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Silver Star

LTC John A Bender, HHC 3d Bn, 22nd Inf, 3d Bde, 4th Inf Div
 MAJ James E. Moore, Jr, HHC, 1st Bn, 35th Inf, 3d Bde, 25th Inf
 CPT Harvey E. Bailey, HHC, 3d Bde, 4th Inf Div
 CPT Thomas R. Cotton, HHC, 1st Bn, 35th Inf, 3d Bde, 25th Inf Div
 CPT Edgar L. Nealon, HHC, 3rd Bde, 25th Inf Div
 1LT George P. Rogers, B Trp, 3d Sqdn, 4th Cav
 SP4 Keith D. Cumpston, HHC, 1st Bn, 14th Inf, 3d Bde, 25th Inf Div

Legion of Merit

COL James G. Shanahan, HHC, 3d Bde, 25th Inf Div
 LTC Radney Gilbertson, HHC, 3d Bde, 25th Inf Div
 LTC Bruce Holbrook, HHC, 2nd Bn, 9th Arty, 3d Bde, 25th Inf Div

Bronze Star for Valor

CPT Jacky A. Burr, HHC, 1st Bn, 35th Inf, 3d Bde, 4th Inf Div
 1LT Anthony F. Caggiano, HHC, 1st BN., 35th Inf, 3d Bde, 25th Inf Div
 SFC Grady Deen, Co A, 1st Bn, 35th Inf, 3d Bde, 25th Inf Div
 SFC Leslie Moreland, Co B, 2nd Bn, 35th Inf, 3d Bde, 25th Inf Div
 SSG Freddie D. Thomas, Co B, 2nd Bn, 35th Inf, 3d Bde, 25th Inf Div
 SSG Floyd Young, HHC, 1st Bn (Mech), 5th Inf
 SGT William A. Hadley, Co A, 3d Bn, 22d Inf, 3d Bde, 4th Inf Div
 SGT Craig A. Stark, Co A, 4th Bn, 9th Inf
 SGT William S. Ungerman, Co A, 1st Bn, 27th Inf
 SP4 Johnny Banks, Co B, 1st Bn, 35th Inf, 3d Bde, 25th Inf Div
 SP4 Richard W. Griffith, Co C, 2nd Bn, 14th Inf
 SP4 Karl B. Holbrook, Co B, 1st Bn, 35th Inf, 3d Bde, 25th Inf Div
 SP4 Jerry M. Larrent, Co C, 1st Bn, 27th Inf
 SP4 John D. Mah, Co A, 2nd Bn, 27th Inf
 SP4 Jose E. Norat, Co C, 2nd Bn, 14th Inf
 SP4 Darwin E. Reid, HHC, 1st Bn, 35th Inf, 3d Bde, 25th Inf Div
 SP4 Marvin L. Thomson, A Trp, 3d Sqdn, 4th Cav
 PFC Charles P. Detomaso, Co B, 1st Bn, 27th Inf

Bronze Star

COL Edwin W. Emerson, HHC and Band, 25th Inf Div Spt Comd
 LTC Robert H. Schwarz, HHC, 25th S and T Bn
 LTC Jere W. Sharp, HHC, 725th Maint Bn
 MAJ William C. Godwin, HHC, 25th S & T Bn
 MAJ Golfredo N. Sansalane, 18th Mil Hist Det
 MAJ Bertin W. Springstead, HHC, 25th Inf Div
 CPT Dale D. Bergsten, HHC, 2nd Bn, 27th Inf Div
 CPT James D. Daniel, HQ Btry, 25th Inf Div Arty
 CPT Richard H. Dow, HH & S Btry, 7th Bn, 11th Arty
 CPT Henry G. Hampton, HHC, 3d Bde, 4th Inf Div
 1LT Robert N. Odom, HHC, 2nd Bn, 12th Inf, 4th Inf Div
 1LT Joel T. Willis, Co C, 2nd Bn (Mech), 22d Inf, 4th Inf Div
 2LT Michael D. Halford, Co A, 1st Bn, 27th Inf
 SSG Carson Peacock, Jr, Co B, 1st Bn (Mech), 5th Inf
 SGT Richard L. Cox, Co A, 2nd Bn, 22nd Inf, 4th Inf Div
 SGT Guy A. Eggum, Co A, 1st Bn (Mech), 5th Inf
 SGT Rayford L. Gaines, Co C, 1st, 27th Inf
 SGT Edward Lukert, Jr, Co C, 2nd Bn (Mech), 22nd Inf, 4th Inf Div
 SGT Joe Martinez, Co B, 1st Bn (Mech), 5th Inf
 SGT Robert E. Rossman, Co A, 1st Bn (Mech), 5th Inf
 SP4 William D. Blessman, A Trp, 3d Sqdn, 4th Cav
 SP4 Ben Coy, HHC, 25th S & T Bn
 SP4 George H. Haddox, Co B, 2nd Bn (Mech), 22d Inf, 4th Inf Div
 SP4 Lionel E. Hewitt, Co C, 2nd Bn, 14th Inf
 SP4 Ronny L. Palmer, HHC, 1st Bn (Mech), 5th Inf
 SP4 Joseph D. Prince, Jr, HHC, 1st Bn, 27th Inf
 SP4 William O. McNew, Co A, 1st Bn, 27th Inf
 SP4 Sherman E. Ratliff, Co B, 1st Bn, 27th Inf
 PFC Roy L. Branham, Co A, 1st Bn (Mech), 5th Inf
 PFC David A. Brileya, Co C, 2nd Bn (Mech), 22nd Inf, 4th Inf Div
 PFC Paul Cyr, Co B, 4th Bn (Mech), 23d Inf
 PFC Curtis L. Duckett, Co C, 2nd Bn, 14th Inf
 PFC Curtis T. Harmon, Co B, 2nd Bn, 27th Inf
 PFC Eddie M. Mann, Co C, 4th Bn (Mech), 23rd Inf
 PFC Howard T. Rice, Jr, Co C, 2nd Bn (Mech), 22rd Inf, 4th Inf Div

