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Secretary Rusk's
Visit To RVN
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Dateline Viet Nam

Two VC Headquarters Destroyed In Tay Ninh

Two coordinated operations in Tay Ninh province which ended Sunday resulted in the destruction of two Viet Cong headquarters in the heart of their Duong Minh Chau stronghold. Destroyed were the Southern area and the VC 56th Regimental headquarters.

The week long operations were conducted by units of the 5th Division, an APC platoon and a tank squad supported by artillery and VNAF.

One of the operations was in the area approximately 20 kilometers east of Tay Ninh city while the other was located generally 30 kilometers north of the provincial capital.

The Duong Minh Chau stronghold has long been a haven from which the Viet

Cong have operated.

The government forces lost four killed, seven wounded and one missing in the operations. One M-1 rifle was lost and an armored personnel carrier was slightly damaged.

Five Viet Cong bodies were left behind and 21 were captured. Two carbines, two MAS-36 rifles and several mines and grenades were taken.

A number of telephones and radios plus other equipment was also seized.

Last week was the bloodiest week in the Republic of Viet Nam's war against Communists terrorists. An American military spokesman said that in seven days an estimated 660 Communist Viet Cong were killed and 50 taken prisoner.

On government casualties, the spokesman said about 200 were killed, 660 wounded, and 140 missing or captured.

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Helicopter Co-Pilot Succumbs To Burns

CWO David E. Miller, the co-pilot of the UH-1B helicopter that crashed on Apr. 10, died last Saturday. The cause of death was attributed to severe burns.

The helicopter crash occurred in An Xuyen province about 10 miles northwest of Ca Mau when the tail section separated from the aircraft.

Three other American crewmen died as a result of the crash. Their names were released last week. Seven Vietnamese soldiers were also killed in the crash.

STARCOM Bus Hit By VC Grenade Six EM Wounded

Six U.S. enlisted personnel were slightly wounded last Saturday morning when a Communist terrorist threw a hand grenade through the rear window of a STARCOM bus in Cholon, at the corner of Luc Tinh and Tong Doc Phuong St.

The incident happened while the bus was moving through heavy traffic with 20 passengers enroute to Phu Laiam.

The explosion partly shattered the rear of the bus and sprayed grenade fragments, which hit the men seated in the back of the bus. The injured were taken to the HSAS Station Hospital for treatment and were returned to duty.

This is the first terrorist incident directed at Americans in Saigon since the attempted sabotage of a military bus on Mar. 20. The bus with 20 persons, had stopped near the Five Oceans BOQ to discharge passengers, when a suspected VC threw a can containing about two pounds of TNT on the bus,



U.S. SECRETARY OF STATE DEAN RUSK REVIEWS HONOR GUARD
Foreign Minister Quat and Ambassador Lodge Share Honors.

Secretary Rusk Visits Viet Nam After Manila SEATO Conference

Secretary of State Dean Rusk arrived in Saigon last Friday noon from the recently held SEATO conference in Manila. During a one-day stop-over in Formosa he conferred with Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek.

Secretary Rusk was accompanied by Mr. William Bundy, Assistant Secretary of State for Far Eastern Affairs; Mr. Carl Rowan, Director of the United States Information Agency; Mr. Robert Manning, Deputy Under Secretary of State for Public Affairs; and Mr. Peter Solbert, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for International Affairs.

An Honor Guard of elite Vietnamese paratroopers with the National Colors of the Republic of Viet Nam and the United States were reviewed by Secretary Rusk, Vietnamese Foreign Affairs Minister Dr. Phan Huy Quat and U.S. Ambassador to

Viet Nam Henry Cabot Lodge.

According to a U.S. Embassy spokesman, this is the first visit ever made by a U.S. Secretary of State to Viet Nam.

On hand to meet Secretary Rusk and his party at Tan Son Nhut airport were Ambassador Lodge; Gen. Earle G. Wheeler, Chief of Staff, U.S. Army and members of the foreign Di-

plomatic Corps in Viet Nam and a host of high-ranking Vietnamese and U.S. government and military officials.

Speaking before a crowd of some 3,000 people, mostly young students carrying banners and waving Vietnamese and American flags, Secretary Rusk said:

"I bring the greetings of President Johnson and the American people to the valiant Government and valiant people of the Republic of Viet Nam. Your independence, security and well-being are at the center of our deep commitment to you in your present struggle. I am very pleased to have this chance to get acquainted personally with General Khanh and his colleagues and to learn firsthand about your action to defeat aggression from the north and to improve the living condi-

MAAG Records 100% in Drive

MAAG personnel turned in a 100% participation record with a total contribution of \$3,619.31 and 53,736\$VN according to Lt. Col. Raymond A. Knox, MAAG chairman for the American Red Cross fund campaign for 1964. The fund drive began Mar. 13 and ended Apr. 6.

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EDITORIAL

Right Of Private Ownership Is Basic Pillar Of America

(Fifth in a series of ten award-winning editorials from the San Diego Calif., Evening Tribune. Reprinted with permission.)

The ownership of property is as old as man's acquisitive instinct.

It also is as old as his instincts for freedom and survival.

Ancient man who could claim a stone ax as his own had a tool with which he could fend for himself, provide for himself and his family.

Deprived of his possession, he became a prey of nature; a dependent upon others for his protection and his sustenance.

The right to own private property is a fundamental pillar supporting the American way of life. It is so recognized in the Constitution.

