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Jim Buckle and Bill Dunphy will co-edit the Newsletter until Jim's term of office expires in June. Then Jim will head the News Staff.

***** **MONTHLY MEETING DATES** *****

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April 9, 1986

Executive Council 7:00 p.m.

Meeting 8:00 p.m.

AMERICAL MUSEUM FORT DEVENS

Armed Forces Day
 Sat. May 17, 1986
 11:00 a.m.

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NATIONAL CONVENTION
 Sat. June 7, 1986
 1:00 p.m.

HOW ABOUT BRINGING A BUDDY TO A MEETING ?

Vietnam Vets Network

By Ron Ward - Vietnam News Editor

Dear members;

The news media continues to carry front page stories on the POW-MIA issue. Recent statements by high ranking official of the Reagan administration concerning live sightings of American servicemen are giving us the most encouraging news so far. National Security Advisor, Robert McFarlane has raised as interesting point with his views that the United States would not object to any decision by Vietnam leading to the return of Americans believed held here if Hanoi did so saying that they had been deserters, not MIA. The Hanoi government also could possibly claim that MIAs had been held in remote jungle camps in Laos and Cambodia without official government knowledge. Basically, our government is providing them with an excuse to suddenly come up with some live Americans 10 years late. Lets all pray that the Vietnamese bite on this idea and set our men free. Meanwhile, lets all keep writing our elected officials and to the Vietnam Mission to the United Nations, 20 Waterside Plaza, New York, N.Y. 10020. I also need to thank the many members who have been sending me POW-MIA related newspaper clippings. Hope to see you all at the POW-MIA rally in Chicago on June 14th following the Vietnam vets parade.

Ron Ward

LETTERS TO THE VIETNAM EDITOR:**"REGULARS" DEFEAT VNA IN A VICIOUS FIGHT**

By SFC Snow L. Wilson
 With 1st Bn. Sixth Infantry

[YE NEN [2] DA NANG, Vietnam] Less than forty eight hours after it had been landed by helicopters from Chu Lai February 7, Lt Col William Baxley Jr.'s [West Palm Beach, Fla.] First Battalion, Sixth Infantry, 198th Infantry Brigade, was counting it's confirmed NVA and Viet Cong kill in the hundreds.

Action was so heavy during the first 24 hours that one company [C Company] was left without officers and another with a 20 year-old lieutenant in command. [A Company] The enemy body count had reached almost 160 and the total after 48 hours reached 240.

Landing in the early evening some elements were barely on the ground before they were engaged with the enemy.

The battalion was called in as a part support of the 1st Marine Division's Task Force Miracle to stop a determined NVA and Viet Cong attack on the Da Nang complex.

Heroism was common in these first few hours. Perhaps the most spectacular were the men of Capt. Francis Brennan's [Arlington, Mass.] Company A who killed more than 150 NVA and hardcore Viet Cong in a fierce hand to hand battle that raged for three hours across a 500 yard rice paddy with in the sight of Da Nang Air Field.

By late afternoon of the first day, February 8, howitzers of the 198th's Battery D 1st Bn. 14th Artillery, had joined the battalion and were hurling shell after shell in enemy positions.

The battery commanded by Captain Elvis Farrow [Shidler, Okla.] had been lifted by CH-47 "CHIN-LOOK" helicopters from Chu Lai that day.

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The "REGULARS" Con't

As each company of his battalion arrived at the 2nd Bn., 3rd Marines' base camp about 6,000 meters south of Da Nang and headquarters of the 1st Marine Division's newly formed Task Force Miracle, Baxley moved them out in the darkness to blocking positions in the north and southeast.

Although unknown at the time, Brennan's Company A and Capt. Max Bradley's [Athens, Ga.] Company C were moving straight into the middle of an enemy battalion. [Intelligence later estimated the unit was 60 to 70 percent VNA soldiers.]

As the helicopters arrived, Marines led the 198th soldiers to assembly areas with a minimum of delay. So anxious were the Marines to help that one jumped on a truck carrying men of Capt. Dan Prather's [Dimmitt, Tex.] Company B to its attack position the following day. The young marine had fought in Company B's toughest battles for a day and a half before he obeyed a direct order to return to his unit.

Action started for the "Regulars" [a name won by the Sixth Infantry in the War of 1812] when a small Marine outpost at Lo Giang, just across the river from Da Nang, was hit at 3:45 a.m. by mortar fire. By 5:30 a.m. the Marines had taken about 25 mortar rounds and saw 20 to 25 enemy in OD uniforms moving to the northeast toward Company A's position.

Brennan started moving his men at first light from his position near a hamlet called Thon Giang to a blocking position at Lo Giang [1]. In the meantime Bradley was moving his company from Miou Dong [1] on a northeast swoop to Brennan's new position. As they began to move both companies started to immediately receive enemy fire.

While crossing a swamp at 9:40 a.m., just west of Quang Chau [2], Bradley's force suddenly came under intense fire from an enemy force of an unknown size. With his forward elements pinned down in the open, Bradley called for helicopter gunships. Although an enemy 50 caliber machine gun swept the skies for them, the gunship dived in firing their rockets and mini-guns at Viet Cong positions, allowing Company C's pinned down platoon to escape.

The enemy ground fire, however, continued with such intensity that Bradley's company could still not move forward.

At 11:30 a.m. Company A was moving toward the village of Lo Giang [1] when it was hit by heavy automatic weapons fire from that hamlet and another called Co Man. As the men started to deploy south of Thon Giang hamlet, the Marines at Lo Giang radioed they were surrounded by 200 to 300 enemy.

Continuing on toward the cluster of huts, Company A found itself again under heavy fire shortly after noon. An enemy mortar then opened up from the village at 12:40 and a few minutes later Brennan pulled his company back to get out of range. Rockets and intense small arms fire then started hitting Company A from enemy positions southwest of Thon Giang.

By now Brennan, who won a Silver Star on a previous combat tour in Vietnam, knew he had a battle.

Pinning them down by flanking fire in the middle of a huge rice paddy, the estimated Viet Cong battalion came charging out of the hamlet of Lo Giang [1].

