

# Always First Battalion Tribune

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## BATTALION NEWS

### WEEKLY SUMMARY

Action in the 3d Battalion, 1st Infantry area of operations was on the upswing during the last two weeks. Most of the action centered around the mountainous regions west and south of LZ 4-11. Delta Company is now on the hill for a ten-day stand.

January 7

Charlie Company while on a sweep mission detained 17 people and had them evacuated to Tu My Resettlement Village.

January 9

An abandoned church was found by Charlie Company. The inside of the church had been used as a classroom. Drawings of helicopters and weapons were found on the walls of the structure. Later in the day artillery was called in by Company C to engage 3 sampans crossing a river. Warlords checked the area out and confirmed one VC KIA.

January 11

Company C detained two military aged males and sent them to the rear area for questioning.

January 12

While in their night lagger Bravo Company received small arms fire. The following morning an element went out to check out the area and discovered one NVA KIA. Recon platoon got in on the action as they ambushed 4 to 6 VC. One VC was killed and two weapons were captured in the brief skirmish. A number of blood trails were found leaving the scene.

January 14

Alfa Company ended their stay on the hill and were combat assaulted into a hot LZ. During the battle heavy fire was exchanged. Warlords and airstrikes were called into the area to silence the enemy. Five NVA were killed during the battle. Artillery support was used and accounted for an NVA kill. Bravo Company was called upon to give added support to Alfa Company.

January 15

Bravo and Alfa Companies combed the area of contact. Company B killed two NVA on a sweep through the area. Alfa Company found the bodies of two NVA who had been killed by an airstrike on the area. Three RPG rounds and an AK-47 were discovered with 300 rounds of ammo.

July 16

Company B, continuing to sweep the area, added two more kills to their total. A cave containing medical supplies and other items was also found.

January 17

The Warlords working with Alfa and Bravo Companies accounted for 6 NVA kills.

January 19

The recon platoon engaged a VC crossing a river and killed him.

January 20

Chargin' Charlie, working in a mountain valley came across a basecamp. One NVA was killed fleeing from the scene. A thorough search of the area uncovered a number of weapons and ammunition. Four weapons were found in several caves dotting the area. In addition 46 82mm mortar rounds, 10 RPG projectiles, 2 cases of small arms ammunition, a 30 pound anti-personnel mine, a Chicom generator, and an RPG-7 sight were uncovered.

### SAFETY CORNER

#### Care of Ammunition

In order for your weapon to function properly, special attention should be given to your ammunition. Old and rusty ammunition will start a buildup and will cause a weapon to quit working for you. Dirt, sand and mud will also cause the weapons to malfunction. Any ammunition that is found to be faulty should be disposed of.

1Lt Robert Lichtneer ("Abylon, N.Y.) becomes a platoon leader with Alfa Company.

2Lt Michael Verdun (Alexandria, Va.) joins Alfa Company as a platoon leader.

2Lt Stephen Bacon (Riverdale, N.Y.) has become a platoon leader with Company C.

Delta Company has a new platoon leader with 2Lt Freeman Harrison (Brooklyn, N.Y.).

CW3 William Tomford (Lone Prairie, Minn.) has joined UHC and will be in charge of the motor pool.

Three new EM's have come to UHC.

PFC Lawrence Finch (LaGrange, Ind.)

PFC George Ambrose (Union City, N.J.)

PFC Kevin Forstal (Palatine, Ill.)

Five more soldiers have come to Company A.

SGT William Olson (Chicago, Ill.)

SGT John McCormick (Lincoln, Nebr.)

SGT David Walters (Montgomery, Minn.)

CPL Eddie Fejerang (Dededo, Guam)

PFC Elton Johnson (Gramercy, La.)

Bravo Company took in three replacements. SGT Claude B. Jarrett Jr. (Goodlettsville, Tenn.)

PFC Edward Cherven (Chicago, Ill.)

PFC Dwight McKinney Jr. (Saginaw, Mich.)

Chargin' Charlie added ten men to their ranks.

PFC Jose Hernandez

PFC Kenneth Perry (Oroville, Calif.)

