

August 15, 1964

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O-10	\$1302.00	\$1347.90	\$1347.90	\$1347.90	\$1347.90	\$1399.20	\$1399.20	\$1506.90	\$1506.90	\$1506.90	\$1614.30	\$1722.00	\$1722.00	\$1829.70
O-9	1153.80	1183.80	1209.60	1209.60	1209.60	1240.20	1240.20	1291.50	1291.50	1399.20	1399.20	1506.90	1506.90	1614.30
O-8	1045.20	1076.40	1101.90	1101.90	1101.90	1183.80	1183.80	1240.20	1240.20	1291.50	1347.90	1399.20	1455.60	1455.60
O-7	868.20	927.60	927.60	927.60	968.70	968.70	1025.10	1025.10	1076.40	1183.80	1266.00	1266.00	1266.00	1266.00
O-6	643.20	707.40	753.30	753.30	753.30	753.30	753.30	753.30	779.10	902.10	948.00	968.70	1025.10	1112.10
O-5	514.50	604.80	645.90	645.90	645.90	645.90	666.30	702.00	748.20	804.60	850.80	876.30	907.20	907.20
O-4	434.10	528.00	563.70	563.70	573.90	599.70	640.50	676.50	707.40	738.00	758.40	758.40	758.40	758.40
O-3	353.70	450.90	481.80	533.10	558.60	579.00	609.90	640.50	656.10	656.10	656.10	656.10	656.10	656.10
O-2	281.40	384.30	461.40	476.40	486.90	486.90	486.90	486.90	486.90	486.90	486.90	486.90	486.90	486.90
O-1	241.20	307.50	384.30	384.30	384.30	384.30	384.30	384.30	384.30	384.30	384.30	384.30	384.30	384.30
Officers with over 4 years EM Service														
O-3				\$533.10	\$558.60	\$579.00	\$609.90	\$640.50	\$666.30	\$666.30	\$666.30	\$666.30	\$666.30	\$666.30
O-2				476.70	486.90	502.20	528.00	548.40	563.70	563.70	563.70	563.70	563.70	563.70
O-1				384.30	410.10	425.40	440.70	456.00	476.70	476.70	476.70	476.70	476.70	476.70
Warrant Officers														
W-4	\$361.20	\$440.70	\$440.70	\$450.90	\$471.60	\$492.00	\$512.40	\$548.40	\$573.90	\$594.60	\$609.90	\$630.30	\$651.00	\$702.00
W-3	328.50	405.00	405.00	410.10	415.20	445.80	471.60	486.90	502.20	517.50	533.10	553.50	573.90	594.60
W-2	287.40	353.70	353.70	363.90	384.30	405.00	420.30	435.60	450.90	466.50	481.80	497.10	517.50	517.50
W-1	238.20	312.60	312.60	338.40	353.70	369.00	384.30	399.90	415.20	430.50	445.80	461.40	461.40	461.40
Enlisted Men														
E-9						\$445.80	\$445.80	\$456.00	\$466.50	\$476.70	\$486.90	\$497.10	\$522.90	\$573.90
E-8						\$374.10	384.30	394.50	405.00	415.20	425.40	435.60	461.40	512.40
E-7	\$206.39	\$282.00	\$292.20	\$302.40	\$312.60	\$322.80	333.00	343.50	358.80	369.00	379.20	384.30	410.10	461.40
E-6	175.81	246.00	256.20	266.40	276.90	287.10	297.30	312.60	322.80	333.00	338.40	338.40	338.40	338.40
E-5	145.24	215.40	225.60	235.80	251.10	261.30	271.50	282.00	287.10	287.10	287.10	287.10	287.10	287.10
E-4	122.30	184.50	194.70	210.00	220.50	220.50	220.50	220.50	220.50	220.50	220.50	220.50	220.50	220.50
E-3	99.37	148.50	159.00	169.20	169.20	169.20	169.20	169.20	169.20	169.20	169.20	169.20	169.20	169.20
E-2	85.80	123.00	123.00	123.00	123.00	123.00	123.00	123.00	123.00	123.00	123.00	123.00	123.00	123.00
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## EDITORIAL

# A Soldier's Honor

Throughout history honor has been the glowing quality which men esteem above all others. No other profession demands this high quality to any greater degree than that of the soldier.

A soldier's honor has nothing to do with position or grade. To be held in respect by his fellow man, the private must possess no less a degree of honor than the general.

Although honor is made up of many things, there are four particular qualities which are paramount. They are courage, fidelity, integrity, and dignity.

Courage is the ability to meet danger and difficulties, and to do so despite a shaking hand or pounding heart. Fear is common to most men in the face of grave danger, and courage is the quality which carries the soldier to his objective in spite of his fear of bodily injury and death.

It also takes courage to act and stand fast on your beliefs — to stick to your ideals under the pressure of scorn, ridicule, isolation, abuse, and violence. Moral courage helps you choose the harder right instead of the easier wrong.

Fidelity is conscientious attention to duty and faithfulness to superiors, equals, and subordinates as well as to country, family, service, and church. This quality binds armies together and strengthens the ability of soldiers to meet adversity with confidence and teamwork. Loyalty and trust unite men in fighting for those principles they believe to be good and true.

Integrity embraces all of the highest concepts of truth, honesty, and dependability. A man of integrity is believed completely and implicitly. This quality inspires his comrades, increases their confidence in him, compels their respect and encourages them to follow his example.

Dignity is the outward bearing and behavior which comes from inherent self-respect. It is a positive quality embodying the habitual observance of justice, courtesy, respectability, and fair play. Spirit without arrogance, courage without bombast, and fortitude without lament, are some of the qualities of the dignified man. He commands respect from others because of his quiet confidence and self-respect.

These are the four elements of honor. They feed the inner flame that sustains the soldier, enabling him to act bravely, to give always his willing and determined best and to bear himself as a true soldier at all times.

