

## The People Are Winning

# We Must Continue To Fight Communism In Order To Strengthen Our Democracy'

It was just a year ago. The Communists had requested a truce in order to observe their traditional "Tet" holiday. The truce, or cease fire, was agreed on, but it was short lived.

Under the cover of this cease fire, the Communist forces struck out at all Corps areas within South Vietnam, a quick and sud-

den blow.

It was the beginning of the Communist "Tet" offensive that rained death and destruction on many of the provincial capitals.

The Free World Forces immediately sprang into action, and after heavy fighting overcame the Communist threat.

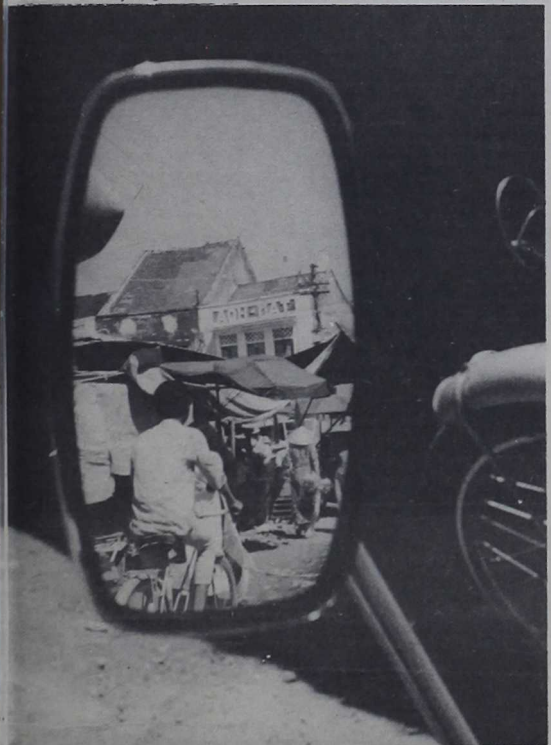
But the "Tet" offensive left

its mark in South Vietnam, a mark that will take time to eradicate. After a year, the scars can still be seen on the landscape. This will take time. But one strong point was the effect on the people. It gave them a new determination, a stronger determination to defeat the Communist forces.

One such city that took a heavy toll was the ancient imperial city of Hue, a city that saw itself burn, a city that was embroiled in heavy fighting, but a city that recoiled with the help of the U.S. Marine Corps and drove the attackers fleeing.

In this issue of the Globe, we present a Special Feature on pa-

ges 6 and 7 by Master Gunnery Sergeant C.F. X. Houts, a Marine Combat Correspondent with the III Marine Amphibious Force, who recently visited the ancient city of Hue and tells the story of the vast reconstruction program underway and the story of the glowing determination of the populace.



**BACK IN THE GROOVE . . .** A year after the Hue City battle which destroyed large sections of the ancient imperial capital, life has returned to normal. This unusual photo taken through a mirror on a vehicle is of Cho Dong Ba market, hit hard by VC rockets. However, it once again bustles with the sounds of buying and selling and the buzz of motorcycles. See pages 6 and 7 for a feature on the reconstruction of the ancient city.

## BLT 2/6 Returns From Deployment

Battalion Landing Team 2/6 has returned after a four-month cruise in the Caribbean area as part of the Caribbean Ready Force.

Commanded by Lieutenant Colonel Charles M. Mosher, BLT 2/6 began their off-loading of supplies and personnel from ships positioned off Onslow Beach, by helicopters to W.P.T. Hill Field.

As a gesture of welcome, the battalion's commanding officer and men were welcomed by Brigadier General Joseph C. Fegan, Jr., Assistant Division Commander, 2d Marine Division, and Colonel Richard H. Kern, Regimental Commander, 6th Marines.

Later the same morning, Colonels Mosher and Kern sliced a piece of decorated two-tier cake at the 6th Marines Servicemen's

Club. The cake was distributed to the dependents on hand to welcome the Marines.

As part of the "Carib" Ready Force, BLT 2/6 was on stand-by to be called into any area of crisis by the United States. The ships carrying BLT 2/6 also had the opportunity to visit several of the Caribbean Islands, including Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, and the Dutch West Indies.



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## 2D Division Marks 28th Year Today

By LCpl. D. F. BRIDENSTINE

Today is the big day for members of the 2d Marine Division as they gather to celebrate their 28th anniversary. The colorful ceremonies will be held at the Goettge Memorial Field House at 10 a.m.

Lieutenant General Richard G. Weede, CG, FMFLant, will be present and will do the honors in presenting two Silver Stars.

Purpose of the ceremony is to commemorate the organization of the 2d Marine Division on Feb. 1, 1941 at Camp Elliott, California.

Presentations will include the "Follow-Me" drill competition Trophy, Tarawa Award (for squad combat competition), 2d Marine Division Marksmanship Trophies, and combat decorations.

Redication of the 2d Marine Division's colors and a nar-

ration of the division's history is scheduled by Major General E. B. Wheeler, Commanding General, 2d Marine Division.

Company "K", 3d Bn., 8th Marines was the winner of the annual "Follow-Me" Trophy awarded by the 2d Marine Division Association on a company-battery level. Captain Peter M. Blum, company commanding officer, will accept the trophy for his company. Capturing second place was Headquarters and Service Company, 3-8, and other participants were elements of the 2d Marines, 10th Marines, and 2d

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## BLT 1/8 Departs For Carib

By LCPL. A.P. HAYES, JR., Battalion Landing Team, 1st Battalion, 8th Marines, 2d Marine Division (BLT 1/8), commanded by Lieutenant Colonel A.D. Friedman, departed last week on a routine training deployment as part of the Caribbean Ready Force.

Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 365 (HMM-365) of the 2d Marine Aircraft Wing, based at New River Air Station and commanded by Lieutenant Colonel Lewis L. Mills, will provide the BLT's helicopter support.

Both units embarked on ships of the Navy's Caribbean Ready Group, Amphibious Squadron Twelve. The Group's vessels include: the amphibious assault ship USS Guam (LPH-9), amphibious transport dock USS Raleigh (LPD-1), amphibious cargo ship USS Vermilion (LKA-107), dock landing ship USS Fort Snelling (LSD-30), and the tank landing ships USS Waldo County (LST-1163) and USS Suffolk County (LST-1173).

The BLT's initial tactical exercise was conducted January 28th at Landing Zone Falcon, Camp Lejeune, for demonstrational purposes following the unit's inspection by Lieutenant General Richard G. Weede, Fleet Marine Force, Atlantic, Commander, and Major General E.B. Wheeler, 2d Marine Division Commander.

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BOY SCOUT WEEK was observed aboard the Marine Corps Base with a visit by honor scouts from Onslow County. Upon their arrival they were greeted by Major General R. McC. Tompkins, commanding general, Marine Corps Base, and then escorted to Tri-Command units.

# Tale Of Two Triangles

The programs of the National Health Agencies have been aptly described as three legs of an equilateral triangle.

One is research, the scientific quest for causes and cures of baffling maladies. Second is education, the effort to convey life-saving information to the public and to medical groups. The third is service, the community-based program of assistance to patients.

There is another triangle which contributors to the current National Health Agencies Campaign help form. This triangle is comprised of equal sides which might be labeled generous giving, 100 per cent participation and designation.

It is only through generous contributions from all Federal employees and military personnel that the campaign can succeed, and only then can the research, education and service programs be expanded to help prevent illness and save lives.

Designation is a unique feature of the campaign whereby contributors may choose specific health agencies to receive designated amounts of their gift.

This publication supports the objectives of the National Health Agencies Campaign and urges all of its readers to make a generous, designated contribution.



## CARE DELIVERIES GET HELPING HAND FROM U.S. SERVICEMEN OVERSEAS

"CARE is there" has become a familiar response, wherever hunger and hardship call for help from the American people. In emergency areas, often it's the men in U.S. uniform who open the way for CARE to reach the people who need help most urgently.

This has been a vital factor in South Vietnam. Because a host of servicemen have offered extra hands, a CARE team of 7 Americans has been able to channel aid to refugees and other civilian war victims in the ravaged cities and villages of every province. For example:

Villagers in Tra Trung, Quang Ngai Province, were left destitute when Viet Cong guerrillas burned every hut and building. By radio from the nearest Special Forces camp, in Tra Bong, the "Green Berets" reported their plight to the CARE representative in Danang. The next day, 3 transport planes piloted by Air Force volunteers landed in Tra Trung with 9½ tons of CARE supplies—rice, to feed

the families until a new harvest; clothing fabrics and sewing accessories; farm implements; tools, rattan and other construction materials to rebuild the homes and school.

Similarly, at the height of the Tet offensive, CARE's office in Saigon received an S.O.S.—6,000 refugees encamped on the grounds of a hospital in Cholon, the besieged Chinese section of the city, had been without food for 3 days. Before another day had ended, a Special Forces truck, under armed escort, drove 2 CARE men to the site with 17,400 lbs. of rice.

The same spirit prevails wherever CARE and U.S. forces meet. Panama is typical. In Llano Nopo, a remote mountain region, CARE is helping poor villagers build a health and community-development center that will be the hub of a better life. It would take 200 mule days to make 1 delivery of the tons of supplies required—lumber, tools, cement, medical equipment, food-for-work rations. AF and SF relays, by plane and heli-



**WAR REFUGEES AT CAMP IN SAIGON** await unloading of CARE rice from U.S. Special Forces truck, whose crew drove CARE representatives and the food supplies to the camp site. In emergencies, the usual wrappings of CARE packages must often be sacrificed, but supplies are always identified as gifts from the American people. South Vietnam is one of the 35 countries whose needy receive food, self-help and medical aid through ISA contributions to CARE.

# One More Reason Wh

Another one of the outstanding incentives and programs offered to Marines is the retirement system which provides a monthly income and solid security for life.

Generally, there are three types of retirement: length of service, physical disability, and age.

Retirement because of age, of course, applies only to officers—present age limit is 62, with certain exceptions.

Enlisted men, however, after completing at least 20 years or more of active federal service, generally fall into the "Length of Service Retirement" category.

After 20 years, but less than 30 years, of service, retired pay is computed for the pay grade in which the Marine is serving on the date of retire-

ment. The amount of retired pay is 50% of the monthly base pay, and 2 1/2% may be added for each additional year of service over 20—the maximum being 75% of the base pay at the time of retirement (30 yrs.). For the purpose of retired pay, 6 months or more is considered a full year. This means that a Marine is eligible for retired pay at 19 years, 6 months, and is eligible for 75% of base pay at 29 years, 6 months.

For commissioned officers, after 20 years' active federal service, at least 10 of which were in a commissioned status, an officer may retire and receive retired pay computed in the same manner as enlisted men, except that retired pay is computed on all years of service, both active and inactive.

