

PAUL REVERE IV

ALTHO CONTINUING OPERATIONS ALMOST WITHOUT INTERRUPTION THIS PHASE OF "OPERATION PAUL REVERE" WAS DESIGNATED SEPARATELY BECAUSE COMMAND AND CONTROL WAS UNDER THE 4TH INFANTRY DIVISION.

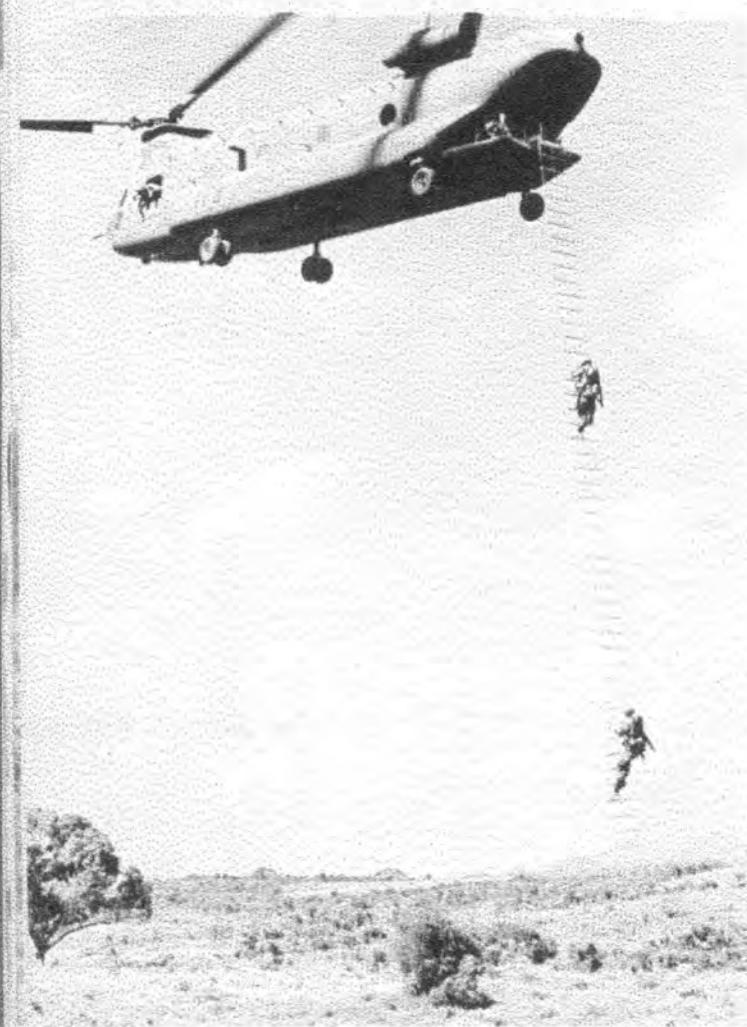


COL JAMES G. SHANAHAN (RIGHT) COMMANDER OF THE 3D BRIGADE
TASK FORCE, 25TH DIVISION DISCUSSES STRATEGY WITH COL JUDSON
F. MILLER, COMMANDER OF THE 2D BRIGADE, 4TH INFANTRY DIVISION





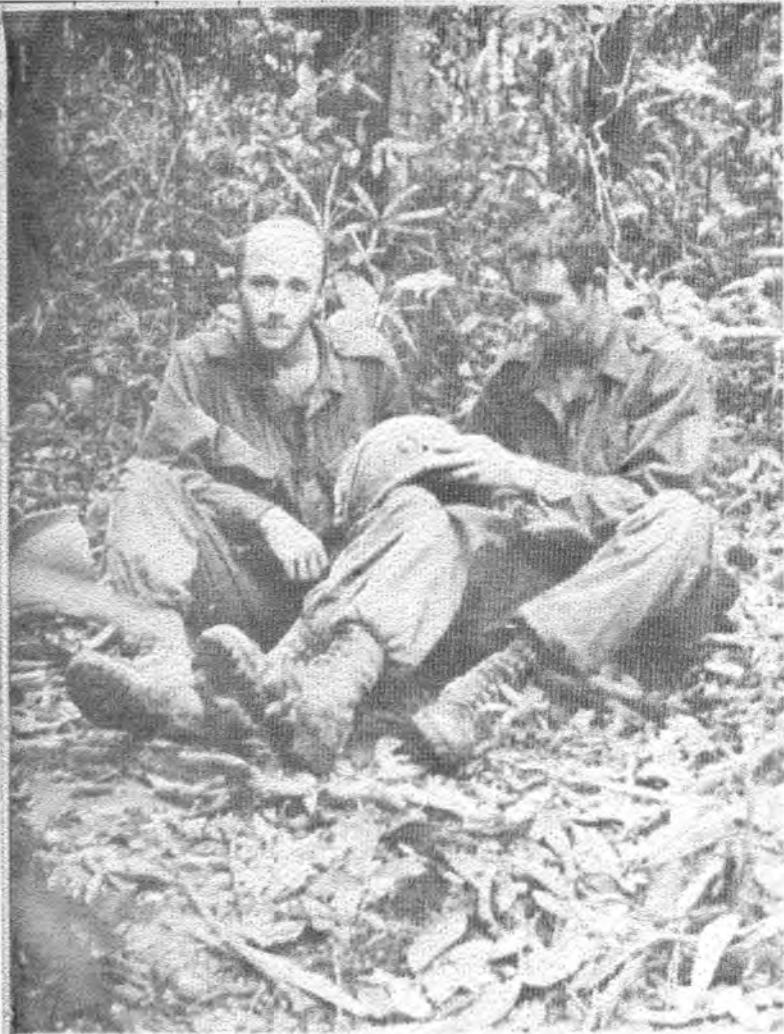
"HUEYS" LIFT OFF AFTER DROPPING TROOPS
OF 1/14 "GOLDEN DRAGONS" NEAR CAMBODIAN
BORDER



