



U.S. NAVAL CONSTRUCTION BATTALION
302ND MAINTENANCE UNIT
1957-1958



U. S. NAVAL CONSTRUCTION
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REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM

MISSION



TO PROVIDE MAINTENANCE/LIMITED CONSTRUCTION SUPPORT TO NAVAL FORCES, VIETNAM, MAINTAIN A SELF-DEFENSE CAPABILITY AND ACCOMPLISH DISASTER RECOVERY TASKS AS MAY BE ASSIGNED.

Dedication

This cruisebook, our first, is dedicated to many . . .

To our families and loved ones, who have done so much for us by remembering and praying for us.

To the people of the Republic of Vietnam, who have inspired us by their devotion to freedom and ability to self-sacrifice.

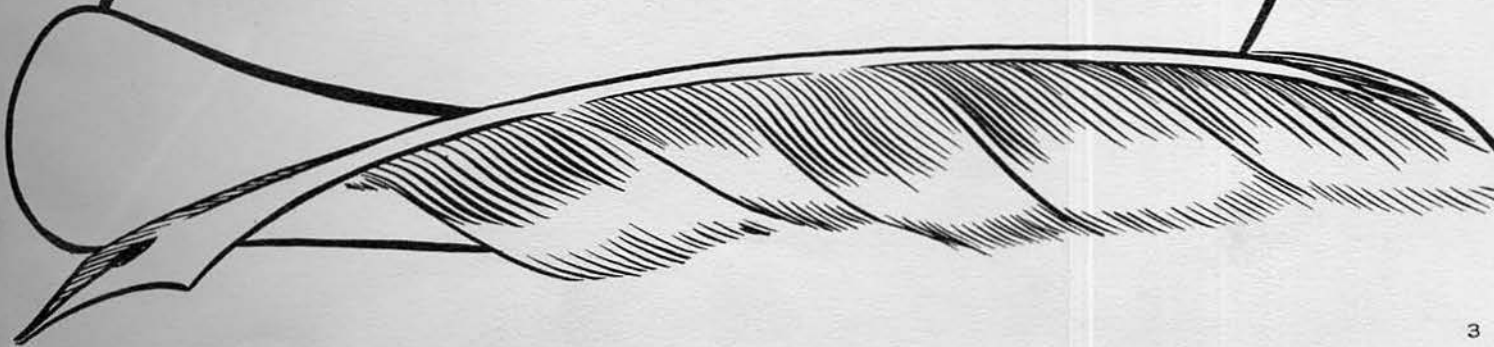
To all free world fighting forces in the Republic of Vietnam, for whom we have deep respect and great admiration, and with whom we have enjoyed warm camaraderie.

To the leaders of our country and armed forces, whose jobs are far more difficult than our own.

To all officers and men of CBMU-302, past, present, and future, who with Integrity, Ability, and Service, CAN DO!

In the words of Theodore Roosevelt . . .

"We have duties to others
and duties to ourselves;
and we can shirk neither."



LCDR H. W. FILBRY, CEC, USN

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Sept. 1968

Sept. 1969

We have been in existence a little over two years and have been charged with carrying on the famous SEABEE tradition of "Will Do, Can Do, Have Done". As the only commissioned SEABEE command permanently assigned in II, III, and IV Corps this responsibility has not been taken lightly. We have been fragmented into many detachments, details and teams. We have been taken from one job and put in another. We have augmented civilian contractors, Public Works departments, and detachments from other commands. Through all this we have never lost sight of our pride in service.

By your attention to orders, devotion to duty and contributions to the cause of freedom, you have added to the SEABEES and have built a lasting image for CBMU-302. I shall always cherish, in the years to come, the warm memories of serving with you as your Commanding Officer.

It is my hope that this book will bring thoughts back to you of the time you spent with your shipmates in the Republic of Vietnam. To your mothers, wives and sweethearts it should serve as a source of pride in what you did.

My sincere and warm regards together with my most fervent thanks for a job "Well Done"!

LT B. W. SIMMONS, CEC, USN



June 1968

June 1969

There is no finer military outfit than the Navy SEABEES. From my commissioning I have been proud of my corps' association with you, and I am now sincerely honored to be a SEABEE. The work of 302 has been difficult, but SEABEES are seldom called upon to do easy jobs. Countless times at dozens of places in Vietnam we have proudly placed our signature - a job well done! Buildings we have built, water and power we have supplied, and millions of miles we have obtained from vehicles have been for one purpose - the successful conclusion of this war. Beyond this is our hope for a Vietnam whose citizens will be able to choose and work and vote for a way of life unhampered by any force exerted by Communist nations of Asia.

In performing our work we have done well. To those who have served in 302 before us I offer my deep respect and sincere admiration. It was your work which made us welcome wherever you had been. We have tried to follow your example of putting a "Have Done" where yesterday's "Can Do" stood. To those of you with whom I have served I thank you for the finest tour any Lieutenant could have. To those of you who follow I leave a challenge - wear our colors proudly and pass them to your successors as we pass them to you. And to all the men of 302 - past, present and future - best wishes and smooth sailing!

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THE BEGINNING

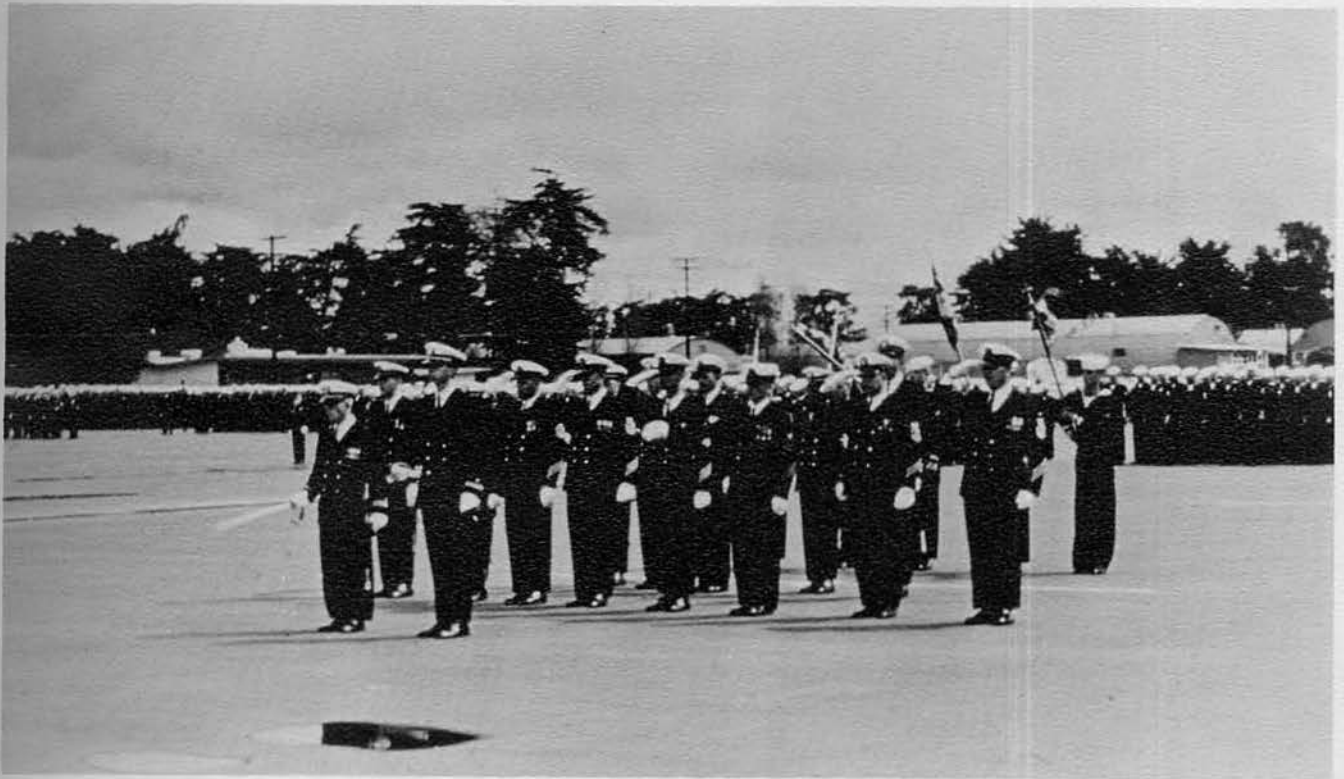


The traditional beginning... Our SEABEE, standing poised, proud, and ready.

LT M. H. HARPER reads his orders at CBMU-302 commissioning ceremony.



..... **APRIL 1967**



Commissioning Day, 7 April 1967. CBMU-302 Battalion in full dress, CBC, Port Hueneme.

Battalion flag presented by RADM REICH.



CO of CBMU-301 (L,) and LT HARPER share cake-cutting honors.



GETTING

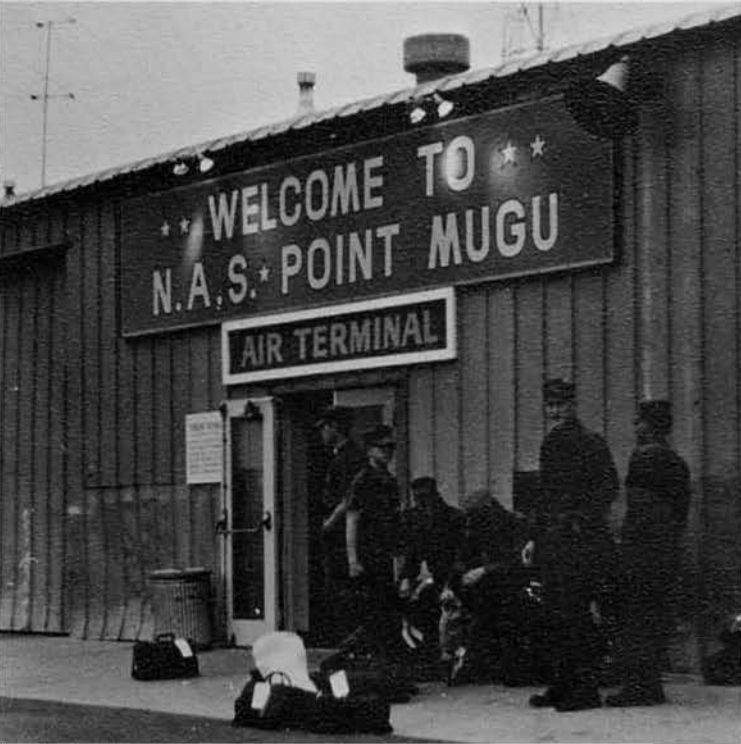


Getting in shape for the real test soon to come.

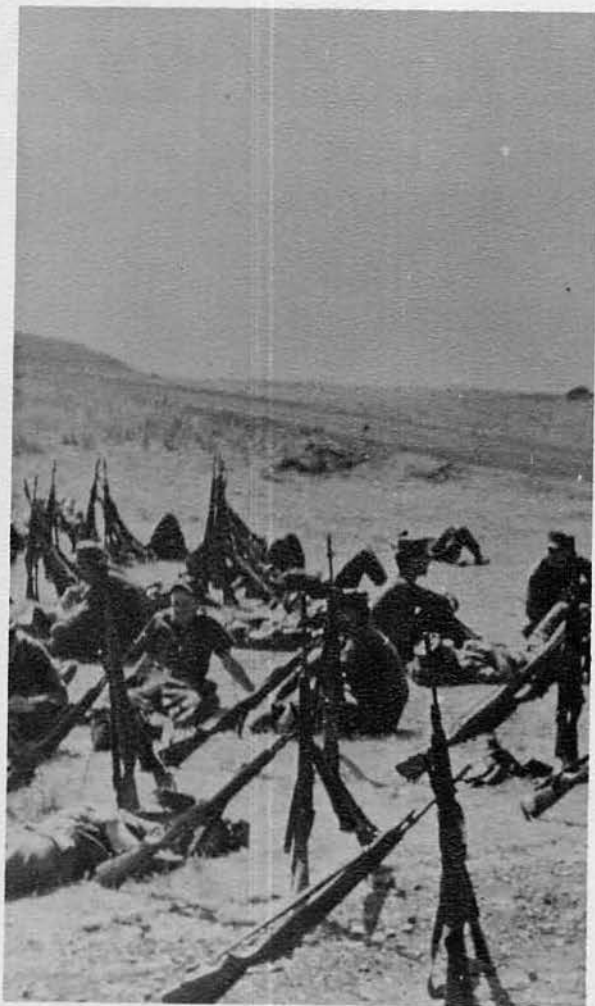
The inevitable wait for the plane.



What do you mean the rest of the Unit is flying PanAm?



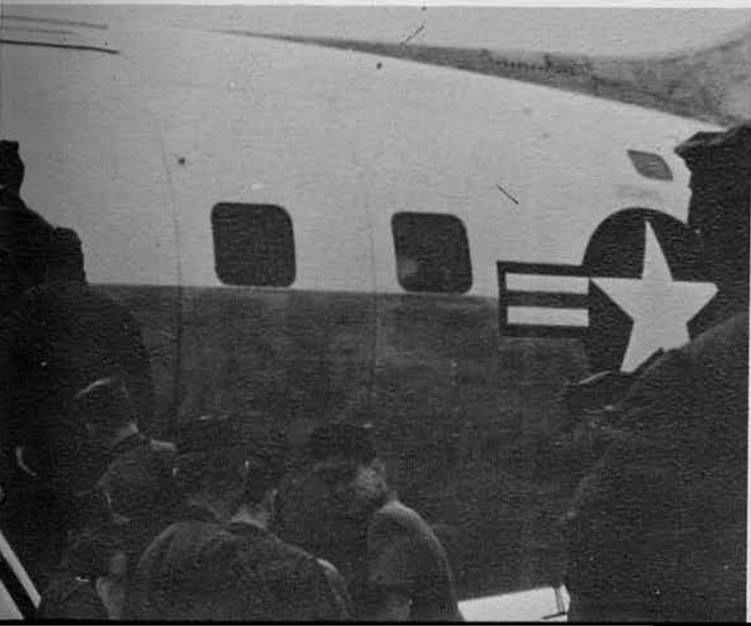
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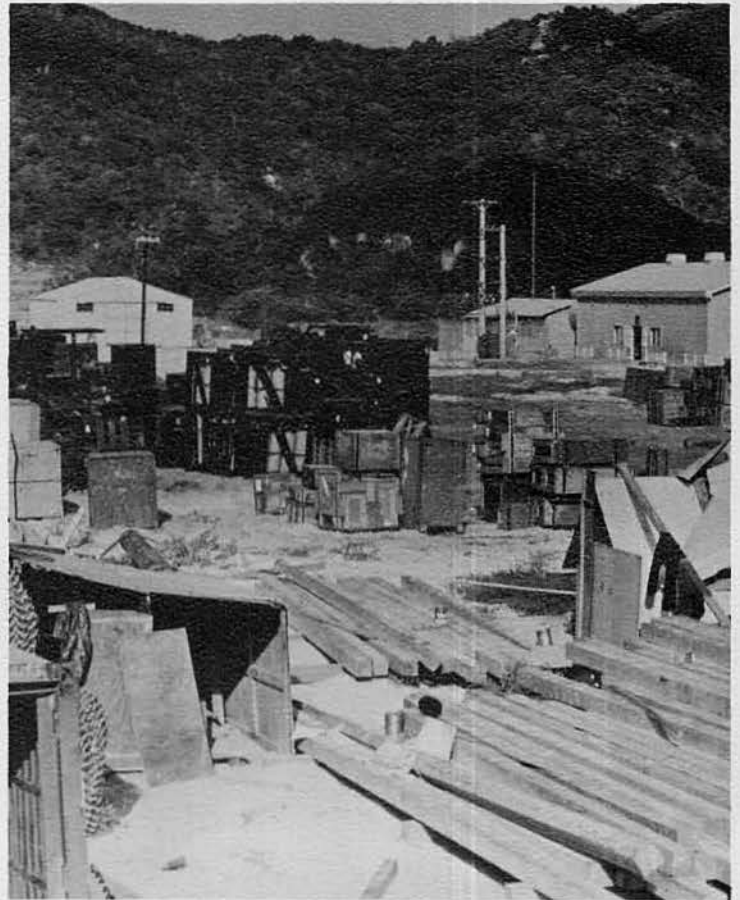
They told me California had hills but this is ridiculous!

A fond farewell... a year will pass quickly.

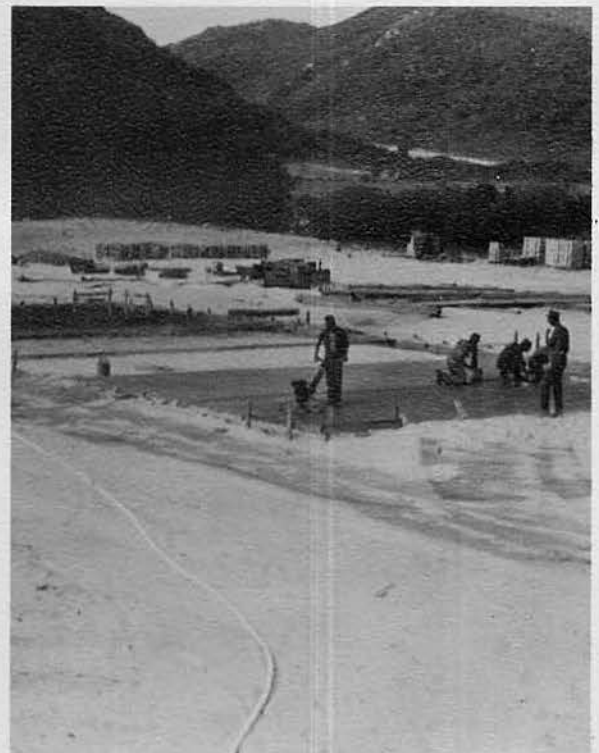
Battalion gear mounts-out first aboard the USS VANTAGE PROGRESS.



ARRIVAL



Temporary shops were utilized for our equipment and materials while work began on our home.



CHANGE OF COMMAND 2 SEPT 1968



LCDR M. H. HARPER reads his orders.



Battalion renders honors.

LCDR H. W. FILBRY, prospective CO, reads his orders... and so power passes.



COMMAND



LT Brian R. LAURSEN

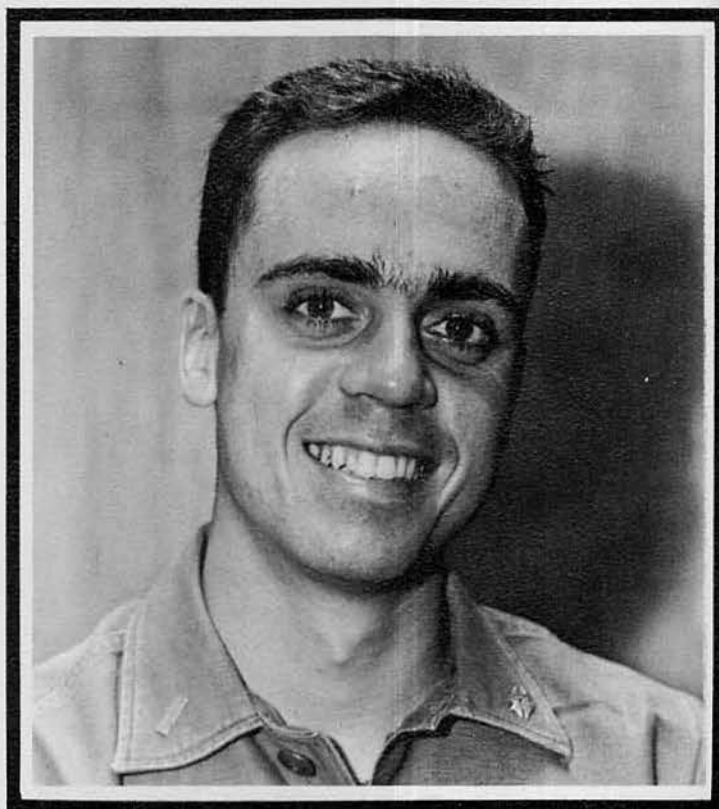
Eugene, Oregon

Operations Officer
Photography Officer
Disaster Control Officer
Technical Publications Officer
Research, Development and Test Officer
Battalion Adjutant
Custodian Recreation Fund

LTJG Homer A. CORBIN

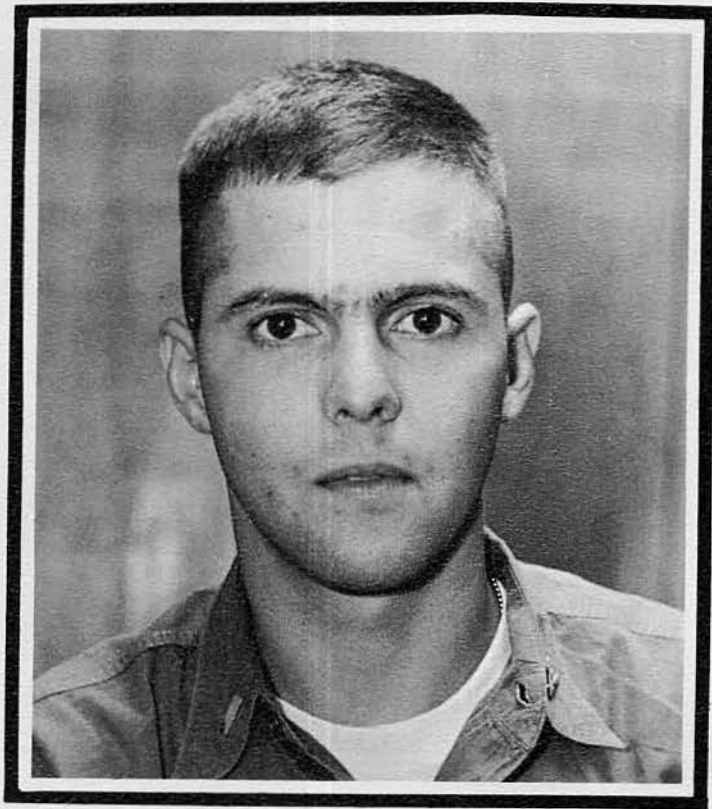
Vorheesville, New York

H Company Commander
OIC Detail CHARLIE, Cat Lo
A Company Commander
Admin/Personnel Officer
Special Services Officer