In the fifth Amendment of the Bill of Rights — the first Ten Amendments to the Constitution — we find the provision that no person shall be deprived of "life, liberty, or property, without due process of law; nor shall private property be taken for public use without just compensation."

This prohibition was addressed to the federal government. Later in the 14th Amendment, the protection of the individual was extended: "...nor shall any state deprive any person of life, liberty, or property, without due process of law..."

It can be seen from the foregoing that the Founding Fathers evaluated property along with man's most precious possessions — his life and his liberty. Without property, or the right to own it, a man is virtually a slave.

We see this today in slave states where right to private ownership either is nonexistent or so circumscribed by an authoritarian regime as to be mere sham.

In America the right of private ownership is basic. There has been too much of this twisted thinking by those who would "share the wealth."

The right of private ownership — like every right that is worth anything — requires effort to earn it; devotion, even sacrifice, to uphold and preserve it.

This, too, is another part of the American way of life.

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CASHIER



LOVELY — Miss Ho Thi Minh, 17-year-old cashier at the Da Nang EM Coop Mess for the past year, is a native of Da Nang. An older sister, Candy, also works as a cashier for the EM Mess.

General Harkins Praises USO On 1st Birthday

In a letter addressed to USO Club Director Miss Betty Ann Murphy, Gen. Paul D. Harkins, COMUSMACV, praised the recreational facilities and services offered by the USO Club in Saigon to military personnel visiting Saigon from the field and to those assigned to the immediate area.

General Harkins said, "On the occasion of the First Anniversary of the USO Club in Saigon, may I extend my heartiest congratulations on a year of noteworthy service to the American military personnel stationed in the Republic of Viet Nam."

A galaxy of Hollywood stars have volunteered their talents exclusively for American military and civilian personnel serving in Viet Nam. The star-studded production will highlight tomorrow's celebration of the USO's first birthday in Viet Nam.

The 90-minute recorded program, requested by Ambassador Henry Cabot Lodge and Gen. Paul D. Harkins, was produced by Abe Lastfogel, president of the William Morris Agency. The program will be broadcast tomorrow Sunday, Apr. 26 by Armed Forces Radio Service starting at 6:30 p.m.

Some of the stars include Bob Hope, Donna Douglas, Sammy Davis, Jr., Anne Baxter, Walter Brennan, Dean Martin, Patti Duke, Raymond Burr, Vicki Carr, Shirley MacLaine, Bing Crosby, Joey Bishop, Natalie Wood, Jack Lemmon,

CHAPLAIN'S COLUMN

Learning Made Easy

By Chaplain (LCDR.) HARRY R. MILLER, USN

A series of inexpensive books which are quite popular today claim to digest and make easy almost any subject you are interested in from psychology to typing; from religion to arithmetic.

In the life long labor of learning, however, there is no fast way, no short cut, or shady detour. However simplified the rules of grammar may be, you still have to know grammar if you are to speak and write correctly. Nor can any other subject be mastered without effort.

The requirements of an education have changed little with time. You cannot receive an education; you acquire an education. And acquisition means toil, concentration, patience and persistence.

In this world of digests, do-it-yourself books, condensed and abridged editions, college outlines and learning made easy — many people have been lulled into taking the short cut. Don't be disappointed when you seek the easy way and find it eludes you.

A little self-denial or hard work often pays off in far greater satisfaction in the future than a constant longing for the easy way.

Jesus indicated that there was no easy way to become his disciple. "If any man would be my disciple, let him deny himself, take up his cross and follow me."

A successful corporation president recently attributed his success in business to 10% talent and 90% perspiration. In other words you don't get something for nothing. There is no easy way to obtain the best life has to offer. You have to live with yourself so be careful what kind of a self you make.

Australians Celebrate "ANZAC Day" Today

Members of the Australian Army Training Team serving with MAAG advisors in the field will observe ANZAC Day today.

Australians and New Zealanders at home and overseas will pause to honor their servicemen, living and dead, who have fought in World War I (1914-1918), World War II (1939-1945), Korean War (1950-1953), and Malaya (1948-1958).

To mark the annual celebration in Viet Nam, a reception will be held at the Australian Embassy hosted by Australian Ambassador and Mrs. H.D. Anderson.

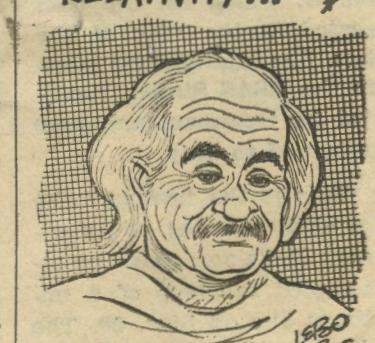
According to Mr. Bruce W. Woodberry, the Embassy's First Secretary, the reception will be attended by the foreign Diplomatic Corps, high-ranking military and government officials of Viet Nam and other al-

lied nations in Viet Nam.

On ANZAC Day, Australians and New Zealanders pay homage to their dead servicemen at dawn services, and to their living servicemen, both active and discharged, at parades, each designed to honor the spirit of military service to one's country.

