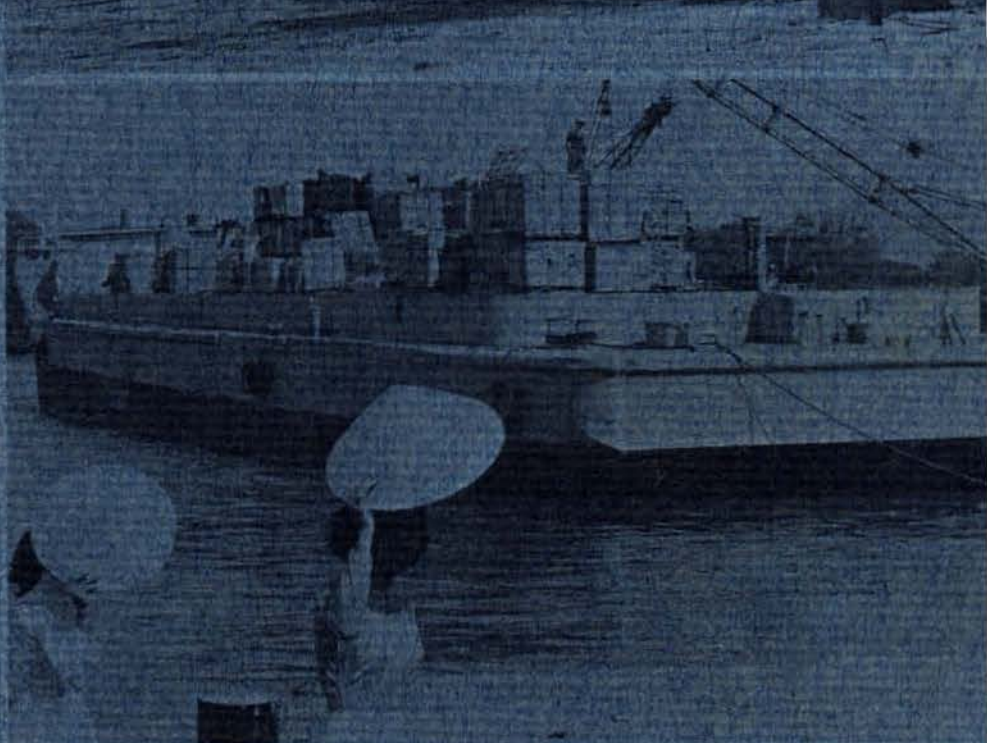


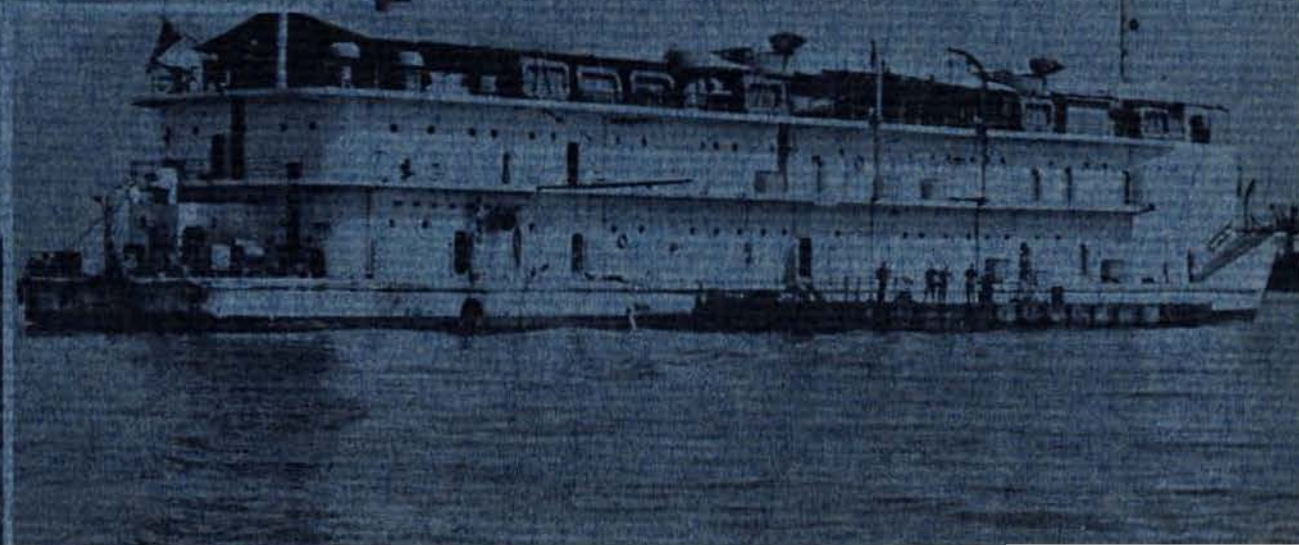


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QUỐC LỘ 441	
HUE	174
DA NANG	138
QUY NHON	475
NHA TRANG	790
SAIGON	1147







"THEY SHALL NOT WANT"



N.
VIET NAM

LAOS

THAILAND

CAMBODIA

Dong Ha

Hue/Phu Bai

Da Nang

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Quang Ngai

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Saigon



“OUR MISSION”

The mission of NAVSUPACT DANANG is logistical support for the more than 85,000 Free World Forces in the I Corps Tactical Zone from Quang Ngai in the South to the Demilitarized Zone in the North.

When commissioned, the U.S. Naval Support Activity, DaNang numbered approximately 1,400 men. As operations expanded to encompass the whole of I Corps the command also expanded in men and mission.

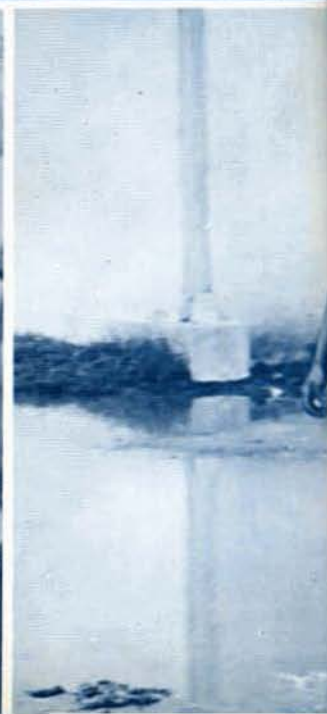
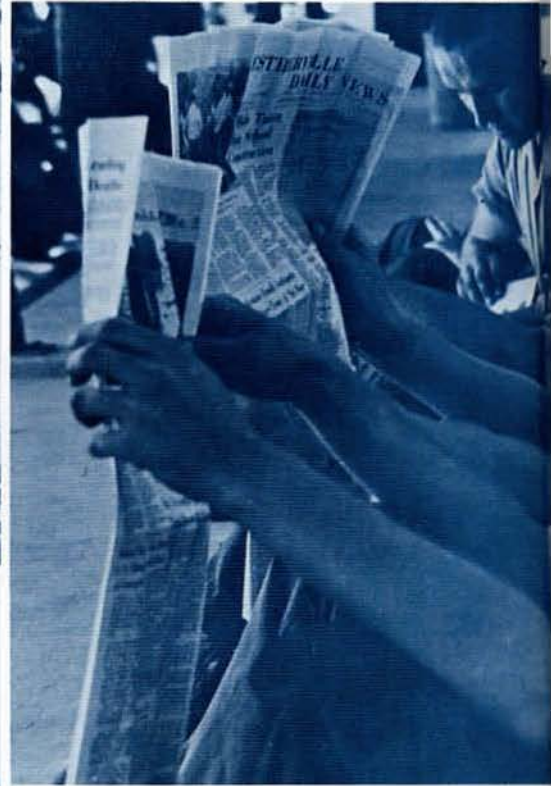
There are over 500 men at the Chu Lai Support Facility, charged with logistical support of U.S. Marine Corps ground and air forces and other “third country” troops.

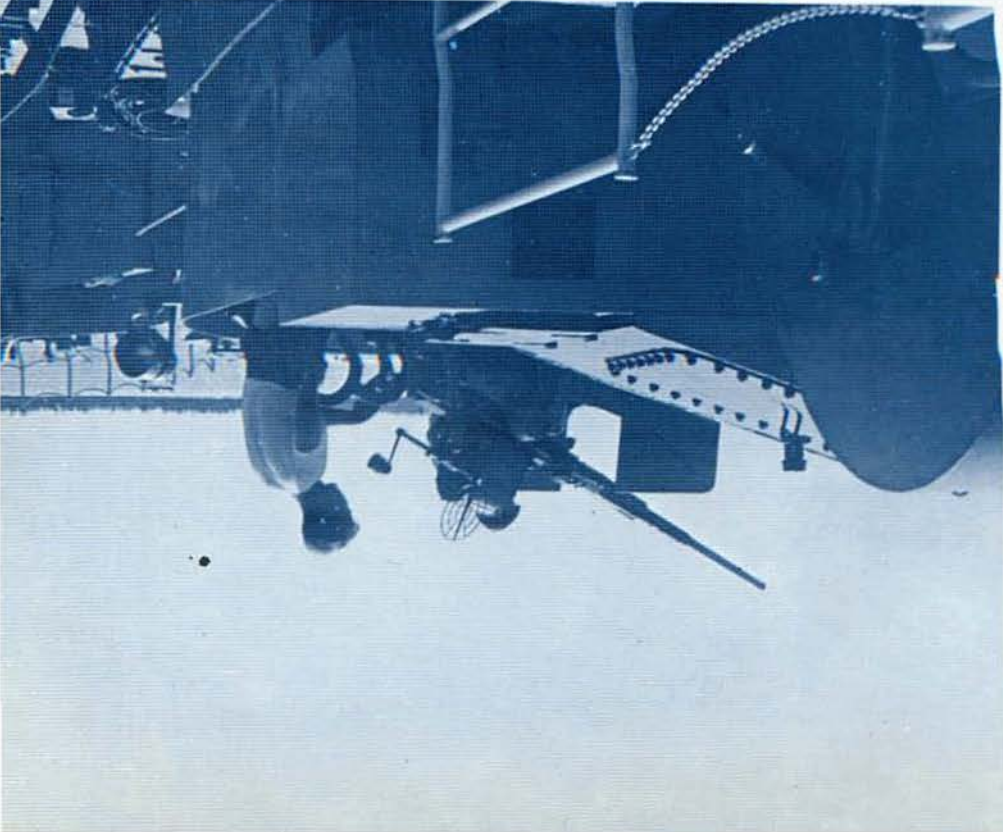
To the North, at Hue/Phu Bai, Dong Ha and elsewhere, the support facilities supply food, ammunition and fuel to allied forces in that heavily contested area.

At times, accomplishing our task has been made difficult by the elements. Because of shallow rivers and waterways to the supply points in the north, small, flat-bottomed boats make daily trips through rough seas between DaNang and these waterways. The Hatch and Pier teams that wrestle cargo from the holds of ships have no easy task. When the temperature reaches 120 degrees outside the ship it is 140 degrees or more down in the holds. During the monsoon rains everything and everybody is wet, the country is a quagmire and working conditions are hazardous and more than arduous for everyone.

The command is now over 7,500 strong and it still works seven days a week, 24 hours a day in its ever expanding role in support of the war.

Our mission is not an easy one, but it will be done.







“WHY?”

“We are in Vietnam to fulfill one of the most solemn pledges of the American nation. Three presidents —President Eisenhower, President Kennedy, and your present president—over 11 years, have committed themselves and have promised to help defend this small and valued nation.

Strengthened by that promise, the people of South Vietnam have fought for many long years. Thousands of them have died; thousands more have been crippled and scarred by war; and we cannot now dishonor our word or abandon our commitments, or leave those who believed in us and trusted us, to the terror and repression and murder that would follow.”

“This, my fellow Americans, is why we are in Vietnam.”

Lyndon Baines Johnson
President of the United States

"WHY?"

Our President once stated several reasons for the war in Vietnam and labeled them "Why, Vietnam?"

Indeed: "Why?" Perhaps to fill this child's bowl with rice. To keep her country free so she and millions of other children like her can grow up to go to school and live in a world of peace.

"Why, Vietnam? Why, Valley Forge? Why, Normandy, Guadalcanal, and Korea?" Freedom is why, freedom from subversion, slavery, and, in this case, Communism.

Americans have always been known for rallying to a cause and none draws them more quickly than freedom, for our freedom was won in the forests and mountains of our own east coast, on the plains of the Midwest and the deserts of the Southwest.

Why we are in Vietnam is Freedom for a people who have seen nothing but war and privation for decades and are faced with a new threat to their existence.

That is "Why, Vietnam?"

Not so long ago President Johnson answered his own question, and recently in Australia he reiterated his stand by stating: "There our men stand together—as they have stood before—to check aggression and to help build a nation."



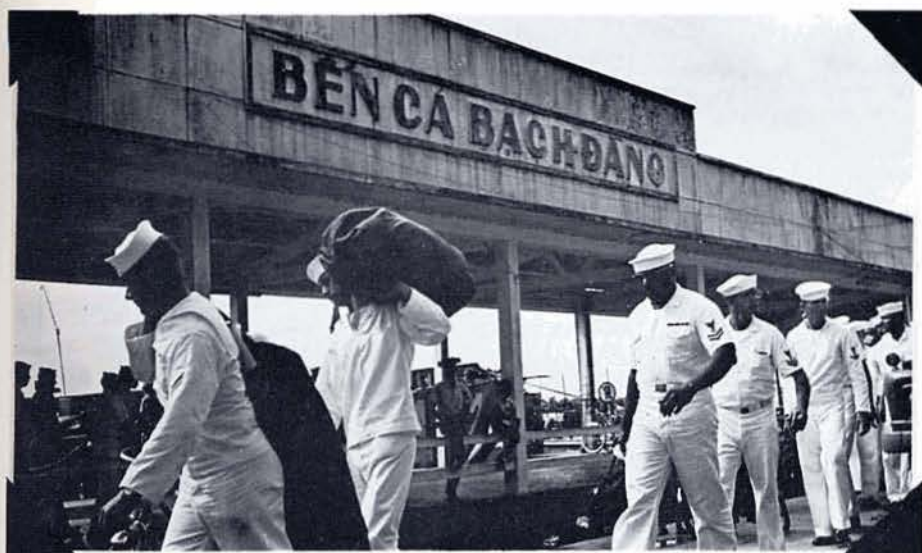
Early Days . . .



Our first C.O. and X.O.

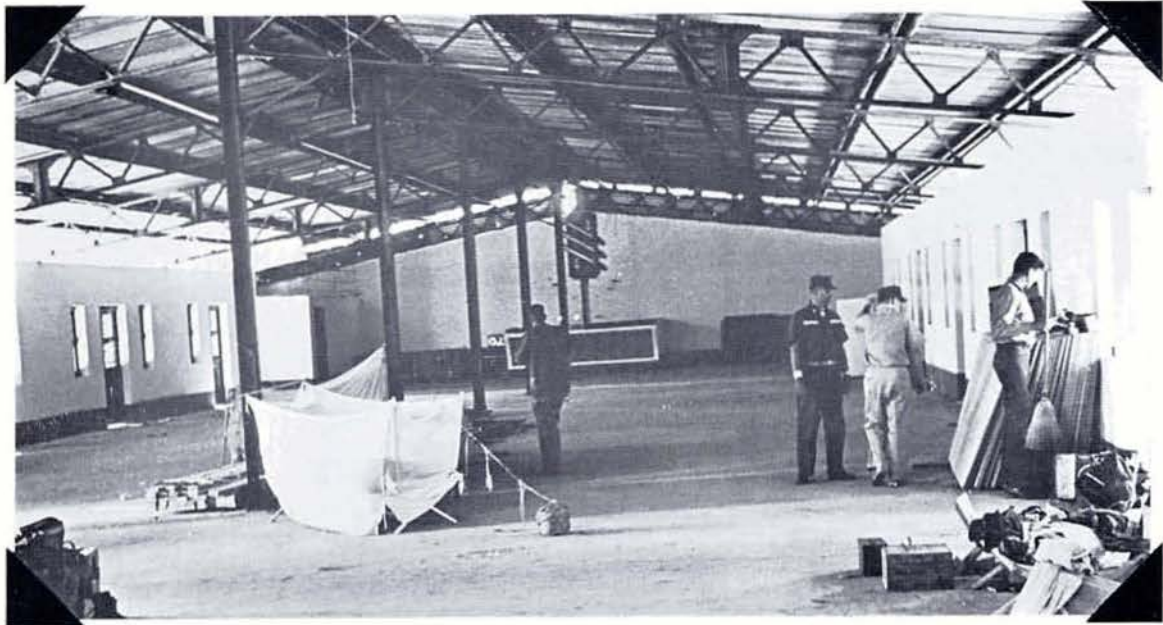
When originally commissioned on October 15, 1965, the Naval Support Activity numbered 1,412 officers and men drawn from various units operating under Commander Task Group 76.4. The specific mission of the command in its beginning was that of supporting the Third Marine Amphibious Force. Appointed as Commanding Officer was Captain Kenneth P. Huff, USNR, the former commander of Task Group 76.4.





Welcome Aboard



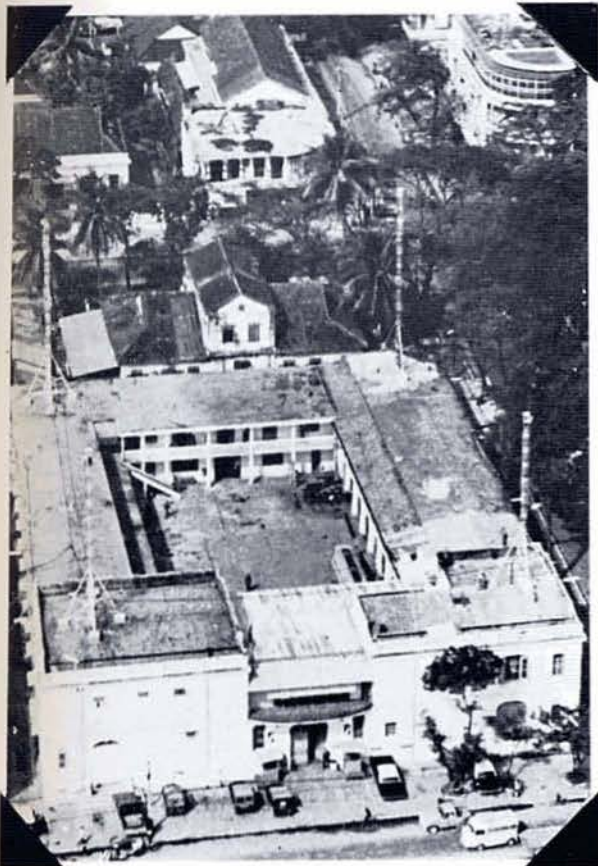
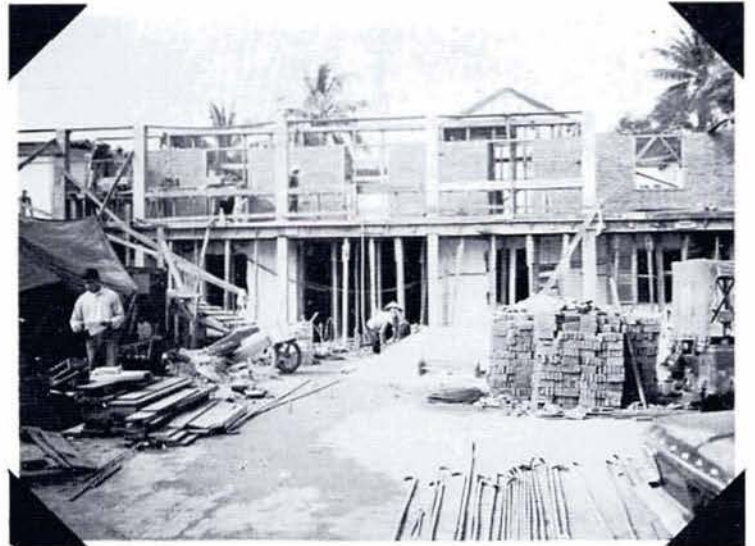


Tien Sha barracks





The Old Elephant . . .

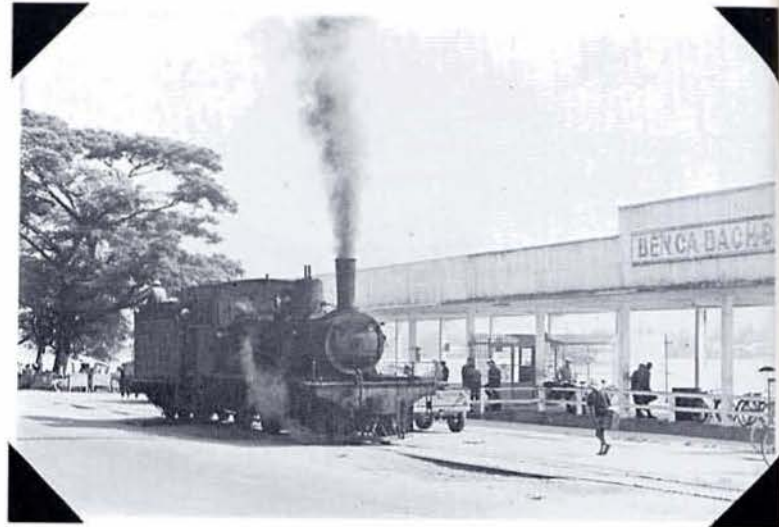


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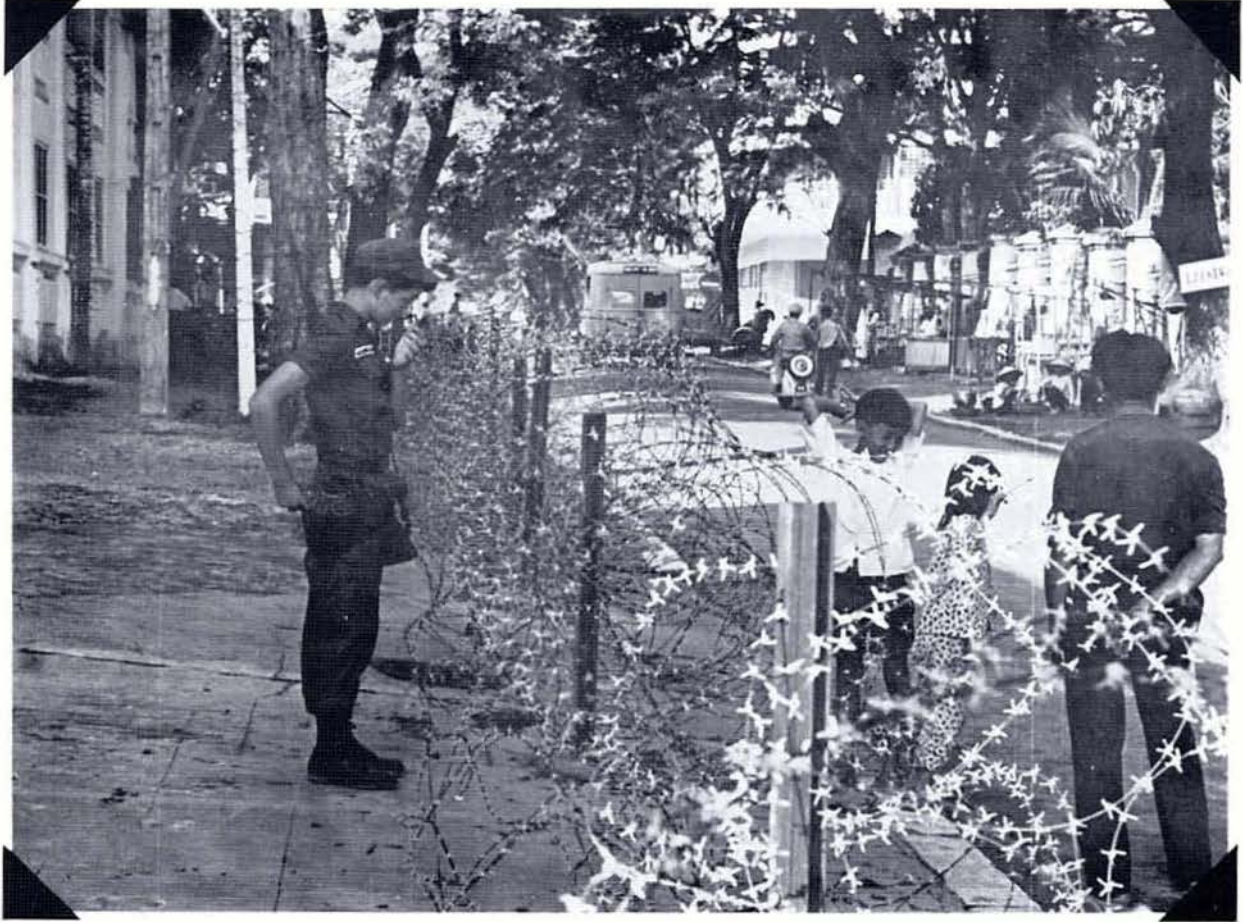
Ferry Landing February "66"

Viet Cong Hooks are found



"Take Ten" Shuttle...

