IN PEACE AND WAR WE BUILD AND FIGHT
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PHONED ON 8/10/94
I have followed with great interest the work of Mobile Construction Battalion Six at Danang. Both through battalion reports and through personal contact with those who have inspected and visited your job sites, I know that your battalion has done much to inspire the new Seabee legend being carved in the hillsides and on the beaches of Viet Nam. You have added another memorable chapter on still another distant shore to the famed history of your unit.

Your battalion has again experienced the trials, deprivations, and heartbreak of war. You have demonstrated the ability to shoulder these sacrifices in the recognition that far greater common goals must be attained. It is this ability to carry on under adversities that marks a unit for greatness.

Now, in reflecting on that deployment, I wish to add confirmation to a job in which you can take justifiable pride.

Well done.

H. A. RENKEN
REAR ADMIRAL, U. S. NAVY
COMSERVLANT
CONGRATULATORY MESSAGES

RADM M. Heaman

To the officers and men of U.S. Naval Mobile Construction Battalion SIX I extend my sincerest congratulations for the fine job you have done while employed in the Danang area of the Republic of Vietnam. It is with pleasure that I note the impressive manner in which you responded to the call to assist in the enormous construction effort the SEABEE's have been taxed with in Vietnam. In your response you have demonstrated one of the most valuable assets the SEABEE's enjoy, rapid mobility.

Your performance while in Vietnam was of the highest caliber, once again demonstrating the legendary "Can Do" motto of the SEABEE's.

Upon your return to homeport and reunion with your families and friends, I extend my wishes for your continued happiness and success in all future endeavors.

"Well Done."

W. M. HEAMAN
Rear Admiral, CEC, U. S. Navy
Commander
Naval Construction Battalions, Pacific
Seabees have been in Vietnam for many months building airfields, roads, warehouses, piers and anything else that needs building. Often the construction has taken place under Viet Cong fire. Several Seabees have made the supreme sacrifice in defense of liberty and country.

Every man in Mobile Construction Battalion SIX has lived up to the great record of World War II Seabees and the "Can Do" spirit. Your shipmates of the Service Force, U.S. Pacific Fleet and fellow Americans everywhere are extremely proud of the job you have done in Vietnam. The Seabees' achievements in Vietnam reflect the motivated and dedicated Navyman of today. You have done a job and done it superbly. To all men of Mobile Construction Battalion SIX, I extend you a hearty, "WELL DONE!"

Sincerely yours,

EDWIN B. HOOPER
As Commander of the Atlantic Fleet Seabees, I commend the officers and men of U. S. Naval Mobile Construction Battalion SIX, on your outstanding efforts while on deployment in Vietnam. When MCB SIX arrived in Vietnam, you faced a difficult job. Despite problems and dangers, you completed your assignment in true Seabee fashion.

You overcame heat, rain, and the enemy. Through constant work and vigilance you accomplished your tasks ahead of schedule. Not only did you get the job done — you did it well.

You have again proven to the Navy, the Nation, and the World that the Seabees "CAN DO".

GREER A. BUSBEE, JR.
It is a pleasure to speak to the officers, men, families and friends of MCB SIX in this manner. MCB SIX has made a major contribution to the U. S. Navy's efforts in Viet Nam during its 1966 - 1967 deployment at DaNang. The many projects completed are well portrayed in this Cruise Book. Notable among these is the most important port facility at the DaNang River Bridge. The officers and men of MCB SIX can be justly proud of this and all your achievements. I know you have all made many new friendships during this deployment and that you have gained experience that will remain with you forever. It has been a privilege to have served as Commander 30NCR with you.

A. R. MARSCHALL
It has been my pleasure to serve as your Commanding Officer during this Vietnam deployment. I have seen countless examples of outstanding work completed on schedule despite material and equipment shortages, wet weather, Viet Cong harassment, and long, long hours on the job.

It is obvious from your performance on the MCB SIX team, that the goals of providing combat support to Marine and Naval Forces, and of assisting the struggling Vietnamese people toward peace and prosperity have been achieved.

Now that we have completed our first Vietnam deployment, we can look back, knowing that each of us has done his part on a difficult job. Well done!

J. C. DAY, Jr.
The courageous and determined efforts of MCB SIX has left an indelible mark at the sites where you men have toiled. As a representative of our country each of you has set an example which will inspire those that follow. I am proud to have served as your Executive Officer and am grateful for this opportunity to express my appreciation to each of you.

W. J. BURNS, Jr.
FOREWORD

As you read through this book, you will grasp a message. The book was designed for this purpose. It’s pages of messages, pictures and stories of the unit’s activities will move you from tears to laughter as you retrace the path the men of MCB-6 have carved in military history.

As a member of the unit, you will be reminded for years to come of your deeds. As a dependent, friend or curious reader, the tale of MCB-6’s achievements will give you a feeling of pride in the unit.

In the one year history, you will read of how the unit grew from 200 men to more than a 700 man Battalion. In the overall history, you will reflect upon the past and present struggles of MCB-6. The tale of its growth while continuing to carry out primary mission of “build and defend” is a story in itself.

You will see men leaving their families and friends to build and fight. As an intimate member of the unit, you will treasure these experiences. They will in the future as in the past, serve as a source of inspiration.

This is only part of the story. Some of it is told in the messages from the Commanders under which MCB-6 has served. Another part of the story lies in the faces of the men in MCB-6 as they toil against the elements of weather, disease, discomforts, and a violent enemy.

Regardless of your connection with MCB-6 this tale of the unit will make you as proud as they are of their role in support of the free world’s efforts to aid oppressed mankind.

This book contains a story that is unfinished. History will write its conclusion.

EDITOR
**LOG:**

2 YEAR HISTORY

Fiscal year 1966-1967 proved to be the most outstanding for MCB-6 since its recommissioning in 1951. With Detachment Victor at Argentina and the remaining personnel in various schools, MCB-6 started to grow in August 1965. Within a month the unit increased to more than 350 men.

In September, a detachment of 200 men left its home at Davisville for a month of intensive military training at Camp LeJeune, the Marine Corps Base in North Carolina. While at LeJeune, the unit learned various offensive and defensive combat methods including perimeter defense, patrolling, live firing, “booby trap” tactics and other advance combat techniques.

After returning to Davisville in October, MCB-6 started to prepare for a “split assignment.” Normally the unit deployed to the Antarctic; but this time it would be different. On October 18, the “ICE” detachment, Det. Whiskey, composed of 100 men, left for a normal tour of duty and the main body of more than 350 men prepared for duty at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba. MCB-6 arrived in GITMO on November 9, 1965. Immediately after arriving, MCB-6 assumed the duties of constructing facilities and maintaining an active defense perimeter of the base. The unit worked day and night for the next two and one-half months and during that period, set many individual construction records. One of the projects was the construction of housing for the Cuban and other non-American workers who live on the base. MCB-6 returned to a joyous welcome at Davisville, January 15, 1966. The unit had accomplished in about two months an amount of work intended for a 120 day period.

In a second “ICE” detachment, after building several projects vital to the American scientific effort at the Antarctic, rejoined the main body at Davisville in March. Nor more than 600 strong, MCB-6 returned to Camp LeJeune for its second-month of military training. The course this time was more intensive and included various facets of guerrilla warfare and tactics used by the Viet Cong.

In August, MCB-6 unofficially learned of its assignment to Vietnam. The advance party left during the first part of May. Within the next three weeks, the entire Battalion of more than 500 men had been airlifted direct from the Quonset Point Naval Air Station, in Rhode Island, to South Vietnam. The move was completed on May 24th.

Since arriving on duty at Da Nang in South Vietnam, the Battalion has again made its presence known by setting several construction records. One of them, was the construction of a 314 ft. pier which was started by MCB-8. The pier helped base the U.S.'s shipping problem in South Vietnam.

Despite the civil disturbances in Da Nang, MCB-6 worked 24 hours a day, seven days a week and completed the pier almost two weeks ahead of schedule, on June 20. The unit’s performance attracted the praise of area commanders.