For those enlisted Marines who hold a temporary grade higher than the grade in which they retire, and who retire with less than 30 years of service, retired pay will be computed for the grade the Marine held at the time of retirement (or transfer to the Fleet Reserve). After a retired Marine reaches a total 30 years' service, active and retired (Fleet Reserve), he is advanced on the retired list to the temporary grade he satisfactorily held and his retired pay is adjusted accordingly.

An enlisted Marine holding a reserve warrant or commission who has completed 20 years' active Federal service (10 years of which must be as a commissioned or warrant officer) may retire and receive retired pay computed in the same manner as for other officers.

An enlisted man of the Marine Corps may transfer to the Fleet Marine Corps Reserve upon the expiration of 20 years' (19 and 6 active Federal service, and he will automatically be transferred to the retired list after 3 years' total service—both active and inactive combined. For all practical purposes, transfer to FMCR is considered very nearly the same as retirement. However, an FMCR Marine can request to return to EXTENDED ACTIVE DUTY for a specified period of time. In many instances, such requests are approved.

IT IS A GOOD CAREER . . . AND YOU CAN PLAN ON IT!!!

## Disciplined Man

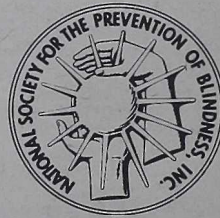
Jesus was a well disciplined person and taught those who followed Him to be well disciplined. In Matthew 7:13 He said, "Enter in at the strait gate," indicating that those who would know God through Him were to be people who had disciplined themselves according to His great love principles: "Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy strength, and with all thy mind; and thy neighbor as thyself."

The future of our world depends upon disciplined persons—those who are committed to the highest total discipline. Often our disciplines or commitments are too small. We are geared to concepts and purposes which are too small, and we remain tied to these. There are many disciplines to which we may be geared: the family, a lodge, a club, a union, a church, a country—all of these are good, but they are nevertheless inadequate unless geared in turn to something beyond themselves—the absolute. Our first discipline must be to that which gives meaning to the total life.

It is this total discipline that seems to be lacking in much of modern life. Life today is so compartmentalized and specialized that it lacks any cohesive meaning. Just as the spokes of a wheel hang loose without a hub, so the powers of life are at loose ends unless fastened into the central hub—God and his kingdom. Faith in and commitment to God can lead us toward total discipline, which alone gives complete meaning to life.

Henry Ward Beecher, a great minister of the past, once said, "There is no man that lives who does not need to be drilled, disciplined and developed into something higher and nobler and better than he is by nature."

Chaplain M. L. TRAWICK



## New Medal Authorized

In one of his last acts in office, President Johnson signed an Executive Order Jan. 16 authorizing a new medal for those who have distinguished themselves by outstanding meritorious achievements or service.

Designated as the Meritorious Service Medal, it would rank between the Legion of Merit and the Service Commendation Medal, as a non-combat award.

A White House statement said the need for the MSM has become apparent within the military services in the past few years. Before its adoption, only the Legion of Merit was available to those members of the services credited with meritorious achievement or outstanding service.



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**Base Promotions**



FIRST SERGEANT Jack E. Trueblood, First Sergeant, Headquarters and Service Company, Base Materiel Battalion, is promoted to his present rank by Major General R. McC. Tompkins, Commanding General, Marine Corps Base, in ceremonies recently in the office of Lieutenant Colonel V.J. Pross, Jr., Commanding Officer, Base Materiel Battalion. (Official U.S. Marine Corps photograph by Cpl. C.T. Clark)

**Regrouped Platoon**

**Grunt Earns Bronze Star**

Corporal Theodore A. Szajko, Company "C," 3d Reconnaissance Battalion, 3d Marine Division, was presented the Bronze Star with combat "V" for meritorious service in Vietnam.

Lieutenant Colonel J.T. Smith, commanding officer, 2d Reconnaissance Battalion, 2d Marine Division made the presentation to Cpl. Szajko.

When his unit was caught by surprise by an enemy's small arms barrage, Cpl. Szajko quickly regrouped the dispersed platoon. Taking the place of the platoon commander, he established makeshift defensive perimeters and for twenty fierce minutes led the fight in repelling the onslaught.

During the course of the fighting, the corporal sustained several wounds but refused medical attention until the enemy had been successfully staved off.

The Cpl. charged an enemy position and, after killing three of the enemy, he continued the attack and storming other emplacements and capturing 11 prisoners.

Upon his arrival in Vietnam, the award winner was assigned the job of reconnaissance representative and assistant team leader. He participated in 44 long range patrols while in Vietnam.

**Montford Pt. Graduates Two Classes**

Montford Point was the scene of two Force Troops' School graduations recently.

Capturing class honors for the three-week course in the operation of the AN/TCS-15 central radio unit from Communications School was Corporal R.L. Sullivan with an average of 97.5%.

Clerical School, which graduated 17 Marines from its three-week course, had three students claiming top honors, Corporals M. Howe, J. Peele and PFC Fred W. White. Each man completed the course with perfect scores.

**With Combat Awards**

**Leathernecks Recognized**

Three Navy Achievement Medals with Combat "V" and one meritorious mast were presented to Marines of the 2d Force Service Regiment, Force Troops.

Sergeant Maceo C. Austin was awarded the medal for his service with the 4th Marines, Third Marine Division in the Republic of Vietnam. "As an Operations Watch noncommissioned officer, he performed his duties in a highly exemplary manner and inspired all who observed him."

Corporal Charlie B. Watson, Jr., received his medal for service with Communication Company, Headquarters Battalion, First Marine Division. He was cited for his tireless work.

**Navy Achievement Medal Winner**



1st Lt. John Hastie

**Spotter Wins Plaudits**

The Bronze Star Medal with Combat "V" (for valor) was awarded to a Marine at 2d Air and Naval Gunfire Liaison Company, Force Troops.

Acting Battalion Commander, Major W.A. Jupp, presented the combat medal to Corporal Michael McCook for his services in the Republic of Vietnam, during a ceremony held at Courthouse Bay.

A member of Sub Unit One, First Air and Naval Gunfire Liaison Company and serving as Noncommissioned Officer in Charge of a Naval Gunfire Spot Team, Cpl. McCook's citation read in part, "Cpl. McCook supported numerous allied units located in Binh Dinh Province.

In addition to advising staff officers in the effective use of naval gunfire, he ably planned, coordinated and controlled numerous missions.

"Subsequently serving as a Naval Gunfire Liaison Officer, a billet normally assigned to a commissioned officer, Corporal McCook repeatedly distinguished himself by his professional competence.

"Through his skillful employment of supporting arms, he was credited with killing 19 enemy soldiers while participating in an operation with the Forty-Seventh Regiment of the Army of the Republic of Vietnam."



SERGEANT CALVIN E. DECKER, Assistant Non-Commissioned Officer in Charge of the gate unit, was selected Military Policeman of the month for January 1969. Colonel Earl K. Vickers, Jr., Camp Lejeune Provost Marshall, presented Decker with a certificate citing him for a "job well done." (Official U.S. Marine Corps photograph by LCP D. Ballard)

The third Navy Achievement Medal was presented to Corporal Thomas J. Williams, Cpl. Williams served with the exchange system, Third Marine Division as an exchange man. While serving as assistant manager of the Khe Sanh Annex, "he provided exceptional exchange services for the members of the supported units."

At that time, Cpl. Williams was a Lance Corporal.

Staff Sergeant Ronald L. Jenkins received a meritorious mast for his service as Supply Battalion's Marksmanship training instructor. After assuming his duties, the battalion requalification percentage was 100%.

**Combat Awards**

**Mortarman Gets Bronze Star**

A Bronze Star Medal with Combat "V" was awarded to Chief Warrant Officer (CWO2) John F. Walsh, Headquarters Company, Headquarters Battalion, 2d Marine Division, in ceremonies held at battalion headquarters.

Walsh received the medal for his services as an 81mm Mortar Platoon Commander, 2d Battalion, 4th Marines, 3d Marine Division in the Republic of Vietnam.

Also presented were Navy Commendation Medals with Combat "V" to Major Moffatt F. Wylie, Battalion Operations and Training Officer, and Sergeant Joseph P. Savage, Headquarters Company. Major Wylie served as Civic Action Officer, 3d Marine Division in Vietnam, while Sgt. Savage served with the Ground Surveillance Section, 3d Marine Division.

Receiving Meritorious Masts were Sergeant Robert F. Cole, Communications Company, and Lance Corporal William R. Paul,

Headquarters Company, Headquarters Battalion. Sgt. Cole graduated first in his Communications Central AN-TCS-15 repair course conducted at Montford Point. Lance Corporal Paul



Walsh

graduated first in the Enlisted Embarkation Course conducted at Landing Force Training Command, Little Creek, Virginia. Colonel Lawrence J. Bradley, Battalion Commander, made the presentation.

**Bronze Star Awarded**

Major George E. Strickland, 8th Engineer Battalion Force Troops was awarded the Bronze Star Medal with Combat "V" for his heroic service in the Republic of Vietnam, by Lieutenant Colonel E.W. Lifset, commanding officer, in recent ceremonies held at the Battalion's Headquarters.

Major Strickland served as Executive Officer of the Civil Operations and Revolutionary Development Support Province Team, of the Third Marine Division's Amphibious Force. His citation read in part "On January 30, 1968, a large North Vietnamese Army Force attacked the capital town of Hoi An in Quang Nam Province and penetrated the northeastern defensive sector.

"Realizing the seriousness of the situation, Maj. Strickland rapidly organized all available Vietnamese para-military personnel and fearlessly led them through intense enemy mortar and rocket fire to assist a small Army of the Republic of Vietnam Engineer unit that was defending the contested section of the village."

"Twice Major Strickland was forced to subdue enemy automatic weapons fire crackling from deep elephant grass.

"Skillfully coordinating the activities of the two Vietnamese units, he successfully directed them in establishing a defensive position. Despite sustaining a painful wound, he steadfastly remained with the Vietnamese forces and directed their fire until the enemy attack was repulsed."



Strickland

**Col. Hayes Promoted**

Colonel James M. Hayes, Assistant Chief of Staff, Supply Services, Marine Corps Base, was promoted to his present rank in ceremonies held at base headquarters.

Major General R. McC. Tompkins officiated.

**Col. Lahr Promoted**

On Feb. 15, Colonel Robert J. Lahr, Assistant Logistics Officer, 2d Marine Division, was promoted to his present rank by Major General E.B. Wheeler, in formal ceremonies held at the Division.

