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## ADVANCEMENTS

Over 1/3 of the battalion's personnel are on the advancement list just received from the Naval Examining Center.

The advancements are spread over six increments with the first increment of 153 personnel effective the 16th of each month, through March 1968.

Approximately 89% of those personnel who took the exams, passed and are to be advanced.

A break down of the six increments is listed below.

1st	153	16 OCT
2nd	19	16 NOV
3rd	23	16 DEC
4th	21	16 JAN
5th	32	16 FEB
6th	8	16 MAR

Personnel who are to be advanced to E-5 and E-6 must have one year obligated service to accept their advancements.

The following listed personnel were selected for advancements in the first increment.

ADAMS, J. E.	YNC
ALEXANDER, R. R.	SWF3
ALLEMANG, RONALD	BUR3
ANDERSON, GARY G.	EON2
ANDERSON, GEORGE	CMH3
ANDRE, W. E.	PN3

ANSELL, JIMMY R.
ANSELL, L. R.
BABSON, D. D.
BAILY, W. A.
BÉLOAT, KENNETH
BERGHUIS, DENNIS
BLACKBURN, JAMES
BLAKE, RICHARD D.
BOLTON, K. A.
BOLTON, P. W.
BOONE, R. A.
BOWLES, D. R.
BROOKS, R. E.
BROWN, DANIEL P.
BURKS, BURTON, B.
BYRD, R. L.
CARTER, W. R.
CARSON, R. R.
CHAI, S. K.
CHAPMAN, R. P.
CHRISTENSON, R.
CILLEY, DWIGHT W.
CLAUSE, ROBERT E.
COBEY, J. T.
CONNER, L. K.
COPHER, STEPHEN
CORNELL, CHARLES

CMH2
CMH2
EOH3
CEP3
CMH3
CMH3
BUC
EON3
CEP3
CON3
BUH3
CMA2
SWE2
BUR3
EAD2
UTP2
CMH2
CMH3
CM1
BUR3
BUR2
BUH2
EOH3
EOH2
SWF2
CET2
EON2

The STINGER has lost part of its sting. This past week the PAD department lost its editor, JO 2 Bryon Findley. But, the paper, family gram and press releases will continue with its new editor, JO3 Frank Crowell.

Under the editorship of Findley the STINGER has been judged the best in the overseas mimeograph category by the Chief of Naval Information (CHINFO). In addition his journalist abilities have placed the battalion in the number one position of all NMCB'S and Seabee activities, for the number of press releases since 1 June.

Petty Officer Findley joined NMCB 11 During November 1966. He formerly was editor of the station newspaper, THE WINDJAMMER for NAF, Naha Okinawa



# X O'S CORNER

The sun is shining (or at least it did for a few days last week) and projects are moving. The next step in homeport planning is leave.

Leave will be granted upon your arrival in Port Hueneme. The leave period will run from the day the first flight arrives in CONUS until 0700 on 4 January 1968. We will have the normal 48 hour liberty right after your flight arrives. You may commence your leave the day you arrive or any time thereafter.

The maximum leave allowed will be 30 days provided you have earned 30 days leave. We will authorize advance leave up to 15 days provided you have obligated service to cover the advance. The combined total of earned leave and advance leave can be taken provided it does not exceed 30 days. Now that's a lot of provideds.

Personnel who have their dependents in Guam, Hawaii, the Philippines or any of the other stops we may make enroute home will be permitted to take their leave at these locations. Personnel who have applied for early release from active duty or who are in receipt of change of station orders in December will not be permitted to take leave.

That's the basic policy. Get your request chit submitted to your company commander so that the verification process can begin. As we did last year we plan to type all of the leave papers before we depart Camp Barnes.

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(Advan. Con't)	
CORTEZ, V. A.	SD1
CREASY, W. R.	BUH3
DADEY, L. A.	BUH3
DAVIS, J. E.	EOH3
DAVIS, L. A.	CMH3
DAVIS, R. K.	SFM1
DEATON, D. D.	GMG2
DECKER, B. G.	CEW2
DELANEY, R.	EON3
DICKEY, F. L.	BUH3
DOLAN, P. J.	CMH3
DOLENBECK, J. J.	CEW3
DUBIS, F. A.	UTB3
DUCLOS, W. J.	CMA2
EISCHEID, D.	SWE2
ELLIOTT, R. H.	CEW3
ESPIRITU, S. C.	SD2
EVERETT, D. R.	EAD3
FABRIZIUS, D.	CEP3
FINK, R. F.	EAD2
FINN, J. R.	BUR3
FRANK, E. D.	GES2
GOULD, D. W.	GET2
GRAUMAN, F.	BUR3
GUNTER, R. R.	CEW2
HAHN, J. A.	BUR2
HAISLIP, R. D.	EO1
HALL, J. L.	CEP3
HARALSON, R.	EON2
HARBOUR, T.	CMH2
HARMAN, F.	BUR3
HARMON, C. W.	EAD2
HARRIS, T. W.	CWH2
HARVEY, D. E.	SWE3
HASELBAUER, R.	EON2
HAWEY, J. R.	EON2
HELLER, P. A.	CEP2
HERMAN, D. R.	UTA3

