Air-ground attack accounts for 11 VC

By SF-4 Terry Williamson

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Division recap

Action was 'moderate' this week as the men of the American Division accounted for 84 enemy kills, with heaviest action concentrated in the Frederic Hill area of operations manned by the 156th Infantry Brigade.

Division Grounds

DURING the week, the men of the 106th Infantry Brigade killed 36 enemy soldiers and destroyed 15 weapons. Two platoons, 200 pounds of corn and 500 pounds of rice were destroyed. Additionally, 43 enemy killed and seven enemy weapons were captured as a company of the 27th Battalion, 114th Infantry Brigade tracked a helicopter gunship in a combined air-ground attack on several pre-selected enemy locations.

Delta Company, of the 1st Battalion, 114th Infantry Brigade employed one platoon to make a raid on an enemy camp, another to target enemy positions, while the rest of the company assisted a ground force to check out another friendly camp.

The helicopter-borne rifle platoon crewed a black card on.

Entrusted with the mission of targeting enemy positions, the platoon moved out at dawn to a friendly camp where they set up a position and waited for the enemy to show up.

At first light, the platoon advanced towards the enemy camp, taking out several enemy soldiers. The platoon then moved on to another enemy camp where they again destroyed several weapons and enemy soldiers.

The platoon continued to move through the area, destroying several more weapons and enemy soldiers. By the end of the day, the platoon had accounted for 11 enemy soldiers and destroyed several weapons.

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(U.S. Photo by SF-4 Terry Williamson)

NVA bathers get surprise

By SF-4 James Takata

FBRONCO, Vietnam (11th Inf. Bde. D/10) - Bathers during daily hours recently cost three NVA their lives and weapons as infantrymen of the 22nd Division's 11th Infantry Brigade spied a bulky ambush fire fight west of FBRONCO.

The CP (Command Post) and Fourth Platoon of Company D, 4th Battalion, 3rd Infantry were coming along a road contending a space ridge when it was pounced. Private First Class James Gibson of Gustow, N.C., heard voices and spotted four NVA bathing in the river below. The fire, full from recent rains, was noisy and covered the sound of our moving into position," said Specialist.

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(U.S. Photo by SF-4 Terry Williamson)
Medic performs carry under fire

By Sp4 Tony Williamson
CHU LAK (196th Inf Bde, 101) - Few infantrymen even with the best training schedules can stay out of harm's way. But as Sp5 Blythe, a medical corpsman in the 1st Battalion, 26th Infantry, learned recently, there are times when you just have to go where you can get the wounded to safety, no matter where it takes you.

Blythe, who was attached to the 1st Battalion, 26th Infantry, was called out to assist a wounded soldier near a village in the Chu Lai area. The soldier had been hit by enemy fire and was in critical condition.

Blythe, along with other medics, ran to the soldier's location and provided medical treatment. They then used a stretcher to carry the soldier back to their medical aid station.

As they were making their way through the jungle, they were again under enemy fire. Blythe and his team continued to provide medical treatment while running to safety.

Once they reached the aid station, the soldier was airlifted to a hospital for further treatment.

The soldier survived and returned to duty, and Blythe received praise for his quick thinking and bravery in the face of danger.

PFC enters a shrine; finds booby-trap

By Sp4 Zin Balam
CIVILIAN (196th Inf Bde, 101) - While sneaking up on an enemy position on an overcast day in the Ia Drang area, a PFC from this unit discovered a booby-trap.

The booby-trap consisted of a hidden wire that triggered an explosive device when touched. The PFC was able to disarm the wire and prevent it from detonating.

The discovery of the booby-trap was a reminder of the constant threat that enemy soldiers posed to the soldiers of this unit.

Sgt. John H. Keck, the platoon leader, praised the PFC for his quick thinking and bravery in the face of danger.

The PFC received a medal for his actions.

THE SOUTHERN CROSS

By Sp4 William Barnes
CHU LAK (196th Inf Bde, 101) - Join the Army to see the sea... and the sky! The Army is looking for new pilots and co-pilots to fly in their newest aircraft.