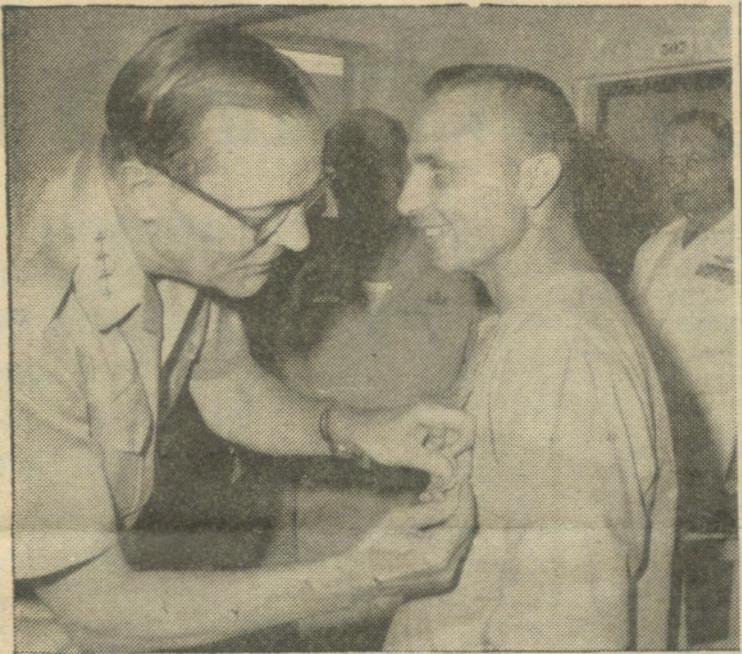
For over forty years, from France (1918) to Viet Nam (1963), Australian soldiers have served side by side with American military personnel.

SPEAKING OF RELATIVITY . . .



"WHEN A MAN SITS WITH A PRETTY GIRL FOR AN HOUR, IT SEEMS LIKE A MINUTE, BUT LET THE SAME MAN SIT ON A HOT STOVE FOR A MINUTE, AND THAT SEEMS LONGER THAN ANY HOUR... THAT'S RELATIVITY."

DR ALBERT EINSTEIN
FAMOUS PHYSICIST



PURPLE HEART — SFC Carl D. Comstock, (right) NCO Advisor, MAAG Adv. Tm. 43, receives his Purple Heart medal from Gen. Earle G. Wheeler, Chief of Staff, U.S. Army last week at the HSAS Station Hospital.

Montagnards Get Help From U.S. Language School

Marine Task Element, IO Da Nang — Suppose, for a moment, that you were taught one language during your childhood as a means of communicating and then, in later years, you had to learn an entirely different language to communicate with the people around you.

This is the problem of the Montagnards of the Republic of Viet Nam. They are the mountaineers of this war-stricken, jungle country.

They are taught communications solely by oral sounds. They have no alphabet and they can not write. They learn their own language and, then, when it becomes necessary to

contact other Vietnamese for some reason, they must learn the language of the plains people.

An American organization, the Summer Institute of Linguistics, which is affiliated with the University of North Dakota, is vigorously attempting to stabilize the language of the peoples of Viet Nam.

The mission of the Summer Institute is to study the languages of the mountain people, to prepare an alphabet for them and to make primers to teach them to read. The teams also translate parts of the Bible into the mountain languages.



LANGUAGE SPECIALIST — Armed with books, Dr. Richard Pittman (left), Area Director, Summer Institute of Linguistics and Navy Chaplain John G. Harrison, walk into a Montagnard hamlet to attend a meeting with the tribal chief. (USMC Photo).

HONOR ROLL

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1st. Lt. Howard J. Floyd
Maj. Michael J. Muscara
SSgt. Roy J. Branham

First Award

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Maj. Calvin B. Nance
Maj. Francis J. Bray
Maj. Raymond P. Pascal
Capt. Raymond C. Smith
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Capt. Nestor L. Berrios
Capt. Marvin D. Brailsford
Capt. Andrew M. Casey
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Capt. Stephen K. H. Auyong
Capt. Robert S. McGowan
Capt. Charles O. Arnecke Jr.
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1st Lt. John R. Mead
1st Lt. Robert W. Hightower
Maj. Robert D. Tripp
SFC Richard K. Gambill
SFC Rodolfo E. Ortiz
SFC Richard E. Ellmers
SFC Walter K. Wyrick
SFC Dwain V. Ames
SFC James T. Heath
SFC Robert W. Bowling
SFC Willie J. Foster
Sgt. George W. Gould
Sp4 James D. Stifle

COMBAT INFANTRYMAN BADGE

Second Award

Lt. Col. Charles R. Bushong
Maj. Arthur R. Cox

First Award

Maj. Robert T. Hayden
Maj. Addison N. Hogan
Maj. Paul L. English
Maj. Richard F. Taylor
Capt. Elijah Hicks
Capt. Charles R. Kottich
Capt. Floyd H. McAfee
SFC John J. Anderson
Capt. Joseph R. Trdla

PURPLE HEART

Second Award

Sp5 Clarence L. Pence

First Award

Capt. Ernest E. Brant
Maj. Arthur R. Cox
SFC Herbert L. Campbell
SFC Samuel G. Tiller, Jr.
PFC Lowell G. Edwards

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SFC Wayne N. Bloom
Sgt. William A. Boudreux
Sgt. John H. Duncan
Sgt. Justo Morales
Sgt. Charles H. Reilly
Sgt. Morris Caradine Jr.
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Lt. Col. Lynwood H. Poole
Lt. Col. Charles L. Reynoldson
Maj. Jerome R. Behnke
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Maj. Ozie Dubose
Maj. Hoyt Wilson
SFC William M. Bannan
SFC Keith O. Boothroyd

FOOF'S SPOOF'S

WHEN A MAN HAS MONEY
TO BURN YOU CAN BE
SURE SOMEBODY WILL
BE AROUND TO HAND HIM
A MATCH.