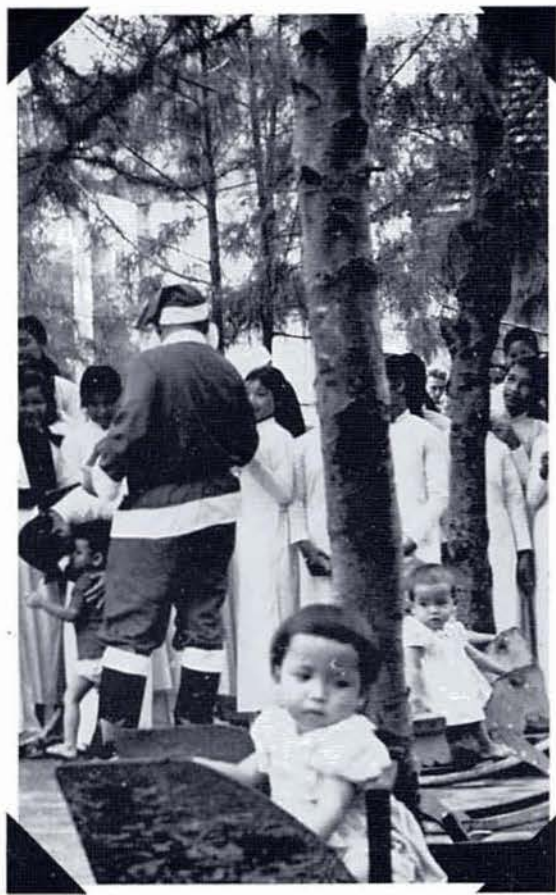




Early days at the motor pool



Christmas '65 at the Sacred Heart Orphanage



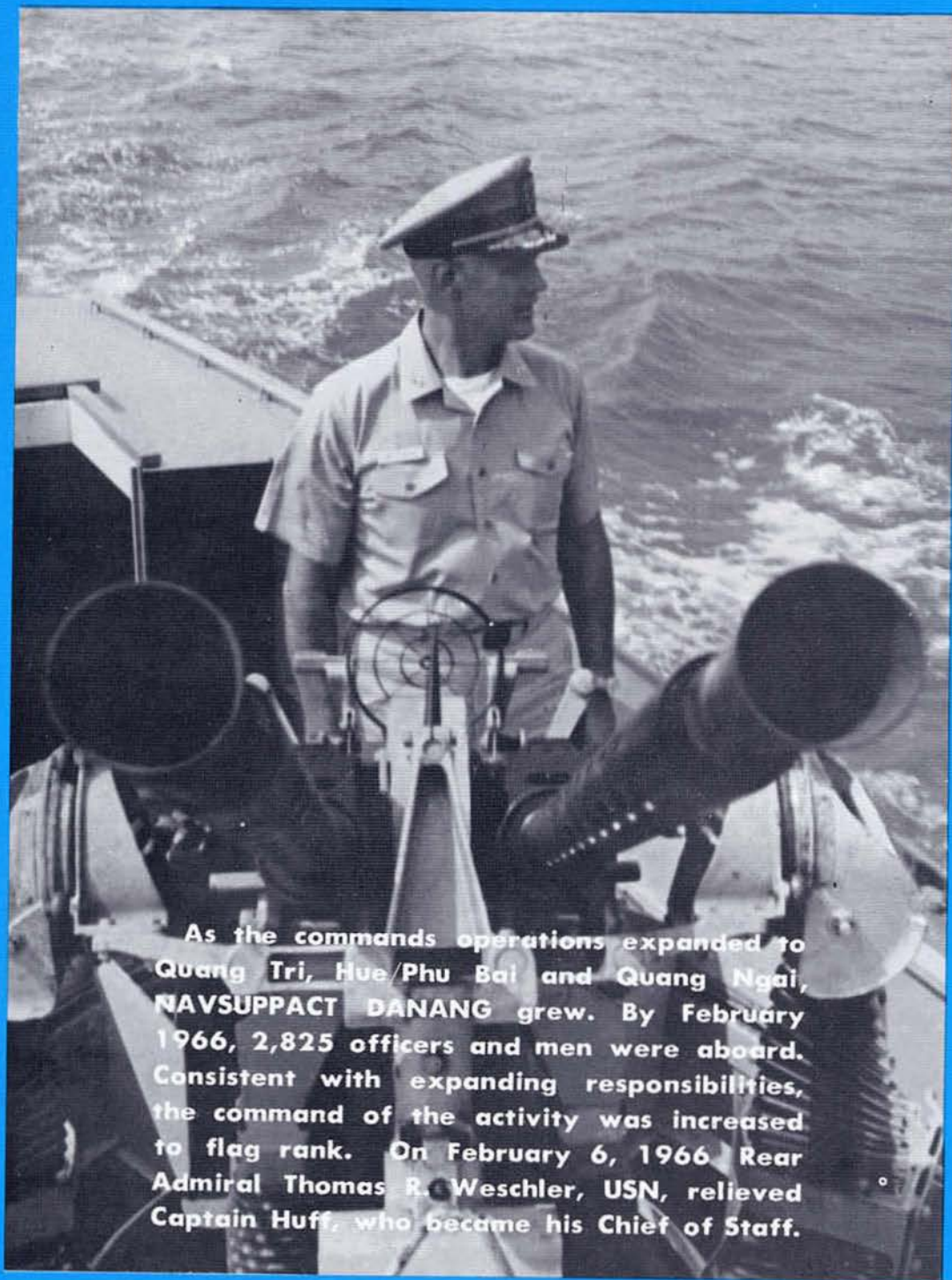


The early Bridge Ramp area





Change of Command



As the commands operations expanded to Quang Tri, Hue/Phu Bai and Quang Ngai, NAVSUPACT DANANG grew. By February 1966, 2,825 officers and men were aboard. Consistent with expanding responsibilities, the command of the activity was increased to flag rank. On February 6, 1966 Rear Admiral Thomas R. Weschler, USN, relieved Captain Huff, who became his Chief of Staff.



RADM Weschler, RADM Hooper (COMSERVEPAC) and Capt. Huff the day before Admiral Weschler assumed Command



RADM Hooper, Capt. Huff and Lt. Gen. Walt, Commanding General III Marine Amphibious Force, congratulate RADM Weschler after change of command ceremonies.



Due to his outstanding performance of duty as first C.O. of NAVSUPPACT DANANG, Capt. Huff was awarded the Legion of Merit.

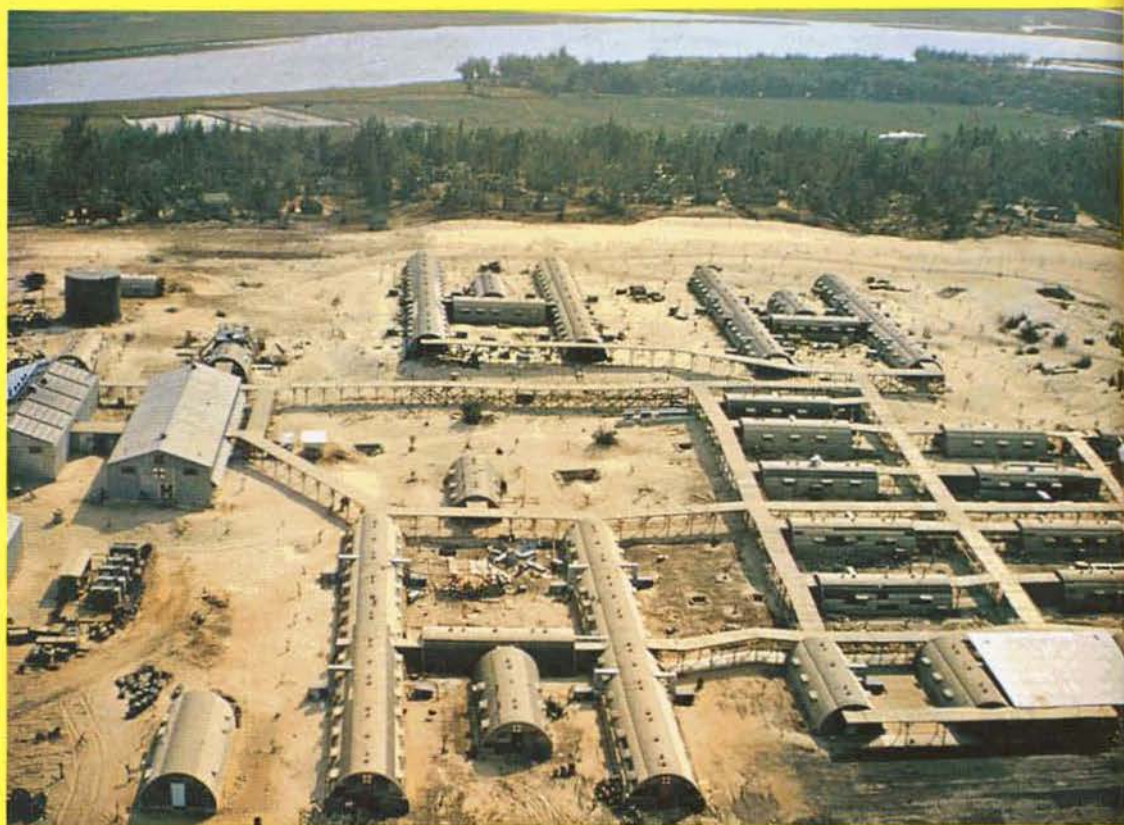


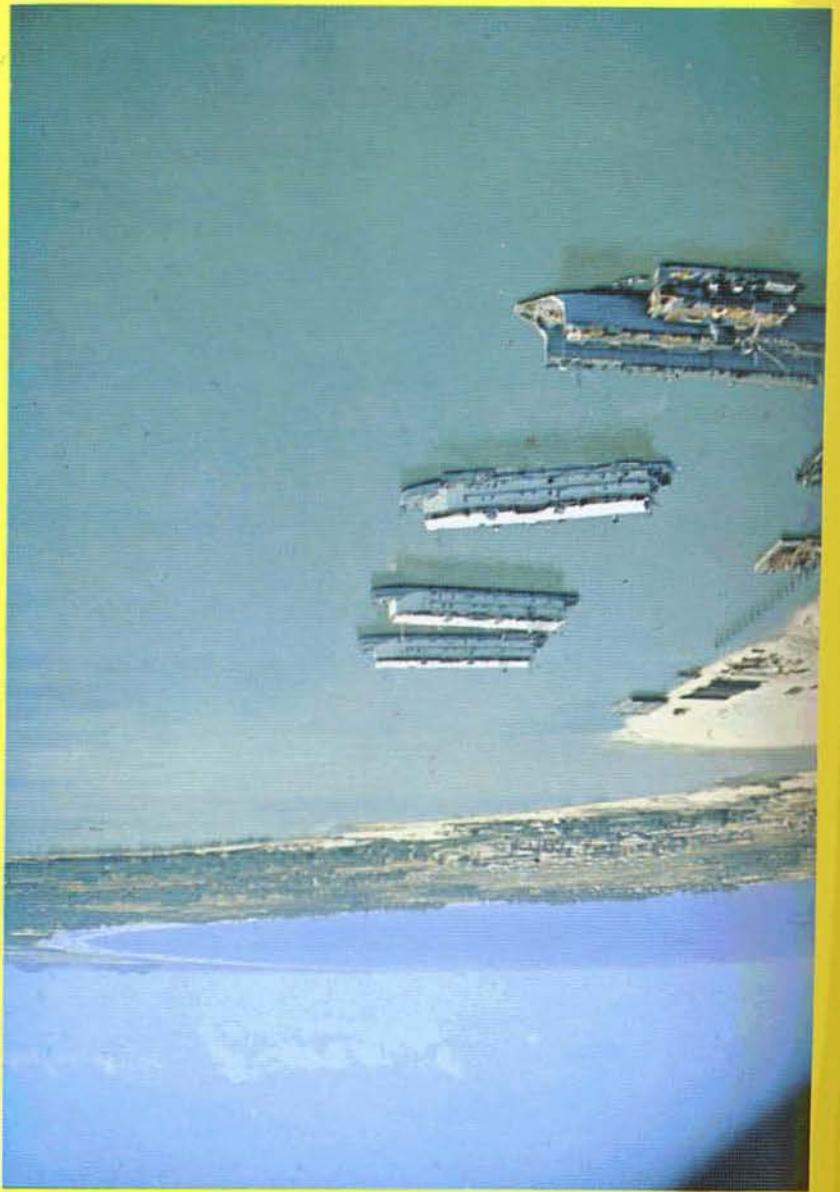
Among the many V.I.P.'s to visit DaNang was General Westmoreland, Commander, U.S. Forces, Vietnam. He is accompanied by Lt. Gen. Walt, Commanding General, III MAF.

NSA GROWS











"MARK OF A MAN"

"The Navy man has faced up to the challenge of Vietnam as he has to countless other situations in the past. There is the primitive challenge of the sea and the elements. The sea is an unnatural environment for man, and it takes something extra for men to live with it.

Navy men meet yet another challenge which is to their high credit. That challenge is responsibility at an early age. Conrad speaks of the "shadow line" which separates youth from maturity. Navymen meet that shadow line early. Aboard ship a young man carries responsibilities far beyond those he could expect in civilian life at a comparable age. A petty officer second class—and many are only 22 years old—is likely to find himself personally responsible for the maintenance and repair of 25 or more highly complicated and expensive pieces of electronic equipment, certainly a far bigger investment than that represented by all the equipment in his hometown TV station. We have jet pilots, some not yet old enough to vote, whom we call upon to land a multi-million dollar plane aboard a carrier almost every night—or, to whom would come, should the need arise, the mission of carrying to a distant target a nuclear weapon many times more powerful than the Hiroshima bomb. The commanding officer of a Polaris submarine is between 35 and 40 years old—yet in total command under the remote seas of a nuclear power plant, a complex missile system, and a highly trained, dedicated and intelligent team of professional technicians. A first class petty officer normally handles the watch over all the main engines in a destroyer—possibly at the age of 26. For eight hours each day he controls the horsepower equivalent to some 200 diesel engines on the Southern Pacific's San Francisco to Los Angeles run, while at the same time discharging military obligations that involve his very life. Civilian life holds no comparable responsibility.

We will always need men who can take on such responsibilities and discharge them with skill and dedication. We will always need men who are willing to face the challenge of a Navy life. We need men who will serve their fellow men selflessly as our Navy men are doing today. We cannot hope to attract this kind of service with mere monetary rewards. We must—at the least—also assure those that serve that they can count on the respect and recognition of their nation."

The Honorable Paul H. Nitze
Secretary of the Navy









I thought we were storing corn in here ?



There's two full ones



And then . . .

TH

the Monsoon



rains came

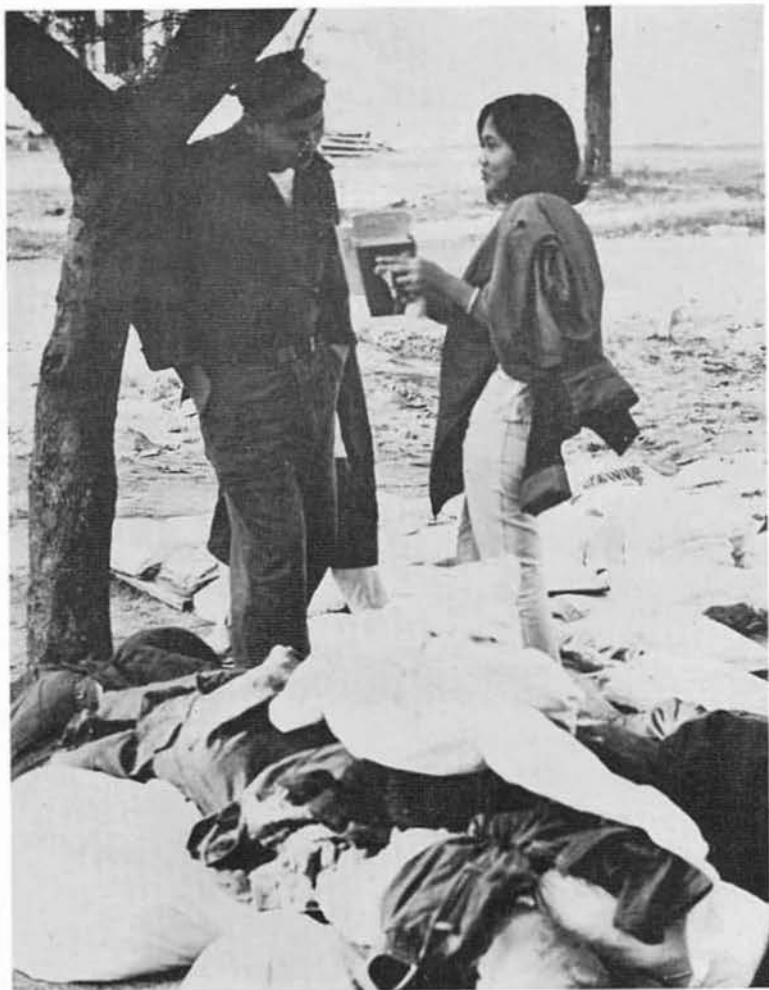
The river is strong



Through this . . .

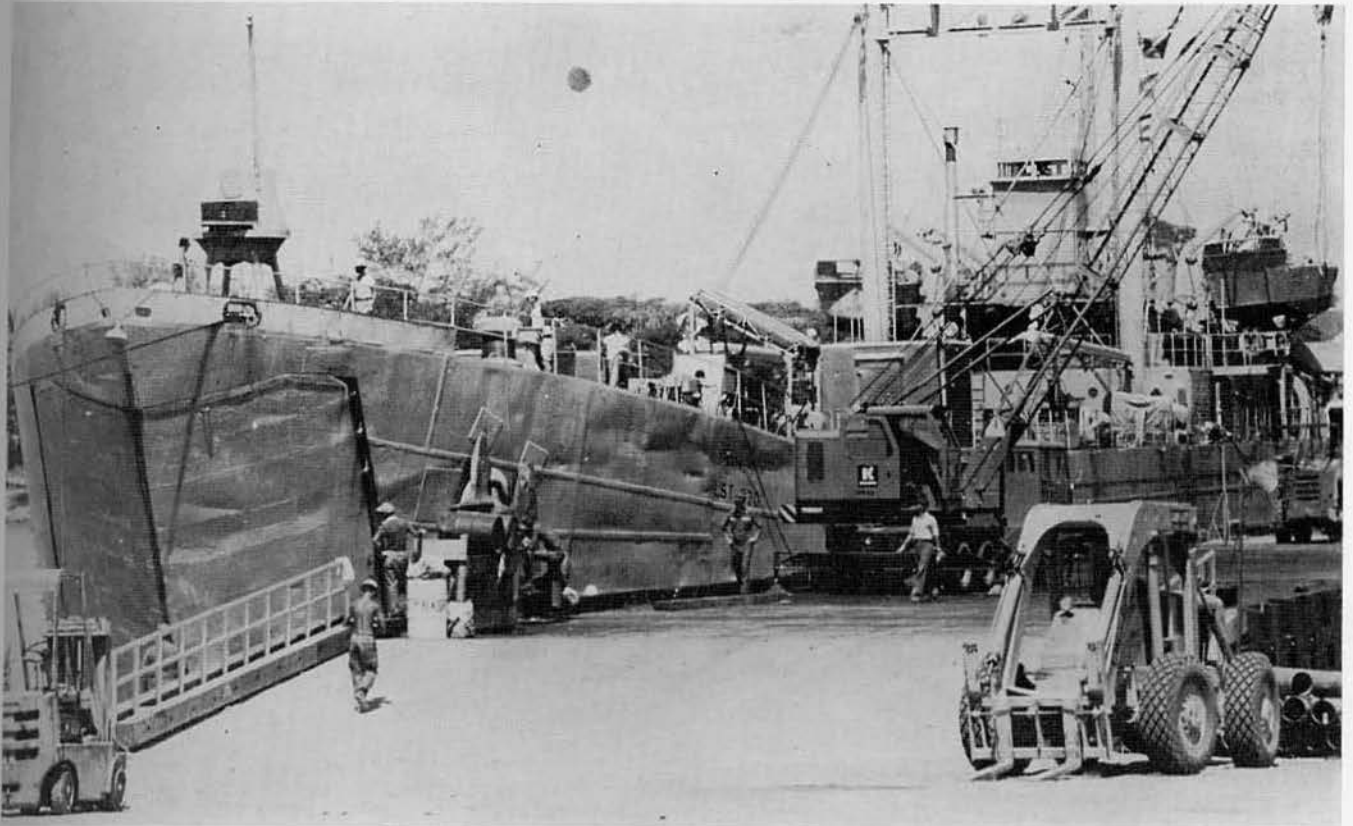
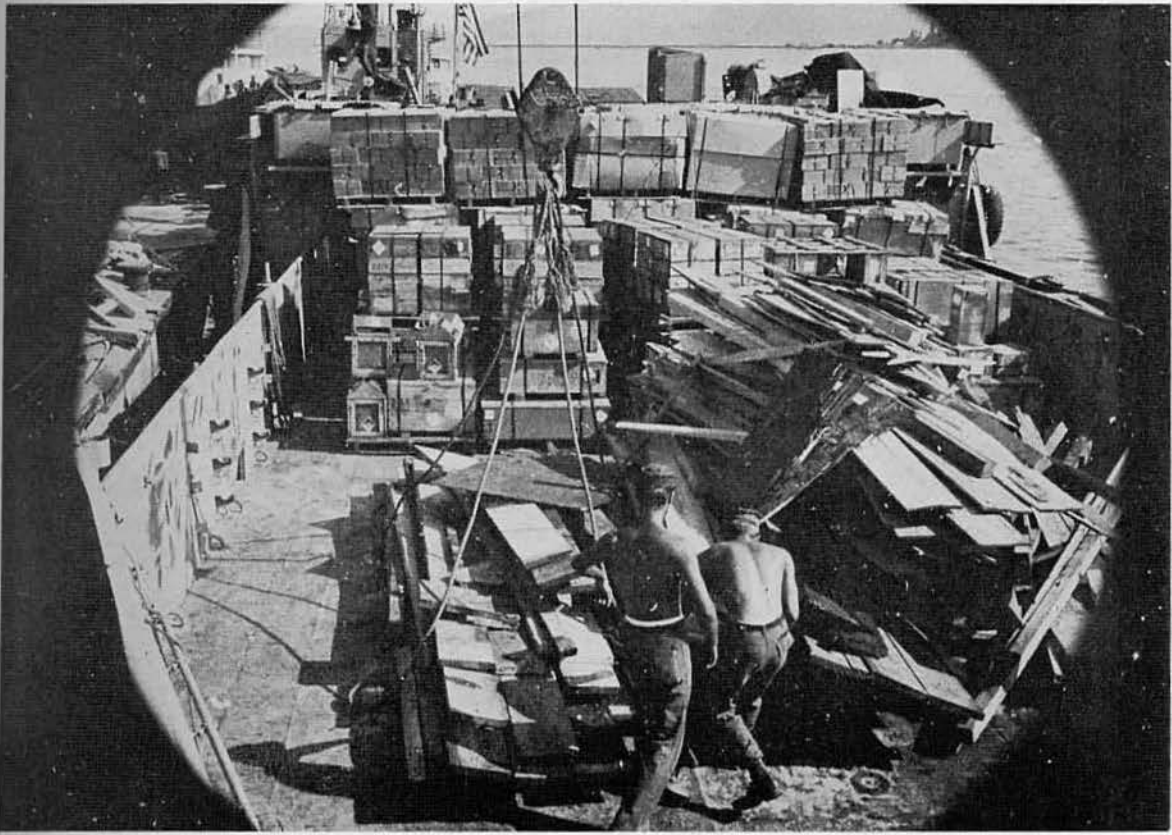


We go to work



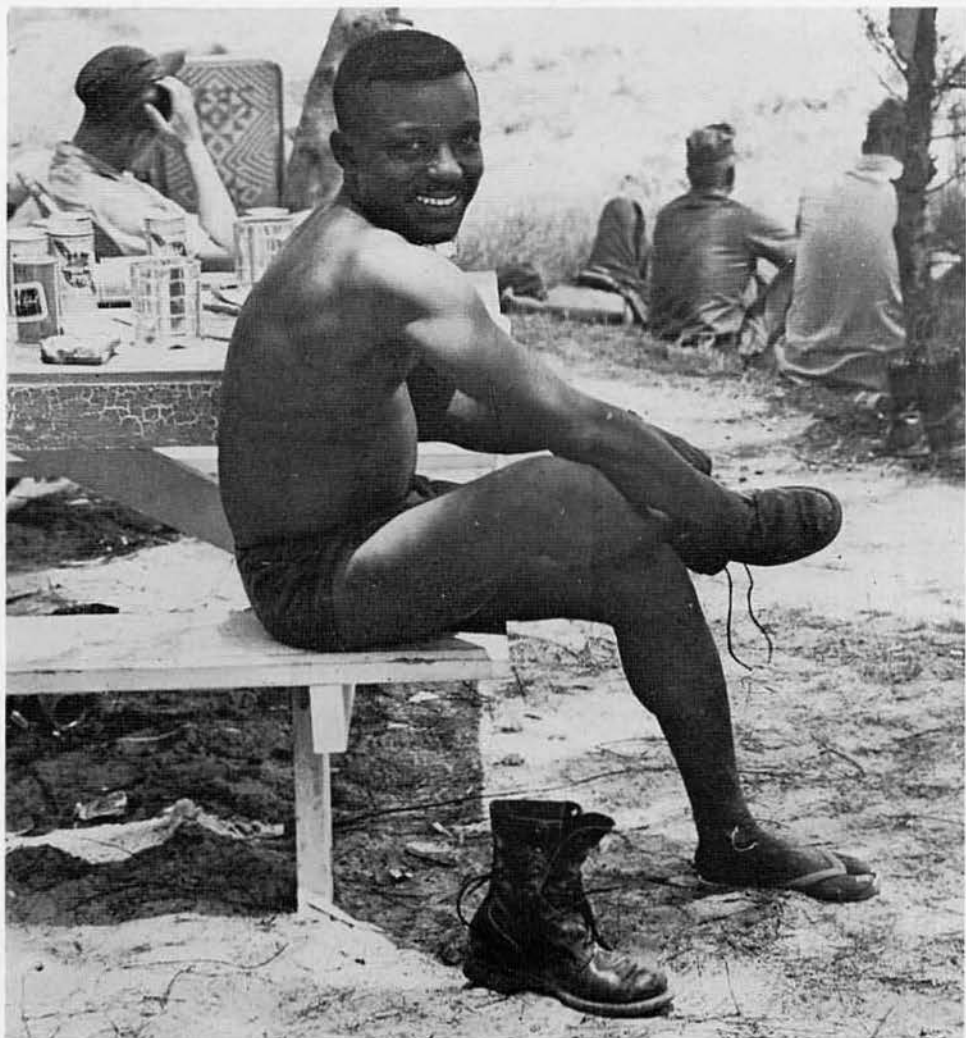
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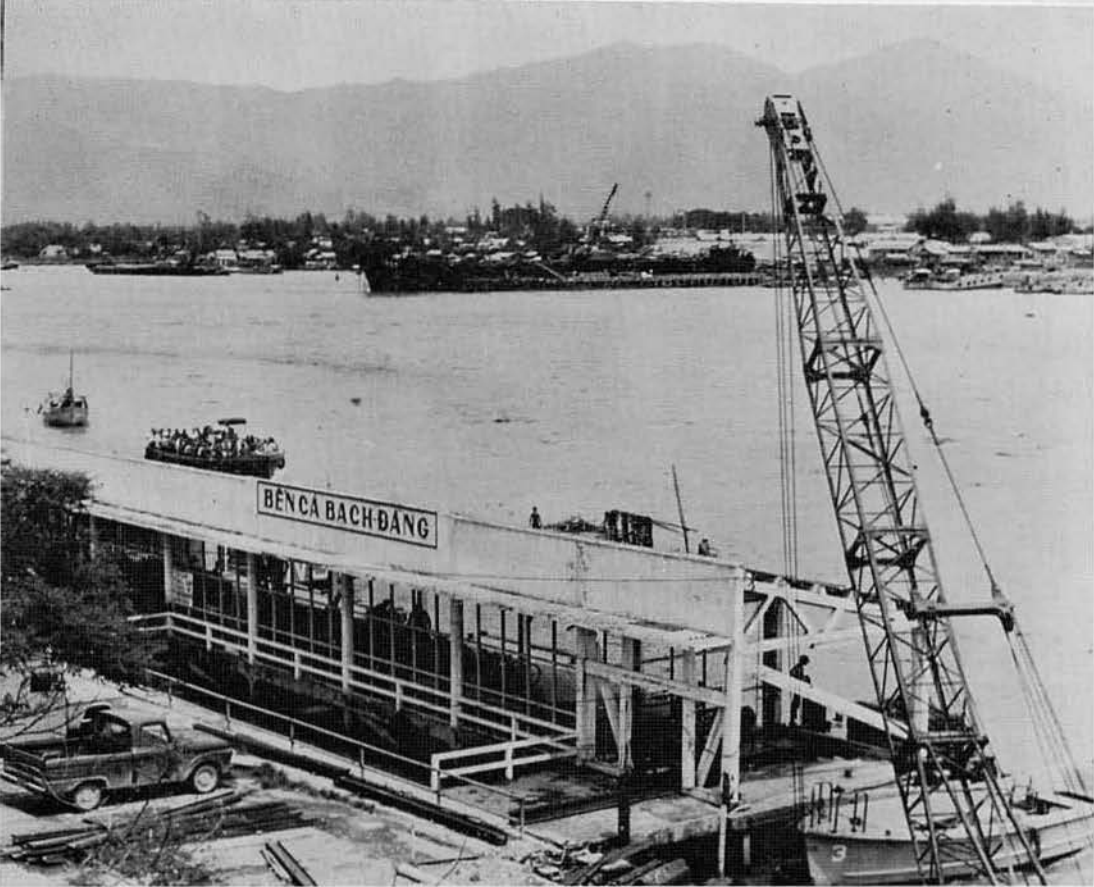