STAFF

Supply Officer
Ordnance Officer
Public Affairs Officer
Embarkation Officer
Battalion Historian
Benefits and Insurance Officer

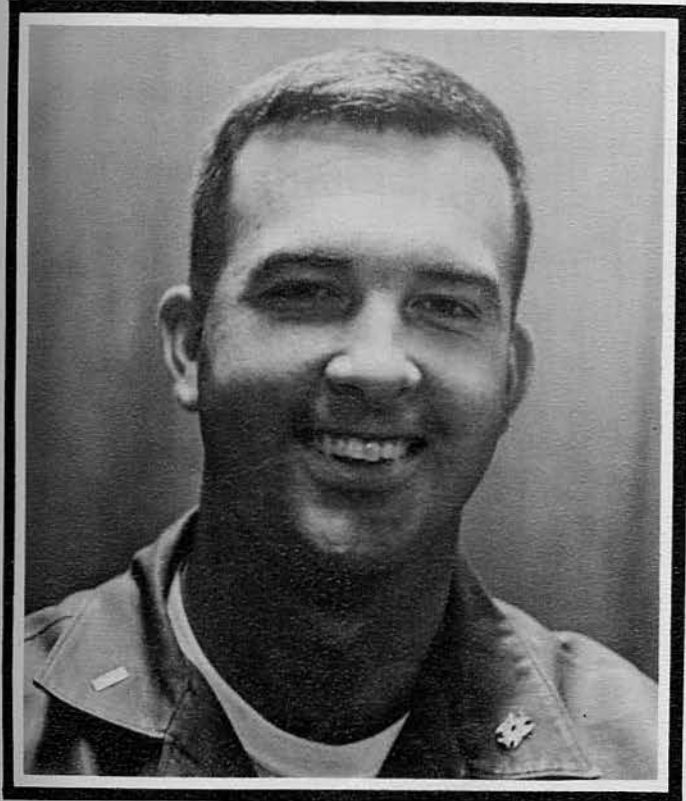


LTJG Robert C. BOND

Kansas City, Missouri

LTJG Thomas G. SMITH

Atlanta, Georgia

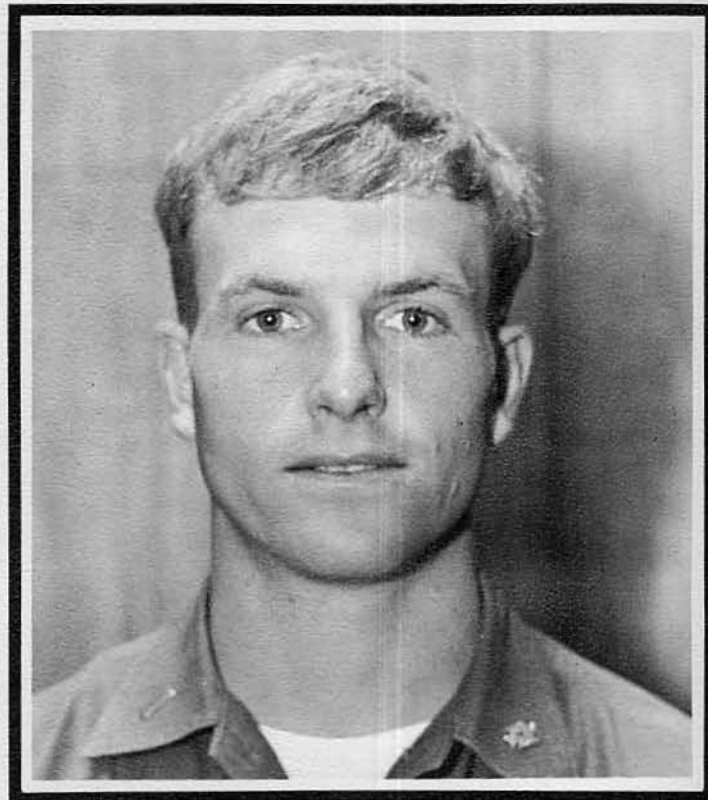


OIC Detail CHARLIE, Cat Lo
OIC Detail DELTA, Dong Tam



LTJG Murl T. NIELSEN

Honolulu, Hawaii
OIC Detail FOXTROT,
Binh Thuy



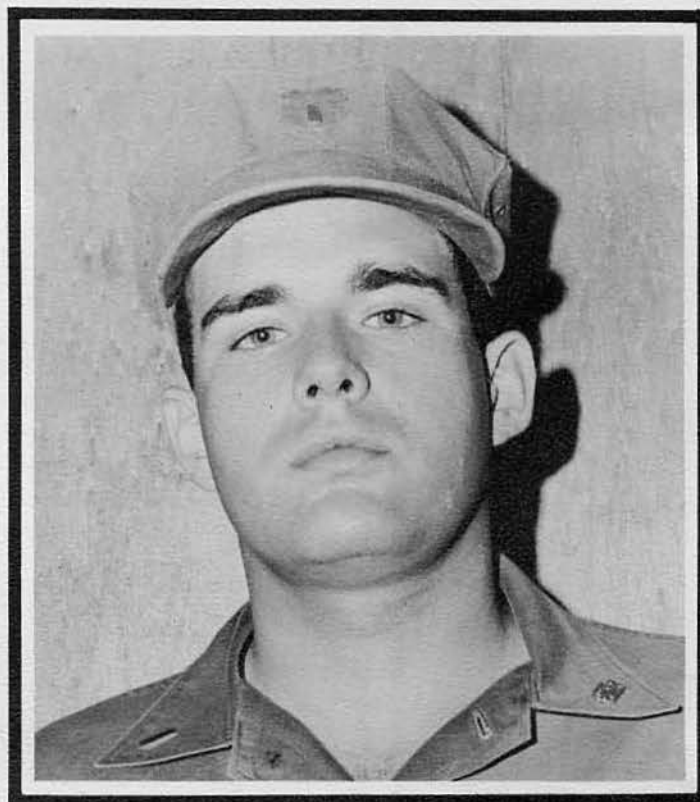
LTJG Paul H. DURAND

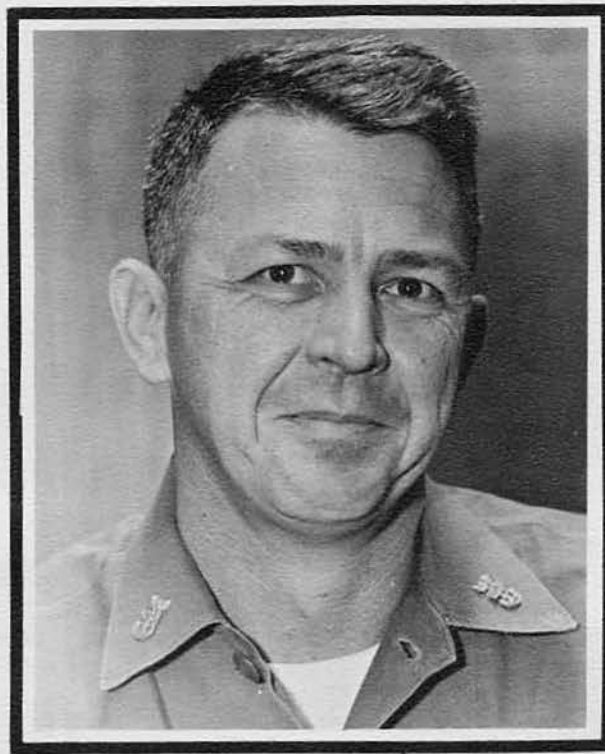
Tallahassee, Florida

A Company
Commander
H Company
Commander
OIC Detail ALFA,
Qui Nhon
Admin/Personnel
Officer
Assistant OPS
Officer

Public Works Officer, NAF
ADDU CBMU-302
Lansing, Michigan

LTJG John G. LEECH





Master Chief Carl N. BOCK

Port Hueneme, California
Asst. A Co. Commander
Athletic Programs Officer
Welfare Officer

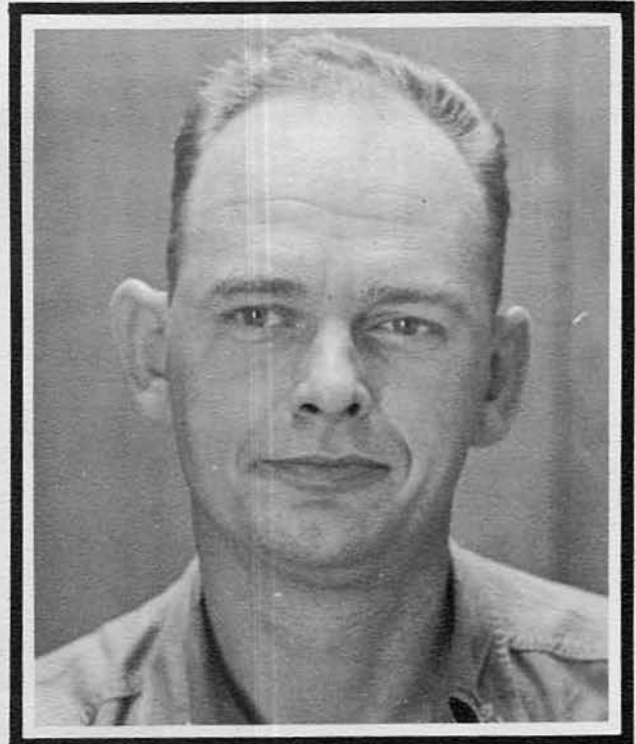
Phoenix, Arizona
Assistant OPS Officer
Senior Watch Officer
Senior Enlisted Advisor
Safety Officer
PRCP and Career Appraisal

Chatham, Illinois
B Company Commander
Security Officer
Fire Marshal
Communications Officer

Senior Chief Roy VANCE



Senior Chief Jerome E. RAY



BUC

*Ronald A.
LARRIVEE*

Oxnard, California
CPOIC Special Team 30206,
Newport, RVN



UTC

*Albert C.
LANCASTER*

Carrizo Springs, Texas
CPOIC Special Team 30202,
Tuyen Nhon
CPOIC Detail GOLF, NAF



UTC

*Frank C.
MIRTH*

Gary, Indiana
CPOIC Detail ALFA, Qui Nhon



SWC

*Wilfred M.
FUKINO*

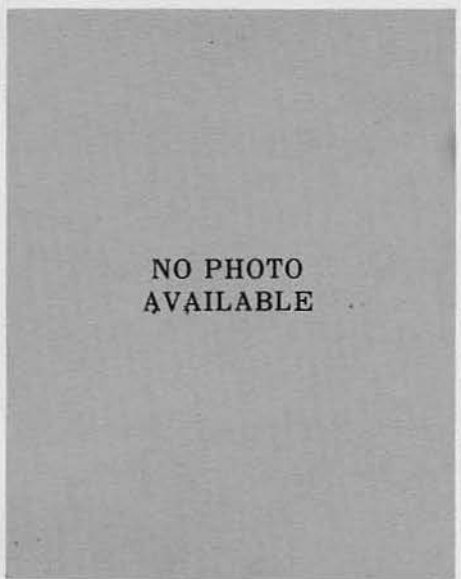
Honolulu, Hawaii
Steelworker Shop Supervisor

UTC

Warren B.

ROBINSON

Norfolk, Virginia
CPOIC Special Team 30202
CPOIC Detail DELTA, Dong Tam



SKC

Johnny H.

RICHARDS

Albuquerque, New Mexico
Supply Chief
Asst. H Company Commander



BUC

Billy R.

WINTERS

Springfield, Missouri
P & E Supervisor, OPS Dept
Alder Shop Supervisor, CRB
CPOIC Detail FOXTROT,
Binh Thuy



BUC

Ronald A.

OHLINGER

Port Lavaca, Texas
P & E Supervisor, OPS Dept
CPOIC Detail ECHO, Sa Dec
AOIC Detail CHARLIE, Cat Lo



CEC Milton B. SPEAR

West Warwick, Rhode Island
CPOIC Detail ECHO, Sa Dec

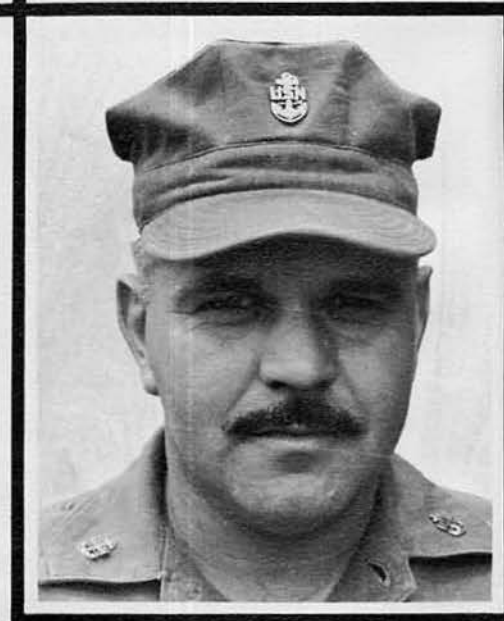
Clarkston, Washington
Maintenance Shop Supervisor, CRB

CMC Daniel J. MEDLEY



Theodore I. SCOVEL

Kalispell, Montana
CPOIC Detail ALFA, Qui Nhon
AOIC Detail FOXTROT, Binh Thuy





EOC Walter C. VANDORN

New Haven, Connecticut
A Company Commander
Transportation Shop Supervisor
CPOIC Detail DELTA, Dong Tam

Calypso, North Carolina
CPOIC Special Team 30203

CSC Theodore R. PARKER



CMC Larey E. P'POOL

Crofton, Kentucky
Maintenance Shop Supervisor, CRB
AOIC Detail CHARLIE, Cat Lo



HIGHLIGHTS

CBMU-302 officially joined the Pacific Fleet on 31 March 1967 along with its sister Unit CBMU-301, the first of their kind since the Korean War. LT M. H. HARPER, CEC, USN, assumed duties as Commanding Officer. The official commissioning ceremony of CBMU-301 and CBMU-302 was held at Port Hueneme with RADM Eli T. REICH, USN, acting as Commissioning Officer. Shortly thereafter LT HARPER departed TEMDU with COMCBPAC and NSA SGN to plan the expected deployment of the Unit to Vietnam. While awaiting deployment orders during June and July the Unit embarked upon a program of accelerated military training at Conejo Grade and Camp Pendleton, California. On 1 July LT M. H. HARPER was promoted to Lieutenant Commander.

On August 12, 1967, COMCBPAC MSG 120558Z directed the deployment of fifty men from CBMU-302 to the Naval Support Activity Detachment located at Cam Ranh Bay in the II Corps Tactical Zone of Vietnam. LTJG B. B. EMORY, CEC, USN, Officer-in-Charge, departed with an advance party of fifty men on 16 August 1967 aboard an airlift provided by VR-21. Their arrival on 19 August gave them the distinction of being the first SEABEE Command to be deployed in II, III, and IV CTZ, and also the first SEABEE Command in Vietnam to provide support for seagoing Navy Units and their advanced bases.

COMCBPAC MSG 262351Z directed the deployment of the main body to Cam Rahn Bay, Vietnam, on or about 15 September 1967. The main body was airlifted by VR-21 from Port Hueneme, California, to Cam Rahn Bay, Vietnam.

Upon Main Body's arrival in Vietnam, two Details were formed and deployed to Nha Trang and Qui Nhon, Vietnam. The ten man Nha Trang Detail was to support Inshore Underwater Group One (IUWG-1) in Nha Trang. The Qui Nhon Detail was tasked with maintenance support of NSA SGN Detachment, Coastal Division 13, the IUWG Unit and Coastal Surveillance Center (CSC).

During this time the Main Body in Cam Ranh Bay was awaiting the arrival of the S. S. VANTAGE PROGRESS, which carried the Unit's building, automotive and construction equipment. The ship arrived on 7 October. With the ship soon offloaded, the first item of business was to construct a four building maintenance complex which would ultimately become the Public Works shops for the Base Camp site. By mid-November three of the four buildings had been completed and occupied by 302: the Admin building, the Supply warehouse and the Bravo company shops. In November the first contact by CBMU-302 personnel with the Viet Cong occurred at Qui Nhon, with no injuries to Unit personnel.

December saw the completion of the new Automotive shop building at CRB. On 17 December BUC WOLFE deployed with a detail of twenty men to Sa Dec and Vinh Long, two "Game Warden" bases located 10 miles apart on the Mekong River. On the night of 22-23 December the second VC attack on Qui Nhon brought the first casualties for CBMU-302. The VC detonated an explosive charge against the barracks berthing CBMU personnel, critically injuring EOC R. L. SEARS, who was subsequently med-evacuated to Japan, and CET3 SNYDER and CS2 TURNAGE who both suffered light to moderate injuries. All three were awarded the Purple Heart as a result of their action.

On 24 January 1968 a project was started at NSA Det Sa Dec to provide new living quarters, new administrative and supply spaces, and a new armory. The project included demolition of existing buildings which were substandard and overcrowded. During construction of the "Sa Dec Hilton" personnel lived in tents.

In February a permanent detail was established at Dong Tam/My Tho which are Game Warden bases in the Mekong Delta area 45 miles SW of Saigon. A temporary detail was sent to Vung Ro to construct storage and shop spaces and install a pontoon pier for the newly established Unit-5 of IUWG-1 WestPacDet. The Viet Cong offensive disrupted work at all sites during this month. At Cam Ranh Bay the Base was placed on a four day yellow alert for the first time ever because of a rocket attack on the peninsula. The Navy base at Vinh Long, where nine CBMU-302 personnel were deployed, was attacked and, after several days of fighting, overrun. The Base was reoccupied a few days later.

RADM HEAMAN, COMCBPAC, visited CRB and inspected CBMU-302 facilities on 23 April. During this month the Unit completed construction of a 60' watchtower at NAVCOMSTA, CRB. The tower was the first of several planned for the area.

A major soil-cement stabilization project at NSF, CRB, was started and work was completed on the dynamometer and engine test stand. On 15 May the Dong Tam Detail completed the construction of a firemain system at NSA Det Dong Tam. This important Mekong Delta base is subject to frequent mortar and rocket attacks, and previously there was no adequate fire fighting system. On 29 May LTJG H. A. CORBIN, CEC, USNR, the first new Officer to join the Unit since commissioning, reported aboard.

In June a 17 man detail travelled from Cam Ranh Bay to the newly established maintenance and minor construction Detail at Cat Lo/Vung Tau. Shortly thereafter the Unit was assigned a major construction project consisting of providing shelters (roof and three sides) for eight 50' x 128' ammo storage pads. On 25 June three new Officers reported aboard, LT B. W. SIMMONS, CEC, USN, assumed the duties of Executive Officer, LTJG R. C. BOND, SC, USN, relieved LT D. N. WINDAU as Supply Officer, and LTJG M. T. NIELSEN, CEC, USNR, began preparing to be Officer-in-Charge of the Binh Thuy Detail to be deployed in July.

Another Detail deployed to An Thoi on 3 July to construct a 40' x 100' warehouse/garage. Two days later a twenty man Detail headed by LTJG M. T. NIELSEN deployed to NSA Det Binh Thuy. Construction began on the eight 50' x 128' ammo storage pad shelters at Cam Ranh Bay. Five were completed in one month with the crew working about 25% ahead of schedule. On 4 July eight CBMU-302 men aboard a MAC flight enroute to Vietnam were forced down by Soviet jets over a Communist controlled island near Japan. They reported aboard two days later after their release, all in good shape.