## Passing The Colors



PASSING THE COLORS of the 8th Engineer Battalion, Force Troops to its one-day commanding officer Honor Scout Michael Grant is Lieutenant Colonel E.W. Lifset. Scout Grant filled the CO's position during the 59th Anniversary of the Boy Scouts of America. (Marine Corps Photograph by Sgt. James V. Harper)

## School Problem!

Once again this school year, we feel that it is necessary to call your attention to the importance of KEEPING YOUR CHILDREN in school. Student absenteeism creates financial problems for the school system. The school system loses \$3.23 per day for each unexcused absence. Unexcused absences recorded this year were for babysitting, to travel, just to stay at home or to be out of school all day for a medical or dental appointment. If your child is absent due to a contagious disease such as measles, influenza, colds, etc., he is given an excused absence. So let your child's Principal know the reason for each absence. Make certain your children are in school unless they are ill. Dental and medical appointments should, if possible, be in the afternoon. When afternoon appointments are not possible, return your child to school as soon after the appointment as possible. Please help us help your children! Keep them in school.

## CRADLE ROLL CALL

February 6, 1969  
 ROBERT WILLIAM to CPL and MRS. Russell Eugene DILLINGER, USMC.  
 JAMES to CPL and MRS. Jerry H. GANT, USMC.  
 LEONARD DEAN, JR. to LCPL and MRS. Leonard Dean HEATH, USMC.  
 VALERIE ELAINE to CPL, and MRS. John William HENSON, JR., USMC.  
 STEPHANIE ANN MARGARET to HM3 and MRS. Gary Edward LICHTENSTEIN, USMC.  
 MATHEW PAUL to LCDR and MRS. William Joseph MORAN, USNR.

February 7, 1969  
 PAUL GUINN II to CAPT and MRS. Larry James DAVIS, USMC.  
 DANIEL DERRICK to SGT and MRS. Robert Leonard GORNIAK, USMC.  
 LISA MARIE to SSGT and MRS. Ronald Bernard JANSEN, USMC.  
 KRISTINA KAYE to CPL and MRS. David Ray ROBERTS, USMC.

February 8, 1969  
 FRANCES ELLEN to CPL and MRS. Edgar Lewis GRESHAM, USMC.  
 MICHAEL ROY to HM2 and MRS. Jimmie Alvin IRBY, USN.  
 DAVID PATRICK to SGT and MRS. James Patrick KELLY, USMC.

February 9, 1969  
 MAURICE NIGEL to PFC and MRS. Glenn Edward ISLER, USMC.  
 MICHAEL LEE to CPL and MRS. Ricky Lee MALEK, USMC.  
 ROBYN ANN to GYSGT and MRS. Ray Allen PAINTER, USMC.

February 10, 1969  
 CLARE MARIE to SSGT and MRS. Arthur Raymond HODGE, USMC.  
 DAVID TODD to GYSGT and MRS. William Franklin MILTON, JR., USMC.  
 TONJA MARIE to SGT and MRS. Kenneth James PAINTER, USMC.  
 MONICA LYNN to CPL and MRS. Joseph Welch TRIPP, JR., USMC.

February 11, 1969  
 KIMBERLY DAWN to CPL and MRS. Richard Paul BORK, USMC.  
 SUSAN MICHELLE to SGT and MRS. Bernard Louis FIORVANTI, USMC.  
 ROBERT JEFFREY to CPL and MRS. John Michael HOPKINS, USMC.  
 MICHAEL EARL to CPL and MRS. John Wayne ROGERS, USMC.  
 JEFFREY THOMAS to LCPL and MRS. Wendell Eugene TINSLEY, USMC.

February 12, 1969  
 ANGELA FAITH to CPL and MRS. Johnnie Ray LOWERY, USMC.

## It's The Law

### MILITARY

Servicemen convicted of illegal possession, use, sale or introduction into a military facility of habit-forming drugs are, under the UCMJ, subject to a maximum penalty of Dishonorable Discharge, forfeiture of all pay and allowances, plus confinement at hard labor for 10 years. The maximum penalty for conviction of illegal use, sale, possession or introduction into a military facility of marijuana is a Dishonorable Discharge, forfeiture of all pay and five years at hard labor.

### STATE and FEDERAL

State and federal laws governing illegal drug offenses are strict and unpleasant. State laws are, however, quite diverse in their punishment of those who illegally use, possess, sell, or transport marijuana, narcotics or dangerous drugs. Sentences and fines range from 90 days and \$90 fines for first offense of selling marijuana to a minor in one state, to 99 years and \$10,000 fines in another state for the same offense—first conviction.



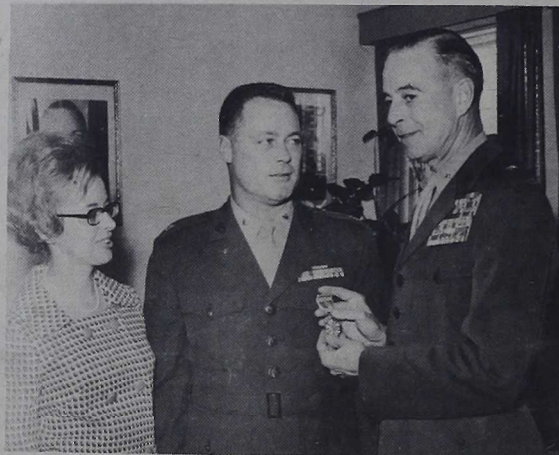
## Girl Scouts

The delivery of Girl Scout Cookies to those who placed advance orders will begin February 21. For those who missed this opportunity to purchase cookies, there will be a booth at the Main Exchange on Saturday, March 1, 9:30-2:30. If you have a problem concerning delivery, please call Mrs. Finucan, 353-4856.

Anyone with Girl Scout or Brownie uniforms, handbooks or equipment they would like to donate or sell through the Berkeley Manor - Paradise Point Neighborhood Girl Scout Uniform Exchange, please call 353-4650.

## Book Club

The possibility of forming a book club for servicemen's wives is currently under consideration. Anyone interested in the discussion group should contact Mrs. R.P. Hansen at 353-3684. The base librarian has consented to guide the reading-discussion group.



LEGION OF MERIT, with Combat "V" is awarded to Major Walter T. Cook, (center) Headquarters and Service Battalion, 2d Force Service Regiment by Brigadier General Foster C. LaHue, commanding general, Force Troops, for his service in the Republic of Vietnam, while Mrs. Myra L. Cook looks on. (Marine Corps Photo by SSGt. E.D. Grantham)

## What Are We Going To Do?

A few seasons ago, one of the songs from a Broadway musical asked "What Are We Going to Do About the Younger Generation?" It was a catchy little tune with entertaining lyrics that just might have had more of a message to it than we gave it credit for.

Maybe a better way to phrase the title would be "What Are We Doing About the Younger Generation?" Have we fallen into the seemingly age-old habit of discussing the "younger generation" in terms of gloom, shaking our heads and then forgetting all about them until the next time we decide to criticize them?

More important, are we doing anything to make sure there are opportunities, incentive and leadership the younger generation needs?

Servicemen and women have a tremendous chance to help guide

and direct our younger generation, to help them learn to do things better, more successfully and more intelligently - and to help them have a youth they can look back on with pleasure.

Whether as a volunteer playground supervisor, coach, tutor, Boy or Girl Scout leader or working with the summer Youth Opportunity Program or Neighborhood Youth Corps, members of the Armed Forces can help equip the youth of our country to lead productive and responsible lives.

By volunteering our time to help in various programs, we can help mold today's youngsters into tomorrow's capable, conscientious citizens.

The future of our Nation rests in the hands of our young people. We can and should help see to it that those hands are strong and able.

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# EOD Personnel Always Prepared

He's a unique brand of Marine - he waits for something to happen - hopes it won't - but when it does, no matter how dangerous, he is prepared.

He is a member of a select group of skilled Marines known as the Explosive Ordnance Disposal (EOD) and his job is to disarm and defuse live explosives.

There are only 175 EOD men presently on active duty, making it one of the smallest special mission forces in the Marine Corps.

The team of nine Marines is led by Second Lieutenant Don Strong and has more than half of a century of combined experience.

The daily job of the EOD team member is, by nature of their work, limited, but they provide one of their experts to oversee training ranges in order that fault-

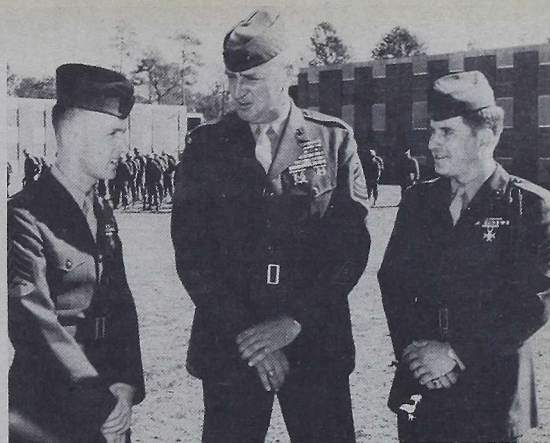
ty explosives may be taken care of on the spot.

"We spend most of our days on the hand grenade range defusing grenades that have not exploded when thrown," stated Lt. Strong,

"As soon as the grenade is thrown and it is determined that it will not explode, we send one man into the impact area to defuse it before another is thrown."

When first entering this field a Marine will spend two weeks at Fort McClellan, Alabama, studying chemical ordnance. He next goes to the Naval Ordnance Station, Indian Head. Each EOD man is trained to defuse everything from a .22 calibre rifle projectile to a missile with nuclear warhead.

For the EOD team at Camp Geiger, danger is not the exception but the rule. The men have the training to meet it.



OLD TIMES and past battles are discussed by First Sergeant Leland D. Crawford (center) and Sergeants John McEntegart (left), "B" Company, 2d Reconnaissance Battalion, Second Marine Division and Charles Hauser, "G" Company, 2d Battalion, 6th Marines, Second Marine Division during a reunion at the Force Troops Complex. The three Marines once served together in "A" Company, 1st Battalion, 4th Marines, Third Marine Division in the Republic of Vietnam. (Photo by SSgt. Ed Gratham)

Expert



MOUD ROUND - Sergeant Bob [Name] files an 81mm mortar round for classroom demonstrations. At one time the round was live and EOD disarmed it. (Photo by Sgt. Dan Carter)

## Clark Gets 2 Medals

A wounded Marine tanker, who survived intense sniper fire to aid wounded comrades, has been awarded two combat decorations for his heroic service in the Republic of Vietnam.

Corporal Stephen D. Clark, 2d Tank Battalion, Force Troops, received the Bronze Star Medal and Navy Achievement Medal with Combat "V's" (for valor) for his actions while serving with 3d Tank Battalion, 3d Marine Division.

The decorations were awarded during a formal ceremony held at the 2d Tank Battalion by Lieutenant Colonel J.L. Saul, Battalion commander.



THIS TRIGGERS - Chief Warrant Officer Don Bean (right) shows SSgt. Fred Parrish the tricky trigger mechanism of a rocket. EOD men must be familiar with all kinds of explosives. (Photo by Sgt. Dan Carter)

## FMFLant Commander Observes BLT 2/6 Landing Demonstration

Lieutenant General R.G. Weede, the Commanding General of Fleet Marine Force Atlantic, and members of a State Department Senior Seminar in Foreign Policy watched as the Marines of Battalion Landing Team (BLT) 2/6 swept across Blue Beach Vieques during a demonstration landing.