POCKETFUL of NOTES

By SSgt. Bob Reid
USAF

(Due to the illness of SSgt. Bob Reid, this column is using an article written by Mr. Richard H. Gratiot, which appeared in The United Air Line's MAINLINER Magazine. Article is reprinted with permission).

Old Time Radio

by RICHARD H. GRATIOT

Once upon a time, there was no TV. There was a thing called radio. No little transistor jobs, blaring bad music and ball games. But magnificent, ornately carved floor models standing proudly in every living room. We couldn't see the dramas of that time on a screen, but we sure did enjoy them.

The heroes of yesteryear inspired in us a brand of listening loyalty unknown to children of today. For this was the golden age of radio. Halcyon days for the grand old storyteller of the air waves. It was the magnificent, never-to-be-forgotten era of the year.

Remember the premiums we used to send for? It usually took just one box top and 10c to get one of the necessities of life such as a pedometer, decoder badge, periscope, live turtle or any one of a myriad rings; all adjustable to fit any finger, and all guaranteed to turn sage green within one week. There were whistling rings, spinner rings, and secret-compartment rings. I particularly remember sending for a tiger's eye, glow-in-the-dark ring. It had a big green jewel mounted in white plastic. Fortunately, I lost it before radium poisoning had a chance to set in.

But what I remember most of all are the heroes of these radio dramas... and their faithful companions. Haven't you ever wondered what happened to Mr. Keen, Tracer of Lost Persons? He just dropped out of sight. Or Little Orphan Annie, who with her faithful dog, Sandy, was always falling out of airplanes or getting caught in leper colonies?

I have no idea what happened to Captain Midnight. But you probably remember the way the program opened with the "bong"; ...bong ...bong" and the sound of that plane diving and narrowly missing the clock tower? My theory is that Midnight eventually struck 12.

And who could forget that rugged bunch, Tom Mix and his Ralston Straight Shooters? That deathless line, "Meanwhile, back at the ranch...." originated on that show.

And of course that immortal phrase, "Look... up in the sky... it's a bird... it's SUPERMAN!" came out of the stirring adventures of that gentleman.

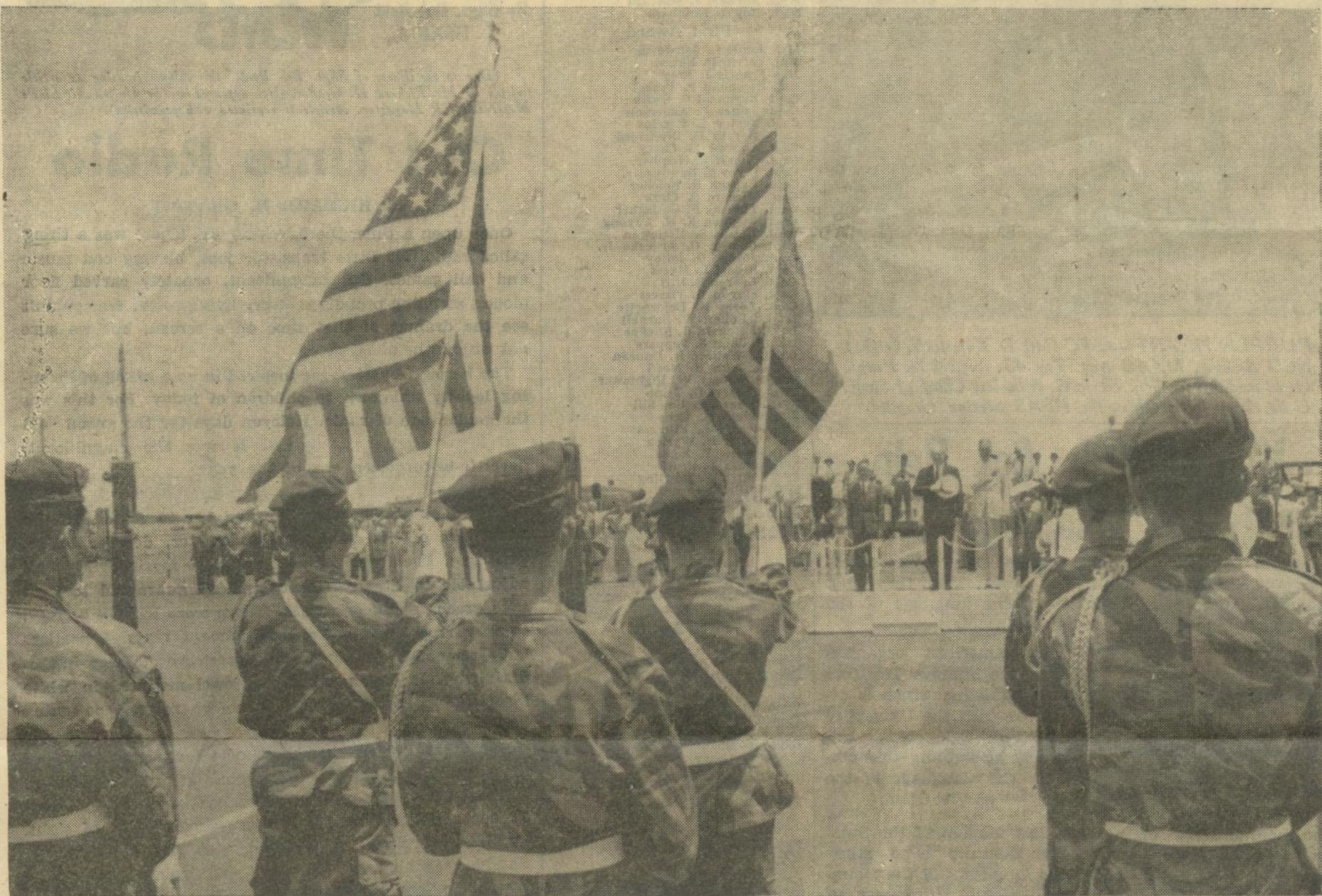
No one who ever tuned in on the program could forget Jack Armstrong, the All-American Boy! There was Billy, Betty, Uncle Jim and Coach Hardy, a swell gang. I always admired Jack because, as a school kid at Hudson High, he had more leaves of absence than there were school days. Do you remember the sort of cliche dialogue that went on between Jack and Billy?