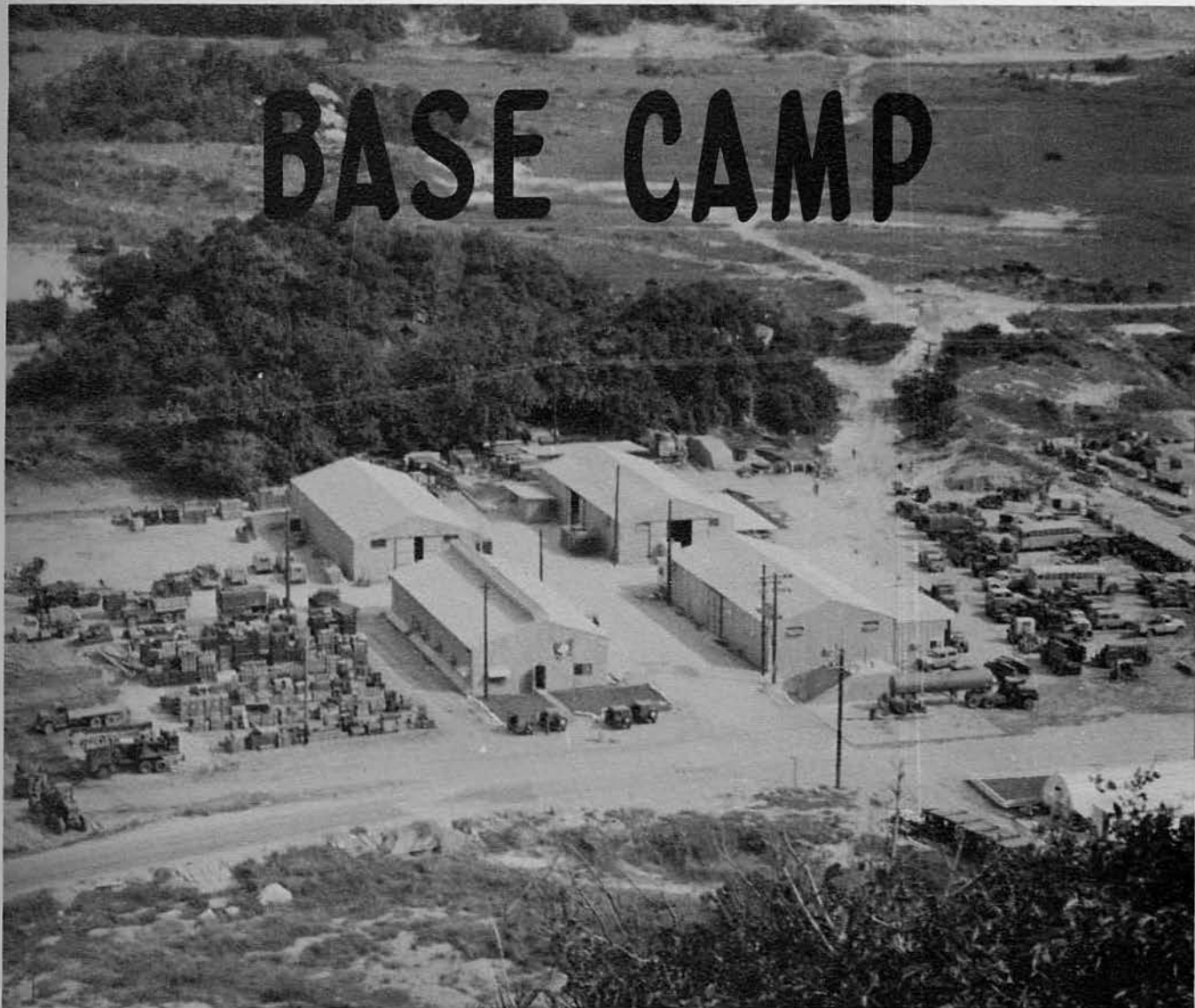
ENS P. H. DURAND, CEC, USNR, reported for duty on 3 August, followed 3 days later by LTJG B. R. LAURSEN, CEC, USNR, who assumed duties of Operations/Engineering Officer. ENS DURAND was temporarily assigned as project manager in the Engineering Department. On 17 August the last of eight 50' x 128' ammo storage pad shelters was completed, 13 days ahead of schedule. LTJG T. G. SMITH, CEC, USNR, reported for duty 20 August as LTJG F. B. BANKERT's relief. LCDR H. W. FILBRY, CEC, USN, reported aboard 23 August to begin indoctrination as LCDR HARPER's relief as Commanding Officer.

LCDR H. W. FILBRY relieved LCDR M. H. HARPER as Commanding Officer of CBMU-302 in change of command ceremonies at Cam Ranh Bay on 2 September 1968. CAPT M. C. DUNCAN, Commander Naval Support Activity, Saigon, was guest speaker. CBMU-302 was awarded the Navy Unit Commendation during the change of command ceremony for the period 18 September 1967 to 1 January 1968. LCDR M. H. HARPER was awarded the Bronze Star with Combat "V". CUCM C. N. BOCK reported aboard for duties as Shops Officer 17 September 1968.

VADM E. R. ZUMWALT, COMNAVFORV, visited CBMU-302 in October followed by CAPT CASTANES, new Public Works Officer, NSA SGN, and then CAPT C. G. MILLER, Chief of Staff, COMCBPAC. Heavy rains and strong wind struck the CRB area. Considerable damage was done to roads to the Naval Support Facility and Naval Communication Station. The advance party for Detail Golf deployed to the Naval Air Facility, CRB on 29 October.

On 9 November the Enlisted Men's Club at Naval Support Facility, CRB, was sufficiently completed to allow occupancy. Typhoon Mami caused erosion at several areas at CRB, including roads to NSF. On 16 November the special construction team at Vung Ro returned to Cam Ranh Bay following completion of a 20' x 124' hootch/head and a 20' x 50' HECF/BOQ. Construction commenced of a 40' x 100' raised Butler building at NSF, CRB, and a 24' x 24' wood structure at Binh Ba Village was constructed as part of the continuing Civic Action program.

BASE CAMP

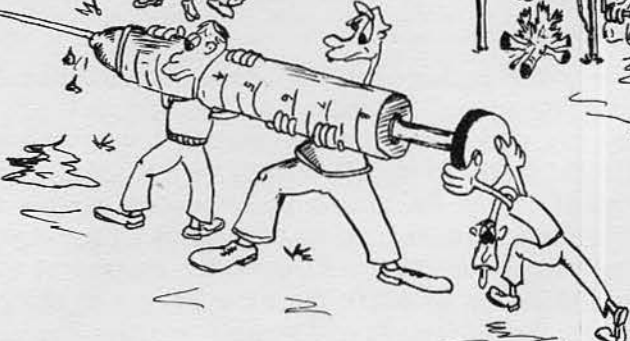
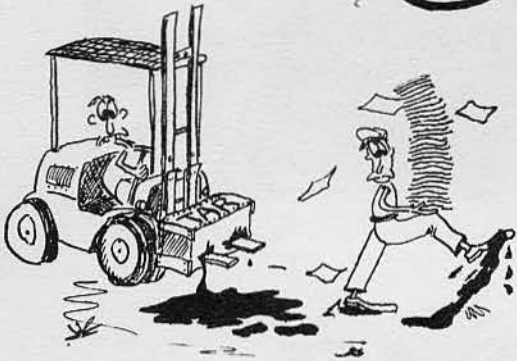
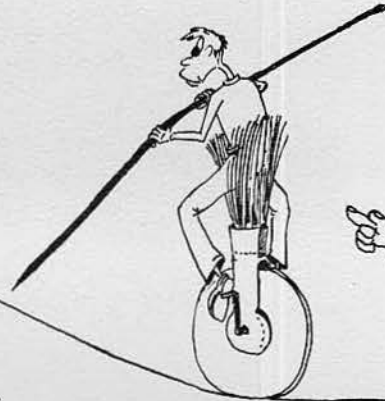
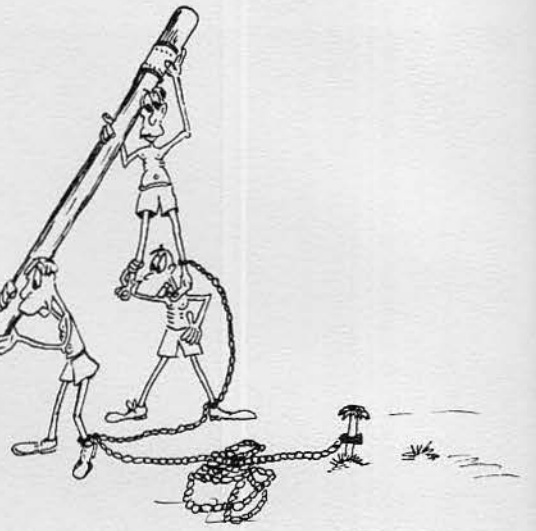


CAM RANH BAY

CBMU-302 is homeported and located at Naval Support Facility, Cam Ranh Bay, Republic of Vietnam. The Unit arrived on 20 September 1967 from U. S. Naval Construction Battalion Center, Port Hueneme, California. Initial strength was 160 officers and men. Major construction has included a 40' x 100' Admin building, a 40' x 100' Supply warehouse, a 40' x 100' Mechanics shop, a 40' x 100' Facilities maintenance shop a 40' x 100' raised PCF Overhaul structure, expansion and modernization of the EM Club, eight 50' x 128' ammo pad shelters, installation of sewer lines and septic tank, stabilization of base roads and storage areas with soil cement, and installation of 440V power systems at the pier. Major maintenance projects have included antenna fields, roads and transportation equipment.

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COMPANY





Acting as a support company for the other two CBMU-302 Companies, Headquarters Company quietly performs its vital tasks to supply, feed, clothe, medicate and administer the personnel of the Unit.

"H" Company consists of personnel from Operations, Supply, Disbursing, Admin/Personnel, Medical and Galley. Basically the Company is responsible for the military training, mustering, berthing and administrative control of the SEABEES assigned. Workday functions fall under the control of the appropriate Department heads.

ADMIN



YN3 Randy Simmons, our R & R Yeoman, takes a work break.



Admin/Personnel has a reputation for efficiency, production and coffee breaks. Personnel and administrative functions are performed for 302 SEABEES, wherever their location, by this small, competent group.

YN1 Frederick FARLEY: Lady Smith, Wisc.; Admin Supervisor..... YN3 Randolph SIMMONS: Bloomington, Illinois; R & R, correspondence Yeoman..... YN2 John WOOD; Wheeling, W. Va.; legal, general Yeoman..... YN3 Dennis LAMBRIES: Manitowoc, Wisc.; Instruction, files Yeoman.



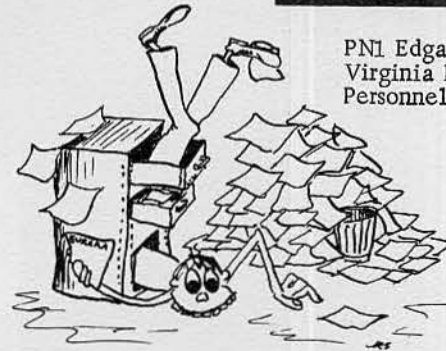
PERSONNEL



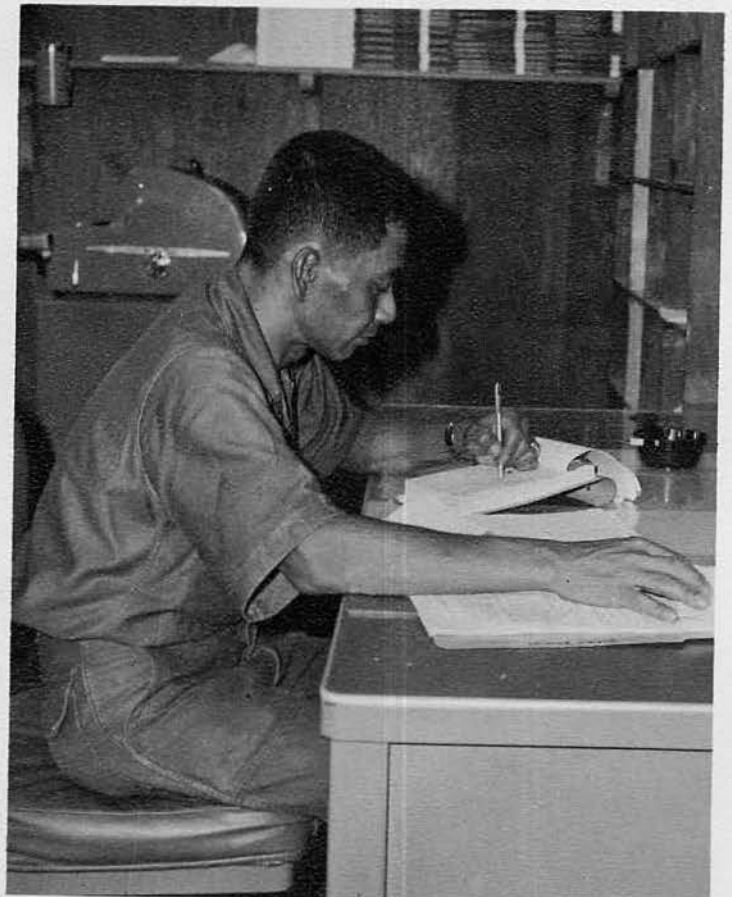
"Say, Stew, this guy missed his TCD by six months!"



PN1 Edgar STEWART:
Virginia Beach, Va.;
Personnel Supervisor.



PN2 Joseph COOPER: San Diego, Cal.; Re-
ceipts, Diary.....PN2 Fred HAMATHER:
Portales, N. M.; Transfers, E & T.....
PN2 Karl PARSONS: Osaka, Japan; Counsel-
ling, TAD.....PN3 DeIfin SALANG:
Olongapo, Phil; SR entries, Evaluations.



OPERATIONS



"Hey, Dan, all I see is a concrete post!"

EA2 Dan TINGLE: Los Angeles, Cal.; POICOPS..... EA2 Paul BOYD: St. Louis, Mo.; Surveyor, Liaison PO..... EA2 John HUSMAN: Sheridan, Wyo.; Senior Draftsman..... EA3 Lawrence FISHER: Cheshire, Conn.; Surveyor; Dets Qui Nhon, Nha Be..... EA3 James KNOOP: Ankey, Iowa; Job status coordinator; Det NSA SGN..... EA3 Michael MORRIS: Rochester, N. Y.; Trouble Desk, Estimator..... EA3 Gregory RUSSO: Waltham, Mass.; Draftsman.



"See Chief, just throw it in the chit can."

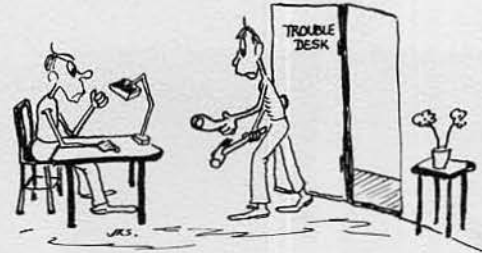




"He really doesn't know it from a hole in the ground!"



4 more man hours down the drain.



EA3 Earl BATSON: Lexington, Mass.; Surveyor; Dets Qui Nhon, Nha Be, NAF
 CE2 Bernard SULLIVAN: Springfield, Ill.; CE Planning Estimator.....
 EA3 James McDERMOTT: Danbers, Mass.; Draftsman..... EA3 John HITCHMAN: Geneva, N. Y.; Draftsman; Det NSA SGN
 EA3 George HODGE: Greensboro, N. C.; Surveyor..... BU3 John KENT: Wheaton, Md.; BU Planning Estimator, Draftsman.....
 EACN George STRIEGEL: Lancaster, N. Y.; Surveyor; Dets Qui Nhon, Nha Be, SpTm 30207.....
 EACN Albert HERTEL: Hillsboro, Ore.; Surveyor; SpTm 30207.

"Same to ya', fella!"



SUPPLY



"Sir, just what did they teach you down there in Georgia?"



"Well, that's the last of the 4 tons of surf board wax!"



SK2 William BRYSON: Medford, Ohio; Requisitioning, OPTAR..... SK2 Frank HAYES: Millville, N. J.; Stock control SK3 Ronald HORAK: Sacramento, Cal.; Warehouse..... SK3 John MURPHY: Superior, Wisc.; Auto shop stores..... SK1 Feliciano CARBON: Calinog, Iloilo, Phil.; SpTm 30203..... SD3 Silvestre CRUZ: Manila, Phil.; TAD, NSF SD's..... SK2 Dale DOSHIER: Chickasha, Okla.; SpTm 30203.





Six months ago I couldn't even spell DK, now I are one.

DK2 Ernesto ORTIZ: El Paso, Texas.....
..DK3 James M. HOFFMAN: Evansville,
Ind.....HM1 Jesus C. CARREON:
National City, Cal; SpTm 30202.....
HM3 Ammon H. SCHWOERER: Vernfield,
Pa.; SpTm 30202.

CSC Theodore R. PARKER: Mount Olive,
N. C.; SpTm 30203 CPOIC.....CS1
David G. BLACK: Fort Smith, Arkansas
.....CS1 John TURNAGE: Brooklyn,
N. Y.; SpTm 30203.....CS1 Frank
D. PALOVICH: Greenville, Pa.; SpTm
30203.....CS2 Gilbert H. BROOKS:
Oxnard, Cal.; SpTm 30203.....CS3
Paul J. LeMASTER: San Diego, Cal.;
SpTm 30203.....SH2 LaFrinza
JOHNSON: Long Beach, Calif.....
PICTURES NOT AVAILABLE: CS2 Larry
G. BROCK: Honolulu, Hawaii; SpTm
30203; April SEABEE OF THE MONTH
.....CS3 Elbert J. McCALL: May-
flower, Arkansas; SpTm 30203.



And they threw in the helicopter for free.



ARMORY



GMG2 James ORTIZ: Antonito, Col.; Battalion Armorer. GMG2 Robert BECK: San Diego, Cal.; Battalion Armorer.

Who's the wise guy that hit the target?



CMAA

CE1 Fred SLOAN: Greenville, S. C.; Chief Master at Arms Feb. 1969 - present.



Ouch... my nose!



MR1 Melvin CALKINS: Sylacauga, Ala.; Chief Master at Arms, October 1968 - February 1969.





PAO



YN2 Bob JOHNSON; Orlando, Fla.; Admin Supervisor; Public Affairs Petty Officer..... BU3 Bob CRAYCRAFT; Williamson, W. Va.; Unit Photographer.

Remember that Delta trip we took?



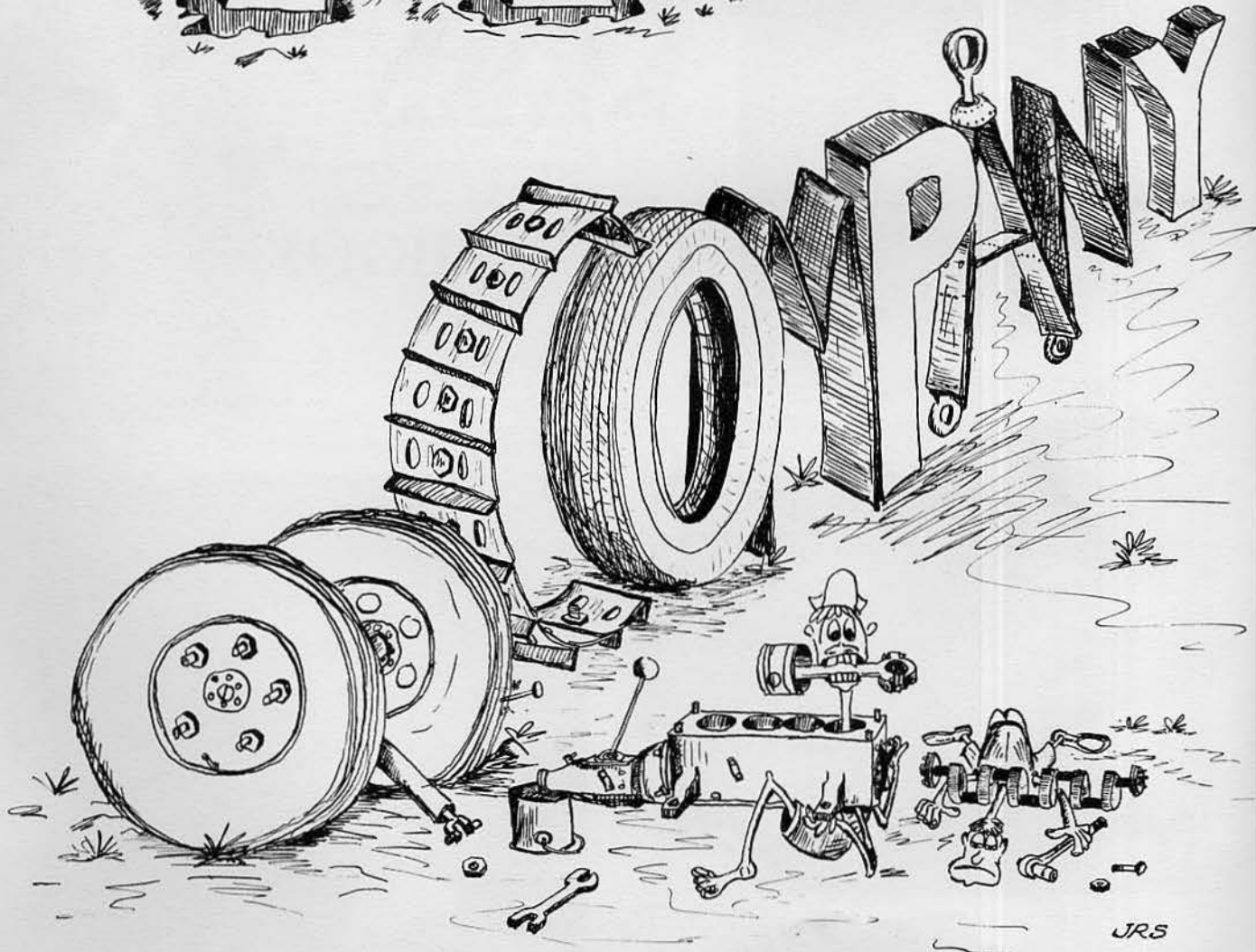
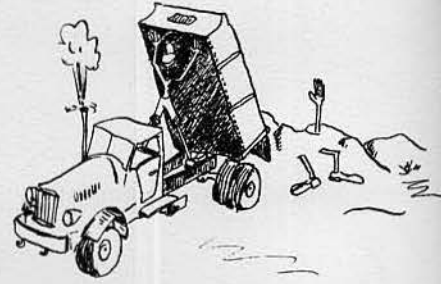
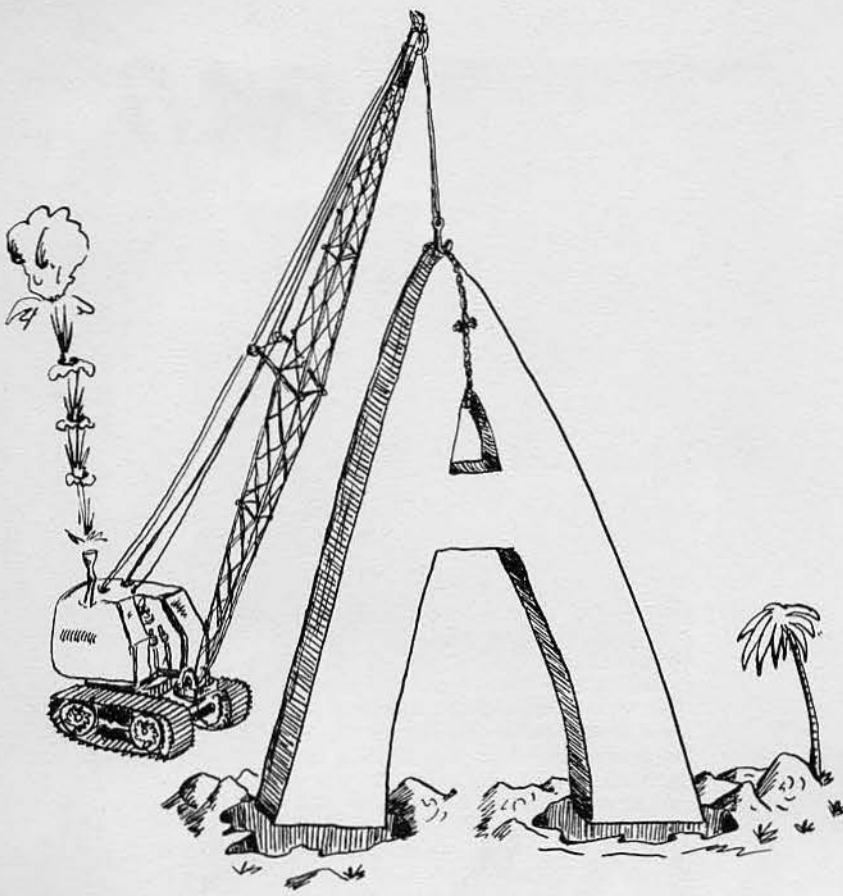
The SEABEE GLOBE is al-1-1 right! Public Affairs Officer LTJG R. C. BOND.