"CHINOOK" READIES TO LIFT
3/4 TON TRUCK



RETURNING TO BASE CAMP FOR



CLOSE CALL WHEN NVA BULLET
PUT HOLE IN HELMET -



THIS ONE JUST CREASED





HAULING LOGS
FOR FORTIFICATIONS



MAJ GEN ARTHUR S. COLLINS CG,
4TH INFANTRY DIVISION EXAMINES
M-16 RIFLE WITH SNIPER SCOPE
USED BY SGT KENNETH B. MOORE
TO STOP ENEMY SNIPER FIRE.



LOADING MORTAR AMMO

THANKSGIVING - 1966



TURKEY DINNER AT FORWARD
COMMAND POST



RED CROSS CAME UP TO
ADD TO THE OCCASION

TAKING A BREAK





AERIAL VIEW OF LZ BEING CLEARED

DISPLAY OF CAPTURED ENEMY WEAPONS



• 10 MAY, 1966 - 26 DEC 1

IN DECEMBER 1966 THE 3D BRIGADE TASK FORCE, 25TH INFANTRY DIVISION COMPLETED OPERATION "PAUL REVERE" THROUGH PHASE IV, SETTING THE ARMY RECORD FOR THE LONGEST SUSTAINED COMBAT OPERATION.

THE OPERATION, BEGUN MAY 10TH BY THE 3D BRIGADE TASK FORCE, 25TH INFANTRY DIVISION, REACHED THE 230-DAY MARK ON 26 DECEMBER. THE PREVIOUS RECORD WAS 165 DAYS, SET BY THE 25TH INFANTRY DIVISION IN WORLD WAR II DURING THE PHILIPPINE CAMPAIGN.

SETTING SUCH A RECORD REQUIRED NEARLY 32 WEEKS OF FIELD CONDITIONS AND CONSTANT EXPOSURE TO COMBAT -- SOMETHING NEVER DONE FOR THIS LONG A TIME BEFORE.

DURING THE OPERATION, FOUR MAJOR BATTLES AND COUNTLESS SKIRMISHES WERE FOUGHT BY THE 3D BRIGADE. THE "BIG FOUR" WERE: "THE BATTLE OF 10 ALPHA" MAY 29TH AND 30TH, INVOLVING ELEMENTS OF THE 1ST AND 2ND BATTALION OF THE 35TH INFANTRY PITTED AGAINST ELEMENTS OF AN NVA REGIMENT; "THE NEW BATTLE OF THE IA DRANG," JULY 31ST THROUGH AUGUST 2ND, INVOLVING THE SAME ELEMENTS ON A LARGER SCALE; THE DEFENSIVE BATTLE OF 9 AUGUST IN WHICH A REPUBLIC OF KOREA INFANTRY COMPANY AND A U.S. TANK PLATOON FROM THE 1ST BATTALION, 69TH ARMOR STAVED OFF AN NVA REGIMENT; AND, "THE BATTLE FOR DRAGON CRATER," NOVEMBER 19TH, WHERE THE 1ST BATTALION 14TH INFANTRY FOUGHT AN NVA REGIMENT.

IN THE LONG OPERATION 1,496 ENEMY WERE KILLED BY BODY COUNT, 424 NORTH VIETNAMESE WERE CAPTURED AND 534 OF THEIR WEAPONS WERE SEIZED.

