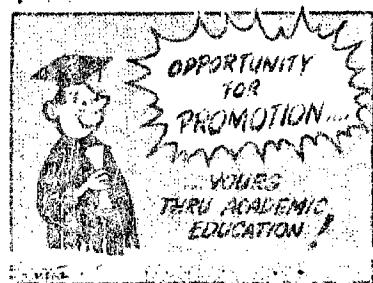


COLONEL D. H. JOHNSON  
TO ASSUME COMMAND OF  
MARINE AIRCRAFT GROUP 13

Colonel Dan H. JOHNSON will assume command of Marine Aircraft Group 13, at 1530 5 February 1967. The Colonel comes from First Marine Aircraft Wing Headquarters, where he served as Assistant Chief of Staff (G-1). Entering the service during July 1941 under the Naval Aviation Cadet program, he was commissioned in May 1942. He holds a Bachelor of Science from University of Maryland and a Master of Science in International Affairs from George Washington University of Washington, D. C. Colonel JOHNSON attended the Army War College prior to his assignment to the First Marine Aircraft Wing. During WW II, Colonel JOHNSON participated in the Admiralties and Okinawa campaigns. He also served in the Korean conflict.

For his actions, he has been awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross with two Gold Stars, the Air Medal with three Gold Stars, the Navy Commendation Medal and the Presidential Unit Citation with one Bronze Star. Colonel JOHNSON is married to the former Miss Sarah F. Fowler of Knoxville, Tenn. The Johnson's have three children, Jacqueline, 19, Dana, 17, and Elizabeth 12.

WELCOME ABOARD COLONEL JOHNSON



APPENDIX 1

VMFA-542 "TIGERS" PROMOTED  
TO CORPORAL

JAMES W. LAMB ALFRED CIAK  
 S. E. KASCHIMER J. NOVAK  
 ERIC S. SHAFFER

TO LANCE CORPORAL

GEORGE W. JONES  
 STEVEN M. AUGST  
 CORNELIUS B. DEVINE  
 KEITH B. INGLE  
 JOHN D. RABREAU

THE ABOVE TIGERS WERE  
 PROMOTED BY THE COMMANDING  
 OFFICER, LTCOL MAY ON 29  
 JANUARY 1967..

CONGRADUTATIONS "TIGERS"

THE MEN WHO HAVE  
 BEEN PROVIDING THE  
 MUSIC FOR OUR  
 CLUBS:

Richard L. MATTA  
 (VMFA-542)  
 Earl BURKEY  
 (VMFA-314)  
 Gary WISE  
 (VMFA-314)  
 John MCKINNEY  
 (VMFA-314)  
 Calvin R. WISE  
 MABS-13

Marine Aircraft  
 Group-13 Band is  
 better known as  
 the "PHANTOMS"

KEEP UP THE GOOD  
 WORK MEN.....

NEW HEAD SNAKE  
TAKES COMMAND  
OF VMFA-323

The afternoon of 29  
 January, Lieutenant  
 Colonel Gordon H.  
 KELLER, Jr. assumed  
 command of VMFA-323  
 thus becoming the  
 new HEAD SNAKE.  
 Lieutenant Colonel  
 Aubrey W. TALBERT,  
 Jr., the previous  
 HEAD SNAKE assumes  
 his new assignment  
 with the G-3 Section  
 at Headquarters, 1st  
 Marine Aircraft Wing.  
 KEEP GOING SNAKES...

NOTICE TO ALL HANDS

On 5 February 1967, at 1530 I will be relieved  
 as Commanding Officer of Marine Aircraft Group  
 13 by Colonel D. H. JOHNSON. In parting, I would  
 like to thank each of you for your loyalty, support,  
 and efforts in moving Marine Aircraft Group-13 into  
 Chu Lai, construction of our base and operations to  
 date. I think each of you can be proud of the  
 contribution this Group has made to the US efforts  
 here in Viet Nam. We have enhanced the striking  
 power of the First Marine Aircraft Wing and have  
 flown many combat sorties in support of III MAF,  
 7th Air Force, and Republic of Viet Nam Forces.  
 We have done well and I am proud to have been a  
 part of this contribution and consider it an honor  
 to have served with you. GOOD LUCK AND BEST WISHES  
 TO EACH OF YOU.

D. D. PETTY, JR.

VMFA-542 TIGER RECEIVES  
COMMISSION TO 2NDLT....

Second Lieutenant Neil A. YOUNG was commissioned to the rank of Second Lieutenant by the TIGER LEAD on 30 January 1967. Lt YOUNG has assumed the duties as VMFA-542 Quality Control Officer. Joining 542 during March 1966 he will depart this Command shortly for CONUS. CONGRADUTATIONS

CAPTAIN JOHN T.  
BRATON HAS 200  
COMBAT MISSIONS

On 29 January 1967

Captain John T. BRATON flew his 200th combat mission in Viet Nam. Joining the BLACK KNIGHTS during June 1966 he rotated back to Japan and returned during August. The Capt. currently serves as Group LSO. GOOD WORK..

## LIST OF PEN PALS

Janie Ciolina, Box 4375, College Station, Hammond, Louisiana  
 Lois Daret, Box 3831, College Station, Hammond, Louisiana 70402  
 Becky Davis, Box 3855, College Station, Hammond, La.  
 Deborah DeDeaux, Ballston Ave., Road#2, Ballston Spa, New York 12020  
 Diane DeGruy, Box 877, College Station, Hammond, La.  
 Carol Dilco, Box 4353, College Station, Hammond, La.  
 Bonnie Donelon, Box 551, College Station, Hammond, La.  
 Diane Dunnington, 710 N. Michigan, Hammond, La.  
 Carol Dutsch, Box 288B, Walker, La.  
 Mary Eaton (19), Box 220, Shushan, New York 12873  
 Diana Edson (19), Box 565, College Station, Hammond, La.  
 Glenda Erickson, Box 1214, College Station, Hammond, La.  
 Betty Myler, 2928 S. Palm Drive, Slidell, La.  
 Patricia Fauret, Box 3032, College Station, Hammond, La.  
 Barbara Faust, General Delivery, Albany, La.  
 Charlene Finas, 3505 Touro St., New Orleans, La.  
 Diane Flanagan, Box 4342, College Station, Hammond, La.

NEW "TIGER" TAKES  
COMMAND OF VMFA-  
542

Friday morning, 3 February  
Major F. L. FARRELL, Jr.  
assumed command of the  
VMFA-542 "TIGERS" reliev-  
ing Lieutenant Colonel  
MAY who has assumed the  
duties as Group S-1. Major  
FARRELL has served with the  
Group since November 1966.  
Attending the Change of  
Command ceremony were CG  
1st Marine Aircraft Wing,  
CO, Marine Aircraft Group-  
13, Colonel D. B. PETTY, Jr.,  
Group Executive Officer,  
Colonel F. T. WATTS, Jr.  
Major FARRELL has been  
selected for Lieutenant  
Colonel. KEEP THEM IN THE  
AIR "TIGERS".

WELCOME ABOARD IS EXTENDED TO  
BELOW LISTED PERSONNEL  
YOU ARE NOW A MEMBER OF THE  
BEST MARINE AIR GROUP OF THE  
CORPS....

Pvt MYDLOWSKI, D. E.  
Pvt JACOBS, W. E.  
Pvt HIPP, R. J.  
Pvt MICOLICZIK, R. S.  
Pvt IVY, J. L.  
Pvt KALICZYNSKI, S. R.  
PFC KUEHL, E. J.  
PFC JOHNSON, L. J.  
PFC WILLIAMS, C. L.  
PFC GARNELL, S. D.  
PFC DOMINGO, R. D.  
PFC BANGS, J. P.  
PFC HUGHES, W. D.  
LCPL PALIBANOW, M. M.  
LCPL MCCLELLAND, D.  
LCPL MCINTOSH, W.  
LCPL GLENN, G. E.  
LCPL TWARDY, H. J.  
LCPL HERNANDEZ, R. S.  
PFC SCURRA, R. J.  
PFC LUNZ, J. L.  
PFC WEBB, R. S.  
PFC COOK, J. A.  
PFC BOITLER, G. L.  
PFC WALTER, W. J.  
PFC KENDALL, D. H.  
PFC MINNITI, M. L.  
PFC PALCIC, R. R.  
PFC WALKER, R. W.  
PFC TALBERT, J. D.  
PFC VALENT, P. E.  
PFC GILSON, A. G.  
PFC MCGEE, P. J.  
PFC GOEDKEK, W. H.  
PFC PROOST, A. E.  
PFC LAFAYARD, A.  
PFC SCITARA III, J. N.  
PFC ALEXANDER, E. C.  
PFC STAD, D. F.  
PFC SKINNER, D. R.  
PFC MCGEES, R. H.  
PFC VAUGHN, R. D.  
PFC HOLLAND, J. G.  
PFC CLIFFORD, W. P.  
PFC STILK, R. A.  
PFC CAMPBELL, J. D.  
PFC KARANTHIEN, G.  
PFC SKIRNS, D. J.  
PFC DITTY, R. J.  
PFC FINDLAY, R. L.  
PFC KASE, T. J.  
PFC KOUTELIS, J. C.  
PFC GLENN, W. L.  
PFC PAPPENHORN, M. M.  
PFC RUFFNER, F. W.  
PFC DINKINS, R. A.  
PFC LEWIS, J. H.  
PFC SCHLAFER, G. R.  
LCPL HOOPER, W. W.  
LCPL WIGGINTON, R. E.  
LCPL MAXWELL, D. R.  
LCPL WEITZEL, S. T.  
LCPL HENRY, W. M.  
LCPL SCHOLZ, R. A.  
LCPL FRANKLIN, R. S.  
CPL KOSHAK, L. L.  
CPL NELI, H. L.  
SGT FLIRN, D. J.  
SGT MARSHALL, R. L.  
SGT WALTER, E. L.  
SGT GRUGGEMAN, K. R.  
SGT KUEHN, J. P.  
GMSGT COONAN, G.  
MSGT JENNINGS, G. D.  
GMSGT FOX, W. L.  
HM2 LIMBY, J. W.  
HM2 ROSSIGNOL, F. J.  
2ndLT HICKS, E. R.

DEPARTING MARINE AIRCRAFT GROUP 13  
DURING MARCH 1967 FOR CONUS ..