Starting as a lunch stand and snack shop in the attic of the Admin building, PAO has now found itself, this due to the unbridled enthusiasm of YN2 JOHNSON, the snapping shutters of BU3 CRAYCRAFT, the artistic abilities of EA2 HUSMAN and UT3 SCHURKAMP, the wise guidance of LTJG BOND, and the prohibition of the cabaret atmosphere by the XO. With food prohibited and nothing better to do, PAO initiated production of the monthly SEABEE GLOBE newspaper, a monthly Familygram, advancement and welcome aboard letters, this cruisebook, news releases, and much, much more.

CRUISEBOOK STAFF

Cruisebook Officer, LTJG R. C. BOND....
Cruisebook Editor, sales, production,
 YN2 Bob JOHNSON, Layout design,
 artwork, UT3 Joe SCHURKAMP.....
 Photographer, BU3 Bob CRAYCRAFT.



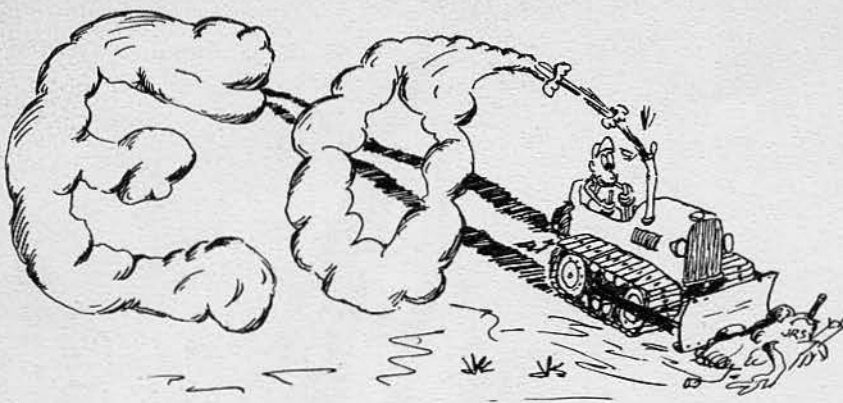


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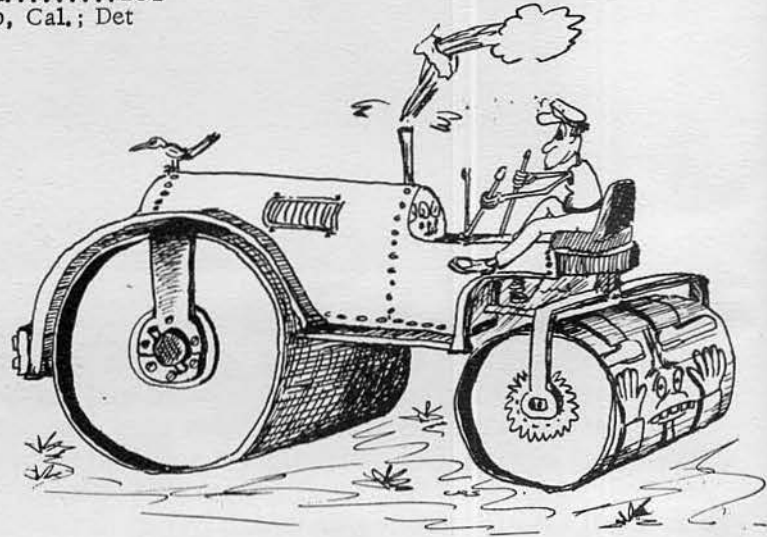
The mission of "A" Company is to operate and maintain automotive, construction and materials-handling equipment for itself and for Naval Support Activity, Saigon. The Company operates the transportation pool, mechanic shop, and equipment maintenance shop, plus serves as contractor or subcontractor for earth moving, grading, excavating and pouring jobs at the Naval Support Facility, Cam Ranh Bay. Members of the Company also staff Details and teams which perform similar services for advanced Navy bases throughout II, III, and IV Corps Tactical Zones of the Republic of Vietnam.

In CBMU-302, "A" Company responsibilities are discharged energetically and professionally by the hard working BEES who make up the Company. "A" Company's quality service has consistently earned from tactical commanders in South Vietnam accolades worthy of the SEABEE motto - "Can Do!".



EO1 Arthur GEERDES: Pensacola, Fla.; Assistant Transportation Supervisor; POIC Det Sa Dec.....EO1 William WEBER: Evansville, Ind.; License Examiner.....EO2 Merlin ROMAN: Chesapeake, Va.; Dispatcher.....EO2 James PITTS: Columbia, Miss.; Det Con Son.....EO2 Robert SISSON: Taylorsville, Ind.; Det Dong Tam/My Tho.....EO3 David DAVIS: Riverside, Cal.; Dets Qui Nhon, Nha Trang, Con Son.....EO2 Larry WALDRON: Palo Alto, Cal.; Det NSA SGN.

"I guess it's not for us to say, but how DOES fertilizer make soil cement?"





"I know this may sound like another sea story, but....."



"Dear Mom: Today I dug a hole. Love, Jimmy."

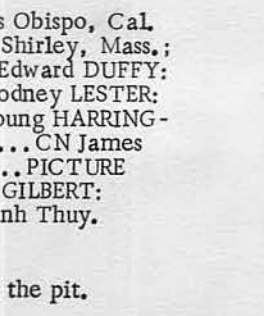
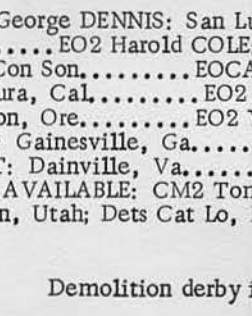
EO3 Dennis ALLEN; Bertrand, Neb.; Dispatcher.....
 CN Frank DRURY; Jeanette, Pa.....
 EOCN William SCHILLING; El Paso, Tex.....
 CN Jose GONZALEZ; Coamo, Puerto Rico.....
 EO2 Robert FERRELL; Fayetteville, Ark.; Det NAF.....
 EO3 Richard NESBITT; Valatie, N. Y.; Company Clerk.....
 CECN Jerry PERDUE; Parkersburg, W. Va.....
 EO3 Larry MAYS; Lynchburg, Va.....
 EO2 Robert BAKER; Ocheyedan, Iowa.....
 EO3 Roger WARD; Holly, Colorado.....
 CR Larry SEGAR; Los Alamos, N. M.





"Oops.... wrong parking lot!"

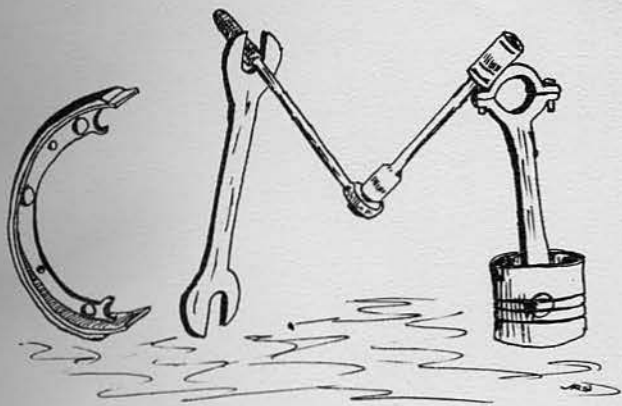
EOCN Thomas McKENZIE: Virgil, Ka.;
 Det NSA SGN.....EO3 Daniel LYNN:
 Fairport, N. Y.; Det Dong Tam.....
 CN Henry MUNFORD: Richmond, Va.
 CN Samuel ROLDAN: Cudahy,
 Cal.; Det Cat Lo.....EOCN Walter
 LAUMANN: McArthur, Cal.



EO2 George DENNIS: San Luis Obispo, Cal.
EO2 Harold COLE: Shirley, Mass.;
 Det Con Son.....EOCA Edward DUFFY:
 Ventura, Cal.....EO2 Rodney LESTER:
 Bandon, Ore.....EO2 Young HARRING-
 TON: Gainesville, Ga.....CN James
 HOLT: Dainville, Va.....PICTURE
 NOT AVAILABLE: CM2 Tom GILBERT:
 Ogden, Utah; Dets Cat Lo, Binh Thuy.

Demolition derby in the pit.





"Are we giving away free steak knives at the gas pump this week?"



CM2 Ronald FRANTZ: Cornelius, Ore.....
CMCN James ISHAM: San Raphael,
 Cal.....CM2 Harold HARRIS: Waco,
 Tex.....CM2 Richard GLADISH:
 Midland, Tex.; Det Con Son.....
 CM3 William HOOBLER: Franklin, Pa.
CM2 Roger HARMON: New
 Smyrna Beach, Fla.; Det Cat Lo, Dong
 Tam.



CM1 Ronald BYRD: Goldbar, Wash.; Parts
 Expediter.....CM2 George PORTER:
 Lyndalia, Wilmington, DeL; Det Cat Lo
CM2 James HAMM: Yuba City,
 Cal.; Det Sa Dec.....CM2 Franklin
 HACKNEY: Charlotte, N. C.

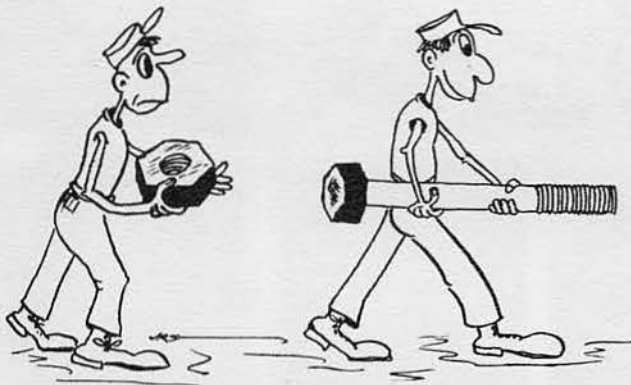




CM3 Larry OWENS: Burlington, Iowa; Det Con Son..... CM3 Sterling RAMSEY: Oatman, Ariz..... CM3 Loren ROPER: Yuba City, Cal..... CM3 Brian LEE: Minneapolis, Minn.; Det Binh Thuy.



"In 'A' School they gave us parts to work with."



"How did brake fluid get in the tail light?"

CM3 John STUART: Westcliffe, Col....
..... CM3 Michael BINGHAM: Garden Grove, Cal.; Det Dong Tam.....
CM3 Chris SNELL: Lansing, Mich.....
CM3 Walter KNIPPENBERG: Hawthorne, N. J.; Det Dong Tam/My Tho.



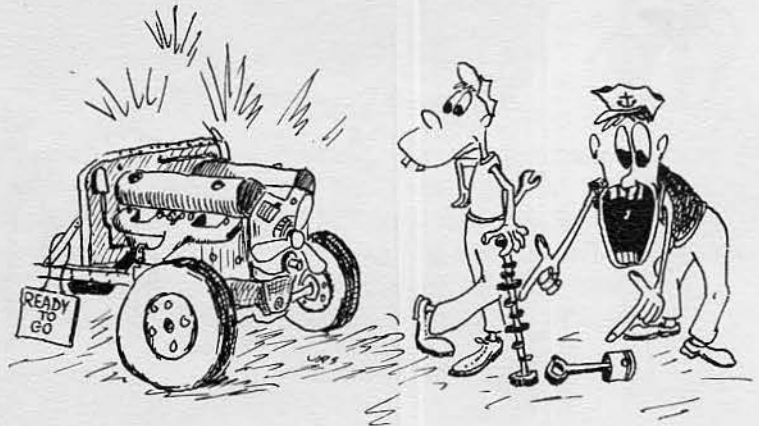


"We've been using peanut butter in this thing for 3 weeks now and no complaints yet!"



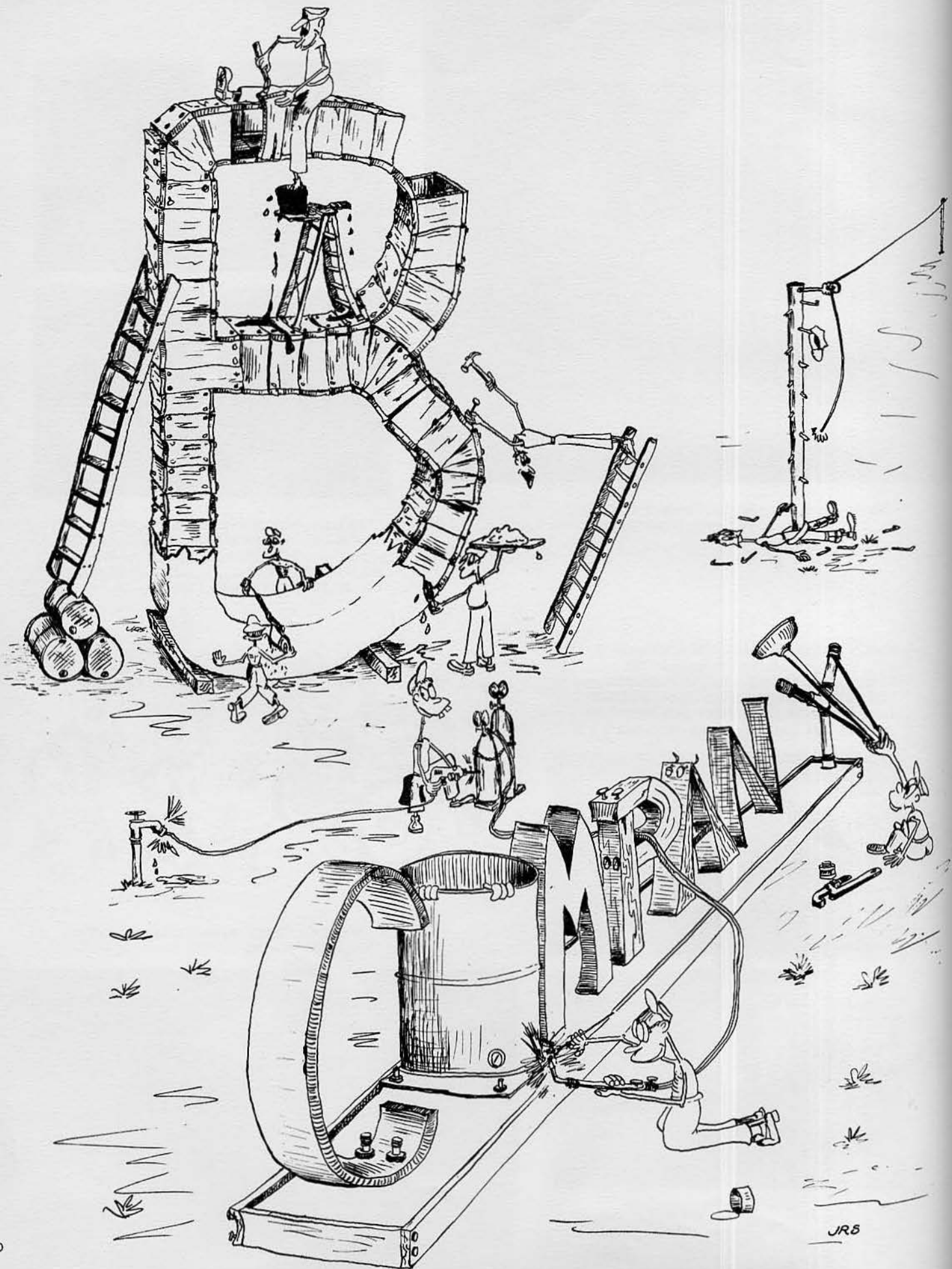
CM3 James MORRIS: Brooklyn, N. Y.....
 CMCN Lyle HOLT: Indiana, Pa.; Det Sa Dec
 CM3 Albert MORTON: Anderson,
 Ind.; Det Binh Thuy..... CM3 Eugene
 WASIELEWSKI: Oxnard, Cal.

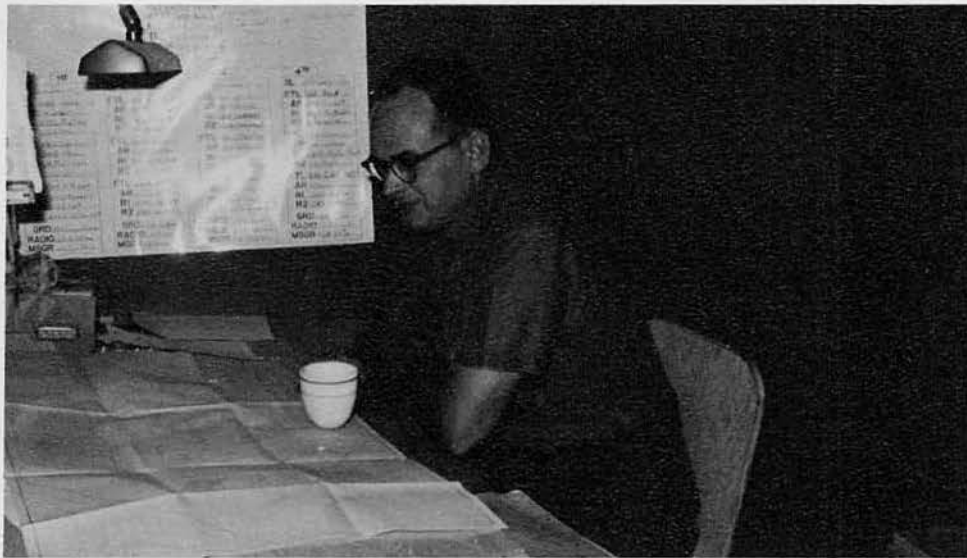
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 Md..... CM3 DuWayne BOURNE:
 Montevideo, Minn..... CN James
 HOLROYD: Irvington, N. J..... CMCN
 Larry HULL: Omaha, Neb.; Det Dong Tam/
 MyTho, Cat Lo.



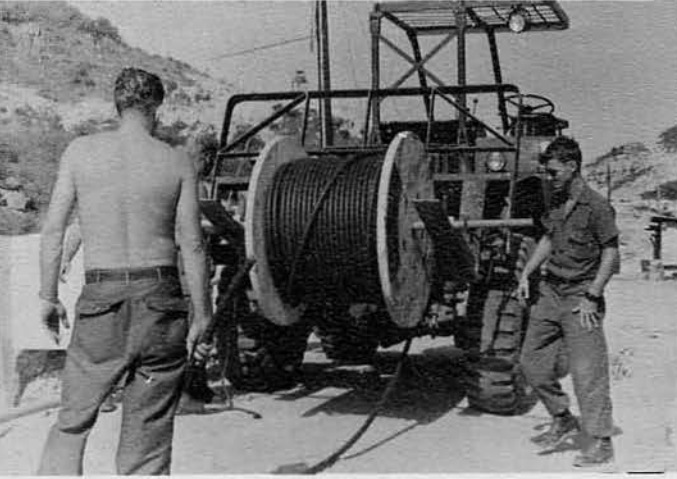
"Who said there's no such thing as muffler bearings."



