

A CO 2/5 MAKES AMPHIBIOUS ASSAULT

On the 1st of August, Company A, 2nd Battalion 10th Cavalry, made one of the few amphibious assaults conducted by the airborne 1st Cav. Departing from their FOB along the coast of the northeastern coast of the area at 0400 hours, Company A jumped across the beach to striking LZs. Two Navy Swift boats provided armed support for this unique operation.

The beach-head assault was made on the plain north of the Tiger Mountains just south of the Hong Son River. The target was a coastal village where intelligence reports indicated a VC force was hiding. Coming ashore shortly after 0500, the Skytroopers closed on the village. As they completed the cordon, they received fire from the village and the third platoon leader was hit in the leg with a VC (CONT'D ON PAGE 10)

NEW BDE STAFF

The Blackhorse Brigade staff has an almost totally new face as a result of the recent summer rotations and replacements. The new Deputy Commander is Lieutenant Colonel Joseph H. Love who joins the 1st Team from joint staff duty in Washington D.C. Occupying a new brigade position, that of Executive Officer, is Lieutenant Colonel James Vaughn who has just finished the National War College.

Major Fletcher Ware is the Brigade S-3 and was last assigned to the United States Military Academy at West Point, New York. Assisting him in the "S-3" are Cpt. Robert M. Carroll and Cpt. Teddy J. Hardy as the S-3 air and Assistant S-3, respectively. Both Cpt. Carroll and Cpt. Hardy have just finished the Infantry (CONT'D ON PAGE 10)

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grenade-it didn't go off:

After running down several persons trying to escape the cordon and shooting the grenade thrower, the Skytroopers settled down to await the National Police. Just before 0700 they arrived and proceeded to make their exhaustive search. Throughout the day the searchers found ammunition, weapons, documents and VC. By 1600 hours the village had been thoroughly searched and the National Police and ARs were lifted out.

The count for the day was: 5 VC KIA, 10 VC POWs, 1 carbine, 7 Chicom grenades, 144 rounds of 40 mm HE and 2 transistor radios captured. Not a bad day for the Blackhorse Brigade even though "air mobility" was neglected.

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FCG Wayne Oxlings, attached to Co C as an aidman, was wounded by the blast, but remained to treat the seriously wounded troopers. In minutes, under illumination fired by First Team Artillery, Medevac helicopters arrived and took the wounded to nearby medical stations. SF4 Henry Clark who helped with casualties, though wounded himself, refused to be evacuated until all the others were taken out.

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Officer Career Course at Ft. Benning Georgia.

The new Brigade S-2 is CPT Paul C. O'Connell who is in his 26th month in KVN.

His last tour was with the 1/8th Cav.

Major (Chaplain) Edward J. Karmis is the new Blackhorse Chaplain. Father

Karmis was last assigned as the 2d Brigade Chaplain, USAF, Ft. Bragg,

North Carolina before joining the 1st Cavalry.

Supporting the Brigade as S-1 in Blackhorse style is Maj. Felix A. Delapue who just finished a tour with the army ROTC program at Oregon State University, Corvallis, Oregon.