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## Gen. Westmoreland's AFRS Anniversary Message

On the occasion of the second anniversary of Armed Forces Radio, Saigon, on 15 August 1964, I extend my heartiest congratulations to the officers and men who are responsible for the operation of this vitally important communications facility in Vietnam.

Keeping our troops informed is an important command responsibility and one that is so essential to the success of our mission. A well-informed serviceman will more willingly and cheerfully do his job. Today, more than ever before, he must know not only what is happening in his own area but in the rest of Vietnam, the United States and the world.

Providing this accurate timely information is one of the functions of AFRS. Another equally important function is the scheduling of programs that are both entertaining and educational, and which provides our troops with a solid link to personalities and events back home.

I congratulate AFRS on its many fine accomplishments during the last two years. And, as AFRS begins its third year of operation, at this significant time in our history, I know that AFRS will continue to play an important and ever increasing role in keeping the U.S. military and civilian community properly and readily informed.

W.C. WESTMORELAND  
General, United States Army  
Commander

# Letters To The Editor

Dear Sir:

Please tell our men that we think of them and pray for them every day. We deeply appreciate what they are sacrificing to bring freedom to us and to the world.

God love and help each and every one of you.

Sincerely,

HELEN M. KELLY

(This letter was addressed to the Commanding Officer, U.S. Armed Forces in South Vietnam and written by Helen M. Kelly of 17 Leroy Place, Red Bank, New Jersey, dated July 31).

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Dear Sirs:

I wish you would relay the following message to all the military troops and American citizens in South Vietnam and Laos who are helping the cause of freedom for mankind:

"Fellow Men, Soldiers, and Citizens:

I am very in debt to you and all brave persons like you who believe in freedom and liberty for man and all he believes. Please accept my deep, sincere thanks and gratitude.

I will do all I can to help others in the U.S., my friends, my neighbors, everyone, to understand and appreciate what you are doing. You see, I care! I really do!"

Very Sincerely,

ERNIE G. ROSS

P.S. — I am 17 years old and I meant every word I said. Please see that it reaches them.

(This letter was addressed to the U.S. Embassy in Saigon by young Ernie G. Ross of 2190 1/2 South Santiam, Lebanon, Oregon 97355 and written July 23).

## CHAPLAIN'S COLUMN

# A BIG DIFFERENCE

By Chaplain (Capt.) VICTOR A. BIEBERLE, USA

One day a small boy was trying to lift a heavy stone, but he couldn't budge it. His father, passing by, stopped to watch his efforts. Finally he said to his son: "Are you using all your strength?"

"Yes, I am," the boy cried, exasperated.

"No," the father said calmly. "You're not. You haven't asked me to help you."

How often we give up when the job seems beyond our limited capacities! And yet we cannot estimate our ability properly, unless we include the immeasurable resources at our disposal when we cooperate with the help of God.

When we are attempting a task — big or small — we would do well to stop for a moment and pray, in all humility, for God's divine help. This is a fitting reminder of our dependence on Almighty God, as well as assurance of help from on high that will carry us through difficulties we could never master alone.

Prayer can change things! Our help is in the name of the Lord.

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# Walter Reed Medical Research Unit Opened To Serve Troops

With a snip of shears last Friday, Gen. W. C. Westmoreland officially opened what might be the most significant medical facility ever to come to Vietnam: The laboratory of the U.S. Army Medical Research Team.

A newly formed unit of the vast Walter Reed Army Institute of Research (WRAIR), the team of world-renowned doctors and specialists will conduct medical research among Vietnamese nationals and U.S. military personnel.

In a talk during the opening ceremonies, General Westmoreland likened the efforts of this latest group of medical researchers to those of Army doctors Walter Reed and Gorgas in Cuba and in Panama over 50 years ago, and further compared the overall effort here to that in Panama saying that the U.S., then and now, was committed to a large undertaking in a strange environment, plagued by disease.

He said that again, here in Vietnam, we are "encountering problems affecting the health and welfare of our men and of the Vietnamese armed forces."

Lt. Col. Paul E. Teschan, MC, a specialist with over 12 years experience in military medical research heads up the team of ten people. His team's laboratory facilities encompass 23 rooms in a converted section of a modern hospital at 179 Cong Ly, Saigon, and are perhaps as up to date as any in Southeast Asia.

The medical researchers are members of the Walter Reed Army Institute of Research, a separate, facility of the Army Surgeon General's office, and the largest unit in the Army's medical Research and Development command, which operates seven laboratories in the United States and six more on foreign soil.

"There are three other laboratories in our Southeast Asia family," Dr. Teschan notes, "the SEATO Medical Research Laboratory in Bangkok, the 406th Medical Laboratory at Camp Zama, Japan, and the Army Medical Research Unit, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia."

"For that reason," he continued, "we are not going to duplicate the medical research or the facilities of these sister units; some diseases can be better



**OPENING** — General Westmoreland (center) listens as Colonel Teschan (right) explains mission of new center. At right is Brig. Gen. Bowles, chief of Army Research in Vietnam.

studied by their personnel, and we will coordinate our observations with them, or invite them to work with our team. Our research will be that which can be most productively carried out in Vietnam."

Psychiatry, surprisingly, will constitute over half of the team's work. Dr. David McK. Rioch, Director of the Division of Neuro-psychiatry, WRAIR, is currently on his second Vietnam visit and works closely with the researchers here.

But the kind of psychiatry to be practiced here is far from the lie-down-on-the-couch-and-tell-me-your-troubles-variety. Rather it utilizes group methods for studying problems of cross-cultural communication in the advisory effort. The psychiatric research team includes a military psychiatrist, Lt. Col. William Hausman MC, and a social anthropologist, Dr. David H. Marlowe. Dr. Gerald C. Hickey, RAND Corporation, is consulting with Drs. Hausman and Marlowe in this project.

The remainder of the medical team's research work will center around the infectious diseases common to this area, and the combat injuries sustained here.