In human waves the black-pajamed and brown-uniformed NVA and Viet Cong swept forward as machine gunners, riflemen and grenadiers of Company A met them with a hail of death. So determined was the enemy attack that its momentum carried it into the company positions. Hundreds of fierce isolated hand to hand battles swirled through the rice field as Brennan's men fought for their lives in individual combat.

A thousand yards to the southwest, Company C was getting hit by mortars as it moved forward to help Company A.

Prather's Company B, followed by the 2nd Bn., 3rd Marines' Company G was on the trucks.

On Prather's north, Brennan's company was in a life and death struggle and at 1:30 p.m. the young captain himself was hit. Somehow they [Companies A & B] managed to keep contact with each other as they fought in mud sometimes waist deep in the paddy.

By 2:00 p.m. Brennan's radio was calling for gunships and a dust-off [medical evacuation helicopter] for the wounded.

Getting his men and wounded back to what protection a Vietnamese graveyard afforded, the seriously wounded Company A commander radioed his unit could count 78 NVA bodies -- but two more companies of enemy were now moving to his south.

Gunships arrived just in time over his position to blast the enemy ranks with rockets and mini-guns and Air Force fighter bombers swept in firing 20 millimeter cannons as they dive-bombed.

To the south, Bradley's Company C was still under an intense mortar attack. His officers continued to command their platoons despite serious wounds.

Prather, of Company B, and the Marines of Company G, 2nd Bn., 3rd Marines, now started their sweep to link up with Company C. Their two companies were receiving small arms fire.

The combination of heroism by Brennan's men in their fantastic stand against outrageous odds, helicopter gunships braving fierce anti-aircraft fire and pin-point accuracy of Air Force jets, finally turned the tide for Company A. Sporadic fire from enemy weapons continued to hit the company for another hour, but by then 152 NVA and VC lay dead on the battlefield. Enough weapons were left strewn about the rice paddy to outfit a company.

Mortar rounds continued to hit Company C and Bradley moved his men to a safer position as an Air Force air strike and helicopter gunships came in to knock out the enemy weapons.

At 3:30 p.m. Company B came into range of the enemy mortars and were hit by small arms fire. Prather's mortarmen soon silenced the enemy crew with continuous counter-mortar fire. But not before Bradley radioed he had been wounded and no officers were left uninjured in Company C.

The hard fighting "Regulars" were too much for the now decimated NVA and Viet Cong battalion. As it attempted to escape encirclement in the late afternoon, Baxley flew Capt. John Hurtado [Sanger, Calif.] his intelligence officer, out to take command of Company C and ordered the evacuation of Capt. Bradley.

The "REGULARS" Conclusion

Now admitting the seriousness of his wound, but knowing his company was still able to fight, Brennan turned his command over to 2nd Lt. William B. Wendover [Orange, Calif.] a 20 year old platoon leader, described as a natural leader, immature far beyond his years.

With most of the "medevac" helicopters desperately carrying the battalion more seriously wounded from the battlefield within sight of Da Nang. Those who could walk began straggling into the Marine's base camp. It was not until late in the night an accurate count of those killed, wounded or missing could be made.

By morning for all reasons and purposes, the battle was over. All that was left was to secure the area.

As the day wore on, mounds of enemy equipment was collected, the enemy dead counted and an estimate made of how the enemy force had been smashed

Far to the south, at the 198th's base camp, word of the ferocious battle reached several of the "Regulars" about to depart on R&R. Tearing up their orders they rushed back to catch the first helicopter going north to where their battalion needed every man it could get. And one sergeant, supposed to be in Chu Lai shepherding replacements through their processing suddenly appeared at the battalion's advanced position near Da Nang. He didn't say how he got there -- and no one asked him.

[John Laurie questions this last paragraph.]

About the author: SFC Wilson is a member of the 198th Light Infantry Brigade Information Office. His foregoing battle account is published and distributed to "Brave and Bold" soldiers to call attention and recognition to "TheRegulars" outstanding combat performance in the face of a well-armed enemy. The men of the FIRST BATTALION, SIXTH INFANTRY have proven themselves as "BRAVE AND BOLD."

This article was submitted by John Laurie a member of Company B Sixth Infantry, 198th Light Infantry Brigade.

The Vietnam Editor has received word again from our mutual friend out in Fremont, California, Mike (Ranger) Maier. Mike informs us that thanks to a past article about his work with the "Mini Wall", he was contacted by a friend he had served with in 'Nam. Mike, as well as many other 'Nam vets who write to the newsletter, had expressed interest in locating old friends. This was the first contact Mike has made and naturally he was very happy. I hope that was only the first of many more in the future. If there are any other members out there who have been helped in this manner by the newsletter, I ask that they let the Vietnam Editor know.

Readers will recall past articles about the "Mini Wall" that has been touring the country, mostly in the Western states. Mike Maier has sent a schedule of the confirmed display locations for 1986.

March 2-9 Stanford, California
March 21-31 Santa Rosa, California
April 5 Houston, Texas
April 8-20 Atlanta, Georgia

April 24-May 9 Hot Springs, Arkansas
May 9-19 Wilkes Barre, Pennsylvania
May 24-31 Kearney, Nebraska
June 7-20 Chicago, Illinois
June 30-July 6 San Antonio, Texas
July 12-19 Ft. Wayne, Indiana
July 22-29 Ashtabula, Ohio
August 5-12 Las Vegas, Nevada
August 14-21 San Jose, California
August 28-
September 2 Hollister, California
September 12-21 Denver, Colorado
October 25-
November 3 City of Commerce, California
November 8-16 Thousand Oaks, California

I urge all 'Nam vets to visit one of these showings this year. Myself, I plan on being in Chicago on the indicated days. Stop by and say "Hi".

Chicago will be the scene of a four-day event honoring 'Nam vets on June 12-15. The highlight will be a ticker tape parade on Friday, June 13. I have been promised by Commander Buckle that the Division's flag is being made available for the parade, so let's have a good showing of "Star Soldiers" to march with our colors. Mike Standerfer and I (no one will forget his march from Florida to the Alamo in support of the POW, MIA's) will both be in town trying to get men from the Americal organized. For those of you who were unable to make "Salute 1 & 2" in Washington, this will be a terrific chance to enjoy the company of many thousands of Vietnam vets. Watch the newsletter for updates and do some spreading of the word yourself. I have some informational leaflets that are too lengthy to print here, but I will send one to any member who requests one.