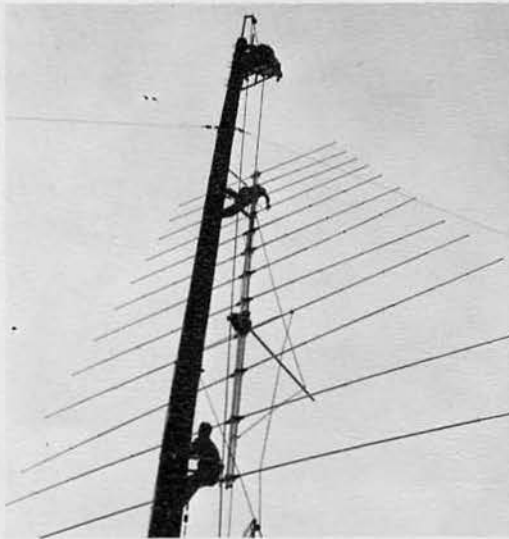
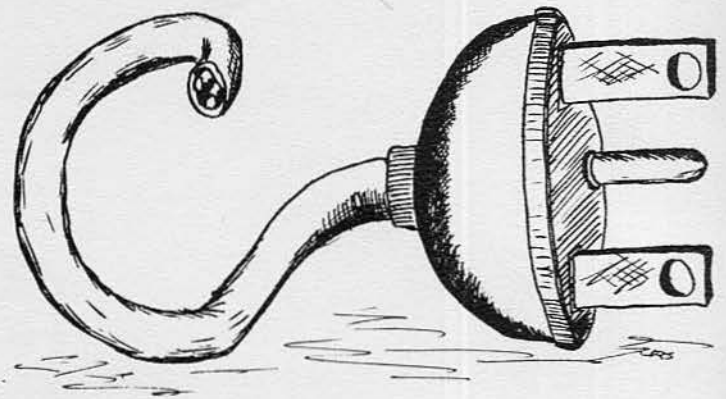




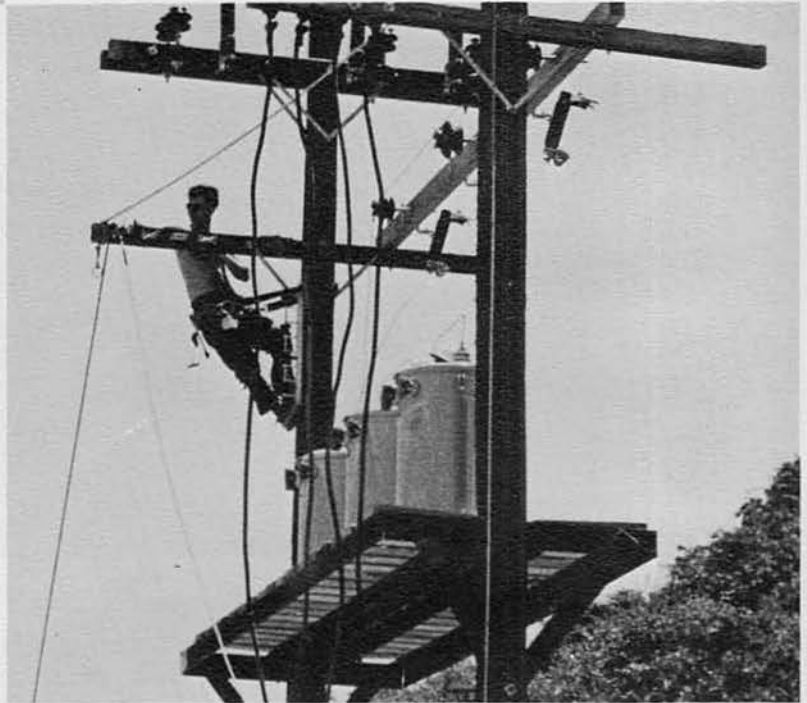
The quiet perfection of the men in Bravo Company will go unrivaled. Base improvement and maintenance, the PCF Overhaul Structure, EM Club, Ammo Pad Shelters, Special Teams and Detachment construction and countless other tasks all involved innumerable man hours and skilled construction, jobs that were mastered so well! There was the stamp of 302's pride with every job that showed there could be none finer. And whenever the job was finished, regardless of the size, the ensuing cry was always the same, "Where do you want the next one?".



"Whadya mean it's water hose and not wire?"



"What do you mean its the wrong pole?"

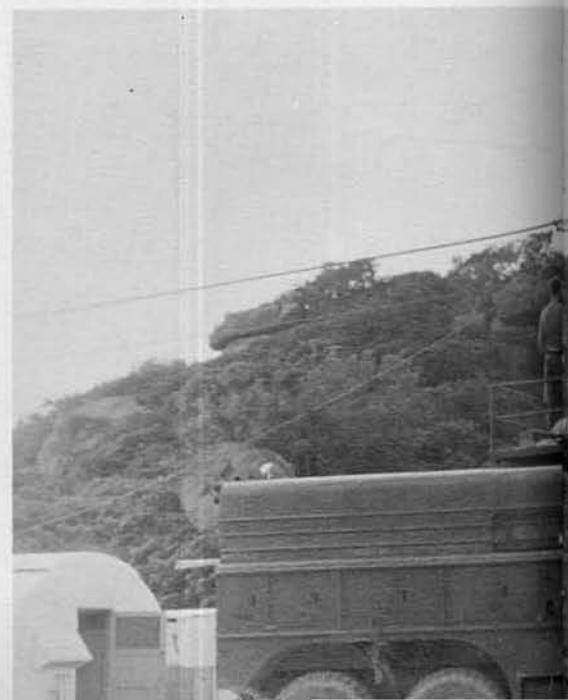


"Hey, put your finger on this, will 'ya?"

"And then my recruiter said...."

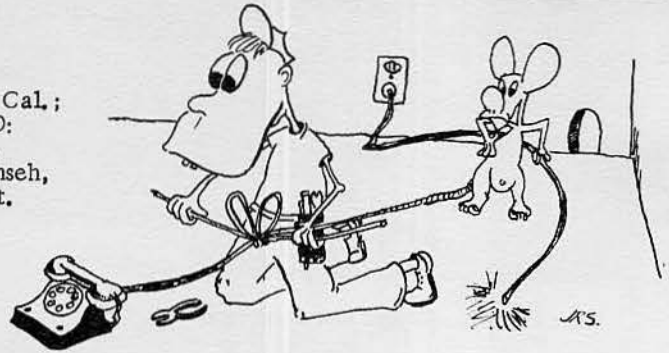


CE1 William MALONEY: Leroy, Ka.; Shop Supervisor.....CE2 Isabelo ESTERON: Tacoma, Wash.; Det Binh Thuy..... CE2 Leroy HILBER: Wausau, Wisc.; Det Cat Lo..... CE2 Gerald E. JONES: Eugene, Ore.; Det Sa Dec.





CE2 Don COWDRAY: Redondo Beach, Cal.;
 Det NAF..... CE3 Patsy DINARDO:
 Paterson, N. J.; SpTm 30207.....
 CECN Richard NIGHSWANDER: Tecumseh,
 Mich..... CE3 Jimmy GADDY: St.
 Joseph, Mo.; Det Cat Lo, Nha Trang.

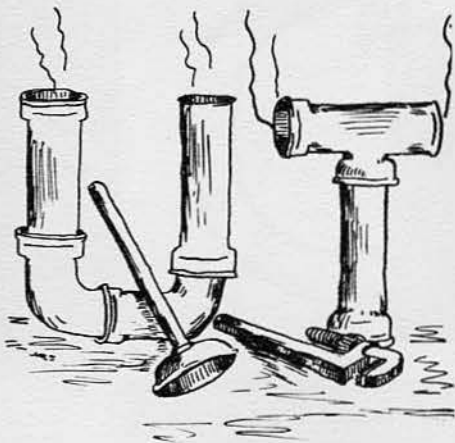


CE's splice 440V pier power, CRB.



CE2 Joseph HAYES: Portsmouth, Va.; Det
 Binh Thuy, NAF..... CE3 Michael
 McCOID: Granite City, Ill.; SpTm 30206
 ETN3 Gary STANLEY: Mingo
 Junction, Ohio..... CECN John LEV-
 INS: Hillsboro, Tex.; Det Qui Nhon.





"....no, you set your end down first"

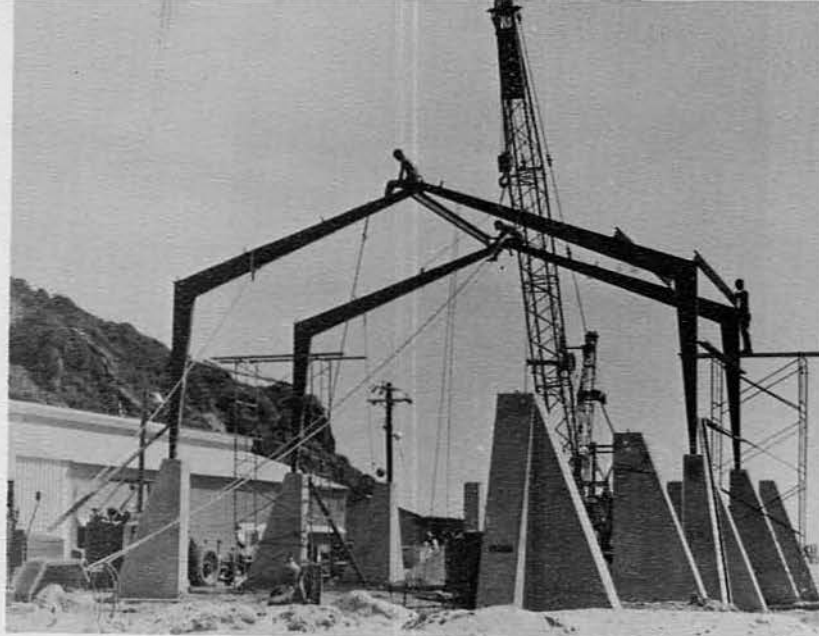
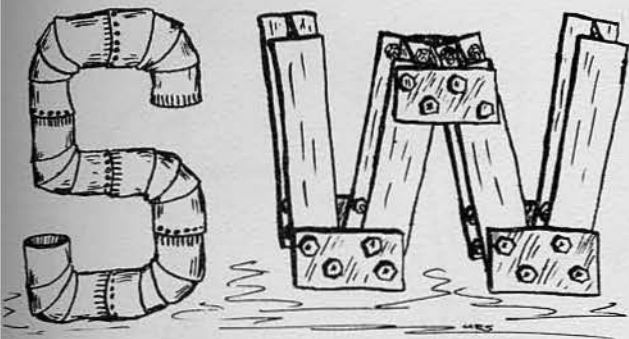
"Wow, I've never felt anything so good."

UT1 Donald GAY: Fredericksburg, Va.; Shop Supervisor..... UT2 Donald PARMER: San Angelo, Tex..... UT2 William CALDWELL: La Puente, Cal.; SpTm 30206..... UT2 Gary JONES: San Anselmo, Cal.; Det NAF..... UT3 James ROY: Northridge, Mass.; Dets Binh Thuy, NAF, Qui Nhon..... UT3 Joseph SCHURKAMP: Petaluma, Cal.; Dets Vung Ro, Cat Lo..... UT3 Paul CARPENTER: Vista, Cal.; Dets Nha Trang, Cat Lo.....
 ...CN Michael ALLEN: Rosine, Ky.; Det Cat Lo. PICTURE NOT AVAILABLE - UT2 Archie SUMRALL: Monroe, La.; Det Binh Thuy.



"Get your shovel under it some more and flip it out of the hole."

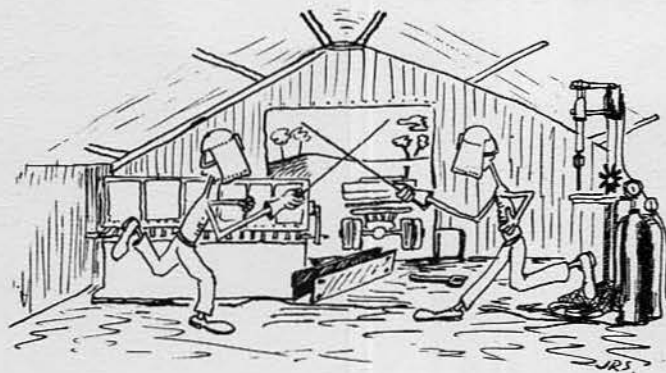




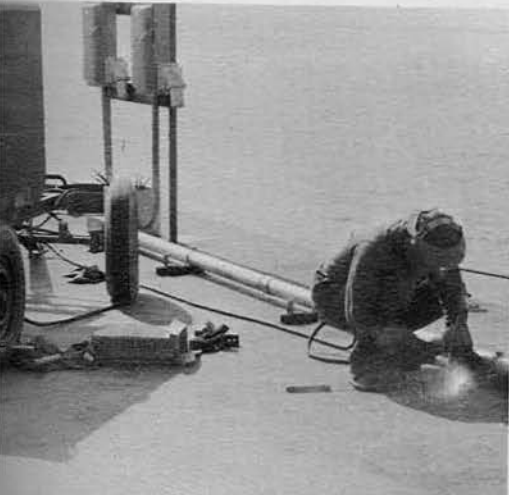
PCF overhaul structure begins to take shape.



"Eureka... I think I've invented the steel shower shoe!"

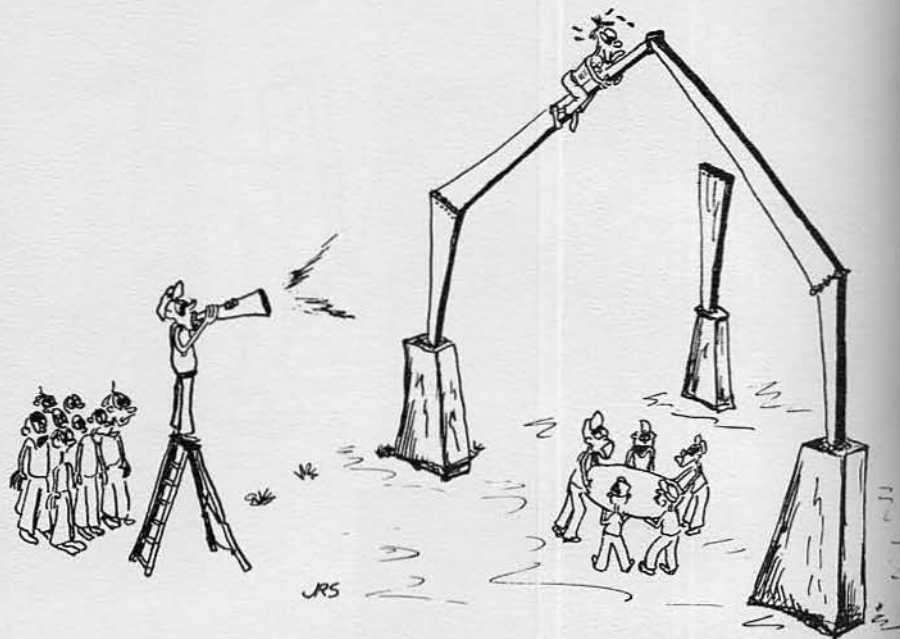


SW2 James REID: Tracy, Cal.; Det POIC An Thoi..... SW3 Harold CARROLL: Olive Hill, Ky.; Det Qui Nhon..... SW3 David EGGERSDORF: Schenectady, N. Y.; SpTm 30207..... SW3 Robert ANDERSON: Long Beach, Cal.; Dets Vung Ro, An Thoi, Cat Lo.





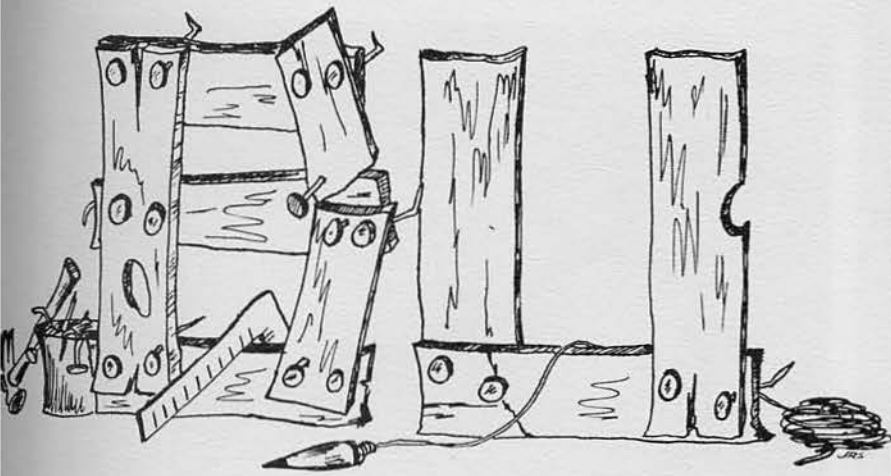
Early morning dawn finds steelworkers already hard at work.



"How long does it take to go get 6 cokes anyway?"



SWCN John LANCOUR: Windsor, Vt.; SpTm 30206..... SW3 Thomas CRUM: Milwaukee, Wisc.; Det Qui Nhon..... SWCN Terrance JORDAN: Omaha, Neb. SW3 Darryl NORDYKE: Renton, Wash.; Det Binh Thuy..... SW3 Gary NORDUANE: Benson, Minn.

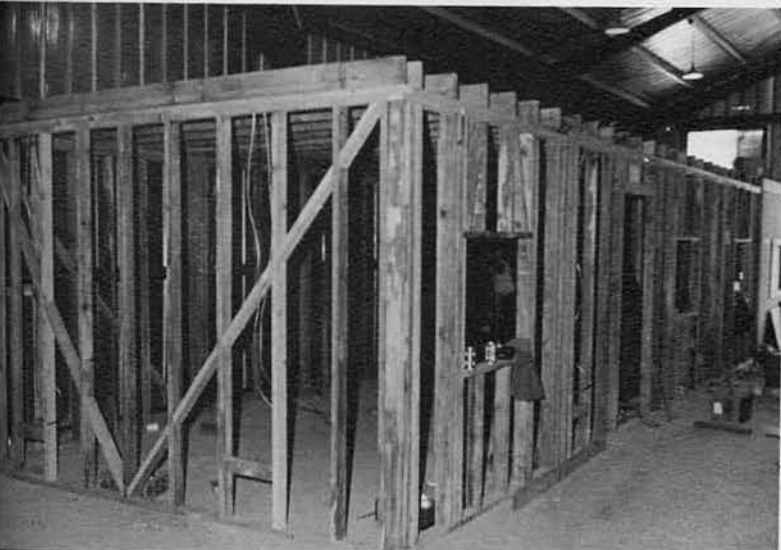


"I told you 6", not 16!"



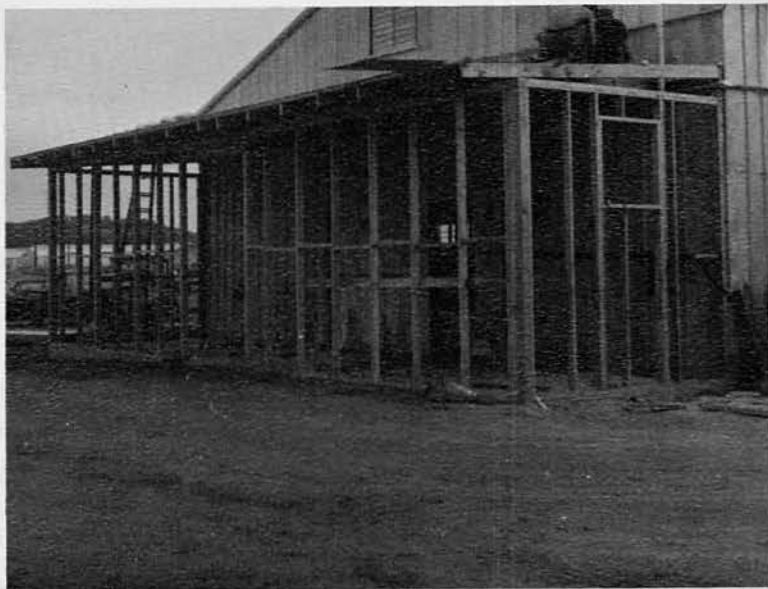
"Wait 'll he finds out where I left my tool box."

BU2 Elmer FULPS: Culver City, Cal.;
 Dets Qui Nhon, Binh Thuy.....
 BU2 Dennis PADULA: Utica, N. Y.;
 Det Cat Lo, SpTm 30206.

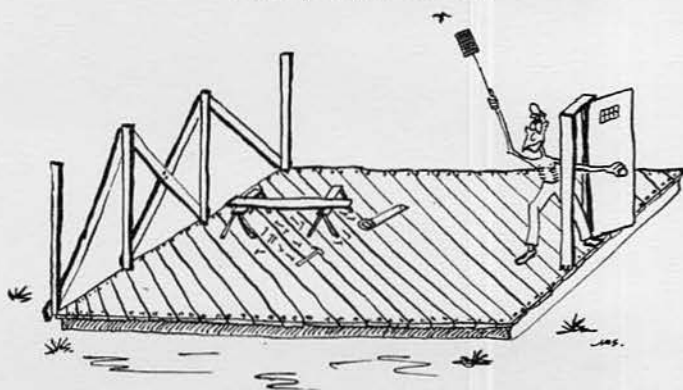




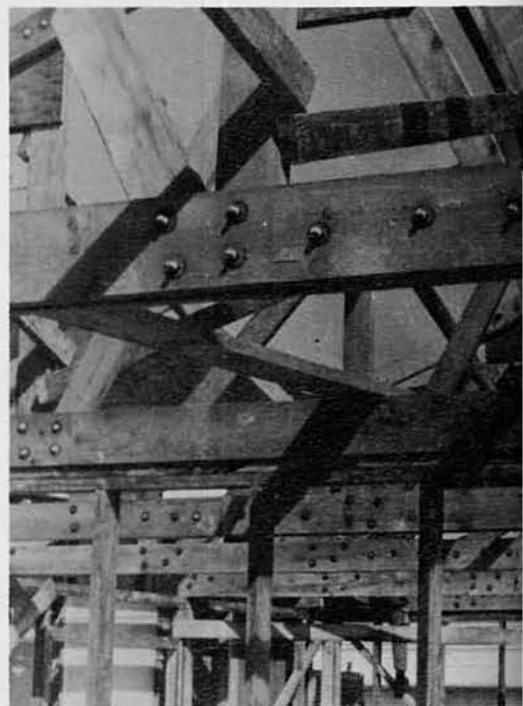
"Sure we've seen prettier, Luis, but couldn't you've driven the nail elsewhere?"



Battery shop is framed.



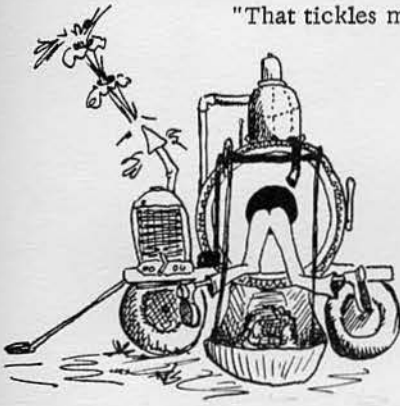
BU2 Harry RICHTER: Eureka, Cal.; Det Cat Lo..... BU3 Clarence SIMPSON: Decatur, Ga.; Det Cat Lo..... BU3 Ronald DIMMITT: Portland, Ore.; Dets Qui Nhon, Dong Tam..... BU3 Robert JONES: King City, Cal.; Det Binh Thuy, SpTm 30205..... BU3 Benny McARTHUR: Dalles, Ore.; Dets Con Son, Nha Trang..... PICTURE NOT AVAILABLE: BU2 Lloyd CHAMBERS: Baldwin Park, Cal.; Det Binh Thuy.