"In essence," noted Dr. Teschan, "the main researchable health problems as we see them are certain types of malaria, dysentery of various kinds, dengue viruses, viral hepatitis — which affects few personnel but has a long course — and finally, early care, recovery from shock, and definitive treatment of the wounded, that is those conditions that interfere fre-

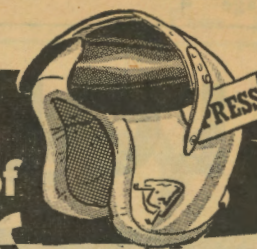
quently with duty-effectiveness of U.S. as well as Vietnamese civilian and military personnel. Hence we are interested in working with the Vietnamese Minister of Health and the Medical Service of ARVN in collaborative ventures... and we want to make the research results immediately available both for the benefit and healing of the Vietnamese people and of our own troops. It should also be noted that the laboratory will be no ivory tower. The studies in military psychiatry are carried out among advisors in the field; and the wound study will be conducted where the wounded are."

On the Team with Dr. Teschan are: Lt. Col. James O. Darling, the executive officer for operations, and 4 enlisted men: MSgt. Justin H. Snyder, medical supply supervisor; SFC James N. Erickson, personnel NCO; SSgt. Rufus W. Gore Jr., Chief laboratory NCO, and Sp4 Ralph G. Tassi, administrative specialist.

Just arrived to begin the studies of combat injury are Lt. Col. William F. MacDonald, MC, an orthopedic surgeon and Chief of the Department of Experimental Surgery, WRAIR; and Lt. Col. Timothy G. Barilla, MC, Chief of the Department of Resuscitation, WRAIR. Lt. Col. Edward L. Buescher, MC, Chief of the Department of Virus Diseases at WRAIR also attended the opening ceremonies during his visit to assist the team's collaboration with staffs of the Ministry of Health and of the Pasteur Institute in the study of dengue and hemorrhagic fever in Saigon.

## POCKETFUL of NOTES

By SSgt. Bob Reid  
USAF



**KEEPING UP WITH THINGS** — Being the most well-informed troops in the world we presume y'all read the shocking news out of Las Vegas this week. The story about there being no more one-armed bandits there, we mean. It truly jolted us.

We could just picture the entire population walking around in shabby clothes, rumbling stomachs, completely destitute. Imagine, we thought, the nerve of some people taking away a state's principal industry. Why it's like burning all the tobacco fields in North Carolina, or shutting off all the oil wells in Texas, or maybe even closing all the auto factories in Detroit.

But then we read on. Ah! hah! They are NOT taking the slot machines out of Las Vegas...they are automating them, making them electronic, so to speak. They have taken the arms, or levers off'n them, and now all you have to do is pour in the coins and the thing automatically gobbles them up, and much faster, too, so you can get broke quicker.

This also, presumably, leaves one hand free, which can be used to partake of the free refreshments the house offers one up there, thereby getting you faster in the mood to pour more money into the bandits, which we suppose will now be called "electric bandits," in lieu of the staid, old-fashioned, "one-armed bandits."

But to our way of thinking, this new step forward sort of takes all the fun out of playing the slots. You know — some guys like the slow pull, others the halfway pull, still others the quick jerk. And what does a guy do to exercise his biceps, now? Lifting that glass with the now spare arm can hardly build the muscles that a series of hard pulls on a slot machine handle can.

Progress...you have gone too far this time.

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If there's anything we love, it's the Australian sense of humor. One Australian chap was in the office the other day, recounting the horrible punishments administered in days gone by Capt. Bligh on the good ship "Bounty." Seems one day he sentenced a sailor to 500 lashes. The punishment went on and on, with Mr. Christian supervising. The count mounted, "220, 221, 222, etc." Finally, after five hours, Mr. Christian stops the punishment for a moment to examine the prisoner. He turns to Capt. Bligh, and says, "the man is dead, sir." "Continue the punishment," says Bligh in a droll voice.

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**NOTES IN OUR POCKETS** — Funniest scene of the week the other night in one of the enlisted messes. Three guys fighting over a woman's purse. Actually discussing the merits of the thing. You know, "nice lining," and, "good size and weight," and "smooth outside, won't tear nylons," and so on. One guy says, "Oh, I've got three just like it." It sort of broke us up, but actually, they were buying purses to send to their wives back in the states.

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We were also talking to one of the six military policemen who were the targets for a terrorist bomb-thrower a couple of weeks back, in Cholon. They escaped the blast by diving into a nearby tailor shop. Said he, commenting on his own agility: "Third in the door, and first on the floor!" Which might not be bad for our slogan of the week.

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Another genius has approached us with one of the crackpot ideas we hear from time to time. He mentions the fact that there is a plastic map in all survival kits, so you can find your way out of the jungles and places, should you become a survival ease. This wit suggests that the plastic map be replaced with an inflatable plastic globe of the world, citing two reasons: "First," he says, "with the globe, not only could you find your way out of the jungle, but all the way out of the country as well. And secondly, if you had to cross a river or something, you could use your plastic globe like water wings.

It takes all kinds, huh, Arthur?



# LOLEX Technique Gives Zip



**PERFORMANCE EVALUATION** — Conference in flight is held by Lt. Col. J.Y. Hammack, (Right) ACTIV project officer; Capt. William Simms, (Left) senior Caribou pilot of the 61st Avn. Co., and Capt. Roy T. Evans, Asst. S-4, Hqs. Special Forces. LOLEX drop gets evaluated after the second 3,000-lb load hits the drop zone.

(Photo by SFC Tony Bermudez.)

## Critical Supplies Delivered 'On Time' With Latest Technique

A much more improved inventor of LOLEX and system of aerial delivery presently Asst. S-4, Hqs. was successfully executed Special Forces in Vietnam July 19 by the 61st Avn. Co., when it resupplied Special Forces elements with two 3,000-lb pallets of critical supplies and equipment at Phe Shrung in the II Corps tactical zone.

Employing a technique tagged LOLEX ((Low Level Extraction) from a CV-2B Caribou, Capt. William Simms, senior Caribou pilot of the 61st Avn. Co. II and III tactical zones. and Capt. John E. Murphy,

As a result of the first successful aerial delivery, the 61st Avn. Co. has to date resupplied Special Forces units with over 20,000 tons of critical equipment and supplies in the II and III tactical zones.

