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RICE BOWL SUPPLY GROWS THIN AS GIMLETS BECOME RICE SPECIALIST'S

"WHAT'DA MEAN ONLY 7,961.46
MORE MILES-
GET THE RICE AND LETS
DE DE"



During a recent search and clear operations in the "rice bowl", three miles Northwest of FSB Debbie, Infantrymen of the 4th Battalion 21st Inf, have become specialists in the field of rice hunting, confiscating some 100,000 pounds from the enemy within a two-week period.

The GIMLET Commander Lieutenant Colonel Robert L. Harper (Dahlonega, Georgia) began operations alternating his units into the area to uncover the primary food source of the enemy. "After only a few days of searching", explained Harper, "the men have accounted for nearly

100,000 pounds of enemy rice."They have gained great experience", continued the commander, "and each has taken on an individual job to perform the task."

ALPHA THE DIRTY DIGGERS

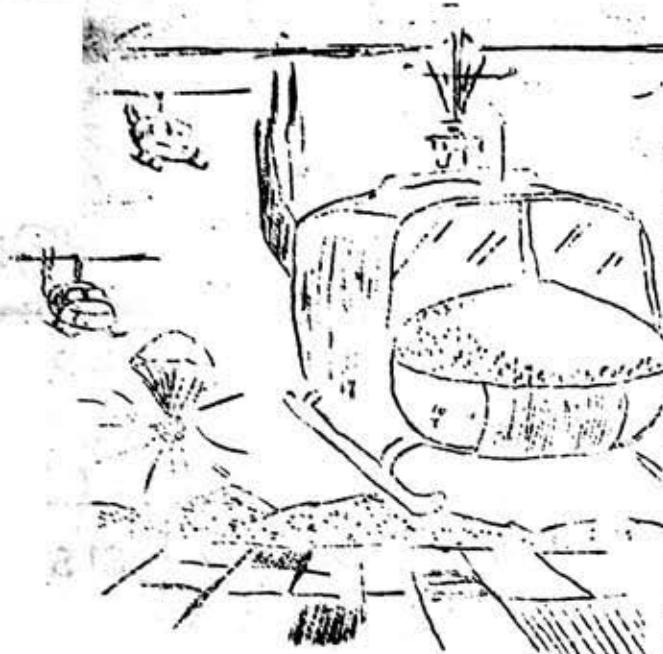
During a recent sweep, the men of Company A 4/21, have uncovered 33 tons of rice in what turned out to be a week-long effort. The 11th Brigade Infantrymen began their "thumping" early one morning bagging and centralizing the caches into one location for extraction.

"The majority of the caches are buried in plastic several inches below the ground", commented

Specialist Four Bruce West (Fairburn, Georgia), "and are found by dropping a heavy cylindrical board on the ground, listening for hollow sounds." Private First Class David Gardener (Mount Airy, North Carolina) continued, "when we discover a sound like this, we carefully dig several inches into the earth, and usually find a neatly dug hole a foot or so deep, lined with plastic and filled with rice."

"Finding the caches is fairly easy", explained Staff Sergeant Marty Kristo (Con't on the Back Page)

TWILIGHT ASSAULT NETS THREE VC



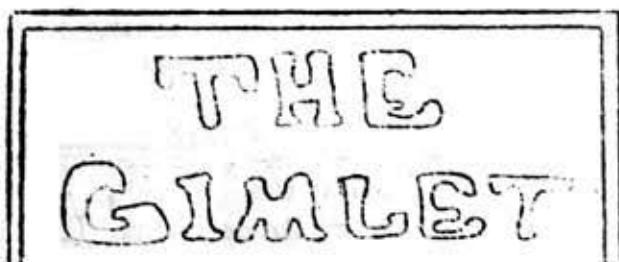
As the dryness of early morning summer humidity awaited the dawn, a platoon of AMERICAL DIVISION Infantrymen of Company B 4th Battalion 21st Infantry, working with several ARVN soldiers, and reacting to an intelligence report, boarded iron birds, sailing out above the white sandy coast of the South China Sea, to be inserted into an unknown size force of enemy soldiers, believed to be hidden in huts three miles south of FSB Debbie. The predawn combat assault resulted in three VC KIA, and two AK-47 rifles.

"It was really beautiful", described Staff Sergeant Duncan Blair (Pasadena, California), "it was still dark as the birds lifted off over the blue sea, silhouetted by a full moon." The assault

went off perfectly as the Infantrymen jumped from the whirling iron to take cover behind hedgerows and huts.