Dear Members;

Many Americans are probably unaware that approximately 10,000 women served in Vietnam. Recently I have been made aware of an organization that has been formed to honor these women. The Vietnam Womens Memorial Project Inc., is seeking funds to erect a statue similar to our own "Three Fighting Men" in the proximity of the Vietnam Memorial. I have seen a photo of the proposed statue. It consists of a lifelike bronze figure of a military nurse, dressed in jungle fatigues, stethoscope around her neck and holding a "steel pot" in her hands. Information from the project organizers states that the projected goal is to raise \$1,000,000 and so far a sum of \$40,000 has been attained. Anyone wishing to provide a donation of cash or personal service to the project, may reach them at the below address. We already have our moment so how about giving them some support?

The Vietnam Womens Memorial Project,
511 11th Avenue South
Minneapolis, Minnesota
55415

HAVE YOU SIGNED UP
A NEW MEMBER
THIS MONTH?

Mr. Ron Ward

Re: POW-MIA RUN FOR FREEDOM

About the walk, I would like to say that we not only walked to the Alamo, but that on November 11th, the POW-MIA flag did fly over the Alamo. This is the only flag to be so honored in 250 years. It was then moved to the site of the "soon to be built" Vietnam Veterans park in San Antonio, Texas.

Also, while on the walk, we gave talks almost every night at different veterans groups, American Legion, V.F.W.'s, D.A.V.'s and Vietnam

Vet centers. We did a blood drive at one V.F.W. and a membership drive at an American Legion. In addition, we showed a 23 minute documentary on the POW-MIA issue produced by the National League of Families. We also did radio talk shows, newspaper interviews and a lot of T.V. interviews, all to get our message across. We attended the American Legion Convention in New Orleans and pushed the issue there. We stopped at several V.A. hospitals and visited the sick and disabled. We outran two hurricanes, one of them twice, then fought temperatures that felt like 100 degrees plus. The word "road kill" took on a new meaning. We walked as much as 40 miles a day carrying our 55lb. Army issue ruck sacks [once a grunt, always a grunt]. Our physical conditions deteriorated somewhat, but our spirits were kept up by the special people we met, 2 of which were Mike Martin and Tim Holiday. These 2 men are singers and song writers that have played at such places as "The Wall" for Salute II, and the Intrepid during the New York City parade. Two of their songs "Who are the names on the Wall" and "I ain't here alone" are really wonderful and I hope that you can hear them someday. Tim Holiday was a Navy medic and Michael Martin was in the 11th Brigade, Americal '68 and '69., and yes, we did a lot of remembering back when. As part of the walk that Bill and I started, Michael and Tim led a group of Nam Vets and supporters 300 miles from Dallas to San Antonio. While on their walk, they met General Westmoreland and were in "Time Magazine". They also gave concerts and kept a firelight vigil for POW-MIA's going every night. Please call me at home as there is so much to be covered on this that I don't have space for now.

Anne, my wife, said that the president of our Americal Association has offered to help with expenses of the walk. That is appreciated, but not necessary. We are by no means rich, but we did not expect to break even on this effort. We both felt that this was something that needed to be done and were willing to make a sacrifice. Please thank him for the both of us.

Thanks must also go to my wife for her work and support on behalf of the walk. We tried to raise funds, but most of the money came from both of our families along with vet groups and friends in our area. Another person who should be thanked is my mother, Lois Dunn. She would call ahead to veteran groups and let them know we were on our way. A couple of times when we had long jumps ahead of us, a vet group would run our packs ahead of us. This helped a lot. Several vet groups put us up at a local hotel and some bought our meals. The La Quinta Motor Inns gave us free rooms in any town that had one of their motels. They also put us up for 5 days while in New Orleans and 10 days while in San Antonio. In addition to that, they also gave rooms to Mike Martin

and Tim Holiday when they were in San Antonio on November 11th. As you can see, a lot of credit goes to many, many people.

The walk took us two months to complete, from Aug. 3rd to Oct. 3rd and was quite an experience. I hope we did some good. As soon as I get caught up on a backlog of mail and get my office straightened out, I'll look at what I can do next.

In Brotherhood,

Mike

G.I.'S AREN'T FONDA JANE.

Ed note; Mike Standerfer and Bill Calahan walked 1,300 miles from Florida to the Alamo in San Antonio, Texas to draw attention to about 2,500 people whose fate on Vietnam still is unknown.

Mike is a decorated veteran of the Americal Division.

CAN ANYONE HELP THIS MAN MAKE CONTACT?

Dear members;

I'm sure that we have a lot of men out there who served with 1/46 Infantry in '67 - '68. We've had a request from one of your own who would like to contact old friends. In Nam his buddies called him the "Mexican Audie Murphy" - who could forget a handle like that. His real name is Rudy Alaniz, formerly with the 3rd Platoon, D Company 1/46 Infantry, 198th Light Infantry Brigade. Rudy started out as a pointman and a tunnel rat, [no wonder they called him Audie Murphy later was a weapons squad leader, and finished out his tour as platoon Sgt. He's looking for the men who survived the big company ambush around Tien Phuoc in Oct. '68. They lost around thirty men on that one and then were unlucky enough to be hit by lightning a week later, resulting in 2 dead and 7 injured. If anyone recalls Rudy or these events, contact him;

Rudy Alaniz

Walla Walla, Washington
99362

Dear Members;

Some of you may recall from a past issue of the newsletter the work being done by Larry Horn with his non-profit Vietnam Veterans Registry. The Registry is a totally free service to all Nam vets. There are no dues and no membership, the main purpose being to assist vets in locating other vets. Access to the names and addresses on file is strictly limited to those vets that have registered. If all goes as planned, Larry plans to begin processing inquiries in two years eventually handling 1,000,000 registration forms over a five year period. The response has been great, increasing over 300% in just the first few weeks of this year. Naturally, this has placed a burden on his family budget as only 10% of the cost has been offset by donations. Larry asks that anyone knowing of a group that would like to help sponsor the Registry please get in touch with him. Meanwhile if you haven't already registered, do so. Don't forget, it's free. The address is Vietnam Veterans Registry Inc. Bridgeton, Maine 04009