LOLEX is more effective than any of the "Touch-and-Go" techniques previously employed in the Ground Proximity Extraction System (GPES).

### OLD SYSTEM

GPES uses a ground arresting cable with a hook trailing behind the delivery aircraft. As the aircraft flies over the pick-up zone on the ground, the hook makes contact with the cable and snatches the load from the aircraft's cargo compartment.

This system has been abandoned until major improvements can be made to insure maximum safety to both plane and cargo.

### NEW SYSTEM

LOLEX, which was designed by 30-year-old USMA graduate Capt. John E. Murphy at the Quartermaster School, Ft. Lee, Va., on July 29, 1963, is highly adaptable to the rugged highlands, thickly forested and mountainous terrain of Vietnam.

LOLEX does not use any ground arresting gear and requires only 1,800 ft. clearing for a drop zone. Employing LOLEX the Caribou can carry and deliver up to 6,000 pounds of supplies utilizing two or more combinations of loads of 2,000, 3,000 or 4,000 cargo shipments.

Rerigging in flight for a second or third extraction takes about seven minutes. The extraction kit for 6,000 lbs. of supplies weighs 100

lbs. and can be carried in the lower escape hatch of the aircraft.

The new aerial delivery technique was first used in the United States during SWIFT STRIKE III by the 187th Med. Trans. Co., 11th Air Assault Div., Ft. Benning Ga. The technique, coupled with an outstanding safety record, impressed top aviation CONARC officers and ordered LOLEX to be included in the course of instruction for transition Caribou pilots.

LOLEX is undergoing official evaluation in Vietnam by Col. Russel F. Bonasso, Chief of the Army Aviation Div., ACTIV, and his staff including Lt. Col. Dewey F. Moser and Maj. H.L. Walker, Caribou project evaluation officer.

LOLEX is basically simple. The Caribou is flown as close to three feet above the ground with wheels down, flaps in a 25 degree position and the cargo ramp aligned horizontally. The speed of the aircraft coming into the delivery zone is 70 to 75 knots indicated speed.

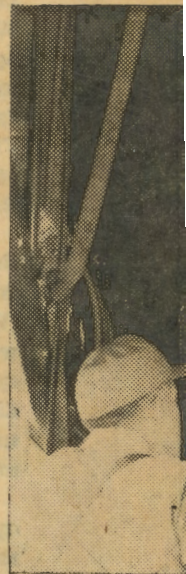
Loads are extracted from the aircraft with a 15-foot ring slot parachute. The size of the parachute varies according to the weight of the load. Compared to regular air drops from C-47s or C-123s, LOLEX delivered supplies do not use recovery parachutes.

### LOADINGS TECHNIQUES

Supplies and equipment are compactly piled on top of pallets or skid boards and secured with straps, chains or binders. For critical type cargo, shock-absorbing materials are packed between the platform and critical points of the equipment.

Aerial loading and unloading equipment consists of roller conveyors, side and forward buffer boards to guide the loads and tie-down devices which secure the payloads during the flight.

A shear strap is installed at the aft end of the load to be dropped and attached to the rear end of the platform and through the nearest tie-down ring on the floor of the cargo compartment. The strap is released when the parachute deploys and begins to pull on the extraction line.



**INVENTOR** — Murphy (Bend) Caribou and LOLEX (Left) Chief of two Army aviation before the LOLEX Captain Murphy quarters in Vietnam. Quartermaster technique was effective. Forces elements

### EXTRACTION

Actual extraction accomplished by of an extraction attached to the ceiling of the aircraft's cargo compartment. As the pilot passes drop zone he sees the pendulum re-

The parachute the slipstream payload from hatch of the plane forward momentum trained by the parachute and skids to a halt

### STORY BY PHOTOS BY (U)



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**OUT THE HATCH** — First LOLEX-delivered pallet of supplies consisting of ammunition, rations, clothing, spare parts and tools, is extracted from the hatch of the Caribou while the aircraft swoops down three feet above the ground to execute the delivery. Parachute extracts the load which is on top of rollers.



# To Aerial Supply Delivery



**R EXPLAINS LOLEX** — Capt. John E. (last name partially obscured) explains the mechanics of loading LOLEX technique to Col. Russell P. Bonasso, of the ACTIV Army Aviation Div. The aviators go through the step-by-step procedures LOLEX drop gets a performance evaluation. Murphy, Asst. S-4 of the Special Forces Head- Vietnam, invented LOLEX while at the School, Ft. Lee, Va., last year. His effectively employed in aerial drops to Special in the central highlands of Vietnam.

(Photo by SFC Tony Bermudez)