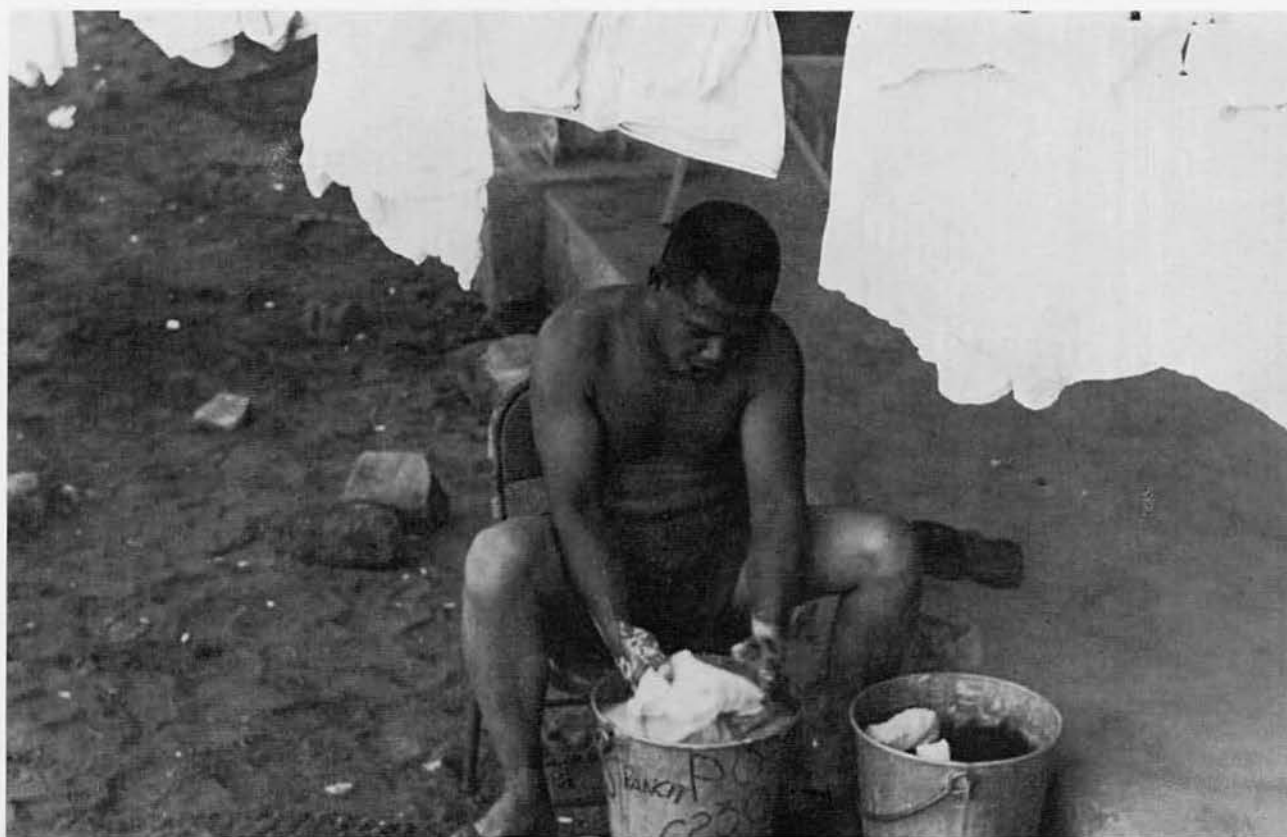
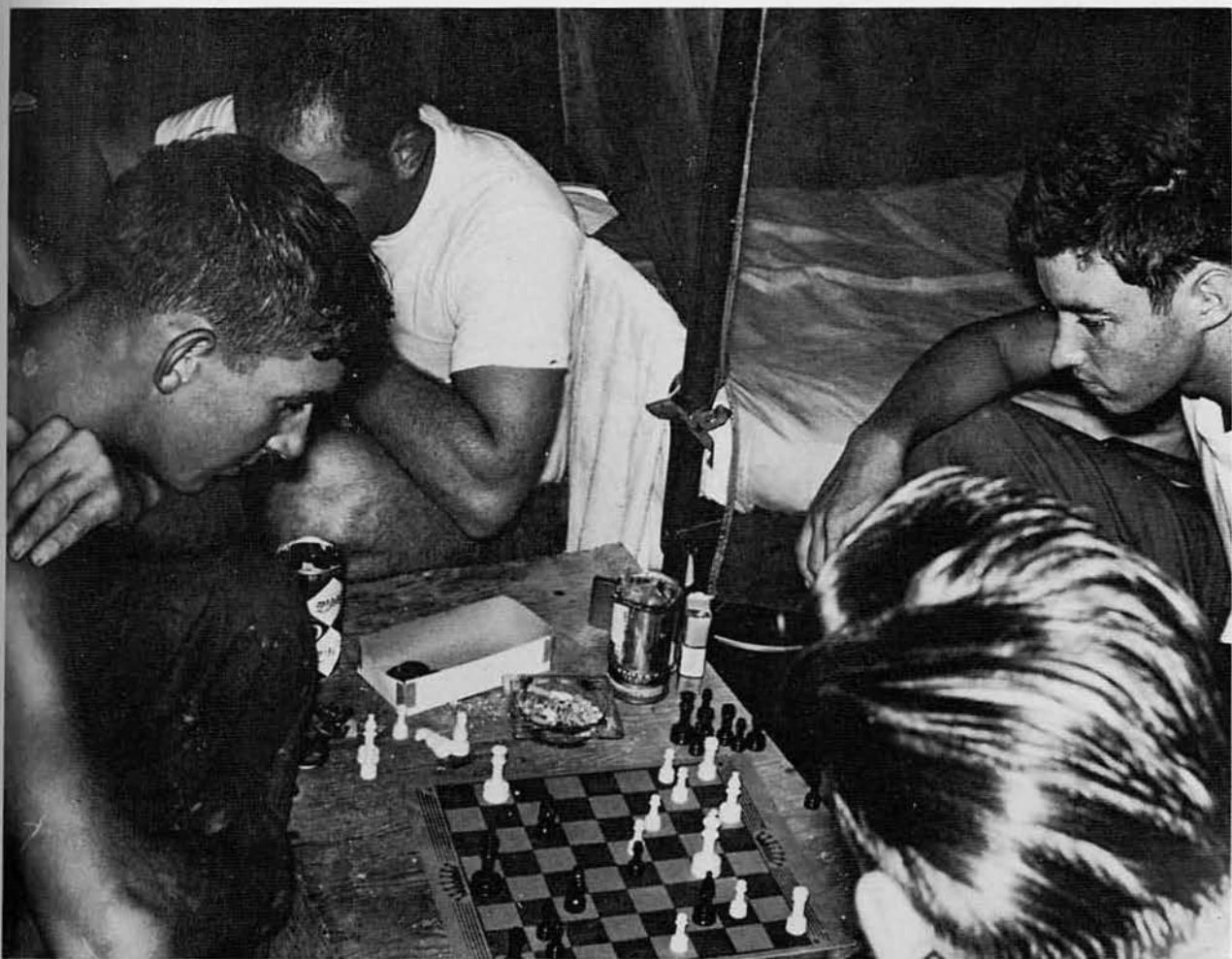
"PRO PAY! BY GAD, IN THE OLD NAVY WE HAD TO TAKE THE DAMNED THINGS!"

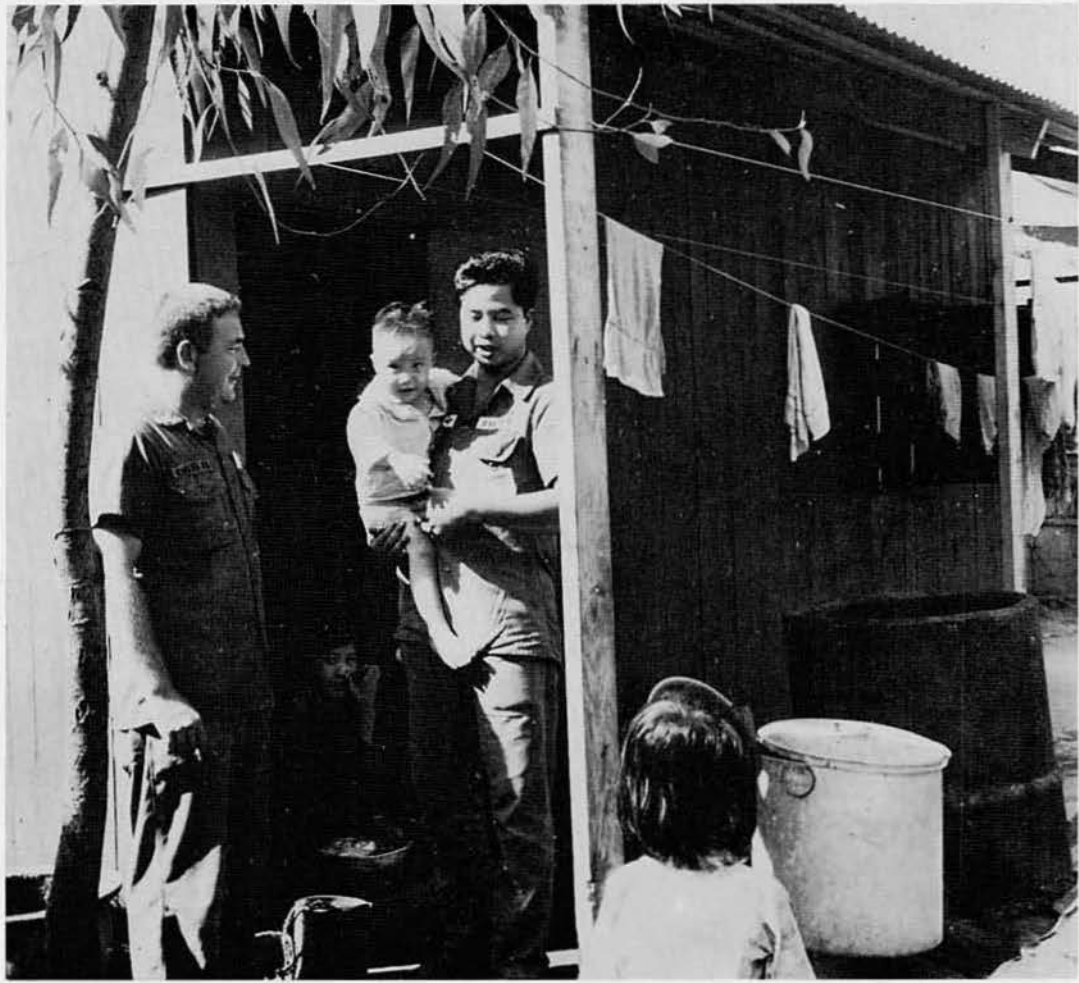




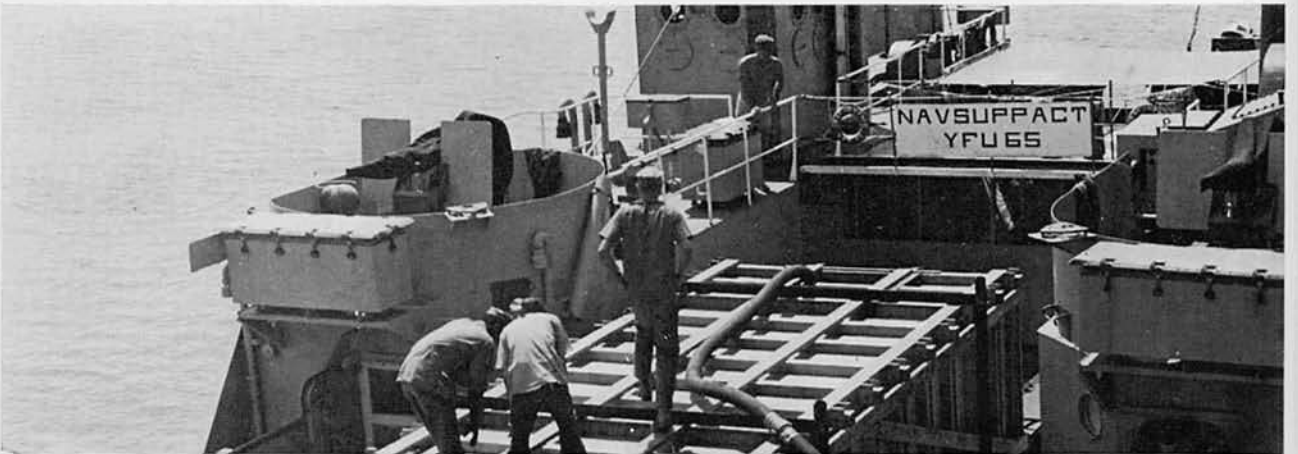
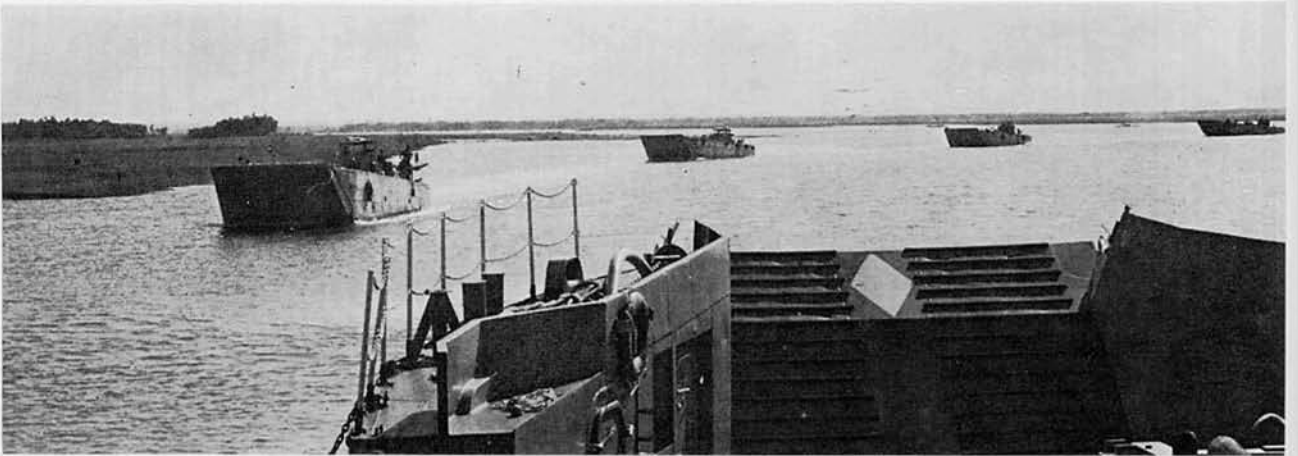










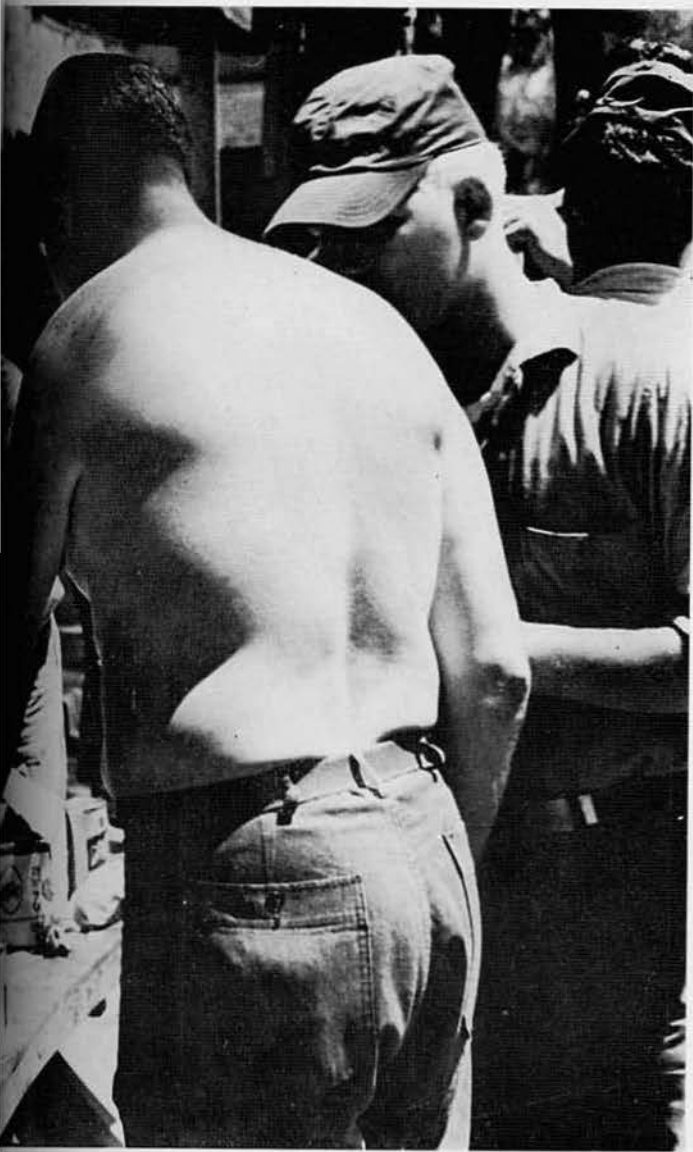




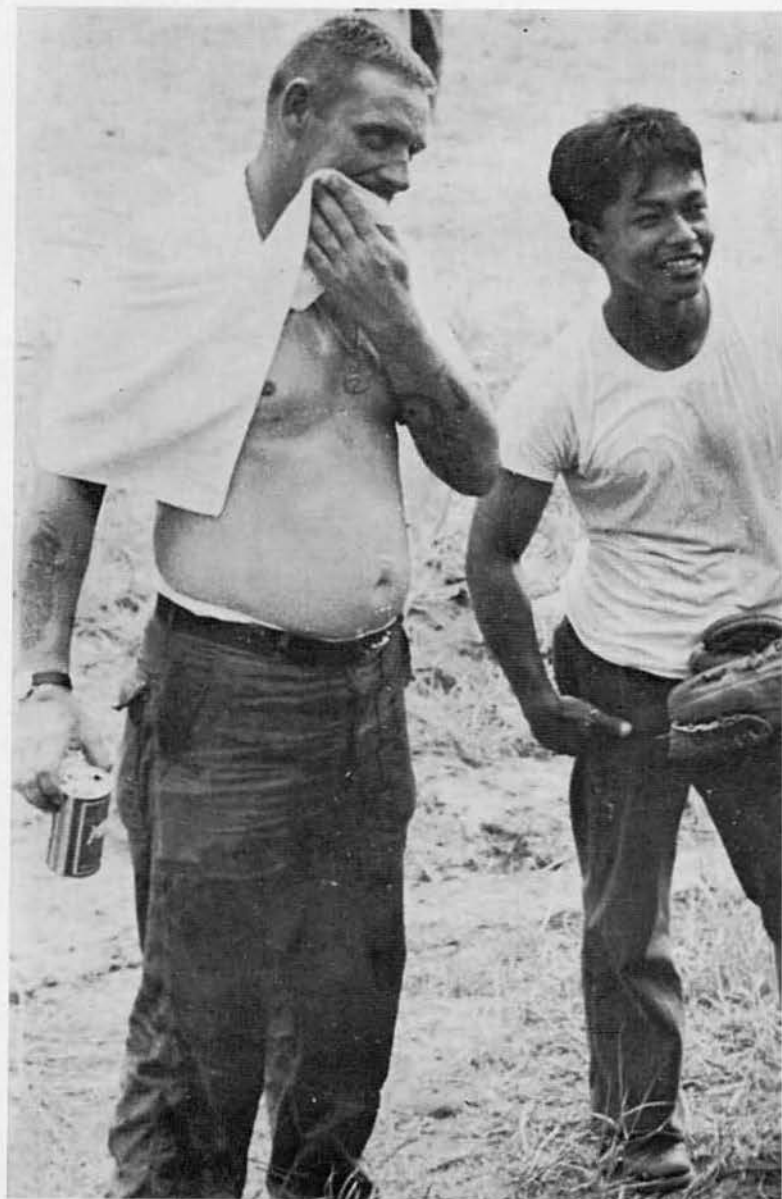


The Pause . . .





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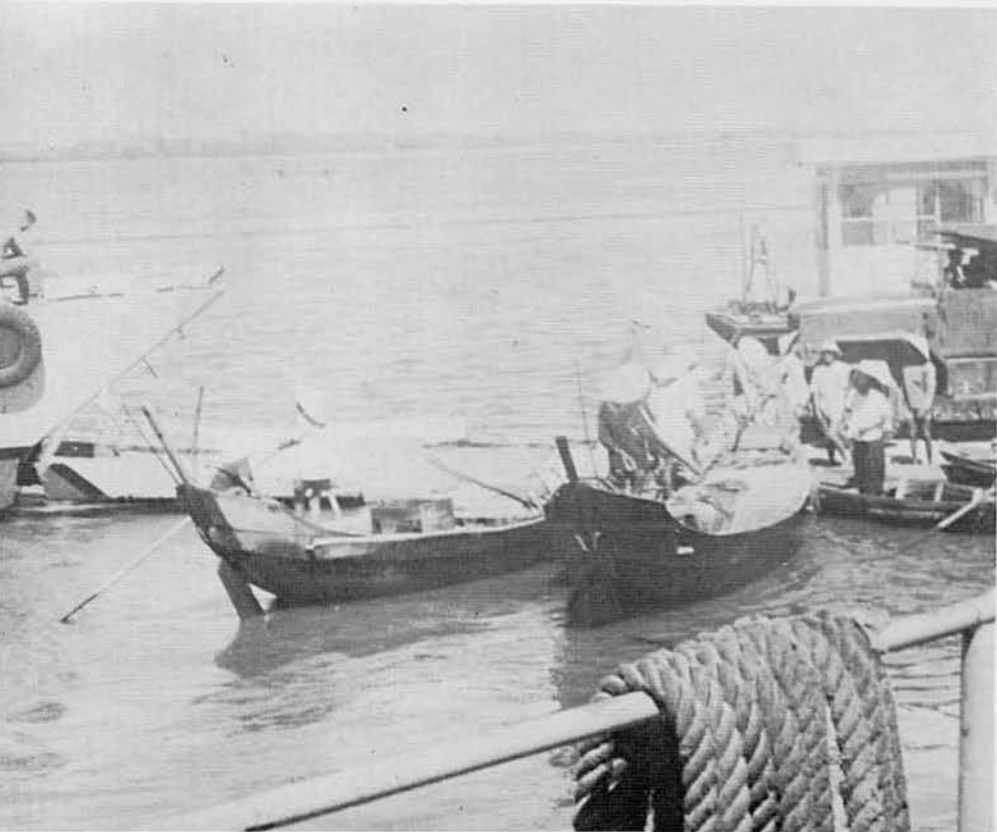
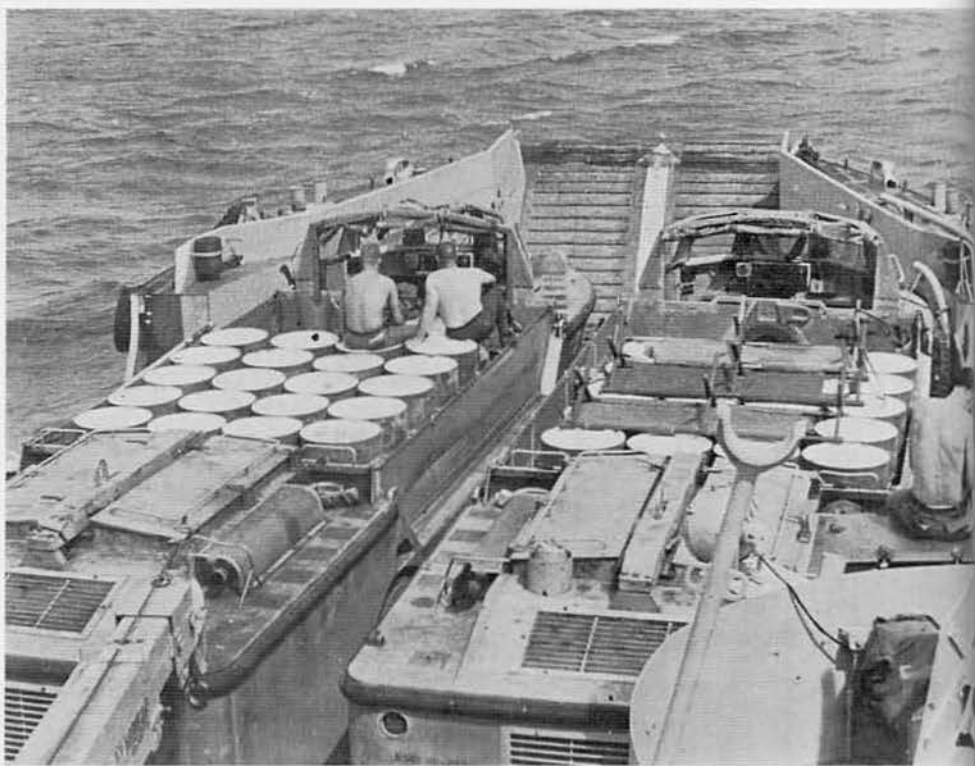