College Degree—OCS Plan Qualifications Now Listed

WASHINGTON (ANF) — The first enlisted men participating in the U.S. Army's new Baccalaureate Degree-Officer Candidate School Program will begin their civilian schooling in September.

The program, which was approved in June, will offer up to 50 qualified enlisted personnel annually the opportunity to complete work on a bachelor's degree and then attend OCS.

To be selected, applicants must meet the following general qualifications:

- Educational, mental, moral, citizenship, medical fitness, combat training, and advanced individual training requirements of OCS, as stated in AR 350-50.
- Be on active duty at the time of application.
- Have a minimum of one year's service in the active Army when training begins.

PX's Offer More Goods

SAIGON (MACV) — The Vietnam Regional Exchange (VRE) has recently increased the amount of foreign goods offered to its customers. Japan supplies the bulk of these items, followed by Hong Kong, Thailand, the Philippines and other countries.

The major purchases are audio-visual equipment: cameras, tape recorders, stereo sets, radios and related items. Watches, dinnerware, electric appliances and European manufactured perfumes make up the remainder of the offshore purchases.

The \$3 million spent monthly through October 1966 in offshore purchases has more than doubled and current monthly expenditures are expected to reach \$7.6 million to satisfy the increasing serviceman population.

All foreign merchandise purchased in the VRE meet APO shipping weight and size and may be mailed to the States without undue delay and cost.

Red Cross Starts To Fill Gift Bags For US Forces

The American Red Cross is thinking about Christmas already.

Red Cross chapters across the country have begun making and filling gift bags in a project designed to give every U.S. Armed Forces man and woman in Vietnam a gift during the holiday season.

Called "Red Cross Shop Early—Vietnam," the plan aims at production of 525,000 gift bags, made from denim or cotton so that they can be reused.

The bags will be filled with personal and useful items and shipped to field directors between early September and Oct. 15. Included in the total will be bags specially packed with feminine articles for distribution to women members of U.S. forces in Vietnam.

Red Cross officials invite the participation of local organizations and groups in the Christmas gift project.

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- Be serving in enlisted status.

- Be able to complete OCS before age 28.

- Have an adequate foundation of previous college training to insure completion of a degree program within 24 consecutive months.

The program will permit study in a variety of disciplines that are particularly suited to the

needs of the Army.

Upon completion of college requirements, participants will attend OCS, leading to a commission in the U.S. Army Reserve as a second lieutenant with concurrent call to active duty for three to four years.

Applications may be submitted in accordance with a new Department of the Army Circular that will be available shortly.

Lightweight Ponchos Could Trim Your Load

FORT BENNING, Ga. (ANF) — The U.S. Army Infantry Board here is testing a poncho which is more than a pound lighter than the present model. If the new poncho meets all requirements it may be adopted for Army-wide use.

The light-weight poncho is another step in a program to reduce the weight of all equip-

ment and clothing carried or worn by the combat infantryman.

Made of rip-stop nylon twill with a vinyl coating on the outside only, the new item weighs 1.64 pounds. The poncho now in use, which is a nylon twill with waterproofing on both sides, weighs 2.67 pounds.

Development of the projected lightweight clothing and equipment system, including the new poncho, is a project of the U.S. Army Natick Laboratories.

All War Souvenirs Need Registration

FORT MONROE, Va. (ANF) — If you want to bring that war trophy home from Vietnam, better register it.

Officials at Hqs, US Continental Army Command (USACONARC) have called for a campaign throughout USACONARC military establishments to alert soldiers and their families to the dangers of death-dealing souvenirs.

Concern about accidents caused by explosives brought back from overseas as war souvenirs initiated the campaign.

Individuals returning from Vietnam with war trophies — firearms or other lethal items — are required to have a War Trophy Registration Authorization, DD Form 603-1, in their possession.

Army Regulation 643-20, "Control and Registration of War Trophies and War Trophy Firearms," explains the criteria for owning such items.

Arrowhead Requirements Are Changed

WASHINGTON (ANF) — The U.S. Army has changed its requirements for awarding the Bronze Arrowhead for unit participation in a major assault into enemy-held territory.

Criteria for presenting the award have been expanded to include units participating in helicopter landings in enemy-held territory as part of an organized force carrying out an assigned tactical mission.

To qualify, a unit must be part of an operation large enough to warrant designation by the Department of the Army as a campaign and be of such magnitude as to include tactical elements of at least one other U.S. service. The committed force must ultimately control the area in which it has landed.

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