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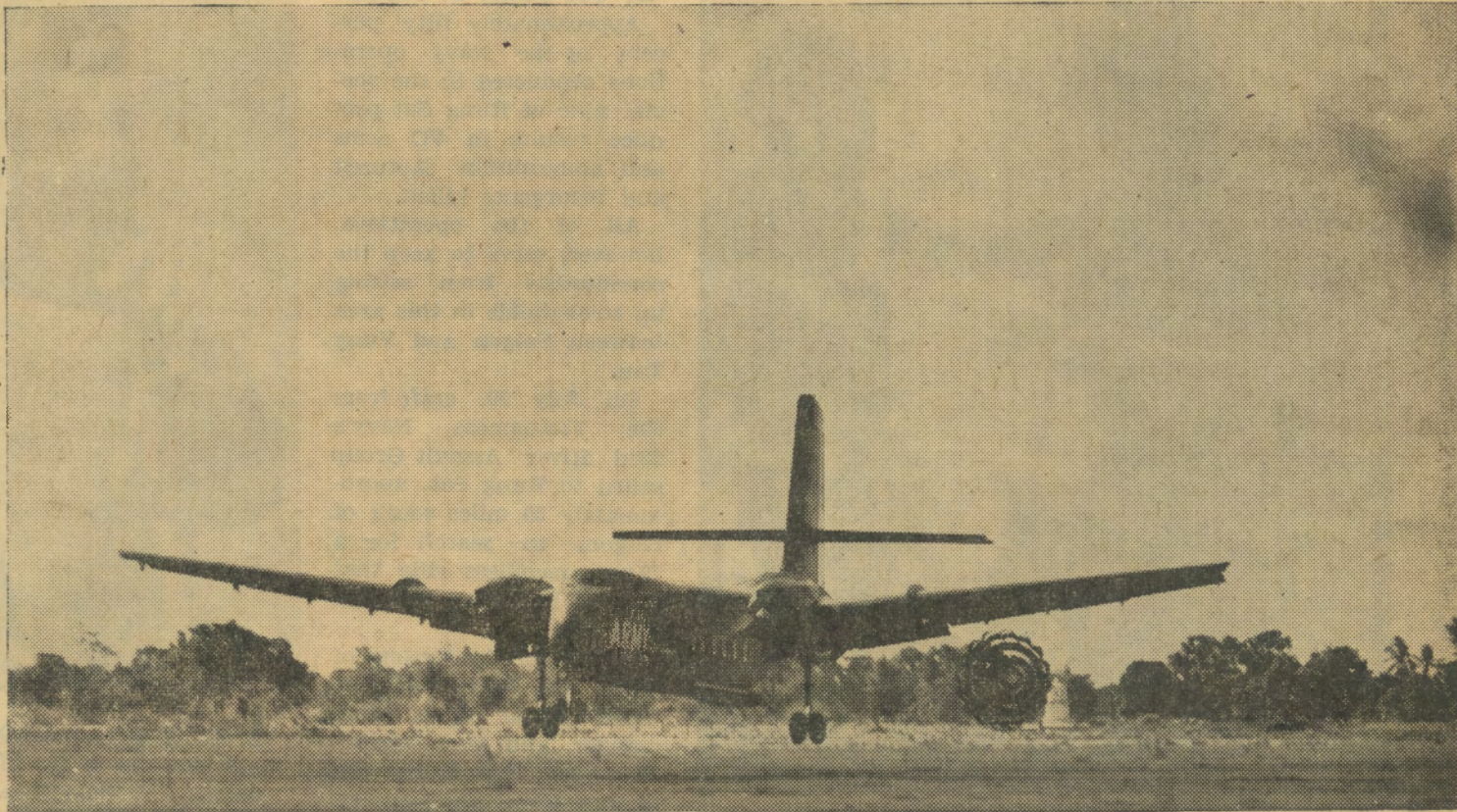
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**"YOU CALL...WE'LL HAUL!"**  
The future of LOLEX in Vietnam is unlimited and there is high-level talk in the Pentagon that in the near future "People Pads" probably squad-size fighting troops can be landed in battle areas.

In the meantime in Vietnam the officers and men of the 61st Avn. Co., commanded by Maj. Rick Herman, have put teeth in their newly-coined slogan... "You Call...We'll Haul!"

**BY SFC TONY BERMUDEZ**  
**BY PFC ROGER MARTUCCI**  
(Unless otherwise indicated)



**THREE FEET ABOVE GROUND ZERO** — Swooping down into the drop zone at 70-75 knots indicated speed the Caribou pilot must time his drop so that within split seconds he can unload his drop and climb out of the area. The LOLEX technique and the Caribou combination is proving to be a much more effective, economical and accurate method of aerial delivery.



**FIVE MINUTES TO DROP-TIME** — Rigging personnel get warning from pilot five minutes before "drop time" as the Caribou bears on the target for the LOLEX drop. Assisting in the first pass are (left to right) Australian Army Maj. John Murphy, Sp5 Lawrence C. Jones, aircraft crew chief and PFC Wallace Hasigawa. (Photo by SFC Tony Bermudez)



**6,000-POUNDS PAYLOAD** — PFC Wallace Hasigawa, asst. crew chief, 61st Avn. Co., (Right) supervises the loading of the second payload into the cargo compartment of the Caribou. Assisting crew are members of the Special Forces at Nha Trang.

(Photo by SFC Tony Bermudez)



**DROP AT GO DA HAU** — Special Forces observer (Right) watches LOLEX drop made by Caribou aircraft as 3,000-lbs of cargo skids to a dead stop landing zone.



**THE APPROACH** — Caribou aircraft cruising at 125 knots indicated speed approaches the drop zone while Special Forces elements anxiously watch the aircraft with their much-needed mail, supplies, and fighting equipment.



# Navy Keeps VC On Move In Rung Sat

Story and Photos

By JO3 JOHN E. JONES

Approximately fifty percent of the Navy operations conducted in the special zone of Rung Sat produce results in VC arms and ammunition captured and insurgents killed.

All of the operations, however, serve to keep the communists from setting up strongholds in this area between Saigon and Vung Tau.

On July 29, craft from the Vietnamese Navy's 23rd River Assault Group sailed to Rung Sat, approximately 30 miles south of Saigon, to search for a 75 mm recoilless rifle that the VC had been using in that area.

Under the leadership of LCdr. Do Quy Hop, the Third Naval Zone Commander, and Maj. Nguyen Van Tai, the Rung Sat Special Zone Commander, two Monitors, two STCANs and four Motor Launch Minesweepers were loaded with a platoon of Popular Forces. Commander Hop was advised on the operation by U.S. Navy LCdr. David J. Anthony.

The River Craft converged upon the area where local intelligence reports showed the Viet Cong to have last used the recoilless rifle.

Prior to the landing of the troops the area to be searched was shelled with the 81 mm mortars and 40 mm cannons carried aboard the Monitors.