The landing was a multi-purpose demonstration designed to show the might of the Navy-Marine Corps Team and to create an awareness among the Puerto Rican people of an available Force in Readiness prepared to take counter measures against any contingency should the need arise.

The landing was also intended to demonstrate the degree of effectiveness to which the Marine Corps is capable of carrying out its mission on the Caribbean Sea Frontier.

Prior to the landing, the members of the seminar, which was composed of representatives from various government affiliated organizations, the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) and

the Federal Aviation Agency (FAA) to name only a few, were briefed on the equipment and weapons that provide a battalion landing team with its awesome firepower and ability to strike with staggering speed.

Navy Leaguers, civilian news correspondents and representatives of the Puerto Rican Government were also among the distinguished guests who witnessed the demonstration landing.



HELIBORNE MARINES from BLT 2-6 size a range line during a special landing exercise on Vieques Island, Puerto Rico.

## Awards Now Routine

By SSgt. ED GRANTHAM

A Marine Corps awards ceremony is an impressive sight as the men march before a formation of their comrades to be honored for combat service. But for one Force Troops senior non-commissioned officer, the ritual has almost become routine.

First Sergeant Leland D. Crawford, Communication Company, 8th Communication Battalion has stepped before his commanding officer five times in the past three months to be decorated for his combat service in the Republic of Vietnam.

Since his return from Vietnam in September, 1968, 1stSgt. Crawford has been awarded the Bronze Star with Combat "V" (for valor) twice, the Purple Heart and the Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry twice.

His latest decoration, the Gold Star in lieu of his second Bronze Star Medal, was presented by Lieutenant Colonel W. H. Stoetzer, 8th Communication Battalion Commanding Officer for 1stSgt. Crawford's meritorious service as First Sergeant of Company "A", 1st Battalion, 4th Marines, Third Marine Division.

A 17-year Marine Corps veteran, the 38-year-old First Sergeant places most of the credit for his decorations on the young infantrymen of his company. "They are the finest fighting men in the world. I have never served with better men," he said.

Having completed two 13-month tours of duty in Vietnam, 1stSgt. Crawford could be classified as an expert on the modern Marine in combat.

His first tour was spent with Company "L", 4th Battalion, 12th Marines, as part of Battalion Landing Team 1-3. This unit was one of the first artillery batteries to land in Vietnam and operated in the DaNang area.

His second tour from August 1967 to September 1968 was with the 4th Marines. It was during this time that 1stSgt. Crawford earned his first Bronze Star. His company, "A" of the 1st Battalion, was assigned to re-

cover two casualties from an area near Ca Lu in Quang Tri Province just south of the Demilitarized Zone.

As the Marines approached the area, the enemy detonated six anti-personnel mines, wounding 11 men. Realizing the seriousness of the situation, 1stSgt. Crawford disregarded his own safety and immediately commenced moving forward.

Observing that the company commander was mortally wounded, he unhesitatingly took charge of the unit and fearlessly moved about the hazardous terrain directing the successful recovery of all Marine casualties.

Then, leading the company to a nearby bomb crater, he skillfully deployed his men to provide security for the helicopter landing zone and attempted to evacuate the wounded.

His service to the Vietnamese people earned the six-foot four-inch Marine one of that country's highest decorations, the Cross of Gallantry, on two occasions.

When 1stSgt. Crawford talks about the modern Marine, he can look back over six years of service on the drill fields of Marine Corps Recruit Depots at Parris Island, S. C., and San Diego, Calif., to the 1200 young men he taught the basics of military life to while serving as a senior Drill Instructor, and speak with authority.

"They are the best trained, best equipped and the best Americans you will find anywhere," he said. After completing over 17 major unit operations and hundreds of small unit actions in Vietnam, 1stSgt. Crawford knows his men and his Marine Corps well.

In addition, to his personal combat decorations, he holds the Presidential Unit Citation with a bronze star, the Navy Unit Citation, The Marine Corps Good Conduct Medal, National Defense Service Medal, Korean Service Medal, Korean Presidential Unit Citation, United Nations Service Medal, Vietnamese Service Medal and the Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal.

# A Determined People Work

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## The Sound Of Hue Today Don't

By MASTER GUNNERY SGT.  
C. F. X. HOUTS

The sounds of Hue today are brave sounds, 'busy sounds—the sounds of a determined people rebuilding a shattered city.

Torn apart during the Communist Tet Offensive of 1968,



AFTERMATH — Army of the Republic of Vietnam troops raised the Vietnamese colors atop one of the gates in the Imperial walled city after nearly a month of bitter fighting.

Hue, after a year of reconstruction, is rising anew, Phoenix-like, as the debris is cleared from her streets; and her homes, her business places, her shrines and her landmarks are rebuilt.

It hasn't happened overnight; it's been going on for a year. It won't be completed today or tomorrow; perhaps some of the scars will never disappear, but the once-beautiful city of Hue is healing herself with the aid of thousands of willing, tireless hands.

In the reconstruction of Hue and the outlying districts, primary consideration was given to communications, food and medical supplies, shelter, education, transportation, and the local economy, not necessarily in that order because several, if not all of these factors, were equally important.

"The Hue television and radio stations were put back into operation as soon as possible," a member of Civil Operations and Revolutionary Development Support (CORDS) says. "The Vietnamese Government and the military had to have some means of communicating with the populace."

In almost every instance of reconstruction, it is the people who do the work, helping themselves and their neighbors to put Hue back together again.

Vinh Thai, educational specialist for CORDS in Thua Thien Province, was studying law at Hue University when the Communist Tet Offensive began.

"Actually, we were shocked when the Communists came in such numbers," he says. "We knew that the Vietnamese Army (ARVN) and U. S. forces would drive them out and we realized that our beautiful, ancient city would be damaged in the process. I think the defeat of the Viet Cong in Hue was worth the tragedy our city had to bear.

"The fact that our troops, Vietnamese and American, were able to drive them out, they feel, is proof that the Communists can't win here."

This confidence is evident in the growth of the population of Hue. Before Tet there were some 140,000 people in the Hue area. Now there are close to 164,000. This increase is not due to an influx of refugees.

Food was another major problem in the days following the Tet Offensive, and the two main markets in the Hue area—Cho Dong Ba in Hue, and Cho An Cuu, outside of Hue—had been destroyed.

Cho Dong Ba might not have compared favorably with a State-side shopping center, but even before Tet a construction firm was hard at work on a two-level building to house the numerous market stands. Construction was halted when the owner of the firm was killed by the Viet Cong in Hue.

Then Vietnamese Army engineers teamed up with Marines and U. S. soldiers and a temporary market place was built. Right in the heart of that teeming, boisterous market, work has

been resumed on the new building.

A 70-year old woman, owner of a fruit and vegetable stand, ran her work-gnarled fingers along a livid scar that ran from her wrist up her forearm to a place she indicated at her elbow—her souvenir, a grim trophy of the Tet Offensive of 1968.

Was she worried about another Tet Offensive?

Not she! Her confident grin revealed toothless gums as she pointed to a place on the second level of the building where she'll set up her business once the new Cho Dong Ba is finished.

On the other side of the Perfume River, on the road to Phu Bai, another temporary market has been set up to replace Cho An Cuu, completely destroyed during last year's Tet. The VC had occupied An Cuu market, using it as a food supply point and as a command post for troops in and around An Cuu. It was destroyed.

While perhaps not as large and elaborate as the Dong Ba market, the An Cuu market is every bit as bustling with activity.

Both markets are well supplied with foodstuffs, materials, and manufactured articles from all over South Vietnam.



HISTORIC LANDMARK — The Flag Tower of Vietnam (foreground) is the highest point in the Citadel.



MOPPING UP — Marines move cautiously through streets to mop up pockets of resistance.



# Build Their Shattered City

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## Stable The Rumbblings Of Last Year

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patch of canvas between the trees, set up a chair and a mirror, drawn a bucket of water from the river, and is shaving a customer.

Several yards from him is a shoe repairman busily plying his trade amid a confusion of worn shoes, while his wife cooks his lunch on a stove made from a five-gallon can.

For a short while, water shortage was a problem in post-Tet Hue; but, fortunately, the Perfume River, fed by myriad mountain streams, is pure and potable, except in extremely dry periods when the salt waters of the South China Sea back up into the river, sometimes even killing the water lilies whose fragrance gave the river its name.

Today, however, water systems throughout the city provide fresh water, fresh enough to drink straight from the tap—a wonder in Vietnam.

Refreshment stands offer soft drinks and candies, and young boys and girls stroll through the crowd hawking ice cream and "popsicles."

Inside the city, repair work goes on night and day. Repairs to homes, business places to shrines, temples and churches, to public buildings and to the

many public monuments that make the ancient capital a truly beautiful city.

The same scenes of busy reconstruction can be seen throughout the villages and hamlets of Thua Thien Province.

While the fighting raged up and down Duy Tan Street right in front of his drug store, Tran Van Bai, an An Cuu pharmacist, said he and his family prayed that the Viet Cong would be driven out.

"The Communists were everywhere, looting shops and burning what they didn't want," he says. "We knew that if they weren't defeated, they'd take everything and continue slaughtering our people."

"Some of us are worried that this Tet will bring another attack; some of us feel a little apprehensive, but I think that any VC attack, even with the North Vietnamese behind them, will fail. That's because the last attack brought us all closer together."

Throughout Thua Thien, a force of some 36,000 volunteers has been formed into a Popular Self Defense Force. Of these, about 27,000 have already undergone training.

During the daytime, many of the girl members of the Self-Defense Forces—some armed with carbines and rifles—stand guard at strategic points. At night, the men take over.

Traditionally, Tet is, among other things, a time to spend with the folks at home. According to a male nurse at the Hue University Hospital, many of the patients fortunately left when the offensive started.

"Of the VC force that invaded the hospital, about 20 took up a defensive position in one of our wards," Nguyen Than, a male nurse, says, pointing to a demolished ward. "They were finally driven out and killed but that ward will have to be torn down." The hospital dates back to when the French were a power in Vietnam.

Perhaps the full extent of the destruction and carnage suffered by the old Capital City of Hue will never be known. It is known that more than 1,000 civilians were killed in the fighting or were executed by the VC; and many more were wounded—700 seriously and uncounted others less seriously.

Within the Citadel and on the left and right banks of the Perfume River, and in other Thua Thien areas, CORDS records show that 25,800 homes were 50- to 100-percent destroyed, and another 10,000 damaged to lesser degrees.