CAPT DURK F. BUFFINGTON	SSGT JOSEPH F. FOX
2NDLT BOBBY D. COLE	GYSGT R. E. FRANTA
CAPT JAMES M. DAVIS	SGT HENRY G. GEESLER
MAJ AUSTIN H. GREEN	LCPL ROBERT M. GIL
1STLT WILLIAM B. HENRY	CPL FLOYD A. GOLGART
MAJ JAMES M. KRUTHERS	LCPL R. A. GONZALES
1STLT EDWIN B. LAMONT	CPL RONALD L. HALL
MAJ EDDIE R. MAAG	LCPL EARL D. HARRIS
CAPT GERALD L. MCCLURE	SGT OTTO S. HARTMAN
CAPT THOMAS J. PROSCH	SSGT D. L. JESTER
2NDLT RONALD L. ROBINSON	LCPL JERRY W. KELLY
	CPL M. A. KEYAK
GYSGT BILLY L. AUSTILL	LCPL ROBERT KNAPIK
CPL RAYMOND P. BABUSH	CPL DONALD P. KOURY
LCPL FRANK S. BEACH	LCPL JAMES O. LINDSAY
CPL EDWIN J. BECK	SGT JAMES H. LOONEY
LCPL ALBERT N. BELL	SGT R. S. LUKASIEWICZ
SGT DONNIE L. BERRY	LCPL EDWARD A. MAHONEY
LCPL TERRANCE L. BIRKS	CPL K. R. MARGERUM
CPL GARY N. BJORKLUND	GYSGT VERNE MARTIN
SGT PHILIP J. BONGARD	SGT DENNIS O. MCVEY
SGT JAMES D. BROUH	SGT RONALD W. MILLER
LCPL RONALD M. BRYANT	CPL RICKI A. MURRAY
LCPL GERALD W. CAPPS	SGT CHARLES V. PYBURN
LCPL FRANK CASTRO	CPL R. A. NUESSLEIN
LCPL RALPH R. CELIS	CPL B. W. PATTERSON
LCPL DAVID J. COGBURN	LCPL R. E. PETERSON
CPL ROBERT F. CRAWFORD	SGT DENNIS S. RAHE
CPL DENNIS M. CURR	SSGT LEROY J. REEVES
SGT WAYNE L. CYPER	SGT WALTER J. RISCH
CPL JOHN W. DAILEY	LCPL ERIC E. ROMANDI
PFC ELWOOD DECORA	CPL G. J. RUANE
SGT FRANKLIN D. DEFREECE	CPL A. SAN ANTONIO
CPL PETER R. DUMMITT	SGT DAVID H. SMART
CPL BRUCE G. FLINN	CPL DONALD G. SOSNOWSKI
SGT JOHN L. FORSTNER	MSGT EARL C. SPOTTS
SSGT JOSEPH F. FOX	CPL R. E. STAMBAUGH
CPL DENNIS STEELHAMMER	SGT JOHN STURGIS
LCPL MARK S. TIDD	CPL ROGER TOOZE
CPL JOSE TORRES JR	CPL LYSTON TRIMM
	SGT EDWARD T. WILSON

## BETTER HOUSING FOR MILITARY BACHELORS

NAVY TIMES published information pertaining to: (1) Basic allowance for Quarters (BAQ) for senior NCOs, petty officers and junior officers of all services. (2) Raise the standards of adequacy for present quarters and for construction of new quarters drastically. Thus, many quarters presently termed "adequate" will now become officially "inadequate." About 13,000 officers and enlisted of all services may qualify for the off-post privilege the first year, but if the program is later expanded to E-4 through E-6 another 40,000 would be included. This program is anticipated to commence next July. Under the same program the Defense Department has outlined the following: Improvement of enlisted barracks and dormitories. Trainees will get 72 square feet living area per person with open bays and central toilet facilities. Men in pay grade E-2 and above will get the following: E-2 through E-4 three or four men to a room with central toilet facilities. Each man will get from 90 to 105 square feet of space. E-5 and E-6: Two men to a room (approximately 135 to 155 square feet per man with an adjacent bath. E-7 through E-9: One man per room (approximately 275 to 350 square feet) with a private bath.

SCHOLARSHIPS

Preparatory School Scholarships enabling young men to prepare for the Naval Academy are available to high school seniors who are sons of active, retired and deceased Navy, Marine Corps, Army and Air Force personnel and civilians. Address requests to Mr. Roy S. BENSON, Qtrs Q, Navy Yard, Washington, D. C. 20390.

WHAT TO EXPECT FOR 1967

1. CLOTHING MAINTENANCE ALLOWANCE INCREASE to \$5.10 and \$7.30 effective 1 January 1967.
2. Com-rats increase to \$1.30 daily rate effective 1 January 1967.
3. Social Security yearly deduction increased from \$277.20 to \$290.40 effective 1 January 1967.
4. Proposed increase GI BILL education subsistence by \$25 to \$30 monthly, thus increasing the present \$100 to \$130 for single veterans; from \$125 to \$155 for those with one dependent; and from \$150 to \$175 monthly for veterans with two or more dependents.
5. Defense is going to recommend a new pay grade for the top-ranking enlisted man in each of the Armed Forces. The new pay grade will call for \$150 a month more in basic pay. In the interim, these enlisted men in each service have been awarded \$150 a month proficiency pay, effective 1 Jan 1967.



MAC 13  
**The Chapel  
 Lamplighter**

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

"THE THINGS WHICH ARE IMPOSSIBLE WITH MAN ARE POSSIBLE WITH GOD." LUKE 18:27.

THIS TEXT SHOWS HOW TO DO AN "IMPOSSIBLE" THING. SET UP YOUR PROBLEM, PRAY ABOUT IT, DO ALL YOU CAN ABOUT IT. IF IT SEEMS IMPOSSIBLE, DON'T GIVE UP, BUT AFFIRM, "THE THINGS WHICH ARE IMPOSSIBLE WITH MAN ARE POSSIBLE WITH GOD."

KEEP RELAXED. DON'T WORRY. AVOID GETTING PANICKY. NEVER THINK, "THIS CAN'T BE DONE." DECLARE, "IT CAN BE DONE, IT IS BEING DONE BECAUSE GOD IS DOING IT THROUGH ME." AFFIRM THAT THE FINAL OUTCOME MAY NOT BE EXACTLY WHAT YOU NOW DESIRE. BUT, HARDED IN THIS MANNER, THE SOLUTION WILL BE WHAT GOD WANTS IT TO BE.

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THE BOOKS BEING DISTRIBUTED AROUND THIS WEEK WE RECEIVED FROM THE RAINBOW GIRLS OF TWIN PEAKS, CALIFORNIA.

THEIR LETTER, SIGNED BY ALL THE GIRLS IN THE GROUP, IS ON THE CHAPEL BULLETIN BOARD.

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CHRISTMAS CARDS FROM A FOURTH GRADE CLASS IN CALIFORNIA ARE

JUST RECEIVED THIS WEEK AND ARE IN THE CHAPLAIN'S OFFICE. ONE GIRL CLOSED BY SAYING, "I DON NOT KNOW HOW I CAN THANK YOU FOR FIGHTING FOR CALIFORNIA, BUT ALL I CAN SAY IS THANK YOU."

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**GOLDEN GEMS**

Teach us, Good Lord,  
 to serve Thee as Thou  
 deserveth;  
 to give and not to  
 count the cost;  
 to fight and not to  
 heed the wounds;  
 to toil and not to  
 seek for rest;  
 to labor and not to  
 ask for reward;  
 save that of knowing  
 that we do Thy will;  
 through Jesus Christ  
 our Lord.

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**CHAPEL SERVICES:**

PROTESTANT: SUNDAY 0745, 1130  
 DAILY DEVOTIONS 1845  
 CHOIR PRACTICE THUR 1930  
 BIBLE STUDY TUE 1930

CATHOLICS: SUNDAY 1000  
 WEDNESDAY 1100

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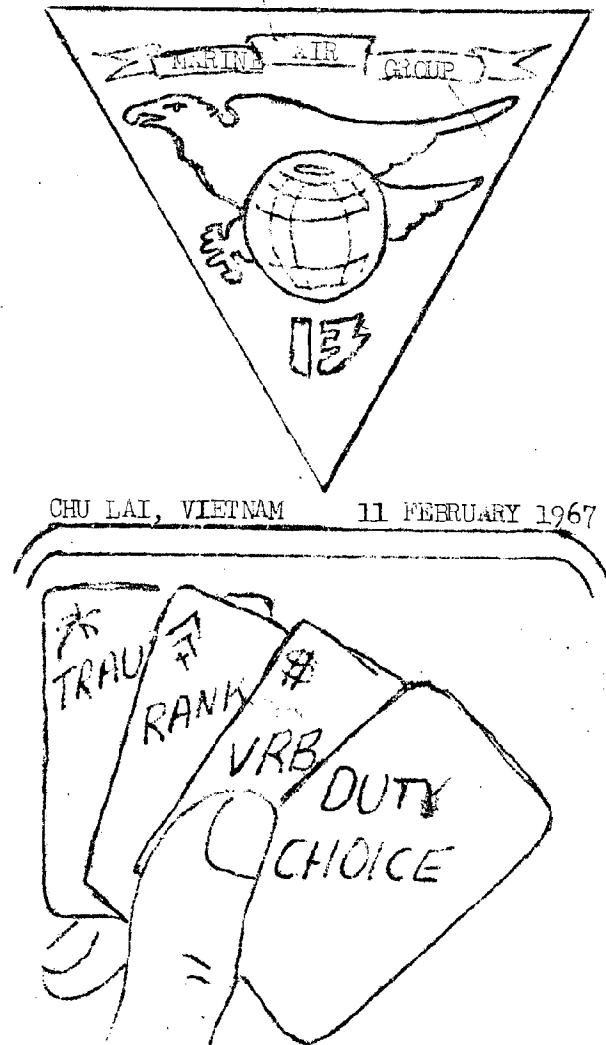
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1ST MAW

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Col. JOHNSON

DECLASSIFIED



The old saying that "things have never been better" has special application to the opportunities being afforded those who decide to reenlist in the Marine Corps.

One important bonus being given, and most naturally the thing on everyone's mind, is the promotion factor. Promotion to Sergeant, Corporal or Lance Corporal can be yours for reenlistment of three years or more. The time in grade requirement is six months for the Sergeant promotion and four months for the Corporal and Lance Corporal promotion. With all of the bonuses now being offered by the Marine Corps, it is the wise Marine who will now carefully map out his future for the best interests of himself and the Marine Corps.

### PROMOTION BOARDS IN SESSION AT HEADQUARTERS

A Marine Enlisted Selection Board convened Jan 13 to select fully qualified Sergeants for promotion to Staff Sergeant. Sergeants with a date of rank of Dec. 31, 1965, or sooner, are being considered by the Board.

For the Company Grade Officers, a board to select and recommend approximately 215 officer and enlisted Marines for temporary appointment to the grades of 1st and 2nd Lieutenant Limited Duty, convened Jan 16 at Headquarters, U. S. Marine Corps.

The Board, headed by Col. J. R. STOCKMAN, is expected to be in session six to eight weeks.

The third selection board convened at Washington, D. C. Jan. 31 to recommend male officers on active duty for temporary promotion to Captain.

First Lieutenants with a date of rank of July 1, 1966, or earlier, on active duty the day the board convenes will be eligible for consideration.

All promotions made from this board will be effective for not longer than six months after the end of the current national emergency or the date the officer is released from active duty, whichever is earlier.

### DON'T BE A LITTER BUG

IT HAS BEEN NOTED THAT BEER CANS AND TRASH ARE BEING THROWN IN OUR LAKE. LET'S KEEP IT CLEAN MEN.....

MERITORIOUS MAST AWARDED TO SERGEANT  
DAVID W. RUSHING BY CO, H&MS-13 9FEB67

"Since H&MS-13 arrived in RVN, Sgt RUSHING has served as the NCOIC of the Avionics Night Crew, a position normally held by a Staff Sergeant. During this period, the Radar Shop was operating with approximately 50 percent of the prescribed T/O. Irregardless of this shortage of personnel, the Radar Shop has produced professional workmanship commensurate in quantity with the tactical squadrons operational requirements. The excellent performance of the Radar Shop is largely attributable to Sgt RUSHING's performance as NCOIC of the night crew. His superior motivation, leadership, initiative, and dedication to duty are to be commended."

"Sgt RUSHING has willingly volunteered his services for many extra hours on the job, not only in repairing end items, but also in trouble-shooting and repairing the test bench system, demonstrating his superior technical knowledge within his assigned MOS."

"Sgt RUSHING has significantly contributed to the operational readiness of Marine Aircraft Group-13 and is commended for a job well done."

BLACK KNIGHTS

PROMOTED

GUNNERY SERGEANT ROBERT L. CHRISTENSEN was promoted to his present rank on 1 Feb 1967 by the Commanding Officer.

