

N. Santa Rosa - Dec 67 Lt. Ace Cozzalio *Eddie* *Wice* injured in Vietnam

2nd Lt. Ace Cozzalio who had been on active duty in Vietnam for only 12 days was injured when his helicopter crashed due to a mechanical failure. He is confined to the 24th Evacuation Hospital in Vietnam. His injuries are not considered to be serious.



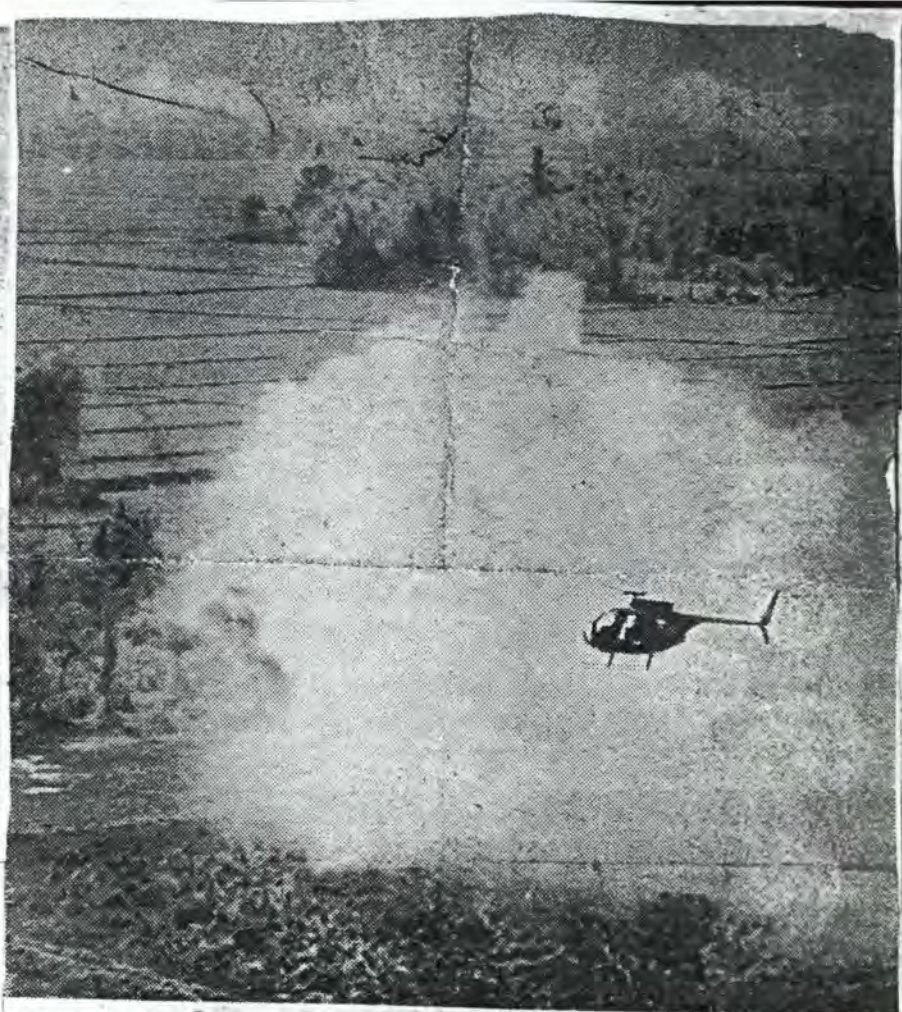
In August of 1966 he was sent to Officers Candidate School at Fort Knox, Ky. He was commissioned a second lieutenant in January of 1967 and was made a tank platoon leader.

March of 1967 marked another change for Ace. He attended flight school at Fort Walter, Tex., completed his training at Fort Rucker, Ala., where he received his wings and was made a helicopter gunship pilot. He left Travis AFB for Vietnam on Nov. 30 and is serving with the 5th Air Cavalry of the 9th Infantry Division.

Ace is the son of Jan Cozzalio of Yreka and Mel Cozzalio of Sacramento.

Ace, a 1964 graduate of Mira Loma High School, formerly resided at 4501 Winding Way. He attended American River College and worked as assistant manager of an International Pancake House before he was inducted into the United States Army in January of 1966.

Following his basic and advanced training at Fort Hood, Tex., he quickly advanced in rank and made a tank commander.



BATTLE SILHOUETTE—An OH-6 LOH stands out against a cloud of smoke from a grenade dropped to mark a suspected enemy position. This chopper is used primarily as a "scout" in Vietnam.