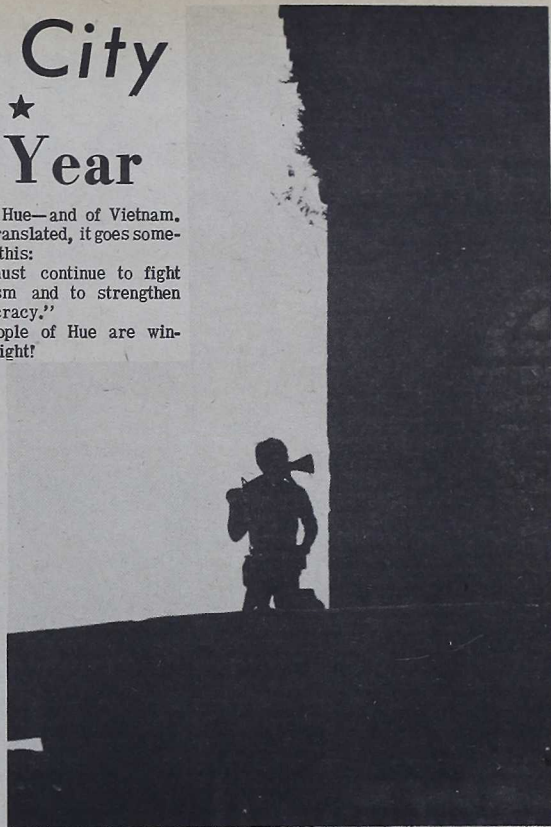
"All we ask," says a young man of 20, working on the roof of his father's house and wearing the uniform of the Army of the Republic of Vietnam, "is a chance to rebuild for our families and a chance to destroy the VC."

On the base of the Flag Tower of Vietnam, located within the walls of the Citadel and overlooking the ancient city, is the

motto of Hue—and of Vietnam. Roughly translated, it goes something like this:

"We must continue to fight Communism and to strengthen our democracy."

The people of Hue are winning that fight!



CONSTANT WATCH — You can always depend on the enemy . . . to strike when least expected. Vietnamese guards keep a keen eye on the city from atop the Citadel walls as Hue grids itself for "Tet" 1969.

SILENCING A SNIPER — A Marine from 2/5 fires M-79 Grenade Launcher from window to stop NVA sniper.

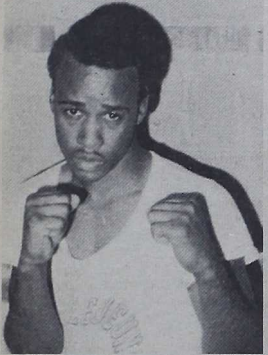


STREET REPAIR — Vietnamese Repair Trinh Ma, the main street in the walled city.

# Boxers Maul Opposition, Capture 7 AAU Titles

The Marine Corps boxing team swept to a team victory in the North Carolina Amateur Athletic Union meets Saturday, gaining an unprecedented seven championships from their nine-man traveling squad.

Everyone of the Marines who moved through the semi-finals won in the championships, as the



Larry Carlisle

Leathernecks earned their most impressive victory of the season.

The meet's most notable pugilist was welterweight Larry Carlisle. The powerful Leatherneck, who was voted the meet's outstanding boxer and now sports an 8-1 overall worksheet with five knockouts, blazed through the quarter and semi-finals with first round knockouts. In the finals, he met the 82nd, Airborne's Anthony Stoddard, a quick moving, "style" fighter. Carlisle slugged it out with him in the opening round, but settled down for the last two, staying outside and connecting from

## Lejeune Archery

The Camp Lejeune Archers held their annual election of club officers February 9. Taking over the reins as president was SSgt. Grant Patton. Lt. John Bates was named vice president and Mrs. Joan Patton and Lt. Chuck Lang were elected secretary/treasurer and range captain respectively.

In the recently completed Eastern Carolina Archery shoot, the Archers captured two first place trophies.

Sergeant Craig Moore took honors in the B Class, shooting a 275 out of a possible 300.

Mike Langin shot his way to first place in the Junior Boys Class with a 182 out of 300.

This season's Eastern Carolina Archery League shoot will be held at the New River Air Station, March 16. Registration will be at noon and the shoot will commence at 1 p.m. As the meet is to be held in the Air Station's gym, participants are requested to wear rubber soled shoes.

The Range Captain would like to remind those individuals who desire to use the field range that they must be a club member or be accompanied by a club member. The practice area, however, located near the clubhouse is open to all

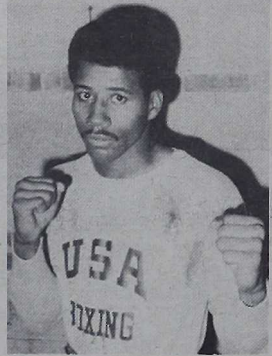
long range with sharp jabs and crosses. He won the match on a unanimous decision.

Light middleweight Richard Royal, one of the Marines' alternates on the 1968 Olympic team and current National Golden Gloves Champ, also earned State AAU honors.

The stylish Royal, who possessed two of the quickest hands in the tournament, handily moved into the finals by virtue of a knockout over Tom McBride and a decision over James Thorpe. In the championships, he decided Lenny Harden in a bitterly contested battle.

James Williams took the meet's heavyweight title. Williams, who looks like a large, cuddly bear but hits with the force of a midsummer hurricane, literally devastated a host of hapless opponents, capping his three days of carnage with a second-round knockout over Eugene Williams.

Jimmy Ham outpointed his old Navy nemesis, Quincelan Daniels, in the quarter finals and went on to secure the light welterweight crown for the Marines. Ham, who had lost all of his previous four encounters with Daniels, forced the sailor to come



Richard Royal

## Div. Shooters Victorious

Camp Lejeune's Rifle and Pistol Team each fired once this month in sanctioned meets.

The Pistol team journeyed to Conover, N.C. February 8, to compete in the National Indoor Sectional Pistol Championships. Vying in a field of seven teams, the Division pistolmen took top honors in the four-man sectional match, registering a 1116 with 27 x's.

Individual laurels were gained by SSgt. J.E. Williams, who won the .22 Rapid Fire Match with a 196 and five x's.

This past weekend found the Division's riflemen at home in a match that attracted service shooters from as far North as Quantico, Va. and as far South as Ft. Benning, Ga.

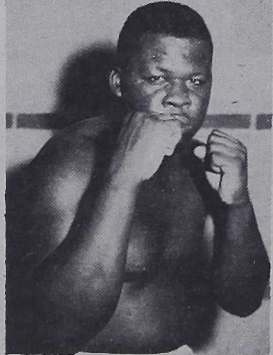
The Division marksmen were the high service winners and placed second in overall competition. Sparking the Division effort were outstanding matches by Sergeant D.P. Newsome, who took fourth master in the Grand

Aggregate of the service rifle and won the 300 Rapid fire match. He scored a 751 with 13 x's

to him this time, softening him up with body damage and jabs to the head.

In the finals, Ham took a decision from hometown favorite Rico Rey.

Current New Jersey AAU champ Jimmy Parks captured his second AAU state title in the lightweight division.



James Williams

Championship action saw the aggressive Leatherneck pound out a decision over Jiles Wiles. Parks kept Wiles off balance and at bay with jabs and left hooks to the body, and by the flight's conclusion was hitting him at will.

Stylish Cecil Beverly put two wins together to take the bantam weight crown. He decided Roebuck, North Carolina's Robert Mullins in the semi-finals and sent the Army's John Washington crashing to the canvas late in the first round of the championships.

The final Marine to win a State title was Ray Russell, who emerged victorious in the light-heavyweight affair. Forced to fight but once, Russell made short work of his Army opponent Jefferson Lawrence, knocking him out early in the second round.

in the Grand Aggregate and 1974 with seven x's in the 300 Rapid. GySgt. Brotherton copped high Service Rifle honors in the 300 Rapid, shooting a 193 with two x's.

## Little League

Registration for the coming little league baseball season will commence March 1 and 8 from 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. at the Tarawa Terrace Community Center and Marston Pavilion. Athletic cards may be purchased at either location at the time of registration.

## Volleyball

First Infantry Training Regiment outlasted Marine Corps Engineer School 14-11 in the finals of the Base Volleyball tournament Tuesday night to take the tourney, three games to two.

ITR had won the first game 15-5, but was stopped short in the second 15-6. Both teams battled evenly in the finals until ITR went out ahead in the final minutes of play.

## the 11th Frame



By BEV FUENTES

The Parent-Child Tournament will be held March 1. Entries for this one-day tournament must be in by Feb. 22. Entry forms may be obtained at the desk.

If you are unable to bowl with your child, adopted parents are available. For further information contact Joyce Connell, the tournament director, 353-4944.

In Ladies Scratch Trio action, Bev Fuentes had a 221-575, Lil McGreevy a 200-541, Joyce Connell a 521. Elaine Redlinger had a 207 game and Lillie Nishimura a 200.

In Men's Scratch Trio play, John Bodal had games of 204-200 for a 603 series. Rick Parker had a 559.

In the Coffee and Tea league, Sam Lodginski rolled a 205-575, Vicki Hill a 563, Pat Fox a 534 and Judy Elfreth a 523. Charlotte Lauer had the high game of 225. Gloria Blackwood converted the 6-7-10 split.

In the Early Bird Mixed, Ron Millar led the men with a 570. Bob Blumenthal had a 205-534 and Worth Hinnant a 526. Dot Cahoon came up with a 194 game. Howard Simms had a 218.

In the Leftover league, Walt New scored a 202-530 and Aldiene Pike a 534. Archie Baker had a 231 game. Bernice Bollman took top honors with a 221-551. Sharon Venable converted the 6-7 split.

In Naval Hospital Mixed action, Bill Colvin led the men with a 223-577. Bob Boutelle had a

544. Dottie Statzer led the women with a 214-594, Elaine Redlinger had a 538.

In the Thursday Night Men's league, Joe Raduke had a 240-578 and P. Martinez a 223-559. Ken Beisheim came up with a 515 game.

In the Staff NCO league, Marty Martinez had games of 235-226 for a 605 total. Archie Baker had a 215-602, Jerry Pace a 580 and John Matson 583. Gene Therrien had a 232 game.

In the Paradise Point Mixed, Bob Adams rolled a 217-569 and Ed Cahill a 201-557. Helen Christopherson led the women with a 520 and Lil McGreevy had a 509. Ken Morgan had a 205 and Bob Redlinger a 200 game.

In Hits and Misses action, John Dunn led with a 570. Bill Whaley had a 211-569. Bob Keller had a 209 game.

In the MCB Intramural league, Dan Zoerb had two nice games of 220-224 for a 606 series. Crystal Howorth rolled a 224-572, Curt Parks a 206-556, Harry Coates a 552.

The Sunrisers saw Elaine Redlinger high for the day with a 533. Betty Simms had a 523. Georgene Goodwin picked up the 2-7-9-10 split.

In the Bowlerettes league, Bernice Bollman had a 514, Fusaka Ferrari a 505 and Libby Wagoner a 500. Jonnie Maynard converted the 6-7-10 split.