PFC Van Zinner (Louisville, Ky.)

PFC Edward Pyritz (San Manuel, Ariz.)

PFC Wesley Misemer (Jamestown, N.D.)

PFC Preston Bryan (Century, Fla.)

PFC Robert Matz (Wicksburg, N.Y.)

PFC Jimmy Gonne (Ortonville, Mich.)

PFC David Zafaranda (Detroit, Mich.)

PFC Robert Goertz (New Orleans, La.)

Echo Company got two new NCO's.

SGT Anthony Strickland (Macon, Ga.)

SGT Samuel Hutzler (Houston, Texas)

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### Command Information

### ADDITIONAL EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

#### FORECAST

Washington (AFPS) Educational opportunities for active duty personnel as well as for those leaving the service will gain added importance in the 1970's, predicts Dr. Nathan Brodsky, director for Education Programs and Management Training.

For those on active duty as well as for veterans and retirees, educational opportunities will increase, he said, "as the word spreads in the academic community about the success of servicemen in various educational programs, and as admissions policies and educational programs are designed to more clearly meet the needs of the servicemen."

Judging from the amount of correspondence the education office receives from colleges and universities, Dr. Brodsky believes an increasing number of institutions are eager to provide for the individual educational needs of servicemen. He noted the special consideration servicemen receive at Emory University, Atlanta, Ga.

The school allows veterans to enter at times other than the fall quarter, gives them priority on financial aid, and allows certain admission requirements to be completed after a veteran has begun study.

The school also cuts red tape to a minimum so veterans may make the transition from service to school as early as possible.

Dr. Brodsky also cites a survey conducted this summer by the Commission on Accreditation of Service Experiences as evidence colleges and universities are providing recognition of educational experiences while in the service.

Questionnaires were sent to 2,213 institutions of higher learning. A total of 1,968 colleges and universities responded - 1,260 were senior colleges and 708 were junior or community colleges.

Nearly 91 per cent of institutions with established policies accept satisfactory GED test scores as evidence of ability to undertake college work in determining admission of adults who have not graduated from high school. The survey also reveals that 80 percent of institutions with established policies permit the granting of credit for successful completion of United States Armed Forces Institute courses. Approximately 73 per cent of institutions with established policies grant credit to veteran students for formal service school training programs on the basis of evaluations made by the Commission on Accreditation.

"From these percentages," Dr. Brodsky said, "it is apparent that the educational opportunities available to veterans are increasing."

EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES Cont.

BITS OF HISTORY

sky said, "we can see that a military man today faces a better chance of receiving recognition for his educational experiences in the service than did the World War II or Korea serviceman."

Dr. Brodsky feels commanders should seek ways of creating a favorable environment for continuing education. "They should become thoroughly familiar with the assistance which is available to them to provide a wide range of educational opportunities for their personnel."

This should include, Dr. Brodsky adds, insuring that education officers provide a "dynamic counseling and educational program" and that all personnel are made aware of the programs and are encouraged to participate.

On December 29, 1967 a motor scooter was received by S-1 to carry morning reports and strength reports up to brigade headquarters. Unfortunately to date the disposition of the scooter is unknown.



## CROSSWORD PUZZLE

ACROSS

1-Kneek	5-Rages
4-Mountain	6-Superlative
nymph	ending
9-Prefix: three	7-Conjunction
12-Goddess of	8-Gives up hope
healing	9-Unit
13-Out of date	10-Hurried
14-Possesses	11-Suffix:
15-Three-pronged	adherent of
spear	16-Lairs
17-Chore	18-Temporary
19-Opening	shelter
20-Unlock	20-Heraldic device
21-Reach across	21-Masts
23-Choke	22-Heathen
27-Fall guy	24-Claw
(slang)	25-Jumps
29-Landed	26-Long-legged
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(abbr.)	28-Baby horse
31-Mature	29-Man's name
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34-Equality	1
35-Sun god	2
36-Edible	3
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39-Scoffing	
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43-Soapstone	
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52-Memoranda	
54-Man's name	
55-Greek letter	

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## DID YOU KNOW,

The 91st Congress began its second session and the Senate went right to work into the issue of the 20 billion dollar bill for health and education. President Nixon has promised to veto the measure as wasteful and inflationary. Senate Democratic Majority Leader Mike Mansfield has called for a vote on the appropriation early next week. Democratic leaders in both houses have promised a fight to override the anticipated veto.