THE BELOW LISTED "BLACK KNIGHTS" joined the NONCOMMISSIONED OFFICER ranks upon promotion to Corporal on 3 February 1967 during ceremonies by Major HEINTZ:

CPL JOHN CHILTON  
CPL RONALD D. GARDING  
CPL JAMES H. HESS  
CPL ARTHUR N. INCALLS  
CPL EDWIN C. KNETSCH  
CPL MICHAEL R. NIQUIST

CPL THOMAS F. O'REILLY  
CPL JOHN E. PETRALIA  
CPL PRESTON K. REDD  
CPL ALAN E. TYLMAN  
CPL DENNIS WEBSTER  
CPL JIMMY R. WHARTON

CPL HENRY D. PORTER



LANCE CORPORAL CHARLES E. ROSENBAUM was promoted to his present rank 1 February 1967 by the Commanding Officer of the "BLACK KNIGHTS".

## WELCOME ABOARD

CAPT G. R. SCHDAGEL

GYSGT P. A. CUNNINGHAM  
 GYSGT J. M. GIAKAS  
 SSGT H. D. PRICE  
 SGT J. R. HANEY  
 SGT V. A. DIMARCO  
 SGT J. D. KAISER  
 LCPL J. P. ALBERT  
 PFC J. F. BROWN  
 PFC C. C. CALVANI  
 PFC J. W. CARTER  
 PFC T. J. HAMPSTON  
 PFC G. G. HARRINGTON  
 PFC E. S. HAYES  
 PFC R. A. PHELAN  
 PFC F. VALENCIA  
 PFC J. J. WARREN  
 PFC L. C. WRIGHT  
 HML V. M. HESTER USN

"SNAKE" PERSONALITY  
 OF THE WEEK - - -

PFC MICHAEL (WILLIE) WILSON OF MARINE FIGHTER ATTACK SQUADRON-323 HAS BEEN CHOSEN AS THE MARINE AIR-CRAFT GROUP-13 "PERSONALITY OF THE WEEK". PFC WILSON IS THE SON OF MR. AND MRS. GERALD WILSON OF FORT PLAIN, NEW YORK. "WILLIE" ENLISTED IN THE U. S. MARINE CORPS AT ALBANY, NEW YORK ON 30 NOV 1965. AFTER COMPLETION OF BASIC TRAINING AT PARRIS ISLAND, S.C., HE WAS TRANSFERRED TO MAES-37, MCAS, EL TORO AND CONSEQUENTLY OVERSEAS WHERE HE JOINED THE "DEATH RATTLES" ON 5 SEPTEMBER 1966. HIS CURRENT JOB IS A MOTOR TRANSPORT DRIVER (NIGHT) FOR VMFA-323.

PFC WILSON, WE WISH YOU CONTINUED SUCCESS WITH MARINE AIRCRAFT GROUP-13 AND THE U. S. MARINE CORPS.

MEMBERS OF MARINE AIR GROUP 13 WHO HAVE EXTENDED THEIR TOUR IN VIET NAM

H&MS-13  
 SGT J. R. MAST

## MABS-13

CPL C. M. WALRATH - 6 MOS.  
 LCPL B. L. WHEAT - 6 MOS.  
 LCPL J. C. MIDLAM - 8 MOS.  
 LCPL R. VILLARREAL - 6 MOS.  
 LCPL L. A. BLOMgren - 7 MOS.  
 LCPL D. E. CALDWELL - 7 MOS.  
 CPL M. E. STANHOVIC - 10 MOS.  
 LCPL W. L. WILSON - 6 MOS.

VMFA-314  
 SGT T. B. ATKINS - 6 MOS.  
 SGT J. R. TURNEE - 6 MOS.  
 LCPL H. D. PORTER - 6 MOS.  
 LCPL A. LEPSCHIER - 6 MOS.  
 CPL K. ARENEDA - 6 MOS.  
 PFC C. R. HEADRICK - 6 MOS.

VMFA-323  
 SGT R. GONZALEZ - 9 MOS.  
 CPL J. FETCHEN, JR. - 12 MOS.  
 CPL H. L. SMITH, JR. - 6 MOS.  
 CPL R. H. HARTLEY - 6 MOS.  
 CPL R. D. BUTTS - 6 MOS.

VMFA-542  
 CPL A. N. KING - 6 MOS.  
 CPL C. D. DIETZ - 6 MOS.  
 LCPL R. HAWRYLA - 6 MOS.  
 HM3 D. C. HENRY - 6 MOS.

## 6,000 SORTIES

VMFA-542 has racked up 6,000 combat sorties as of 4 February 1967 since entering country during July 1966.

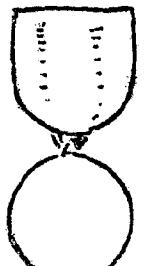
KEEP GOING "TIGERS"

MERITORIOUS MAST AWARDED TO CORPORAL  
WILLIAM J. GERITY JR., U. S. MARINE CORPS  
MABS-13

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On 19 January 1967, Corporal William J. GERITY, Jr. appeared before the Commanding Officer, Marine Air Base Squadron-13 for Meritorious Mast. The following comments were made concerning his performance of duty:



"Since joining this squadron in April 1966, you have demonstrated your ability to perform your duties in an outstanding manner. As NCO in charge of the construction crews, you have produced outstanding and positive results. You have taken the initiative when required and were instrumental in causing your knowledge and technical skill to be passed on the others through effective training and leadership. You have often accepted more than your required responsibilities and performed your given tasks with cheerfulness and enthusiasm. The attitude and initiative you have displayed during this period has brought respect and admiration from your supervisors and your men.



Corporal GERITY, you are to be commended for the professional and competent manner in which you have responded to your duties and the exceptional value of your contribution to the accomplishment of this squadron's mission."

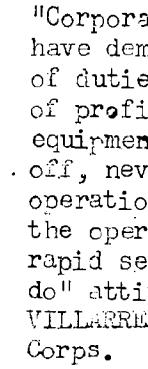
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MERITORIOUS MAST AWARDED TO CORPORAL  
ROMEO VILLARREAL, U. S. MARINE CORPS

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On 20 January 1967, Corporal Romeo VILLARREAL appeared before the Commanding Officer, Marine Air Base Squadron-13 for Meritorious Mast. The following comments were made concerning his performance of duty:



"Corporal VILLARREAL, since joining this organization in August 1966, you have demonstrated outstanding qualities both in leadership and performance of duties. Your job as a TAFDS section leader has required a high degree of proficiency in the maintenance, operation, and repair of all TAFDS equipment. You have many times voluntarily worked long hours with no time off, never seeking praise for your work. The installation and continuous operation of the TAFDS section is instrumental in the direct support of the operational aircraft flying combat missions from Chu Lai, West, and the rapid service of transit aircraft. You are commended for the cheerful "can do" attitude with which you frequently volunteered to work. Corporal VILLARREAL, you are an asset to this organization and a credit to the Marine Corps.

"DISCOUNT"  
OFFERED BY AIRLINE

The first of the major airlines will offer discount fares; with reserved seats; to military men on leave soon.

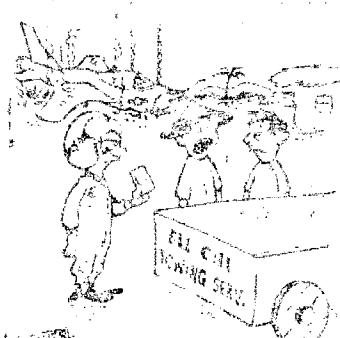
American Airlines plans to offer a one-third discount to servicemen with seats guaranteed at the time the ticket is purchased.

Two other airlines - Continental and Frontier - offer the discount on all their routes; American plans to offer the discounts on certain of its key routes west of the Mississippi as an experiment.

The half-fare standby plan remains in effect.

Beginning January 10, American will offer one-third discount prices on the following routes:

FROM	TO
Chicago	Los Angeles
El Paso	Houston, Los Angeles
	Phoenix, San Antonio
	Tucson
	Los Angeles, Phoenix
	Phoenix, San Antonio
	Houston



"HE WANTS TO KNOW IF WE  
ACCEPT CREDIT CARDS."

## BEACHES OF CHU LAI RVN

In the early nineteen-sixties,  
just off the China Sea,  
Tyranny once more raised its  
head to captivate the free.  
Then U. S. Marines were called  
again, their battle flag to fly  
And they landed on a sandy beach  
in a place known as Chu Lai.

Most experts said this war was  
new, soon Marines would under-  
stand,  
But Leathernecks have never lost,  
though they've fought on many  
a land.  
For God, for country and for  
Corps they are prepared to die.  
And they've shown their skill on  
many a hill near the beaches  
of Chu Lai.

Though most are young men in  
their teens, their *esprit de*  
Corps is old.  
When in a pinch they will not  
flinch-they're worth the  
nation's gold.  
They are wounded on the battle-  
field but none shall hear them  
cry,  
And freedoms fight (it shall be  
won) passed the beaches of  
Chu Lai.

To the gallant band of patriots,  
America's hearts unfold  
As to the men at Belleau Wood  
that stopped the Germans cold.  
And when the battle is o'er,  
we'll raise our glasses high  
To welcome home our Leathernecks  
from the beaches of Chu Lai.  
SSgt John Murphy

TO BE REALLY GOOD  
AT ANYTHING A PERSON  
MUST HAVE A STRONG  
WILL.

LIST OF PEN PALS

Maureen Foley, Box 725, College Station, Hammond, La.  
Stephanie Fussell, Box 3035, College Station, Hammond, La.  
Penny Gagneaux, 837 Mystic Ave., Gretna, La.  
DeDe Gaston, Box 162, Route #3, Hammond, La.  
Barbara Geraci (18) 400 Norton Ave., Arabi, La.  
Yvonne Giezer, PO Box 3909 S. L. C., Hammond, La.  
Ann Graham, Box 544, Angie, La. 70426  
Carole Greagan, 47 Crestline Dr., Ballston Spa, New York  
Leslie Guillot, Box 1292, College Station, Hammond, La.  
Jan Gunn, Box 472, College Station, Hammond, La.  
Jan Gunn, 2257 Athis St., New Orleans, La.  
Mary Ann Harris, Box 3673, College Station, Hammond, La.  
Darlene Hebert, Box 1337, College Station, Hammond, La.  
Jo Ann Hebert, Box 927, College Station, Hammond, La.  
Jeanne Holland, 29 Hamilton Ave., Corinth, N.Y.  
Ann Huff, Box 42, College Station, Hammond, La.  
Sue Hutchinson, 1100 S. Oak St., Hammond, La.  
Nancy Hymel, Box 2988, College Station, Hammond, La.  
Ann Isaac, Box 15, College Station, Hammond, La.  
Donna Jackson, 900 W. Thomas St., Hammond, La.  
Eileen Jeanfreau, 6824 Memphis St., New Orleans, La.  
Terry Marie Johns, Box 763, College Station, Hammond, La.  
Marj Jane Kealhofer, Box 3797, College Station, Hammond, La.  
Claudia Kineannen, Box 1263, College Station, Hammond, La.  
Cathie King, 161 Elm St., Saratoga Springs, N.Y.  
Susan Kirchern, PO Box 794, College Station, Hammond, La.



# The MAG - 13 Chapel Lamplighter

## THE THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

"IF GOD BE FOR US, WHO CAN BE AGAINST US?"

IMAGINE YOURSELF AS ACTUALLY LOOKING AT ALL YOUR DIFFICULTIES LIKE AN ARMY LINED UP AGAINST YOU.

