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BATTALION NEWS

On the Firing Line

Action in the 3d Bn, 1st Inf AO
July 20

Charley Company had an ambush
net one VC KIA and one M-2 carbine.

July 21

After their claymores had been
detonated during an ambush, Bravo
Company found they had one VC KIA,
parts of an M-16 rifle and one band-
olier of ammo.

Later that day, the recon pla-
toon detonated an ambush which re-
sulted in one VC KIA.

July 24

Recon platoon detained six males
of military age and three females.
All of the individuals were car-
rying packs. Confiscated in the
action were one hand frag, a por-
table radio with batteries and sev-
eral documents.

During the past two weeks, a re-
newed emphasis has been placed on a
quick-reaction reconnaissance tac-
tic known as Eagle Flight. Two
"Dolphin" utility ships carrying
fourteen riflemen search out an
area in "trouble-shooter" fashion.
Once contact is made or enemy per-
sonnel detected, the troops are
combat assaulted into the area.

Following an Eagle Flight on
26 July, the 2nd and 3rd platoons,
Bravo Company in conjunction with
an element of the Regional Forces
swept thru a village capturing three
VC and killing five others.

To Win Their Minds

July 20-22

Under the Voluntary Informant
Program, Charley Company bought 10-
105 mm rds, 1-155 mm rd., 2-81 mm
rds, 11-60 mm rds, 1-57 rr rd., and
2-Firecracker rds from a 105 mm rd.

July 25

A Hoi Chanh rallied to the Popu-
lar Forces' platoon stationed in the
Dien-Nien hamlet at the base of
OP 1. He stated that he thought his
family would have a better life un-
der government control and although
the VC have good propaganda, they do
nothing to aid the civilians.

July 27

Two medics from Bravo Company,
SP4 George Ambrose (N.Y.C., N.Y.)
and PFC Roland Phelps (N Ridgeville
Ohio), conducted a MEDCAP in which
59 children and adults were treated

July 29

The 2nd platoon medic from Char-
ley Company, PFC Clarence Mitchell
(Youngstown, Ohio) treated over
twenty children from the Dien-Nien
hamlet for minor injuries and in-
fections. Acting as a security
force, his element has been in the
area for several days and each
morning the medic finds numerous
children waiting for sick call.

Skilled with Their Hands

RFs CONSTRUCT DEFENSIVE BARRIER

Since 12 July two Regional Forces
companies, supervised by a squad of
engineers from C/26 and supported
by a company from 3/1, have been
making life a bit more secure for
over 1500 villagers of the Dien-
Nien hamlet. During that time, the
RFs constructed a defensive barrier
of concertina and barbed wire
around the hamlet. The perimeter
was further strengthened with the
addition of a bunker complex.

In their spare time, the RFs
erected a new school for the ville,
the last three school buildings
having been destroyed by the VC.
Small desks were made from empty
ammo boxes provided by FSB 4-11.

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SOLDIER OF THE WEEK

Captain Luyen, commander of the two RF companies, had some of the necessary school supplies on hand and was also willing to assign one of his sergeants as a temporary teacher. Thus, not only are the defenses of the ville being reinforced thru a coordinated effort on the part of U.S. and Vietnamese units but the minds and hearts of the people are being won in the process.

The soldier of the week in the battalion is SP4 Terrance R Fehrenback (Marshfield, Wis). He is from Bravo Company and works with the FDC in the weapons platoon.

During the past week he has accompanied LTC Roger A. Culbertson, battalion commander, and preformed as his RTO.

NEW PERSONNEL

HHC

SGT James C. Baynham (Southside, Tenn)

SP4 David Swist (F.A., Ma.)

PFC Ronald A. Felkamp (Frankfort, Ill)

PFC Kenneth C Helderlein (N Versailles, Pa)

PFC Larry A. King (Bellefontaing, Ohio)

PFC David L. Stephens (Montgomery, Ala.)

PV2 Thomas N. Thornton (Minden, La)

Company A

PFC Ronald J. Roberts (East Jordan Mich)

PV2 Ronnie J. Bristow (Burleson, Texas)

Company B

PFC Jerry L. Clark (Greencastle, Ind)

PFC Michael A. Eberwein (Roachdale Ind)

PFC Robert Fierro (Visalia, Calif)

PFC Jesse L. Kestler (Ontario, Ca)

PFC Thomas N. McVay (Campbellsville Ky)

PV2 Daniel E. Fuentes (L.A., Ca.)

Company C

PV2 Lionel J. Savoy (Beaumont, Texas)

Company D

PFC Steven B. Lucey (Sparks, Nev)

PFC Robert A. Thomasson (Livermore Ky)

DEROS TIME

HHC

1LT Owen G. Harding 1 Aug

SP5 David Merrill 2

SP5 Willie F. Wilson 12

1LT Mark O. Williams 15

Company A

SP4 William K. Harris 4

SP4 Manuel E. Strauch 6

SP4 David D. Abernathy 6

SP4 Donald W. Ayres 6

SP4 David E. Fillippelli 6

SP4 Jimmy D. Hines 6

SP4 Nichlos B. Riley 6

PFC Allyn P. Buff 6

SP4 Dennis J. Grafton 12

1LT Harold Rowland 14

SGT Samuel E. Rice 15

Company B

SP4 Richard B. Guertin 3

SP4 Leslie D. Porterfield 6

PFC Larry N. Kitchens 6

SP4 Donald R. Bean 8

1LT Gerard Allen 14

SP4 Dennis N. Hill 15

Company C

SGT Bobby E. Forman 4

PFC Gerald Raymond 4

SP4 Paul C. Brown 6

SP4 Leslie W. Jardine 6

SP4 John S. Ziler 6

SP4 Raymond Jennings 7

SFC Ernest M. Lau 8

1LT John E. Hillier 15

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LTC ROGER A. CULBERTSON, COMMANDING SP4 KENNETH B. PERRY, Editor

CROSSWORD PUZZLE

Answers on Page —

ACROSS

- 1-Likely
4-Conjunction
9-Greek letter
12-Meadow
13-Vegetable
14-Be ill
15-Sponsor
17-Encircled
19-Measure of weight
20-Foot lever
21-Barracuda
23-Pronoun
24-Urn
27-Rocky hill
28-Strike
29-Sheets of glass
30-Bone
31-Headgear
32-Pigeon pea
33-Football position (abbr.)