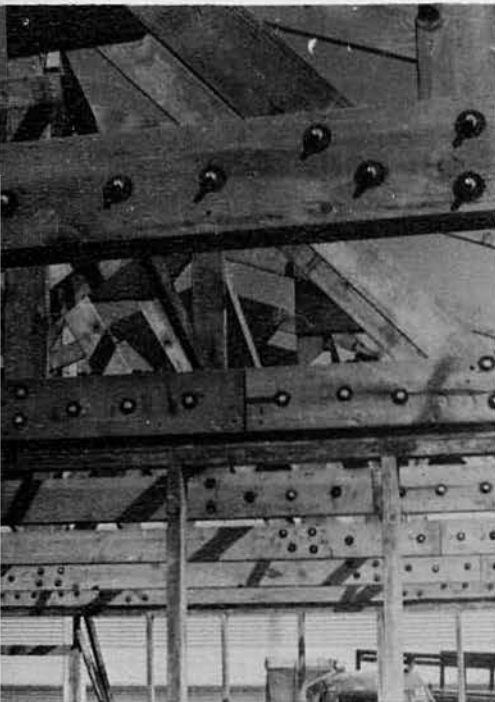


"That tickles my bunion!"

"Hey, Frankie, pick it up and move it over here!"



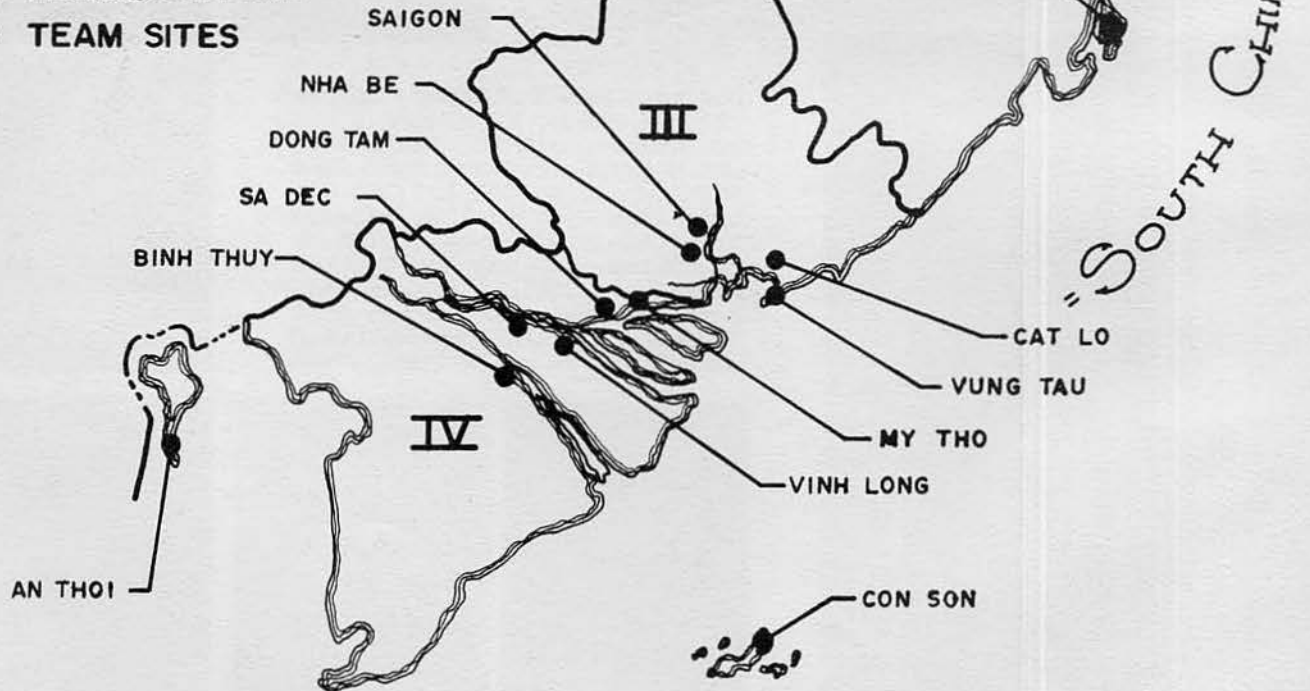
BU3 Daniel HODGE: Anaheim, Cal.; Dets NSA SGN, Cat Lo, SpTm 30206.....
 BUCN Walter LANTHRIPP: Soddy, Tenn.;
 Dets NSA SGN, Nha Trang, SpTm 30205,
 30206..... BU3 Donald BYBEE; Ana-
 bella, Utah.; Dets NSA SGN, SpTm 30205,
 30206..... BUCN William ECHOLS:
 Atlanta, Ga.; Det Dong Tam, SpTm 30205,
 30206..... BUCN Michael HILTWEIN:
 Kennewick, Wash.; Det Con Son, SpTm
 30207..... BUCN David SHAFER:
 Harbor Creek, Pa.; SpTm 30205, 30206.





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DETACHMENTS



DETAIL ALFA

QUI NHON



BU3 Thomas BOYD: Hershey, Pa.....
 BU2 Felix DeLEON: O'Donnell, Tex.; Det
 Binh Thuy, POIC SpTm 30207.....
 BU2 Glenn MAYS: Madison Heights, Va.;
 SpTm 30206..... BU3 Robert McKAY:
 Redlands, Cal..... UT3 Robert WILLIS:
 North Highlands, Cal..... UTCN
 Frederick REZENTES: Union City, Cal.
 CE3 Henry INGRAMER: New-
 bern, N. C..... EO3 Harold LINDE-
 BERG: Oswego, Ka.



Detail Alfa deployed to Qui Nhon on 1 October 1967. Strength has varied between five and thirty men. Major construction included a road to the top of the mountain on which is located a Harbor Entrance Control Post and a 40' x 100' boat repair shop. Numerous smaller construction tasks and maintenance of facilities and transportation equipment occupied the rest of the Detail's time. On the night of 22-23 December 1967 the Viet Cong detonated an explosion next to the Detail's barracks and followed up with small arms fire. EOC SEARS was seriously injured and CS1 TURNAGE and CET3 SNYDER suffered light to moderate injuries.



Tower 3, Bravo sector.



POIC MIRTH makes Chief!

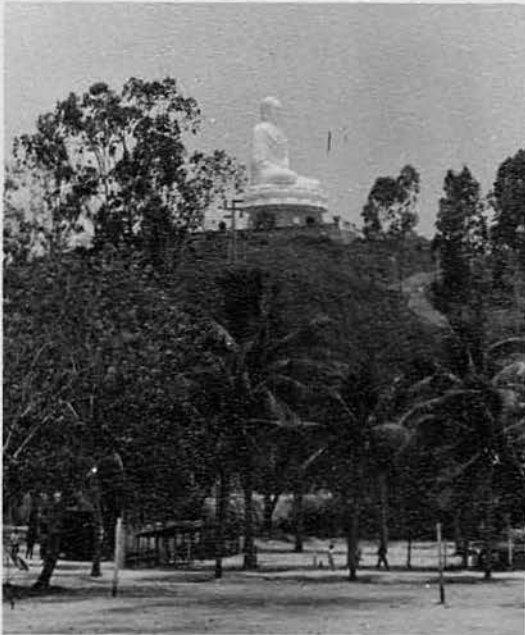


CM Shop - "ah-h, the good 'ole days."

CM1 Alfred BROWN: Tuscon, Ariz.; SpTm 30209..... CM1 Larry DRIER: Grand Rapids, Mich.; Det Cat LO..... CM2 Harry LEWIS: Anderson, Ind..... CM3 Ronald FAIR: Oronogo, Mo..... CM3 John CARTER: Gardena, Cal..... ..CM3 Thomas BARKER: Tyngsboro, Mass.

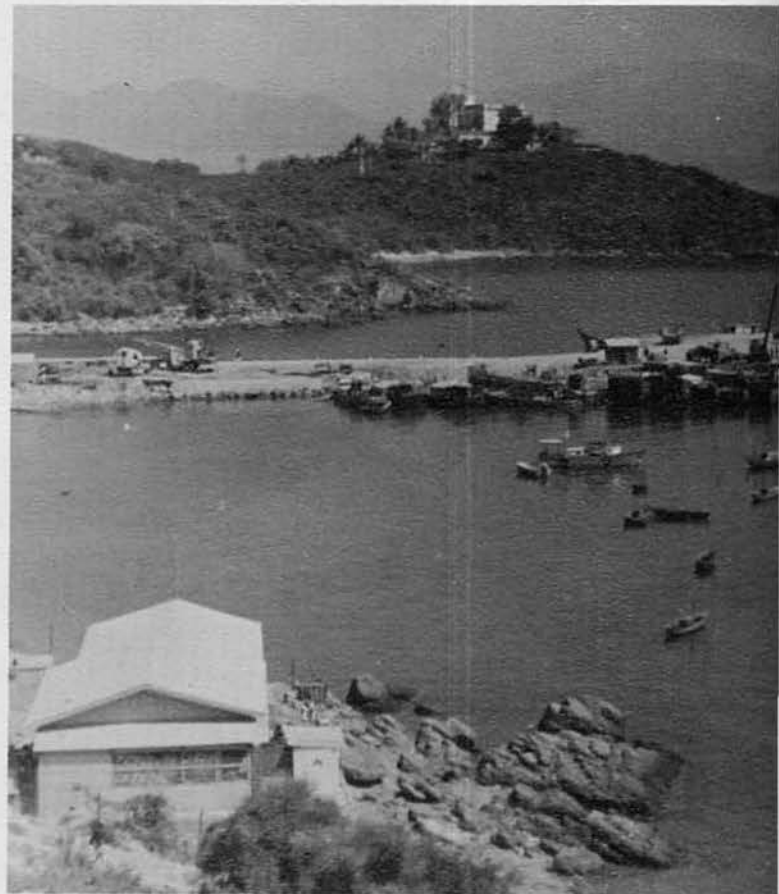


DETAIL BRAVO NHA TRANG



La belle Nha Trang

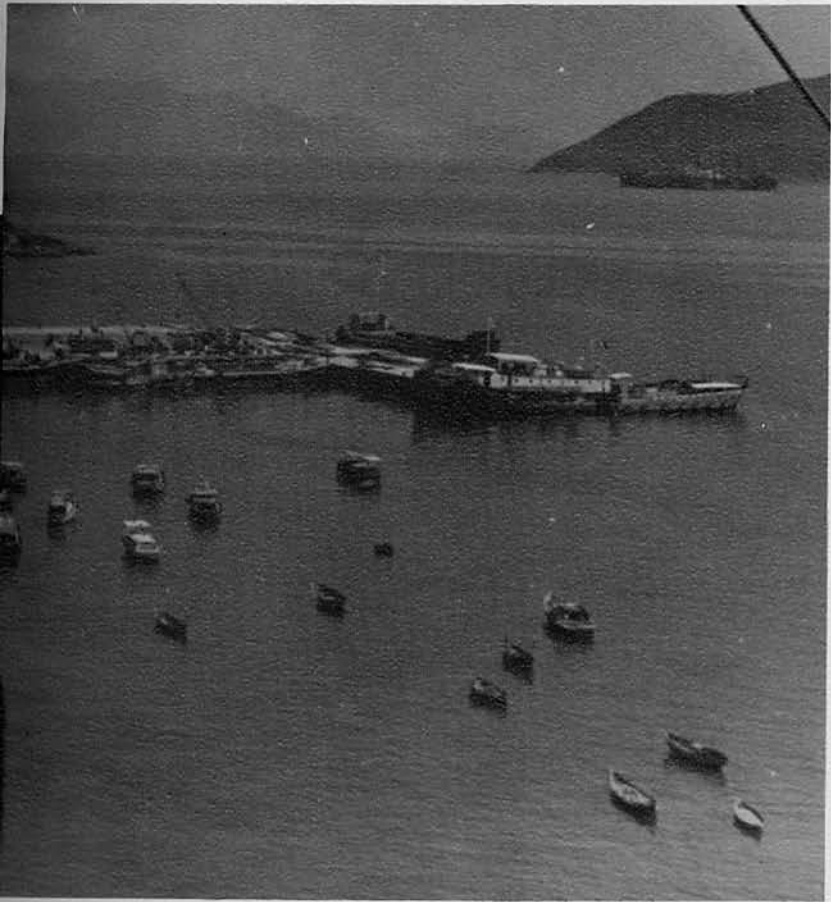
BU2 William WOLTER: Ulster Park, N. Y.;
Det POIC..... BU3 William MILLER:
Omaha, Neb..... BU3 David MAROLD:
Prairie Village, Ka.; SpTm 30204, 30206
..... BUCN Ronald SEEFELDT: Willow
Lake, S. D.; SpTm 30204, Det Binh Thuy.





"**@*##%#@**!@! anyhow"

Detail Bravo arrived at Nha Trang on 22 September 1967. Strength averaged 10 men. The completion of major construction projects and assumption of maintenance responsibilities by a civilian contractor enabled return of the Detail to CRB in March 1969. While deployed, major projects included a 100 man Bachelor Enlisted Quarters, 150 man head, and repair of retaining walls. BU3 PASHBY was wounded by a bomb thrown into a crowded area on 25 September 1968.



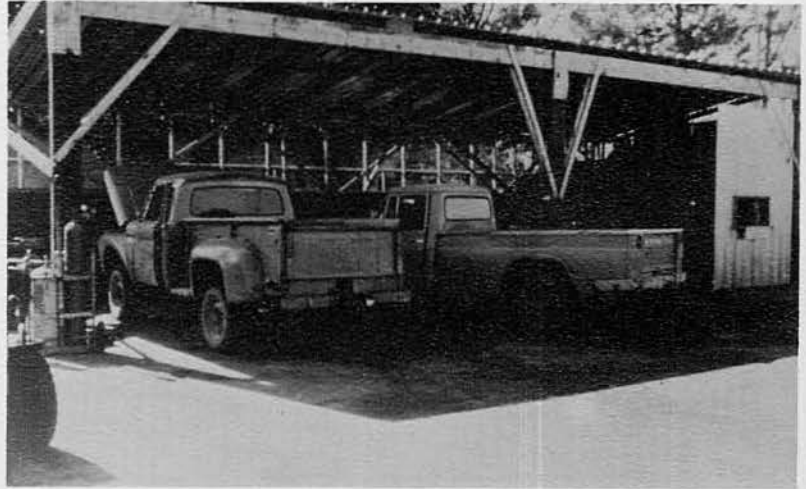
BU3 James PASHBY; Cedar Falls, Iowa....
CM3 Dennis FALLON; Gibsonia, Pa.
CE3 Marvin HELLMANN; St. Louis,
 Mo.; Dets An Thoi, Binh Thuy.....
 SW3 William HAWES; Seadrift, Tex.;
 SpTm 30206.



DETAIL CHARLIE



Chief P'Pool handling difficult situation.



Det Charlie's maintenance shop.

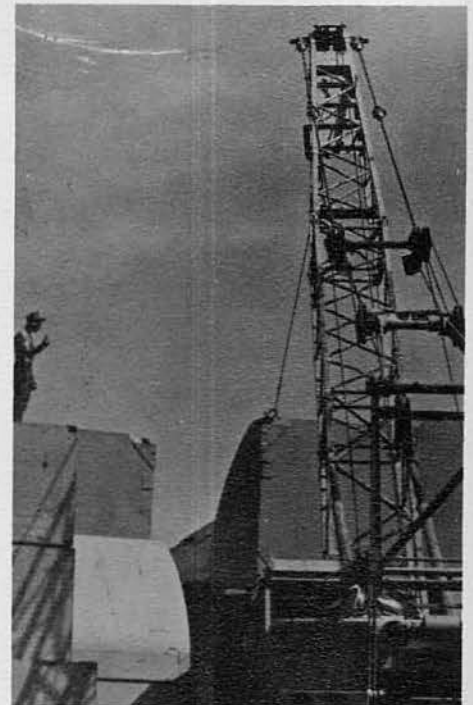


BU2 George RYNKIEVICZ: Kingston, Pa.
CM2 William COLLINS: San Antonio,
 Tex.....CM3 William SIMPSON:
 Springfield, Ill.....UT3 William
 STEUERNAGLE: Pittsburgh, Pa.; Det Qui
 Nhon.....BU3 Thomas BURAU: Los
 Angeles, Cal.

"Fleet sailors lend me your ears."



"Nothing like that early morning whiff of
 Nuoc Mam."



CAT LO/VUNG TAU

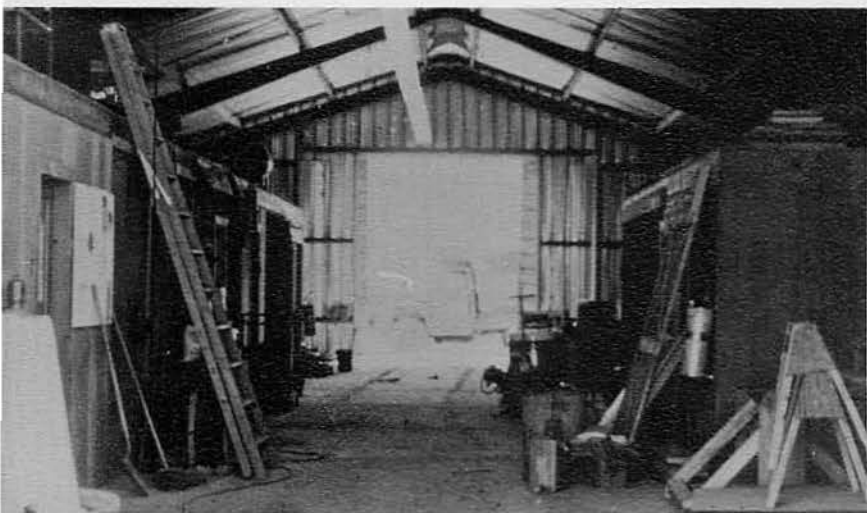


CBMU-302 Detachment Cat Lo is located at NSA Det Cat Lo, 8 miles North of Vung Tau on the Vung Tau peninsula and 50 miles Southeast of Saigon. CBMU-302 Det is responsible for maintenance of facilities and vehicular equipment, and limited minor construction. Almost 100 vehicles and equipment are maintained. Navy commands supported by CBMU-302 Det Cat Lo include NSA Det Cat Lo, COSDIV 13 (PCF's), Coast Guard, IUWG HECP-1, Vung Tau Navy Liaison, HAL-3, and Coastal Surveillance Center.

CM3 David LESLIE: Ramsey, N. J.....
 CN Arthur SHIPE: Westport, Conn.; Det Binh Thuy.....
 CMCN Robert MILLER: Ada, Minn.....
 CM3 Robert AHL: Oxnard, Cal.....
 SW3 Robert BOEGER: Auburn, Cal.; Det Binh Thuy.....
 CN Robert DAVIS: Schodlcdaft, Mich.



DETAIL DELTA



Det Delta's office and shop area.



"I wish these photographers would go away and let me work."



EO2 Michael KELLY: Odin, Ill.; Dets Cat Lo, SpTm 30209.....EO3 Nicolas MENA: Hollister, Cal.....SWCN Kenneth DECKER: Ketchikan, Ala.; Det An Thoi.

BU3 James JERNIGAN: Fremont, Cal.; Det Cat Lo.....BU3 William CROWLEY: Whittier, Cal.; Det Nha Be.....CM3 Michael RANKIN: Margate, N.J.... ..ROGER.



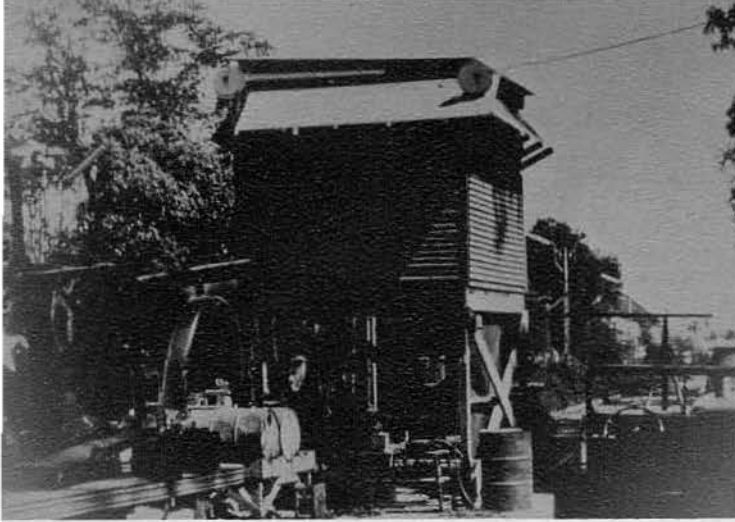
DONG TAM/MY THO



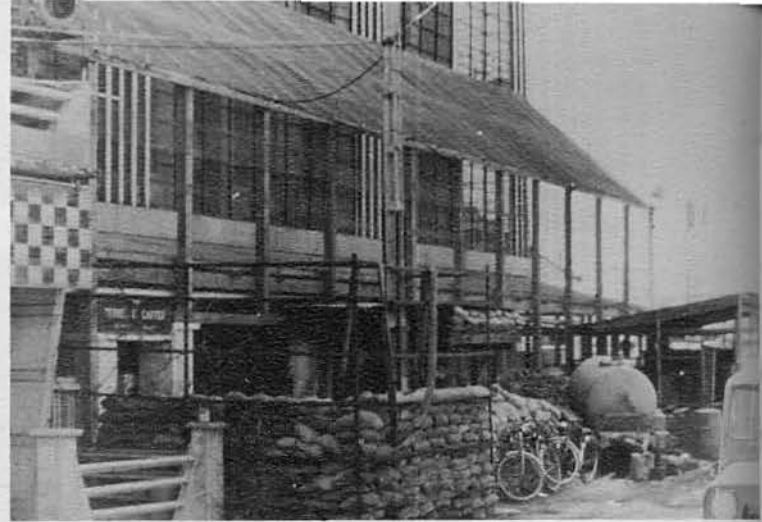
The twenty-four man Detail Delta deployed on 19 February 1968. Construction of a fire main system, search light tower, public works building and rehab and rewire of the Victory Hotel were the Detail's major tasks. Don Tam was subject to numerous mortar attacks during the deployment.