Dear Bill;

I've written to Jim Gleckler, sent him a newsletter and told him that I enjoyed his book, I served in Nam at the same time as him - same areatoo. 1968 was a bad time for the division - very heavy fighting with many casualties and individual acts of bravery but the only guy getting any recognition that year was that crazy guy Lt. Calley at Me Lai. I thought it was very unselfish for Jim to mention on several occasions in his book how rough the infantryman's job was. It definately wasn't a picnic but the Artillery LZ's weren't R&R areas. Most of those hilltops they occupied were no more than a modern "Alamo" that could be overrun by the NVA whenever they wanted to. Needless to say, every rifle company was saved many times by our artillery support. My hat's off to Jim on his book It was excellent!

Ron Ward

Note; The Book mentioned is REDLEG and can be purchased by sending \$3.95 to ; James Gleckler [redacted] Stillwater, Ok. 74075 Jim is a member of the Americal Division Veterans Association and served with A Battery 3/16 Artillery in Vietnam

This is the third in a series of Medal of Honor recipients.

Dunagan, Kern W.

Rank and organization: Major, U.S. Army, 1st Battalion, 46 Infantry, Americal Division. Place and date: Quang Tin Province, Republic of Vietnam, 13 May 1969. Entered service at: Los Angeles, California. Born: 20 February 1934, Superior, Arizona. Citation: for conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity in action at the risk of his life above and beyond the call of duty. Maj. (then Capt.) Dunagan distinguished himself during the period May 13 and 14, 1969, while serving as commanding officer, Company A. On May 13, 1969, Maj. Dunagan was leading an attack to relieve pressure on the battalion's forward support base when his company came under intense fire from a well-entrenched enemy battalion. Despite continuous hostile fire from a numerically superior force, Maj. Dunagan repeatedly and fearlessly exposed himself in order to locate enemy positions, direct friendly supporting artillery, and position the men of his company. In the early evening, while directing an element of his unit into perimeter guard, he was seriously wounded during an enemy mortar attack, but refused to leave the battlefield and continued to supervise the evacuation of dead and wounded and to lead his command in the difficult task of disengaging from an aggressive enemy. In spite of painful wounds and extreme fatigue, Maj. Dunagan risked heavy fire on two occasions to rescue critically wounded men. He was again seriously wounded. Undaunted, he continued to display outstanding courage, professional competence, and leadership and successfully extricated his command from its untenable position on the evening of May 14. Having maneuvered his command into contact with an adjacent friendly unit, he learned that a six-man party from his company was under fire and had not reached the new perimeter. Maj. Dunagan unhesitatingly went back and searched for his men. Finding one soldier critically wounded, Maj. Dunagan, ignoring his own wounds, lifted the man to his shoulders and carried him to the comparative safety of the friendly perimeter. Before permitting himself to be evacuated, he insured all of his wounded received emergency treatment and were removed from the area. Throughout the engagement, Maj. Dunagan's actions gave great inspiration to his men and were directly responsible for saving the lives of many of his fellow soldiers. Maj. Dunagan's extraordinary heroism above and beyond the call of duty, are in the highest traditions of the U.S. Army and reflect great credit on him, his unit, and the U.S. Army.

CHICAGO VIETNAM VETERANS PARADE COMMITTEE

Dear Friend:

Our plans for the "Welcome Home" Parade and related festivities that we expect to stage June 12-14 in Chicago are indeed ambitious. We want this to be the best event of its kind ever to take place in this city or any other. Those of us who are fortunate enough to have attended Salute I or II in Washington, D.C. or last May's parade in New York, know the scale of our undertaking, as well as the tremendous amount of healing that we expect to take place.

WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT TO MAKE THIS THING WORK!

Historically, all of our memorials, both at the state and national level, have been financed by the small individual contributor. Again, we must go back to that source of support, the individual veteran, and the family, friends, and supporter of that veteran, to pay the freight.

Please consider a generous donation to help make our celebration a success, and keep in mind that we may well never meet in such numbers again. Let's make this the biggest and best "Welcome Home" event ever!

See you in June,

Larry Langowski
Fund-Raising Chairman, CVVPC

Important Notice!!
To All Members!
Check your membership card now are your dues paid?

Chicago Vietnam Veterans Parade Committee
P.O. Box 557580, Chicago, Illinois, 60655

Enclosed is my contribution of:

___\$10 ___\$15 ___\$20 ___\$25 ___\$50 ___Other \$___

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Letters to the Editor

Dear Bill;

I was sorry to hear the news of Paul Jacobs. It must be a great loss to the A.D.V.A. I wrote to him at his home and his wife let me know. I didn't realize he was that sick.

Bill, my oldest son was with the 47th Infantry Division, 3rd Armored in Germany during the Vietnam era.

My son Robert was killed in action while serving with the Americal Division in Vietnam.

On December 6, 1941 I was with the 24th Infantry Division in a protective area on the North Shore of Oahu. [It was from this area that Lt. Taylor and Lt. Welch got two P-40-E up to combat the Japs.]

Returned to Schofield Barracks that Saturday so that put most of the 24th and the 25th Infantry Divisions at Schofield Barracks on December 7, 1941

I later found out, in 1985, that at Wheeler Field there was so much smoke the Japanese did not see a small squadron of P-36 -- tired but good enough to take to the air and fight the Japanese out over the Pacific. I myself didn't know that we had any more P-36's and that the small P-26 were sent to the Philippines before the war.

I was in the 24th Division and when I found out that the 25th Division was moving out after the battle of Midway, I worked a transfer. I didn't think Hawaii was a Paradise after a couple of years there. I never regretted the move but the 'Canal was hell!

The 25th Division left Hawaii bound for New Guinea but the convoy turned toward New Caledonia and then to Guadalcanal arriving in December 1942.