MEN OF THE 3D BRIGADE TASK FORCE ACQUIRED 5 DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSSSES, 28 SILVER STARS, 212 BRONZE STARS WITH "V" DEVICE, 8 LEGION OF MERIT, AND 24 ARMY COMMENDATION MEDALS WITH "V".

THE VALOR THEY DISPLAYED BROUGHT SOUTH VIETNAM'S PREMIER, NGYEN CAO KY, TO PLEIKU TWICE TO AWARD FOUR GALLANTRY CROSSSES WITH PALM, THE HIGHEST AWARD VIETNAM HAS PRESENTED A FOREIGN SOLDIER.

ON THE OTHER FRONT, CIVIC ACTION HAS ACTED TO FREE VILLAGES OF IGNORANCE AND POVERTY AND THE DICTATES OF COMMUNISM. THE 3D BRIGADE TASK FORCE ALONE HAS ISSUED 110 CASES OF CANNED GOODS, 1,500 PIECES OF CLOTHING, NEARLY 185,000 POUNDS OF RICE AND 65 CASES OF SOAP. THEY RELEASED OVER 12-MILLION PROPAGANDA LEAFLET: OVER SUSPECTED ENEMY LOCATIONS. THEY'VE PAID OUT 11,000 PIASTERS (\$9,300) IN RETURN FOR FILLED SANDBAGS AND CLEARED ROADS.

THE BIGGEST ACHIEVEMENT OF "PAUL REVERE" IN THE CIVIC ACTION FIELD WAS THE FREEING OF SOME 400 MONTAGNARDS WHO HAD BEEN ENSLAVED BY THE VIET CONG IN 1962 AND FORCED TO GROW RICE AND TRANSPORT SUPPLIES FOR THE NVA EVER SINCE, WHEN THE BRIGADE BEGAN OPERATIONS AROUND PLEI DJERANG, THE VC FLED AND 400 MONTAGNAR DRIFTED OUT OF THE MOUNTAINS AND BACK TO THEIR HOMES. THE 3D BRIGADE TASK FORCE PROVIDED FOR THESE REFUGEES, UNTIL THEY COULD HARVEST A RICE CROP.

OPERATION "PAUL REVERE" WAS DIVIDED INTO FOUR PARTS TO DENOTE CHANGES IN OPERATIONAL CONTROL. THE 3D BRIGADE TASK FORCE CONTROLLED "PAUL REVERE-I AND III" EXCLUSIVELY AND PARTICIPATED IN II AND IV. THE 1ST AIR CAVALRY (AIRMOBILE) DIVISION CONTROLLED "II" AND THE 4TH INFANTRY DIVISION, COMMANDED BY MAJOR GENERAL ARTHUR S. COLLINS, "IV". THE "BRONCO" BRIGADE HOWEVER, IS THE ONLY UNIT TO HAVE PARTICIPATED IN ALL FOUR PHASES AND HAS COME TO CONSIDER "PAUL REVERE" ITS OWN.



BRONCO BUGLE

"CACTI GREEN"
DEALS BLOW TO
NVA MORALE

LATEST SPORTS
SCORES &
STANDINGS
PAUL REVERE MOVES INTO 200TH DAY
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BRONCO BRIGADE
THWARTS NVA EFFORT
IN CENTRAL HIGHLANDS

BRONCO BUGLE

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DACONS "CACTI GREEN"
"WEG CONTINUOUS"
ALPHA AIR
CUNSID
MEDIN

MERRY CHRISTMAS

BRIGADE COMMANDER'S
MAS MESSAGE

GODWIN
MERR

REVERE



THANKSGIVING

"ALPHA ARMY
REPELS HUM
WAVE ATTA

B. BATTERY FIRE
100,000 ROUNDS



LTC KINGSTON
AWARDED DS

GEN JOHNSON
MAKES PRESENTATION

The Distinguished Service Cross, the Army's second highest award for valor, was presented to Lieutenant Colonel Robert C. Kingston, commanding officer of the 1st Battalion, 35th Infantry, "Cacti Green."

The presentation was made by General Harold K. Johnson, Army Chief of Staff, on December 27, 1966.



REVERE
AHEAD



... CIVIC



GOOD WILL PACKAGES FROM THE PEOPLE OF NEVADA

MONTAGNARD CHIEF EXPRESSES THANKS FOR MEDICAL TREATMENT RECEIVED BY HIS VILLAGE.



ACTION...



MAJ TIPPON, BRIGADE S-5 MAKES FRIENDS WITH VIETNAMESE CHILDREN

VILLAGERS OF PLEI SOR NGOL GREET LT COL KINGSTON, CO, AND CAPT WILLIAM BAKER, BN S-5 OFFICER OF 1ST BATTALION, 35TH INFANTRY







BRIGADE