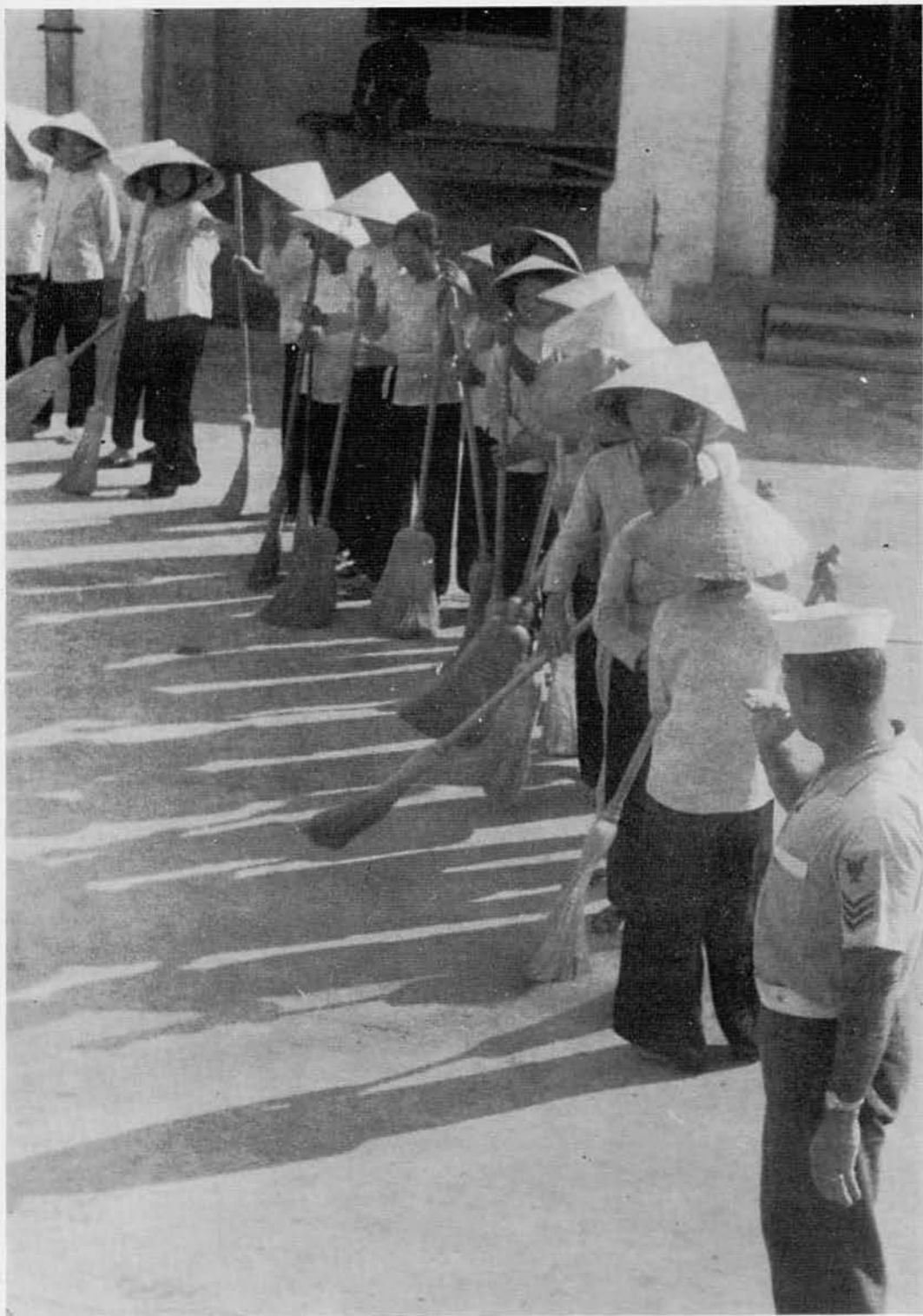




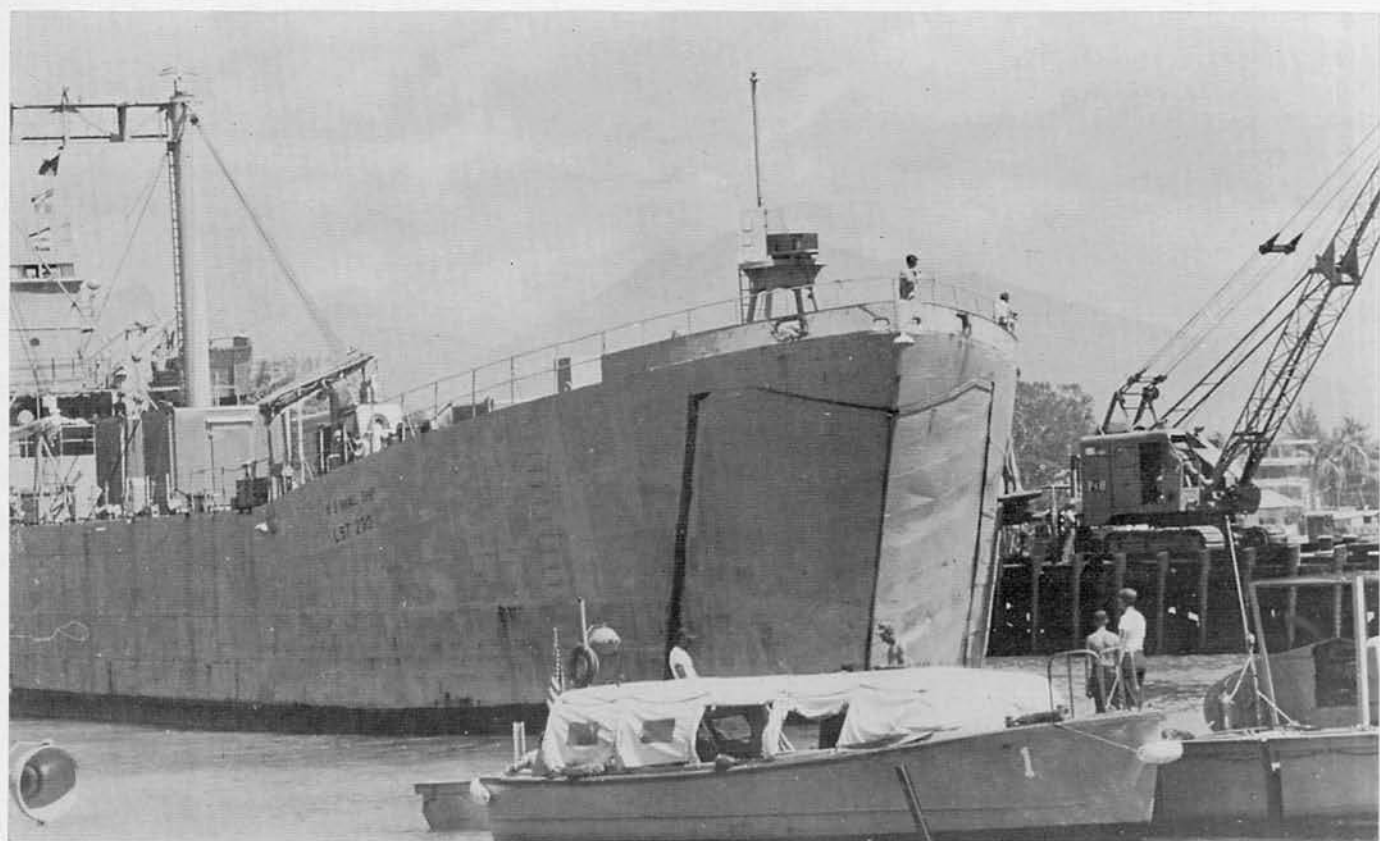


Get That Buffalo Down . . .





Sweepers . . . , man your brooms !





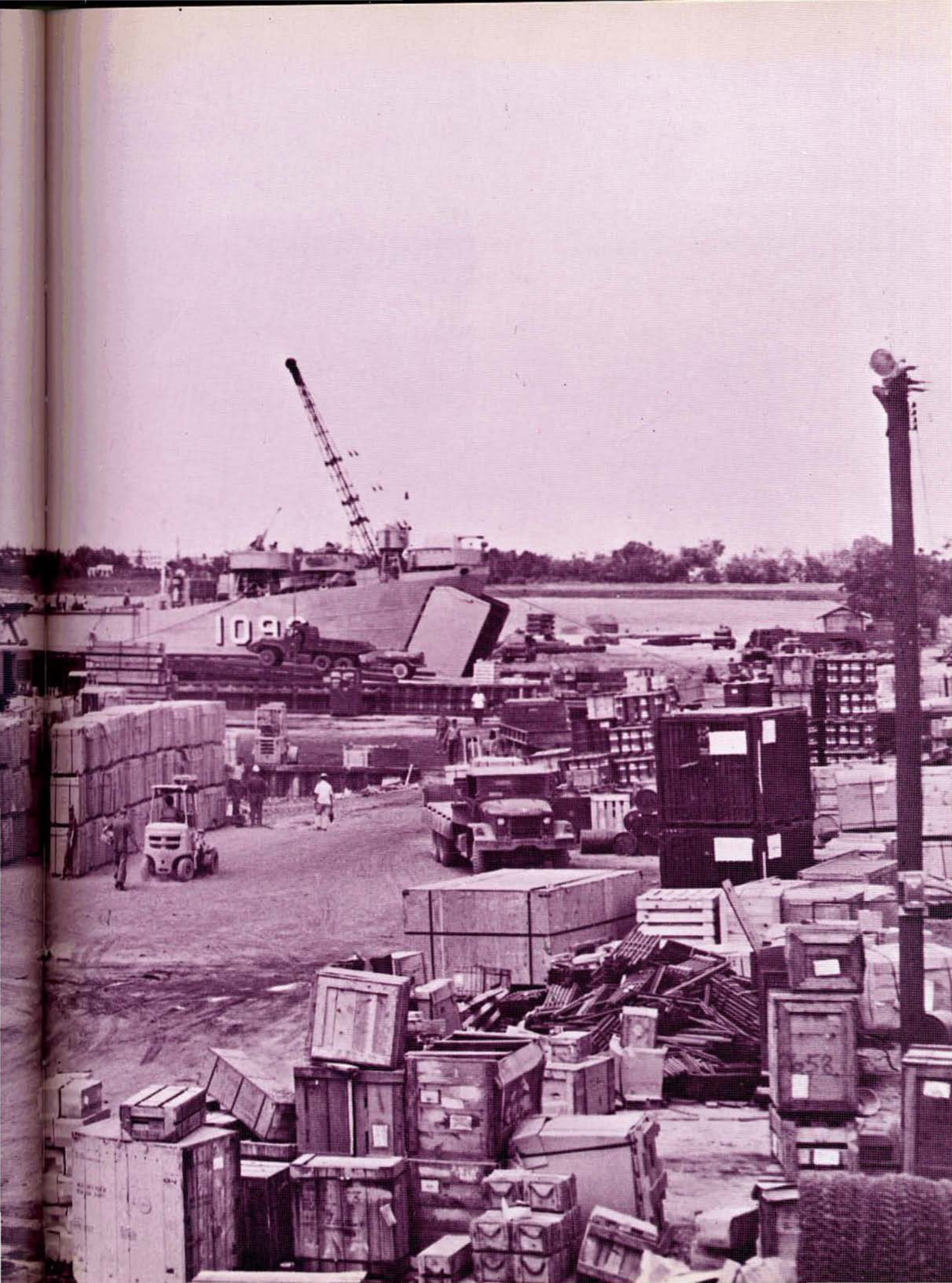
BRIDGE CARGO

Construction began on the Bridge Cargo Complex in June of 1965. Its completion and formal opening on July 1, 1966 provided the first major improvement to offloading facilities in the port of DaNang in many years. The complex can accommodate two LST's, four LCU's and various other lighterage and barge craft at one time along its 1600 foot quay wall. The Bridge Cargo Complex increased the cargo offloading capability of NAVSUPPACT DANANG by approximately one-third.

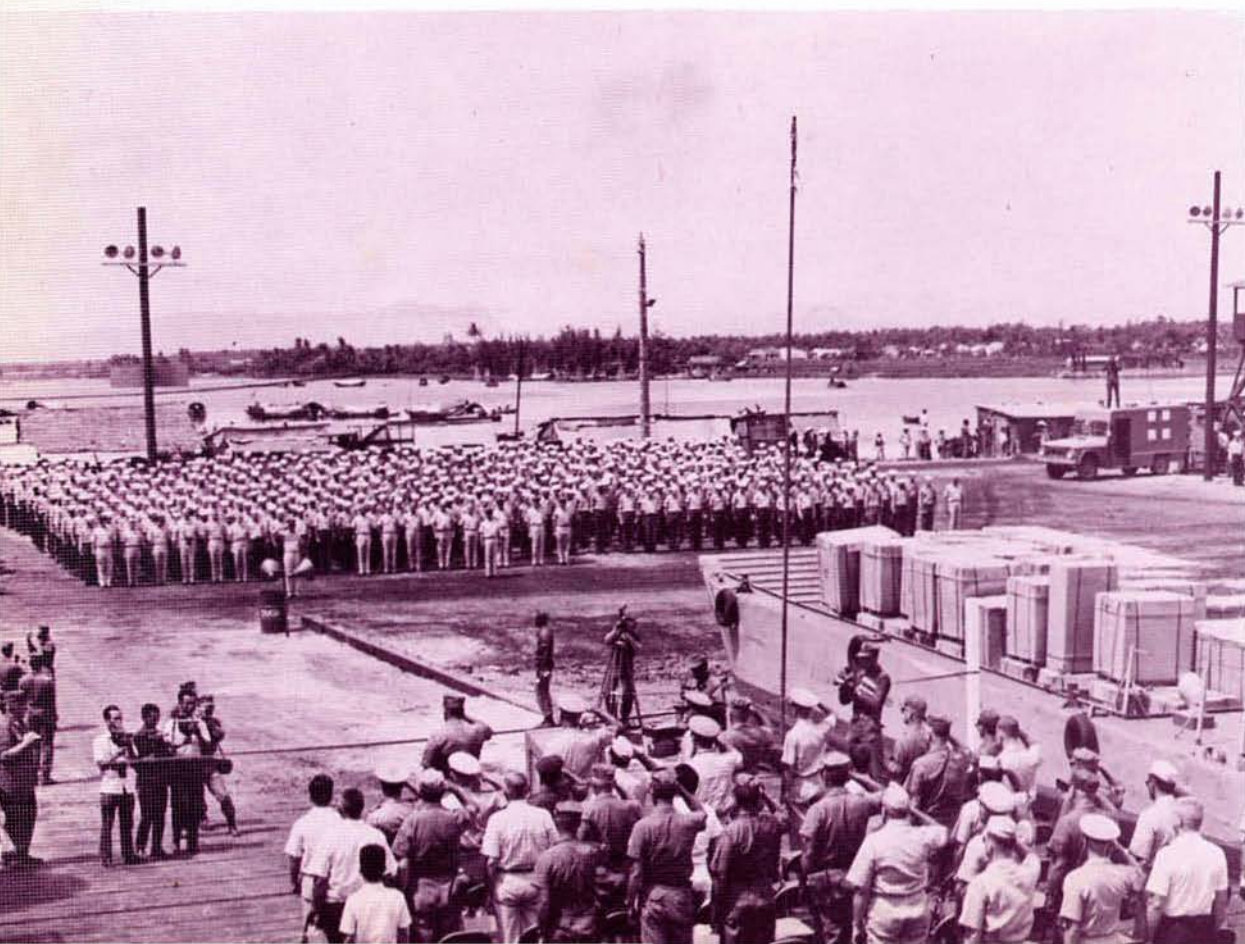
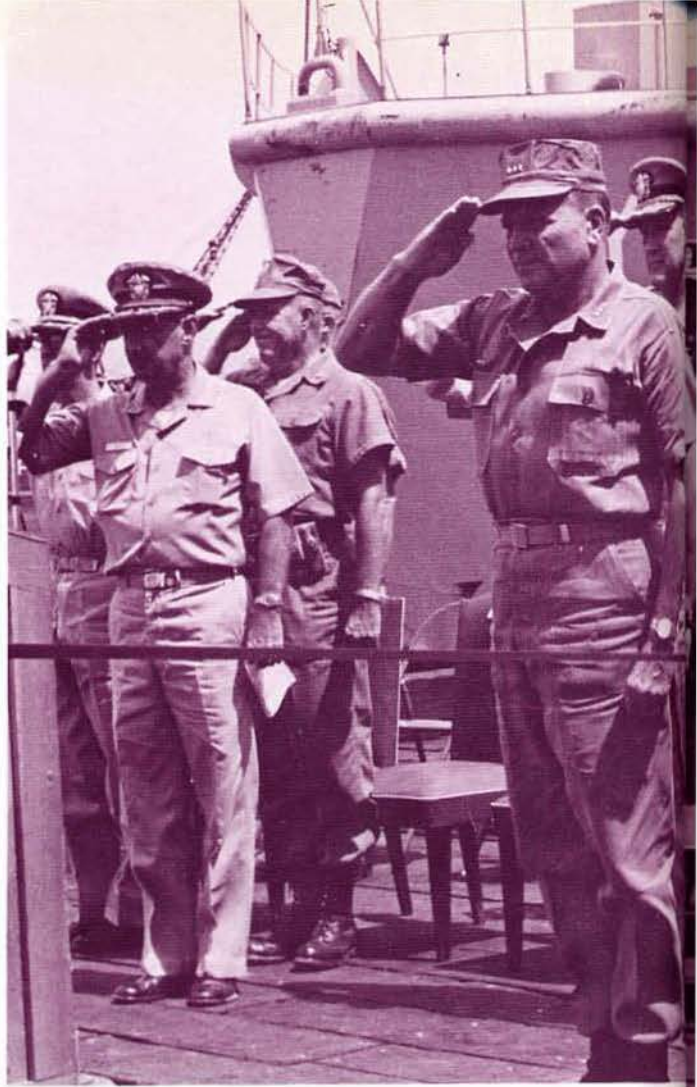








American and Vietnamese Officials Salute as the national colors are brought forward to begin ceremonies at the official opening of the Bridge Cargo Complex.





Li. Gen. Lewis W. Walt, USMC, Commanding General, III MAF, cuts the ribbon to officially open the new cargo complex as Captain William R. Anderson, CEC, USN (left) and Rear Admiral Thomas R. Weschler, USN, look on.



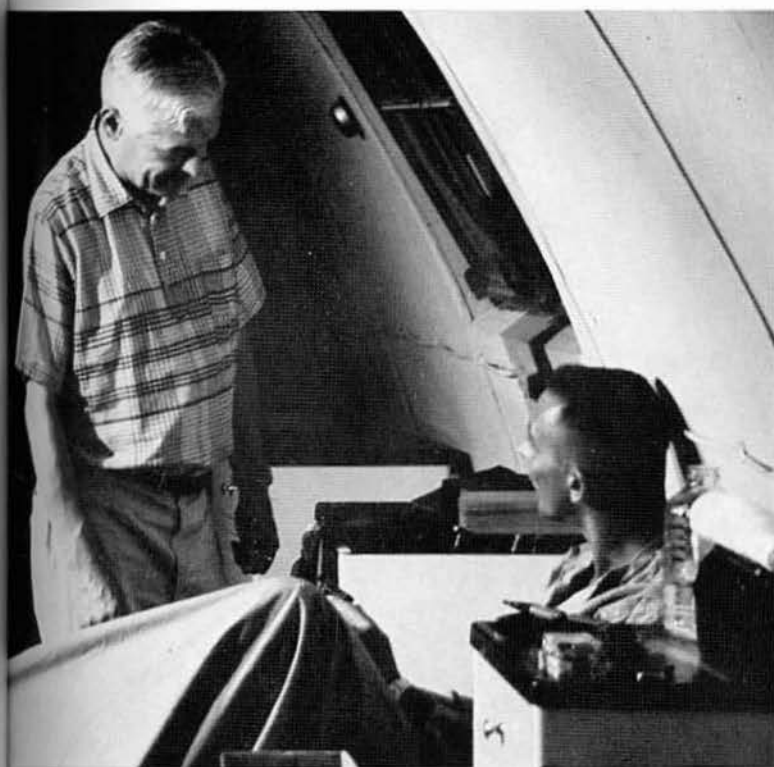
QUOTES FOR BLUE-JACKETS



THEY CHANGE THEIR CLIME,
NOT THEIR DISPOSITION,
WHO RUN BEYOND THE SEA."

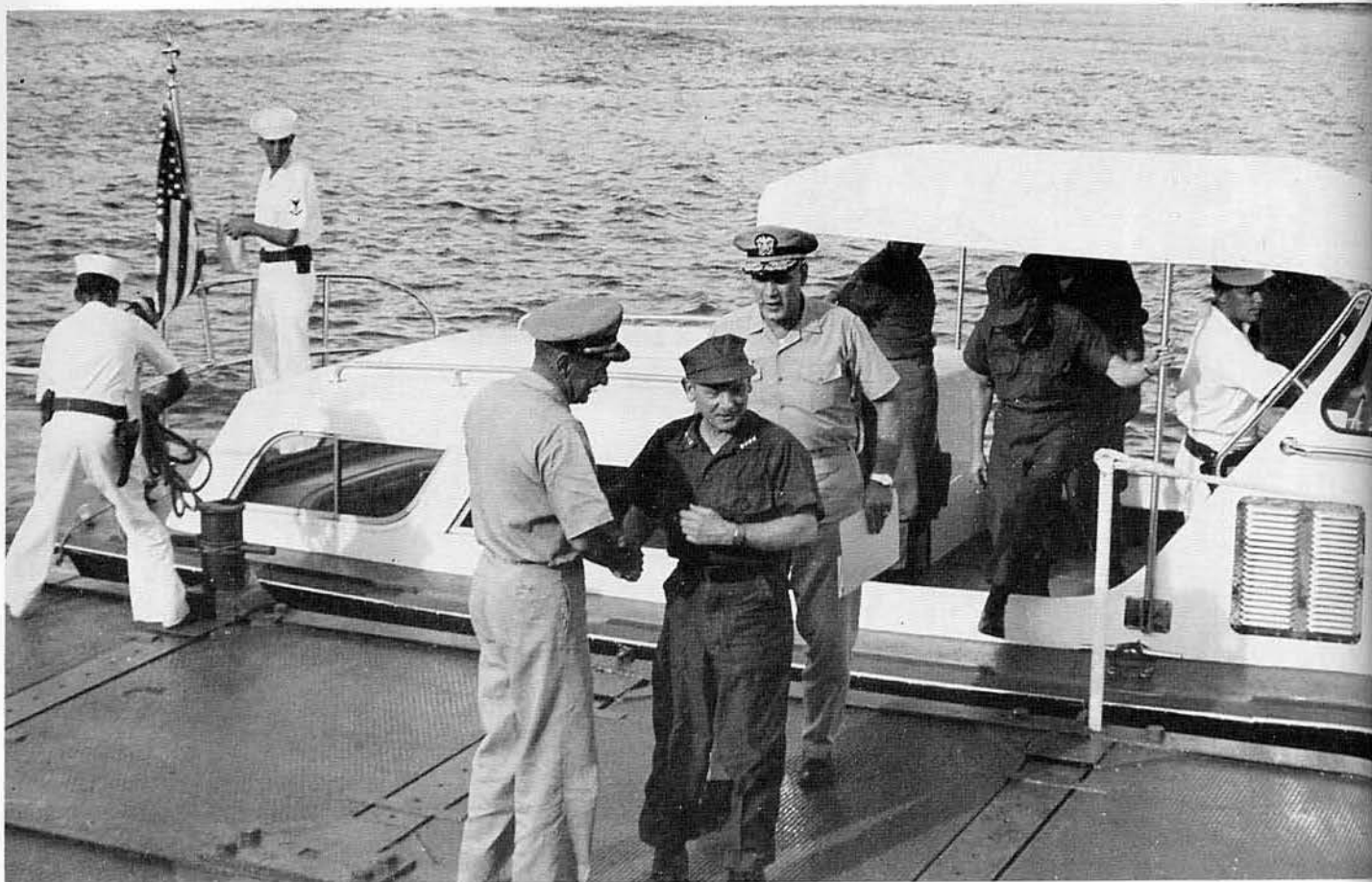
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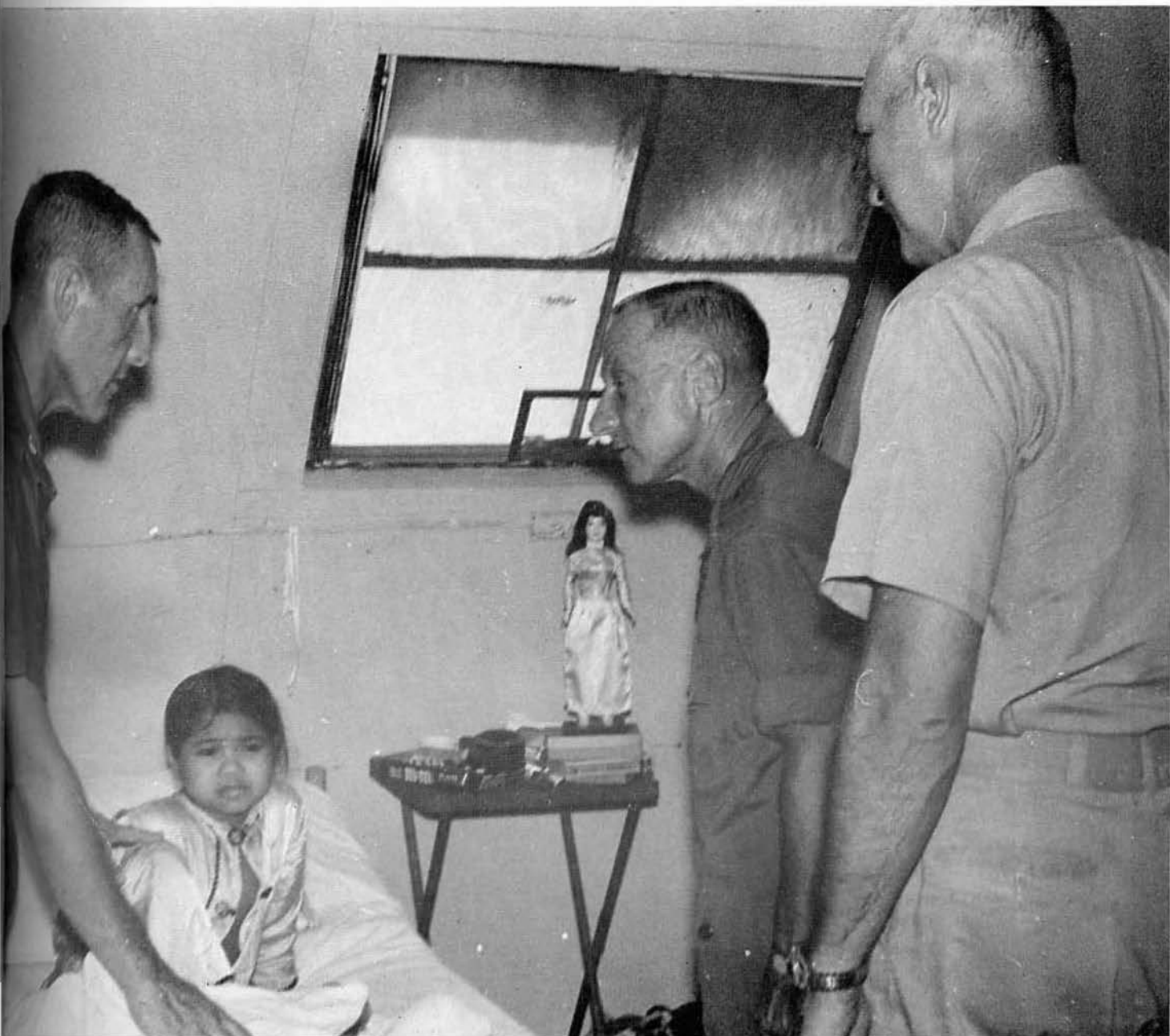
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VICE CHIEF OF NAVAL OPERATIONS





ATTENTION GETTER - A little Montagnard girl from the highlands of Vietnam gets some attention from visitors at the hospital. Captain Bruce L. Canago, Jr., senior medical officer at Station Hospital (left), introduces the little girl to General Victor Krulak, Commanding General, Fleet Marine Force, and Rear Admiral Thomas R. Weschler.



