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## THREE AWARDED SILVER STAR

The Nation's third highest award for valor has been presented to three men of the 6th Battalion, 11th Artillery. 1Lt Roger Faust, 1Lt David McCoy and Sgt Loren Tope were awarded the Silver Star in two ceremonies recently on LZ Bronco.

Colonel Leslie B. Hardy, Division Artillery Commander, presented the Silver Star to the Field Artillery officers in colorful ceremonies on Arty Hill. A "Red Scarf" Honor Guard was present at the ceremonies, lending a touch of proud Artillery tradition to the occasion.

Colonel Jack Treadwell, former 11th Infantry Brigade Commander, presented the Silver Star to Sgt Loren Tope in private ceremonies in the new Brigade Tactical Operation Center.

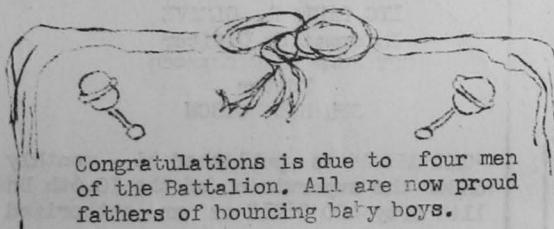
The three CANNONEERS were serving with forward observer parties at the time of their valorous actions.

## 68 PROMOTED TO E-4

The morale of the Battalion skyrocketed with the promotion of 68 men to the grade of E-4. The promotions were the first allocated E-4 promotions since April this year.

Selection for promotion to E-4 was based on time in grade and performance of duty. Selections were made by Battery Commanders and First Sergeants.

According to the S-1, more E-4 allocations are forthcoming. REMEMBER! Time in grade is important, but your appearance, attitude, and performance of duty are contributing factors to selection for promotion.



Congratulations is due to four men of the Battalion. All are now proud fathers of bouncing baby boys.

CPT JOHN F. MICHITSCH.....	HHSB
PFC ROBERT J. BAKER.....	BTRY C
SFC WILLIAM ROGERS JR.....	BTRY C
SGT TERRY CLAPP.....	HHSB

## COMMO CHIEF ADDS STRIPE

MSG John Francis was promoted to his present grade in ceremonies Wednesday in the office of the Battalion Commander. Colonel Leslie B. Hardy, Division Artillery Commander, and LTC Paul R. Gleave pinned the stripes on the Battalion Commo Chief.

The promotion was announced by Department of the Army through special orders dated 8 August 1969. Originally, the order stated that MSG Francis was to be Staff Sergeant Major, E-9 but the order was quickly changed to read Master Sergeant, E-8.

## "ROGER THAT" ON THE WAY OUT

"ROGER THAT," "THANK YOU MUCH" and other unprofessional phrases are gradually disappearing from the vocabulary of 6/11 personnel. The disappearance can be primarily attributed to the efforts of Cpt Tom Cox, Battalion Communications Officer.

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"One-four, this is one-eight! Give me Wilson Picket, ASAP. Over.....NO! Not the singer--the ammo. Over and Out."

## BTRY A JAS NEW CO

Cpt William Hoagland has assumed command of Battery A, 6th Battalion, 11th Artillery. The change of command took place in ceremonies recently on Landing Zone Debbie, home of the Alpha Cannoneers.

A graduate of the Military Academy, Cpt Hoagland was last assigned to the 3rd Battalion, 16th Artillery in Chu Lai, where he was an acting executive officer.

The 24-year-old Captain hails from Tenafly, New Jersey where his parents now reside.

Captain C. J. Miller, former Battery Commander, has assumed the position of LNO, 1st Battalion, 20th Infantry.

## BE WORD WISE!

THE 6TH BATTALION, 11TH ARTILLERY  
DOES NOT HAVE REACTIONARY FORCES.

WE DO HAVE REACTION FORCES!

LTC GLEAVE

## GED INFORMATION

The Army affords its members every opportunity for advancement. One of the best is education--through GED and college correspondence courses.

Now available through the 11th Infantry Brigade's Education Center, members of this Battalion may obtain the equivalent to a high school diploma. GED tests are given every two days--affording every individual ample opportunity for self-improvement.

Also available are college correspondence courses from some of the best colleges and universities in our country.

The Battalion S-1, Cpt Michitsch, has all the necessary information concerning both programs. The rest is up to you!

Education is the key to your future. Let the Army help you help yourself.

## QUOTABLE QUOTES

NOT ALL ARE PRIVILEGED TO BE FIELD ARTILLERYMEN.

LTC T. W. DUNN-USA

UNFAMILIAR DA  
SOMETHING KILLIN'  
TAKE YOUR PILLS

CHAPLAIN'S

CORNER

CHAPLAIN (MAJ) WOOD

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I once read this question. "What on earth are you doing, for Heaven's sake? To H-O-N-E-S-T-L-Y answer that question is important. What are we doing?!

This world could be helped if every Christian did do something for Heaven's sake, or for the glory of God. How do we start? Right where you are----doing what you know is right. God will direct us from that point on.

Remember our Bible Study Wednesday nights at 1930 hours at the Arty Hill Chapel.

## "ROGER THAT" (CONT)

Several weeks ago, Cpt Cox initiated a program to improve the Battalion's communications procedures by emphasizing the need for standardized procedures.

The program stresses the importance of eliminating "home-made" and slang phrases too often used in radio and telephone procedures.

To generate enthusiasm in the program, LTC Paul R. Gleave, Battalion Commander, and Cpt Cox designed an engraved plaque to be awarded to the battery practicing the best communications procedures during each month.

The plaque will be presented monthly to the winning battery by LTC Gleave. The battery winning the plaque most often during the next six months will be given the award permanently.

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