THEN REALIZE YOU HAVE A BACKING THAT CAN OVERCOME THEM ALL... AS YOU FACE THESE ENEMIES OF YOURS: DISCOURAGEMENT, FRUSTRATION, DISAPPOINTMENT, HOSTILITY, WEAKNESS, ASK YOURSELF, "WHAT SHALL I SAY TO THESE THINGS?" AND THE ANSWER IS "IF GOD BE FOR US, WHO CAN BE AGAINST US?"

NOW SPEND A MINUTE REALIZING THAT GOD IS FOR YOU AND SAY THIS AFFIRMATION, "GOD IS WITH ME. GOD IS FOR ME. GOD IS GREATER THAN ALL THESE THINGS."

THEN VISUALIZE THESE ENEMIES OF YOUR PEACE AND HAPPINESS AS RETREATING, GIVING WAY BEFORE GOD'S POWER.

PERSONALIZE THE TEXT BY SAYING: "IF GOD BE FOR ME, WHO CAN BE AGAINST ME?"

THE REPETITIVE USE OF THIS TEXT WILL GIVE YOU AN ENORMOUS SENSE OF GOD'S PRESENCE AND A POWERFUL FEELING OF VICTORY.

THERE IS A BOX OF BOOKS IN THE CHAPLAIN'S OFFICE FOR DISTRIBUTION TO ANYONE IN MAG 13. AMONG THE BOOKS ARE MYSTERIES, BEST-SELLERS AND SPORTS STORIES:

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## CHAPEL SERVICES

### PROTESTANT:

SUNDAY: 0745, 1130  
DAILY DEVOTIONS: 1845  
BIBLE STUDY: TUE. 1915  
CHOIR PRACTICE: THUR. 1930

### CATHOLIC:

SUNDAY: CONFESS 1000  
MASS 1030  
WEDNESDAY: CONFESS 1100  
MASS 1130

LATTER DAY SAINTS: AT MAG 12  
SUNDAY: 1400 SUNDAY SCHOOL  
1515 SACRAMENT  
TUESDAY: 1900 MARRIAGE

EASTMAN CATHOLIC PERSONNEL PLEASE  
CONTACT THE CHAPLAIN

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LETTERS FROM YOUTH IN THE STATES WRITING TO "A SERVICE MAN IN VIETNAM" HAVE JUST BEEN RECEIVED BY THE CHAPLAIN. ANYONE WANTING TO READ AND/OR ANSWER ONE OF THESE LETTERS JUST LET THE CHAPLAIN KNOW.

**Lent, 1967**

"For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life."

*John 3:16*

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What have I given for Him?

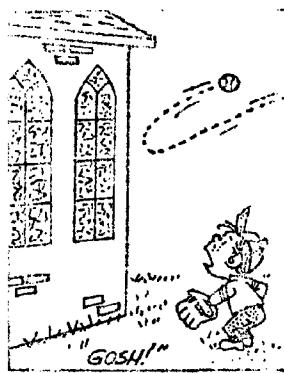
EVERY BOY SERVING THERE IS A HERO

THESE WORDS, SPOKEN BY CHAPLAIN HAROLD CHRISTMANN, FORMER HAG-13 CHAPLAIN, APPLAUSED AS THE HEADLINES OF AN ARTICLE IN THE 26 JAN. SPRINGFIELD MO. LEADER-PRESS.

UPON HIS ARRIVAL AT HIS HOME TOWN, CHAPLAIN CHRISTMANN WAS GREETED BY THE EVANGEL COLLEGE STAFF, EVANGEL PRESIDENT ROBERT SCHCOLOFT, THE REV. HOWARD BUSK, 15 EVANGEL STUDENTS AND ABOVE ALL HIS WIFE AND TWO CHILDREN.

IN RESPONSE TO THIS WELCOME, CHAPLAIN CHRISTMANN TOOK THE OPPORTUNITY TO TELL A MR. STAPER WRITER ABOUT HIS HIGH REGARDS TOWARD OUR FIGHTING MEN IN VIETNAM AND HOW IMPORTANT IT IS FOR THEM TO BE RECALLED BY THOSE BACK HOME.

THIS EXCELLENT ARTICLE IS POSTED ON THE CHAPEL BULLETIN BOARD.

LINCOLN'S FAILURE

HERE'S HOW THE CHICAGO TIMES IN 1865 EVALUATED LINCOLN'S GETTYSBURG ADDRESS IN COMMENTING ON IT THE DAY AFTER ITS DELIVERY: "THE CHEEK OF EVERY AMERICAN MUST TINGLE WITH SHAME AS HE READS THE SILLY, FLAT AND DISMAYING UTTERANCES OF A MAN WHO HAS TO BE POINTED OUT TO INTELLIGENT FOREIGNERS AS PRESIDENT OF THE U.S."

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PROTESTANT MONTHLY RALLY

THIS MONTH PMR FOR THE CHU LAI AREA WILL BE HELD SUNDAY AFTERNOON AT TASK FORCE X-RAY. WE LEAVE THE CHAPEL AT 1330 AND RETURN AT 1615. THE GUEST SPEAKER IS A MISSIONARY WHO HAS JUST RETURNED TO VIETNAM FROM A ONE YEAR FURLough IN THE UNITED STATES. IF YOU WANT TO DO SOMETHING DIFFERENT AND REALLY ENJOY IT, COME WITH US TO THE PMR!

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As I kneel beside my bed each night at the close of every day,

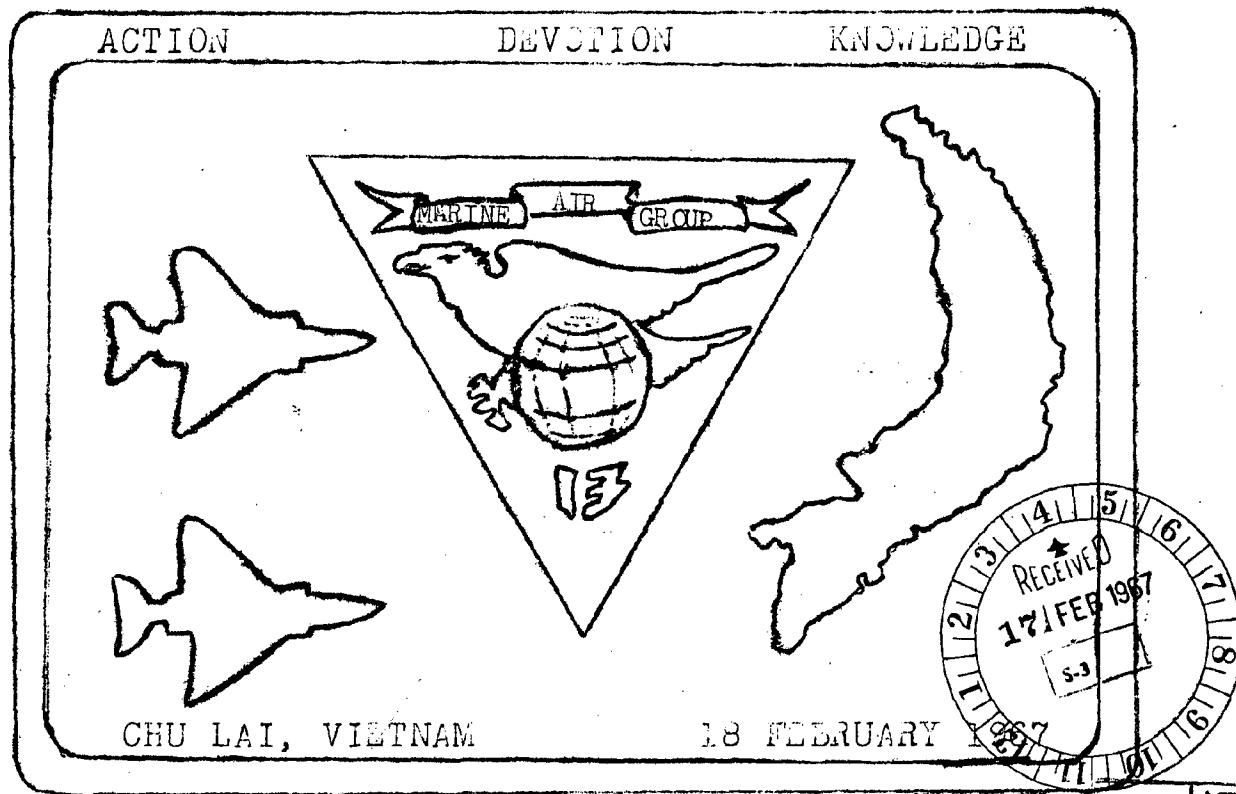
I bury my face in trembling hands, and tears fall as I pray.  
Dear God, unworthy as I am,  
I ask one thing of thee.,  
Lest the one I love forget sometimes, Please help him to remember me.

Dear God, he is only human, you know, And so when day is done He may be lonely-as I am now, and turn to another one.

I can no longer talk to him, and take him by the hand.

But God, you can go to him, and make him understand.

Just help him keep me in his heart 'til the day we meet again And though we are far apart,  
I LOVE HIM, God; Amen.



VIET RIBBON STAR  
OKAYED



Are you authorized to wear the Vietnam Service Medal? If so, then you are also authorized to wear at least one bronze star on the suspension ribbon and ribbon bar, according to SecNav Notice 1650 of 16Dec66. The notice states that one bronze star, 3/16" in diameter, is authorized to be worn for each of the three Vietnam campaign periods thus far designated. Campaigns have been designated as:

Vietnam Advisory Campaign - 15Mar62-7Mar65

Vietnam Defense Campaign - 8Mar65-24Dec65

No name has been selected for the third campaign period which begins 25Dec65, and runs to a date to be announced later.

It is emphasized that the stars for the above campaigns are not authorized to be worn on the Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal.

ACT IN:

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FILE

**APPENDIX 3**

**ARMED FORCE EXPEDITIONARY MEDAL FOR DOMINICAN REPUBLIC**

SecNav Notice 1650 of 19 Jan 1967 announced the eligibility period for the Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal for operations in the Dominican Republic

AUTHORIZED = DOMINICAN EXPEDITION REPUBLIC

BEGINNING = 28 APR 1965  
DATE

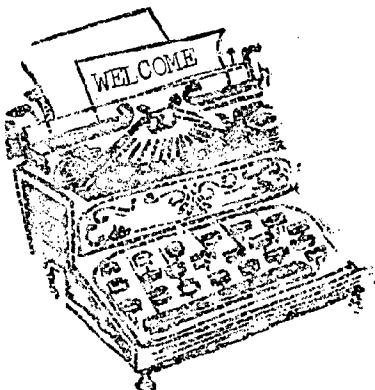
TERMINAL = 21 SEP 1966  
DATE

If you served with a unit which supported the Expedition, contact your Admin Officer.

MEMBERS OF  
H&MS-13  
AWARDED GOOD CONDUCT MEDALS

SSGT J FOX  
SSGT FREIDT  
SGT J. SCOTT  
SGT G. E. HALL  
SGT M. W. OWEN  
SGT W. E. JONES  
SGT E. BLAISDELL  
CPL J. LAIBLE  
CPL W. HOIMES  
CPL J. A. BUCEK  
CPL R. J. FLOOD

AWARDED FOR THREE YEARS OF HONEST AND FAITHFUL SERVICE IN KEEPING WITH THE HIGHEST TRADITIONS . . . . .