COMMANDANT, U.S. MARINE CORPS



COMMANDER IN CHIEF, PACIFIC FLEET

CINCPACFLT cuts ribbon to open hospital

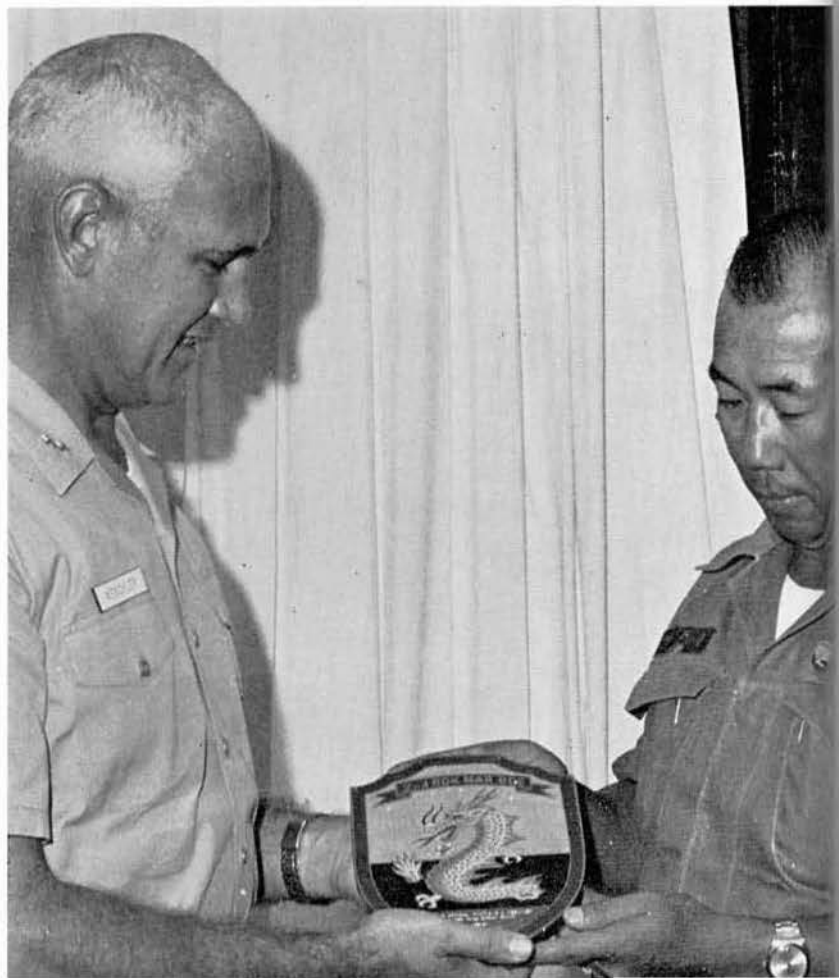




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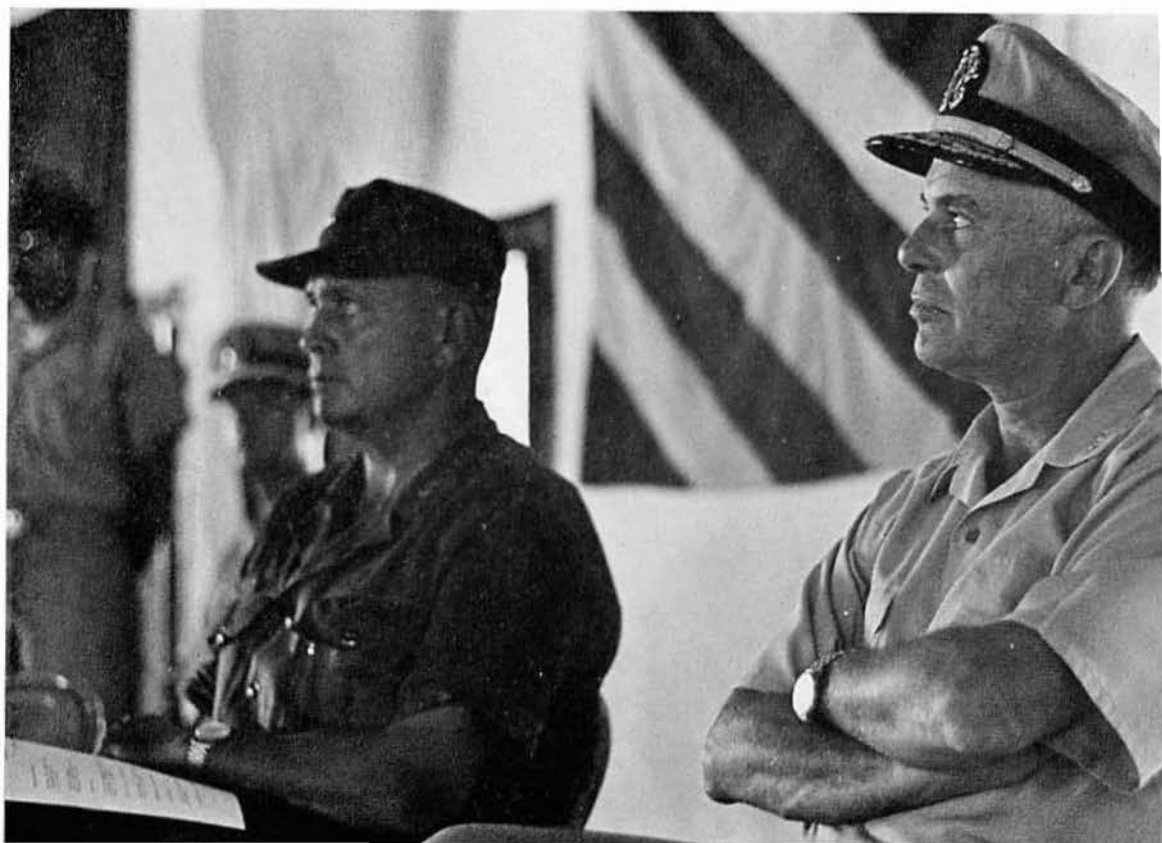
BRIG. GEN. LEE, ROK MARINES



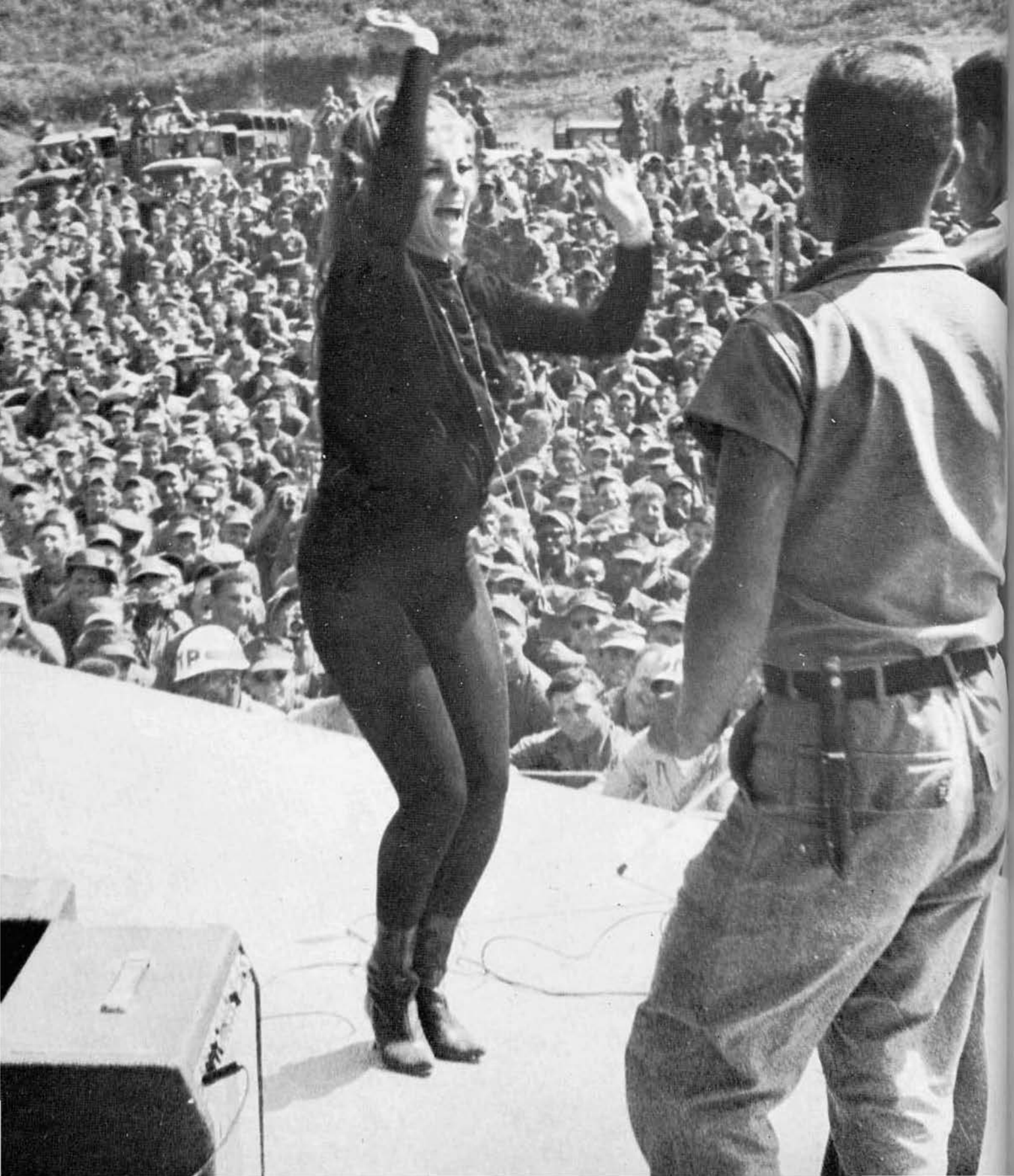


*Commander, SEVENTH Fleet,
C.G. III MAF, and Capt. Huff,
(far R.) then C.O. of DANANG.*

COMMANDING GENERAL, III MAF, and COMMANDER, SEVENTH FLEET

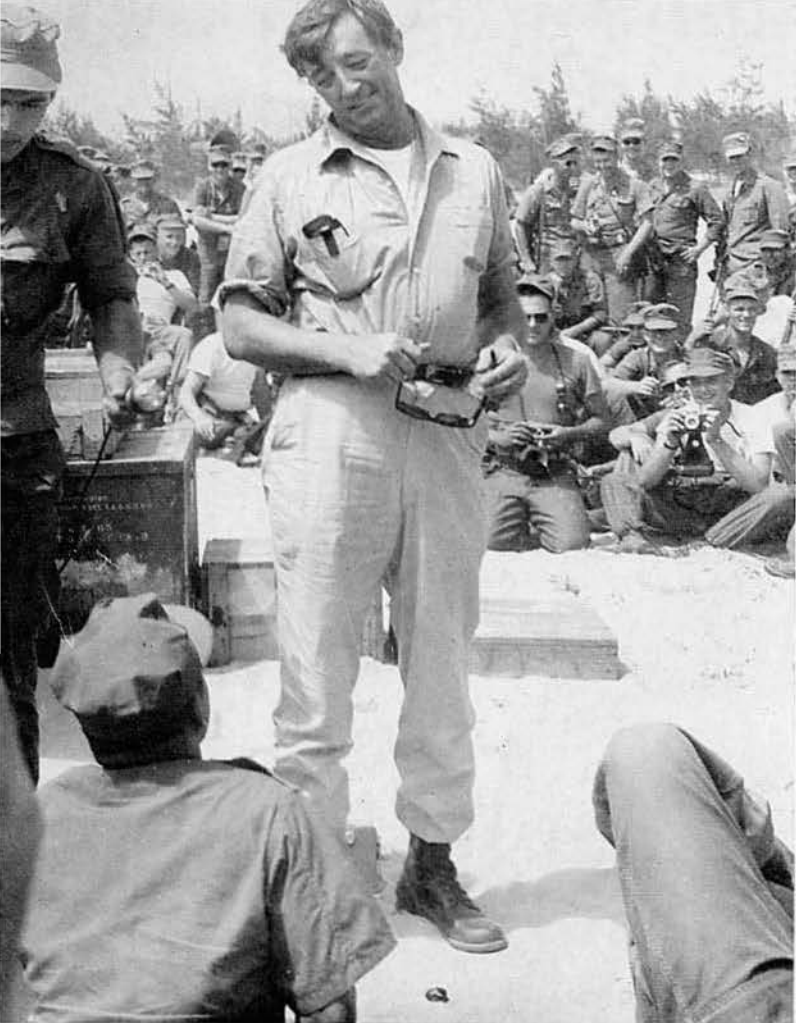


SHOW TIME . . .



in Danang





Robert Mitchum visits . . .



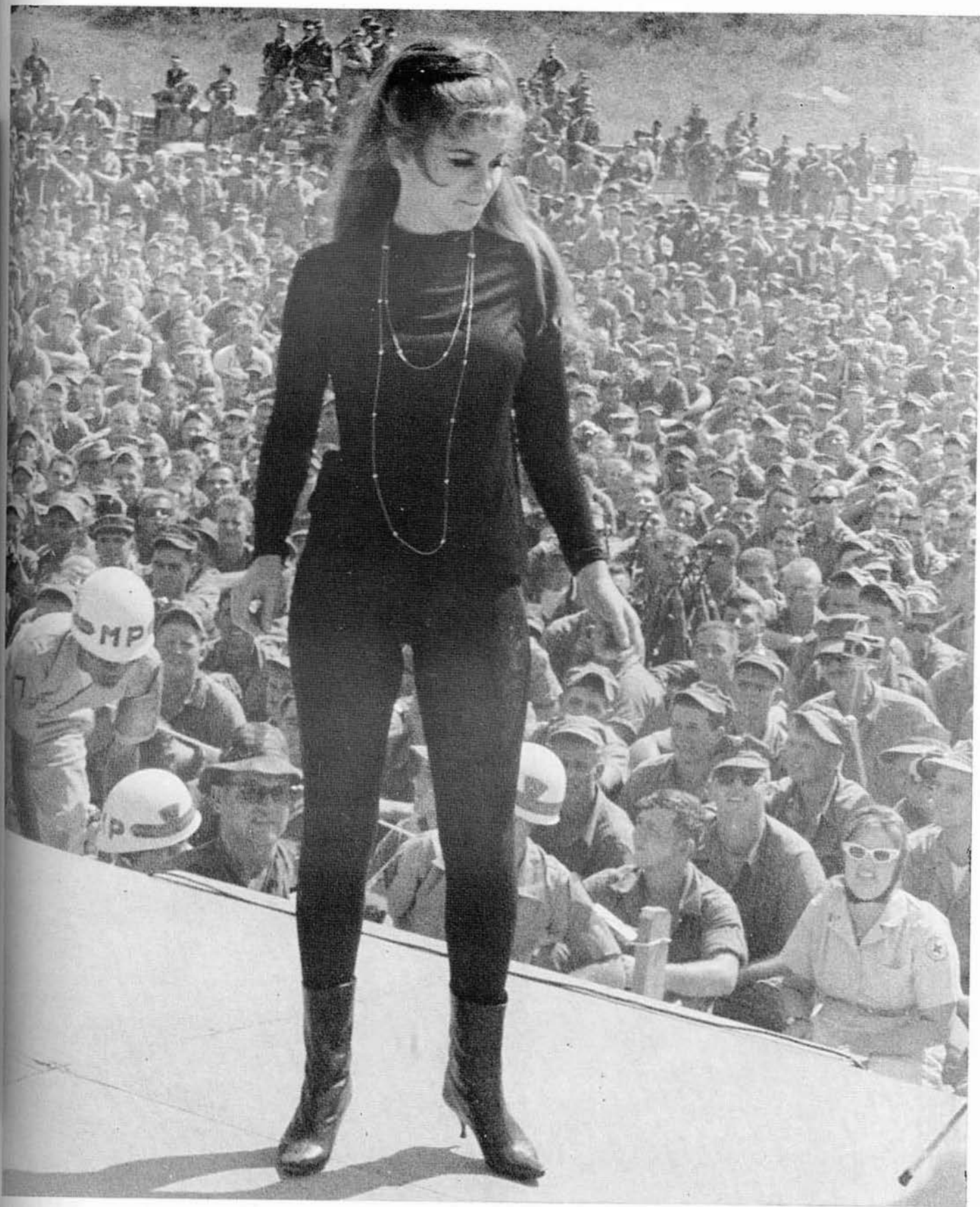


... and the Bob Hope Show

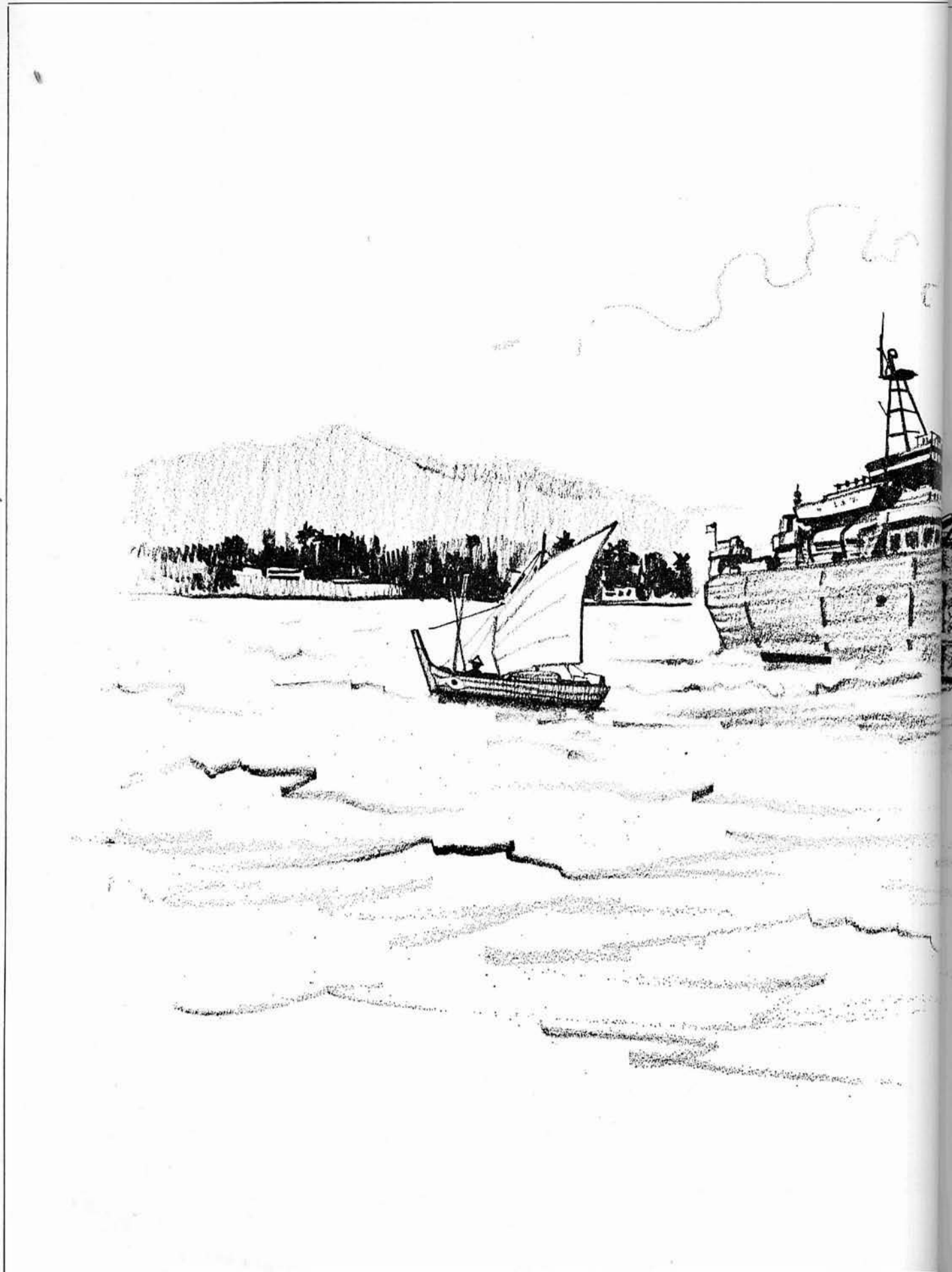
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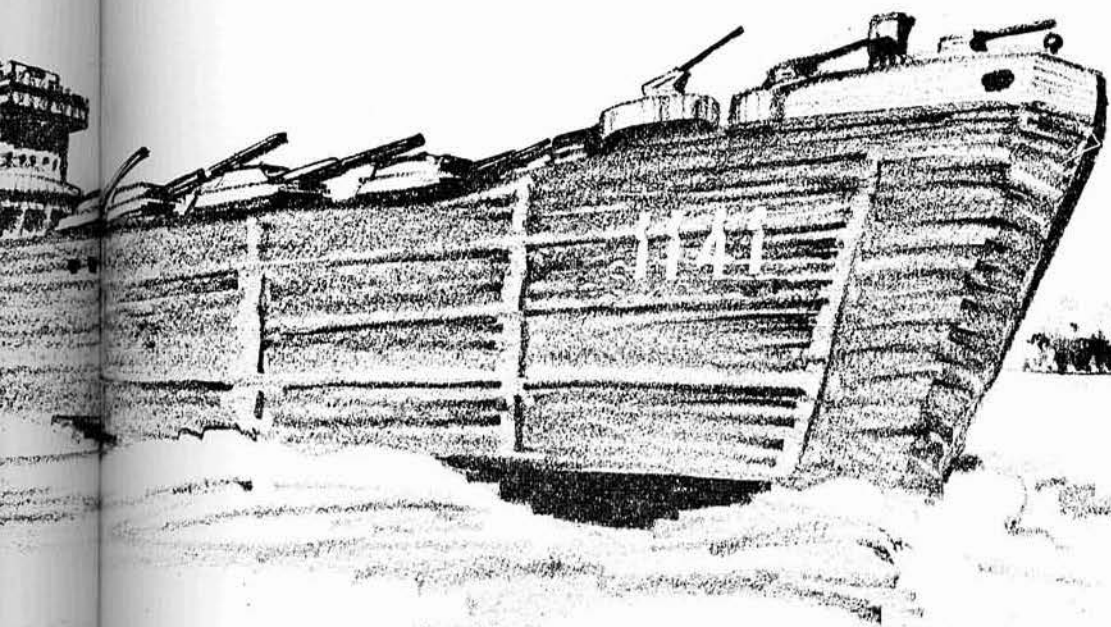




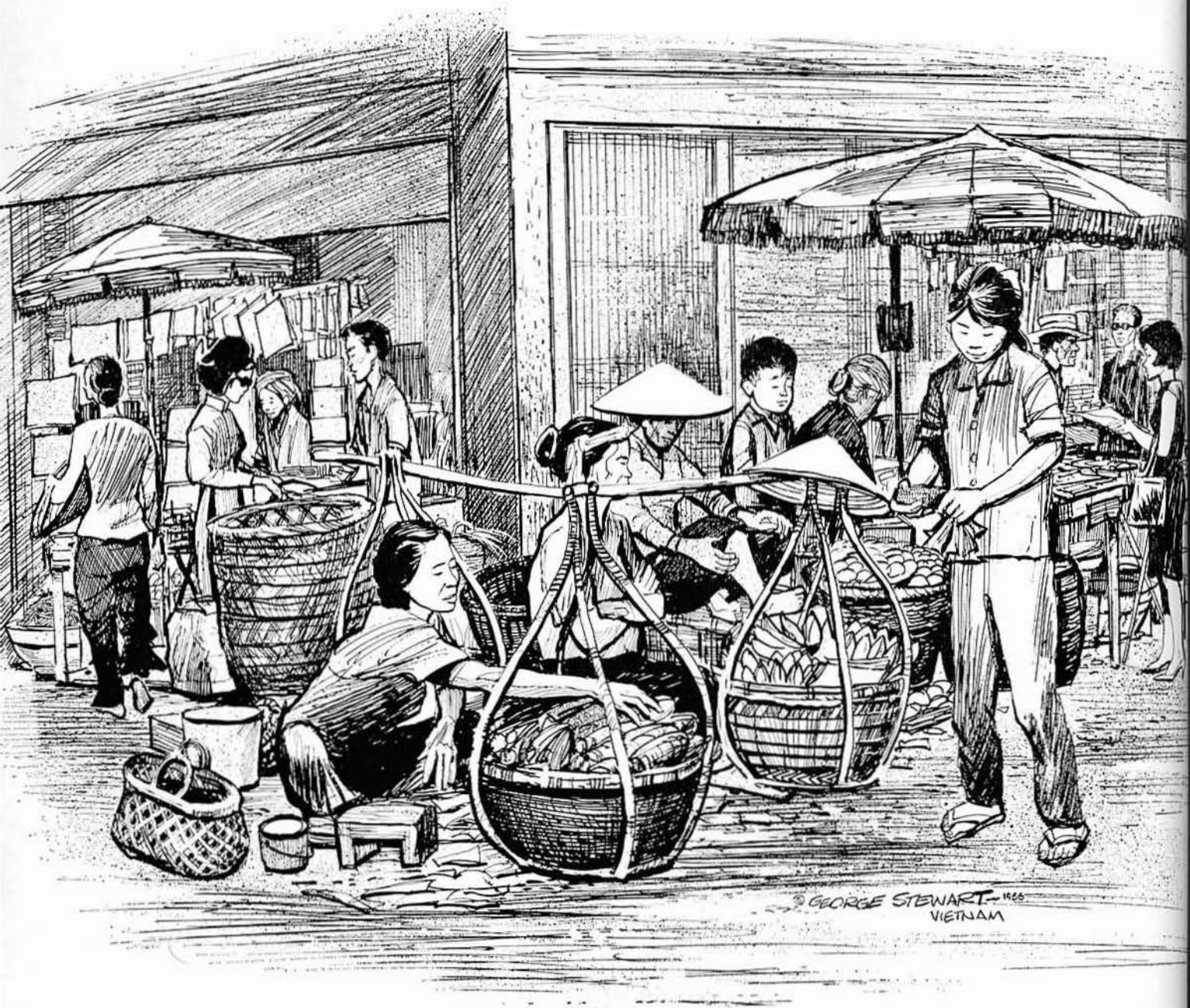


Isn't that face familiar?