I guess I got to know a lot of Americal -- 164th -- 132nd -- 182nd. I had a lot of friends in the 132 from Chicago.

The 25th Division helped the Americal to mop up the Japanese on Guadalcanal.

Jim of "Here to Eternity" fame received a head wound near Tassafironga. He was with Co. F, 27th Regiment, 25th Division.

Following is a citation received by the 25th Division for action on Guadalcanal:

I personally and officially commend the officers and the enlisted men of the 25th Infantry Division for their outstanding performance of duty in action on Guadalcanal, Solomon Islands, during the period Jan. 10, -- Feb. 9th 1943. The 25th Division making the main effort of the XIV Corp., attacked through dense tropical jungle and over mountainous terrain against well organized positions manned by a tenacious enemy whose mission was to hold to the last man. This Division by its rapid advance and skillful maneuver encircled and pocketed enemy centers of resistance and finally broke the enemy power to offer further effective defense by fighting its way in Kumbona. The splendid results obtained was due to superb leadership and a fighting spirit for combat.

Gen. A. M. Patch
Maj. Gen. U.S. Army
XIV Corp.

[C'tin next column]

There is no doubt in my mind that the Americal Infantry Division, especially on Mt. Austen and Koli Point, got a citation for fighting on Guadalcanal.

W.F.Weidle
Sgt. 25th Inf.Div.

Ed. Note: The Americal received a "PRESIDENTIAL UNIT CITATION" for its services on Guadalcanal.



MILITARY CEMETARY ON GUADALCANAL 1943
Sent in by; W.F. Weidle

Continued from the NOV-DEC issue

RAID ON OUI CHAMBEAU

by
Ernie [Gus] Brown

This story is true except the names have been changed, the dates are approximate and the dispatches and notices are not verbatim.

New Caledonia - 3/June 42 0600 hrs;

Company D stood AT EASE, assembled for reveille and awaiting the appearance of the company commander, Major Cajour, often referred to as "Bible Al" since he was a very religious man and carried a small Bible with him at all the time.

The Major was punctual as usual, and, after roll call, the following dispatch was read:

FROM: COMM SO PAC TASK FORCE 6614
TO: COMM ALL UNITS TASK FORCE 6814
ADVISE YOUR TROOPS THAT UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE "CONDITION RED" IS IN EFFECT. STOP ENEMY SUBMARINE ACTIVITY HAS BEEN DETECTED OUR AREA AND LANDING OF SMALL GROUPS OF INTELLIGENCE TROOPS IS SUSPECTED STOP ALL RECREATION LEAVES HEREBY CANCELLED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE STOP ALL COMMANDERS DOUBLE ALL GUARD POSTS, ISSUE DOUBLE AMMUNITION RATIONS AND BEEF UP ALL RECON PATROLS. BRIG. GEN. PATCH ALEXANDER LATCH

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RAID ON OUI CHAMBEAU [Continued]

There was much discussion at breakfast concerning the serious turn of events and the usual amount of bitching took place as most of us looked forward to our recreation trips to the beaches, the capitol city of Noumea, and, of course, someone brought up the fact that no business as usual at the "PINK HOUSE" would hurt the local prostitutes economy.

A hurried look at the company bulletin board and I learned that I was to make a recon patrol. I also noted that Pfc. Mick McConnell, our mechanic, otherwise known as "Bad Jack" was assigned as Sargeant of the Guard. This fact in itself was not unusual, however, Bad Jack was presently on a drinking spree with his buddy in the QM Battalion and would have to be found and fit for duty by late afternoon or listed as AWOL, a serious charge under the existing conditions.

As the day wore on, Bad Jack's whereabouts became a primary concern. It was, therefore, decided to send out Hugo and Sanderson from the motor pool as a two-man search party. The rest of the motor pool gang figured they could cover for them.

Tensions increased when Motor Sgt. Melahantey appeared and requested a driver and a truck for the kitchen detail, but, if he noticed the absence of McConnell, Hugo and Sanderson, nothing was said and blood pressures returned to almost normal as he headed back to the company area.

Lunch came and went with no news from our two-man search party and, with the situation growing more tense, the afternoon seemed to pass faster than usual. Bad Jack had to make his appearance soon; the Officer of the Day would expect him and the members of the guard at the guard tent no later than 1600 hrs. It was now approaching 1430 hrs.. Good news arrived at approximately 1450 hrs! Sanderson and Hugo were observed dragging Bad Jack to our shower area for a sobering up effort. Fortunately, our gas drum shower had been filled this AM with water from the stream and was exceptionally cold. After about twenty minutes under a cold shower and Bad Jack was reasonably sober. A couple of cups of black coffee and Bad Jack lined up with his Guard Platoon at 1550 hrs. Capt. Poplan, Officer of the Day, advised the platoon of the extra precautions required while under Condition Red, and then made the rounds of the guard posts and returned to the company office, which was standard procedure.

Supper chow [such as it was] came and went and with nothing better to do, I returned to my quarters to try and get a short letter written before dark. Fellow tent mates, Montonal, Hugo and Bogan also showed up so I gave up on the letter, and we discussed the condition of our friend, Bad Jack. Hugo informed us that one of the guards told him that he was convinced that Bad Jack had a bottle hidden somewhere and appeared to be getting a little tipsy again. This could get real serious, but we had done all we could so we decided to go to bed and hope for the best.