"As I jumped from the chopper", explained Private First Class Steven Ashcraft (Dallas, Indiana), "the ARVN's had already killed two VC evading to a tunnel." The operation continued as the combined team swept through hooches and hedgerows in search of the enemy. "We then spotted another VC running for cover", continued Sergeant Dean Haberly (Bartlesville, Oklahoma), "but his efforts proved useless as one squad opened up on him."

"The short operation was over within two hours", concluded Specialist Four William Doncaster (Van Nuys, California), "and our first night C.A. proved quite successful. One thing for sure, it's getting pretty hot out there, and it should teach old Charley not to half-step with us early birds around.".....



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SHORT-TIMERS

LEAVING FROM 15-30 JUNE

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ALPHA

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CHARLEY

SP4 GARY DIXON (WICHITA, KANSAS)
SP4 SAMUEL HARRIS (TUCSON, ARIZONA)
SP4 STEPHEN FOWLER (BELLEVUE, WASHINGTON)
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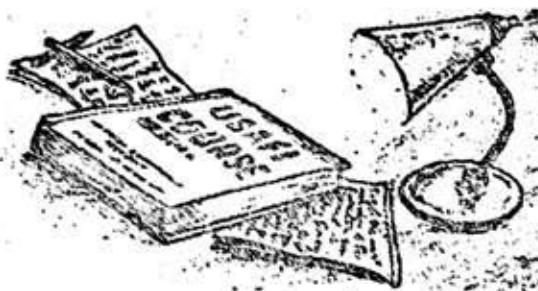
AN EDUCATION FOR ALL

WASHINGTON (AFPS)—Each year thousands of young men and women receive degrees from colleges and universities throughout the country. For a great deal of these students, the road to a college education began with a \$5 tuition fee. These students were the ones on active duty in the nation's armed forces.

Through the United States Armed Forces Institute, better known as USAFI, men and women on active duty in all branches of the armed forces are able to receive an education ranging from a high school diploma to post graduate study on their masters or doctorate degree from a designated university.

Most colleges and universities in the United States will give credits for USAFI courses successfully completed. The number of credits and subjects vary, depending upon the school and degree to which the student aspires.

Forty-seven colleges and universities cooperate in the USAFI



Correspondence program, offering more than 6,600 courses. Enrollment is through USAFI, after which the student corresponds directly with the university during the period of instruction.

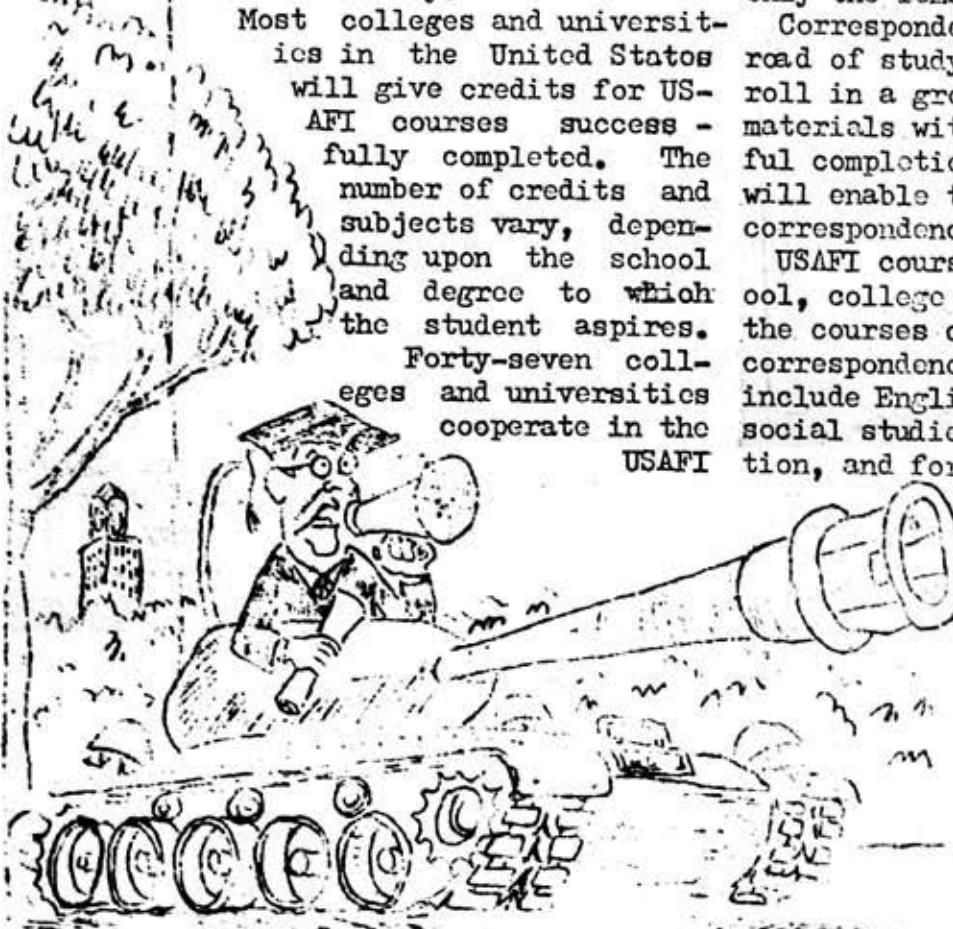
Expenses of the USAFI student are kept at a minimum. The student pays a \$5 fee for enrollment in his first course. He is eligible for additional USAFI courses and services at no additional cost, the only limitation being he may not be enrolled in more than two courses concurrently. For courses taken through cooperating colleges and universities, USAFI assumes the entire cost of the lesson service, and the student pays only the remaining cost of the course.