Maj BAKER	LCpl SPRINKLE
2dLt GILLMER	LCpl ENARSON
MGySgt HEBERT	LCpl WATSON
SSgt POTEET	LCpl PELLEGRINO
SSgt CAPONITI	LCpl SKOTNICKI
SSgt PARKS	PFC MCAFEE
SSgt JENSEN	PFC MCCABE
SSgt GREEN	PFC MCKENZIE
Sgt COULSON	PFC ROCKSTROM
Sgt WEINHOLD	PFC MONIZ
Sgt ELLIS	PFC HAUG
Sgt BREWER	PFC ROSE
Sgt ARMSTRONG	PFC DAWSON
Sgt WINKLER	PFC YARBROUGH
Sgt HARTLINE	PFC TUCK
Sgt YATES	PFC THOMPSON
Sgt BROWN	PFC HOYING
Sgt WILSON	PFC VERO
Sgt WOMACK	PFC TAYLOR
Sgt LAFIURA	PFC HUGHES
LCpl WARDLEY	PFC DOMINGO
LCpl THOMAS	PFC SANCHEZ
LCpl MARTELLOTTI	PFC MOSER

**MAG-13 INTRAMURAL HORSESHOE PITCHING CHAMPIONSHIP**

COMPETITION WILL BEGIN 20 FEBRUARY 1967

TWO MAN TEAMS.

AWARDS FOR WINNING TEAMS

**MERITORIOUS MAST AWARDED TO SERGEANT  
FAFARA USMC - H&MS-13**

"Due to Sergeant FAFARA's background prior to joining H&MS-13 he had little or no knowledge of the MILTRIP procedures utilized by the H&MS-13 Material Section. Using the publications at his disposal, working long, hard, extra hours and possessing the determination to be effective and efficient, Sergeant FAFARA taught himself all facets of the operation of a material section. Because he attained a high degree of proficiency Sergeant FAFARA was selected for assignment to the H&MS-13 rear echelon when the unit moved to Vietnam. His duties included the initiation and processing of requisitions, liaison with MAG-15 Supply and Bulk Fuel Storage and controller of BPN OI Funds. He performed these duties with excellence.

W. E. DOMINA  
Lieutenant Colonel, U. S. Marine Corps

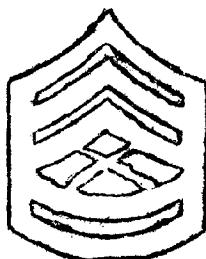


**NEW BIRD  
FLEW IN**

Colonel B. P. GIBSON, Jr., has arrived in the Chu Lai area and assumed command of Marine Aircraft Group-12. Colonel GIBSON comes from 1st Marine Aircraft Wing Headquarters

WELCOME TO THE  
CHU LAI AREA.

**GUNNERY SERGEANT NORLYN S. CLICK,  
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS, A  
MEMBER OF MABS-13**



Marine Air Group-13 salutes a Marine with 18½ years of active service, GySgt CLICK, NCOIC of Welding and Machine Shops. CLICK joined MAG-13 during March 1966 and arrived at Chu Lai 12Sep66.

He joined from MABS-31, Beaufort. Gunny CLICK is school trained in three MOS's - 3537/0141/2161. He was honor student for his class at the 3rdMarDiv First Sergeant School. CLICK has served at many various assignments such as 1stSgt of "D" Co., 3rd MT Bn. and H&S Co. 2nd MT Bn. This makes his 5th overseas unaccompanied tour. Having submitted his request for transfer to the Fleet Reserve, Gunny will assume a position with a company that manufactures a heart/liver/kidney and lung machine which is used during surgery to assist these organs to carry out their functions. CLICK is an identical twin. Mrs. CLICK and the family are currently residing at Harrisonburg, Va., where the Gunny will be employed upon retirement. The Gunny's hobbies are bowling and horseshoes. During his tour at MCAS, Beaufort he captured the Station Intramural Horseshoe Championship.

Gunnery Sergeant CLICK, we wish you continued success with Marine Aircraft Group 13 and the U. S. Marine Corps.

DEPARTING MARINE AIRCRAFT  
GROUP-13 DURING APRIL 1967

## OFFICERS

MAJ J B ACEY  
LT L W ALLEN  
CAPT C BACON  
CAPT D BASSETT  
CAPT J BRYANT  
CAPT C CONNELL  
LTCOL W DOMINA  
LT R M DOWNIE  
LTCOL K FIEGENER  
WO J P FINN  
MAJ L F GAGNON  
LT M Y HICKEY  
LT R E HUNTER  
CAPT D L KNIGHT

CAPT C M LACROIX  
CWO R E LARVIE  
CAPT F E LEWIS  
LT J L LOHR  
CAPT J T MOWREY  
CAPT K L RIDER  
CAPT C C SIMON  
MAJ H F STROMAN  
CWO J E TINSLEY  
CAPT A B TOZZI  
MAJ J T TYLER  
CAPT T WILLIAMS JR.  
LT N A YOUNG  
CAPT R A ZIMMERMAN

## ENLISTED

SGT ADAMS  
CPL ALEXANDER  
CPL AVERY  
MSGT BACHARACH  
GYSGT BAMI  
CPL BAIR  
CPL BELL  
CPL BENNETT  
CPL BLACK  
LCPL BOHELSKA  
LCPL BOST  
CPL BOZA  
SSGT BRADY  
CPL BRAUN  
SGT BURCHFIELD  
SSGT GAIMI  
CPL CAMPBELL  
MSGT CATALDO  
LCPL CHANDLER  
GYSGT CLICK  
LCPL CLINTON

CPL COLBY  
CPL COLLINS  
SGT COLLINSWORTH  
CPL CRAIG  
CPL CREWE  
GYSGT DAVIS  
CPL DAWSON  
SGT DITCH  
SGT DUNCAN  
SGTM J EBERT  
LCPL EGGEN  
CPL ELLIS  
SGT FAFARA  
SGT FIELD  
SGT FISHER  
CPL FORD  
CPL FOX  
SGT FRANCE  
PFC FREEMAN  
LCPL FREEZE  
PFC FROVIK

SGT FULLER  
CPL GALLATIN  
LCPL GAMBLE  
PFC GAMBLE  
CPL GLOSSON  
PFC GONZALES  
PFC GOOD  
LCPL GRIGSBY  
SSGT HARRIS  
LCPL HAWKINS  
CPL HECK  
SGT HEELAM  
LCPL HENRY  
CPL HICKS  
PFC HILPRECHT  
SGT HOLMES  
CPL HOUSTON  
CPL HUGHES  
LCPL JENKINSON  
LCPL JOHNSON  
LCPL JONES

LCPL JUNIOR	CPL OLALDE	PFC SHIPMAN
SGT KINSHEN	SGT CLGUIN	SGT SHOUSE
GYSGT KNIGHTON	SSGT OLIPHANT	SSGT SKIDMORE
PFC KRUZGER	CPL OZGA	SSGT SMITH
SGT KRUZ	SGT PATTERSON	SGT SMITH
LCPL LAKIN	CPL PAWLOWSKI	SSGT SOFCZAK
SGT LATZELL	CPL PAXSON	LCPL SPADA
CPL LEONARD	CPL PERNA	1STSGT SPARKS
GYSGT LEWINSKY	CPL PETRAKOVITZ	CPL STANCLIFF
LCPL LILLIS	SSGT PFIZENMAYER	CPL STAPLES
SGT MARMIE	PTV PHILLIPS	SGT SWAFFORD
CPL MARSH	SSGT POLACEC	LCPL THAU
SGT MARTINEZ	PFC PROVOST	CPL TILTON
SGT MASHEURN	PFC RANKINS	GYSGT TORRES
GYSGT MAULE	PFC RASCON	GYSGT TOTH
SSGT MERLUZZO	CPL RAY	CPL TURBYFIL
CPL MILEY	SGT RAYNES	SGT USTICK
CPL MILLER	SGT REYNA	SGT VELAZQUEZ
GYSGT MONTGOMERY	SGT RICE	SGT WARNER
SGT MOORE	SSGT RIFE	CPL WEBSTER
GYSGT MOSES	SSGT RILEY	PFC WEEKS
PFC MYRICK	PFC RISOTTI	CPL WEISS
CPL McCUALEY	SSGT RUDY	GYSGT WENTWORTH
1STSGT MCINTOSH	CPL RYAN	SGT WERNER
SGT NARDELL	CPL SCANLON	PFC WHITE
LCPL NELSON	LCPL SCOTT	CPL WHITE
SGT NELSON	GYSGT SHELLEY	SGT WILSON
SGT NICKISON	SGT SHEMERY	CPL WINSTEAD

OFFICERS NEEDED

The Marine Corps has an urgent and continuing need for unrestricted officers. Marine Corps Bulletin 1040 of 17 November 1966 urges all qualified enlisted personnel to make application. The qualifications are listed in Marine Corps Orders 1040.9E and 1560.15B.

Ask your career advisory concerning the many commissioning programs.....

IF YOU FACE EACH DAY WITH A SMILE, YOU'LL FIND THERE'S MORE TO SMILE ABOUT EACH DAY.

542-“Tigers”

SAVINGS BOND PARTICIPATION  
DURING THE PERIOD 1 OCTOBER  
THRU 31 DECEMBER 1966

"It is a great source of pride to me that the officers and men of Marine Fighter Attack Squadron-542 attained 80% participation in the current Savings Bond Program thereby exceeding the 75% level of participation requested of all Armed Forces by the Commander-in-Chief.

This achievement is particularly significant in that Marine Fighter Attack Squadron-542 flew extensively in support of ground forces during the reporting period.

The Marine Fighter Attack Squadron-542's accomplishment in buying Savings Bonds while in contact with a determined enemy stands as a splendid example of patriotism and fighting spirit for all Americans everywhere.

Please convey my heartfelt congratulations to the officers and men of Marine Fighter Attack Squadron-542."

L. W. WALT  
Lieutenant General, U. S. Marine Corps  
Commanding General  
III Marine Amphibious Force

## MARINE CORPS BRINGS BACK 'BATTLEFIELD COMMISSIONS

## MEDICAL SECURITY

Complete information on the 1966 Uniformed Services Civilian Health and Medical Program may be obtained from:

Executive Director Civilian Health and Medical Program of the Uniformed Services, OTSG Dept. of the Army, Denver, Colo. 80240

I am an American fighting man. I serve in the forces which guard my country and our way of life. I am prepared to give my life in their defense.....



Marine Corps personnel who demonstrate outstanding leadership in the Vietnam conflict may be eligible for temporary appointment to second lieutenant under the recently revived "battlefield commission" program.

According to Marine Corps Order 1421.7, exceptional performance of duty in combat is defined to mean "outstanding combat leadership while under fire".

Personnel nominated for appointment to second lieutenant must be U. S. citizens, 20 years old but not past 37th birthday by the end of the fiscal year in which recommended; have a minimum GCT or AA of 110; must not have been convicted by court-martial, or by civil authorities, or the subject of an offense which involves moral turpitude, or an offense for which the maximum penalty includes death, dishonorable discharge or confinement in excess of one year, and be of "unquestionable moral integrity and of commissioned officer caliber."

THE FUTURE OF AN EDUCATED MAN IS INSURED. WHY NOT LOOK INTO THE EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES OPEN TO YOU. SEE YOUR EDUCATION OFFICER NOW MEN.

THE WEARING OF THE UNIFORM SHOULD BE A MATTER OF PERSONAL PRIDE TO ALL MARINE CORPS PERSONNEL. BE SHARP YOU ARE A MEMBER OF MAG-13....

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**PROFESSION OF ARMS**

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A professional is defined as a person engaged in an occupation requiring a high degree of training and proficiency. More often than not, the term is applied to those engaged in law, medicine, education, theology, or athletics.

By the very definition of the word, we in the Marine Corps are in a calling requiring a high degree of training and proficiency.

We also meet other qualifications as members of a profession. Being a Marine requires specific technical knowledge, has an identifiable doctrine, a complex of institutions peculiar to itself; educational patterns adapted to its own needs, a career structure of its own, and a place in society.

