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## NCO CLUB ELECTS NEW BOARD OF GOVERNORS

Saturday, May 22nd the NCC Club elected new members to the Board of Governors in a quiet and fast general membership meeting.

The members and their titles are 1SG Chisler, (TIC) President; SFC Eng (TIC) Member at Large; SFC Hart, A Co member; SFC Carter, Hq Co member; 1SG Lee, OB Co member; SFC Borke, TI Co member; SFC Rozzell, TI Det member; and 1SG Drellich, 45th MI Co member.

1SG Chisler was the only nominee for the presidency and it can be said he won by a landslide. SFC Eng was opposed by SF7 Guardjo of A Co, but beat him by a healthy margin.

It seemed as though A Co was trying to get a second member on board, but why they didn't try for the presidency can only be left to the reader's speculation.

All the company representatives were unchallenged with the exception of SFC Burke from TI Co. OB member

nominated SFC Gray but carried the vote to elect the man nominated by TIC members.

SFC Carter was re-elected from HHC. His former post was member at large, now he represents HHC. SFC Rozzell also was reelected to represent TI Det. SGT Drellich of the 45th MI Co was elected in absentia which must be some sort of precedent for the club. The only other vote taken concerned dropping the 25th from the constitution as being eligible as members or associate members, thus reducing the board by one representative. SFC Quan turned the gavel over to 1SG Chisler and the new president adjourned the meeting and the members assembled in the NCO lounge for refreshments.

The new members were quizzed about "why is the beer cold?" and "why don't you sell chitbooks until 1400?"

At any rate, the new board will have something to keep it busy.

THE OFFICERS AND

MEN OF THE 519TH

MI BN WOULD LIKE

TO TAKE THIS OP-

PORTUNITY TO WISH

THE BEST OF LUCK

TO MAJOR GENERAL

J. A. McCHRISTIAN,

ACofS, J2, MACV,

IN HIS NEW AS-

SIGNMENT.

## ANSWERS TO SPACE

### QUIZZ

1. D
2. C
3. C
4. B
5. D

## ANSWERS TO

### GEOGRAPHY QUIZZ

- A. WASHINGTON
- B. OREGON
- C. IDAHO
- D. CALIFORNIA
- E. NEVADA

Answer to Previous Puzzle

## CROSSWORD PUZZLE

### ACROSS

- 1-Beverage
- 4-Exist
- 6-Commemorative disk
- 11-Punctuation mark
- 13-Beginning
- 15-Latin conjunction
- 16-Earthquakes
- 18-Preposition
- 19-Symbol for tantalum
- 21-Mohammedan commander
- 22-Strikes
- 24-Shut up
- 26-Dry
- 28-Toll
- 29-Test
- 31-Wife of Geraint
- 33-Rupees (abbr.)
- 34-Supercilious person
- 36-Microbe
- 38-Fire Department (abbr.)
- 40-Rail bird
- 42-Rundown
- 45-Spanish for "river"
- 47-Insect
- 49-Existed
- 50-Nobleman
- 52-The sweetsop
- 54-Symbol for tellurium
- 55-Man's nickname
- 56-Lasts
- 59-Diphthong
- 61-Sofa
- 63-Mountain nymphs
- 65-Bishop's headdress
- 66-Prefix: down
- 67-Beast of burden