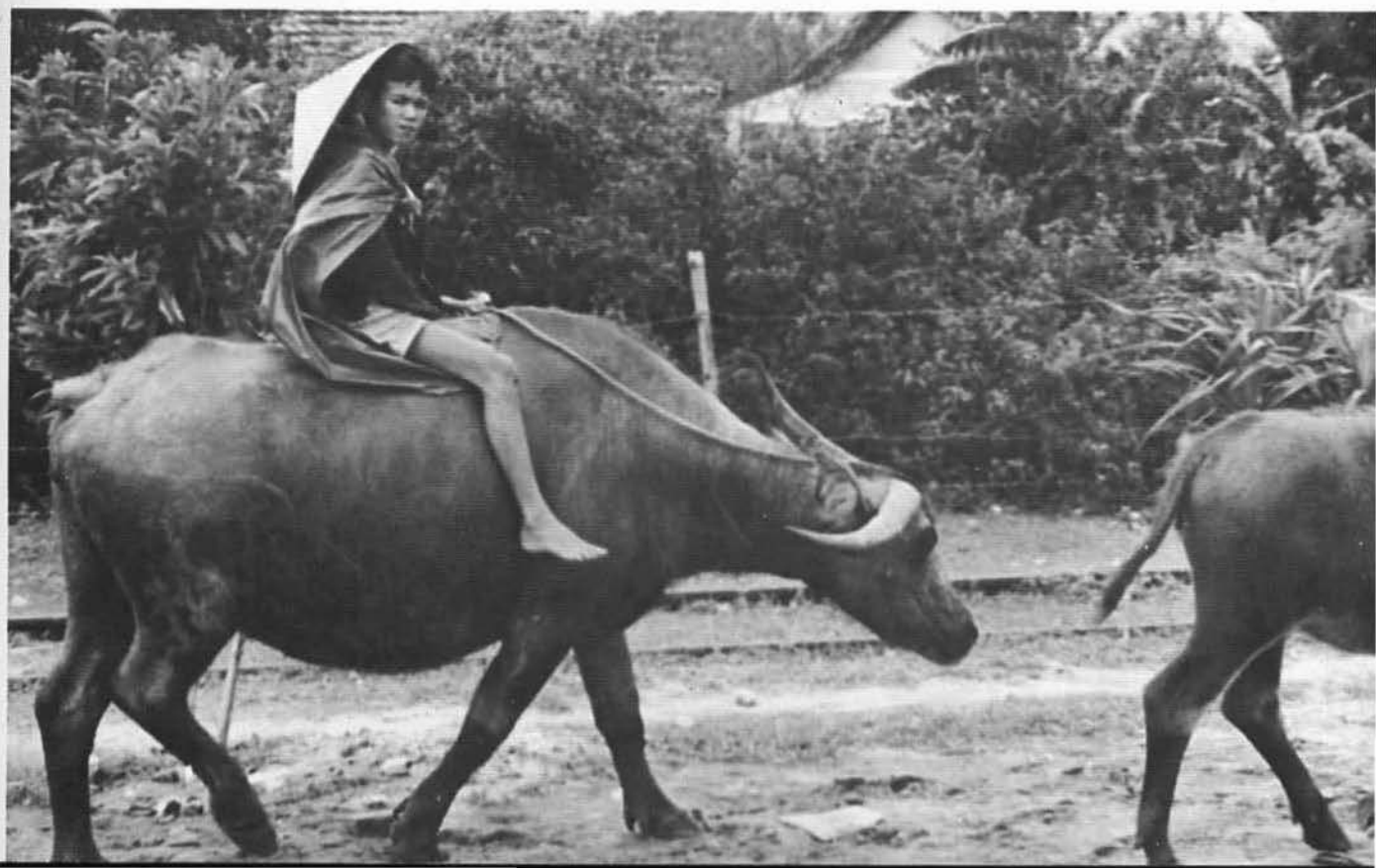
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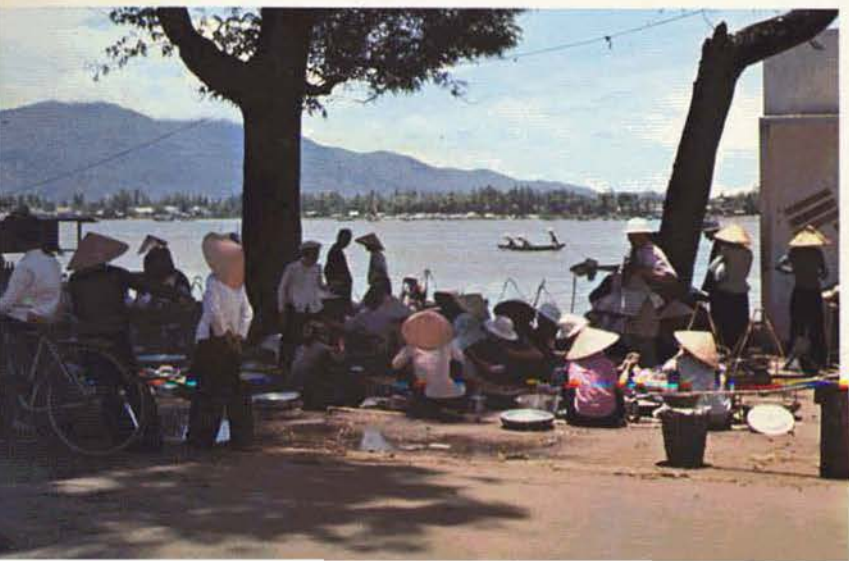
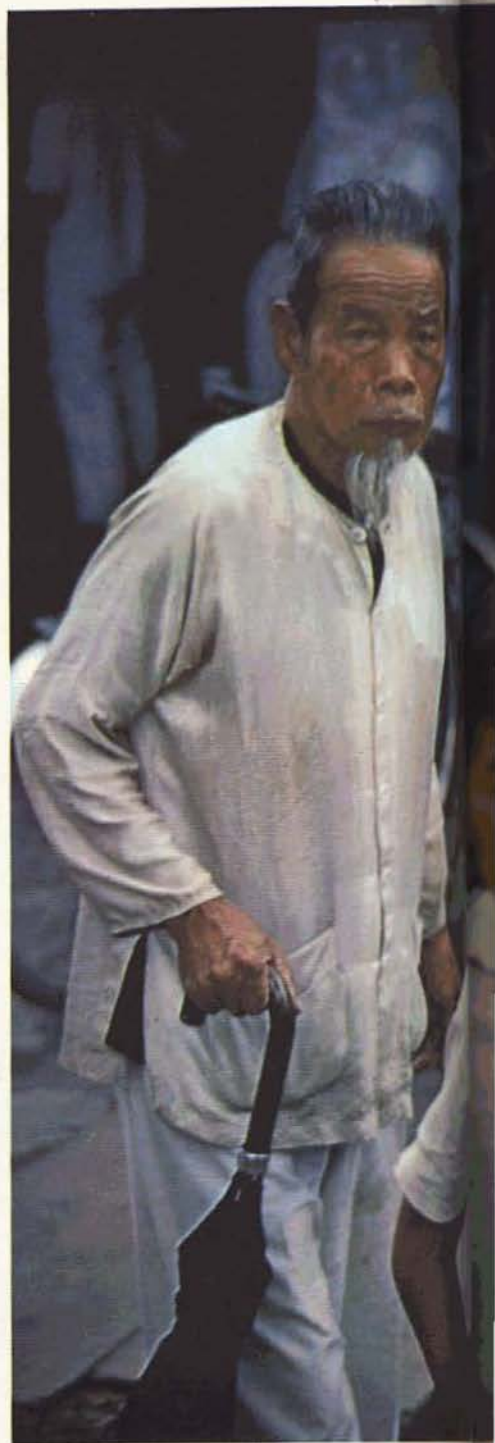




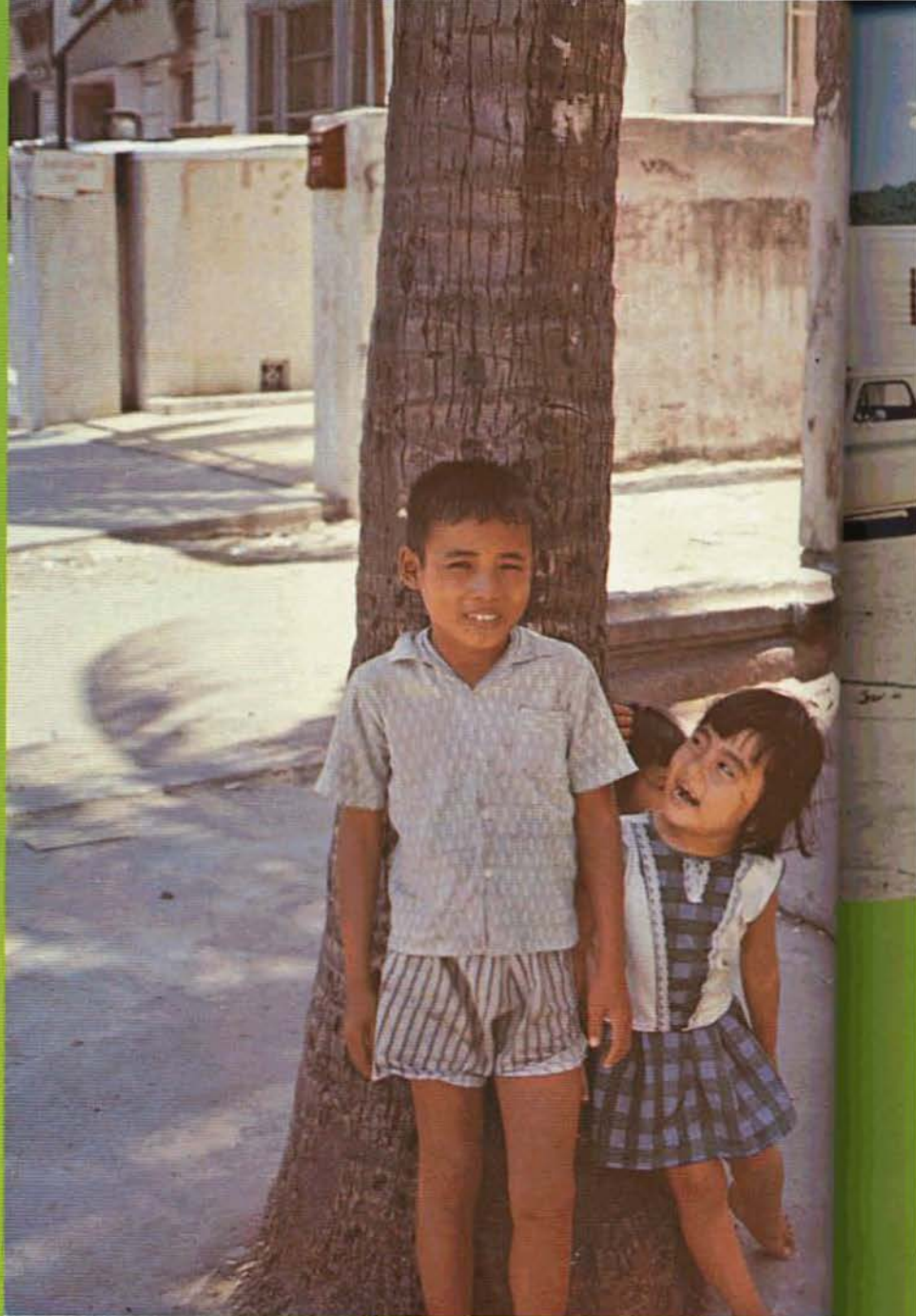
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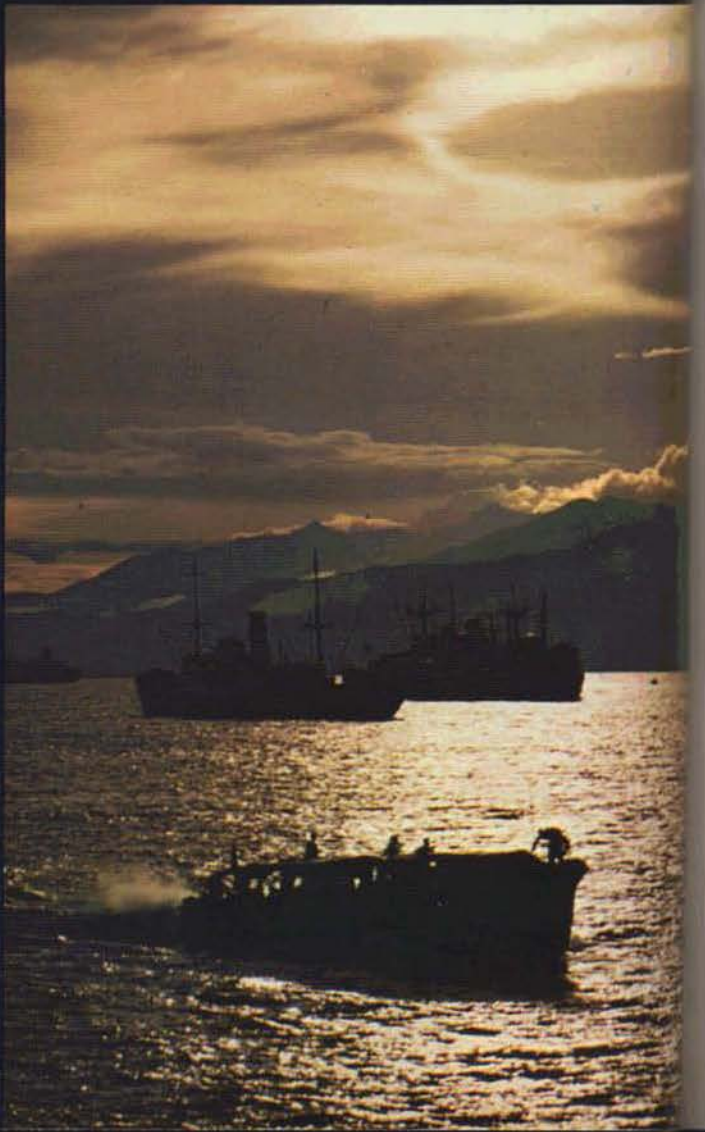






LONG LIVE US-VN FRIENDSHIP





PERSONNEL



"MEN ARE NEVER SO LIKELY TO SETTLE A QUESTION
AS WHEN THEY DISCUSS IT FREELY."

Lord Macaulay-Southley's Colloquies



COMMANDER

REAR ADMIRAL THOMAS R. WESCHLER

Rear Admiral Thomas R. Weschler, USN, was born on December 21, 1917, in Erie, Pa. After attending the Cathedral Preparatory School in Erie, he entered the U.S. Naval Academy and was graduated in the Class of 1939.

He was not commissioned on graduation because of poor eyesight, which proved to be a temporary condition. He joined the Merchant Marine sailing with Tide Water Associated Oil Company for almost two years until rejoining the Navy as an Ensign, U.S. Naval Reserve in early January 1941. He joined the Regular Navy in September, 1945.

Admiral Weschler's first sea duty was aboard the USS WASP, including a tour with the British Home Fleet and two resupplies of aircraft to Malta, until steaming to the Pacific for the invasion of Guadalcanal. The ship was sunk there on September 15, 1942. By 1943 he was back in the Pacific Theater in USS SIGSBEE. He participated in the bulk of the amphibious operations in the central and southern Pacific during World War II.

The end of the Korean conflict found him in command of USS CLARENCE K. BRONSON.

Tours of duty ashore have included post graduate training at MIT in Fire Control Ordnance and three years at the Naval War College as both student and member of the staff. From 1955 to 1957, he served as Personal Aide to the Chief of Naval Operations, Admiral Arleigh Burke, USN.

Admiral Weschler served for three years with the Special Projects Office of the Bureau of Naval Weapons. During this assignment he received the Secretary of the Navy Commendation Ribbon for meritorious series in the development of the POLARIS Program.

After completion of studies at the National War College, Admiral Weschler assumed command of USS MONTROSE in July 1963. Following this command, he reported as Assistant Chief of Staff for Plans Operations and Training, Amphibious Forces, U.S. Pacific Fleet.

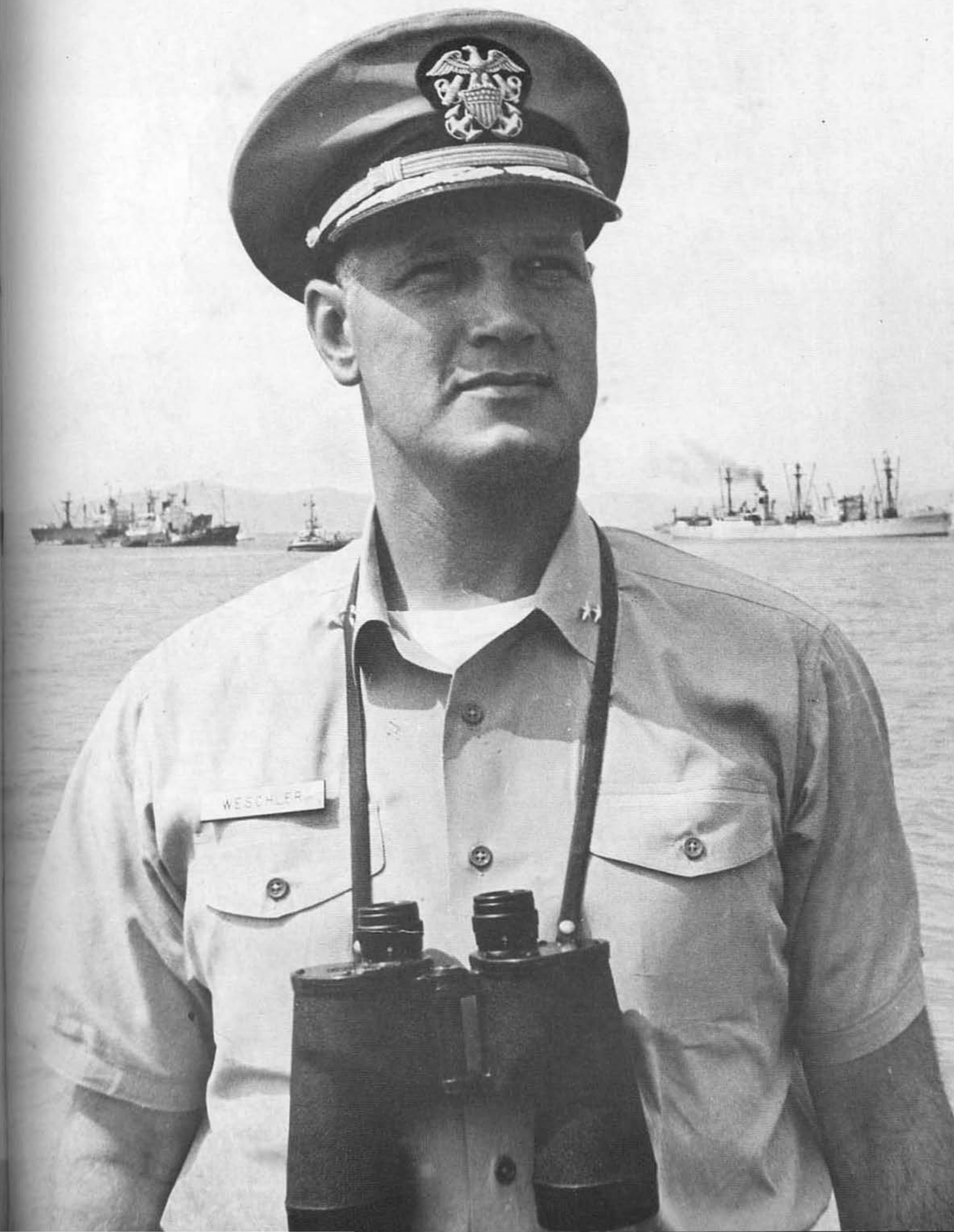
In September 1965, Admiral Weschler assumed command of Amphibious Squadron THREE. In this capacity he also assumed for three months the additional duty of Commander, Amphibious Ready Group, SEVENTH Fleet, and directed three combat amphibious operations in the Vietnam conflict.

On February 6, 1966, Admiral Weschler assumed his present duties as Commander, U.S. Naval Support Activity, DaNang.

Ribbons and decorations awarded to Admiral Weschler include the Legion of Merit Medal with Combat "V", the Secretary of the Navy Commendation Ribbon, the American Defense Service Medal with "A", the European-African-Middle Eastern Campaign Medal with two Bronze Stars, the American Campaign Medal, the Asiatic-Pacific Campaign Medal with seven Bronze Stars, the World War II Victory Medal, the Navy Occupation Service Medal (Europe), the National Defense Service Medal, the Korean Service Medal, the United Nations Medal, Vietnam Service Medal and the Philippine Liberation Medal with two Bronze Stars.

Admiral Weschler is married to the former Katrina Quinn of Erie, PA. They are the parents of Kathryn Marie Weschler, 18 and Thomas Richard Weschler, 17. His family resides at Coronado, California.

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CHIEF OF STAFF



CAPTAIN K. P. HUFF

Captain Kenneth P. Huff, USNR, was born on October 30, 1917, in North Edgecomb, Maine. After he graduated from the University of New Hampshire, he joined the U.S. Navy and was commissioned in May 1942.

After attending Diesel School at Lehigh University, he reported for duty aboard USS NIAGARA (AGP 1) in the Pacific, serving on this ship until she was sunk in 1943. He then served aboard USS MOVIJACK (AGP 7) until 1946 when he temporarily left the Naval Service.

Rejoining the U. S. Navy in February 1951 as Lieutenant Commander, Captain Huff served for two years as Officer-in-Charge, U. S. Naval and Marine Corps Reserve Training Center, Providence, Rhode Island. In 1953 he became Commanding Officer, U. S. Naval Reserve Training Center, Bay City, Michigan, for a two-year tour of duty.

Reporting to the Staff, Amphibious Squadron FIVE in 1955, he served for two years as Logistics Officer and one year as Chief of Staff. During 1958-59, he served on the Joint Staff, United Nations/United States Forces, Korea.

After a tour of duty as Operations Officer, Staff, Commander Amphibious Forces, Pacific Fleet, he served as Assistant to the Chief of Staff for Naval Reserve Matters, Commandant THIRTEENTH Naval District, from 1961 to 1962. During this time he was promoted to the rank of Captain.

Later in 1962, he became Commanding Officer, U. S. Naval and Marine Corps Reserve Training Center, Los Angeles, California. In 1964 he assumed command of Landing Ship Flotilla ONE.

Captain Huff became Commanding Officer, U. S. Naval Support Activity, DaNang, in July 1965. On February 6, 1966, he became Chief of Staff to the newly created command, Commander, U. S. Naval Support Activity, DaNang.

Captain Huff's ribbons and decorations include the Legion of Merit Medal with Combat "V", the Army Commendation Medal, the Asiatic-Pacific Campaign Medal with four Bronze Stars, the Philippine Liberation Medal with Bronze Star, the American Campaign Medal, World War II Victory Medal, Naval Reserve Medal, American Defense Service Medal, the Armed Forces Reserve Medal, the National Defense Medal, and Vietnam Service Medal.

CHIEF OF STAFF

Captain Elmer R. RATH started his career as an enlisted man. He was present at Pearl Harbor when the cruiser in which he was serving, the USS SAN FRANCISCO, was under attack on 7 December 1941.

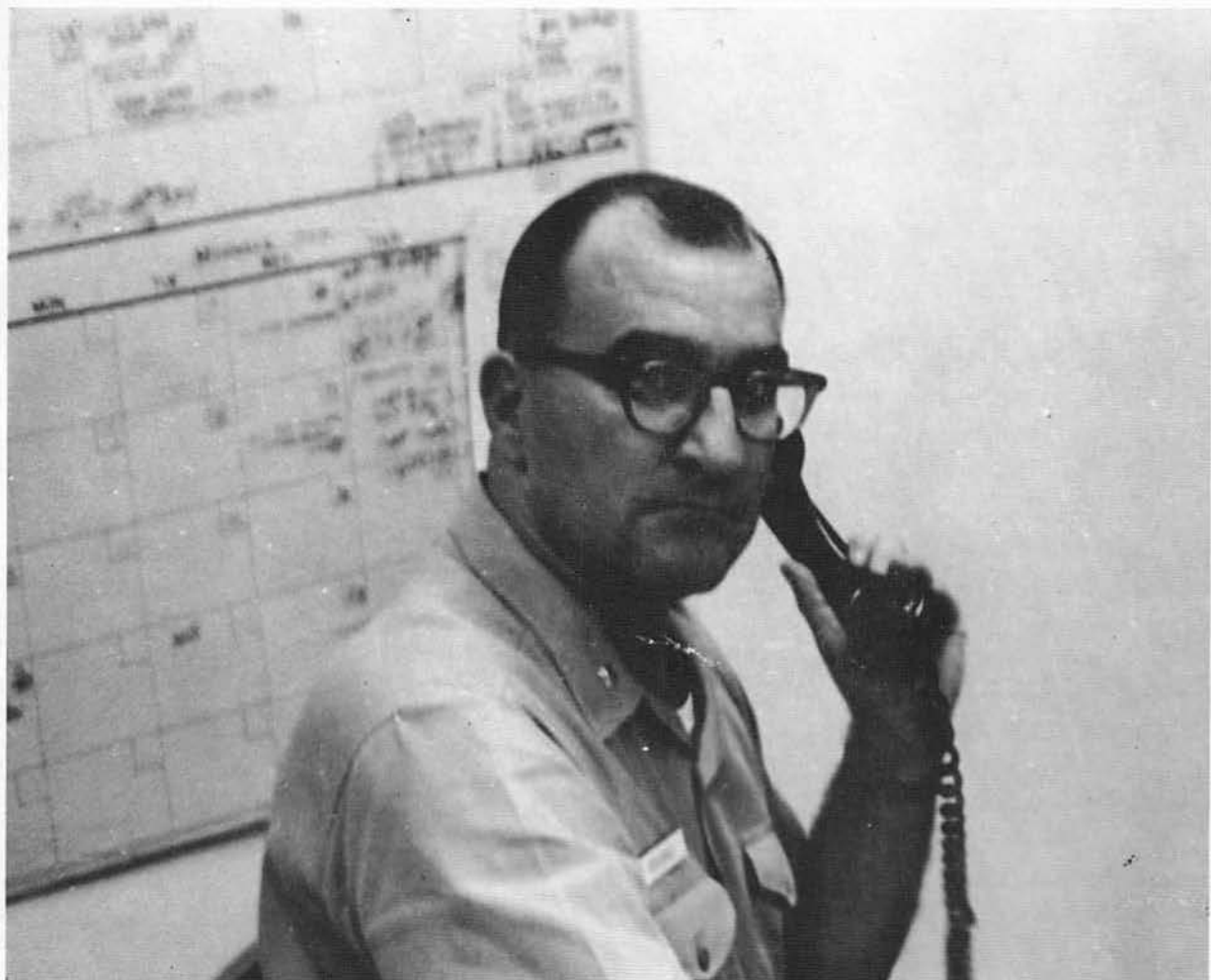
Appointed Warrant Officer in 1942, and Ensign in 1943, he continued up through the officer grades to Captain in 1964. During World War II he served on several ships, ending the war in October 1945 in a Fleet Oiler in Tokyo Bay. After the war he served in Amphibious type ships; on the Staff, Commander Pacific Reserve Fleet; Staff Commander Escort Squadron NINE; as Executive Officer of the USS FRANK KNOX (DDR-742); Commanding Officer of the USS AGERHOLM (DD-826) and the USS BROWN (DD-546); then on the Staff of Commander Cruiser Destroyer Force, U.S. Pacific Fleet. His most recent duty at sea was Commander Destroyer Division 212, where he served in the Seventh Fleet in support of United States and Vietnamese forces in Vietnam; then to his present assignment as Chief of Staff, U.S. Naval Support Activity, DaNang.

Captain RATH has attended the Naval Officers' Electronics Course, Great Lakes, Illinois; the Armed Forces Staff College, Norfolk, Virginia; and the Naval War College, Newport, Rhode Island. He has also served with the Naval Air Technical Training Center, Memphis, Tennessee; and the Fleet ASW School, Key West, Florida.

Captain RATH holds the Navy Commendation Medal, the Purple Heart Medal, the Korean Service Medal with five stars, the Asiatic-Pacific Campaign Medal with eight battle stars and numerous other service ribbons and medals.