## Quantico Set To Host All-Marine Tournament

QUANTICO, Va. - Five teams will compete in the 19th annual All-Marine Basketball Tournament scheduled February 24-28 at Larson Gym here.

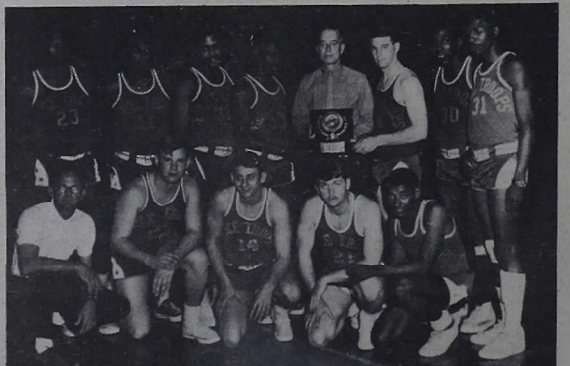
Varsity entries from New River Air Station, and Hawaii, along with regional all-star teams from the East and West Coasts will attempt to upset defending champion Quantico. The winner will represent the Marine Corps in the Interservice championships in March.

The Quantico cagers are riding a seven-game winning streak and

are 19-9 overall. Last year, Quantico defeated Hawaii 95-80 in the All-Marine finals.

The New River entry, in its first year of varsity competition, currently is 7-11, while the Hawaiian squad is 6-11.

The East Coast team will be represented by the Force Troops All-Stars, winners of the East Coast Regional Tournament held recently at Camp Lejeune. The Force Troops entry will be augmented by the top players from that tournament.



FORCE TROOPS All-Stars receive congratulations from their Commanding General, Brigadier General LaHue, after winning the East Coast Regional Basketball Tournament.

# Marines Would Rather Fight Than Switch

## ★ ★ Area 2 Gym Scene Of 'Smoker Fights' ★ ★

Y PFC ANDY BYRNES  
 np Lejeune's 2d Marines  
 d their packs and rifles  
 oxing trunks and sets of  
 nce gloves last Wednesday  
 oon at the Area 2 gym.

The reason for the change was  
 a program of "smoker fights"  
 organized by 1st Lieutenant John  
 O'Brien of 2d Marines Special  
 Services.

The purpose of the program

was to offer a different type of  
 entertainment that would allow  
 troops the opportunity to partici-  
 pate in the action as well as  
 watch from the stands.

In answer to notices posted  
 on barracks doors, quite a few  
 would-be pugilists reported to  
 the Area 2 gym to begin training  
 for the big day. Under the watch-  
 ful eye of Gunnery Sergeant  
 "Rocky" Winstead, present  
 coach of the Camp Lejeune box-  
 ing team, the fighters progressed  
 until they were ready to turn in  
 worthwhile performances in the  
 ring.

On February 12th, as the  
 sounds of a capacity crowd echoed  
 through the gym, the fights  
 began. During the ensuing donny-  
 brook, new names were added to  
 Camp Lejeune's boxing hall of  
 fame.

Men such as "John Wayne"  
 Green and "Divine" Formby  
 stepped into the ring to punch  
 their way to a moment of glory.

Not only did the boxers batter  
 one another, but a great many of  
 the blows landed uncomfortably  
 close to the referee, the indom-  
 itable Gunny "Rock" Winstead.  
 On one occasion, "The Rock,"  
 a former amateur boxer himself,  
 found that he no longer possessed  
 the catlike agility of old, and fell  
 victim to a wayward punch.

In the light welterweight divi-  
 sion, Jimmie Loffin scored a  
 unanimous decision over John  
 Barnes. In the welterweight divi-  
 sion, "G" Company slugger  
 Phil Compton won a unanimous  
 decision over Clawdad Jefferson  
 of "D" Company.

Light middleweight slugger  
 Randy Confer of "I" Company  
 decided John Geitz of "G"  
 Company. In the middleweight  
 class, two men fought their way  
 to championships, "John Wayne"

Green of "G" Company scored  
 a technical knockout over Jerry  
 Finch, also from "G" Company,  
 and Ralph Bellamy of "I" Com-  
 pany won a split verdict over  
 Rap Honore.

In the light heavyweight divi-  
 sion, "Mule" Hart from "E"  
 Company scored a unanimous deci-  
 sion over "K" Company slugger,  
 "Hammerhead" Jones. The  
 heavyweight division also pro-  
 duced two champions, "Divine"

Formby of "G" Company won  
 a split decision over Len Hol-  
 comb, and Dick Miller of "G"  
 Company won a split verdict  
 over Willie Winston of "I" Com-  
 pany

Due to the enthusiasm with  
 which the program was received,  
 similar "smokers" will be held  
 once a month in the Area 2 gym.  
 All Marines who are interested  
 in becoming ring giants are in-  
 vited to train at the gym any  
 time.



TWO MEN of the 2d Marines flail away at each other during  
 at Area 2 Gymnasium "smoker fights." (Photo by LCpl.  
 Andrew Lynch)



MIDDLEWEIGHT SLUGGER "John Wayne" Green throws a  
 hard left enroute to a unanimous decision over Jerry Finch.  
 (Photo by LCpl. Andy Lynch)

## Lejeune Outdoors

By JAMES A. WESTMORELAND JR.

The hunting season for this year has almost come to an end,  
 for most of us it has been one that we will never forget. Most  
 of us here at Lejeune had a very good year, thanks to the well  
 managed wildlife system we have aboard Base.

There were 438 deer killed here this season with the organized  
 taking 335 deer and the individual hunter bagging 103.

One thing for sure, I didn't hurt the deer population. I missed  
 bucks in a row hunting with Major McClellan's organized

The sixth Stag was less than 20 feet from me and with a rack  
 of least 10 points, but I don't feel too bad. Two other fellow  
 hunters missed him before I shot my two rounds.

Let's not forget our Spring Turkey hunt which is coming up very  
 soon. There is a good population of turkeys this year. Let's keep it  
 that way and kill only the "Toms". Be sure and familiarize your-  
 self with our Base Regulations concerning the Spring Turkey

and by all means don't forget SAFETY. Remember, know where  
 you shoot, what you shoot, and the proper way to handle a weapon  
 while hunting or at home.

Don't get me wrong, I'm not up on fresh water fishing, but I heard from a reliable  
 source that there were some big bass taken from South West Creek  
 last weekend.

The Rod and Gun club will hold  
 their next meeting February 20 at  
 8:00 P.M. All members and guest  
 are invited to attend. At this  
 meeting Base Sergeant Major  
 will be installed as the New  
 President of the Rod and Gun  
 Club. Believing Captain Van John-  
 son, our thanks to Navy Captain  
 Johnson for his fine work  
 associated with the Rod and  
 Gun Club here at Lejeune.

The Big Buck contest sponsor-  
 ing the Rod and Gun Club  
 for the 1968 Deer season was  
 the following: 1st place  
 was GySgt. Walters, who won  
 on a gauge shotgun. 3rd place

went to Lt. Haskell of 2nd  
 Marine Division P.M.O. He won  
 himself a nice \$25.00 Gift Cer-  
 tificate.

## Sports Cars

Drivers of sports cars often  
 "gear down" instead of using  
 their brakes when they wish to  
 slow down. This prevents the  
 warning flash of the stop lights  
 and can result in a rear-end col-  
 lision.

"Gearing down" to slow down  
 in traffic should be avoided if  
 you drive a sports car, warns  
 the National Safety Council, and  
 anticipated against, if you follow  
 one.

## Marines Defeated By French Cagers

By SGT. J.W. THOMPSON

NICE, FRANCE - A non-tradi-  
 tional rivalry of the competi-  
 tive sport of basketball took  
 place here recently, as Sailor-  
 Marine forces combined to play

the French Post Office Team in  
 Nice.

At the outset, the game seemed  
 to be in favor of the French  
 team, but the second half showed  
 the underdog Navy-Marine team

did not wholly agree with the  
 idea of playing "second fiddle"  
 both halves, despite the unoffi-  
 cial 74-61 loss.

As for the actual competition,  
 the first half was dominated by  
 the French cagers. The second  
 half, however, proved to be an  
 almost entirely different matter  
 as the Navy-Marine team began  
 to move. With the help of BLT  
 1/2's six foot six Corporal A.  
 Chamberlain and the USS LA-  
 SALLE'S sharpshooting ace SN  
 B. Gillespie, (who had a total  
 of 22 points) the LASALLE team  
 closed the gap to four points  
 in the third period. The major-  
 ity of the teams shots came  
 on a steady stream of long jump  
 shots, and fast break layups that  
 enabled the LASALLE team to  
 take the second half by four  
 baskets.

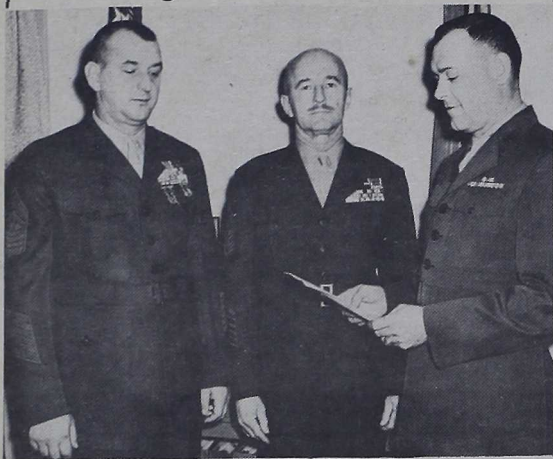
Piloting the American team  
 was senior Chief J.E. Hill of  
 the USS LASALLE, who kept  
 his team constantly on the move  
 throughout the game.

The French team played an  
 outstanding game both halves.  
 Their quick calls and accuracy  
 in shooting plus plenty of team-  
 work and good sportsmanship  
 were the major factors which  
 brought about their victory.



CPL. CHAMBERLAIN snaps quick jumpshot. (Photo by  
 Cpl. J.L. Brand)

## New Sergeant Major



SERGEANT MAJOR John Kalinowski (left) relieves First Sergeant Clarence E. Kelly, 2d Tank Battalion, Force Troops. Sgt. Kalinowski reports to the battalion from 1st Marine Aircraft Wing in the Republic of Vietnam. 1st Sgt. Kelley will report to recruiting duty in Worcester, Mass. Battalion Commander Lieutenant Colonel J.L. Saul reads the order authorizing the change. (Photo by Sgt. J.V. Harper)

# Navy Capt. Runs Gamut Of Ranks

By LCpl. G.D. MOATS  
From recruit to Navy Captain in 43 years and still going strong. That's Captain Bernard F. Duwel, Commanding Officer, Field Medical Service School.

Capt. Duwel recently celebrated the beginning of his 44th year with the U.S. Navy. After entering the Navy on January 27, 1926, at Cincinnati, Ohio, Capt. Duwel progressed through the enlisted ranks and was appointed a permanent Chief Pharmacist in 1937.