The Army is currently looking for new pilots and co-pilots to join their aviation unit. The unit is equipped with the newest aircraft, including the Blackhawk and the Apache.

Joining the Army as a pilot or co-pilot is a great opportunity to see the world and experience new challenges. The Army provides training and support to ensure that its pilots are the best in the world.

If you are interested in becoming a pilot or co-pilot, contact your local recruiting office today.

This Cy Vance photo taken along a friend as 'A' Troop, 1st Squadron, 1st Cavalry moves out for operations south of Tam Ky. The troops were taken a day after the fight while looking for Viet Cong. (U.S. Army photo by LT. Robert L. Palmer)

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The IG -- what can he do for you?

By SP4 Rick Holloway
CHU LAI (NDF LEF Di) - I'm going to see the IG.

You've probably heard this declaration more than once in your Army career. And you've probably heard others of it, too. What does the statement mean to you? What is it in IG. What role does the IG play in the Army and how can the IG help you?

General Washington established the office of the Inspector General 200 years ago to improve the efficiency of the Army's operating strength at Valley Forge.

The role of the IG, as it developed during the intervening years, and stated today, is to inquire into and report upon the matters which pertain to the performance of minors and state of discipline, efficiency, and economy of the command, installation, or activity in which they serve.

In deciding which problems should be presented to the IG and which to your commanding officer, consider the following facts:

1. Any officer or member of the U.S. Army has a right to register complaints orally or in writing with the inspector general.

2. Service personnel are encouraged to discuss their problems with their unit commanders.

3. Any person who, under the guise of presenting a legitimate complaint to an inspector general makes statements which are proved to be knowingly and willfully, will be subjected to disciplinary action.

4. Any type of disciplinary or other adverse action against an individual for registration of a complaint, except as provided above, is prohibited.

5. Anonymous complaints will be processed in the same manner as any other type, except that no acknowledgement is possible.

6. In addition to receiving complaints, inspectors general are available for training in the resolution of personal problems which may arise in the performance of personal personnel. Actions of this type are termed "Requests for Assistance" and should not be confused with complaints.

With these facts established, to whom should you present your problem or complaint?

Your first step is to your commanding officer. He is the every commander of every unit in the U.S. Army, is vitally concerned with the efficiency of his unit's mission. Actions of this type can only be accomplished through dedicated and devoted service of every individual in the unit. If your complaint, request for assistance, or grievance is of such a nature that it can be corrected by your commanding officer, then present it to him first and give him a chance to clear the matter up.

If, after presenting your problem to your commander, you do not consider his action to be adequate or his decision unjust, then contact your acting IG or Division IG for assistance.

At present there is a problem in the interest of every member of the U.S. Army in Vietnam. A portion of the personnel serving here are not taking advantage of the IG and are presenting their grievances directly to members of Congress and to the President. Actions of this nature result in a serious drain on the United States.

Our democratic system of government you have the undeniable right and privilege to communicate directly with any member of our government. However, you will find that your problem can normally be solved much more quickly and easily if presented to your commander and then to your local IG, if you are not satisfied with the actions of your unit's general.

Ex-sapper is Number 1

By SP4 Joseph Albern
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Medic delivers baby in chopper

By L2 Dottie
LZ BANK, 19th Inf Div.

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Wear the latest

By BCS Chuck Mead

FBR BRONCO (11th Inf Bde Rgt) -- Now that Indian summer has ended with a splash, Dykes' repuban have tossed their attention to the latest fall fashion.

One of the most popular items this season, the 1st Battalion, 2nd Infantry trooper, says, is the mossman sweater, also known in some supply sources as the jungle sleeping bag. The jacket can be made into a sleeping bag, or worn indoors or out, it is particularly suitable for night maneuvers, a pocket with a sleeping bag. Available colors are deep OD and OD faded. Sizes range from small to two big.

Another item in the well-dressed infantryman's wardrobe this autumn is a team pants. Referred to as the current style of Field Commander Quarterly at Farmer Bros., the pants are an overall type garment designed to protect the legs and hands and is a warm." It has two, over-the-shoulder suspenders, complete with adjustable straps to hold in place. Even such will take stairs but on the shorter one, water to stop tripping over his own two feet. The Farmer Bros. come in a variety of colors, including tan, purple, gray, blue, and with a particular note on the 11th Brigade infantryman know why.