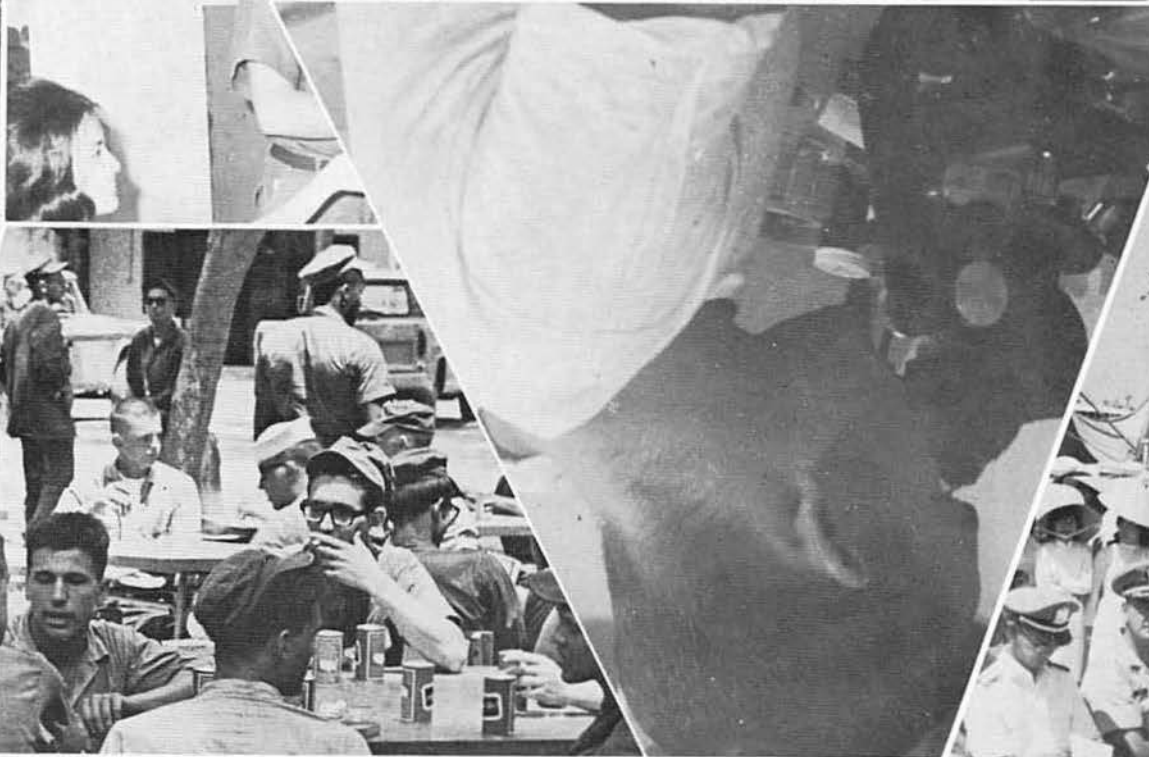
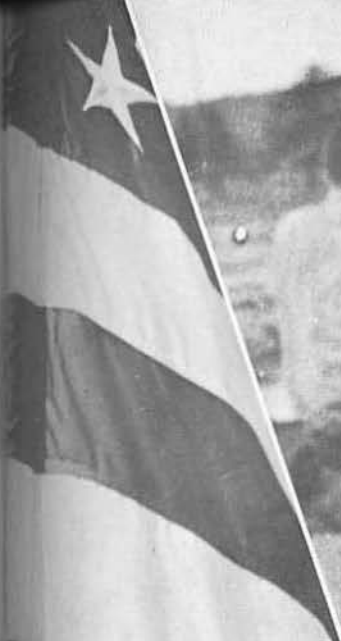
CAPTAIN E. R. RATH



Flag Secretary

*Admiral's Aide
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Yeoman*



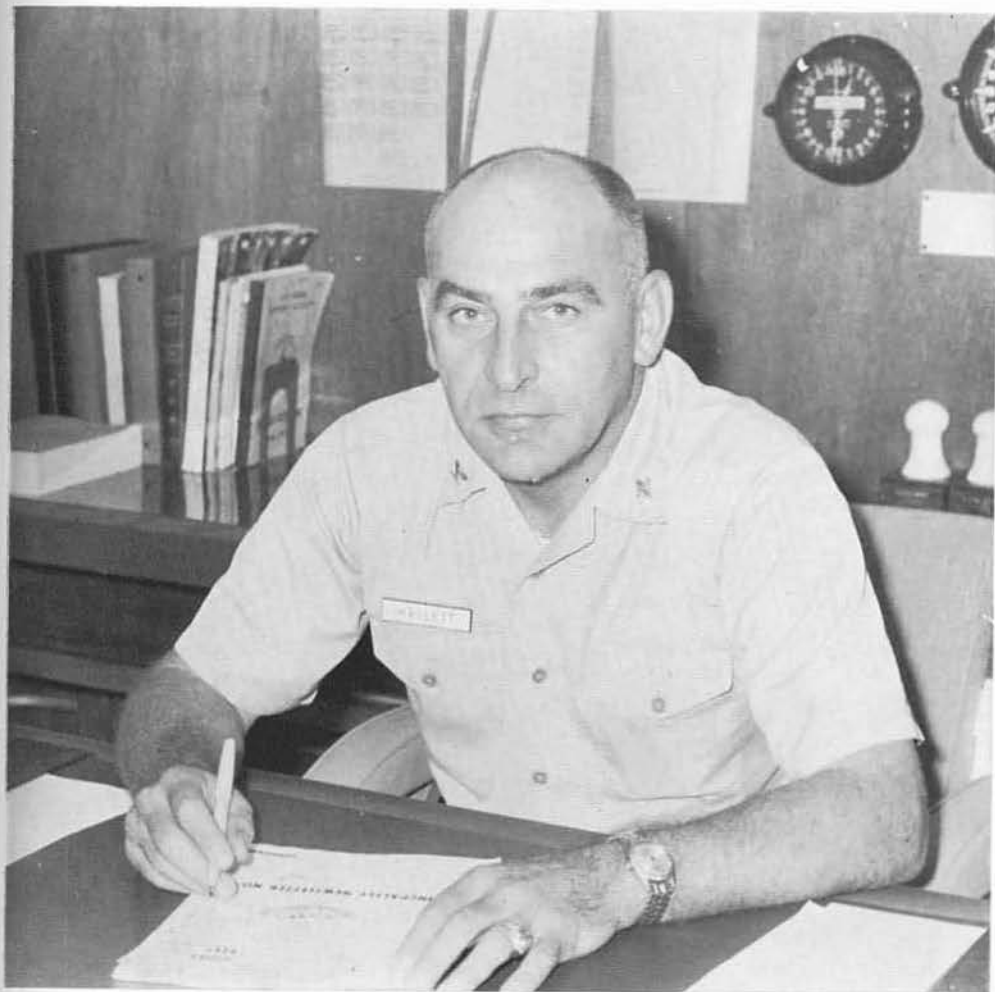


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Captain Robert H. Haslett

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Asst. Supply Officer

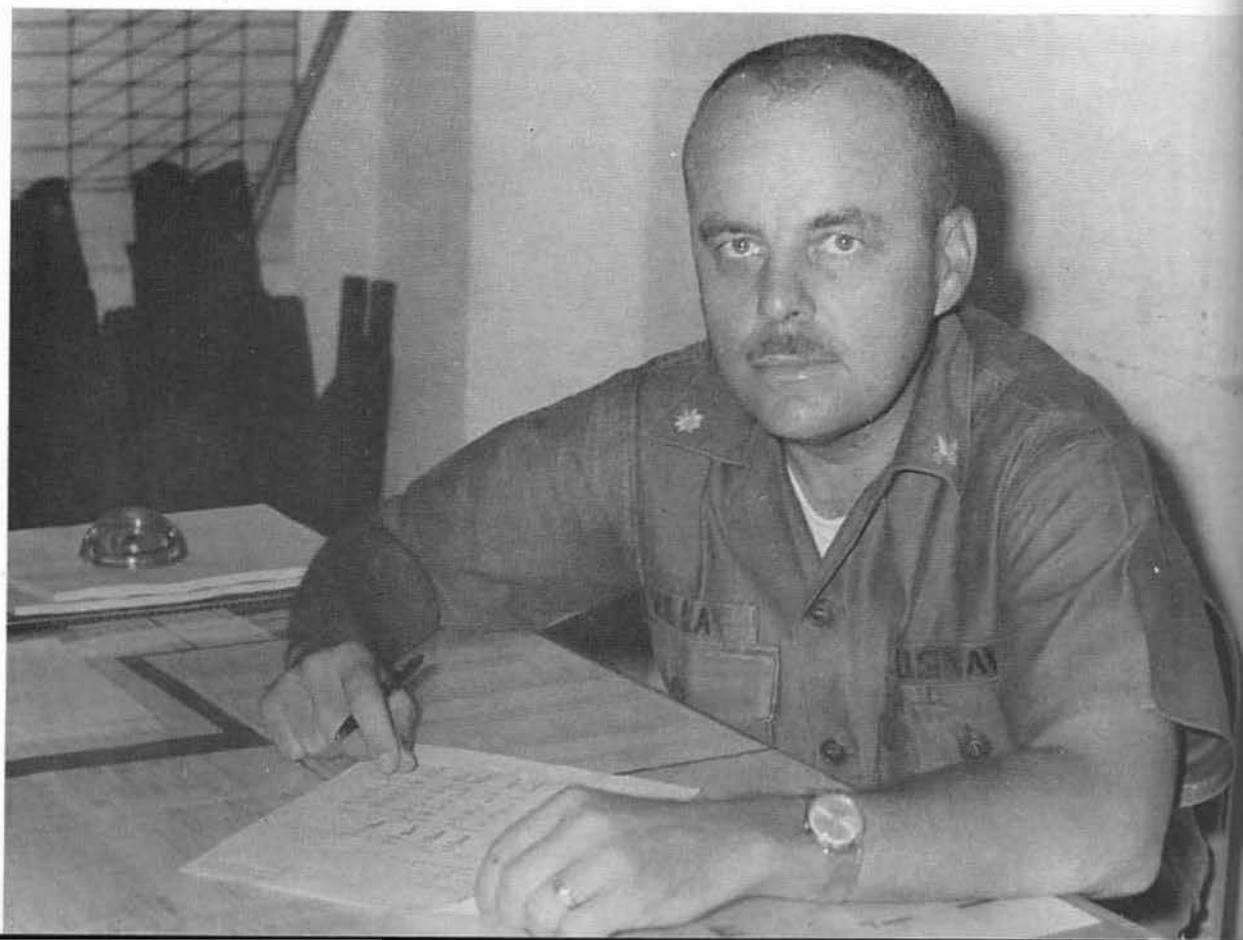
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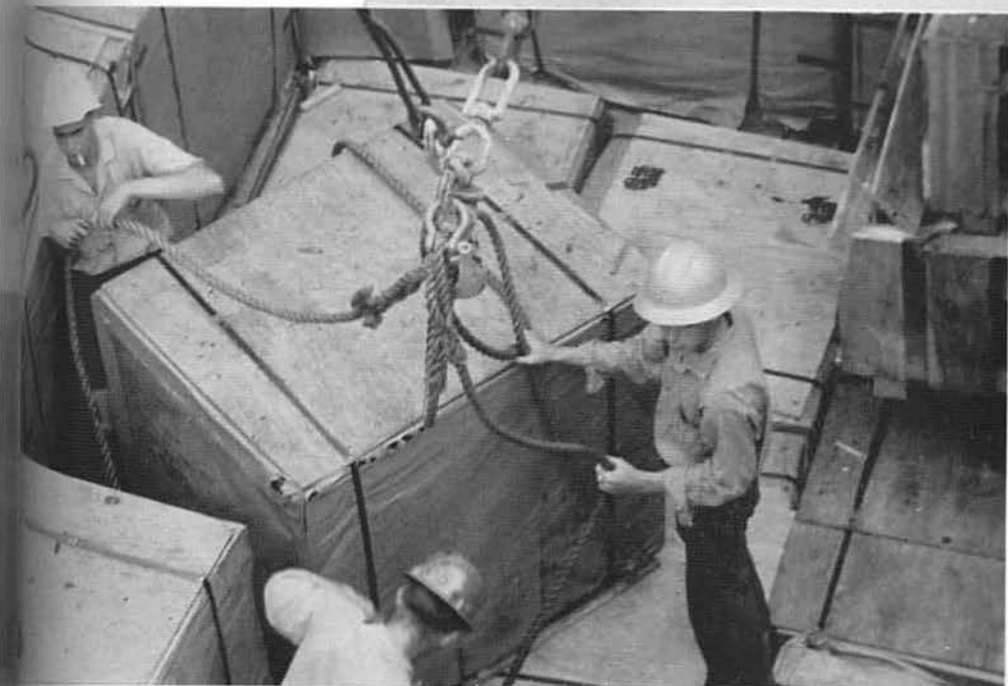
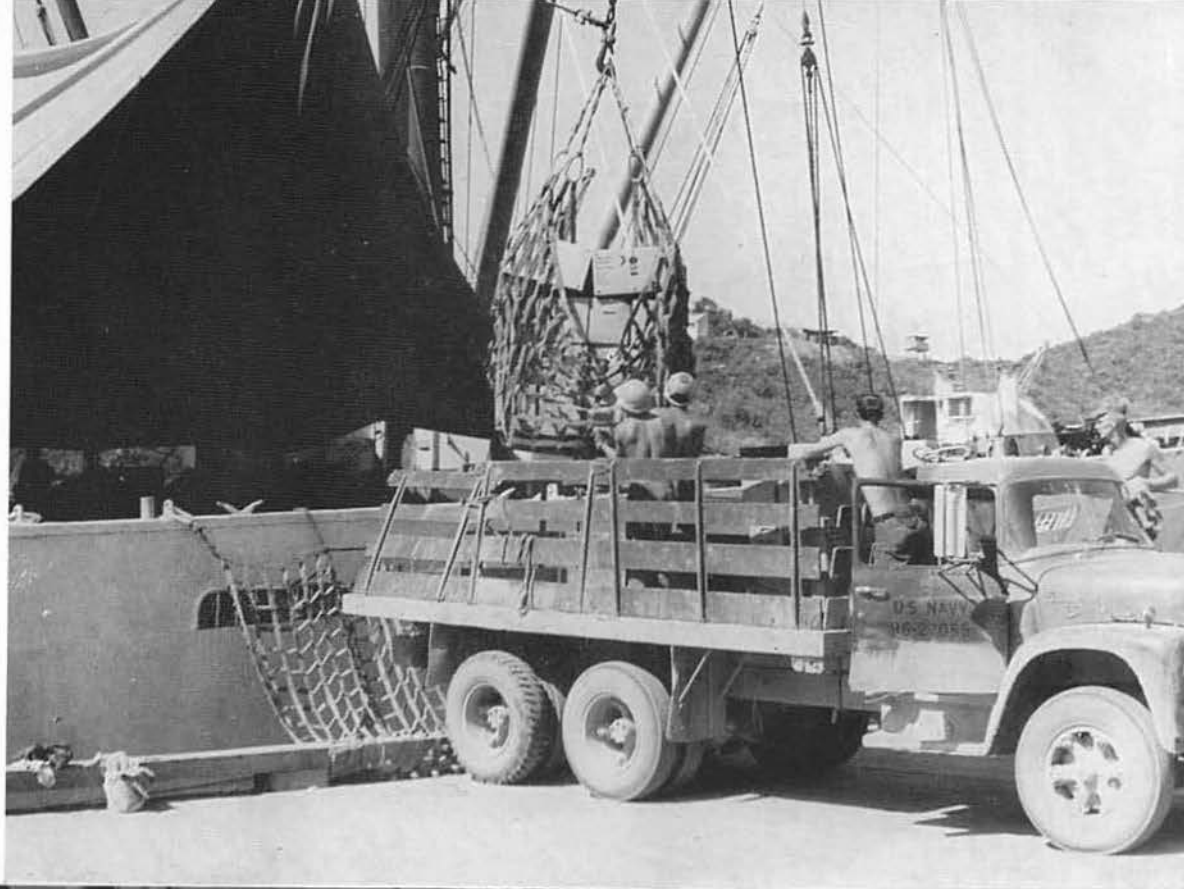


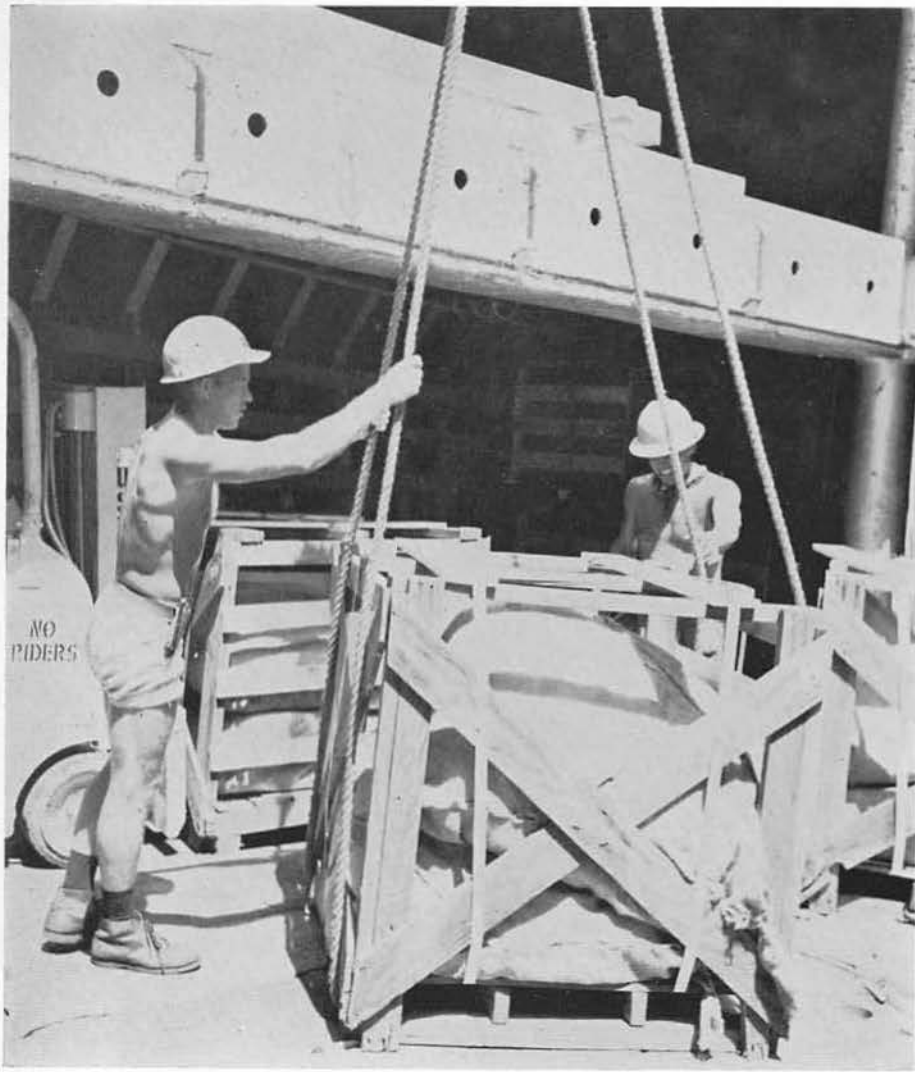


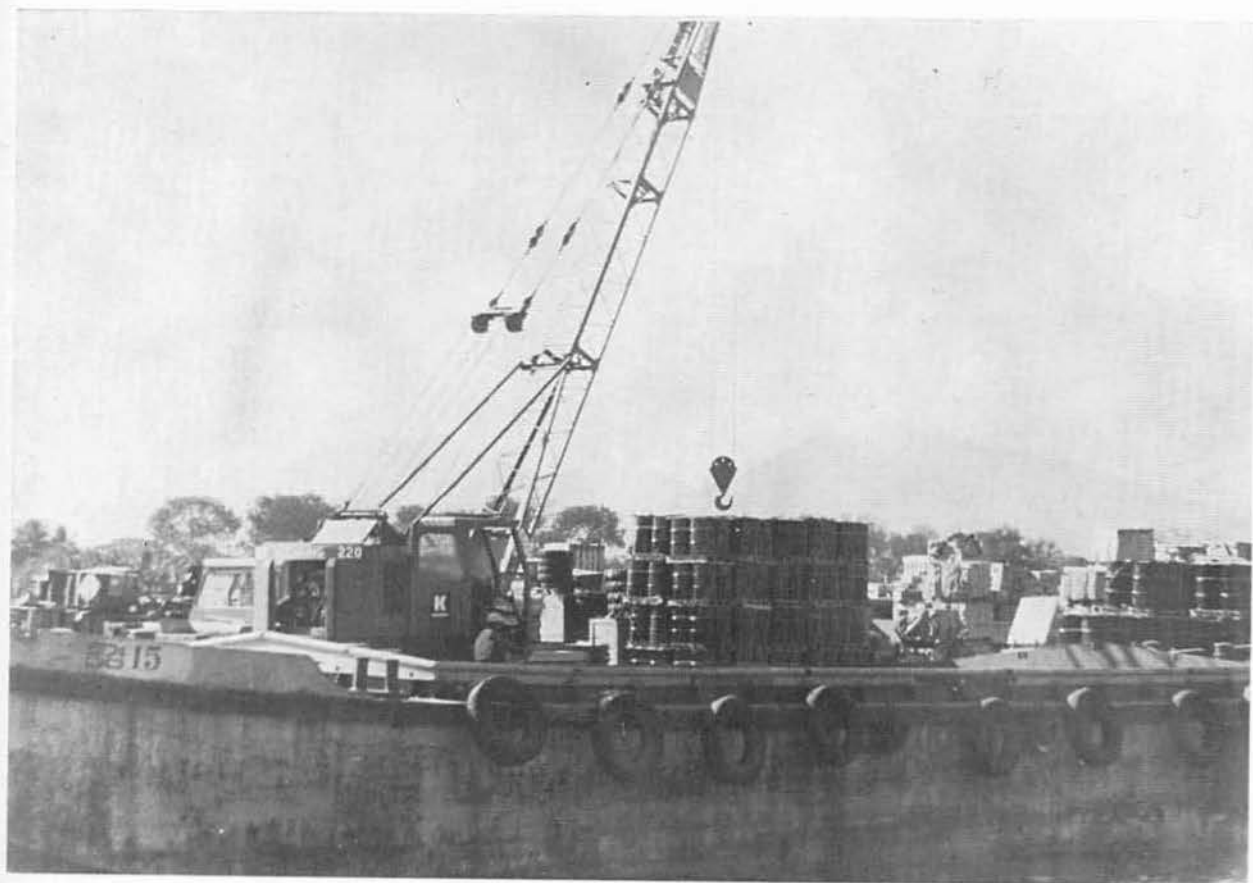
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Asst. FTD Officer









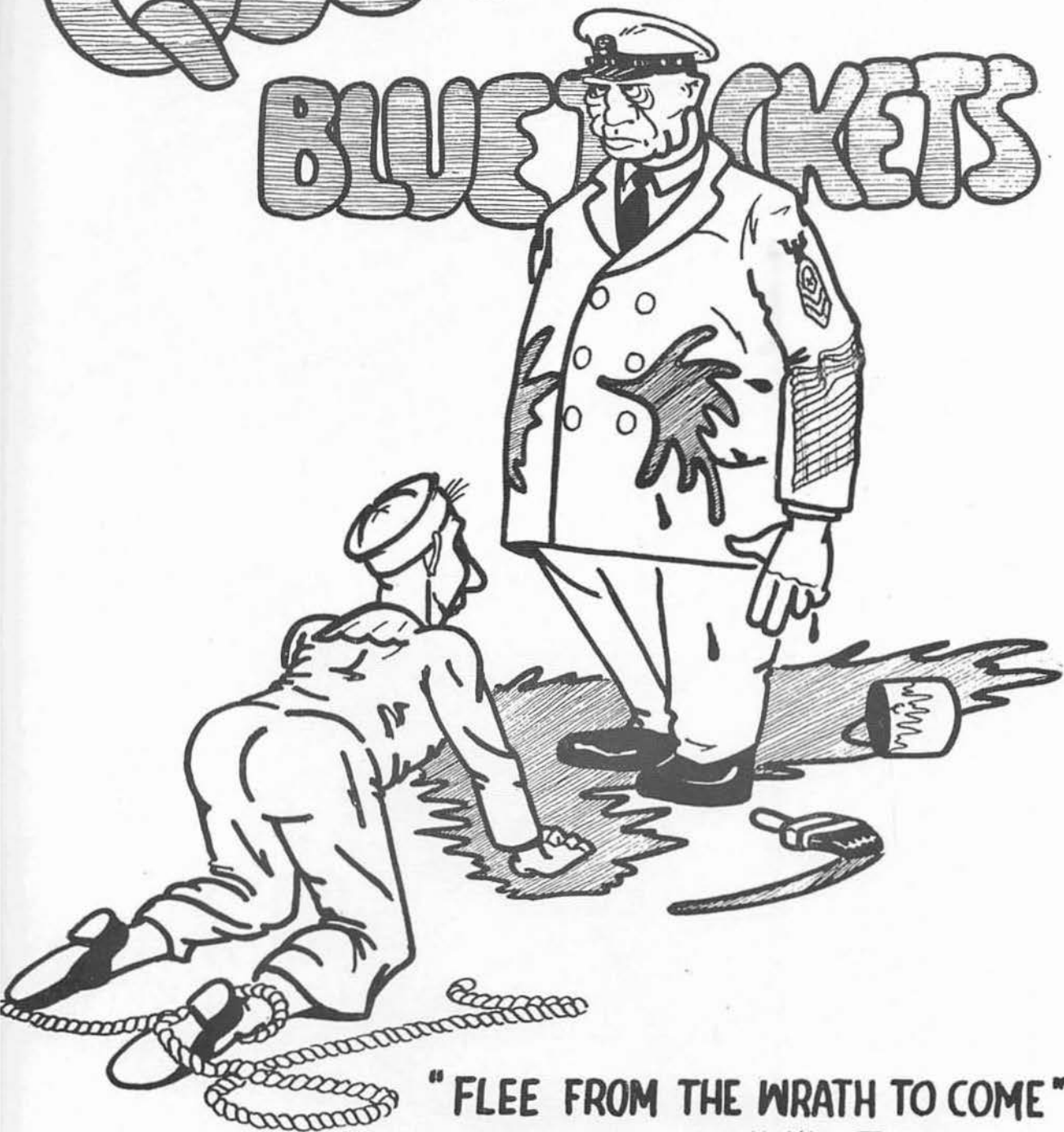


Whad'ya'-meen, my name ain't on there?