Having been selected for the Medical Service Corps at its inception in 1947, he started his trek through the officer ranks and was promoted to permanent Captain in June, 1962. This is the highest rank presently attainable in the Medical Corps. Capt. Duwel is the senior Supply and Administration officer of the Medical Corps on active duty.

In his 43 years with the Navy, Capt. Duwel has served in various types of ships and facilities, including destroyers, submarines, naval hospitals, Marine Corps installations, and on foreign shores, including Samoa, Canal Zone, and Puerto Rico.

Having served during World War II as Medical Administrative Officer in a mobile base hos-

pital in the South Pacific, Capt. Duwel later assisted in the establishment of the Naval School of Hospital Administration, and as its second commanding officer after spending six years as executive officer and academic director.

For four years, he was executive officer and Director of Studies of the Class A, B, and C Schools in Portsmouth, Virginia.

Capt. Duwel, who took the reins as commanding officer of "Field Med School", Montford Point on May 7, 1966, said in a recent interview that he will reach the mandatory Navy retirement age of 62 on October 1, 1969, and as he attains "the Navy's forced official age of senility and decrepitude he envies the younger men of his Corps their oppor-



CAPTAIN Bernard F. Duwel

tunity to continue to serve on the active list."

The Captain says "I have enjoyed my few short years of naval service and would gladly relinquish ten or twenty years of my past service to anyone for the opportunity to continue on active duty."

## Food For Thought

**Military Leadership:** The art of influencing and directing men in such a way as to obtain their willing obedience, confidence, respect, and loyal cooperation to accomplish the mission. Scientific studies, in industry and the military service, point out the leader as a primary cause in personnel turnover.

Men stay or quit because of leadership or the lack of leadership. In other words, leadership has a great effect on retention. You, as leaders, are the ones on whom the career planning program depends.

You, as a leader, are as much a career planner as I am, and if you are a good one, our retention rate will increase and af-

ford us the opportunity to be more selective in the choice of whom we retain as our future leaders and raise the standards of the Marine Corps.

All of us, Officers and NCO's, should take a closer look at ourselves. Are we applying the principles of leadership? Do some of us know what they are and how they are applied? We are leaders by virtue of our rank but this does not give us leadership abilities.

Leadership is not a promotion warrant or a larger pay check, but rather it is principles which, if applied every day, will retain men and accomplish our mission.

## Legion Of Merit

Lieutenant Colonel Louis A. Ram, executive officer, 6th Marines, was recently presented the Legion of Merit with Combat "V" for his work in organizing fire bases in Vietnam last year. The award was presented during ceremonies in the Regimental Headquarters with Colonel Richard H. Kern, 6th Marines Commanding Officer, doing the honors.



HERE'S TO GOOD HEALTH says a number of hands as they pass their contribution to Headquarters Company, Force Troops Mail Clerk, Cpl. Gordon H. Edington. The 1969 National Health Agencies and International Services Agencies Fund Drive kicked off last Friday with key men meeting for the start of the drive at the Camp Theater. (Marine Corps Photo By Cpl. Al May)

# BLT 1/2 Marines Lend Helping Hand To Orphans

For nineteen orphan girls and boys of Nice's La Bonne Semence orphanage, this winter will be a little warmer, more comfortable, and much happier, thanks to the Marines of 1st Platoon, "B" Company, 2d Tank Battalion, BLT 1-2.

The Marines, who came from the USS LASALLE anchored in nearby Ville Granche, found their time well spent in helping the homeless children. As the orphans went on with their daily routine of schoolwork, the Marines chopped firewood, cut

grass, painted, and performed other useful jobs.

Following the chores, the Marines were invited to participate in one of the orphanages favorite games; Dodge-ball french style. Girlish giggles and shrieks, and wide smiles on the faces of the children were proof enough of their enjoyment of their Marine visitors. After the game, the Marines were treated to refreshments and several farewell songs which culminated their stay for that day.

The commanding officer of the

1st Platoon Tank Volunteers, 1st Lieutenant G. L. Rivera, said that part of the reason for the aid of the tanks, was in memorial of two of their fellow tankers who lost their lives during a recent training operation.

Gunnery Sergeant Robert R. Rice, Platoon Sergeant of the Marines, stated that, "It was completely a voluntary mission" and from beginning to end, the "Tankers" plunged wholeheartedly into the "operation", to make it a success and capture

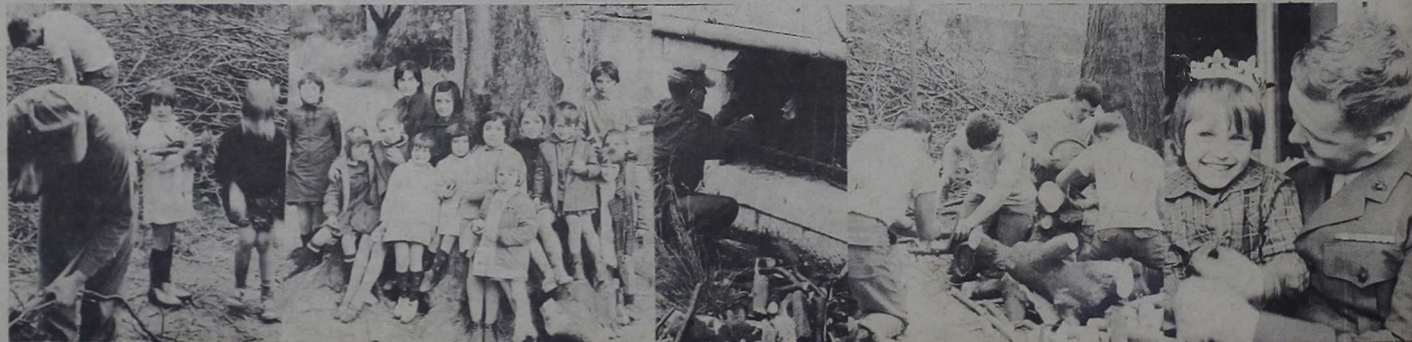
the hearts of the little children.

Helping the orphans went a little further as the Marines saw one more way to do them a lasting favor. On payday, a collection of over two hundred dollars was taken to buy the orphanage a badly needed refrigerator. The presentation of the refrigerator was made to the super risers of the orphanage by Chaplain Solomon.

In final tribute to the Marines, a celebration was held in their

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Sgt. John Thompson  
**Photos By:**  
Cpl. Joe Brand

honor by the orphanage. The clinking of wine glasses toasted not only the Marines help and generosity; but their profuse friendship, and gave Marines as well as orphans, a day to remember.



# Activities Calendar

## Notice

Guadalcanal, Tarawa, Saipan, and Okinawa will be brought back into the news Sunday when the Second Marine Division is highlighted on "Eagle, Globe, and Anchor." The Division's proud and colorful history of 28 years will be reviewed on film and sound on WUBE - Channel 12 at 12:30 p.m. Don't miss it!

## Catholic Guild

The next meeting of the Camp Lejeune Catholic Women's Guild will be a covered dish supper, on Thursday, February 27, at 7:00 p.m., at the Berkley Manor School.

All members and their husbands are invited to attend. Admission will be a covered dish. Special guests for the evening will be all the Catholic Chaplains aboard base, and the teaching staff of the Sisters of Mercy who direct the Thursday afternoon religion classes.

Any non-members wishing to attend are asked to call Mrs. Leary at 346-8666 by Monday, Feb. 24.

## Flower Arranger

On February 27, Mrs. D.E. Pragan and the ladies of the Fourth Battalion, Tenth Marine Regiment, will sponsor a show in "Flower Arranging." The show will be held in the Lejeune room of the Paradise Point Officers' Club, and will be presented by "Accents by Ginger," of Northwoods. Some ideas on arranging, both fresh and artificial flowers will be presented plus some tips on plant and flower care.

The social hour will begin at 11:30 with lunch being served at 12:30. The cost is \$2.00 and reservations and cancellations must be in by noon Tuesday, February 25th. You may make reservations or cancellations by calling Barbara Lundeman at 346-9977.

Also remember to make sinner service reservations 24 hours in advance by calling 353-4788.



**THE MASTER OF JAZZ**, Duke Ellington and his world famous orchestra will sweep the musical spectrum when the Officers' Club presents the renowned musician Friday night at the Paradise Point Club. Dinner which will feature Filet Mignon, will begin at 7:00 p.m.

## NCO Club

Friday - The Systematic Sounds; The Gold Tones.  
Saturday - The Soul Express; The Personalities.  
Sunday - The Night Workers.

## Staff Club

Friday - Hadnot Point - The Avengers; Montford Point - Archie and the Country Music Masters; Courthouse Bay - Guest Night; Camp Geiger - Guest Night.  
Saturday - Hadnot Point - The Nights of Old, The Fabulous Mr. Nowak.  
Sunday - Camp Geiger - The Country Squares; Hadnot Point - Buffet (1 p.m. - 6 p.m.)

## Officers' Club

Friday - Duke Ellington (by ticket only); The Night Workers (during Happy Hour).  
Saturday - The Star Dusters.

## USO Notes

Movies are shown continuously from 6 p.m. Friday, from 1:30 p.m. Saturday and from noon Sunday.

This week's selections are: "Five Million Years To Earth," "Speedway," and "Vengeance Of She."

Hospitality Hour begins at 2 p.m. Sunday afternoon. The Staff NCO Wives of New River Air Station will serve as hostesses this week.



# BOOKS

**CAN WE WIN IN VIETNAM?**  
- Frank E. Armbruster. A team of Hudson Institute political-military analysts debate in depth this often asked question.

**COMPLETE BOOK OF SKY DIVING** - Arthur Liebers. The authoritative guide to the thrilling dream sport that has taken America by storm.

**ESQUIRE'S WORLD OF GOLF**  
- Herb Graffis. What every golfer must know; with a forward by Tommy Armour and Sam Snead.

## Matinees

**GEIGER INDOOR**  
Sat, at 2 p.m., "Tarzan and the Valley of Gold" RT-90.  
Sun, at 2 p.m., "First to Fight" RT-97.

**NAVAL HOSPITAL**  
Sat, at 2 p.m., "Chubasco" RT-98.

**AIR STATION**  
Sat, at 2 p.m., "Frankenstein Conquers the World" RT-87.  
Sun, at 2 p.m., "Chubasco" RT-98.

**COURTHOUSE BAY**  
Sat, at 2 p.m., "Cool Ones" RT-95.  
Sun, at 2 p.m., "Ballad of Josie" RT-102.

**CAMP THEATER**  
Sat, at 2 p.m., "Ballad of Josie" Sun, at 2 p.m., "Cool Ones", Fri. 21 2 p.m., "Thunder in Carolina" RT-90.