The Marine's profession is comparable to other professions in many ways. In the performance of his duties, the Marine often needs the dedication of a doctor, the faith of a clergyman, the stamina of an athlete, the knowledge of an educator, the judgement of a lawyer, and a patriot's unshakable belief in his country.

Every member of the Marine Corps, whether serving for two or 30 years, is a professional in every sense of the word.

The profession of arms, and the men who follow it, have shaped nations and changed the history of the world.

As a doctor can help heal the sickness of men, a lawyer or educator the illness of society, and a member of the clergy the hurts of the heart, the Marine Corps can help heal the sickness of nations.

Walk proudly, for you, too, are a member of an old and honored profession - the United States Marine Corps. (AFNB)

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**PARTICIPATION IN POLITICAL RALLIES, PARADES, AND OTHER PARTISAN EVENTS.**

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Participation by units and/or individuals in rallies, meetings, parades and other events which are conducted under the auspices of a political party is not authorized. No exception to this prohibition is authorized or contemplated.

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DURING THE MONTH OF JANUARY 1967 THE FOLLOWING AWARDS WERE PRESENTED TO MEMBERS OF MAG-13:

DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS - 1	
AIR MEDALS	118
GOOD CONDUCT MEDALS	17



# THE LAMPLIGHTER

## MAG-13 CHAPEL

### THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

"The Kingdom of God is within you."

When you are filled with self doubt and in the grip of your inferiority complex don't give up saying, "I can't do it, I haven't it in me." You do have a very big "it" within you. God has placed in your personality all the ability you need. You have only to believe in yourself, and strength within you will be released. In saying the text try it this way, "God's abundance, peace, and power, are within me. I lack for nothing."

### CHAPEL SERVICES

#### PROTESTANT:

Sunday....0745, 1130  
 Daily Devotion. 1845  
Tuesday.....  
 Bible Study....1915  
Thursday  
 Choir Practice. 1915

#### CATHOLIC:

Sunday.....  
 Confessions....1000  
 Mass.....1030  
Wednesday  
 Confessions....1100  
 Mass.....1130

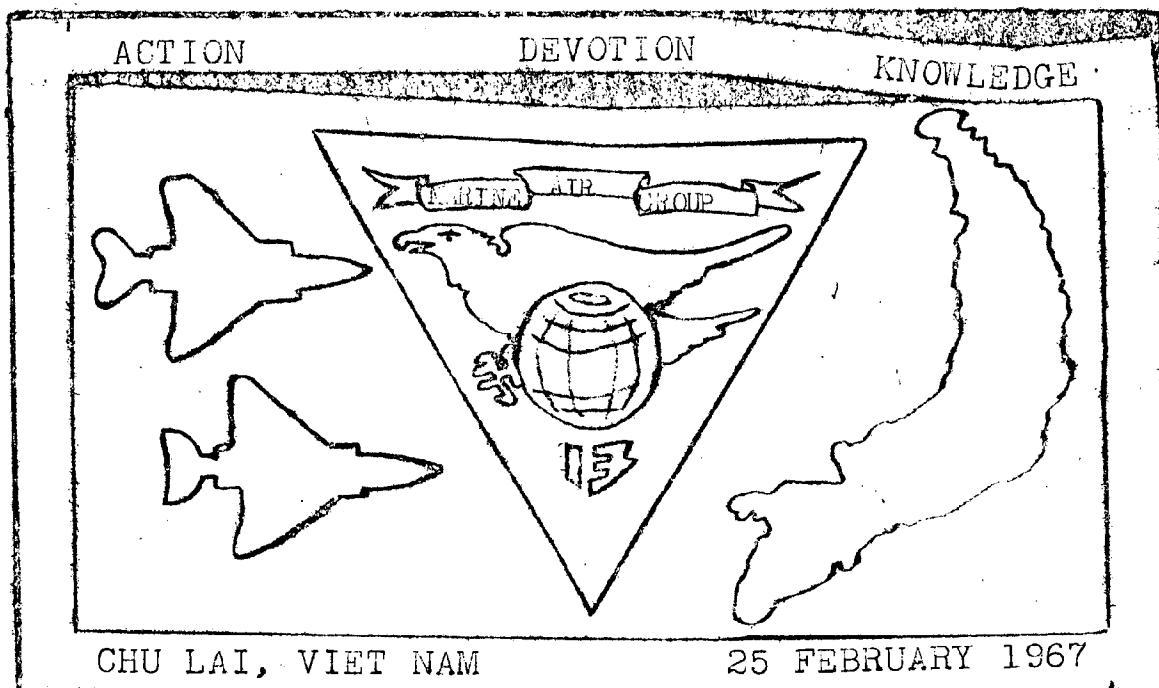
#### LATTER DAY SAINTS

(Services will be held at MAG-12)

Sunday  
 Sunday School..1400  
 Sacrement.....1515  
Tuesday  
 Priesthood.....1900

#### THE CHRISTIAN LIFE

The Christian life is happier than any other.  
 The Christian life is harder than any other.  
 The Christian life is holier than any other.  
 The Christian life is more helpful than any other.



★ ★ ★ — COMMENDABLE  
COMMANDING  
GENERAL, III MAF PERFORMANCE

"As III MAF emerges from the mud and dirty weather of the wet monsoon I desire to convey to all of you my warm appreciation for your splendid performance during the past trying months. I have witnessed the hardships of troops in the field. I am mindful of the flying hazards to which our pilots were exposed. I have seen the problems of supply multiplied many fold by the rain, and the gale winds. It has not been easy. Despite these obstacles you have done your jobs with such valor, devotion, and profession-

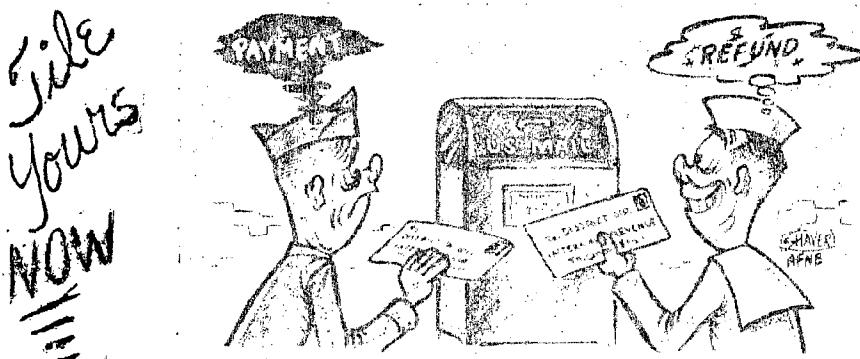
alism that you have from the enemy his best chance to meet us in his terms. I share with you the well-founded pride which you may feel in this accomplishment. Well done. LtGen WALT sends."

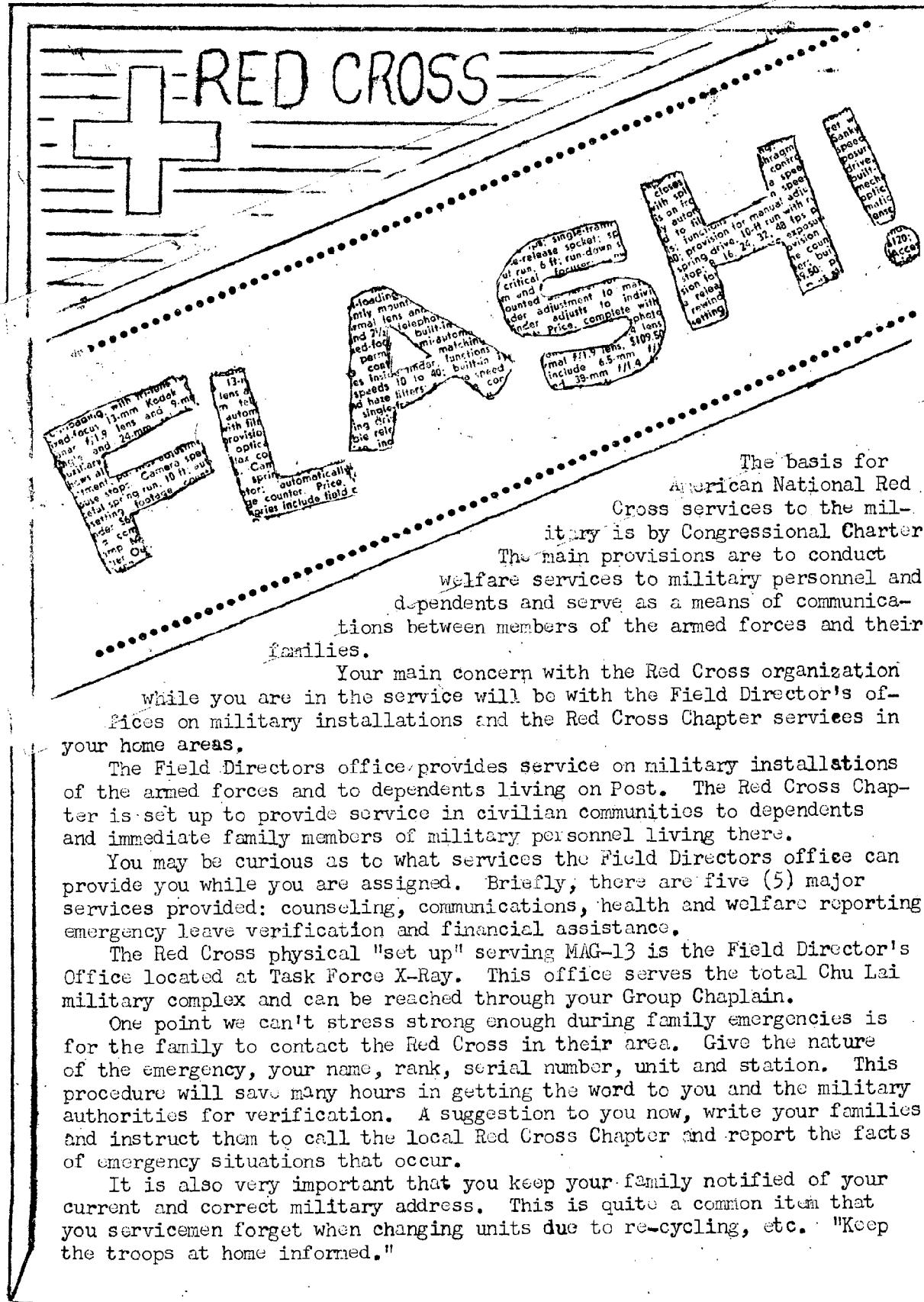


MARINE AIRCRAFT GROUP-13 SALUTES  
A NAVY CORPSMAN, HM2 JAMES T.  
DESROSIERS THIS WEEK.....

THE NAVY'S CORPSMEN, ONE OF THE MARINE CORPS' GREATEST ASSETS. This week, Marine Aircraft Group-13 salutes a member of the Group Dispensary Staff. HM2 James T. DES ROSSIERS who has served with MAG-13 since July 1966. "Doc" made the move to Viet Nam with the Group. Jim comes from San Antonio, Fla. He entered the Navy during August, 1945, serving for four years as a Corpsman and then left the Navy where he worked on the Medical Staff at the West Point Army Hospital. Returning to the Navy during 1952 for the Korean Conflict, he served with the numerous FMF units. Back in the States he served a tour at Great Lakes. Attending Aviation Medical School during 1956, he then reported to the Naval Air Station, Pensacola, Fla. for a two year tour, then back to Fleet Marine Force at Camp Lejeune. There Jim served with the Tenth Marine Regiment for two years. Packing his seabag, he made a 5 mile move to the New River Air Facility. There he served with MAG-26 before returning to the Lakes for a 4 year tour. Next came "B" School at Portsmouth, Va. Orders again sent the Doc with an FMF unit, 7th Motors. He joined that unit at Camp Pendleton and deployed with them to Chu Lai, RVN, arriving during March 1966. During July 1966 he came our way for a tour with MAG-13. Jim is well known thru-out the Group. He is one of the Corpsmen from our Dispensary who take an active part in the Med-Cap program in the Chu Lai area. Married and the father of two children, James Jr., 10 years old and Mary Ann, age 7. Mrs. DES ROSSIERS and the children are residing in the Chicago area while Jim serves in Vietnam. Once again orders, this time Jim will be packing that seabag and heading for NAS, Norfolk, Va. Asked how he classified his tour with MAG-13, "Great", he also indicated his favorite Squadron was the 542 "Tigers". A noteworthy bit of information is that Jim has been selected for Meritorious promotion to HMI.