Billy: "But Jack...."

Jack: "No time for that now, Billy!"

This might have been rude on Jack's part, but he was always busy saving Betty from a fate worse than death. I think this is where Jack made his big mistake. He kept saving her life, but he was always too busy being an All-American hero to notice that Betty was blossoming into a mature postgraduate type that wanted to be noticed. Whatever happened to Jack Armstrong? I think Betty pushed him off a cliff one day after Billy hit him in the mouth for never listening to him. Probably, before Jack cut him off, Billy was going to say, "But Jack.... Betty's going to push you off the cliff!"

U.S. Secretary Of State De



MILITARY HONORS ARE GIVEN TO U.S. SECRETARY OF STATE DEAN RUSK UPON HIS ARRIVAL
Elite Airborne Honor Guard Presents Vietnamese and American Colors at Airport Ceremony.



SECRETARY RUSK GREETS GENERAL HARKINS
Top U.S. and ARVN Officials Wait at Reception Line.



SECRETARY GETS WELCOME FROM GENERAL WESTMORELAND
Full Press Coverage at Tan Son Nhut Airport.

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Dean Rusk Visits Viet Nam

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 Photos By
SFC HARRY MORGAN
SP5 RAY JEWETT

(from page 1) fight for their country.

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 spective capabilities to fulfill
 their obligations under the
 Treaty.

"You will have peace

here in this beautiful coun-
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 their neighbors alone. You
 and those of us who are at
 your side must defeat their
 effort to impose their own
 misery upon you. That this
 will be done I have not the
 slightest doubt, and I am
 here to make clear once
 again that we shall help you
 to do it."

Saturday Schedule

Secretary Rusk paid cour-
 tesy calls early Saturday
 morning on Foreign Minis-
 ter Dr. Phan Huy Quat; Chief
 of State Maj. Gen. Duong Van
 Minh; and Prime Minister
 Maj. Gen. Nguyen Khanh.
 He was accompanied by Ambassador
 Lodge, Mr. Bundy, and Generals
 Wheeler and Harkins.

Secretary Rusk and his

party began their trip out-
 side Saigon by driving on
 the Bien Hoa highway to
 the Thu Duc industrial
 complex, where they ins-
 pected a thermal power
 plant, paper factory and a
 textile mill.

At the Bien Hoa Air Base,
 the group boarded a C-123
 for the central coast pro-
 vince of Ninh Thuan. Sery-
 ing as escort for Secretary
 Rusk was Deputy Prime
 Minister for Finance and
 Economy Nguyen Xuan
 Oanh.

Prime Minister Khanh met
 the Secretary at the Phan
 Rang airport and the visiting
 US officials were flown

by helicopters to a nearby rely military aspect.
 New Life Hamlet occupied by Cham tribesmen. The
 cretary Rusk and his offi-
 Chams, in their colorful
 costumes and headgear, ex-
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 Chief of State Maj. Gen.
 Duong Van Minh and Prime
 Minister Maj. Gen. Nguyen
 Khanh at the Gia Long Pa-
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Secretary Rusk and his
 party visited the hydro-
 electric dam in Tuyen Duc
 province and from there
 proceeded to Dalat's Lien
 Khoung airport where the
 morning, Secretary Rusk
 secretary and his party
 reitered the policy of Pre-
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"We shall remain at your
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 from the North has been
 defeated—until it has been
 completely rooted out and
 this land enjoys the peace
 which it deserves."