The possibility that enemy troops were on the island preyed on my mind and early sleep was impossible. Eventually sleep did come, only to be interrupted by several loud rifle shots that sounded much to close for comfort. My first impulse was to get out from under my mosquito bar and locate my rifle, not an easy task in the dark, but I managed as did the rest of my group

Jerry Montonel was the first one out of our tent, but there several other company members outside. It was thought that the shots had come from "Officers' Country" or adjacent to it. The first group to reach the area found Major

Cajour and his staff along with Bad Jack examining a tent in the enlisted men's area close to "Officers' Country." Four holes, unmistakably rifle shots from close range, were found near the top of the tent, and it didn't take Charlie Chan to figure out that the shots were fired from inside the tent. About that time the field phone rang. It was Battalion Hdqts. and their concern was quite evident. Col. Dale People was on the line, and it had been reported to him that D Company was under heavy attack! Major Cajour assured him that D

Company was not under siege and that he thought one of his own men had gone berserk or was pushing for a Section B. Col. People became so enraged that he threatened a Summary Court Martial for the culprit if they apprehended him. Major Cajour demanded that the rifles of the personnel of the besieged tent be checked for powder burns. Much to the Major's surprise they found no evidence of any rifle having been fired recently. The same held true for the rest of the company rifles. Tension grew when it was learned that Col. People was on his way to the area. After much debate by the officers, it was decided to put all members of the bullet ridden tent under arrest, and as dawn made its appearance, Bad Jack and one of the sentries was seen heading for the guard with the prisoners. Col. People showed up soon after the arrest and, though his frenzy was very apparent, he calmed down when hearing that five members of the company were under suspicion and being held.

A week passed with no further disturbance or any evidence surfacing against the accused. The daily recon patrols remained in effect, however, a more relaxed atmosphere prevailed.

Subsequently, the following messages were dispatched:

DATE: 14/6/42
FROM: HDQTS. TASK FORCE 6814 NOUMEA, N.C.
TO: COL D. PEOPLE, COMM 21st MED BTN.
FURTHER INFORMATION REQUESTED REGARDING POSSIBLE ENEMY ACTION 3/6/42 STOP PRIORITY IF NO BACK UP TROOPS DEEMED NECESSARY CONTACT THIS STATION AT ONCE.
COL. E. ROSE G2

DATE 16/6/42
FROM: BTN. HDQTS. 21st MED OUI CHAMBEAU
TO: DIVISION HDQTS. TASK FORCE 6814 -
ATTN: COMMANDER NO ENEMY ACTIVITIES THIS AREA STOP COMPLETE RECON TURNED UP NEGATIVE STOP FURTHER INVESTIGATION 3/6/42 INCIDENT LEADS TO PROBLE INFILTRATION OF AUSSIE PRANKSTER FROM NEARBY MOUNTAIN TROOPS STOP REQUEST PERMISSION TO RELEASE FIVE D COMPANY PRISONERS. COL. PEOPLE COMM.

DATE 15/6/42
FROM: COMM TASK FORCE 6814
TO: COL D. PEOPLE 21st MED BTN.
RELEASE PRISONERS IF SERVICE RECORDS SATISFACTORY STOP DO NOT CONTACT AUSSIE MOUNTAIN TROOPS ABOUT INCIDENT 3/6/42 STOP EXCELLENT RELATIONS MUST BE MAINTAINED STOP LIFT CONDITION RED BUT MAINTAIN DOUBLE GUARD. BRIG.GEN. LATCH

RAID ON OUI CHAMBEAU [Continued]

The following notice was posted on 22/8/42

FOR PERFORMANCE ABOVE THE CALL OF DUTY
ON 3/6/42 PFC J. McCONNELL IS PROMOTED
TO SARGEANT THIS DATE. MAJ. A. CAJOUR
COMMANDING D COMPANY 21st MED BTN.
TASK FORCE 6814

As a postscript, let it be noted in passing that while in a drinking session with his two buddies, Hugo and Sanderson, several weeks after the "Raid on Oui Chambeau" Sargeant McConnell admitted that he was the "mystery Com-mando" and that, being Sargeant of the Guard, made it easy, and he blessed himself as he said, "Thank God no one checked my rifle!"

Dear Bill;

In regards to the story about the battle for hill 260 on Bougainville in the Jan-Feb 1986 issue of the newsletter--you forgot to mention B Company 182 Infantry. We also helped to re-gain Hill 260 in March of 1944. We lost 12 men killed and quite a few wounded. This should be mentioned!

Frank Mulloy
Sgt. Inf.
B Co. 182 Inf.

Ed. Thanks for bringing this to our attention. Frank is the holder of a Silver Star for "Gallantry in Action" during World War II.

Dear Bill;

Would appreciate hearing from any of my old friends from the 101st Medical Regiment or anyone from my Service days.

Al Cotta

Los Angeles, California
90036

OUTFIT REUNIONS



164th INFANTRY ASSOCIATION

164th Infantry Association Annual Reunion
Williston, No. Dak. October 10-12 1986

CONTACT

Jerry Wilder

Williston, No. Dak.
58801

E Co. & Med. Det. 182 Inf. Annual Reunion
Melrose, Mass. May 31, 1986

CONTACT

James Buckle

Wakefield, Mass.
01880

Forget-
Me-NotsWHAT HAVE I DONE
TO DESERVE THIS!

THE FOLLOWING CARD NUMBERS ARE NOT PAID UP MEMBERS. We send out your dues card in advance to let you know the dues is due and a large number of the membership pay their dues on time. In reviewing the records having been the Adjutant for the past few years I find that the same few members seem to be the late ones to pay. PLEASE remember that your Dues is only \$6.00 a year and when you check out other organizations it is only thru the efforts of your Officers in watching the BUCK we have been able to do this.

PLEASE check out your CARD # and if it is on the following list for SEPTEMBER or JANUARY please remit to Headquarters.

SEPTEMBER						
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1495	1480	1466	1462	1461	1459	1446
1439	1429	1420	1419	1417	1415	1407
1404	1401	1392	1381	1382	1374	1344
1341	1307	1335	1330	1327	1326	1321
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1290	1291	1256	1268	1265	1263	1247
1238						

JANUARY						
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1197	1187	1185	1175	1172	1169	1168
1157	1165	1163	1158	1155	1151	1143
1141	1134	1122	1120	1119	1109	1108
1106	1103	1098	1097	1092	1090	1086
1081	1078	1076	1070	1069	1058	1056
1051	1041	1037	1035	1034	1025	1024
1023	1012	1006	1005	1002	999	995
994	989	987	985	984	952	949
979	978	966	958	948	946	945
943	941	940	937	935	934	932
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880						

National Adjutant

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APRIL 19, 1986

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AMERICAL DIVISION ANNUAL CONVENTION
JUNE 5,6,7,8, 1986
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BROWNSVILLE, VERMONT

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CHAPTER NEWS

EASTERN REGIONAL CHAPTER

DC, DE, MD, NJ, NY, OH, PA, VA, WV

Regional Commander: Robert T. Hock, [REDACTED]
Reading, PA, 19601 - Tel. # [REDACTED]

Through the efforts of Harold Stein and George C. Yates, we now have a time and place for the Pittsburgh Reunion in 1986.