HM2 DES ROSSIERS, we wish you continued success with your career in the U. S. Navy.





## LIFE OF THE MARINE SERVING WITH III MAF

DANANGCHU LAIPHU BAI

A Marine assigned to duty with the III Marine Amphibious Force can expect to be located in one of the bases indicated above. Regardless of where he is assigned, as a Marine in a combat area, he will be called upon to put forth a great effort.

On 8 March 1965, there were 500 Marines in Vietnam. One year later, there were approximately 50,000. The original task of defending the Danang airfield is but one small part of the present day mission. Today, the nature of Marine operations is essentially offensive. At the time of the Marines' arrival, Viet Cong main force units roamed the countryside and struck government out-posts almost at will. However, the greatest threat came from the Viet Cong guerrillas who, over the ten preceding years, had deeply penetrated the daily life of the people through their network of terrorism, brutality, threat and extortion. Governmental influence was rare beyond the outskirts of the cities and usually consisted on nothing more than a passing military unit which was of little benefit to the people. Law and order had deteriorated and the thousands of people who craved protection found no one to whom they could turn. The result was a frightened and disorganized population slipping gradually under Communist domination.

It was clear from the beginning that in this region, the battlefield lay among the people. It was concluded that the best way to fulfill the task of airfield security was by continuous action, ranging along distances from the airfields themselves designed to weed out the Viet Cong guerrilla infestation from the population and, at the same time, seeking out any enemy main force units that could be locked in combat. And, through it all, to establish a relationship with the people which would cause them to voluntarily support the U. S. and the Vietnamese and correspondingly, to withhold support from the Viet Cong.

## LIFE OF THE MARINE SERVING WITH III MAF (Contd)

This job is being done by three types of offensive action; large unit operations, counterguerrilla operations, and pacification/civic action. The large unit operations are conducted against the main force units and generally consist of multi-battalion force. These operations are familiar to most of us as they usually receive wide recognition in the newspapers. Less spectacular and little publicized are the day-to-day patrols and ambushes conducted by the fire teams, squads and platoons. These are what eventually route out the guerrilla and deny him access to the populace, the mainstay of his existence. In earlier days, it was said that the day belonged to the ARVN and the night belonged to the Viet Cong. This is no longer the case as the Marines conduct about half of their operations during the night and are achieving considerable success.

To the individual Marine serving with III MAF, the large unit operations and anti-guerrilla operations form much of his job, but these would be much less effective if it were not for the other type of offensive action; pacification/civic action. This means putting the people back on their feet and showing them that we are truly their friends. It takes on many faces; providing protection against Viet Cong attacks, giving medical assistance, helping re-establish the local government, providing food and other forms of assistance. The objective is to bring the people to a state of self-sufficiency and re-establish the local authority as in the final analysis it must be the people themselves who finally beat the Viet Cong.

The Marines have had a successful year in Viet. Heavy blows have been dealt the main force units and through diligent patrolling, the guerrillas no longer move freely about. The civic action program is reaping positive results, but there is still much more to be done. Each Marine assigned to duty in Vietnam must approach his new job with a sense of responsibility and the knowledge that the hopes of the free world rest with him.

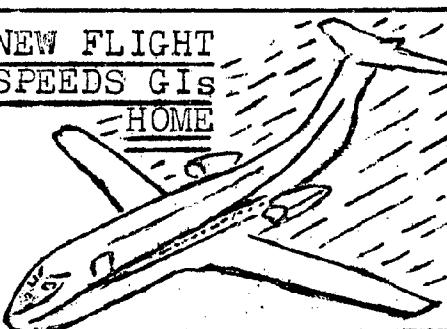
IT GIVES ME  
GREAT PRIDE  
BEING YOUR  
COMMANDER

during the past trying months of the monsoon season and I wish to extend my personal gratitude for the commendable performance by the officers and men of First Marine Aircraft Wing.

WELCOME TO  
MAG-13

CAPT D. G. SPEARMAN  
2ndLT J. R. BALLARD  
MSGT D. S. EDMONDSON  
SSGT T. L. WELLS  
SSGT J. A. MORGAN  
SGT J. W. MABE  
HM G. W. LANG  
CPL T. WAYNE  
LCPL R. E. FABIAN  
LCPL L. A. KOHR  
LCPL R. H. PAVLSON  
LCPL J. F. OLESUK  
LCPL T. W. EVANS  
LCPL G. BEVAD  
LCPL C. M. FOX  
LCPL R. M. HOOD  
LCPL S. D. FRAHM  
LCPL W. J. BEDNARSKI  
LCPL R. D. TRICE  
LCPL R. G. SCOTT  
LCPL J. WHITTAKER  
PFC B. A. VONCANNON

NEW FLIGHT  
SPEEDS GIs  
HOME



DA NANG-NORTON AFB

The Naval Support Activity, Da Nang recently began a new Military Airlift Command (MAC) Channel Flight between Da Nang and Norton AFB, Calif., to speed up and simplify the rotation of Navymen and Marines from Vietnam.

There are no more worries of being stranded in some transient barracks somewhere between Da Nang and the States. It now takes only about 16 hours to get from Da Nang to the States via MAC Channel Flight with only one stopover of about  $1\frac{1}{2}$  hours on Okinawa.

The flight is made in splendor aboard a Continental Airlines 707 Golden Jet. Several forms of entertainment are available to pass the time. Immediately after the takeoff four lovely stewardesses give a graceful demonstration of how to struggle into a life vest. This show is brought back for an encore after the takeoff from Okinawa.

To make further travel arrangements, there are facilities at Norton to purchase air, rail or bus tickets to the returnee's ultimate destination. There is bus transportation at a small charge to Los Angeles International Airport, train and bus stations.

Another interesting aspect of the flight is the fact that a returnee arrives at Norton before leaving Da Nang. Sound Strange? As a result of crossing the International Date Line the plane will arrive on the same day it left.

OUR KIND

OF DOLL

She weights in at 39 pounds, stands less than three feet tall and is five-years old. Her moon-round face holds two beautiful almond eyes that have seen more than eyes so pretty should have.

Her clothes were in tatters, and small hands reached out forming tiny cups as they received a handful of half cooked rice. Her name was unknown and lost among hundreds of other similar children at the Phong Dien refugee center.

She had walked more than 20 miles thru Viet Cong controlled land balancing a bar slung low over her shoulders. The bar held two woven bamboo baskets containing sweet potato leaves on one side and a few cooking pots on the other.

It was not her first trip outside the tiny hamlet that she called home on the edge of the mountains skirting the western edge of Phong Dien province. It was also her first time to see light-skinned, tall American soldiers. She was naturally awed and more than a little scared.

With her, on the trip from home came an aged grandmother, a crippled brother and several other residents of their hamlet.

They were fleeing the Viet Cong who days before had entered their small group of thatched huts and demanded food and shelter. This was not new to the hamlet residents for the Viet Cong had made many such demands from them in the past. They knew no force other than the Cong. Then came the word that U. S. Marines were waiting to take them to safety.

That was almost ten days ago. Now she chats with other children and helps prepare the evening meal of rice over a community fire. She wears a new dress and sports her first school book which is never laid down even for the cooking duties. Her weight has changed and she even looks taller. The almond eyes no longer have that scared look of a person ten times her age. They sparkle as a little girl's eyes should.

SPORTS QUIZ

1. Norman, Oklahoma, was the scene of what famous football upset in 1957?
2. Who holds the NBA record for consecutive field goals attempted and made?
3. Cleveland defensive tackle Dick Modzelewski holds the NFL record for consecutive games played after his 175th game in the 1966 season. Who set the original 174-game record?
4. When was the first Gator Bowl game played?
5. Who is the only regular player ever to hit over .500 twice in World Series play?

ANSWERS

1. Hall-of-Famer Lou Gehrig playing 1928 and '32 series.
2. Hall-of-Famer Lou Gehrig playing 1928 and '32 series.
3. The player was Nemelelli, formerly of the San Francisco Forty-Niners.
4. Jan. 1, 1946. Wake Forest defeated South Carolina, 26-14.
5. Hall-of-Famer Lou Gehrig playing 1928 and '32 series.

~~POSTAL INFORMATION FOR  
MEMBERS OF MARINE AIR  
GROUP 13~~

*Postage  
free*

POSTAL: Postage is <sup>Postage</sup> free for all first class and air mail letters mailed by U. S. personnel in South Vietnam. The average delay on mail is as follows:

AIR MAIL To East Coast 4 to 5 days  
To West Coast 3 to 4 days  
From East Coast 6 to 7 days  
From West Coast 5 to 6 days

FIRST CLASS Usually one day more than air mail

PARCEL POST 6 to 8 weeks from California. It is recommended that all packages mailed to personnel serving in Vietnam be sent via air mail.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS: It is recommended that all personnel send change of address cards to all concerned, including any magazine subscriptions as soon as possible upon arrival in country. This will preclude unnecessary delays in receiving your mail.

SPECIAL PAY WHILE SERVING IN VIET NAM \$\$\$\$\$\$

RANK	OVERSEAS PAY	HFP
Pvt/Pfc	\$8.00	\$65.00
LCpl	\$9.00	\$65.00
Cpl	\$12.00	\$65.00
Sgt	\$16.00	\$65.00
SSgt	\$20.00	\$65.00
GySgt & Up	\$22.00	\$65.00
All WOs	None	\$65.00
All Officers	None	\$65.00
(Sorry about that!)		

ALL MARRIED PERSONNEL WHO ARE E-4 WITH OVER 4 YEARS SERVICE OR ABOVE, WHOSE DEPENDENTS ARE NOT RESIDING IN GOVERNMENT QUARTERS ARE ENTITLED TO \$30.00 SEPARATION PAY MONTHLY.

WE PRINT YOUR NEWS

ARE YOU THIS MAN?

Navy Times, in a recent editorial, proposed that the Man of the Year, 1966, is the 18 and one-half-year old serviceman now serving in Vietnam.

Many other publications are probably selecting quite different choices for the honor of Man of the Year. Whoever is selected....we're of a mind to agree with Navy Times, to the degree that the man of 1966 is the trooper in the field.

Whether he's a fire team leader, machine gunner, helicopter crew chief, plane captain, cook, baker or clerk.... whether he's sunk to his eyeballs in a rice paddy, or hanging over the rail of a circling APA in the North China Sea, or pre-flighting an aircraft, he more than likely answers to this description:

About 19 years old, vice the 18 and-a-half of Navy Times;

He's probably just about finished high school; maybe one year of college;

He's unmarried;

He's buying U. S. Savings Bonds, through the allotment system; and , one out of five of his buddies serving alongside have volunteered to extend tour, either in Vietnam or to get there.

We're speaking about our Marine of the Year specifically, and don't agree that our candidate must be serving in RVN.