In the first month of its deployment, MCB-6 topped all other Seabee units in South Vietnam in terms of productive manpower. MCB-6 also initiated an effective Civic Action program. One of the projects gained the interest of the Commanding General, Fleet Marine Forces Pacific, who visited the site of a well that was constructed by MCB-6 for the people of SON THOY, a nearby village.

On July 5, Commander James C. Day, Jr. relieved Lieutenant Commander Henry A. Tambari, as Commanding Officer of MCB-6.

Later in the month, MCB-6 began a $10 million improvement program for Camp Tien Sha, the Naval Support Activity, Da Nang. Among the projects were: Post Office, laundry, soda fountain, 1,000 man galley, cab- bler and tailor shop, numerous storage buildings and a Chapel. The new facilities either replaced or were the first of their type to service some 5,000 Navy Personnel at Tien Sha.

On July 23, the Viet Cong mortared the area near the MCB-6 camp. The unit received several rounds of small arms fire in the camp, but, there were no injuries due to the enemy action. However, the nearby activities of Marine Air Group 16 and the Naval Support Activity’s hospital, did suffer light casualties.

One of the MCB-6 bunkers was commended for sighting the Viet Cong mortar flashes and opening fire. Their actions were believed to have averted the VC from inflicting heavier casualties on units in the Marble Mountain area of Vietnam.

The following months of August, September and October 1966 were busy ones for the men of MCB-6. In the ensuing period, the unit completed construction of one of the largest “cold storage” facilities in the world. The “big freezer” as it is called, equalled 30,000 standard refrigerators. The “cold” units were mounted on pads and represented 356,000 cubic feet of cold storage space.

The new Prisoner of War camp facilities were constructed for the Republic of Vietnam. Completion of this project on schedule, drew the praise of area Commanders. Five members of MCB-6 were formally cited for their performance in connection with the construction of the prisoner detention area during dedication ceremonies held in November. The Commanding Officer and four other MCB-6 Officers and men were awarded the Vietnamese Medal of Honor for their accomplishments.

Also during this period, the unit hosted a number of USO shows. In addition members of the Battalion witnessed a performance by renowned comedian, Miss Martha Raye. Miss Raye was presented an honorary Seabee plaque during her visit to the camp.

MCB-6 also received a new Executive Officer. LCDR William J. Burns, Jr., relieved LCDR W.R. Ladder in October. As the year drew to a close, MCB-6’s civic action program reached a high point. A Christmas Party was held in December for some 400 children in the village of Son Thuy and an orphanage near Da Nang.

In addition, some 20 members of the Orphanage who were convent students, visited the MCB-6 camp on Christmas Day for dinner.

1967 began as 1966 faded into the past with MCB-6 looking back on a wonderful year. During the past year while on duty in Vietnam, the unit had built some 600 “tinned huts”, enough to house 2,000 Marines who had been sleeping on the ground and under leaky tents. In early January, the advanced party of Mobile Construction Battalion 133 arrived at Camp Faulkner and MCB-6 began full scale preparations to return to its homeport at Davisville, R.I. The advance party of MCB-6 left for the homeport on January 8, 1967. MCB-6 returned the following month after some eight months in Vietnam.
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LT M. J. CARRICATO
LT H. W. ARMENTROUT

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DR J. J. Spinale

MEDICAL
DR N. A. Falconer

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Past History of Mobile Construction Battalion Six

From the shores of Guadalcanal to Okinawa and Cuba to Vietnam, U.S. Naval Mobile Construction Battalion Six has upheld the Seabees motto of, "Can Do". The first Seabee Battalion to work under actual combat conditions was Naval Construction Battalion Six. This unit went ashore on Guadalcanal in 1942 under the command of Commander Joseph P. Blunden. From August 7 to December 9, 1942, MCB SIX fought with and built reinforced positions for the First Marine Division. During this period, the men of NCB SIX worked as Combat Engineers, Aviation Engineers and Construction Engineers 24 hours a day.

For their heroic efforts under fire, the Battalion earned the Presidential Unit Citation. After building and fighting on Guadalcanal, Espiritu Santo, Tulagi, Auckland, Noumea and Okinawa, NCB SIX was decommissioned in October of 1945.

RECOMMISSIONED
Six years later, on May 3, 1951, two days after orders were issued for reactivation of NCB, SIX, now redesignated MCB SIX, CDR R. D. Pinkerton, CEC, USN, assumed command in Norfolk, Va. The NCB Battalions were renamed in 1949 by order of CNO (Chief of Naval Operations). On that date in 1951, MCB SIX became the only Seabee Battalion in Commission entitled to display the Presidential Unit Citation.

1951-1953
The first assignment given Mobile Construction Battalion Six, was the construction of various projects at the Naval Station, Bermuda. Upon arrival in Bermuda, MCB-6 relieved MCB-4. MCB-6 completed the construction duty in two months and headed for Guantanamo Bay, Cuba. The Battalion arrived on July 6, 1951.

While in Cuba, MCB-6 built a complete Seabee Camp at Leeward Point. MCB-6 returned to the Davisville CB Center in December of 1951.

In March of 1952, MCB-6 departed for construction duties at Argentip, Newfoundland and remained in Newfoundland until August of that same year when they returned to Davisville.

In October of 1952, MCB-6 returned to Cuba and built both an Officer and Enlisted men's berthing facilities.

After a short return to the U.S. in April, MCB-6 deployed to French Morroco. The Battalion arrived on June 3 and later that month CDR P. J. Simmons, CEC, USN, relieved CDR Pinkerton.

1953-1956
From 1953 until 1956, MCB-6 built a variety of projects in Puerto Rico, Cuba, San Salvador, Grand Turks, Nova Scotia, Bermuda, Nantucket, Cape Hatteras and Antigua. In November of 1953 after finishing several of these projects throughout the Atlantic and Caribbean areas, SIX returned home.

On February 8, 1954, MCB-6 commissioned its first detachment named "DOG". This unit went to San Juan in April of 1954 and the main body returned to Cuba for the third time in three years. The Battalion commissioned its second detachment dubbed "EASY"; while in Cuba. This party went to San Salvador. Less than three weeks later on June 5, 1954, MCB-6 commissioned another detachment for duty in Grand Turks. This detachment was designated detachment "FOX".

After arriving back in Davisville in July, 1954, MCB-6 commissioned its fourth detachment and received a new Commanding Officer. After commissioning detachment "GEORGE" and "HOW" in Davisville for duty in Bermuda and Nova Scotia respectively CDR C. Jaquess, CEC, USNR, relieved CDR Simmons in October. Only three of the original seven detachments were in commission by September. Detachments "ITEM" and "JIG", were working in Nantucket, Mass. and Cape Hatteras, North Carolina respectively. MCB-6 next deployment was to Antigua where the Battalion remained from October 1955 to July 1956. MCB-6 returned to Cuba in 1956 arriving there on October 3. On October 27, 1956 Commander V. M. Tregonis, CEC, USN, relieved CDR Jaquess.
MCB-6 had hardly returned to the States when the Battalion was again in Cuba. While deployed in Cuba, MCB-6 was awarded the title, "Best of the Atlantic Fleet Seabees". This title was earned through the hard work and sacrifices of the officers and men of the battalion.

After leaving detachment "OSCAR" behind, MCB-6 left Cuba for the U.S. in January, arriving in Davisville on January 17, 1958. Before leaving for duty at Roosevelt Roads, Puerto Rico on May 15, 1958, MCB-6 Commissioned and sent to Barbados T.W.I., detachment "PAPA", it's 9th detachment. Detachment "PAPA" rejoined the main body in Puerto Rico. On December 7, 1958, LCDR L.E. Stiffler who had relieved CDR V. M. Tregonis in Puerto Rico on November 22, 1958, was relieved by CDR L. W. Graves. After returning to Davisville in December of 1958 MCB-6 prepared for duty in Rota, Spain. On January 5, 1959, detachment "ROMEO" the Battalion's 10th unit, left for construction duties in Spain. When the main body arrived four months later, the advance party had built more than 50 Quonset huts, several buildings and other projects. Six, upon arrival, became the first Seabee Battalion to be on duty at Europe's newest base, Rota. Prior to arriving in Rota, MCB-6 had completed combat training at Camp LeJeune earning for the unit another first as the only MCB unit to under-go extensive military training. After arriving in Rota, MCB-6 once again resumed their building duties and constructed a school, gymnasium, library, E.M. Club, Service Station, Dry Cleaning plant and many more projects. In January 1960, the Battalion left Rota for the States. In February of that same year, LCDR O. R. Butterfield, CEC, USN relieved CDR Graves as Commanding Officer of MCB-6. Later that year, MCB-6 tackled on another first by becoming the only Seabee command to be located in the States with two detachments deployed. On December 11, 1960, MCB-6 again earned honors by becoming the first MCB Battalion to attend classes in disaster recovery.