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## SPOTLIGHT

VN3 SAMPSON

Well another month has gone by since S-1 has expressed it's feelings in the "Stinger". Today we said farewell to one of our JO's. JO2 Findley has left for the sanctuary of civilian life. Which leaves us with one JO, JO3 CROWELL who is now on ROR in Singapore. We should have a good edition this week. Because we have the Public Affairs Office running the show.

We would like to welcome aboard two new YN's YN2 R. L. HERBERT, and YN3 M. BLOOMSTONE and one lovely PN, PMSN HOPKINS. HERBERT and HOPKINS reported in just in time to sleep out in the mortar holes and help clean up what was left of the Admin/Personnel office, which could not have been completed without the crew from DELTA company.

With the rates back we see alot of happy faces around the camp. Then again we see alot of "How did he do it" and "Shocked" faces (as was mine). And we have the glassy eyed future 'Chief' (no names) who is already planning his own dictatorship around S-1.

With Australia open to the 'footstanging'

S-2

## SKINNY

EAO2 ROSENBERG

The advance party, which includes 60% of this office, is all packed and eagerly looking off toward the airstrip every few minutes.

Most of the early sealif gear has been packed and is ready to go. That includes all of our correspondence course books. We will not be accepting any more books until we get back to the States except from people checking out of the battalion. If you want to check out any books you will have to wait, too. We are still open for ordering and correcting courses though.

For anybody interested in attending night school under the tuition aid program we should have the info out soon. We have catalogs from both Ventura Junior College and University of California at Santa Barbara, on the way and will let you know when they get here.

Now for our previously advertised spectacular, THE DUNG HA DECATHLON.

The four events are run in a series. Equipment needed is helmet, flack jacket, webb belt and your weapon. The starting signal for the series is the first incoming round.

EVENT 1: A thirty foot sprint from working position to mortar hole. This also is a good test for conditioned reflexes to sound.

EVENT 2: A swim dive into any rainfilled mortar hole. We are looking more for speed than form.

EVENT 3: Thirty foot freestyle swim to the end of the mortar hole. This is necessary because of the people diving in behind you.

EVENT 4: The last event of this series is a 100 yards dash from the mortar hole to your condition red station. The fast run may dry you off.

Everyone who gets to sink blissfully into the mud of his condition red hole is a winner. The prize--You are still around to do it again next time. Good Luck!

serbees of HCB-11, YN3N LANGELER was one of the first to make that trip down a cut. We all know he will have a good time.

BUY U.S.  
SAVINGS BONDS

DK3 COALE

All right bees, here is the work that you all have been waiting on. Per Diem will be paid on the 21st of the month and will be advanced to the 20th of November. If you have already drawn your per diem on the last time it was paid, then you will have \$51. due this

There still has not been any official word on the pay raise to date. The Navy Times Stars and Stripes and the radio are not considered as official documents. The word will be passed to all hands when we do get the official work from Washington.

Seems like there are a lots of conex boxes sprouting up all over the base and guys are starting to pack all of their electrical equipment to go out early. I guess that this means we are getting a bit short huh? Would you believe we are down into the 40's now and still counting down? Of course the advance party is really short.

The entertainment we had on the 8th was pretty good, don't you say

They couldn't seem to get out of here that same night and ended up staying overnight. The guys stayed down in the S-4 huts and Chief Hernandez was giving them special instructions on what to do. Just in case. The two we had in our hut weren't worried to much as they slept with their clothes on and the mortar hole open. Anyway, they seemed to enjoy it.

Two more SK3's have departed S-4 and Thompson and Baylor were sure glad to leave. Can't see why! They will really be missed around here as we are short handed to begin with, I guess like every other department is.