DATE: Friday & Saturday, Sept. 26-27, 1986

PLACE: The Sheraton Hotel at Station Square
(across from the Golden Triangle)

COST: \$65.00 per night (single or double)
normal charge \$90.00 - FREE PARKING

FAR WEST CHAPTER

AK, AZ, N CA, CO, HI, ID, MT, NV, OR, ND,
SD, UT, WA, WY

Regional Commander Lloyd J. Morrell, [REDACTED]
Pleasant Hill, CA, 94523 - Tel. # [REDACTED]

NOTE: See complete page on all items
of coming events for your Chapter on
another page of this Newsletter

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

Commander Norman Mullen, [REDACTED]
Perris, CA, 94523 - Tel. # [REDACTED]

WILLIAM F. McGOLDRICK - CAPE COD CHAPTER

Plymouth & Wareham & South of the Cape Cod Canal

Commander Bernard G. Chase, [REDACTED]
Yarmouth, MA, 02664 - Tel. # [REDACTED]

Meetings are held at the Dennis F. Thomas, V.F.W.
Post, #2578, the second Monday of each month, ex-
cept June, July and August. TIME: 1:00 PM.

GREAT LAKES CHAPTER

IL, IN, MI, MN, WI

Regional Commander: Herbert L. Murphy, [REDACTED]
Street, Saginaw, MI., 48604 - [REDACTED]

REUNION: MARK YOUR CALENDAR

May 9th thru 11th, 1986

Holiday Inn

[REDACTED]
Ft Wayne, Indiana, 46808

DINER Saturday May 10th, 1986 at 7.00PM

CONTACT: Herbert Murphy for additional information

SOUTH EAST CHAPTER

AL, FL, GA, NC, SC, TN

Regional Commander: Edwin A. Heartquist, [REDACTED]
Palm Drive, Tarpon Springs, FL, 33589
Tel. # [REDACTED]

Next meeting of the South East Chapter will be a
two day affair to be held at the Holiday Inn -
Weeki Wachee on April 4th & 5th, 1986. The Inn
is on U.S. 19, at the Junction of SR 50 and is
directly opposite the Weeki Wachee Attraction.

PLEASE MAIL DIRECT TO HOLIDAY INN

Holiday Inn-Weeki Wachee

US 19 - Junction SR 50

PO BOX 97

Brooksville, Florida 34298-0097

Please reserve _____ room(s) for April 4th & 5th,
1986 One day deposit required at \$39.60 plus
\$1.98 tax. Please mail direct to Inn.

GET INVOLVED IN YOUR AREA

PLEASE CONTACT ONE OF THE FOLLOWING

IN YOUR AREA

Ron Ward, our Vietnam News Editor requests that
any member in the following states, that are in-
terested in forming a Chapter, please contact
his home or the National Office.

IOWA - KANSAS - MISSOURI - NEBRASKA - KENTUCKY

Ronald A. Lipschite, [REDACTED] Bronx, New
York, 10467 (11th LIB) Tel. # [REDACTED]
Requests that any members in the New York area
who would like to help form a Chapter to please
write or call his home.

PLEASE CONTACT YOUR REGIONAL OR COMMANDER IN YOUR
AREA AND GET INVOLVED ON A LOCAL BASIS. THIS IS
YOUR CHANCE TO MEET SOME FORMER BUDDIES.

**WE WANT TO
HEAR FROM YOU**

*Membership Is Everybody's Business
— Get Involved —
We Are Winning — Get That Membership In*

FAR WEST CHAPTER NEWS

One definition of "Sabbatical", as shown in Webster's dictionary is "being in a recurring period of rest or renewal". Lets just say I have been on a sabattical since our last convention in Las Vegas. However, it is now decision making time. Some of the natives appear to be getting restless and want some action. As many of you know, the Far West Chapter has been pretty much a one man effort. Everyone seems to be in agreement that it is a great idea to have a Chapter on the West Coast, so long as someone else does the work. With the exception of Frank Markovich in Napa, everyone seems to be to busy to get involved in active assistance. Guess that is par for the course.

A delicate but sorely needed subject to be proposed. DUES!!!! We have not had any dues assessed in the Far West Chapter and I have paid the majority of expenses myself, for stamps envelopes, telephone calls to make arrangements, copies, etc. There has been a little help from a couple of members, but mainly it has been out of my pocket. If we are to try and maintain the Far West Chapter and have some affairs as we have had before and can agin, I need some help. Work I can do, but dont see why I should have to pay for it too. We only pay \$6.00 annual dues to the National Hqs. All other Chapters in the country pay additional dues of \$5.00 to \$10.00 to their Chapters to meet expenses. If the members of the Far West Chapter would mail me annual dues of \$5.00 it sure would help keep us going. You will each get a receipt, an accounting will be made to Nat. Hqs. and to any member who wants a financial staement. The money will only be used for mailings, paper supplies, copying, etc. I will still pick up the tab for telephone calls (some are necessary to make arrangements) and any travel I do in conjunction with the Chapter affairs.

Proposed 1986/87 schedule

I have arranged a tentative schedule for the Chapter for the next year or so. Because of the great distances between members it is not possible to meet as they do in the East in the metropolitan areas. As proposed and I will welcome any input, pro or con, from any member.

May 30,31 and June 1, 1986. A meeting of the Southern California members in conjunction with the Guadalcanal veterans Reunion being held in San Diego on those dates. Bill Parker and/or Norm Mullen are sending out notices on this. If you dont receive one contact them or myself.

August 9,10,1986: Pacific Northwest Chapter to meet at probably Ellensburg, Wa. for the Oregon-Washington-Idaho members. This would be a weekend affair and as it is centrally located no one should have to drive more than a couple of hundred miles, except Neil Higbee up in Sumas. Details on this later. I am going up there in May to see what arrangements can be made.