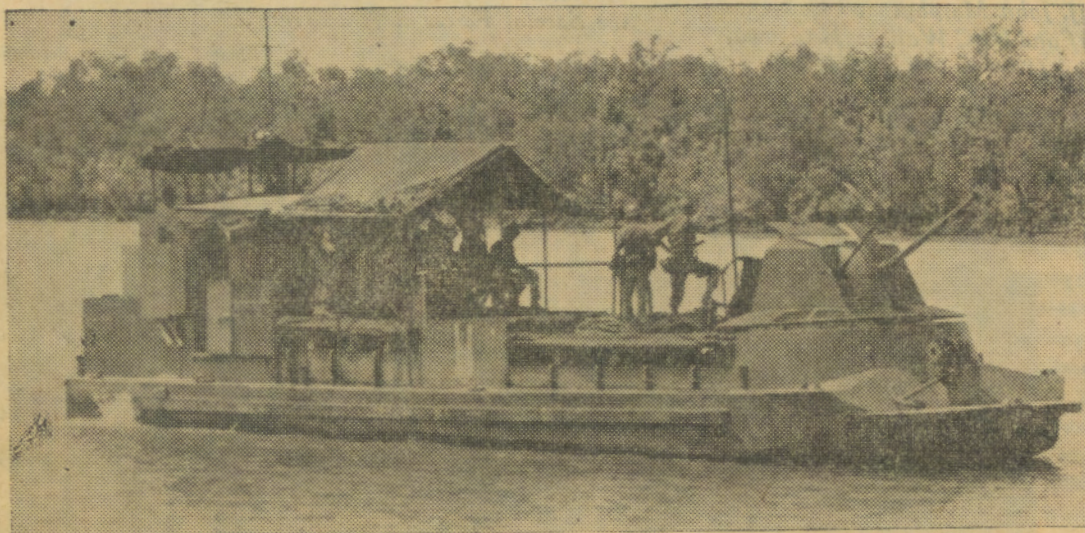
The Popular Forces troops landed and searched an area approximately one mile long and one half mile wide. Two suspects were taken into custody, when their credentials were found to be unsatisfactory.



**CHECKING PAPERS** — A Navy enlisted man checks the papers of a Viet Cong suspect that was detained during the operation.



**MONITOR BEACHES** — U.S. Navy LCDR David J. Anthony, the Naval Advisory Group's advisor to the Third Corp, watches as Popular Forces troops are landed by one of the Monitors in the River Assault Group.



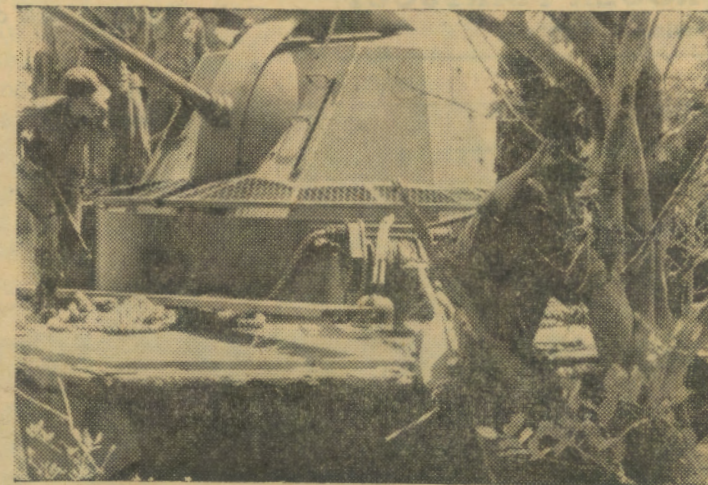
**MONITOR** — This River Assault Group craft participated in the Navy operation in Rung Sat. It is shown here loaded with Popular Forces troops prior to their landing. Before the troops were landed the shore was bombarded with the 81mm mortar and 40mm cannon carried aboard this craft.



**SHORE BOMBARDMENT** — A Vietnamese Navy man from one of the Monitors prepares to fire an 81mm mortar. This River Assault Group craft fired approximately 40 rounds prior to the landing of Popular Forces troops to search for a 75mm recoilless rifle being by the Viet Cong in that area.



**SEARCHING JUNKS** — U.S. Navy LCDR David J. Anthony (left) and his counterpart LGDR Do Quy Hop (kneeling left) participate in the search of a junk near the area to be secured. These people proved to be local fishermen and were released after the search.



**LANDING TROOPS** — One of the Monitors that participated in the operation pulls in to the shore to land troops. Approximately one platoon of Popular Forces searched an area one mile long and one half miles wide. Two suspects were taken into custody.



## Sports SCENE HEARD

It would be a charming final chapter in one of the most captivating sports stories of the year if the United States eight-oared rowing crew should win the Olympics final at Tokyo in October.

The story begins with a raggedy-andy crew getting together at the last minute and winning a last-breath opportunity to compete in the Olympic rowing trials in New York City. Then there was a dramatic come-from-behind upset. There's even the interservice teamwork angle, for three of the crew members also individually represent the Army, Navy and Air Force. The fitting end for this Cinderella episode would, of course, be the Gold Medal victory.

Cinderella is the Vesper Boat Club of Philadelphia, whose crew qualified by whipping unbeaten Harvard, unbeaten California and beaten Yale. This just doesn't happen. Vesper is an old boat club on Philadelphia's Schuylkill River. They row for fun, mostly against other fun-loving East Coast clubs and occasionally they'll take on the powerful Naval Academy boats from nearby Annapolis, Md. So when Vesper reached the trials, no one gave them much of a chance against the college crews, which are the product of four years' sifting and screening and training by professional coaches.

Vesper doesn't have a professional coach. The skipper, Allen Rosenberg, operates a drug store in Philadelphia. Crew members include a sheet metal worker, two college undergraduates, and two business men. The three servicemen, all officers, are Tom Amlong (Army), his brother Joe Amlong (Air Force), and Bill Stowe (Navy). The coxswain is Robert Zimonyi, a Hungarian refugee.

Joe Amlong was graduated from West Point in 1951. Stowe, who pulls the most important oar, stroke, only recently returned from a tour of duty in the Republic of Vietnam.

The Phillie crew decided they might have a chance in the Olympic regatta. They had sent their entry too late. At a special meeting on the eve of the regatta, officials relaxed the rules and let Vesper in, seeding them last behind California, Harvard and Yale.