1961-1962
On February 27, 1961, LCDR Charles W. Calhoun relieved LCDR Butterfield. Later that year, the unit deployed to Argentina and re-roofed the 10 story BOQ, repaired and replaced lighting fixtures in the station hospital and among a host of other duties, worked on a seaplane ramp. In August 1961, MCB-6 went to Bermuda and performed various repair duties at the Naval Station.

The Battalion returned to Davisville on December 15, 1961. In early March 1962, the Battalion again went to Camp LeJeune for military training. In May of that year, the unit deployed to Roosevelt Roads to build a crash facility, several small buildings and three and one half miles of road-work.

MCB-6 deployed to Greece in late 1962. On Sunday, March 24, 1963 now under the command of LCDR R. J. Biederman, MCB-6 embarked on a series of "People to People" activities in Southern Europe. While there, the battalion saved a church from burning. Possessing the only fire-fighting equipment within 20 miles, the Battalion's "firefighters" quickly brought the blaze under control.

During the 1962-63 deployment to Greece, MCB-6 built under the name, Project Judy, a completely new Naval Communications Station. Despite the wind, rain and freezing cold along with various other delays, MCB-6 completed the facility on time.

1964-1965
On February 18, 1964, MCB-6 returned to Rota, Spain. While there, the Battalion built an extension to the Library, and several other projects. Also while in Rota, the unit received a new Commanding Officer when LCDR Henry A. Tombari relieved LCDR Biederman on May 27, 1964.

Leaving a detachment of 65 men in Rota to finish transferring equipment and materials to MCB-8, MCB-6 returned to Davisville to prepare for duty at the Antarctic.
Seabees Learn to Protect What

For a Marine, digging foxholes, firing and cleaning M-14 rifles, mortars, machine guns, antitank weapons and 3.5 rocket launchers, sleeping in tents, eating C rations and marching in the hot sun is routine.

And so it is with the Seabees from Davisville, R. I.

For a 30-day period, more than 500 officers and men from Mobile Construction Battalion Four and a detachment from Mobile Construction Battalion Six took combat training courses at Camp Lejeune, N. C.

Their predecessors, who took the training earlier in the year, are now serving in Vietnam.

Combat training has become an integral part of Seabee life, due to their threefold mission—to build advance bases for military operations, often on short notice, anywhere in the world; to protect themselves and what they've built; and disaster recovery in the event of atomic, biological or chemical attack, or natural disasters.

The Seabees began their training by throwing live hand grenades. Also included in the first days of instruction were night firing exercises and exposure to tactics used by the Viet Cong.

They learned about Viet Cong booby traps; the use of spring-like sharpened bamboo sticks on jungle trails and camouflaged man-traps with poisoned bamboo sticks in them.

Next the Seabees learned the principles of attack and defense, and received instruction on types of patrols.

The Seabees demonstrated they had learned their lessons well. In the exercise they turned back the aggressors.

Combat is nothing new to MCB Six. While serving with the First Marine Division on Guadalcanal in World War II, the battalion earned the Presidential Unit Citation.

And during the month-long training, the Seabees proved once again that they are ready, willing and able to build and defend what they build—and help defend their country, as well—whenever the need arises.

WHERE IS HE? There's a Seabee in the above picture. See if you can find him. Left: Woods camouflage includes branches and twigs on helmet.

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The units then dug foxholes in preparation for an impending attack.

Again patrols went out, this time engaging aggressor forces. In addition, the men had to wade through mud and water, sometimes waist deep, to get to their objectives. They killed several copperhead snakes while on the patrols.

Near the end of the training, a final exercise was held. The Seabees' job was to attack and destroy an enemy position several miles away, then withdraw to their defensive lines. Battle conditions were real, except for the ammunition used.

They Build lessons to practical use.

Selected squads were to make a reconnaissance patrol. Their mission—to obtain intelligence information about Combat Town, located several miles behind enemy lines. In addition to the enemy, the Seabee patrols encountered snakes, insects and a variety of other hazards. The first time out, only one of the groups returned with the required information.

An evaluation period was held after the exercise, during which the Marine instructors showed the Seabees how to improve on the methods that had been used.

—W. Stephen, JO2, USN
MILITARY TRAINING

"The more we sweat in peace, the less we bleed in war."

In seeking to carry out its primary mission of "Build and Defend," MCB-6 traveled to Camp Lejeune, the Marine Corps Training Center in Jacksonville, N.C., on two occasions within six months. The first 30 days training period was in September 1965. The last infantry training period was in March-April 1966 prior to leaving for duty in Vietnam. The training was "rough" but helpful as the men found out during their tour of duty in Vietnam. Tactics such as patrolling booby traps, and weapons firing were later to be used by several men in the unit who temporarily stopped building and used their weapons against the Viet Cong.
Rifle range training was first and more inspections firing the M-14 from the standing position. Combat classes in the woods.
LOADING THE M-60 MACHINE GUN

FROM THE PRONE POSITION WE DID FIRE

AND MORE ??%?$** INSPECTIONS

STAND BY TO FIRE THE 3.5 ROCKET LAUNCHER
BOTH HANDS TO FIRE THE .45?

DRY FIRING THE M-60 MACHINE GUN

THROWING GRENADES

Hey Sarge, what's this little pin fo-o-o-

FIRING THE M-60 MACHINE GUN

ADMIRAL RENKEN RECEIVES A FEW POINTERS ON FIRING THE 3.5 ROCKET LAUNCHER
FIELD COOKING

SEABEES ARE INSTRUCTED IN FIELD DISPOSAL METHODS

CLEANING UP AFTER A HEARTY MEAL

GETTING INSTRUCTIONS ON THE USE OF FIELD RANGES

GETTING A HOT MEAL OUT IN THE FIELD

TAKING PROVISIONS FROM THE UNDERGROUND ICE BOX
USING CAMOUFLAGING TECHNIQUES

EXPLODING MORTAR ROUNDS IN NIGHT ACTION SPECTACLE

FLARES DISPLAY A LIGHTNING LIKE EFFECT AS THEY DESCEND

A ROUND EXPLODES AS FLARES LEAVE A FIERY PATH

CLEANING THE M-60 MACHINE GUN

LIFE IN THE FIELD
GRENADIERS IN ACTION

TROOPERS PREPARING TO MOVE OUT

A HOT MEAL OUT IN THE FIELD

CATCHING UP ON SOME READING DURING THE LUNCH BREAK

TAKING TIME OUT FOR A LITTLE CHOW

THE BIVOUAC AREA

DIGGING FOX HOLES IS FUN???
INTERROGATING A PRISONER OF WAR

PLAYING A FEW HANDS BEFORE TURNING IN

TAKING TIME OUT FOR A CIGARETTE WHILE ON PATROL
RADIO OPERATOR TAKES A LITTLE TIME OUT FOR A NAP

CLEANING THE M-14 AFTER FIRING

FIRING THE RIFLE GRENADE
Detachment WHISKEY of MCB-SIX, composed of five officers and 104 enlisted men deployed from Davisville to the Antarctic in October, 1965. The detachment with a few Antarctic veterans but largely young construction men, was led by LT Carl V. RIPA, CEC, USN with LTJG Richard D. Whitmer, CEC, USN as assistant officer in charge.