# MOVIE REVIEWS

**THE BRIDE WORE BLACK**  
A young widow resigned to avenge the murder of her husband, stalks the unwary killers and woeingly lures them to vindictive justice. Color, Stars Jeanne Moreau.

**FEARLESS VAMPIRE KILLERS**  
A ghoulish nonsensical film whose only redeeming quality is the presence of Sharon Tate. If idiosyncrasy delights you, you'll find this one captivating. Color.

**PLANET OF THE APES**  
Space travellers trapped on a hostile planet discover that the process of evolution has been inverted. The higher life forms descend from man. An interesting color drama starring Charlton Heston.

**NIGHT OF THE LIVING DEAD**  
Horror drama starring Judy Dea.

**BULLET FOR THE GENERAL**  
Adventure drama of the Mexican Revolution. Color, starring Jean Maria Volonte and Lou Castel.

**SAILOR BEWARE**  
Nautical drama in color starring Faye Dunaway.

**THE SILENCERS**  
Matt Helm (Dean Martin) has trouble telling the good girls from the bad girls as he saves the world from a terrible fate. Not much good unless you like girls. Color.

**THE PRODUCERS**  
Color comedy spoofing the behind-the-scenes reality of movie making. Stars Dick Shawn.

**THE SWIMMER**  
Color drama starring Burt Lancaster.

**WEST SIDE STORY**  
Romeo and Juliet are reincarnated in the back streets of New York in this modern adaptation of Shakespeare's classic which pits young love against the heartless onslaught of fate. Color, Stars Natalie Wood.

**LIVE FOR LIFE**  
Color drama detailing the intricacies of existentialism. Stars Yves Montand.

# OPEN EVENINGS

\* - Matinees: Sat., Sun. & Holidays



	Feb. 21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28
Midway Park	* 7:00							Closed until Mar. 5
Courthouse Bay	* 7:00	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S
Naval Hospital	* 7:00	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R
Rifle Range	7:30	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q
Montford Point	7:00	J	K	L	M	N	O	P
Geiger Indoor	* 7:00	I	J	K	L	M	N	O
Camp Theater	* 6 & 8:30	G	H	I	J	K	L	M
500 Outdoor	7:00	F	G	H	I	J	K	L
Geiger Outdoor	7:00	E	F	G	H	I	J	K
Air Station	* 6 & 8:15	D	E	F	G	H	I	J
Geiger T. Park	7:00	C	D	E	F	G	H	I
Drive In	7:00	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
Onslow Beach	7:00	A	B	C	D	E	F	G

**AUDIENCE RATINGS**  
++ Adult & Matured Youth  
+ Adult  
Numbers at left indicate running time.

184-A-Wake Up And Die/Kill	96-K-The Producers	**
155-B-West Side Story	** 103-L-The Swimmer	**
116-C-Murderer's Row	** 98-M-Bullet For A General	**
113-D-The Hell With Heroes	** 123-N-Valley Of The Dolls	*
126-E-Live For Life	** 118-O-Tiger And The Pussy-cat	**
91-F-The Devil On Wheels	** 110-P-Scalphunters	**
93-G-The Bride Wore Black	** 125-Q-Anzio	**
103-H-Fearless Vampire Killers	** 129-R-Parent Trap	**
120-I-Planet Of The Apes	** 98-S-Mini Affair	**
98-J-Night Of The Living Dead	** 98-T-Prehistoric Women	**

## You'll Love our MENU

Feb. 22 - 28



### Lunch

Saturday Brunch  
Sunday Brunch  
Monday Grilled Cheese  
Tuesday Beef Pot Pie  
Wednesday Grilled Franks  
Thursday Turkey Sandwiches  
Friday Seafood Platter

### Dinner

Veal Cutlets  
Baked Chicken  
Roast Beef  
Pork Chops  
Roast Veal  
Ham  
Swiss Steak

# Statistics Tell Truth Again: Alcohol, Driving Don't Mix

A study has been made by the Department of Transportation on the role of alcohol in traffic accidents. The study describes the massive dimensions of the problem, noting that "the use of alcohol by drivers and pedestrians leads to some 25,000 deaths and a total of at least 800,000 crashes in the United States each year." It examines various countermeasures and lists what can best be described as gaps in the public understanding of the alcohol problem.

The study contains these findings:

— More than half of adults use the highways at least occasionally after drinking. "However, the scientific evidence is irrefutable that the problem is primarily one of persons, predominantly men, who have been drinking heavily..."

— Alcoholics and other problem drinkers, while constituting a small minority of the general population, account for a very large part of the accident problem.

— In the past 35 years, in every area of the Nation, alcohol has been found to be "the largest single factor leading to fatal crashes." For example, almost half of the drivers in fatal crashes of all types have been found to have blood alcohol concentrations of 0.10 by weight or more.

In single vehicle crashes, up to 57 percent of all drivers killed had a blood alcohol content of that level. At any given moment among all drivers using the Nation's streets and highways, only 1 to 4 per cent would test out to having a blood alcohol content of 0.10 or more.

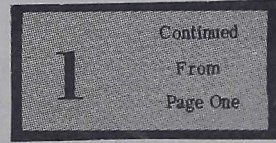
— The probability of being involved in a crash of any type is six to seven times greater if a driver's blood alcohol is 0.10, and 25 times greater if it reaches 0.15. (As of July 31, 1968, 29 States and the District of Columbia set the presumptive limit — or legal definition of intoxication — at 0.15, with 13 States having a 0.10 limit, and one State, Utah, a 0.08 limit. Seven States have no limit. Researches report to reach the 0.10 limit a 150-pound person would have to consume in 1 hour 7 1/2 ounces of 80, proof liquor, 1 to 2 hours after a meal. One finding in the report is that legal limits throughout the country are "extremely liberal — favoring the heavy drinker who constitutes the bulk of the problem.")

— Most crashes involving alcohol occur in late afternoon, evening, and nighttime hours. The worst day of the week is Saturday.

— The behavior of many drinkers, including very heavy drinkers, begins to be adversely af-

ected by blood alcohol concentrations considerably lower than those at which they outwardly appear to be mildly affected or intoxicated.

Drinking drivers who get into trouble commonly have histories of arrest, social and medical problems related to alcohol, alcoholic parents, and marital problems. The bulk of them are males between the ages of 20 and 60.

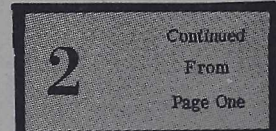


Shore Party. Twenty-one judges based their evaluation on personnel inspections, manual of arms, and close order drill at the company, platoon, and squad levels.

Presentation of the Tarawa Award will be made to Kilo Co., 3-2, this year's outstanding rifle squad. Seven squads, selected after competition within parent regiments, engaged in the final contest which lasted seven days. Representing their regiments were two squads each from the 6th and 2d Marines, and three from the 8th Marines. Judging was based on infantry knowledge, preparation, and practical application. The purpose was to stimulate interest among rifle squads in the division and further combat readiness training.

Marksmanship trophies will be awarded by Brigadier General Joseph C. Fegan, Jr., Assistant Division Commander. These traveling trophies are given to the organizations which achieves the highest percentage qualified with the rifle during the preceding calendar year. Organizations designated to receive these commendations for this current year are: Regiment-8th Marines, Organic Battalion-3d Bn., 8th Marines, Separate Battalion-2d Shore Party Bn., and Company-Battery-Headquarters Co., 2d Marines.

William E. Schey, President, 2d Marine Division Association will present the Tarawa Award and "Follow-Me" Trophy. Other members of the association and their wives will be conducted on an official Camp Lejeune area tour during the afternoon of the ceremonies.



While in the Caribbean, further training operations will be conducted to maintain a high state of readiness.

Caribbean ports often visited by the Ready Group include San Juan, St. Croix, Curacao, Aruba, Kingston, and Montego Bay. Visits are also made occasionally to South American ports.

BLT 1/8 will relieve BLT 2/6, commanded by Lieutenant Colonel C.M. Mosher, which has been on station in the Caribbean since November.

## Combat Awards



LEGION OF MERIT with Combat "V" is awarded to Lieutenant Colonel Edward J. Rochford Jr., by Brigadier General Foster C. LaHue, Commanding General, Force Troops, for his meritorious conduct and outstanding service in the Republic of Vietnam. The presentation was made during informal ceremonies held at Force Troops Headquarters. (Photo by SSGt. Ed Grantham)

## Division Marines Host Exhibit At Mardi Gras

A platoon of 2d Division Marines has spent the last two weeks in New Orleans exhibiting its combat-readiness to the crowds in the city for Mardi Gras.

### Bronze Star

Cpl. James E. Shipman, Military Police and Guard Company, Headquarters and Service Battalion, Marine Corps Base, has received a Bronze Star Medal with Combat "V" from Lt. Col. W. O. Cain, Jr., Battalion Commander.

Cpl. Shipman served as a Grenadier with 2d Battalion, 9th Marines, 3d Marine Division in Vietnam.

Also presented were Navy Commendation Medals to Capt. Cleon H. Rafferty, Chief Warrant Officer (CWO2) Huston O. Tate, Jr., and Sergeant Edward E. Paden.

Navy Achievement Medal were awarded to Capt. Della J. Elden, and Cpl. Ernest E. Mack, Jr. Lt. Earl S. McLaughlin (USN) received a Certificate of Achievement from the Department of Defense.

The composite platoon, made up of the outstanding men from 1st Battalion, 6th Marines, 3rd Battalion, 8th Marines, and 3rd Battalion, 2d Marines, demonstrated the gear to approximately 40,000 visitors during the stay.

The exhibit, set up on the USS Guadalcanal, included an 81-millimeter mortar, a 3.5 rocket launcher, an M-72 LAW (anti-tank weapon), an M-79 grenade launcher plus normal troop weapons and gear.

In addition, two CH-46 "Sea Knight" helicopters came aboard to take part in the display.

### PMO Notice

The Marine who was driving a 1959 white Ford or Chevrolet convertible and witnessed a truck/automobile accident which occurred on 3 December 1968 at Waynesville, North Carolina, and was instrumental in obtaining police and medical assistance, contact the Base Traffic Officer (Phone - 5704).



ICING A CAKE is one of the many chores Corporal David R. Roberts performs every day at the new Force Troops Complex Messhall. Cpl. Roberts, 8th Engineer Battalion, Force Troops, was picked as "Chef of the Month" for January for his diligence and outstanding attitude. Lieutenant Colonel E.W. Lifset, battalion commanding officer, presented the certificate to Cpl. Roberts. (Photo by Sgt. Doug Pennington)



### Ceremony Broadcast

If you can't be on the scene to observe the 2d Division Anniversary, you can hear it on radio, live and direct, beginning at 10 a.m. over WRCM-FM 92.1 mc. Don't miss this historic event.



HELP to rehabilitate war victims in South Vietnam and the Middle East with CARE projects. Give to the CARE Agency through our current National Health Drive.