The Federal Aviation Administration has given final approval to the "Jumbo" jet, the Boeing 747. The huge jet has begun commercial service between New York and London.

President Nixon has launched his second effort to fill the vacancy in the Supreme Court as he nominated U.S. Appeals Judge Harry Coswell of Florida. The judge was described as a moderate conservative.

The Supreme Court said action against any draft registrant delinquent because of violation of selective service regulations must come in court. The court ruled 6-3 for a young man who claimed his board acted illegally when it classified him 1-A and ordered immediate induction. He said the action came because he turned in his draft card during an anti-war demonstration. The court said the draft law does not give local boards the right to take such action to punish registrants.

When the Sino-Soviet talks began last November both sides were hopeful direct negotiations would lead to settlements at least of their border disputes, if not their ideological differences. But the conflict appears to have grown more serious than before the Peking talks began. The Soviet Union offered some border concessions, but did not meet Red China's demand to withdraw its troops from the disputed border areas. The talks may be kept open as a mere formality to avoid an open break, but are unlikely to lead to a settlement.

Under Secretary of State Eliot Richardson has stated again the administration's opposition to any unilateral redeployment of U.S. troops from Europe. He said American presence in Europe is taken as tangible evidence of our commitment. He also said that the U.S. redeployment would weaken NATO's conventional defenses so that nuclear weapons would be used more quickly in an emergency.

## GAZING AT SPORTS,

A fourth quarter rally by the West gave them a 16-13 win over the East in the 20th annual National Football League Pro Bowl game. The winning play was a 28-yard pass from Roman Gabriel to Carroll Dale. The East had a 10-0 lead before the favored West was able to get on the scoreboard.

The West triumphed in the AFL Pro Bowl with a 26-3 verdict over the East. San Diego's quarterback, John Hadl, was voted the outstanding player of the game. He completed 18 of 26 passes for 224 yards.

Joe Frazier and Jimmy Ellis will meet in New York's Madison Square Garden on February 16 for the disputed heavyweight boxing title.

The New York Rangers continue to lead the National Hockey League but the Boston Bruins have slimmed the margin to three points. In the western division the St. Louis Blues have a 14 point lead over the Minnesota North Stars.

The professional basketball world went through no major changes from the standings of last week. The Knicks lead the East by five games over the Bucks, while Atlanta leads Chicago by 5½ games. Jerry West leads the league in scoring with 1287 points.

The NBA leaders are:

	G	Pts	Ave.
West, LA	41	1287	31.4
Cunningham, Phil	47	1276	27.1
Alcindor, Milw	47	1258	26.8
Hayes, SD	45	1188	26.4
Robertson, Cinc	47	1204	25.6
Hudson, Atl	48	1191	24.8
Mullins, SF	46	1138	24.7
Rule, Seattle	45	1105	24.6
Fawkins, Phoenix	47	1088	23.1
Pavlicek, Bos	45	1037	23.0

On the collegiate basketball scene, the Bruins are now picked as the top team in one of the polls with Kentucky on top in the other. New Mexico State and Notre Dame are also winning their share of contests as they try for the national championship. Results of this week are:

Kentucky 68, Tennessee 52
Wake Forest 91, North Carolina 90
Pennsylvania 75, Massachusetts 65
Marquette 67, Southern Illinois 57
UCLA 94, Chicago-Loyola 72
Ohio U 88, Toledo 79
Illinois 75, Michigan 73
Ohio State 93, Northwestern 67
Kansas 64, Murray St. 62
Notre Dame 82, Duquesne 66
New Mexico St. 83, Hardin-Simmons 75
Washington 53, Oregon 46
Rice 86, Texas Tech 85
Nebraska 60, Colorado 58
Manhattan 60, Army 57
Holy Cross 104, Syracuse 89
St. Joseph's Pa. 90, Davidson 81