With construction projects assigned at many locations on the Antarctic continent, Detachment WHISKEY first mobilized at McMurdo Station. Much of the assigned construction workload consisted of replacing facilities with modern structures. Consequently, the detachment's work was given the motto "Urban Renewal Program". The detachment was organized using the Mobile Construction Battalion company concept with Chief Petty Officers as company commanders. Senior Chief Builder (now Warrant Officer) John D. BECKER was assigned as Operations Chief and senior enlisted man in the detachment. Company Commanders were: Chief Equipment Operator John J. GALLAGHER, Alfa Company; Chief Utilitiesman Floyd M. MCLAIN, Bravo Company; Chief Steelworker John T. TATE, Charlie Company and Storekeeper First Class Edgar E. THIBAULT, Headquarters Company, Chief Construction Electrician James L. HANSON, Jr. acted as CMAA, Assistant Bravo Company Commander and supervisor of all electrical projects.
In early January, LTJG Steve WARWICK and Equipment Operator First Class (now EOC) Richard H. GERN departed for Byrd Station with a large crew to commence construction of a Very Low Frequency scientific research station. The facility, located approximately twelve miles from Byrd Station, consisted of a large corrugated metal "Wonder Arch" which housed the modular research station. The crew worked around the clock to complete the facility in some of the roughest weather Antarctica can offer.

The logistics involved in a diverse multi-station construction program as this were capably coordinated by LTJG Henry A. VROMAN, SC, USN, the detachment Supply Officer. In addition to supporting all the construction effort of Deep Freeze 1966, the majority of construction material for the following year was offloaded from ships, inventoried and staged in construction sequence; a mammoth undertaking.

Detachment WHISKEY wrote an impressive chapter into the books of Operation Deep Freeze. Though few in number, our Seabees demonstrated skill, patience and the ability to get the job done. The mottos "Urban Renewal" and "Can DO" became synonymous as the detachment completed not only all assigned projects, but several additional alternates including the emergency rebuilding of the South Pole station balloon inflation building after a disastrous explosion. The men of this detachment will be remembered as the "guys who would not quit." Detachment WHISKEY returned to Davisville on 28 February 1966 and was decommissioned.
BATTALIONS FAMILY PARTY

MR. AND MRS. SMOOT AND FAMILY
...THAT IS FELLOWS FROM MCB-6...heee-hee

I DON'T KNOW WHAT THEM CHIEF'S ARE HAMMING IT UP FOR

CHIEF BARNES AND FAMILY
...(THE LITTLE BARNES HAMS IT UP)

WATSON, DOC MORRIS AND DOC SPINALE AND THE BEER BARREL BOYS
FUTURE STOREKEEPERS LITTLE VALKO'S AND JAMERSON'S WITH SW TAYLOR IN THE BACKGROUND

BIG DADDY COOL AND MATT DILLON ON THE LEFT AND RIGHT IN A STANDOFF

MR. AND MRS. PHILMON...THE SHAKER IS WAY ON THE END TRYING TO OUTTALK GRIFFIN

NOW YOU SEE THEM GUYS THERE...MAN YOU ARE SO RIGHT
NOW DOC MC CLELLAN DON'T TELL ME COKE MAKES YOU LAUGH LIKE THAT

BAD PICTURE BUT YOU GET THE RIGHT IDEA?

NOW MRS. SMOOT, TELL OLD DOC AGAIN ABOUT THEM CRUTCHES...

MR. KELLEY AND HIS NEST OF "OCEAN EAGLES"
DEPLOYMENT TO

Guantanamo Bay, Cuba
ADVANCE PARTY

THE MEN GET A FINAL WORD BEFORE DEPARTING

BOARDING THE PLANE FOR THE DEPLOYMENT SITE
CEREMONIAL HIGHLIGHTS

Painting the face of a mountain

Honors for a marine - COL R. S. Johnson
CHRISTMAS PRESENTS - Members of MCB-Six are busy as "beavers" trying to finish the Quonset Huts where Cubans and other Non American workers at the GITMO base will live. The Seabees are expected to have enough quarters finished for more than 450 of these civilians before February. The first group of workers will move in by Christmas day.
WORKING ON THE VILLAGE PLANS

HOW DO YOU DESCRIBE MORE WORK?

I WONDER WHAT KIND OF GAME IS GOING ON IN THE CORNER?

HE'LL NEVER THINK TO LOOK FOR ME IN HERE
A COMPLETED JOB

LITTLE FRESHLY PAINTED BUILDINGS OF THE NEW VILLAGE FOR CUBANS AND OTHER WORKERS AT THE GITMO BASE AS THEY APPEARED WHEN FINISHED BY MCB-6.
THERE WAS NO SNOW BUT THEY STILL HAD A TREE ON THE BEACH
...WHAT A WAY TO SPEND CHRISTMAS

CHRISTMAS AT GITMO

GO AHEAD DEBORD, IT CAN'T BE THAT BAD...YEAH BUT WHAT DO YOU CALL THAT PILE OF CHRISTMAS FOOD?...MAYBE IT'S A CHRISTMAS FRUIT GOULASH...EH?
PREPARING TO GO HOME

ENGLISH AND ODOM WOULD BE ON THE FIRST FLIGHT...STOP GRINNING AND GO ON YOU LUCKY...

ADVANCE PARTY HOME

ADMIRAL BUCKELEY, COMNAVBASE GITMO COMMENDS THE OFFICERS AND MEN OF MCB-6 FOR THE EXCELLENT JOB THEY DONE WHILE IN GITMO...HE ALSO SAID, "THE PEOPLE OF GITMO WILL NEVER FORGET SIX." ONE SEABEE IN THE BACK ROW SAID, "AND WE WILL NEVER FORGET THEM CACTUS IN THE HILLS OF GITMO EITHER."
Last of the Battalion leaving Gitmo

BOARDING THE LST FOR THE RETURN VOYAGE TO HOMPORT
GETTING THE OFFICIAL WORD

Now remember you are going to a land of oppression where the Seabees are doing a fabulous job in Vietnam and I know that Six will continue to uphold the tradition of... "Can do"... etc... etc... etc...

A FEW LAST MINUTES TOGETHER BEFORE A 10 MONTH SEPARATION

ADVANCE PARTY

Now Van you and Steve go on and I will be along in a few days after I see Dick Whitmer off to his ice duty and you see the reason I am not going today, etc... etc... etc...
I DON'T CARE WHAT THEY SAY...I JUST AM NOT GOING...

ANOTHER HAPPY GROUP ON THE DAY OF DEPARTURE...AT LEAST FOR THE MOMENT...

LOADED FOR BEAR...THE LAST OF THE SECURITY PLATOON STANDS BY TO LOAD UP...
DRIVERS

ALPHA ANTELOPES

Mechanics
ALPHA COMPANY COMMANDERS

Company Commander

LT. R.T. PERRINE
HARRAR, D EOCS
SHEA, L.I. CMCS
GILHAM, E.J. EOC
REES, J.C. EOC

Leading Chief

LTJG J.F. THIMES

Assistant Co. Commander

BARNES, D.J. EOCS
BOWLING, L.A. EOC
HUTCHINSON, J.V.D. EOC
MORROW, A.L. EOC
WEINTRAUB, A.I. CMC

GERN, R.T. EOC
PURKIS, W.W. CMC
WILLIAMSON, E.L. EOC
THE CREW

Acker, T.W., CMA3; Aldrich, D.K., EONCN; Aloisi, R.A., EONCN; Altman, J.M., EP1; Antram, A.P., EON3

Apple, C.W.; CM1; Armentrout, C.L., EO1; Armstead, J.D., EONCA; Arsenault, B.J., EON3; Ballard, M., EO1

Barnes, M.J., CN; Bartels, J., CMH3; Belcher, R.A., EO1; Biller, R.B., CN; Blair, D.R., EON3
Poiroux, B.P., EON3; Roudibough, Z.A., EOH3; Reith, A.L. Jr., EO1; Reuter, D.G., CMH2; Roberts, E.E., CN

Robinson, W.D., EOH3; Selvey, R.M. EOH3; Sesely, J.A., EON3; Sexon, J.G., EO1; Sherk, E.F., CMA3

Shackley, D.D., EOH2; Shumaker, M.F. EOH; Simmons, B.R., CMA3; Sisneros, G.D., EONCN; Smarsh, G.D., CN

Smith, E.T., CN; Soltes, J., EON3; Stoneking, P.L., EON3; Streeter, J.A., CMA3

Svendsen, F.L., MR1; Sweep, J.A., CN; Sweredoski, D.M., CMA3; Taylor, S.A., CMH2; Temporado, J.J., EON3
Back in the Old Bees

The old man and the house

Where's that bailing wire for the 20 wagons?