October 12,13,1986: Northern California Chapter to meet in the Bay area over Columbus Day holiday. Again, details on this later.

Memorial Day weekend, May 1986. Far West Chapter convention for all members at Reno, or Las Vegas, Nevada. This will be our big one for the year. Hopefully it will attract members from all over the country, as our last Las Vegas one did and I may propose to the Nat. Hqs. that this be designated as the National convention for 1987. They may not buy it, but we can volunteer to host it and see what happens.

I would welcome comments on any of the above. Bill Parker just wrote me two pages and had some very good ideas and constructive criticism that I appreciate. I need more of that to give you what you want. (Bill is an officer of the So. Cal. group.) Rev. Neil Higbee (164th) up there in Sumas has recently sent me some good ideas that are being considered. I am sure there are many more out there who have some thoughts on the subject. I especially would like to hear from some of the Vietnam members as to what they would like. It wont be to long before this organization will revert to you and we need your participation now.

Sincerely,

LLOYD J. MORRELL
Regional Commander
Far West Chapter,ADVA

Pleasant Hill, Ca. 94523

Tel (Evenings) [REDACTED]

P.S. My plans are to be in Washington State from May 10 to May 27 and the Guadalcanal reunion in San Diego May 30, 31 and Jun 1, if any of you want to meet with me. Will be in Tacoma, Seattle and Spokane areas.

New Members

- *Michael L. Zapata
11th LIB
Alameda, CA
#Ron Ward
- *Zed T. Bell
196th LIB
Jacksonville, IL
#Andy Olints
- Carl Bibler
247th FA
Warsaw, IND
#Herurphy
- Bert Bridge
97th FA
Estilline, SD
#E.R. Horton
- *Terry Bridge
523rd Sig
Memphis, TN
#Ken Turner
- *Kennth Day
11th LIB
Vallejo, CA
#William L. Dunphy
- *Louis Fedorski Jr.
11th LIB
Mountain View, CA
#Ron Ward
- *Robert R. Fields III
26th Engineers
St Albans, W. VA
#Dave Greiger
- *James M. Gleckler
3/16 Artillery
Stillwater, OK
#Ron Ward
- Norman R. Jacobs
247th FA
Chillicothe, MO.
#Melven Sandy
- *Gary W. Nelson
198th LIB
Rochester, MI
#Jim McLanachan
- Robert R. Shepard
132nd Inf
Windsor, VT
#SSG R K Franklin
- John E. Sullivan
182nd Inf
Malden, MA
#William L. Dunphy
- *Larry W. Markland
46th Inf
Tampa, FL.
#Dave Greiger
- *Ronald W. Christy
196th LIB
New Middletown, OH
#Ron Ward
- *Douglas Hammond
52nd Inf
Woburn, MA
#Dave Greiger
- *John Marks
198th LIB
Duncanville, TX
#Ron Ward
- *Carl S. Doallas
11th LIB
Fort Myers, FL
#Dave Greiger

*Charles R. Dannison
11th LIB
Alto, MI
By Self

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* Vietnam Veteran

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New Life Members

- Alfred B. Knasas
182nd Inf
Quincy, MA
- *Rick D. Miller
Div Headquarters
Tampa, Florida
- *Wallace H. Nunn
174th AHC
Drexel Hill PA
- Carrol D. Reinert
21st Recon
Hutchinson, Kansas
- Raymond M. Riethmeier
245th FA
Rochester, MI
- Thomas H. Wellman
121st Med Bn
Valdese, North Carolina
- Dr. Edmund L. Whelan
182nd Inf
Medford, MA
- *Victor L. Wilkins
196th LIB
Westland MI
- *Vietnam Veteran

SUMMARY

494 Life Members

441 WWII

53 Vietnam

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The following list of members have moved and we have tried to find an address. If you know their address please mail to Headquarters.

James D. Brewer
Tama, Iowa

Gerald E. Creedon
Yerengton, NV

Russell L. Jenkins
Boston, MA

William A. Hurtado
Tilton, NH

Walter D. Sobotowski
Muskegom, MI

With the last mailing we had over (40) Newsletters returned and it is not fair to other members because of the cost to Headquarters. DUES is only \$6.00 per year. Each Newsletter that is mailed and returned will cost us with the remail (75¢) plus all the paper work. PLEASE LET US KNOW WHEN YOU MOVE.

DUESDUESDUES

The May Dues notices will be in the mail next month. Please check your card and see if a your dues is due May 1986. Better still check your address on this Newsletter and see if an (M) is below or above your name. If you care to pay two years send in \$12.00. This will save paper work and additional cost to Headquarters.

William L. Dunphy
National Adjutant

March 5, 1986

Mr. William L. Dunphy

██████████
West Roxbury, MA., 02132

Dear Bill,

Received your January - February Newsletter, and as always its a pleasure to look it over.

I am Chairman of the Boston English Class of 1936, 50th Reunion which will be held June 12, 1986, at Lombardo's in Randolph, MA.

It dawned on me that some of your members could have attended English during that time and may know of 1936 graduates.

Could you give us a plug in the March - April issue. Use my name and the following phone numbers.

C. H. Wallbank Company
% Harry Wallbank

██████████ ██████████ ██████████
West Roxbury, MA., 02132

Tel #s

or

Sincerely

Harry Wallbank

Editors Note:

As I am also a former member of the Boston English High School "Class of 38" and Harry is a loyal supporter of the ADVA please contact Harry if you were a member of the Class of 1936

Bill Dunphy - Class of 38

CONVALESCING AT HOME

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Eugene L. Perullo
11 Davis St.
Revere, Mass.
02151
B Co. 182 Inf
21 Recon.

Harry Corliss
16 Hale Ave.
Medford, Mass.
02155
125th QM

Harry is re-recuperating after a second trip to the hospital for surgery. Glad to report he is on the road to recovery.

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Occupation:	Wife's First Name:		
Date:	Signature:		
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Date Received:	Date Processed:	Expiration Date:	
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