BU3 Joseph FITTON: Attleboro, Mass.; Det Vung Ro.....CM1 Doyle COX: Oxnard, Cal.....CM3 Ronald CRAIG: Fort Worth, Tex.....UTCN William RYAN: Willoughby, Ohio.....CMCN Robert ROGERS: N. Reading, Mass.; Det Binh Thuy.....CECN Joseph McDONALD: Phila, Pa.....BUCN Steven HAMILTON: Ellsworth, Wisc. .





Shops area, My Tho.



Home sweet home.



BU1 Albert IPOCK: Vanceboro, N. C. ;
 POIC Det Nha Trang..... CE2 Jimmy
 COUNTS: Poquoson, Va..... BU2
 Joseph CAVANAGH: Garnerville, N. Y.
 CN William HATFIELD: Tison,
 Ariz..... UTCN John GREGORY:
 Piedmont, S. C..... CMCN Larry
 LOGAN: Grass Valley, Cal.....
 CM3 Billy JOHNSON: Eagle Nest, N. M.



DETAIL ECHO SA DEC/VINH LONG



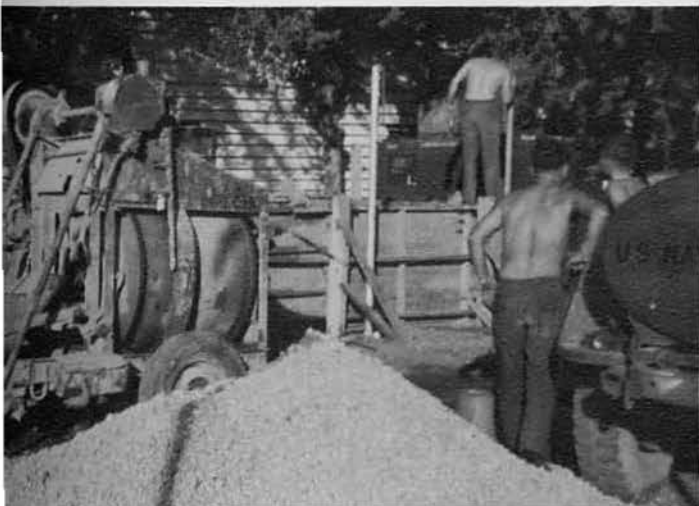
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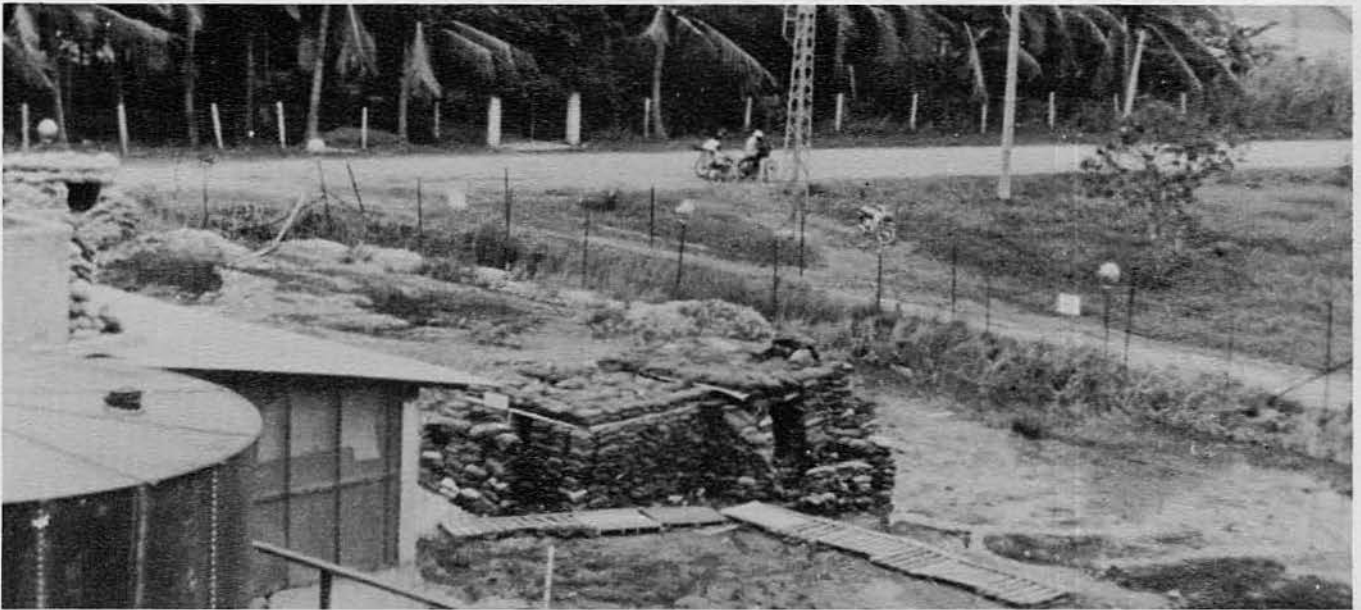
Twenty men deployed to Sa Dec/Vinh Long on 17 December 1967. Detail Echo's primary tasks included construction of a two story 20' x 98' BEQ, two story 24' x 72' BEQ and Supply building, two story 20' x 98' BOQ and administration structure, two story 24' x 102' BEQ, renovation of galley/mess hall, construction of 20' x 33' library/chapel and improvements to bunkers. Vinh Long was attacked and overrun after several days of fighting in February 1968, and was later reoccupied. None of the nine CBMU-302 personnel assigned were wounded.

BU3 Luis BERSALONA: Manila, Phil.....
 BU3 Peter VAN ORDEN: Hawthorne, N. J.....
 UT3 Alan GAGE: Emerson, Iowa.....
 .. SW2 Joseph TABLER: Hamilton, Ohio.....
 BU3 John CAMMER: Deposit, N. Y.....
 CE3 William FAZEKAS: Brecksville, Ohio.



..... to keep 'ole Charlie OUT!





The entire CM shop, Vinh Long.

BU2 Dennis MOZGAI: Edison, N. J.; Det
 Nha Trang.....CM2 Keith OVERBEY:
 Milltown, Wisc.....CN Simuel
 MULLEN: Hastings, Neb.....CMCN
 Michael CLARK: Gossville, N. H.....
 PICTURE NOT AVAILABLE: UT2 Michael
 CHERRIER: Mahtoned, Minn.; Det Binh
 Thuy.



DETAIL FOXTROT BINH THUY

Detail Foxtrot deployed on 13 July 1968 with twenty men. A recreation/general purpose building, a large bunker construction project and construction of the boat repair shop were the major projects. SEABEE know-how and efforts helped to complete an additional pier at the patrol boat repair facility, activate two large (700/750 kw) generators and accomplish various minor construction jobs to help outfit the Helo Maintenance Facility at Binh Thuy. Vehicle repair work done by the SEABEES of 302 enhanced the operational ability of the station.



"You've gotta be me!"

CM1 James PARKHILL: Belle Rive, Ill.
 BU3 Kenneth TROTTER: Covida, Cal.
 UT2 Burt BURBANK: San Pedro,
 Cal. BU3 Mikeial HANSEN: Olathe,
 Ka.; SpTm 30207. SW3 Jefferson
 DENNEY: Carrollton, Ga.; Det An Thoi..
 BU2 Larry LARSEN: Stone Ridge,
 N. Y.; Det Qui Nhon.





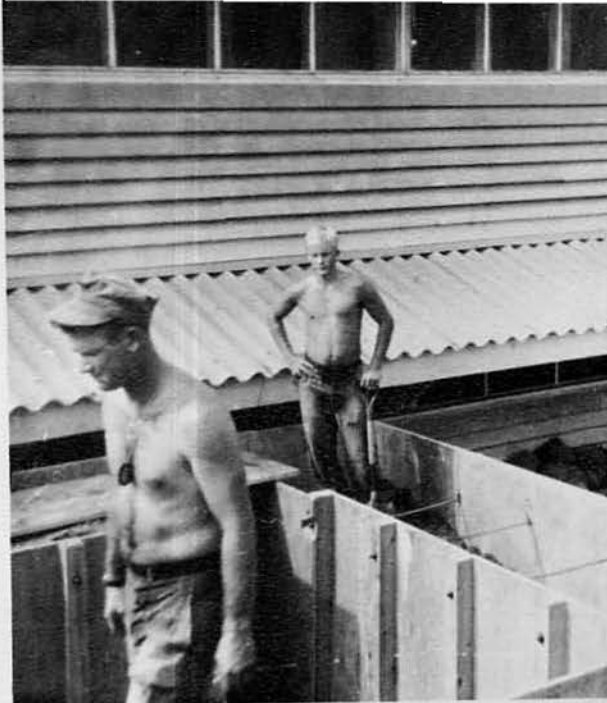
BU3 Warren NELSON: Center City, Minn...
 CM2 Jack PHILLIPS: Delvalle, Tex.
 BU3 Charles HOLLING: Pico
 Rivera, Cal..... BU3 Daniel KAMIDOI:
 Wailuku, Maui, Hawaii..... PapaSan:
 Numbah ONE!



Bassac River.



CE3 Kevin HAGGERTY: Rockland, Mass.;
 Det Cat Lo..... CE3 Patrick COTE:
 Waterville, Me..... CECN John BLATT:
 Hollywood, Cal.; Det Vung Ro.....
 CE3 Arthur MUHS: St. Louis, Mo.....
 EO3 Frederick RILEY: Detroit, Mich.



BUCN Ted MARSHALL: St. Paul Park, Minn.
 UT3 Jerry BLEAM: Souderton, Pa.
 UTCN Douglas PLATTNER: Bronx,
 N. Y. BU3 Robert PARKIN: Holladay,
 Utah. BUCN James DOERING:
 Duluth, Minn.; Det NSA SGN.



CMCN John HALL: Baker, Ore.
 BUCN Michael REYNOLDS: Vancouver,
 Wash. EO3 John PETERS: Cuero,
 Tex. BU3 Paul HILDEBRANDT:
 Gary, Ind. BU3 Jerry MOODY:
 Orlando, Fla.

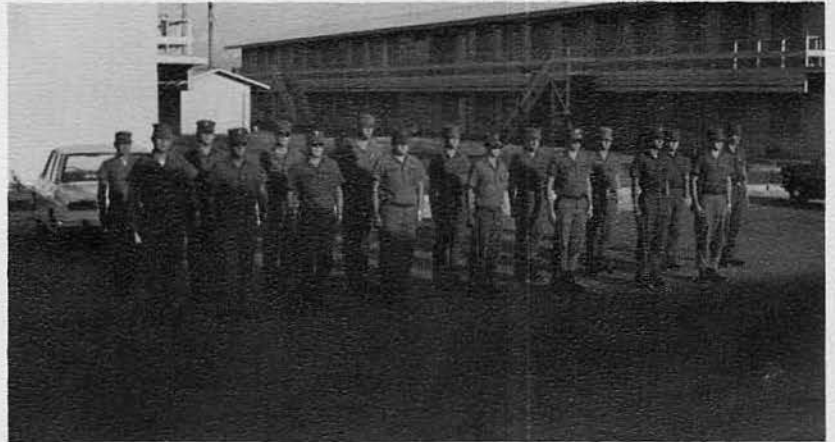


DETAIL GOLF

NAF - CRB

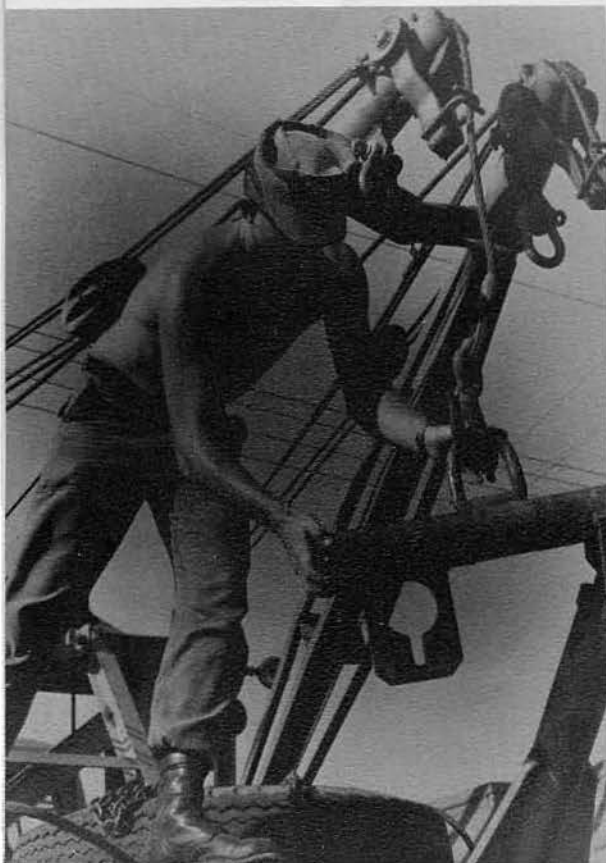


LTJG J. G. LEECH, Public Works Officer, NAF.



Detail Golf deployed to NAF on 28 October 1968. The majority of work at NAF is maintenance of the water, electrical and sewerage systems and numerous small construction tasks. The Detail has spent considerable time organizing and developing an effective system for ensuring the maintenance and repair of the Facility is of the highest caliber possible.

BU1 Larry EZELL: West Monroe, La.; POIC SpTms 30204, 30205; recipient, Navy Commendation Medal..... UT2 Virgil JOHNSON: Phoenix, Ariz..... CMI James CRONIN: New York, N.Y..... UT2 Paul SMITH: Carrollton, Tex. CE2 John HASSEN: Everett, Wash.; POIC Det Vung Ro..... BU3 Ed FLEISCHAUER: Porterville, Cal.; SpTms 30204, 30206.





"and this is a sign, Lancaster."

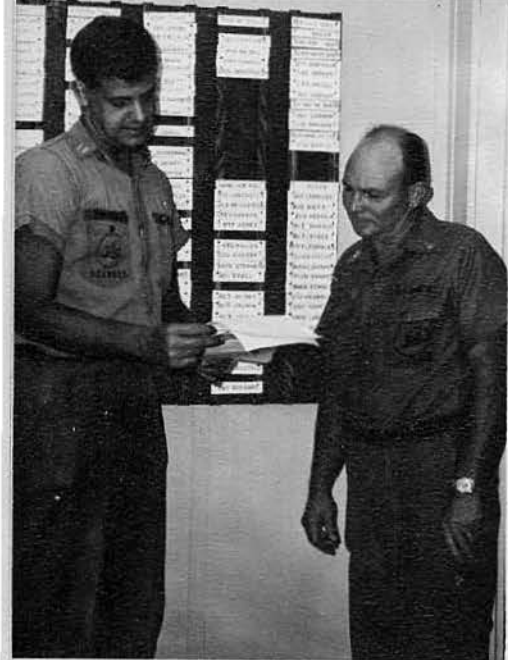


BU3 Ward CRONIN: Genoa City, Wisc....
CECN Russell STEPHENS: Patriot,
 Ohio..... CMCN Anthony CICCOTELLI:
 Somerville, N. J.....

SW2 James BUSSARD: Dayton, Pa.; Det
 Vung Ro..... EO2 Frederick CLEMO:
 Harrisburg, Ore..... BUCN Charles
 JOHNSON: Vancouver, Wash.; Det Vung
 Ro, SpTm 30204..... BU3 William
 KLIBER: Grosse Ile, Mich.; SpTm 30204.

"I'm not coming down until you guys
 promise to be nice to me."





"Uhh... Chief your request for 123 builders can't be fulfilled at this time... However...."



UT2 Carl REICHERZER: San Antonio, Tex.
CE3 Richard WENTWORTH: Addy, Wash.; Dets Dong Tam, NAF, Qui Nhon, Cat Lo.....CMCN James PREWITT: Hobart, Ind.....BU3 John LEWIS: El Monte, Cal.....CN Robert BROYLES: Lemon Grove, Cal. CM3 Richard BEFARAH: Neptune, N. J.



"Ohmigosh, I think I just cut off my index finger!"



"Oh no! According to this pressure gauge I've missed chow!"



DETAIL HOTEL AN THOI



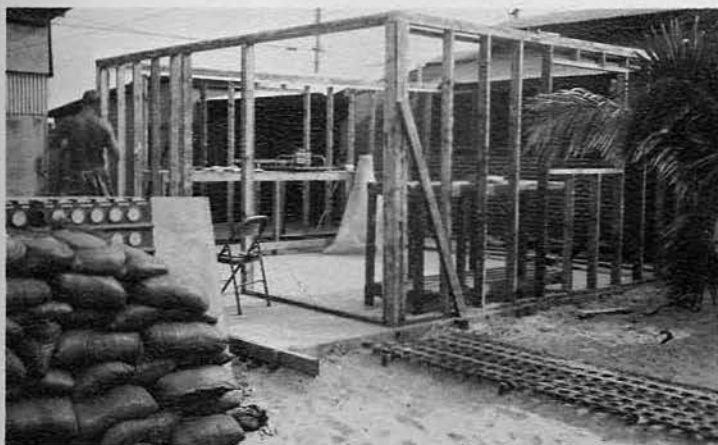
Detail Hotel deployed on 26 March 1969 to perform many small construction and maintenance tasks. Previously, 302 Mobile Teams had constructed a 40' x 100' warehouse, an EM club and an Officers club.

BU3 Jerry GALLE: St Paul, Minn.; Dets NSA SGN, Cat Lo..... UT3 Robert SPEAKER: Commerce City, Col.; Det NAF..... CM3 Joseph PUCKETT: Rustburg, Va..... SW2 Frederick WESTON, Jr.: Waterford, N. Y..... BU3 Jon HARTMAN: Fort Atkinson, Wisc..... CE3 Marvin HELLMANN: St. Louis, Mo.; Dets Nha Trang, Binh Thuy..... SW3 James RITTER: Whittier, Cal.



Bake shop, SEABEE installed.

BU1 Elton PONTHER: Oxnard, Cal.; Dets POIC My Tho, POIC An Thoi.



"While he's down there, do you think Frenchy would appreciate a mouth full of sand?"



DETAIL SIERRA NHA BE - NSA SGN



302 constructed helo pads in background.

EOCN James ABRIATIS: Emporium, Pa.
EO2 James MCGILL: Nederland,
 Tex.CECN Duane WESTPHALEN:
 Royal, Iowa.CECN James
 TRAINOR: Sumner, Iowa.EO3
 Charles MURPHY: Oklahoma City, Okla.
CECN Gary McCOLLUM: Gouvern-
 eur, N. Y.

Nha Be looks South toward the endless
Delta.



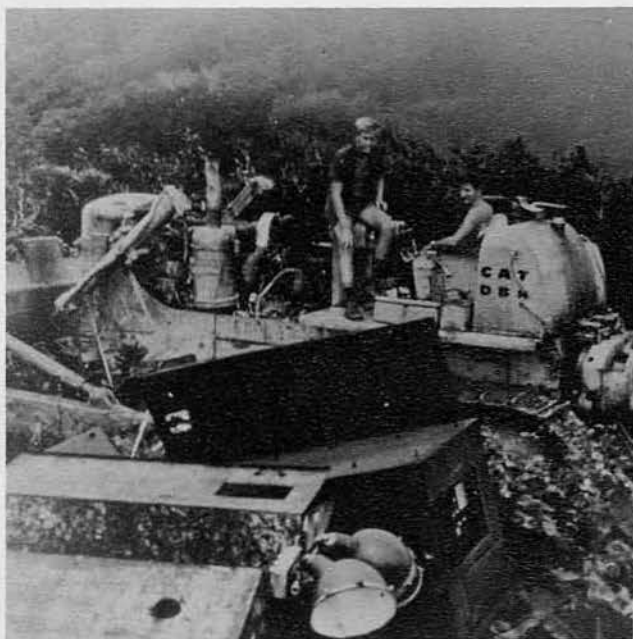
Day and night "Mac" is called upon to
pull PBR's from Mekong River for repairs.



302'S SUPER-BEE MOBILE TEAMS



SPECIAL TEAM 30201 CON SON



At last! We finally reached the top....



.....but it was a long way up

Mission: Cut a road 3 1/2 miles long, over two mountain ranges. End the road at the top of an 1800 foot high mountain on which is to be located a radar site. Team 30201 deployed to Con Son Island April 1968. After much cutting, mostly through rock and dense jungle and many D8 breakdowns, the radar site was reached the latter part of December.

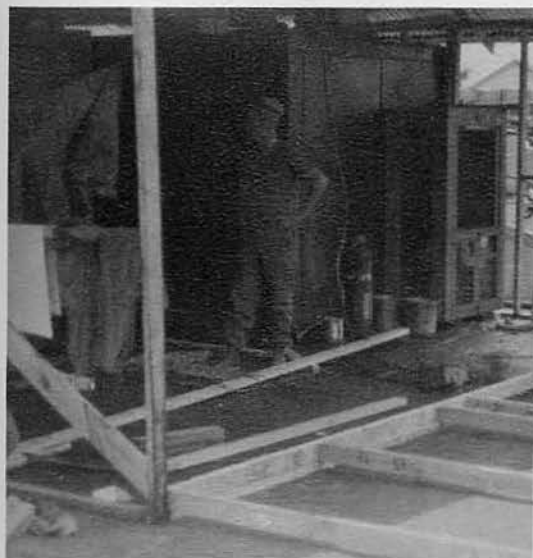
Radar site atop Con Son mountain.