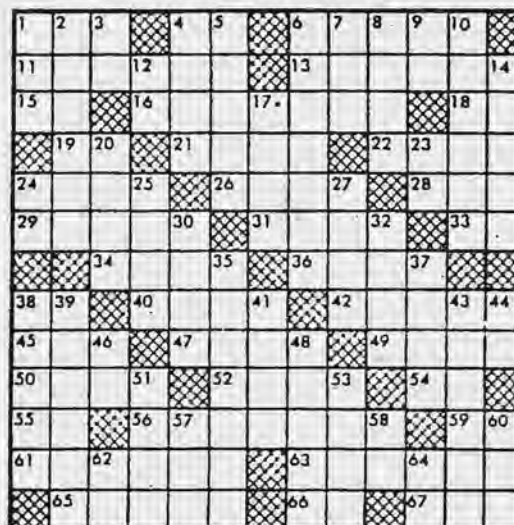
### DOWN

- 1-Simian
- 2-Missive

- 3-Teutonic deity
- 4-Uninteresting person
- 5-Dropsy
- 6-Anchoring
- 7-Be mistaken
- 8-Platter
- 9-Symbol for silver
- 10-Stretcher
- 12-Pronoun
- 14-Part of face (pl.)
- 17-Mud
- 20-Southern blackbirds
- 23-Supposing that
- 24-Liquid measure (abbr.)
- 25-Makes into leather
- 27-Expires
- 30-Weaving machine
- 32-Traced
- 35-Wider
- 37-Encounter
- 38-Liberates
- 39-Crown
- 41-Aleutian island
- 43-Fears
- 44-Old pronoun
- 46-Conjunction

RAM	ACES	REAP
ORA	CANE	ERIE
OER	ENGENDERS	
FAKIR	IDEA	
ED	ANY	CENT
FAD	PIE	STRAY
AG	MET	SOS
MEDAL	SAT	LEO
EDEN	SPY	AA
	AMUR	HIDES
TANGERINE		DIE
ALOPE	ETON	ERA
PARR	REDS	RET

- 48-King of Judea
- 51-Native of Latvia
- 53-Withered
- 57-Born
- 58-Compass point
- 60-Worm
- 62-Note of scale
- 64-Cooled lava



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## COMMANDERS CORNER

Upon my departure from this command I take pride in expressing my admiration for your unexcelled performance of duty.

You have earned for military intelligence a reputation of excellence second to none.

You consistently have provided timely and accurate intelligence upon which the direction and support of this war have been based.

You collectively constitute the finest military intelligence team ever to support our forces in combat.

Your past performance is magnificent history. Your future holds greater challenges and opportunities.

Your capabilities are extensive. I have full confidence that you, your officers, noncommissioned officers, enlisted personnel and civilians will continue to keep intelligence up front where it belongs.

It has been a great honor serving with you as a member of the First Team.

Please convey my appreciation to all concerned.

J.A. McChristian  
Major General, USA  
AC GS, J2

(ANFB)

Memorial Day commemorates the men and women of our Armed Forces who have given their lives in the service and defense of our Nation and way of life since 1861.

First proclaimed as Decoration Day in 1868 by General John A. Logan, it was to honor the men who had fallen in the Civil War.

After WW I it became known as Memorial Day and commemorated those Americans who died in all wars.

The occasion is marked by parades, patriotic observances, memorial services and decorations on graves of Servicemen and Veterans.

Since the Civil War more than 603,000 American Servicemen have died in battle.

On the bloody battle fields of Shiloh in the Civil War to Hill 881 in the Republic of Vietnam, these Americans unhesitatingly gave their lives for the cause of freedom and democracy.

Due to the Friday publication date, the SPHINX Memorial day message appears in this, the June 2 edition.

The following Memorial Day message is given by LTC Metosh, Commander of the 519th MI BN:

I give a special salute to, and ask a moment of silent prayer for, the following, our honored dead:

CPT Edward D. Pierce

CPT Jacob A. Stepan

MSG Henery H. Delano

SFC George D. Birdsell

SP4 Paul A. Benkert

SP4 Jim E. Oestrich

PFC Pedro O. Cancel

PFC Harold S. King



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## 30TH TRANS DET.

Following a week of feverish activity the 30th Trans finds itself returning to routine magnificence, with one ambassador-without portfolio-returned from afar with a multitude of "combat stories."

Unfortunately, he could not find the first which leads us to some speculation that he may have abandoned his mission and started a new temple-rubbing sub-industry in the age-old tradition of a little known Vietnamese tribe called the Gleeps. (Don't ask me what it means, I just work here. Ed.)

Having full confidence in our swing shifter, we trust Lt. Campbell will enjoy all the delights Hong Kong has to offer, including quaint native street ceremonies.