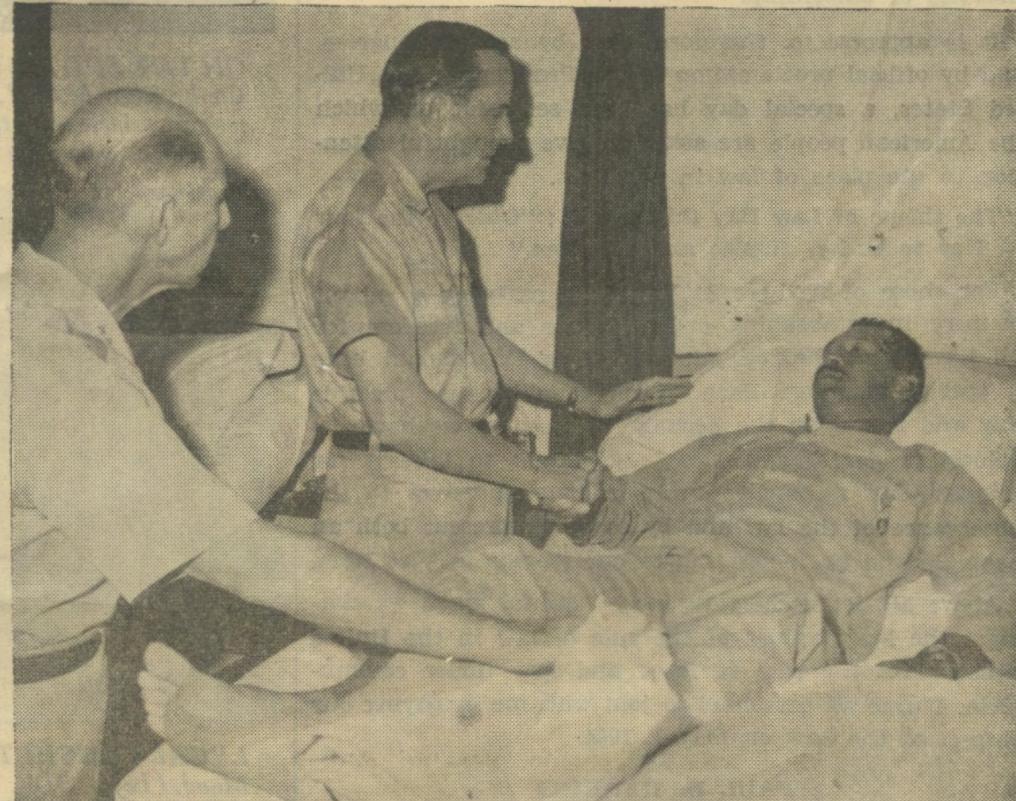
ARMY CHIEF OF STAFF AND COMUSMACV
 General Wheeler Gets First Hand Report on Military Situation.



FROM SEATO VISIT TO VIET NAM TOUR
 (right) Minister Quat, Secretary Rusk, Ambassador Lodge and Director Rowan.



VietNAMESE STUDENTS AWAIT PLANE'S ARRIVAL AT AIRPORT
 An Estimated 3,000 People Greet Secretary Rusk.



PURPLE HEART MEDAL FOR SFC SAMUEL G. TELLER
 From Maj. Gen. Charles J. Timmes (Left) and Gen. Earle G. Wheeler.

Command To Observe "Law Day-1964"



MILITARY LAWYERS CONFER — MACV Staff Judge Advocate Lt. Col. Robert J. De Mund, (Left to Right) confers with ARVN military lawyers Col. Huynh Hiep Thanh, DOD Director of Military Justice, Maj. Nguyen Tu, Chief Prosecutor of the Saigon Military Court and Maj. Le Dinh Luc, Chief of Military Justice Services.

COMUSMACV Law Day Message

The seventh annual observance of Law Day USA, on May 1, this year will offer to all Americans a timely reminder of the priceless values of freedom under law. Also it will provide significant evidence to the world of the determination of our nation to uphold freedom and justice and the institutions which make them possible.

Our system of representative government, with its ideals of equal justice, equal opportunity, and protection of the rights of all citizens, is built upon a body of laws of our own making. This judicial system administered by independent courts depends for vitality and strength upon broad individual participation and understanding. This includes voluntary compliance with the rule of law and an informed awareness of the responsibilities of citizenship.

It is appropriate, therefore, that by act of Congress, and by official proclamation of the President of the United States, a special day has been set aside on which the American people are asked to give thoughtful attention to the place of law in our lives.

The theme of Law Day this year is: "Observe the Law — Key to Order, Justice and Freedom."

For those of us here in Viet Nam assisting a valiant country in establishing order, justice and freedom for all its people, the recognition of Law Day should have a special meaning. Each of us should pause on this day and reflect on the heritage of freedom we have developed under Law. Let us resolve not to take it for granted. Let us resolve to re-dedicate ourselves to the observance of the law and by so doing present both an example and an inspiration to our friends in Viet Nam.

Above all, let us be reverently thankful when we contrast the basic values of the rule of law in the United States with the rule of force and fear under communism. I urge all personnel to join with me in paying our respect to the Law on May 1, 1964.

PAUL D. HARKINS
General, United States Army
Commander



ON THE SPOT — Sp6 Robert D. Austin, (Left) Legal Clerk, SJA, MACV, examines dent on taxi hit by U.S. military vehicle while the driver and Bui Huy Hoe, (Right) Vietnamese interpreter exchange information on the accident.



LEGAL CONSULTATIONS — Lt. Col. Robert J. De Mund, (Left), SJA, MACV, discusses a legal point with Col. Huynh Hiep Thanh, (Right), Director of Military Justice, Department of Defense, during one of their regular meetings.

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SP5 RAY JEWETT

Law Day, U.S.A., celebrated annually on the first day of May, will be observed by all Americans in the Republic of Viet Nam next Friday.

President Lyndon B. Johnson's proclamation calls on Americans to rededicate themselves to "the ideals of equality and justice under law in their relations with each other as well as other nations."

Today international communism has made May Day one of its most important observances. In communist-dominated countries it is used to flaunt and emphasize the military might of these countries and as an occasion for threatening the conquest and subjugation of free peoples every-

where. Guns and tanks are the symbols of communist nations, for communism governs by creation of fear and by repression.