SPECIAL TEAM 30202 TUYEN NHON - 30203 GO DAU HA MOC HOA.



302 deployed Hospital Corpsmen, Commissarymen, Storekeepers and a Seabee Chief to Tuyen Nhon, Moc Hoa and Go Dau Ha, remote and hostile regions in the Mekong Delta, in support of advanced Navy bases.



SPECIAL TEAM 30204 ***NHA BE NSA SGN***

POIC Larry EZELL and his team of 13 SEABEES deployed to Nha Be to construct tent revetments in support of operations in the Delta, completing the job in half the allotted time.



SPECIAL TEAM 30205 ***CAU MAU PENIN***



Ca Mau Peninsula (Operation "U-HAUL"). A mobile team constructed a 20' x 40' structure in support of advanced operating forces. Materials for the job were moved aboard small craft to the job site.

"When in charge of two mobile teams of CBMU-302, BU2 EZELL performed his duties with such outstanding skill and resourcefulness as to complete his assigned mission in significantly less time than normally required. The timely completion of these projects in III and IV Corps Tactical Zone of Vietnam enabled other free world military forces to accelerate vital operations of the war effort. Despite operating under combat conditions, BU2 EZELL's leadership was of the highest quality. By his outstanding devotion to duty, BU2 EZELL upheld the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service." VADM E. R. XUMWALT USN COMNAVFORV.

SPECIAL TEAM 30206 NEWPORT



A mobile team of thirteen men deployed on 12 April 1969 to construct two 20' x 150' and one 20' x 50' paint and oil storage sheds, a 26' x 54' ramp shelter, a 40' x 72' vehicle maintenance facility and a grease rack.



SPECIAL TEAM 30207 BEN LUC

8 men deployed to Ben Luc, RVN, in April 1969 to construct and re-build bunkers in support of combat operations. In 11 days 18 flat-top bunkers were built, utilizing over 63,000 sand bags.



SPECIAL CONSTRUCTION TEAM VUNG RO



Two views of Vung Ro HECP.



A four man team, later augmented to eleven, deployed on 14 August 1968 to construct a 20' x 50' combination Harbor Entrance Control Post/BOQ and a 20' x 124' combination BEQ/head. Mortar attacks were a continual threat but the project was completed by 16 November 1968 with no injuries to Unit personnel.





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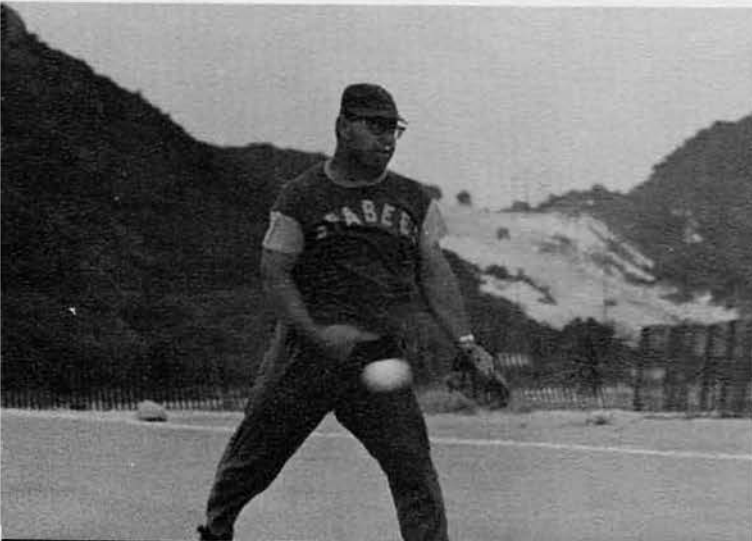
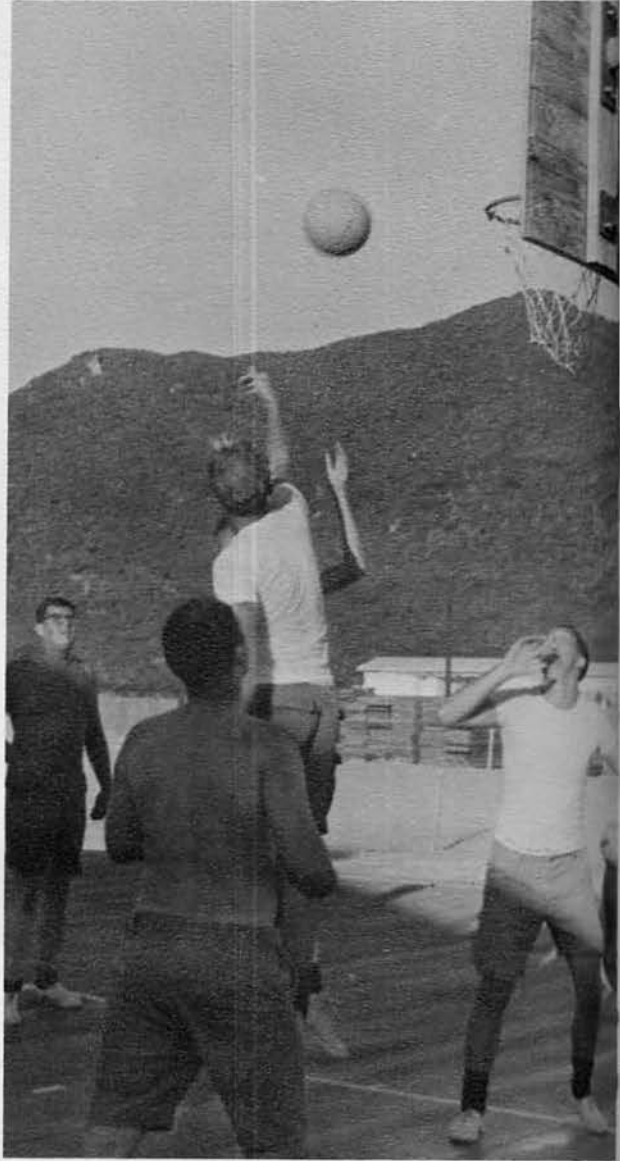
The other side of the war... equally if not more important.



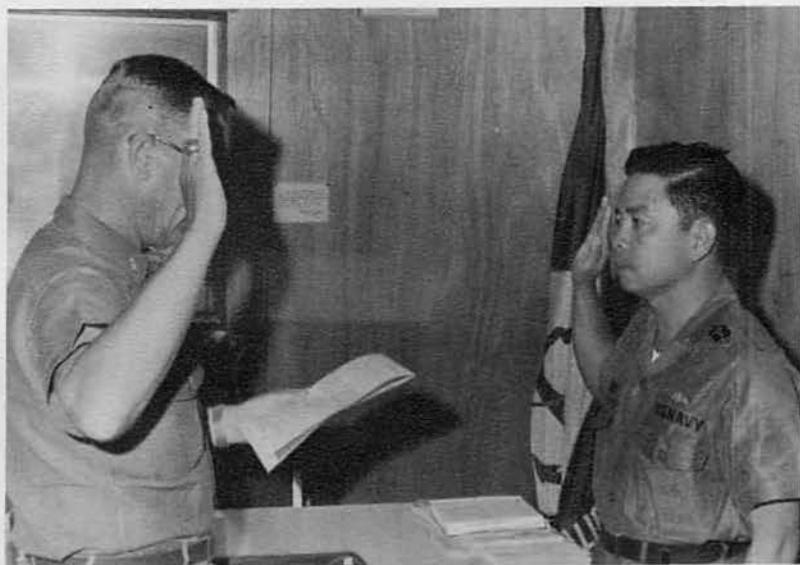
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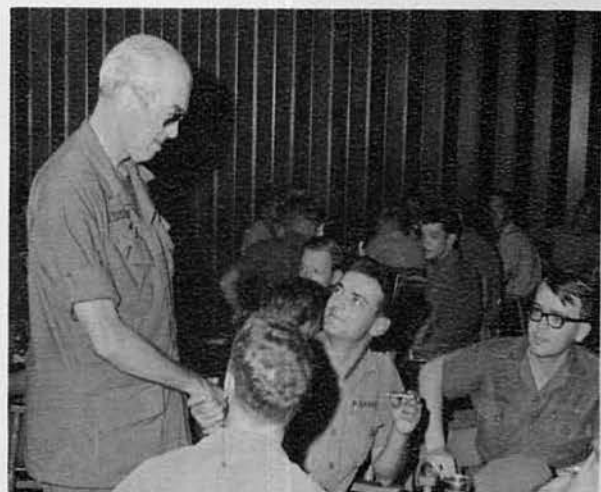
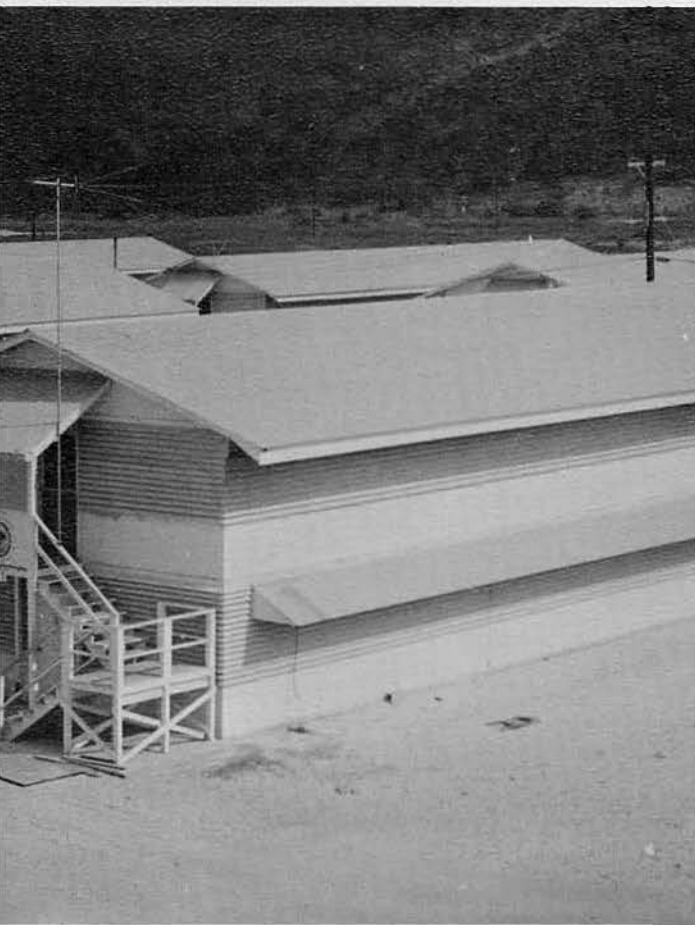
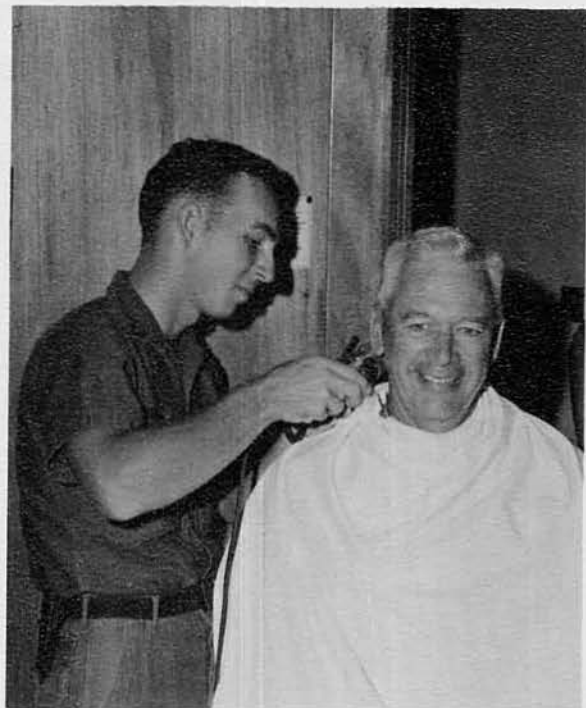
The SEABEES of 302 participated in the NSF softball, basketball leagues and sponsored Karate classes. "BEE" teamwork, competitive spirit and sportsmanship always produced good games, win or lose.



REENLISTMENTS







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The Honorable John H. Chafee, Secretary of the Navy

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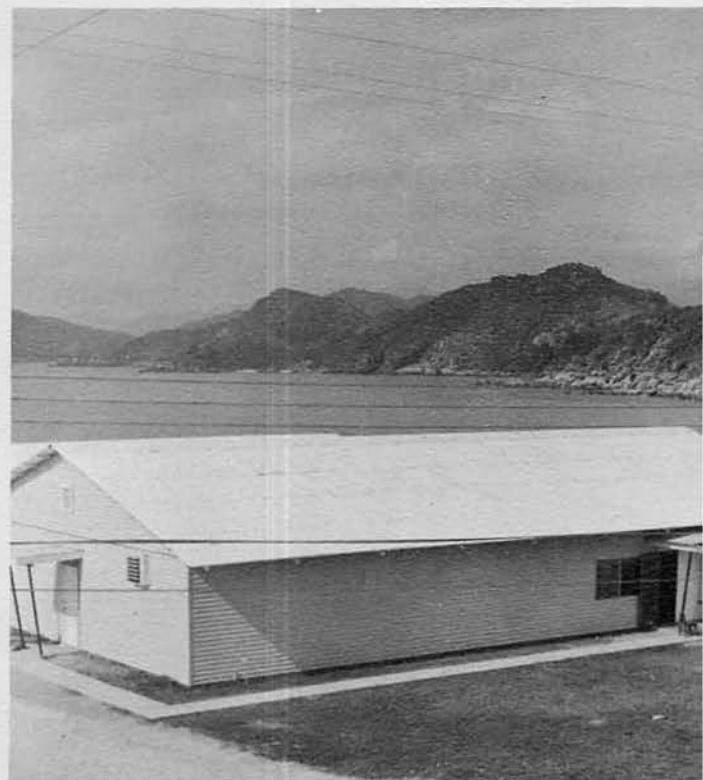
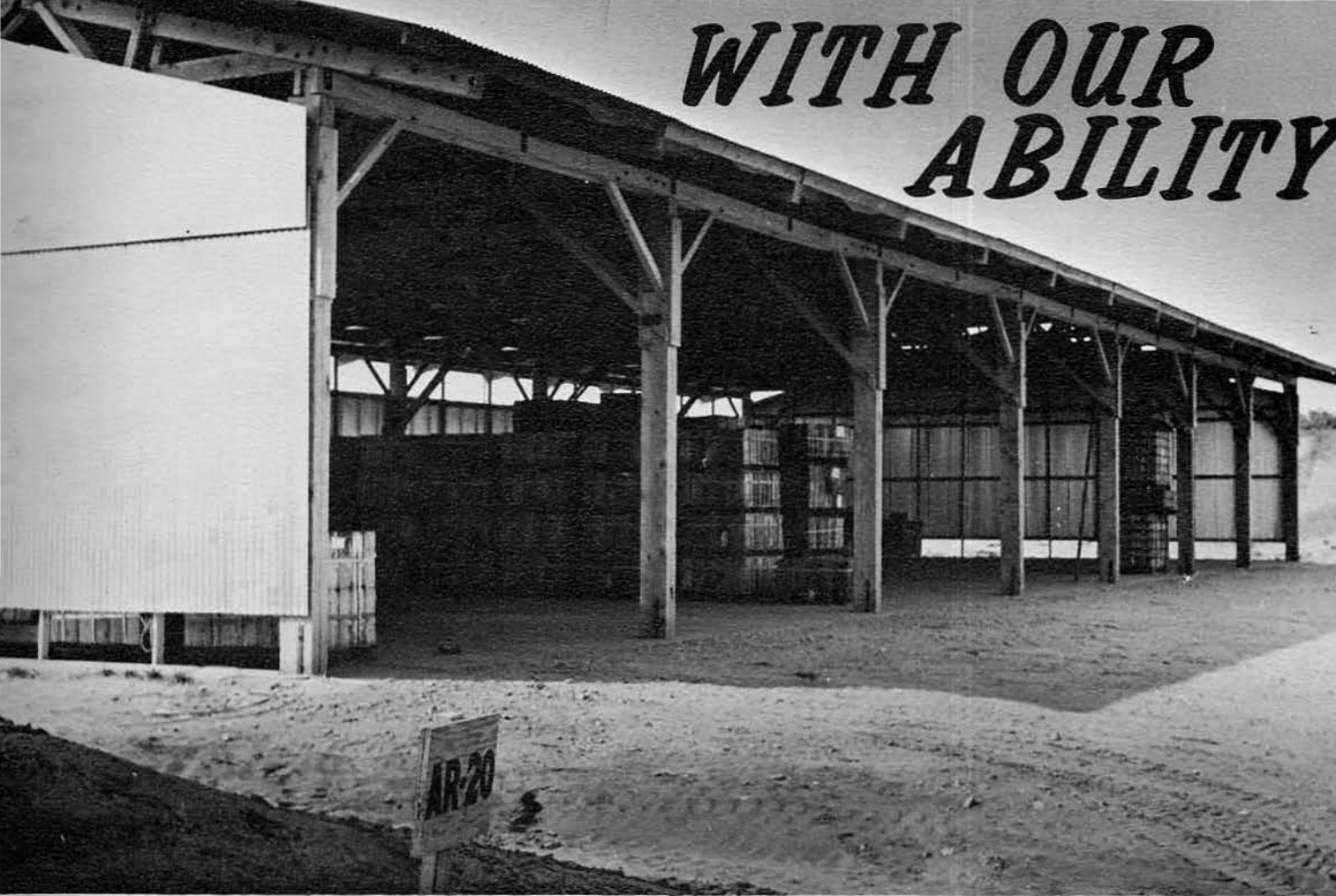
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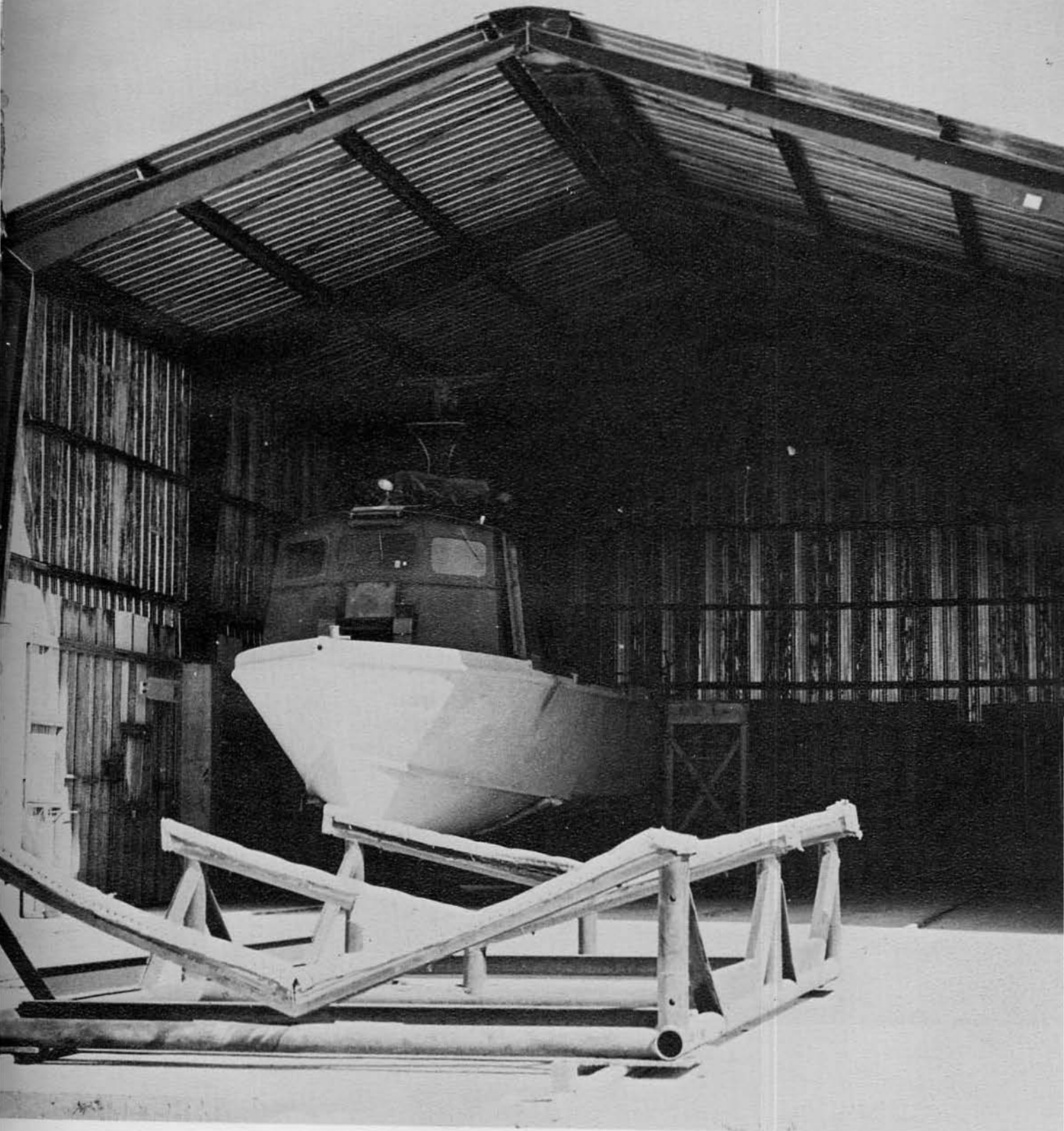
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