Rack jackets come complete with a pound jacket with a hood and a silver metal button. The water-resistant jacket comes with a long-sleeved jacket a hood and a button that is not silver as the silver button that is not silver. It is a good idea to see a healthy mother and baby.

Infantrymen in the forfront fighting areas of Saigon, Cam Ranh Bay and Da Nong will have an opportunity to acquire the pants as modeled by a touring USO show. Other interested parties should contact their supply officer or refer to the Bombay 500 and Brooks Brothers add on the current Esquire.
An aerial

by SGT Maj

If you happen to look up at a helicopter toting what looks like a bunker, you may have a new appreciation for what is under your nose.

Its defense system is not just for show.

Since the end of October, the Chau Lai Defense Command has been moving bunkers to protect its defensive perimeter.

The engineers have been seen moving bunkers to new locations.

"A typical bunker lift consists of a helicopter and a crane," explained SGT Maj. Shaw, of the 29th Engineer Brigade.

"A similar lift is in progress during Typhoon Kate."

Before a bunker can be safely lifted, it must be partially dismantled.

"Prior to lifting, the structure is moved to a safe distance from the helicopter," Shaw noted.

The engineers have had to come up with creative solutions to lift the bunkers.

"We used a "Chinook" helicopter to lift the bunkers," Shaw said.

"The helicopter is equipped with a crane to lift the bunkers, and the crane is equipped with a rope to guide the helicopter."
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Touchdown, now the workload can be removed from the new guard position.

Placement of the bunker is guided from the air as well as from below.

First - the troops will have a spanking new bunker to pull guard been tonight.
84 enemy die last week

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This is the Southern Crosse’s way of trying to give you everything you need for a happy New Year. Lovely Diane Barnett is the 1971 San Francisco National Sports and Boat Show Queen.
Orphans receive \nMerry Christmas

By Capt. Terry Williamson

Several hundred Vietnamese orphans will be

The soldiers of the 1st Brigade of the 26th Division's 1st Infantry have

The whole thing started at a Division post and the Brigade Civil Affairs offices were asked

One brigade soldier said, "I didn't really have anyone over here to buy Christmas gifts for,

With flags whipping in the breeze like goldfinches out of the past, troops of the 1st Squadron, 1st Cavalry mounted their steel horses for a drive to Fire Support Base Hawk Hill on a mission.

Professionals rob the enemy blind

By LTC Matt Gryna

The southern sector of Tan Ky District has proven to be a target area in terms of Communist supplies and manpower for the 1st Infantry Division's 3rd Battalion since its arrival here.

We've been finding a large amount of heavy weapons ammunition..." Lieutenant Edward L. McCay, New York City, 1/46 Intelligence Officer.

We got hit by some mortars and small arms fire near the mining site before Thanksgiving in a mere few miles of our supply column near the..." Saratov Company's Saratov Company's post commander.

Two hundred and six enemy dead have been accounted for

The 1st Battalion, 32nd Infantry (Task Force), 1/32nd Infantry, 26th Infantry, was operating northwest of Hue. (U.S. Army Photo by Sergeant Bill Lake)

Television and movie actor

Serves 2nd Vietnam tour

FEB BRONCO, (11th Inf. Bde. 10) - When Staff Sergeant Ronald A. Nurnberg of Wheat Ridge, Colo., a platoon sergeant with the 11th Infantry Brigade's Company G, 3rd Battalion, 1st Infantry was wounded in the Army in July of 1986, he was 22-years-old and already had eighteen years of experience..." "You're back!" he said.

Nurnberg has also had several occasions to be a part of his past life. He recalled that one movie he had been watching was..." The movie was only available for him to..." Some of the motion pictures in which Nurnberg has appeared include Naked Jungle, Forty Carats of Krossne, which had been founded under a modest but not insignificant sum..." Captain Paul S. Spilberg, Los Angeles, Company Commander.

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