- 34-Man's name
36-Chicken
37-Time gone by
38-Pertaining to an era
39-Church bench
40-Walk
41-Part of step
43-Small bird
44-Fruit
46-Mensce
49-Anger
50-Macaw
52-Music: as written
53-Sailor (colloq.)
54-Unadorned
55-Number

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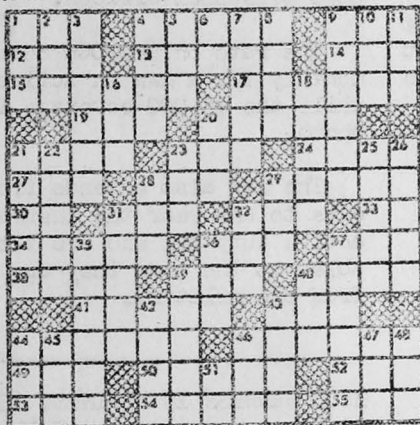
- 1-High mountain
2-Edible seed
3-Shred
4-Ancor

5-Hostelry

- 6-Symbol for nickel
7-Centers
8-Wife of Geraint
9-Style of coat
10-Masten
11-Ancient
16-Decay
18-Pertaining to the navy
20-Fruit seed
21-Retail establishment
22-Puzzle
23-Part of body
25-Kind of fabric
26-Bar legally
28-Possessives
29-Shallow vessel
31-Eyelashes
32-Condensed moisture
35-Collect

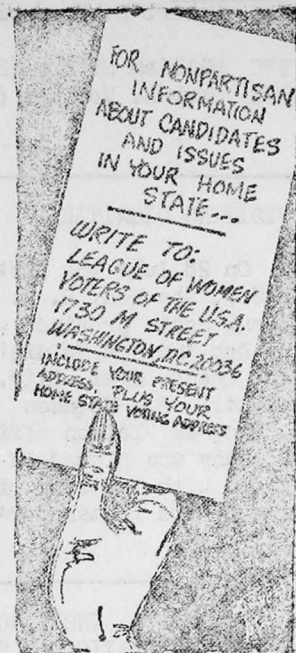
- 36-Pronoun
37-Bear
38-Witness to
39-Gem
40-Title of respect
42-Break suddenly
43-Conjunction

- 44-Thy amount
45-Macaw
46-Profus thro
47-Devoored
48-Sunburn
51-Cooled lava



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"SAD SACK"



SAT. GEORGE BAKER

New Personnel cont from page 2

Company E

SGT Robert R. Fredericks (Alhambra
Calif)
PFC William H. Hoy (Stewart, Nev.)
PFC Gary S. Voelker (Pittsburgh,
Pa.)

VISITING DIGNITARY

On 28 July the Australian Ambassador, the Hon. R. L. Harry, visited Quang Ngai province with stops at Mo Duc and Son Ha districts as well as Quang Ngai City. With 1LT Michael F. McQueen (Tampa, Fla.) acting as liaison officer, Charley Company was placed on standby alert along with a troop of Air Cav to insure the Ambassador's safety.

SERVICEMEN'S INSURANCE COVERAGE
RAISED AUTOMATICALLY TO \$15,000

(Washington--AFPS)--Service-
men's Group Life Insurance cover-
age for everybody in the armed
forces was automatically increased
from \$10,000 to \$15,000 by legis-
lation signed into law by Presi-
dent Nixon.

Servicemen on active duty will
pay \$3 a month for the \$15000 cov-
erage, while premiums for Reserv-
ists, Guardsmen and ROTC cadets will
be \$1.80 per year.

The coverage is effective for all
deaths occurring after midnight June
24, according to Veterans Administra-
tion Director Donald E. Johnson.

Deros Time cont from page 2

Company D

1LT Jimmie M. Shackelford 1 Aug
SSG Frederick J. Painter 2
SP4 Malcolm S. Azeka 4

Company E

SP4 Leland DeGrave 5
SP4 Randolph Venus 5
SP4 Frank Cross 12

Servicemen who want \$10000, \$5000
or no coverage at all will have to
say so in writing. Such requests, De-
fense officials said, may be made thru
unit personnel offices.

The rate on \$10,000 coverage is \$2
monthly for a man on active duty,
while the \$5,000 coverage is \$1 per
month.

The law also extends from 120
days to one year the insurance of
active duty men who are totally dis-
abled at the time they are separated
from the military.

MUCH MADNESS IS DIVINEST SENSE--

Emily Dickinson

Much madness is divinest sense
To a discerning eye;
Much sense the starkest madness.
'Tis the majority
In this, as all, prevails.
Assent, and you are sane;
Demur,--you're straightway dangerous,
And handled with a chain

"Insanity is the exception in indi-
viduals. In groups, parties, peoples
and times, it is the rule." Nietzsche

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