Thus, Law Day, U.S.A. becomes the significant answer to communism's May Day demonstrations.

"We who work in the law should remember that the value and force of the Constitution," said Attorney General Robert F. Kennedy, "...the laws ultimately depend on public understanding and support for them as pillars of a free society."

Lt. Col. Robert J. De Mund, Staff Judge Advocate, MACV, commenting on the forthcoming observance of Law Day said, "It is natural that those whose interests and careers are in the legal field would be in the forefront of planning and carrying out the mechanical details of Law Day."

U.S. Military Law

Members of the Armed Forces are governed by military law, both in times of peace and war. Military law is recognized as a distinct legal system by the clauses in the Constitution which gave Congress the authority to make rules for the governing of the land and naval forces.

One of the major innovations in the administration of military justice is the signing into law on May 31, 1951 of the Uniform Code of Military Justice. For the first time in our history all members of the Armed Forces became subject to one set of disciplinary laws.

The serviceman has a greater responsibility than the average citizen. Not only are his actions as a citizen subject to close scrutiny, but also any flagrant disregard for the accepted standards of fairness by him reflects on his Government.

This is especially true in overseas assignments, where a serviceman is considered by the people with whom he comes in contact as a representative of the United States.

Roving Photographer

Service Uniforms Affect Servicemen Differently

Speaking of uniforms, the Armed Forces is constantly trying to improve the quality, style and wearability of the current ones.

The Army is thinking about adopting an all-year-round "green" uniform to replace the khakis and sun-tans; the Navy is experimenting on a new Chief Petty Officer's type of uniform for PO1s and PO2s while the Air Force has already adopted an all-year "blue" uniform.

QUESTION: What do you think of your military uniforms? What improvements would you make?



TIKALSKY WILLIAMS

JOCM J. Dan Tikalsky, Journalist, HSAS, (Seattle, Wash.): "Uniform design is one of the greatest incentives to promotion. I think the Navy will make a big mistake if CPO type uniforms are permitted PO2's and PO1's. The other services should have a distinctive uniform for E7's and above."

SP4 McKinley L. Williams, Personnel Clerk, Disbursing Office, HSAS, (Corpus Christi, Tex.): "The Army isn't a career for me but I'm proud to serve in the Army. I'm not the sharpest soldier but I like wearing the uniform which is recognized." (Ed. Note: No doubt — this man will re-up.)



WIGGINS BREWER

PN2 R.A. Wiggins, I & E NCO, Personnel Office, HSAS, (Jacksonville, Fla.): "I feel that military uniforms could be greatly improved by a unified military uniform. This could result in a savings and less confusion."

SSgt. Robert O. Brewer, Administrative Specialist, AF Section MAAG, (Anchorage, Alaska): "I feel that the present uniforms are sufficient. However, I do feel there is a lack of military discipline in the proper wearing of the uniform. Authorized combinations should be adhered to according to prescribed directives."

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LM3 Robert R. Eck, Machine Operator, Reproduction Office, HSAS, (Garden City, Mich.): "I like the new uniforms that are being tested for 1st and 2d class petty officers, otherwise the Navy uniforms are alright."

SSgt. Willie E. Bibb, NCOIC Classified Section.



Cobras Win U.S. Ambassador's Trophy For The Third Consecutive Year

In the final game of the season, the American League Champion — 2d Air Division Cobras — rolled past the National League Champion 1964th Communication Group with a 5-3 score last Sunday at Tan Son Nhut Air Base.

The Cobras were reasonably sure of a victory and continued possession of the Ambassador's Cup, when

in the seventh inning Mike Rodrigues knocked a homer over the left field fence to put the game two runs out of the 1964th's reach.

The National League Champions lost the first of a best two out of three series last Saturday, when the Cobras won 20-4, in a game punctuated by numerous errors.

The handsome Ambassa-

dor's Cup has now been won by the 2d Air Division for three consecutive years and will be awarded to the team at a date yet to be announced.

Commenting on their winning team, one member of the Cobras said, "we could not have won except for the backing of our fans."



(AFPS Feature)

1. Who scored the first run in the initial Army-Navy baseball game?

2. What was the first radio broadcast to a mass audience in the United States?

3. What was unusual about the number of base hits made by Stan Musial during his career of 22 plus seasons in the National League?

4. What American League record, set in 1913 by Walter Johnson of the Washington Senators, still stands?

5. What extra service is defensive back Don Bishop of the Dallas Cowboys qualified to give opponents tackled too hard?

Answers to Quiz

6. Don Bishop is a more than an assistant during the season.

7. Walter Johnson compiled a record 1,14 earned runs average, still the best ever recorded by a regular pitcher.

8. Walter Johnson compiled the road — 1,815.

9. The same number of safe hits at home as he did on the road in 1913.

10. Douglass Ma

How will the United States track and field team fare in the forthcoming Olympic Games in Tokyo this October?

Few, if any, can predict with any degree of accuracy the final results, but Larry Snyder, veteran track coach at Ohio State as well as the man who coached America's track team in the 1960 Olympic Games in Rome, has some definite thoughts.

"First of all," Snyder says, "I hope that our track fans and sports writers will not build up some of our athletes as 'certain winners' at Tokyo."

"This places our men and women at a disadvantage. Sometimes they even believe that stuff themselves, and they unconsciously let down in their training," he continued.