Well when we came in, the recruiter said . . .

Now it said in the instruction manual

I'm the gate guard, why?

I could have swore there was rock in there!

I told you a wrench wouldn't work, now hand me a hammer

A whole lot of fun candid photos "A" Co.
Chief, I've been raking for two hours & still no leaves.

Look Chief, no cavities.

Look Buddy, next time I say ..... 

Now how do I get it down?

You sure we have to dress like this just to go to the head?

Him! My brother!!?

What's this about ship over?!

Well before I started this Charles Atlas thing...

So that's what a engine looks like!

I don't know, they said they needed a Murphey rod or something.
DEAR SANTA

I DON'T KNOW EITHER, IT WAS APART WHEN I GOT HERE!

HOW DID I GET STUCK WITH THIS JOB?

QUICK, GET THE BUBBLE GUM

I DON'T KNOW EITHER, IT WAS APART WHEN I GOT HERE!

YEAH, I LAID ON A WET FUNNY BOOK

COMBAT READY YES! BUT THIS IS RIDICULOUS

MY MOTHER WON'T BELIEVE THIS IS WAR!

LOOK KID, 500 P'S IS A LOT OF MONEY FOR ...
SMILE??

HMM, MAYBE WITH A 10FT CHEATER BAR!

I WANNA HOLD YOUR HAND!

HEY, FLASH GORDON GOT AWAY AGAIN

STUDYING FOR PO 3, WITH THE COMIC SECTION
WHAT ARE YOU DOING IN THERE?

PEOPLE ANALYZER

I THINK IT’S TOO SMALL

I DON’T CARE IF YOU ARE A CHIEF!
CHANGE OF COMMAND CEREMONY
CHANGE OF COMMAND
Highlights Of Battalion Ceremonies

NEW SUPER CHIEFS--Commander Day congratulates Senior Chief Construction Mechanic L. Shea upon his promotion in November as Senior Chief Equipment Operator D. Harrar who was also advanced in rank.

ADVANCED TO PETTY OFFICER FIRST CLASS--The following personnel were advanced to Petty Officer First Class in ceremonies held here October 16. Personnel advanced were: EO1 A.L. Reith, EO1 R.R. Mickler, EO1 J.H. Sexson, BU1 K.C. Miller, UT1 R.E. Harrison, EO1 A.J. McFarland, UT1 H.J. Igo, EO1 J.M. Altman, EO1 R.A. Belcher, SW1 E.W. Eickhoff, BU1 T.W. Howell, BU1 R.A. Victorian, CE1 A.L. Mixon, UT1 R.R. Woods, SH1 E. Toupin and YN1 D.L. Griffin.

ADVANCED TO PETTY OFFICER SECOND CLASS--The following personnel were advanced to Petty Officer Second Class and received their certificates of advancement in ceremonies held here October 16. Personnel advanced to pay grade E-5 were: SK2 G.L. Craig, BUR2 L.D. Dill, SWF2 D.V. Elliott, EOH2 M.C. Emond, EON2 M.G. Eriksson, EON2 T.H. Gothrow, BUR2 W.D. Haefner, BUR2 W.P. Hontz, BUH2 F. Jordan CEP2 A.J. Katona, BUR2 E.J. McMahon, HM2 Morris, EOH2 W.G. Olson, YN2 L.C. Parmeter, EAS2 L. Reistetter, BUH2 W. Steinmetz, HM2 R.D. Thetford, and BUH2 M.E. Whipkey.

ADVANCED TO CHIEF--Commander James C. Day Jr., Commanding Officer of MCB-6 presents a certificate of advancement to HMC R. McClellan in ceremonies held here October 16. Other personnel advanced to pay grade E-7 were: CEC J.M. Melvin, BUC L.D. Midkiff, BUC C.M. Hageman, SKC J.A. Valko and Gunnery Sergeant D. Henderson, USMC.

SHIPS FOR SIX--Ship's Serviceman First Class SH1 Edward Toupin is administered the oath of reenlistment by Commander James C. Day, Commanding Officer of MCB-6. Toupin who is the senior Ship's Servicem an in MCB-6 is in charge of the unit's Navy Exchange and other related duties.
RETIREMENTS

MCB SIX CHIEF RETIRES AFTER TWENTY. Paul Lambdin EOC, retired recently from active duty in the U. S. Navy. The Chiefs of MCB Six piped him overboard. During his Seabee career, he received five Good Conduct Medals, the Antarctica Service Medal, National Defense Service and World War II Victory Medals. Chief Lambdin and his wife, Helen, and children plan to reside in Middlesboro, Kentucky.
HELP AGAINST ANOTHER FIGHT — J. A. Gill, GMG1, MCB SIX's senior Gunnersmate helps the Navy fight retention problems by reenlisting. The "Seabees" reenlistment rate is normal despite the hard training and regular deployments. LT W.R. Ledder, MCB-SIX's Executive Officer swears Gill in.
FIRST FOR ATLANTIC FLEET SEABEES

3 + 3 = 18 IN UNIQUE SEABEE REENLISTMENT -- Normally in Navy and other military reenlistment ceremonies, an officer usually the Commanding or Executive Officer swears in one or more men separately. However, one Seabee Battalion from Davisville, R.I., initiated a first for their unit and for the Atlantic Fleet Seabees on February 28, when three department heads from MCB-6, reenlisted simultaneously three of their individual Petty Officers for a combined total of 18 more years Naval service.

Administering the reenlistment oaths to G.D. Smoot BUH2, Taylor, J.D. SM1 and R.H. McClellan HM1 are, LTJG W.J. Smith, Jr., ENS T.C. Kelley and Dr. J.P. Galles, LT., Medical Corps, USNR
BOOT CHIEFS
Dedication of completed pier at Danang

MEN OF DELTA COMPANY WHO BUILT THE PIER ARE ON HAND FOR DEDICATION OF THE PIER

DEDICATION CEREMONIES FOR THE PIER

LCU/LCM RAMPS AND 300 FOOT TIMBER PIER COMPLETED

DEDICATION OF THE PIER
Highlights of 1966 Seabee Ball

Six Escorts the Queen and Senior Builder Chief T. Norman Jones
Seabee of the Year

Wins Byron Award
SIX HOLDS AWARDS DAY IN VIET

Ten members of MCB-6 received medals and letters of citation for their individual accomplishments. The awards were presented in a combination ceremony at the unit’s camp outside Da Nang. CDR James C. Day, Jr., C.O., MCB-6 extends congratulations to Robert D. Glueck, “Seabee of the Month” while Richard H. Gern, EDC waits to receive his third good conduct award. (1-r) LCDR W.R. Ledder, LTJG R.O. Despain and Herbert F. Underwood, BUL3, all received expert pistol medals. Advanced to Builders Third Class were; M.D. Buckner, M.A. Chiappone, R.J. Boss and William Trefzger. E.W. Miller, BUH2, completed the Navy’s GED course. LT C.V. Eaton and other MCB-6 Officers watch the proceedings.
EXPERTS - RIFLE AND PISTOL
BRAVO

BEAVERS
Company Commanders

COMPANY COMMANDER

LTJG L. AKSIONCZYK

ASSISTANT CO. COMMANDER

ENS T.A. COONEY

CHANCE, R.A. UTC

KNIGHT, D.W., CEC

McLAIN, F.M., UTC

MELVIN, J.H., CEC

MYERS, W.M., BUC
A FUNNY THING HAPPENED ON THE WAY TO WORK

TV FOR V.C.