Yale never got a call. Harvard led for about half the 2,000 meters with Vesper close up and California always third. Then the Philadelphia boat showed its deck in front and, in the last 500 meters drew out to win by nearly two lengths in 6:01.3 — five seconds ahead of Harvard.

At the end, something happened that shocked onlookers even more than Vesper's victory. All the Vespers sat up straight and calmly paddled to the float, something next to blasphemy. After a grueling race, delivering as many as 42 muscle-grinding strokes per minute over a 2,000-meter course, it's rowing tradition for the hard-tested winner to collapse in a swoon after crossing the finish line. The Vespers, though, after only six weeks of limited practice, hardly seemed out of breath. Maybe they'll practice a victory swoon for Tokyo.



**PROMOTION TIME** — Newly promoted Col. Tryon E. Tisdale, (Left) Sr. Advisor to the ARVN 22nd Inf. Div. at Kontum congratulates members of the U.S. Advisory Detachment upon promotion to their new ranks. Promoted were: (Left to Right) Lt. Col. Robert Pasqualichio, Maj. Thomas Atwood, Capt. Kenneth Andexler, MSgt. (E-8) Andrew Bumpers and MSgt. (E-8) Jack Newman.



**ARMY CHIEF OF NURSES** — Col. Mildred I. Clark comforts a young Vietnamese boy injured recently by Viet Cong terrorists, at Saigon's Cho Ray Hospital.

## Army's Chief Nurse Visits Vietnam

Col. Mildred I. Clark, U.S. Army Chief of Nurses recently visited U.S. military hospitals and dispensaries and praised the military doctors and nurses and technicians for their "competence and efficiency."

Colonel Clark, who was accompanied on her tour of in-country facilities by USOM Nursing and Education advisor Margery Low, was impressed with the improved hospital facilities in Vietnam.

She also visited the Health and Nursing Technicians School next to Cho Ray Hospital where all the Vietnamese nurses train, and a majority of the nurses have had at least a year of training at various nursing schools in the United States.

The Army's top nurse departed for Bangkok for a brief visit of medical and nursing facilities in Thailand before her return to Washington, D.C.

a week — from 7:30 a.m. through 7:30 p.m.

The library features over 9,500 volumes, plus the most up-to-date best sellers, and a modern music taping room, reports Miss Ruth Rappaport, the librarian.

## HSAS Library Adjusts Hours To New Curfew

The HSAS Library, located at the corner of Nguyen Du and Le Van Duyet Streets in Saigon, has altered its hours to adjust to the current curfew in effect.

The library is now open 12 hours a day, seven days

## QUIZ

1. What is the American League record for successive pinch hits?

2. What countries did the following tennis players represent in Davis Cup play: Fred Perry, Ellsworth Vines, Henri Cochet, Baron Von Cram and Jack Bromwich?

3. In what states are these championship golf courses: Tam O'Shanter, Pinehurst, Pebble Beach, Congressional and Seminole?

4. Who steers an eight oared racing shell?

5. What is the largest margin of victory ever attained in the major leagues in an extra inning ball game?

6. How did Jay Hanna Dean acquire his nickname of "Dizzy"?

### Answers to Quiz

1. "That kid makes you look dizzy."  
2. A Chicago coach said, he was with Houston that an exhibition game when many White Sox players in 6. Dean struck out so  
3. Inning game in 1928.  
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5. Inning game in 1928.  
6. Dean struck out so

1. Six — by Robert John-  
2. Perry, England; Vines, son of Baltimore in 1964.  
3. U.S.A.; Cochet, France; Von Cram, Germany and Bromwich, Australia.  
4. Places  
5. Chemical  
6. Intractable person

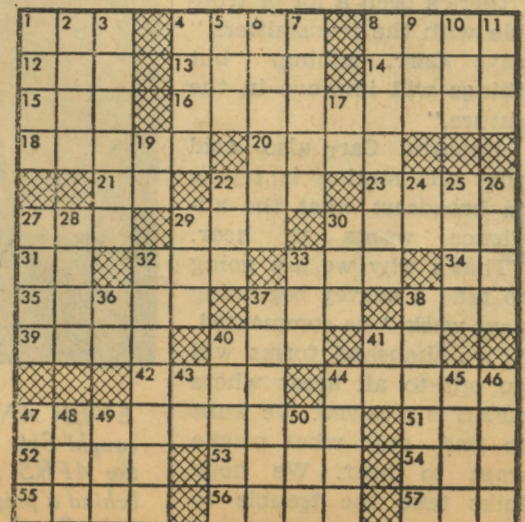
## CROSSWORD PUZZLE

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13-Two-toed sloth  
14-Great Lake  
15-Ventilate  
16-End  
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20-Narrated  
21-Note of scale  
22-Equality  
23-Greenland settlement  
27-Possesses  
29-Prohibit  
30-Delineate  
31-Conjunction  
32-Place  
33-Dance step  
34-Babylonian deity  
35-Boundary  
37-Chart  
38-Snake  
39-Prepare for print  
40-Free of  
41-Preposition  
42-Mountains of Europe  
44-Burning  
47-Sieves  
51-Provide crew  
52-Tense  
53-God of love  
54-Unit of Siamese currency  
55-Toward the sheltered side  
56-Slave  
57-Confederate general

**DOWN**  
1-Shakespearean king  
2-Exchange premium  
3-Globes  
4-Places  
5-Chemical suffix  
6-Intractable person  
7-Mood  
8-Part of automobile (pl.)  
9-Period of time  
10-Insect egg  
11-River in Wales  
17-Prefix: not  
19-Behold!  
22-Stroke  
24-Symbol for tantalum  
25-High cards  
26-Pile  
27-Pit  
28-Dry  
29-Wager  
30-Hit lightly  
32-Locate  
33-Cushion  
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37-Distance runners  
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# AFRS, Saigon Celebrates Its Second Anniversary On Air

Armed Forces Radio, Saigon, the American voice in Vietnam, celebrates its second birthday today, after more than 13,000 hours on the air, entertaining and edifying the U.S. serviceman in the Republic.

