

Parents -

7 JAN 69

Just returned from another fabulous shater run to Okinawa. 400 sergeants and I took 3 prisoners back to the brig there on their way to Navy Brig at Portsmouth, N.H. for a longer sentence and bad conduct discharge. We left on 30 DEC + got back 5 JAN. Can't wait to get back, as joys are the greatest,

but it probably won't be before August when I rotate. My 3 choices for post-Viet duty station are Japan, Philippines, + Okie. Have a near-sure chance of getting one.

How did Christmas + all that nostalgic B.S. go? Steve have any cash to celebrate with? He's probably spending all on his honey instead of himself now.

You will receive a

couple packages soon -
one to be opened, excess
clothes etc, the other to
be filed in closet upstairs,
as I'll know what to do
with it on return. I
looked at the books but it
will be coming right back.
Keep sending book reviews +
EHS b-ball clips - keep
numbering games - 5, 6, etc.
They sure sound like winners.

Got my first slides
back + they're pretty good

for starters. The monsoon
is really hitting us now
just as I get back, but
I'll be taking several
hundred more. I just
passed the six-month mark.
Hard to believe but the
time is really flying even
here in a rear area.

Big still sucks & the
count is going up again
so we'll probably be getting
some trouble, plus many
personnel are rotating in

Jan - Feb. Among them is
the Warden, an outstanding
trainer & handler of these
young troopers & prisoners.
His replacement will be a
Negro & he is in for a
tough time. He'll get the
stiffest test from the Negro
prisoners. Since the riot in
August we've built two
buildings with 20 all
cement 7' x 7' cell blocks in
each. Real grim, cold,
dungeon-like. Black pop -

ulation in big runs around 30%-40% ; black pop. in all black runs around 95%, & is a constant source of prejudice charges, letters to Congress, etc. The senator who gets the most attention from our birds of course is Brooke of Mass.

Sent 16 X-mas cards

this year - Viet type - should give the statesiders something to talk about.

Just read Ogden Nash

on Baltimore Colte in
13 DEC Life - really great.

Can't wait to see how
R.M. + his common men
handle their first big
prob.

7ed Kennedy's latest triumph
was duly celebrated in this
quarter. He's got a lot to
learn but with a boost
like that he might be
ready by '72. He's probably
the only person alive

today who could dump
an incumbent. What
a charge I'd get out of
that.

Since I've been here 6
mos, I became eligible for
another medal - Viet-Namese
Campaign Medal. Plus, M.O.S.
changed from 0301 to 0302 -
from basic infantry officer
to infantry officer. Means I'm
no longer so green.

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