Correspondence courses are not the only road of study for the student. He may enroll in a group study class using USAFI materials without any fee at all. Successful completion of a group study class also will enable the USAFI student to enroll in correspondence courses without fee.

USAFI courses are divided into high school, college and technical levels. Most of the courses can be studied by either the correspondence or group study method. They include English, literature, mathematics, social studies, science, business education, and foreign language.

Basic and introductory courses at college level also are offered by the institute. These courses in-

(Con't on page four)



AS YOUR NAME IS
CALLED,
STEP FORWARD TO RECEIVE
YOUR DIPLOMA"

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clude the language arts, mathematics, social studies, psychology, science, business administration.

USAFI's technical courses give service personnel an opportunity to supplement their military training by learning principles and developing skills that may be applied in their military occupations. These courses also aid in preparing them for civilian vocations. On this level of study courses in aeronautics, auto-mechanics, building construction, applied arts, electronics and electricity, diesel engines, metal working, vocational math, radio and television, and technology are available.

To evaluate a USAFI student, four tests are available to measure reliably and accurately the degree to which the student has learned the material of the course.

They are:

--USAFI Achievement Tests II and III, which are designed to measure educational achievement at grade levels four through nine.

TO KNOW GOD
BY
CHAPLAIN CAPTAIN
JOHN WATTERSON

"Surely I am too stupid to be a man. I have not the understanding of a man. I have not learned wisdom, nor have I knowledge of the Holy One. Who has ascended to heaven and come down? Who has gathered the wind in his fists? Who has wrapped up the waters in a garment? Who has established all the ends of the earth? What is his name, and what is his son's name?"

Surely you know!" (Prov. 30:2-4)

The person who seeks but does not see thinks the prov's man know it all so easily. He passes from the finite to the infinite, from creation to a supreme being at once.

God is our absolute our all. Without him our great world is nothing. His existence is the meaning for our grand and painful existence.....

--USAFI Subject Standardized Tests, which are used to measure achievement in high school and college subject-matter and in USAFI Courses.

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Through the U.S. Armed Forces Institute every opportunity is given service men and women to develop themselves to the fullest of their capabilities and allow them to move into the most sought-after occupational levels--both military and civilian.....



ALERT POINTMAN WINS ACM

Throughout the entire AMERICAL AO the main hazard and threat to the American soldier is the booby trap. The men who walk the mountains and rice paddies must undergo extensive and continuing training in the detection of these deadly devices. For the men of the 4th Battalion 21st Infantry, the latter has recently been accomplished through on the job training (OJT), and if any doubt remains, ask a member of Company C, Specialist Four James Gottlob (Big Timber, Montana), who recently prevented possible casualties to his fellow Infantrymen by keenly observing a booby trapped 105 mm artillery round, while on a squad size patrol six miles north of here.

"I was leading our squad up a small hill", explained Gottlob, "when I simultaneously felt a trip wire at my ankles, and noticed the large metal round hidden in the brush." Gottlob continued, "my first thought was to let the guys know, and get the hell away."