The station will mark the occasion with a round of special programs and congratulatory messages, including a special taped message from Gen. W.C. Westmoreland, COMUSMACV.

The oldest hand at AFRS SP4 Steve Southerland recalls the day when the station first went on the air two years ago in makeshift, bandbox studios atop the Rex Hotel in Saigon. "We had to beg, borrow and steal, as well as requisition, the equipment, but it worked, despite being a paper clips and baling wire proposition."

Steve is now the popular Dawn Buster, deejaying the early morning wakeup show from 5:30 a.m. through 8 a.m., as well as doubling as sports director.



**NEWSMAN**— SP4 Craig Prosser, AFRS morning news announcer, checks the AP and UPI News wire for items prior to going on air.

AFRS Saigon, an affiliate of the Armed Forces Radio and Television Service, operates with 1,000 watts of power on AM and 50 watts on FM. Army Capt. John Carr, officer in charge of the station says that the biggest problem facing AFRS is "getting the signal out to the troops in the field." The station uses relay stations for up-country transmission, but "there's been a lot of trouble with the transmitters," says Carr, adding, "but things will improve in the future."

Captain Carr also said that the station is trying to broadcast what the audience wants to hear. "That's why we are going to take a survey beginning next week," he commented. "Five thousand forms will go out to all areas where AFRS is received. We want to find out what people want to hear. We hope folks take the trouble to fill out the form and send it back."

News is a big part of AFRS programming, and more news is getting on air than ever before. A1C Gil Lewis, the news director, says that "the Command Information Program is making it a lot easier to get news on the air. Most news comes from the wire services, but now we're able to cover more local stories. In fact," Lewis concluded, "listeners can expect some real improvements in the coming months...we've got some good men in the newsroom, and they really like their work."

SP4 Craig Prosser, the news voice on the early morning show, recalls the exciting hours of last November 1st's revolution, when the station was located in the Rex just a few hundred yards from Gia Long Palace around which the fighting was centered. "Vietnamese Air Force planes were making rocket runs over the palace," he reminisced, "and Steve (Southerland) was on the air, having to check the positions of the planes to make sure he wouldn't get the firing noise when he made the only announcement that was allowed — due to circumstances — during the night. 'American personnel are advised to remain off the streets due to a civil disturbance.' Still, you could hear the rattle of machine gun fire and the roar of exploding artillery in the background."

AFRS Saigon also boasts



**DISC JOCKEY** — Night sounds on the "Nightbeat" show are aired by the velvet-voiced PFC Dick Werges, the shows master of ceremonies.

two mystery disc jockeys: Army Specialist Sam Spade and Army Sgt. Don Edwards, whose names cannot be found on any personnel rosters in Vietnam. Edwards spins the tunes on the Sunday night "Diamonds in the Mist" show, while Spade does the "Spotlight on Jazz" show each Saturday evening.

Spade says, "we plan our shows late at night to keep people from learning our true identities."

"Fortune decrees anonymity," Edwards added a little obscurely, giggling slightly.

But whatever the fortune of AFRS for the future, American servicemen here in Vietnam can be assured that the station'll be around as long as there are GIs to listen.

It's a little bit of home in a strange land.



**EVER ANONYMOUS** — The Observer's photog almost caught Sgt. Don Edwards and Specialist Sam Spade in the AFRS record library, but Edwards (left) quickly hid behind a program sheet, and Spade, deejay of the "Spotlight On Jazz" show ducked behind the latest issue of "Downbeat."

## Inspector General: Impartial Eyes & Ears Of The Command

Efficiency and economy — are the key words in the assigned mission of the Inspectors General throughout the United States Army.

In their assignments as the impartial "eyes and ears" of the Army, officers detailed as inspectors general as "alter-egos" of major commanders are responsible for observing and inspecting the conduct, discipline, efficiency, living conditions, and morale of units and individuals.

Serving on the staff of COMUSMACV as command inspector general is Col. Basil L. Mishtowt and acting inspectors general in the field — Col. Eugene J. Hollerbach, I Corps; Lt. Col. Aubrey M. Haines, II Corps; Lt. Col. Carl H. Wohfeil, III Corps and Lt. Col. William N. Payne, IV Corps.

Other inspectors general are Col. H. E. Walker, 2nd Air Div., Col. Joseph P. Martucci, U.S. Army Support Command, Vietnam and Cdr. Miles J. D. Turley, HSAS.

"During the last quarter we have had about 60 cases," said Lt. Col. Anthony C. Slovacek, acting MACV IG, "and most of the problems pertained to malassignments, pay complaints, and personal grievances."

As a general rule military personnel are encouraged to see the inspector general whenever they have "gripes or problems" and in Vietnam, more than any other place the doors of the inspectors general are opened. Although an individual does not have to go through the chain of command, it is recommended that complaints and grievances be brought to the attention of unit commanders where most of the time, corrective action can be taken.

As an example, a young

specialist with four years overseas service in a hard-ship area had requested for assignment to the Caribbean area. The soldier had wanted an assignment to Puerto Rico but instead was reassigned to the Panama Canal Zone, which is considered another hard-ship area. A week before his departure from Vietnam he reported his problem to the inspector general and through his good offices, the assignment of the soldier was changed.

The Office of the Inspector General serves the individual soldier and the system of airing complaints or grievances is designed to serve the best interests of the service and to protect the rights of the individual soldier.

"Droit et Avant," the motto of the Inspector General literally means "Right and Forward" or freely translated is "First be right; then take action."

## ▲ RAAF

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bous are scheduled to arrive later this month and additional airmen will bring the RAAF Transport Flight, Vietnam to an operational strength of 55 officers and men. The unit is commanded by Squadron Leader C. J. Sugden, D. F. C., a veteran RAAF transport pilot.

The Australian airmen will work closely with the Vietnamese Air Force, U.S. Air Force and U.S. Army Aviation.

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