HEY, WAIT FOR ME

WHAT WAS THAT NOISE

WHO'S THE GUY SECOND FROM THE END?

FOLLOW ME!

ARE YOU MAN ENOUGH TO EAT GRANNY GOOSE CORN CHIPS?

THAT'S WHAT KEEPS IT FROM GOING OVER WHEN THEY DO WHEELIES?
UT'S JOHNSON, CAMPBELL AND FASCKO AT THE DOG KENNELS

THEORY'S GREAT BUT I DOUBT IF IT WILL REPLACE THE M60'S

WHAT ME WORRY

A LETTER FROM MOMA

PUT IT RIGHT THERE

WOULD YOU BELIEVE DOWN HILL

THEN SHE BIT ME RIGHT HERE

OH YEA! YOU'RE BAT MAN!

YOUR FRIENDLY ROTO ROOTER MAN
COME ON GENERATOR, ONLY 25 MORE DAYS TO GO!!

WHY CAN'T THE WOODPECKERS DO THIS?

COKE, PEPSI, ROOT BEER, ORANGE OR GINGER ALE, BUT NOT ONE HAMMS!!

THAT'S FUNNY, THE MECHANICS GUARANTEED IT!

OUR EAGER STAFF AWAIT TO SERVE YOU

SEND UP THE TIN
ARE YOU SURE THE WALLS GO HERE?

WHISTLE WHILE I WORK?

SWI LASTER TURNS TO AS LEARY BULCN LOOKS ON

COMPANY CLERK PATRICK CAUGHT AT A RARE MOMENT, WORKING?

HI HO, HI HO IT'S OFF TO WORK I GO

COME BACK HERE WITH THAT PICTURE

LITTLE ORPHAN ANNIE DIED?

HEAR NO EVIL, SPEAK NO EVIL, SEE NO EVIL

IF CHARLES ATLAS COULD DO IT
PLEASE CHIEF, I'D RATHER DO IT MYSELF

MR. CLEAN GETS RID OF GREASE & GRIM

NOW LOOK, BACK IN "A" SCHOOL

SHE'LL DO 110 MPH IN THE QUARTER

SHE

I QUIT!!

ZIPPER AT WORK

A LITTLE TIGHTER

WOULD YOU BELIEVE A MERRY-GO-ROUND?

RARE OR WELL DONE

THE COFFEE'S READY
MIXING CONCRETE--This group of MCB-6 Seabees wade in concrete while preparing a base for "reefer pads" outside Da Nang.

HOI AN IMPROVEMENT--Once barren except for leaky tents housing Marines of the First Battalion, 1st Marine Division, Seabees of MCB-6 finish the floor of this "tinned hut" which will replace one of the tents in the foreground.

MCB-6 Helping

If there is such a thing as modernization in a war, then the one in Vietnam is probably among the first.

Months ago, places like Dong Hoa, An Hoa, Hoi An, Dai Loi, Hue, Phu Dai and Chu Lai, were barren wastelands where the sound of "fighting" between Allied Forces and the V.C. raged day and night. The battles continue, but another sound is now present at these and other places throughout Vietnam.

From the so-called "front line" to the rear, the sound of metal against metal, machine against earth and man against the almost unbearable elements of heat, mud, rain and the V.C., can be seen and heard along with the clatter of machine gun, mortar and rifle fire.

Behind the new sounds are men of the Navy's Mobile Construction Battalions; the Seabees. The primary mission of the Seabees is to build. In seeking to carry out this mission, they rise before dawn and struggle into the night.

Their 24 hour a day-seven day week work efforts are in effect, "changing the look" of Vietnam. Areas once covered with mud, rocks and punctured by weaponry in this war, are now being converted to areas of comfort for thousands of troops now in Vietnam.

There are now eight Seabee Battalions in the Republic of Vietnam. Mobile Construction Battalion Six is one of these units.

Since arriving for duty outside Da Nang in May, MCB-6 has maintained a productive labor output of more than 80 per cent. This is among the highest of any Seabee Battalion now on duty in Vietnam.

Among the changes the Seabees are providing for troops in Vietnam are, "tinned huts". MCB-6 has built some 400 of these "houses," enough to protect more than 4,000 men from the monsoon wind and rain.

The U.S. is spending millions of dollars a day in Vietnam and the Seabees are helping to put the materials into the place. MCB-6 has put over $500,000 worth of materials into place each month since arrival by building galleys, huts, storage spaces and other facilities.

A typical change is the completion of a 356,000 cubic ft. "cold storage" facility. Another is the nearing of completion of Camp Tien Sha's multi-million dollar improvement program. Camp Tien Sha houses facilities of the Naval
SMOOTH LAKE OF CONCRETE--represents a portion of the concrete pad poured for a 500 man galley/mess hall for personnel of the Marines 1st Am Trac Battalion outside Da Nang.

Modernize War

Support Activity at Da Nang.
Each facility the Seabees builds is considered a morale factor for troops in Vietnam. A "tinned hut" in most cases replaces a leaky tent and relieves troops from sleeping on the ground.
Another example is fresh food-hot, cooked, fresh food. Once considered a rarity in war, the "fighting man" was content with his canned "C" rations. Because of the Seabees efforts, this rarity is becoming non-existent.
Again from Da Nang to Chu Lai and other areas of troop operations, galleys are replacing "outside" tents where the soldier or Marine has to fight off flies while eating their food. The new galleys provide inside comfort and "hot food" for the troops.
Overall, with the many changes now being made by the Seabees in Vietnam, this war comes closer to modernization than any before. Due to its nature and intensity, the war of the 1940's may have offered little in the way of occasional comfort to the fighting man, but thanks to Seabee Battalions such as MCB-6 that is now in Vietnam, this one does.

SOUTHWEST OF DA NANG--Improvements for the Third Anti-Tank Battalion included nine 16 x 32 "metal" topped huts. Builders from MCB-6 are busy on this one.

CHANGE AT DAI LOC--New 16 x 32 "tinned huts" are replacing tents now being used by Marines at DaiLoc, outside Da Nang.

A NEW EATING PLACE--This completed 500 man galley for 3/1 Marines outside Da Nang is just one of several built by the Seabees of MCB-6 and other units.

COMPLETED UNITS--New huts and cleared away foliage produce a modern look for this Marine camp outside Da Nang that was once a "tent city".
COMBINATION ACHIEVEMENT—The “cold storage” was built by workmen from three MCB-6 companies, A-B-C. Workmen here are busy putting the final touches on the roof of a section of the new facility.

Same As 30,000 Refrigerators

MCB-6 Completes One Of World Largest Freezers

MCB-6 has finished construction of what is believed to be one of the largest “cold storage” areas in the world, capable of preserving enough meats, vegetables, and other perishable foods to feed more than 40,000 U.S. troops for several months, is now operational in Vietnam.

The new facility is located here at Da Nang. Equivalent to more than 30,000 home refrigerators, the units 102 “chill” boxes and 66 freezers, combine to form over 350,000 cubic ft. of cold storage space. Because of its capability, the facility is considered the largest of its type in Vietnam and also one of the largest outside the U.S.

Prior to the new activity, several Navy refrigeration ships were required to supply frozen foods for troops in the field.

“T” Corps area of Vietnam. The ships had to remain on station for weeks. The new unit will service American forces from Da Nang to Chu Lai.

Constructed in banks, each box is mounted on a pad and is generator powered. The boxes also vary in size with the larger units ranging from 18,000 to 21,000 cubic ft., and the smaller “reefers” approximately 1,000 cubic ft. There are now 13 pads in operation.

The “cold storage” is now fully operational, and supplies are rapidly filling each unit to capacity. A typical item now being preserved is potatoes. Another is bacon. More than 278,000 pounds of bacon and 449,000 pounds of potatoes are now being kept fresh by the cold storage
VIEW OF REEFERS AND ROAD WORK AT COVERED STORAGE DA NANG.

'C' CO POURING REEFER SLAB WITH VIETNAMESE ASSISTANCE AT COVERED STORAGE.

ICE PLANT AT COVERED STORAGE FINISHED BY 'C' CO.