Second Lieutenant Herbert Boutwell (Pensacola, Florida) described, "I told Jim to freeze, and Sergeant Timothy O'Donnell (Reading, Pennsylvania) and I carefully moved around the side to examine the deadly device, have it destroyed and continue our mission."

The individual who is most familiar with these deadly devices is the man who has lived in terrain infested with them. He is the man guiding his squad, platoon, or company through rugged hills, narrow paths, or thick brush. This is the "point-man", who is most vulnerable to the trip wire strung across the path or the metal-plated bamboo hidden in the trail awaiting the pressure of his foot to set off a casualty producing explosion.

The men placing their faith in the point-man leading them through the Southeast Asian terrain, express themselves in

such ways as Specialist Four Abid Quinones (Lares, Puerto Rico), who was walking directly behind Gottlob, "this was a very close call, and we're all very fortunate to be here". Specialist Gottlob will be awarded the Army Commendation Medal for the outstanding achievement.*****



EDITORIAL

A RESPONSIBILITY

O.K. It is time to face the facts. At any time in the past year or so, have you said something like this?

"Many today are just turning their backs on responsibility. They would rather leave, or even destroy, our American way of life, than help make it work."

If you have, then answer this question.

Have you applied for an absentee ballot so you can vote in your state's primary election?

Hopefully, you have, or are going to get, that ballot. After all, you wouldn't want to be guilty of turning your back on your responsibilities - and voting, while a right, is also one of our foremost responsibilities.

Furthermore, a serviceman or woman who is too lazy or too indifferent to vote is throwing away that precious right.

Don't disregard your right to have a voice in your government, whether it be at the federal, state, county or local level. Don't become so indifferent that you do not bother to vote.

Back up your talk about how others should be responsible citizens. Set the example. VOTE!! (AFPS)

NEW GI BILL INCREASED
EDUCATION BENEFITS



SEE FOR YOU!

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SP4 HARRY HARSHBARGER (FRANKFORT, IND.)
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DELTA

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SGT ALAN PETERSON (FORT DODGE, IOWA)

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SGT STEVEN DAVIS (CHICAGO, ILLINOIS)

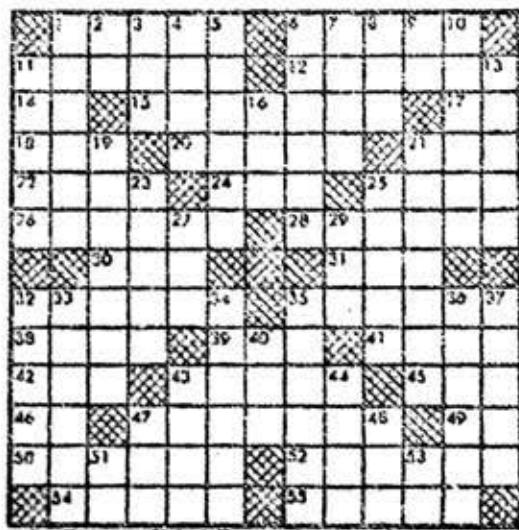
CROSSWORD PUZZLE

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ACROSS

1-Flax
6-Railroad station
11-Punctuation mark
12-Turkish decrees
14-Conjunction
15-Climbing devices
17-Latin conjunction
18-Doctrine
20-Crowd disorders
21-Indonesian tribesman
22-Underground part of plant
24-Before
25-Declare
26-Looks prettily
27-Puts off
30-Pair
31-Metal
32-Steeple
35-Rinse the throat
36-War god
39-Sailor (colloq.)
41-Lampreys
42-Deface
43-Stone cut in relief
45-Posed for portrait
46-Proposition
47-Felt short
49-Pronous
50-Lively
52-Intractable person
54-Ardent
55-Untidy persons

DOWN
1-Instruction
2-Connexion
3-Lubricate
4-Float in air
5-Swirling parts of streams
6-Followed food program



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(De Pue, Illinois), "the time consuming job is digging them up, bagging, and hauling them away." The Infantrymen feel they have become quite professionalized in the art, and have divided the task into several detailed jobs. "One man is the thumper, another does the digging, several do the bagging, while others haul away the bags, and of course others must pull security", explained Commanding Officer Captain David Franson (San Jose, California).

The GIMLET Infantrymen have considerably deleted a major food supply. Specialist Four Skip Bernard (Boston, Mass.) concluded by saying, "the enemy are going to be pretty surprised come supper time".....



GRUNT
OF THE WEEK