If the only criteria for nomination for Marine of the Year is serving in Vietnam, what about the trooper pulling his Stateside tour? The guy in green who's champing to either return to RVN, or to make his first overseas trip? The youngster who enlisted in the Corps primarily to pull his share in the field? And who, today, is standing Gate Duty at some suitable Post?

The entire Marine Corps can't serve simultaneously in the Third Marine Amphibious Force. But, consider this: General Greene, Commandant, stated last year: "There are only two types of Marines; those who've been to Vietnam, and those who are going!"

How about it, Who's your choice? (WINDSOCK)



## IVORY TOWER

HAVE YOU NOTICED? YOU  
ARE NOW EATING IN THE  
CHU LAI IVORY TOWER.

During the past week we have seen our Mess Hall turn into a well groomed structure. It has been painted inside and out. GySgt PESARCHICK and his men have put many hours of labor into making our Mess Hall a better place to take our meals in. As they Gunny says "we are now in the ruff, we just keep moving to better MAG-13's Mess Hall. By the way, Men the next time you see one of the crew, let them know you appreciate their efforts.

===== ATTA BOY =====

## TO BE AWARDED THE VIETNAMESE CROSS OF GALLANTRY

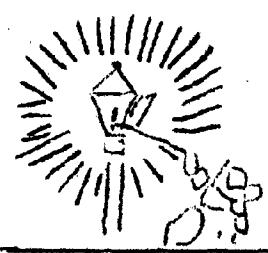
Four members of MAG-13 will be awarded the VIETNAMESE CROSS OF GALLANTRY in the near future. Receiving the awards are:

VIETNAMESE CROSS OF GALLANTRY WITH:

GOLD STAR-Capt Richard K. BARDO-542  
BRONZE STAR-Capt Thomas WILLIAMS-323  
SILVER STAR-Capt Ronald J. BIDDLE-314  
Capt Carroll M. LACROIX-  
H&MS-13

BE ALWAYS FAITHFUL IN THE PRACTICE OF YOUR RELIGION THROUGH PRIVATE DEVOTION, PUBLIC WORSHIP AND DAILY CONDUCT.



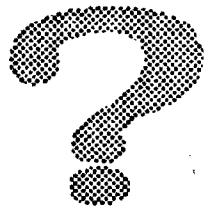


# THE LAMPLIGHTER

## MAG-13 CHAPEL

### HOW DO YOU DO

Some pay their dues when due;  
Some when overdue;  
Some never do .....



### THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

BE YE TRANSFORMED BY THE RENEWING OF YOUR MIND. Romans 12:2

People often manufacture their own unhappiness by the negative manner in which they think about things. Work with your mind, exercise disciplinary control, and re-slope your thoughts for happier living.

Drain the mind by consciously conceiving of yourself as dropping out every destructive thought, every fear, every inferiority feeling. Picture your mind as completely empty. Then start filling it with thoughts of God, and of Christ, thoughts about every good and pleasant thing. Practice this new habit regularly twice every day, morning and evening, to counteract the older and negative habit of allowing unhappy things to occupy your mind. In due course, unhappy thoughts will not feel at home in your mind, and happy thoughts will transform you.

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## MAG-13 S-2 TACTICAL BRIEF

AS OF 4 Feb 67

FOR USE ONLY ON SQUADRON BULLETIN BOARDS - FOR TROOP INFORMATION

Recently Communists have been killed in our TAOR wearing green, khaki and camouflaged uniforms and black pajamas, with steel helmets, pith helmets, flak jackets and Marine ponchos.

A 10-year old boy reported children in the Communist Youth Front will receive access to the "April Youth Festival," (location to be announced!) if they bring in one item (any kind) of American military clothing or equipment. They could thus equip a squad or platoon to look like us, as the Germans did at Bastogne, in World War II. Also, canteens, etc. work just as well for "Charlie" as they do for us.

On 31 January, 6 nautical miles southeast of MAG-13, an infantry platoon saw a man firing a BAR at an F4B aircraft approaching Chu Lai to land. When they searched the area, only "innocent farmers" were found. The sniper had succeeded in hiding his weapon and the villagers were too afraid to give him away. This is a common occurrence, but recently, the results of Civic Action and Psychological Warfare are showing up. A Vietnamese woman brought three children into one of our "MedCaps". They had been wounded by a VC booby trap. She led Marines to seven other traps.

Two VC platoons were observed south of Chu Lai in an "Intramural firefight", by one of our recon teams..... SORRY 'BOUT THAT!

The Commanding General, 3d Marine Division, said that from now on the infantry will call a helicopter landing zone "secure" only, "If friendly infantry are standing upright and moving about in the zone without regard to cover."

On 30 January, in Binh Dinh Province, in the II Corps area, we captured a message from the Commanding General, 3rd North Vietnamese Division saying the 18th North Vietnamese Regiment had many problems with defections. One squad tried to defect en masse. All political cadres were directed to check out all people from the squad leader on up. Our psychological warfare leaflets and broadcasts are effective, the message said.

In the five days preceding 2 February, three sightings of "two figures" were made at various points outside the MAG-13 wire. Ten shots were fired at one of our dog teams.

In our TAOR Marines found documents on a dead VC which showed him to be a squad leader in Headquarters, Military Region 5, which controls the 12 northern provinces. This group of 650 men is apparently still in the general vicinity of Chu Lai. It has been here since 1960, moving every few days.

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Apparently Marine installations and aircraft are still prime Communist targets. Squad-sized attacks against the airfield complex at Danang continued during the past two weeks. Thanks to the "grunts" on our perimeters, these attacks were all repulsed.

The 40th Company, 409th Sapper Battalion is believed to be in the Chu Lai vicinity. They could employ 60, 82 and 120mm mortars, satchel charges, grenades, and possibly 57mm recoilless rifles against us. "IT PAYS TO BE - AND STAY ALERT" "THE LIFE YOU SAVE = MAY BE YOUR OWN"

In Operation CLAY, in the northern Chu Lai THOR, a CH-46 helicopter landed on 3 grenade-and-mine booby traps. 3 Marines WIA, 126 holes in the aircraft.

HIGHLIGHTS OF MAG-13 WITHIN THE PAST WEEK**"THE TIGERS"**

Two aircraft on a close air support mission south of Chu Lai in Quang Ngai Province expended 24 rockets. The damage assessment was:

9 structures destroyed  
6 structures damaged  
1 secondary explosion

**"THE SNAKES"**

Two F4B's on a mission south of Danang in Quang Tin Province expended 24 bombs. Results:

12 structures destroyed  
10 structures damaged  
1 secondary explosion - 1,000 feet high resembling white phosphorous

**"THE BLACK KNIGHTS"**

Two Phantoms on a scramble mission southwest of Chu Lai in Quang Ngai Province expended 6 bombs and 750 rounds of 20mm cannon. Tally:  
15 VC KBA (killed by air) - confirmed

These are just three incidents where it has been shown that "The Marines have landed and the situation is well in hand."

We of the "Intelligence Paper" wish to extend our "Well Done" to each and every man that made these "typical Marine" accomplishments another "routine mission." It takes a well-oiled machine to do this - and that is what all of you are.

**"CONGRATS"**FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY

FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLYTHE BOX SCORE AS OF 2 Feb.

<u>OPERATIONS</u>	<u>CONFIRMED COMMUNIST KIA</u>
INDEPENDENCE (10 miles southwest of Danang)	32
PAWNEE III (near Phu Bai)	31
CIRCE (south of Danang TAOR)	Ø
CHINOOK (west of Phu Bai)	218
ESTUARY (ROK and USMC south of Chu Lai)	22
DESOTO (USMC south of Quang Ngai)	77
TRINITY (southern Chu Lai TAOR)	13
CLAY (northern Chu Lai TAOR)	1
TUSCALOOSA (south of Danang)	FINAL 77
PRAIRIE (south of DMZ)	FINAL 1,701

IN SUPPORT OF III MAF

<u>DATE</u>	<u>SORTIES</u>	<u>ORDNANCE EXP</u>
1 Feb	39	45.606
31 Jan	61	60.581
30 Jan	36	39.922
29 Jan	63	56.907
28 Jan	67	76.519
27 Jan	68	86.067
	<u>334</u>	<u>TONS 365.702</u>

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IN SUPPORT OF 7TH AIR FORCE

<u>DATE</u>	<u>SORTIES</u>	<u>ORDNANCE EXP</u>
1 Feb	6	16.500
31 Jan	10	28.000
30 Jan	8	16,750
29 Jan	8	10.875
28 Jan	6	16.500
27 Jan	8	18.500
	<u>36</u>	<u>TONS</u> <u>107.125</u>

Two miles north of AN TAN on Highway 1, a fragmentation grenade was found, apparently in perfect condition, as if it had fallen off a truck or a Marine's belt. However, Explosive Ordnance Disposal determined the pin was removed and the spoon was bent beneath the grenade so that if it were picked up, or otherwise moved, it would detonate. DON'T TAKE THE CHANCE - CALL THE EXPERTS.

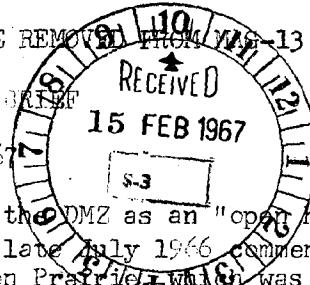
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MAG-13 S-2 TACTICAL GROUP

AS OF 12 Feb 1967



To fo~~stall~~ "Uncle Ho's" efforts to use the DMZ as an "open highway" into South Vietnam, U.S. Marine elements, in late July 1966 commenced Operation Hastings, later to continue as Operation Prairie, which was an extended aggressive patrol operation and just lately renamed Operation Prairie II. This operation is a continuous patrol type operation and also consists of securing and maintaining combat outposts on prominent terrain, such as "The Rockpile", in the area immediately south of the DMZ to deny those infiltrating forces the free use of the DMZ/Panhandle area as a route, free of resistance, to move south. This operation has been supported by a great many sorties from MAG-13. S-3A

Another operation supported by MAG-13 is Operation Desoto, which commenced in late January. This operation is a Marine operation just south of Quang Ngai City, about 50 miles southeast of Chu Lai. This could very well become another Operation Prairie. Operation Desoto is in an area that, up until the present time, was VC dominated, and produces 90% of the salt for Northern RVN. 60% of the proceeds go to the Cong. [REDACTED]

During January there were 658 Communists killed by U.S. Marines in the Chu Lai TAOR. These were confirmed kills and do not include any that may have been carried off or buried and will never be found.

As you all know, TET, the official Vietnamese New Year, is over. The ceasefire called for by the VC's ended officially at 0700 on 12 February. In spite of the big scare and rumors, Chu Lai came through without ever being the recipient of the anticipated and much talked about, large-scale attack. This, however, is no reason for us to let our guard down. Even though large unit attacks "might not" be probable, small unit attacks can take place at almost any time. For example, on 11 Feb 70 Communist troops in khakis and hard hats, with one 60MM mortar and one .30 Cal MG, were observed  $5\frac{1}{2}$  miles north-west of MAG-13 "TACAN".

The latest "unofficial" word from our Psychological Warfare and Counter-intelligence Departments is that some 70% of all Viet Cong and 20% of all North Vietnamese Regulars KIA have a safe conduct pass on them. These figures are compiled from the KIA's that are confirmed by a physical body count. This shows that these personnel would surrender to the South Vietnamese or American or allied forces if they had an opportunity and/or would use the passes for better treatment when capture is imminent. It is also an indication of the state of morale of the Insurgent Forces in South Vietnam that these troops would consider that tactic.

Have you ever seen the abbreviation?

"FWMAF"

Do you know what it means?

It is a new phrase that the war in Vietnam has given the military. It means:  
"Free World Multiple Allied Forces"

## APPENDIX 6