C CO SETTING FORMS FOR WALLS OF DRAINAGE DITCH AT COVERED STORAGE

VIEW OF COVERED STORAGE AREA FROM ATOP 3000 BBL WATER TANK
C CO AT WORK SETTING WALL FORMS ON DRAINAGE DITCH AT COVERED STORAGE. NOTE USE OF POST & WIRE MESH IN PLACE OF REBAR.

C CO STEEL WORKERS TYPING RE-INFORCING STEEL ON DRAINAGE DITCH SYSTEM

C CO PLACING BLOCK FOR CESPOOL WHICH WILL SERVE THE HEAD FOR THE ADMIN. AREA AT COVERED STORAGE

VIEW AT MIDPOINT OF 2700 FT. DRAINAGE DITCH AT COVERED STORAGE. THE DITCH IS 4 FT. HIGH AND 12 FT. WIDE.

C CO SETTING RAFTERS OVER REEFERS AT COVERED STORAGE.
A CO LEVELING GROUND FOR AMMO DUMP AT SPECIAL FORCES

'C' CO AT WORK SETTING FORMS FOR A GREASE PIT AT 5TH SPECIAL FORCES

'C' CO AT WORK ON MAINTENANCE FACILITY AT 5TH SPECIAL FORCES

'C' CO AT WORK ON VIP QUARTERS AT 5TH SPECIAL FORCES

A CO EARTH MOVERS AT WORK ON DUMP AREA AT SPECIAL FORCES

'C' CO FINISHING CONCRETE PAD AT 5TH SPECIAL FORCES
Mortar damage at MAG-16
Tien Sha $10 Million Job

C CO POURING PAD FOR SODA PARLOR AT TIEN-SHA

COFFEE HOUSE AT TIEN-SHA RAMP

VIEW OF PARTIALLY COMPLETED 3000 BARREL WATER TOWER AT CAMP TIEN-SHA

VIEW OF PARTIALLY CONSTRUCTED GALLEY AT TIEN-SHA. WORK IS BEING DONE BY 'C' CO.
INTERIOR VIEW OF ICE CREAM PARLOR AT CAMP TIEN-SHA

'C' CO STEEL WORKERS ERECTING TANK AT CAMP TIEN-SHA

'C' CO ERECTING A FRAME ENTRANCE ON CHAPEL AT CAMP TIEN-SHA
DRILLING ROCK FOR CAMP TIEN-SHA LAUNDRY

'E' CO AT WORK ERECTING SHIPS STORE AT CAMP TIEN-SHA

ELEVATED VIEW OF GALLEY NO. 3 COMPLEX AT CAMP TIEN-SHA

INTERIOR VIEW OF CHAPEL CONSTRUCTED BY 'C' CO AT CAMP TIEN-SHA

VIEW OF COMPLETED POST OFFICE AT CAMP TIEN-SHA

HEY, MY FOOT...OOOOO-THAT SMAR...
COMPLETED HOME FOR V.C. PRISONERS

PREFABRICATED RIDGE FRAME BEING ASSEMBLED

POURING A CONCRETE FOUNDATION AT THE "POW" CAMP

VIETNAMESE INTERPRETER READS STATISTICS ON POW CAMP DURING CEREMONY

PRESENTATION OF MEDALS TO UNIT LEADERS

LT GEN LEWIS W. WALT, COMMANDER III MAF AND GEN XUAN LAM, I CORPS COMMANDER PASS THROUGH A CORDON OF QC'S DURING CEREMONY

FLANKED BY VIETNAMESE HOSTESS, THE GENERALS MARK THE CAMP OPENING WITH A HANDSHAKE SIGNIFYING THE COOPERATION BETWEEN U.S. AND SOUTH VIETNAMESE FORCES.
USO Shows

CAROL ROBBINS

SPOT LIGHT
Vietnam's GO GO REVUE

DRUM & BUGLE CORPS 3RD MARINE DIV.

YOU’VE GOT TO BE KIDDING

WHAT AN AUDIENCE

BOBBY WORKS

YOU'RE DOING IT WRONG: IT'S THIS WAY.

OH! IT'S STUCK AGAIN.

A PRETTY THING!
International Spirit of Christmas
EON3 ALEXANDER CHRISTIE

EON3 ALEXANDER CHRISTIE RECEIVES THE PURPLE HEART MEDAL FROM CDR JAMES C. DAY, JR., CO OF MCB-6. CHRISTIE WAS WOUNDED WHEN A VIET CONG MINE DESTROYED THE REAR WHEELS ON HIS TRUCK WHILE HE WAS HAULING MATERIALS TO MARINE CONDUCTING COMBAT OPERATIONS OUTSIDE DA NANG.

EOH3 RODNEY K. BOWYER

EOH3 RODNEY K. BOWYER, RECEIVES HIS PURPLE HEART MEDAL FROM CDR DAY. BOWYER WAS RIDING "SHOTGUN" ON THE TRUCK DRIVEN BY CHRISTIE WHEN A VIET CONG MINE EXPLODED, INJURING HIM.
CHARLIE COMPANY COMMANDERS

CO. COMMANDER
LTJG S. E. Warwick

ASSISTANT CO. COMMANDER
LTJG G.F. Everhart

CO. CHIEF
Segault, R.E., BUC

Edgerton, R.E., SWC

Hagemann, C.E., BUC

Midkiff, L.D., BUC
The Crew

Ahrendt, B.A., BULCN; Allen, G.F., SN; Arnold, E.J., BULCN; Baker, G.L., SWF2; Besiou, J.Jr., BUL3

Bollis, O.L., CN; Bishop, R.A. CN; Bobo, M.W., BUL3; Booker, W.W., BULCN; Boss, R.J., BUL3; Boyd, G.R. CN;

Bettis, D.L., CN; Bishop, R.A. CN; Bobo, M.W., BUL3; Booker, W.W., BULCN; Boss, R.J., BUL3; Boyd, G.R. CN;

Boyd, G.R., CN; Brandt, R.G. BULCN; Buckley, D.F., SWFCN; Byckner, M.D., BUH3; Carter, M.A., CN
WE ALWAYS LOOK LIKE THIS

LET'S SEE NOW! 70 IN A 20 M.P.N. ZONE

SOMEBODY MUST HAVE A MATCH

WHAT'S THIS? BUILDERS TAKING OVER FOR SURVEYORS

IT'S THE LAST DOWN, WHAT PLAY SHOULD WE USE?

SOME GUYS CAN SLEEP ANYWHERE, EVEN HONTZ
ME? I'M THE HONCHO

FINALLY MY VERY OWN CREW!

HEY DOC! WRONG ROLE

IF YOU PUSH THAT SAW AT ME ONE MORE TIME!...ZAP!

LET'S HAVE A PARTY!

NEW JACKET LARRY?

SO TODAY'S SUNDAY. NOW WHAT DO WE DO?
WONDER HOW THINGS ARE AT HOME

SO MY UNCLE DRESSES ME FUNNY

US! OUT OF UNIFORM

I'M A HACKER

WOULD YOU BELIEVE THEY AREN'T TWINS? TRICK PHOTO

HEY: WHAT IS IT?
AND ON BEHALF OF ALL THE CHARLIE CHARGERS TEETH...WE WOULD...

THANK YOU...AND AS HEAD CHARGER MR. SMITH... DID YOU USE GLEEM...OW MY HAND

NOBODY CARES

A GATHERING OF THE INNOCENT?

TAKE MY PICTURE.
MCB-6 "Locked In Battle With Elusive Enemy"

The primary mission of MCB-6 in Vietnam is to build and if necessary, "defend" what they build. However, while building, and on occasion fighting the Viet Cong, this unit, like other U.S. forces here, has been struggling against another enemy just as dangerous as the V.C. Each day, specially trained men from the Battalion go into the villages, hills, cities and rice paddies in search of the enemy that not only kills men, women and children, but like the V.C., threatens the very existence of the people of this country.

Their mission is to "Find and Destroy". On occasions, they succeed, but like "Charlie", they suffer continuous punishment and then escape to strike again.