S-4 would like to say adios to the very fine STINGER editor on his departure from active duty and give him a well done for his fine accomplishments as a writer. Make sure you take the full 90 days before you come back Findley.

I'll close off for this week with the usual question, "Will Governor Regan really be at the airport to welcome us back?"

He will attend the University of Alabama in January to further his journalistic skills. He hopes to seek employment after graduation with the foreign press service

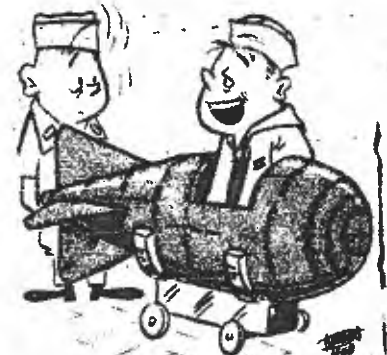
CEW3 Bagnell

This week at Bravo Company we find the first platoon builders working on the forms for the culverts around the base. The first platoon steelworkers are busy putting up the butler building for the long awaited Bravo Company shops.

The second platoon CE's have been finishing up the 500 man gally for FLSU, and wiring the two new Bravo Company shops.

The third platoon UT's have been installing a pipeline between the two wells on camp, working on the new laundry, and finishing up the FLSU gally.

Trying questions at Bravo Company are: Will Webber get another Dear John? When will the beer arrive? Will Dillender make it on R&R



MY DAD WANTED ME TO BE A SURGEON  
BUT MY HANDS WERE TOO SHAKY!!

## EOH2 Curl

This reporter doesn't get around anymore, because he has been working like a slave under the watchful eye of the senior chief. However, if he can keep from getting run down by fast flying jeeps between the galley and Delta Co. (the Road Master may be watching you) he will continue to shoot the breeze each week.

Project "X" is the big deal around Alpha Co these days. We have hauled to date 1574 tons of material south to the project, mostly cement and matting. When it rains, the big postoon bridge washes out almost every day, so the driver has to go like mad between rains. On one of these runs south, Wayne Lawter's semi hit a mine. The truck ended up in a rice paddy with ruined rear tandems. Lawter got a couple of bruises, but he is still rating to go.

The second platoon has merged with the 3rd. platoon, since Chief Barget is heading state-side soon to set up home port training.

The third platoon has been digging lots of

bunkers for MAG 16, the Army, 8/4 artillery, motor transport, and 3rd tanks. They're also putting in culverts on route 1, but Charlie has been blowing them up almost as fast as we put them in.

The fifth and sixth platoons, up in the shop are working to get the equipment in shape for coming "beep" that looms over their heads. The beep is some kind of a big deal equipment inspection that we have to endure before we can turn our stuff over to the relief battalion.

The fourth platoon still has their gravel grinder going. Despite all kinds of trouble with that old machine, they've somehow managed to keep us in rock this year.

Snuffy will probably write to his Mama, telling her that the "Red Baron" is tooling around Camp Barnes in a jeep. It isn't true, Snuffy, it's Mr. Smith in his red raincoat.

Congratulations to CMA3 Harold Shay, whose wife recently had a baby girl.

Question of the week: Where is Charlie?

HOLMES J. W.	BUH3
HOOKER. M. C	SWE3
HOPMAN M L	UTW2
JOHNSON JOHN F	UTA2
KOTRYS L A	BUH3
LAMB S. T.	BUL2
LAPORT J T	UTP3
LAUTENBACH D. J.	CMH3
LAWTER PHILLIP	EOH3
LLEWELYN DAVID	EAL2
LYON R E	EON2
MCCOLLISTER T A	EAD2
MCDONALD M A	ETN2
MCLAREN F E	CMA3
MCLOED R D	UTW3
MESTAES DANIEL	EOH3
MEYER J C	CET2
MILLER W D	YN3
MILLER WAYNE E.	EON2
MIRANDA J H	CS2
MIVILLE ARTHUR	EAD2
MORGENSTERN J	EON2
MORRIS D F	CEP2
MULLINAX DONALD	SWE2
MURFF DAVID R.	CMH2
MYERS W N	EOH2
NEISLER REX E.	CMH3
OLSON ROBERT T	CMH2
PASCO R C	SD3
PAULL ALLEN E	BUR3
PEPPLE ROBERT E	EON2
PICKENS RONALD	EON2
PINAULT E E	BUH3
PISCITILLO S. J.	EAD2
RAKESTRAW EARL	SWE2
RANEY JOHN P	EON2
RANGE R W	CSC
RAPP CLIFFORD J	BUH2
REDDICK, S H	CMA3

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## DELTA DATA

There were a lot of smiling faces to be seen in the Delta Company area last Tuesday. That was the day the Petty Officer examinations came in....many men will receive their "Crows" this month while others will have to wait until as late as March to sew on the "Crow". There were too many advancements to mention them all in this article but we will say congratulations to everyone that made it and especially to our new Chief Builder James E. Blackburn.