"We have a fine coaching staff for the track team and we'll have young athletes coming up who are known only in their hometowns. But I still can't forget how John Thomas, the high-jumper, was accused of falling down in representing the United States in the 1960 Olympics in Rome when he finished third behind two Russians.

"Actually," Snyder said, "Thomas bettered the existing Olympic record for the high jump by almost a full inch but the two Russians rose to the unexpected heights."

The Ohioan said that, as sportsmen, instead of blaming Thomas who turned in a superb performance, we should have been congratulating the Russians for even better efforts.

Meanwhile, the indoor track season is over and U.S. Olympic hopefuls now turn their concentration to events leading up to the Olympic trials in New York, July 2-4. But Snyder pointed out this could mean Olympic trouble for U.S. athletes.

"All of the important American championships (NCAA, AAU, U.S. Track and Field Federation, and the service and Interservice Championships) are held in late spring and early summer," he said. Therefore, it could be difficult for the Americans to hold their competitive edge until they arrive in Tokyo in October.

For the service athletes who make the Olympic track team in the July trials, there's the chance to keep sharp an extra month. They'll be competing in the "Military Olympics" — Conseil International du Sport Militaire (CISM) — in Spain, Aug. 5-12.

However, Snyder, who rests on his 1960 experience, predicts that American athletes will perform at maximum ability at Tokyo. "It's amazing how the average American track athlete overcomes the great pressure of the Games to reach championship heights," he said.



INNOCENT VICTIM—Capt. Dennis E. McBonnel, Medical Advisor, examines a young girl, one of the 33 Vietnamese civilians, who were injured when a hand grenade was thrown by Viet Cong terrorists at the crowded market at My Tho. Three civilians were killed in the explosion. MAAG advisors of the 7th Div. assisted government officials in providing on the spot treatment.

(Observer Photo by Nilmar Pabel)

R & R SCHEDULE

Date of Departure/Return	Passenger Check-in TSN	Spaces Available
TO HONG KONG		
* 2-7 May	0800-0830	36
** 6-11 May	0800-0830	36
* 10-16 May	0800-0830	36
** 15-21 May	0800-0830	36
* 17-23 May	0800-0830	36
** 20-26 May	0800-0830	36
* 22-28 May	0800-0830	36
** 25-30 May	0800-0830	36
* 27 May-2 Jun	0800-0830	36
** 29 May-4 Jun	0800-0830	36
TO BANGKOK		
12-18 May	0500-0530	36
TO NHA TRANG		
1-4 May	0600-0630	36
8-11 May	0600-0630	36
15-18 May	0600-0630	36

Passenger stop at Da Nang. Reporting time Da Nang personnel: 1130 for * 1230 departure.

Passenger stop at Nha Trang. Reporting time Nha Trang personnel 1030 for 1130 departure.



EAST AND WEST MEET!—Maj. Charles M. East, (left) greets Capt. Arvid E. West (right) at their duty assignment with the ARVN Airborne Brigade where they are both assigned as MAAG advisors. Major East is from Evansville, Ind., while Captain West is from Greenbay, Wis.

Airborne Psy War Operations Proves Effective Against VC

By CWO NELSON
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The U.S. Army's 118th Avn. Co. is supporting the 5th ARVN Div. in their psychological operations in the III Corps area by flying UH-1B helicopters equipped with loudspeakers over Viet Cong-infested territory.

The helicopter broadcasts current news, propaganda, and information about the war in an ever-increasing effort to encourage the undecided portion of the population, as well as the VC insurgents, to side with the government. Leaflet drops also play an important role.

Generally, the loudspeakers and leaflets have a great effect on the population. Their response — in the form of defectors and intelligence about the enemy — has steadily increased. The effectiveness of the propaganda can be readily seen by the increased Viet Cong effort to shoot down any helicopter supporting Vietnamese psywar activities. Seldom during an operation is the loudspeaker ship not fired upon.

Different methods of broadcasting information to the population are being tried. One method being used is a small truck equipped with loudspeakers that drives from one small village to another distributing leaflets, showing movies, and broadcasting.

The 118th Avn. Co., has on one occasion airlifted the soundtruck into a remote area where it was impractical and dangerous

to drive the truck. Maj. David B. Hayes, Commander of the 118th, sling-loaded the truck under his UH-1B and carried it to Bau Don where the Vietnamese were conducting an operation.

Vietnamese Navy Moves Courses To Nha Trang

The Vietnamese Naval Advanced Training Center in Saigon transferred seven enlisted men's professional courses to the naval schools in Nha Trang last week.

"The change was made in order to better use the Saigon facilities," said Lt. Keith L. Christensen, MAAG advisor to the center.

By using the school in Saigon to teach 28 short technical courses it will be possible to send each man in the Sea Force to school at least one week each year.

The 22 instructors at the

Saigon Training Center will train officers, petty officers and enlisted men in such courses as engineering, navigation, communications, radar and sonar. With the change, the center in Saigon will be able to graduate 300 personnel each week.

The training facilities in Nha Trang now contain two Naval professional schools, recruit training and the Naval Academy. At the present time there are 570 Vietnamese Navy personnel attending school in Viet Nam.



TOP GRADUATE—Captain W.H. Hardcastle, Jr., Chief, Navy Section, MAAG, presents a graduation certificate to Boatswain's Mate First Class Sy Nguyen Tri, Vietnamese Navy. Boatswain Tri was graduated first in his class, the last to be held in Saigon. The Boatswain's Mate course along with six others is now being taught in Nha Trang Naval Training Center.

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