At the first sign of the enemy, many Vietnamese seek these specially trained forces for help. They come by the thousands throughout Vietnam to escape their enemies, disease, poverty, and loneliness. Their only defense is the knowledge of specially trained U.S. doctors, nurses, corpsmen and just plain "fighting men" who form defensive units called "Civic action teams".

Three MCB-6 Navy Lieutenants and a cook are just one of these teams. They are: LT's H.A. Falconer Jr., J.J. Spinale, Chaplain Bowes and Commissaryman First Class (CS1) Donald F. Decker, all members of Mobile Construction Battalion Six (MCB-6). Each morning, Dr. Falconer and his corpsmen along with Chaplain Bowes, descend a hill outside the Seabee camp and wait for patients from the nearby village of SON THUY. One of the "Doc's" patients is a 4-year-old girl. She has tropical ulcers. Another is Pa-Pa-San, a 75-year-old man with eye trouble.

Vietnamese who cannot be treated at the temporary dispensary, are carried to the Seabees main medical unit. It is also while at the dispensary, that Chaplain Bowes gives them clothes donated by various U.S. communities. The Chaplain distributes over 40 pounds of soap and clothing each month.

**DENTAL CARE**

Dr. Spinale and his assistants try and help the Vietnamese with their dental problems. Some are routine while others are not. The medics of MCB-6 treat more than 1,000 Vietnamese a month.

**HOMELESS CHILDREN**

The war in Vietnam has left many children homeless and lonely without parents. Hund is the son of a Viet Cong. He has no toes and his existence is due to the work of Navy and other Armed Forces personnel in organized and unorganized "civic action" efforts, that many of the Vietnamese people no longer believe that Americans are "devils who kill women and torture children."

Their efforts are considered one answer to the Vietnamese peoples hope and dreams of an abundant life, free from the bondages of poverty, disease and the Viet Cong.

The civic action workers role also adds hope to the free world's desire for peace for the people of Vietnam and the world. MCB-6's civic action program is coordinated by LT. C.V. Eaton.
CIVIC

A MERRY GO ROUND FOR VILLAGE CHILDREN

ACTION

INSTANT ORPHANAGE--NEW HOME FOR SOME MORE CHILDREN BUILT IN ONE DAY
DELTA

DEMONS
IN MEMORIAM

Norman B. Wensel  C N
Androff, T.R., BUL3; Caballero, J., EOH3; Ellis, T.J., SA; Revin, C.D., BUL2; Gehring, E.W., BUR3; Gochnour, R.T., BUR3

Honeycutt, J.R., SN; Lesley, D.E., SA; Lewis, T.R., CN; Miller, K.C., BUL1; Overcash, M.A., Jr., BUL3; Rogers, G.L., SA

Sergieff, M.M., SN; Smith, R.W., BU1; Vail, E.B., CA; Wamack, W.A.; SA; Wolfe, J.H., SA

STEELWORKER'S TWENTY MAN BUS

IF YOU ASK ME?
IT'S THE WRONG WAY.

STEELWORKERS TAKE TIME OUT FOR WATER.

SEE THE BIRDY.
CHIEF PIVIDORI SHOWS 'EM HOW.

I DON'T MIND THE BUST, BUT THIS RESTRICTION AIN'T GOT IT.

STEEL WORKER LINE UP FOR INSPECTION.

DREAMING OF HOME.

DON'T WORRY...YOU CAN'T TAKE THE E-8 EXAM AGAIN.

GET HOT, ZIPPER!
**DOG KENNELS**

D CO. AT WORK SETTING TRUSSES IN PLACE AT DOG KENNELS - STEEL WORKERS ERECTING CAGES.

NSA SENTRY DOG KENNELS DOG HANDLERS QUARTERS AT LEFT, BUILT BY D CO.

NSA SENTRY DOG KENNELS FORMING OF COMPOUNDS BY D CO.

NSA SENTRY DOG KENNELS VIEW OF PARTIALLY CONSTRUCTED ROOF D CO.
ANYBODY ELSE WANT TO SHIP US OVER?

I OWE MY SUCCESS TO HUNSMINGER

"I'LL FIX THAT LEAK!"

"THE MODERN NAVY"

LET'S GET OUT BEFORE IT FALLS DOWN!

NEXT TIME HE'LL SHAVE BEFORE QUARTERS.

"WE'RE LOW ON WORK AT CHU LAI."

AH COM'ON FELLOWS I'LL TAKE A SHOWER I DECLARE I WILL (GLUB...GLUB)
HAVE A COOL ONE!

CLOSE ENOUGH FOR GOVERNMENT WORK

SO I HIT HIM

CONDITION WHAT??

MMM...I THINK I'LL LET HIM FIND OUT FOR HIMSELF.

DAMN, I WISH THEY'D GET A PUMP

YOU BUY FEELTHY PICTURE?

NOT AMBUSHED...JUST PLAIN BUSHED!
OCEAN
EAGLES
"H" Company Commander and Chiefs

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Dr. Falconer - Honcho No. 1

A Medical Conference?

The Mighty "Doc Morris"

Chaik in his regular action when not in admin.

Your Friendly Sick Bay!

And so, for forgetting to take your Malaria pill....
NOW MEN, THIS IS A HAMMER.
BANG-BANG GOES THE HAMMER.

ONLY OUR HAIRDRESSER KNOWS FOR SURE

I WOULDA MADE IT BUT I FORGOT THE WORD FREE IN THE CORNER

MY SEA DADDY AND I.

I'LL SEE THAT AND RAISE YOU ONE MATCHSTICK

LOOK NO CAVATIES - WE BOTH USE X-BRAND

GUESS WHO MADE LTJG?
HOLD IT! THAT'S THE SPOT I DROPPED MY MARBLE.

SOME TELESCOPE, ALL I SEE ARE LITTLE LINES WITH NUMBERS.

HEY WOODY! THERE'S SOMETHING CRAWLING INSIDE THE PHONE.

NO SIR, WE HAVEN'T SEEN ANY VIETNAMESE IN THE AREA.

OK GUYS MAKE LIKE YOU'RE DOING SOMETHING.

PROFILE OF A TRAINED KILLER

WILL THE REAL STOREKEEPER PLEASE STEP FORWARD?

"MONEY MEN AT THE BUDGET PLAN"

HEY WARRICK! REMEMBER THAT FROG YOU STUCK IN YOUR POCKET.
Cooks & Stewards & Mess Men

WHADDYA MEAN, COLD CUTS FOR THANKSGIVING DINNER?

WHAT? INSPECTION AGAIN?

ALL WE SAID WAS...C-RATIONS OR OUR CHOW - TAKE YOUR PICK

WHY SURE, I ALWAYS USE JAM WITH MY HOTDOGS

SLEEP IS THE GREATEST FOR ME

WE ALL LIVE LIKE THIS
I THINK THIS IS THE HOT WATER.

GIRLS! HERE?

I SAID A TRIM!!

ALL IN A DAYS WORK

FOR QUICK RELIEF OF TIGHT JAWS--

SO WHAT IF WE DON'T KNOW WHAT WE'RE DOING!

SO I SHIPPED!
AT LEAST THEY'RE SENDING ME HOME

MOUSE!! WHERE?

OUR STAFF IS EAGERLY(?) WAITING TO SERVE YOU.
I'll take $500.00 on Dancer

We are always ready to lend a helping hand

Who? Me? Afraid of a mouse!!

What's this? Give back 5 dollars

PC1 L.R. Wilson receives "MCB-6" Plaque from CDR Day

It wasn't this way when I came in

Caught in the act

But Bob, those "shipping over" papers were false, they were fa---
Security Platoon

NUMBAH ONE GATE GUARD CATCHES A NUMBAH II CORPSMAN--COP DOC NO. 1 TOO

MR. DILLIONNNNNN, HONCHO'S AND STAFF

SECURITY ON PATROL
HOMeward Bound

A VIETNAMESE SEABEE?

DEPARTURE FROM DANANG
NOT ANOTHER DELAY

DEPARTING FOR DAVISVILLE
CHANGE OF COMMAND

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