CPT Ware, our industrious XO, is now looking forward to an assignment as CO of the 201st Dump Truck Company at Ft. Bragg since rumor has it that he may be assigned to IMAG.

Would you believe he is fluent in Yiddish?

Since requiring such extensive reaction time, the 30th allowed the 18 Comical Detachment an additional week for rebuttal as well as needed space to work with numbers and play with

letters; however recent developments clearly indicate that they are, as usual, far behind—the briefings are on Wednesday mornings not afternoons—sorry fellas, your source rates his usual E5.

Try Wednesday morning next time you work this bit.

And speaking of the Comical Corps, we understand that the Department of the Army is disbanding the Comical Corps in the 1970's.

Well, you people can always get a job mixing glue, (or counting ammunition) or something.

Our Editorial Staff has checked with Mr. Webster and found that indeed, the dictionary does define proper names thanks for the tip, CPT MORA-Bitt.

After surveying a thrills and chills episode of a death-defying encounter with a lamp post, Captain Lechner has returned from the land of the round-eyed nurses, later to inform everyone that he is a new mother or father or at least has had some recent connection.

We have not quite figured it out yet but congratulations on the new son.

30th's thought for the week: Where is Garfield Q. Volburg?  
(Editors thought for the week: Who Cares?)

## 45TH MI CO (II)

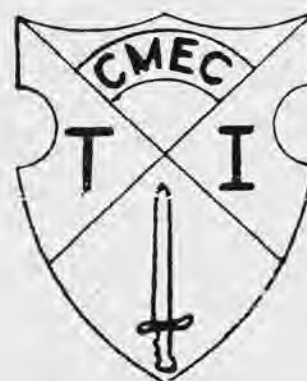
SP4 Joe Saliba has been chosen by II branch to represent the 45th before the June Battalion Soldier of the Month Board.

SGT James Nash, SP4 Ernie Brady, and SP4 Dean Johnson have recently been awarded the Good Conduct Medal in ceremonies at GICV.

Good luck to SP4 Bob Therrian who departed the compound for the US last week. Congratulations to LTC Ranes and to 1LT Jones on their promotions.

Welcome back to our clerk, SP4 Schwery who returned safely and refreshed from Bangkok, and finally, happy birthday to Miss Hien!

## TI CO



Packet D1, popularly called TI Company starts in the second generation of the 519th MI BN in Vietnam. Now as those who joined the unit in FT. Bragg are starting to depart, the third generation seems to have the situation well in hand.

(cont. nzt pge)

## TI CO Cont'd

In the recent elections for the Board of Governors, TI Co took the two positions open to any unit, the presidency and the member at large. Add to this the usual Co representative and TI Co comes out with three of the eight members on the Board-of-Governors. If three other members of the board miss a meeting TI Co could control the vote (Then may be we'll change the name to "TI CLUB")

Taking over for TI's orderly room surveillance of the record man is PFC Weeks who is diligently watching for any remarks made about any of our girl friends, especially Nancy. And all of you who know the Record Man may be interested in knowing that he carries a picture of Nancy in his wallet just in case he is cornered some dark night by TI Co.

So the old TI Co hands can leave knowing that every thing is in good hands-even the coffee pot at CMEC.

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IMMUNIZATION SCHEDULE: a. Recent revisions of the required immunizations for service in Vietnam have been received (MACV 40-13; DA 800-895).

b. Current requirements are the following:

Cholera	every 6 months
Plague	every 6 months
Smallpox	every 12 months
Typhoid	every 12 months
Typhus	every 12 months
Yellow fever	not required in Vietnam; repeated every 6 years in endemic areas
Tetanus	every 6 years

## Hqs Co

The big news this week around Headquarters Company is Compound enhancement.

Through the diligent efforts of Captain Jack (cat-fish) Yates and 1st SGT Clark many loads of lumber, wire, cement, sand bags, etc., have been obtained to be used in various construction projects around the compound.

Often on the scent but seldom returning with the goods is that scrounger-par excellence of HHC, known at the Embassy only by the code name "Erick"

Lovely and talented Miss Ian adds her talents to the fantastic clerical skills of the team of West and Eisle to round out the Orderly room (which has never been orderly) staff.