Petty Officer Coale's article will probably be well read this week as we will all be anxious to know when the advancements will show up on the pay lists. I had to put that in there because Coale mentioned Delta Company in his article a few weeks ago, now we are even!

The Third Platoon has finished their portion of the CBMU Butler and the Lumber Storage end to end Butler. They have started their second end to end Butler and are anxiously awaiting the day when they will get to erect the bridge between here and Gio Linh. It is rumored that MLO is also waiting for that day to come.

Speaking of rumors and straight skinny here is the latest: It is not true that Jourdan is going to put a diving board up on the unfinished swimming pool outside his hut. He is going to put punji sticks in the bottom so the next guy that falls in there won't get out....Robert Chapman has returned from Lang Vei and has applied for Team 11D.....There is no conclusive evidence but one non-rated man in the Third Platoon may have had more than two beers at the company party Sunday.... The party was a success despite light rain.....The Commanding General of this combat base has a pre-briefing briefing every morning at 0730. That is right, the general stops by the job site everyday to get the latest word on his galley from BU1 SCAPEROTTA then proceeds to his briefing with the officers of units aboard the base.

Question of the week: What is going to happen to Blacky on initiation day?

(Advancement's Cont'd)

REITH, S. J.	BUH2
REVELS, R. K.	CMH3
RIPPERGER, M.	EDN2
ROSENBERG, T.	EAD2
RUBY, T. H.	BUH2
SAVAGE, J. E.	CET3
SCHONFELD, R.	BUH2
SKINNER, R.	EDN2
SMILEY, D. C.	CMH3
SMITH, C. G.	SK2
SMITH, H. B.	CMH3
SMITH, T. W.	CET2
SOUZA, D. AL	BUR3
STANFIELD, A. J.	SWE2
STOCKBAUER, D. A.	CMH2
SWEENEY, J. J.	EAS2
TAYLOR, D. G.	RM3
THOM, C. F.	EDN2
THOMPSON, C.	EDN2
TOMAC, D. L.	CET3
TSOSIE, E.	EDN2
TURCOTTE, C. I.	SWE3
TURNER, M. M.	BM2
URBIHA, J. W.	EDH3
VALLERY J. C.	CMH2
VANHOOSER, D.	BUR3
VASQUEZ, C. E.	BU1
WALKER, R. W.	BUR2
WALLACE, T. R.	CMA3
WARD, L. T.	EDH2
WARD, R. W.	EDH3
WEST, C. J.	EON2
WEST, G. A.	6HL3
WHEELER, R. K.	CEP2
WHITEHEAD, E. L.	BUH3
WILLIAMS, M. E.	BU1
WILLIAMSON, T.E.	SK3
WISSLER, D. A.	CMA3
WOMACK, W. L.	EAS3
WRIGHT, T.	CMH2
YOUNG, D.W.	BUR3

# CHARLIE CHATTER

Well gang, I'm back with more Charlie Chatter! Green !!

We now have the first platoon working on huts for the Marines. The Second Platoon is also

working on huts. The hut crew is headed up by BU2 Dziema. BU1 Cordi has most of the forms ready to go for a 250 man galley he and his squad are building.

And last we have the third platoon working on the GCA radar revetments

We would like to welcome back Big Jim Erlic and BU2 Wasiniak who have returned to Charlie Company from Seabee Team 1108.

We now have a lot of new third and second class Petty Officers; I wish to congratulate everyone who made rate.

Well, that's all for now and I'll leave you with Charlie's Proverb: The best way to double your money is to fold it in half and put it back in your wallet.

# OFFICERS

The scoop is put out on everyone but the officers, so here it is. Six officers are members of The Little Red Riding Hood Fan Club as witness-

sed by their Sears rain parkas. Mr ? got a traffic ticket. The chaplain is in Hawaii with his wife. Mr Mariano and Mr. Howell charged everything in Bangkok on a credit card. Mr. Cahill will return. Mr. Pine went on his 5th in-country R & R I mean

business rip. Mr. O Neal is welcome back freckles and all. Two new officers are due to report. Mr. Mountjoy will leave NMCB 11 before the main body arrives. Mr. G. is going SOUTH for R & R and finally Mr. B slaved over this paper alone.

## CROSSWORD PUZZLE

Answer to Previous Puzzle

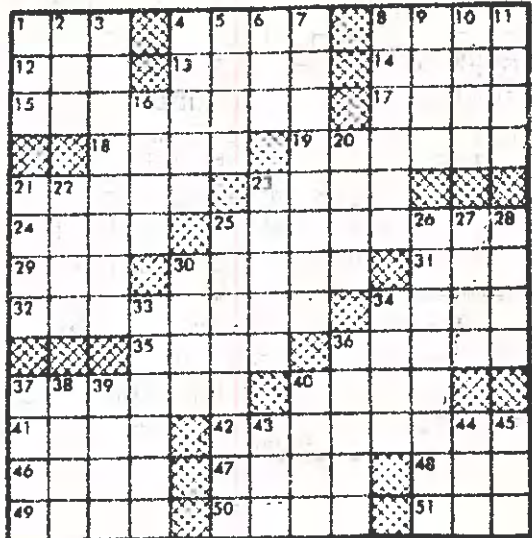
### ACROSS

- 1-Snake
- 4-Tropical tree
- 8-Dudes
- 12-By way of
- 13-Genus of olives
- 14-Mixture
- 15-Supplication
- 17-Genus of frogs
- 18-Comfort
- 19-Choose
- 21-Social gathering
- 23-Pedal digits
- 24-Teutonic alphabetic character
- 25-Telling
- 29-Anglo Saxon money
- 30-Having ears
- 31-Born
- 32-Legendary heroes
- 34-Performs
- 35-Part of camera
- 36-Initial
- 37-Cause to remember
- 40-Take one's part
- 41-Toward shelter
- 42-Falls back
- 46-Hold on property
- 47-Algerian seaport
- 48-Ocean
- 49-Consumes
- 50-Remunerates
- 51-Lamprey

### DOWN

- 1-Hail
- 2-Transgress

- 3-Related on one's father's side
- 4-Poetic writing
- 5-Wings
- 6-Allow
- 7-Centers of May-day sports
- 8-Wooded area
- 9-Man's name
- 10-Evergreen tree
- 11-Float in air
- 16-Evaluate
- 20-Peruse
- 21-Support
- 22-Subtle emanation
- 23-Gull-like birds
- 25-Drop of rain
- 26-Enlarge
- 27-Seimas
- 28-Adventure
- 30-Paradise
- 33-Foreigners
- 34-Military assistant
- 36-Granular snow (pl.)
- 37-Death rattle



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# S A M S E Z

You did good this week men, at least as far as the week I use for this spot. Anyway, only 2 yep thats what I said 2 accidents. Thats something of a record, lowest week yet. Of course the looser was the big A; Alpha had two stupid ones. One man hit by a locker door and one man for flesh burns. Both Petty Officers, too. Bring back through the records, we find an A Company Petty Officer who really smashed his thumb trying to remove an engine from a TD15. Proper use of hoisting equipment probagly would have solved this one. He caught his thumb between the engine and the engine mounting plate, Result two days lost time. Not too good of a record.

That was on 8 August. Then on 9 August another Alpha Company mechanic hit the accident headline. He was trying to start an engine by the hand crank. The engine unexpectedly kicked and the crank flew up hitting our man on the left cheek just below the eye. Required eleven sticks to close the wound. One of the big problems with this modern machine age is we forget about hand cranking engines.

Some of you old timers ought to get out and hold some classes on the proper use and method of starting hand cranked engines and the caution that should be taken.

And the last two fall in the "well what are you going to do category " In one a man in Delta company was nailing floor joists on a hut when he backed into a mortar hole. Yee, he knew it was there, he just didn't thin. Of course his crew leader had no comment. Bet he had never held a standup safety meeting about the particular hazzard of Mortar holes when you are building huts. Sure everybody knows of this hazzard, so why bring it up. The second one involved a man from Bravo company who was filling sandbags, it was a windy day and another crew was tinning a hut. The tin flew 20 feet and hit our man in the back of his shoulder causing a 4" laceration and one day's lost time. Again emphasis of the hazards involved cannot be overstressed, Don't take for granted everybody knows. Repeat and repeat until everyone thinks safety.

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