## SPACE QUIZZ

1. To balance the pull of the Earth's gravity and remain in orbit around the Earth a satellite must attain an orbital speed of:

- A. 20 mph.
- B. 400 mph.
- C. 10,000 mph.
- D. 18,000 mph.

2. To escape the pull of Earth's gravity for deep space flight, a satellite must attain a speed of about.

- A. 700 mph.
- B. 2,500 mph.
- C. 25,000 mph.
- D. 31,000 mph.

3. The point in space at which a satellite in orbit around the Earth is closest to the Earth is:

- A. aeroembolism.
- B. anacoustic zone.
- C. apogee.
- D. perigee

4. The first artificial satellite successfully launched into space was Sputnik I in the year of:

- A. 1903.
- B. 1957.
- C. 1958.
- D. 1967.

5. The point in space at which a planet or other celestial body in orbit around the Sun is closest to the Sun is:

- A. apogee.
- B. maser.
- C. perigee.
- D. perihelion.

## HOW US FOREIGN POLICY IS MADE

Foreign policy involves out of the nature of our nation and its people on one side, and the shape of the world situation around us.

In the 1st Article of the UN Charter itself which the US helped mold we are aware of the basic attitudes held by our country just after the purge of a great war.

In respect to agreements our government has always maintained a policy of strict adherence to them; as a result we now have 4000 treaties with other countries.

Being a democratic nation the main lines of our policy are set by the people and the kind of country that we are except in isolated cases in which the President or Congress take immediate action on their own initiative.

Public opinion is tabulated each day through letters to Congress, polls, and editorials all contributing to the formation of foreign policy.

The university acts as one of the more vocal sounding boards of public sentiment especially in regard to our present commitments in Vietnam.

The central issue I believe for all mankind is how to build a durable peace in the world especially when faced with the prospect of total annihilation by nuclear weapons.

Already the gradual thaw evidenced between the NATO and Warsaw Pacts could open up the possibility of resolving some outstanding problems between both groups.

Red China still looms over Asia but it is doubtful that free Asiatic nations confident in their national affairs and regional cooperation will follow in Red China's tracks.

In summary the US is drawn to those countries which strive for freedom of the individual and in which the government derives its just powers from the consent of the governed.

DA announces 12th Interservice Photography Contest.

Dept of the Army announced earlier this month their 12th Interservice Photography contest.

The USARV phase of this contest will be conducted from 15 June thru 15 July 1967.

The contest is designed to afford both the amateur and experienced photographer serving as a member of the armed forces a opportunity to compete on a world-wide basis and to have their work judged by competent authorities in the photographic field.

Competitions will be conducted at all contest levels in two groups:

Group I--Black and White photographs, and Group II--Color Transparencies.

In Group I enlargements may be from a minimum of 80 square inches to a maximum of 480 square inches, not to exceed 24 inches on the longest dimension.

A contact print must be submitted with each black and white enlargement.

In Group II, Color Transparencies, slides may be up to 4 x 5 inches maximum in size and will be submitted with plastic-type envelopes or other protective covering. All slides will be mounted on commercial mounts (or comparable) for operation in automatic projectors.

Prints or slides may be entered in any of the seven categories below:

Category A: People

Category B: Babies and Children

Category C: Animals and Pets

Category D: Action

Category E: Scenic

Category F: Military life

Category G: Experimental

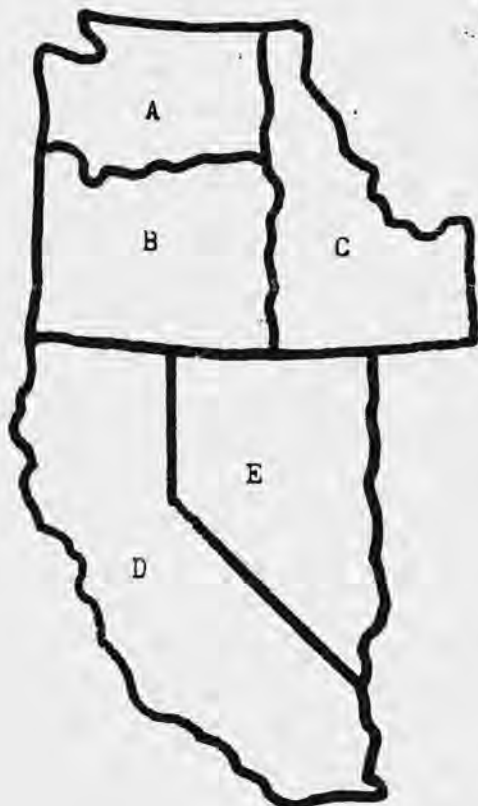
For further details including official entry forms contact Lt Reed in the BN S-2/3 office or Lt Hopkins, the 525th MI Group photo officer.





# GEOGRAPHY QUIZZ

(Answers on page 8)



## FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

In the past the staff of the SPHINX have tried their best to make your paper as interesting and readable as possible.

To do this we need contributions, stories, poems, pictures—anything done by YOU.

Feature stories about events or men in the Battalion always make interesting reading.

Anyone interested in contributing such material can be assured that his work will be happily received.

This is your chance to see your work in print.

The deadline for contributions to the SPHINX is Thursday mornings at 0900 hrs.

Copy should be in single-spaced columns 23 spaces wide, with paragraphs indented three spaces.

Turn in all copy before deadline to Lt Reed, in the BN S-2/3 office or to SGT Hales in the Message Center.





# WORLD OF ENTERTAINMENT



All week long the Old Record Man has been searching for a song. It goes something like ... "The world is a stage and the stage is a world of entertainment."

Nobody knows who wrote it or what the name of it is, but it was from this song that the title of this illustrious column was derived. But, that sounds like a personal problem.

And there are many other things that need attention in the entertainment field.

One is the very professional Johnnie True Trio. Attempts to get the Trio back for a return engagement failed—however, if you happen to be passing through L.A. on your way back through the States, stop in at the Thunderbird on the Strip and say hell to Johnnie and the group.

I hear through the grapevine (thanks, Erick) that another Stateside Variety show is headed for the five-one-niner later this month.

Nothing definite yet, though.

Hey, have you heard about the Interservice Photo contest?

Camera fans, Beware. Somewhere on the compound, former Life Magazine Reject, CPT Windham, lurks with his Hawkeye Pentax looking for the shot that will take the contest.

There is no doubt, though, that the Dreaded Record Man, with his 5000MM Super Zoom Canon will carry off the honors with his shot of Ho Chi Minh's Eyeball, taken from downtown Saigon.

## Movie Awards:

The All-Time-Mucker-of-The-Year award goes to a picture called "Minnesota Clay," an Italian cowboy flick that must be seen to be believed.

The director, whoever he was, should get at least a Bronze Star for having the guts to put this baby out.

It will be showing soon at a hootch near you.

Informed viewers tell me that the highlight of the Vietnam Varieties show as a weird guy who had a head on both ends and wiped his "face" with feet.

Maybe he should do a floor show with Nancy.

Speaking of Nancy, The Innocent Record Man was ambushed by a bunch of guys in TIC costumes the other night and

forced to sing "We Love You Nancy" (to the tune of Mickey Mouse) for five minutes before being released.

It's getting so a man hardly feels safe on the streets of Saigon anymore.

In the very near future, they tell me, pre-recorded Stereo tapes will be made available to the troops.

You will soon be able to check them out at the compound #1 PX.

On the local entertainment scene there is a new floor show at the Motor Hole Club. Some weird guy breaks ice with his karate hand.

Due to a limited number of hands, however, the show will be repeated later—much later.

Local fans mourn the rotation of one of the revered members of the "Dynamic Duds." Lead guitarist and flute player for the famous group SGT Wiley of TIC will be leaving in a few short days.

It is rumored that he may be replaced by a record player.

And that, Sinatra fans, is what's happening in the entertainment "biz."

See you on campus next week in "The World of Entertainment."

THE RECORD MAN