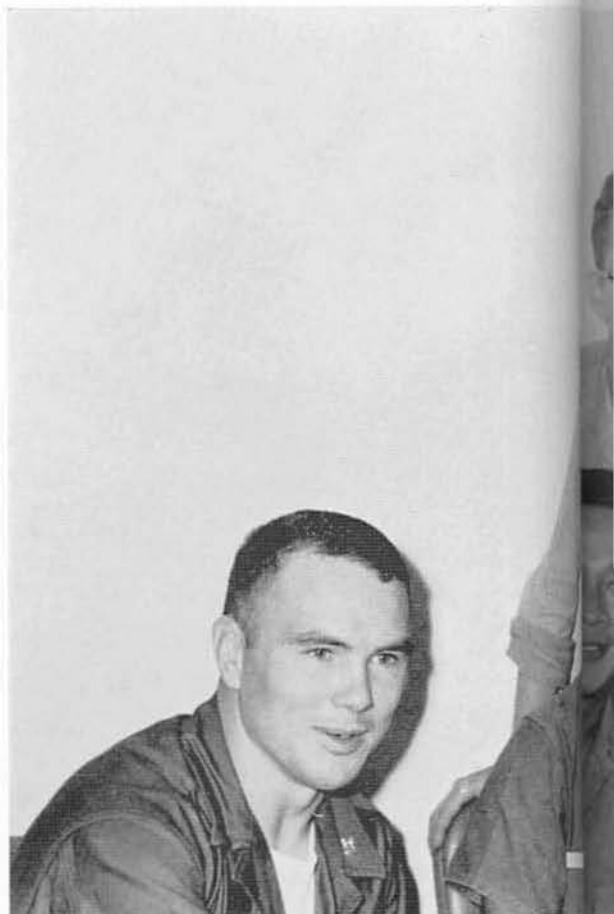


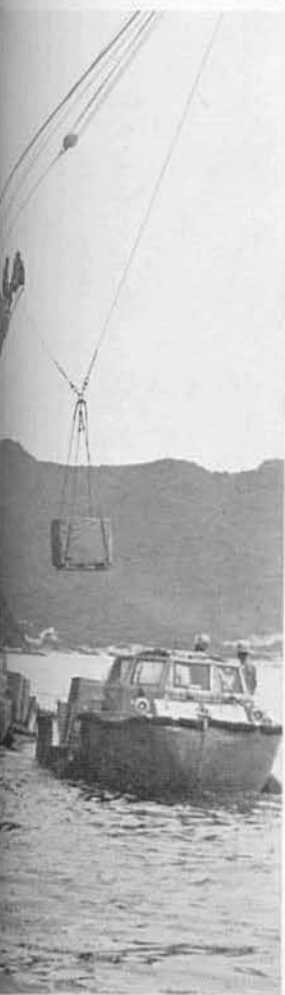
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"FLEE FROM THE WRATH TO COME"

Matthew III, 7





QUOTES FOR BREVETTES

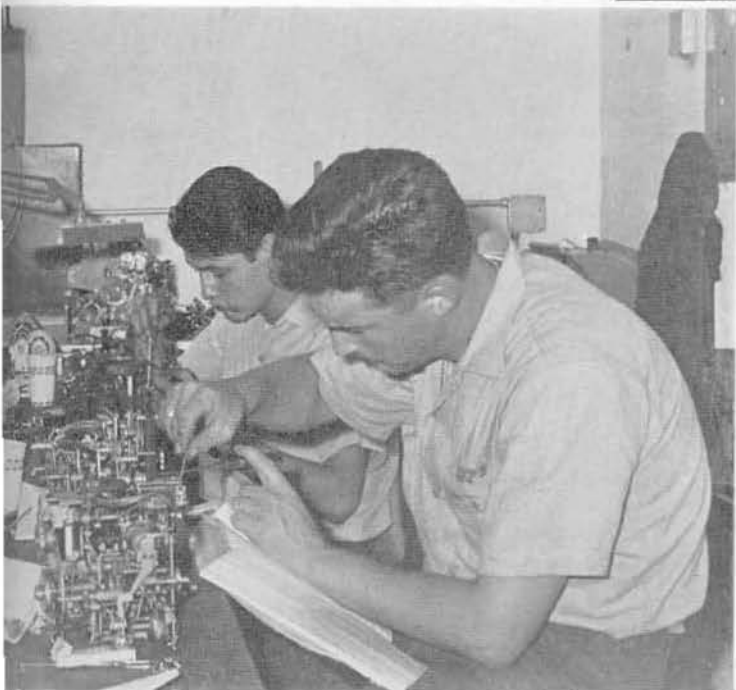


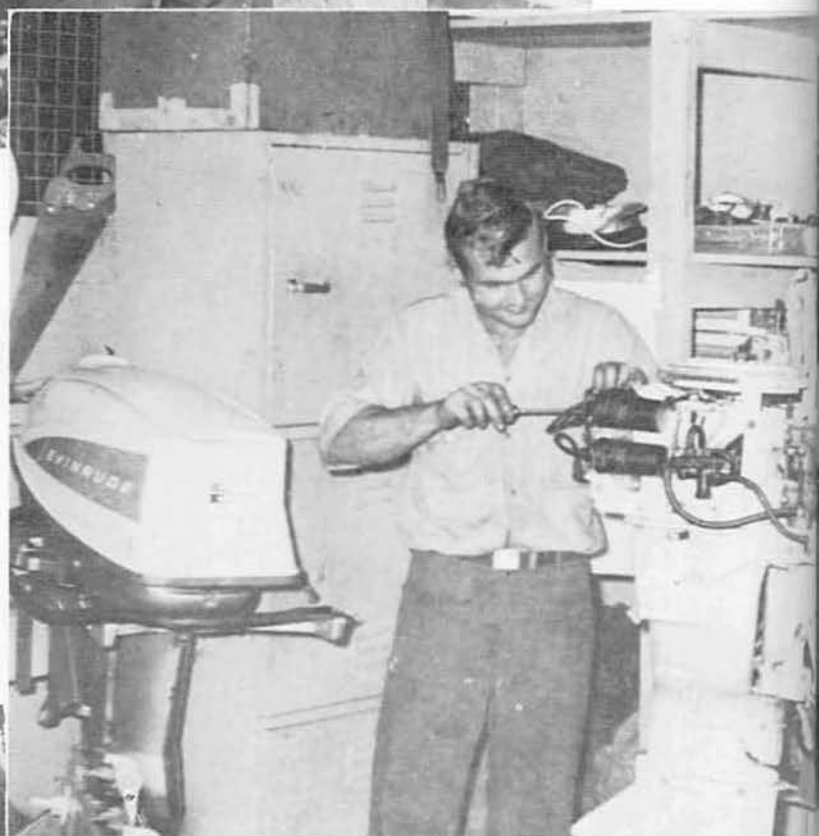
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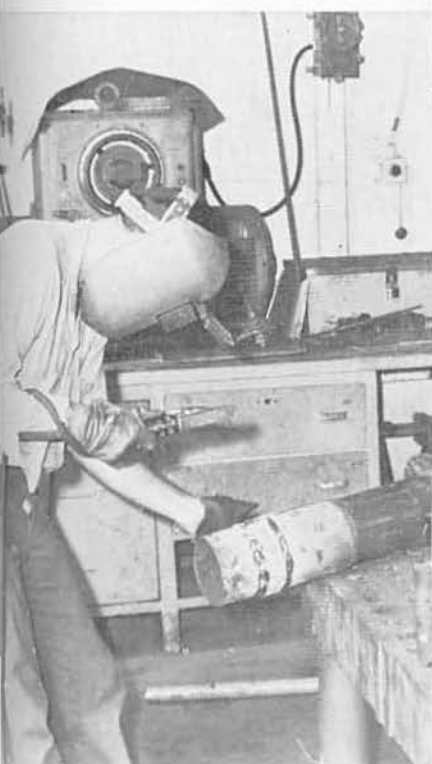
WHITTIER—

The Barefoot Boy.











MEDICAL

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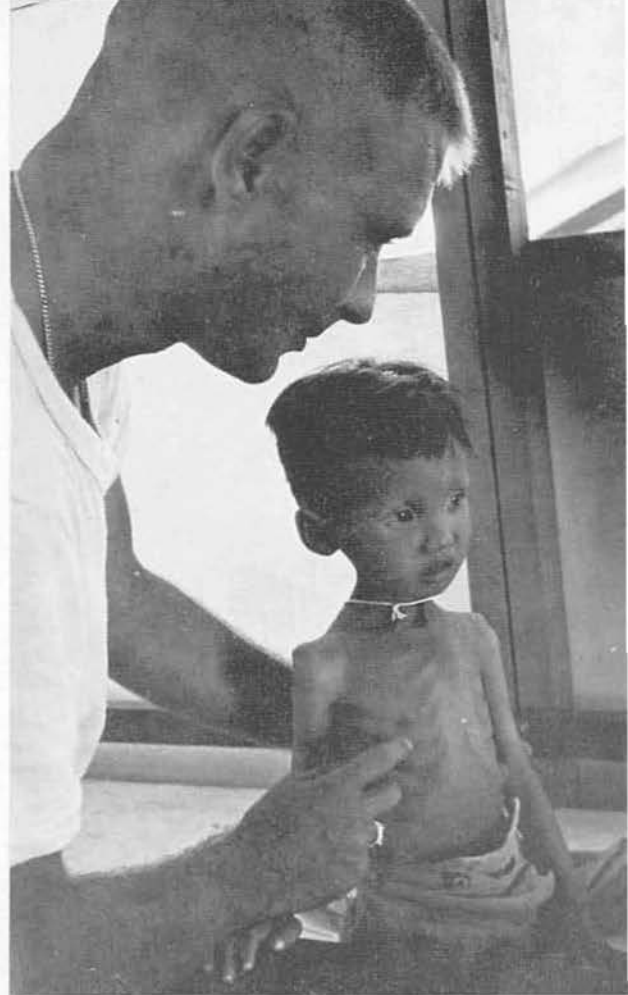
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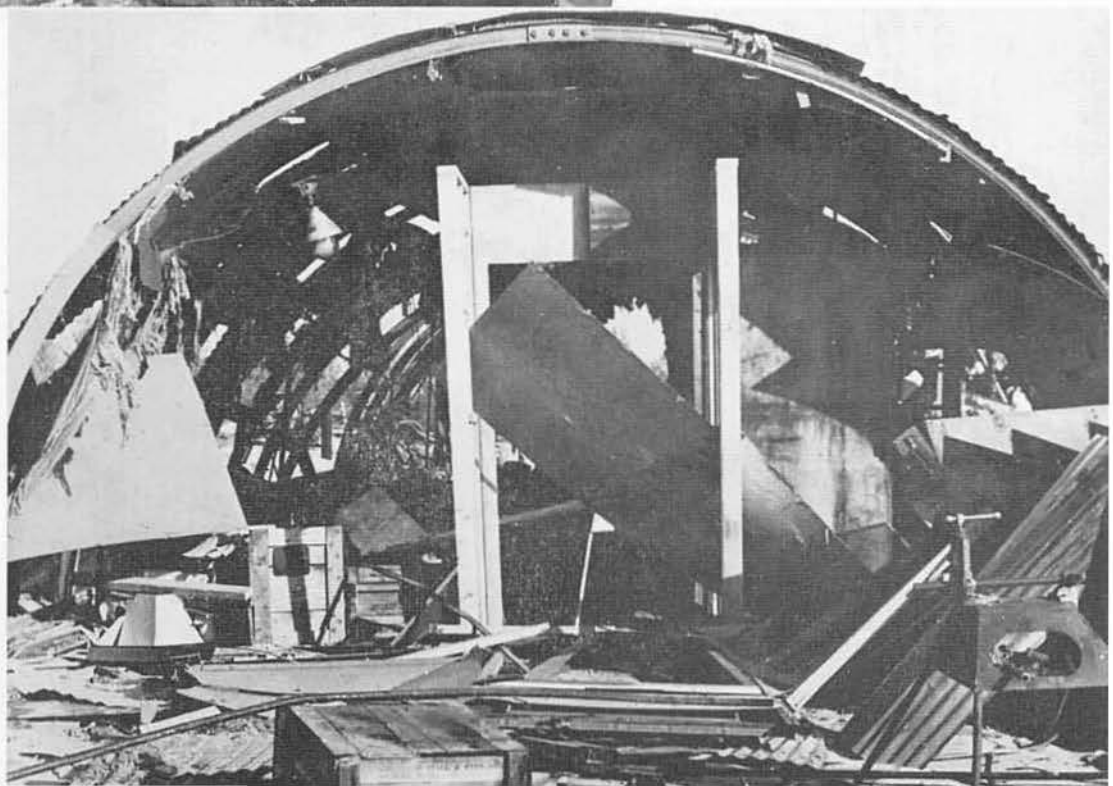
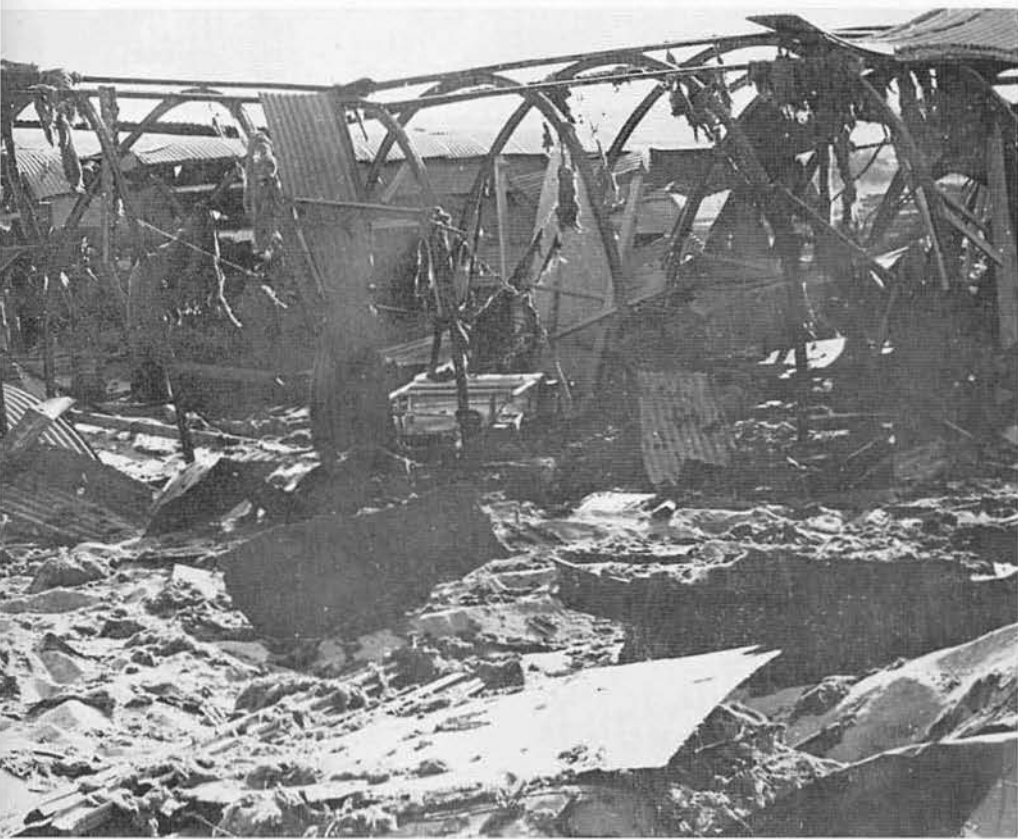
**PREVENTIVE
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28 October, 1965 - - -

VietCong Attack Station Hospital

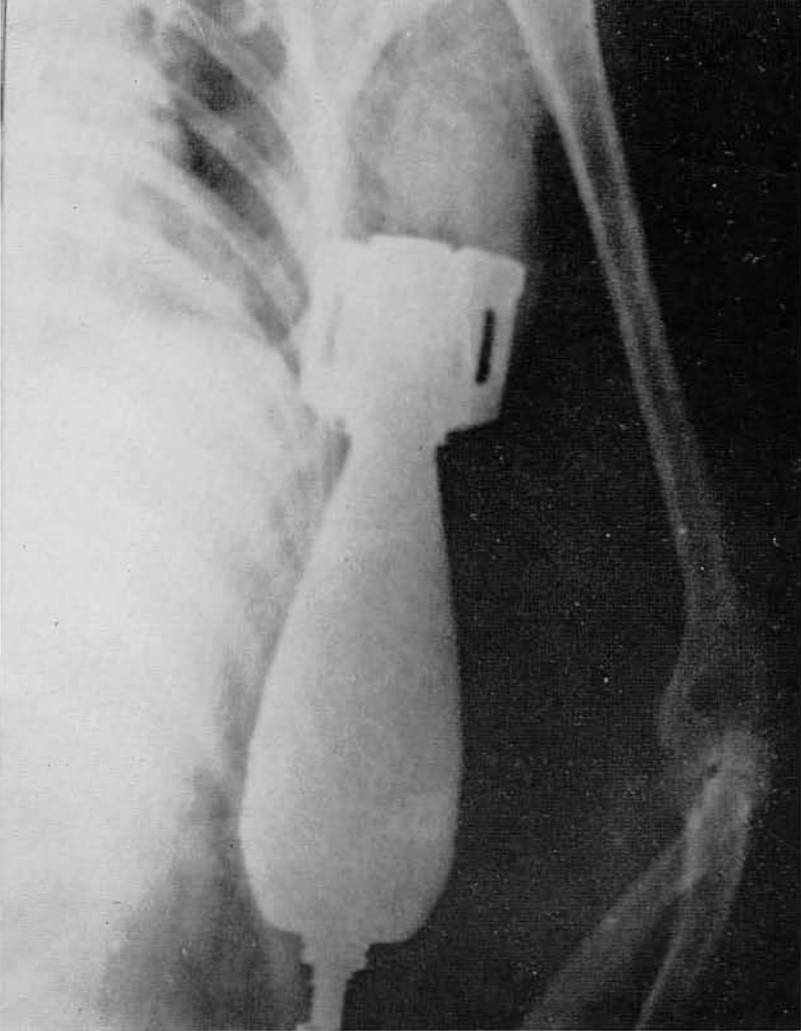


MEDICAL HISTORY MADE AT DANANG

On 1 October, 1966 a South Vietnamese soldier was evacuated to the Station Hospital, DaNang with a live 60mm mortar shell lodged between his rib cage and skin. The shell had dropped straight down on the soldier, glancing off of his shoulder bone as it entered his body and lodged outside of his rib cage. The shell was removed in a dangerous and dramatic operation by the Station Hospital Chief Surgeon and a Explosive Ordnance Disposal Expert.



Dr. Dinsmore, Surgeon, and Lyons, EOD Expert, show the Vietnamese soldier a 60mm mortar shell exactly like the one taken from his body. However, the plunger on the one taken from his body had been driven halfway down, just a fraction of an inch from exploding.



X-Ray of Mortar Round lodged between soldiers skin and rib cage



The Doctor couldn't believe his eyes as he rushed into the operating room and saw his patient.





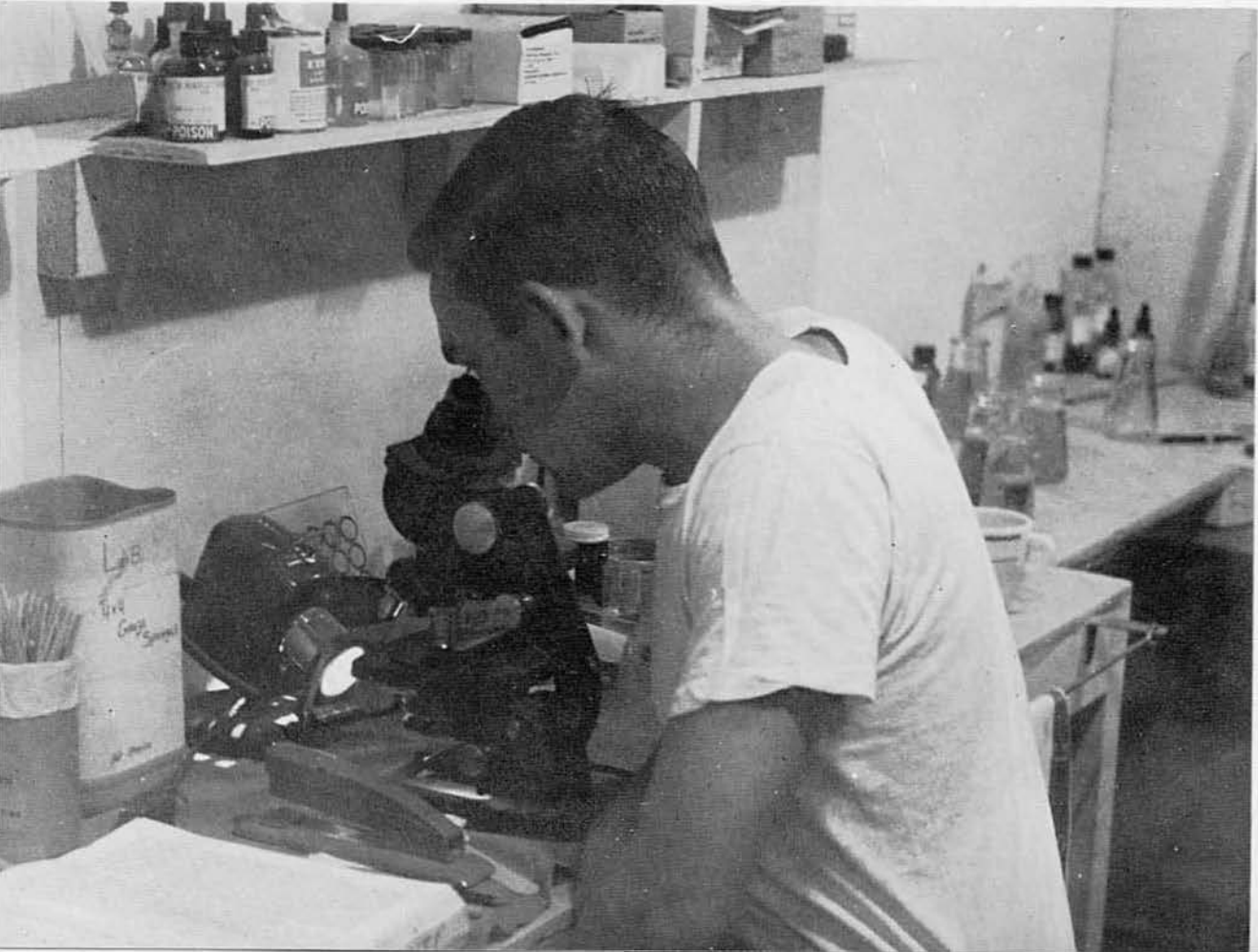
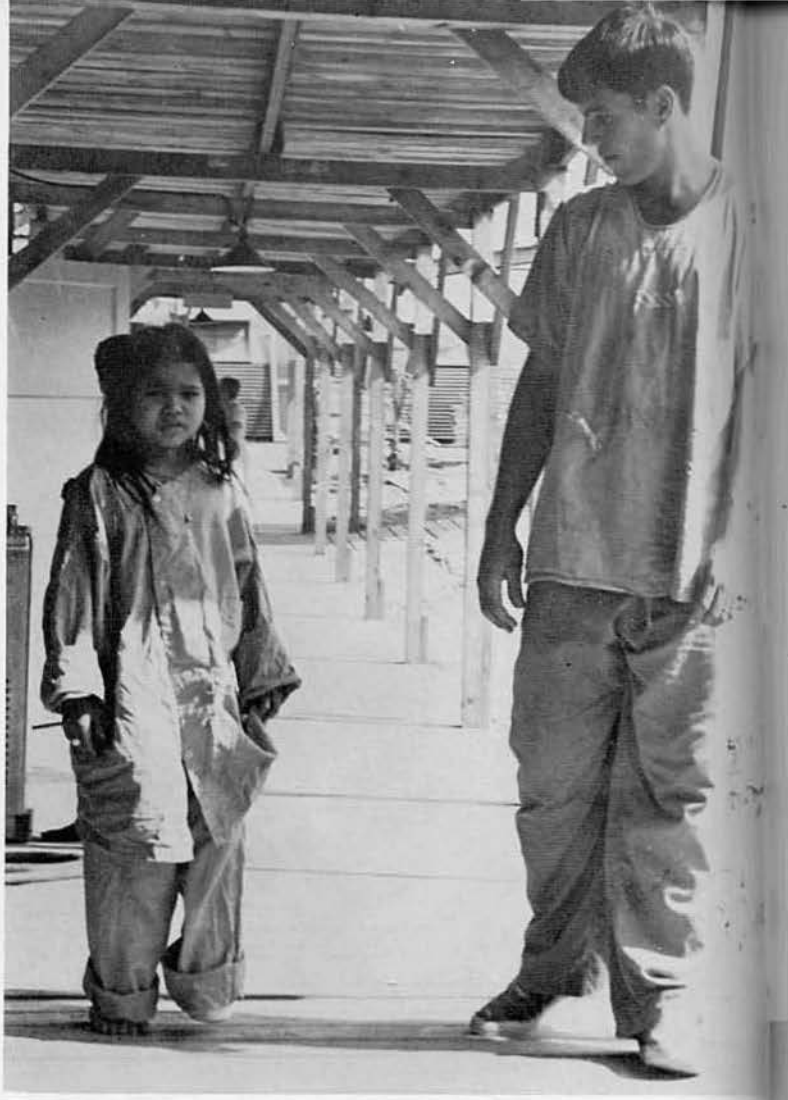
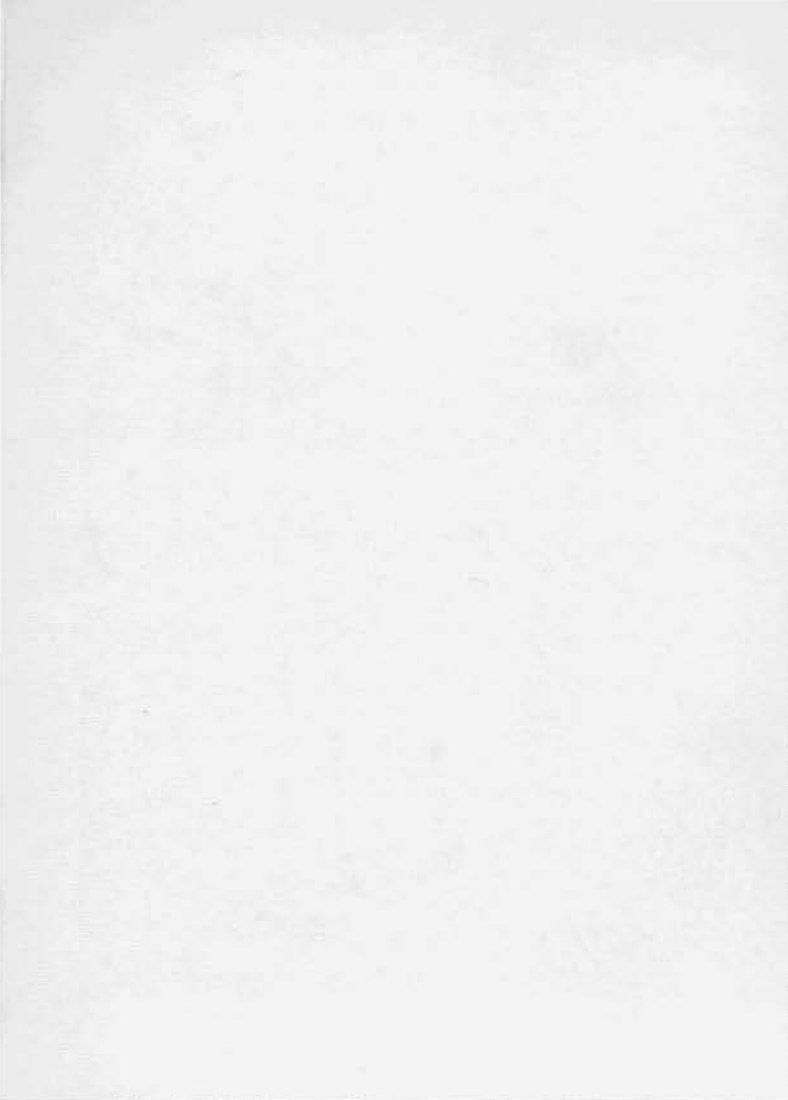


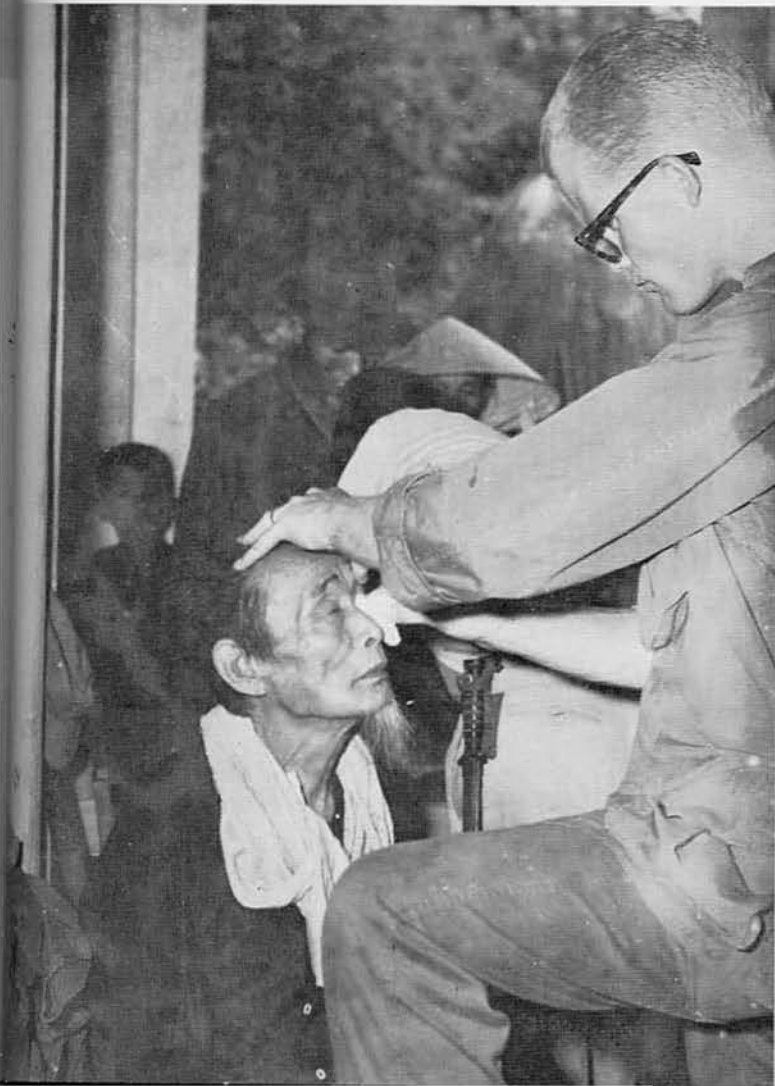
*Premier Ky
Visits Hospital*

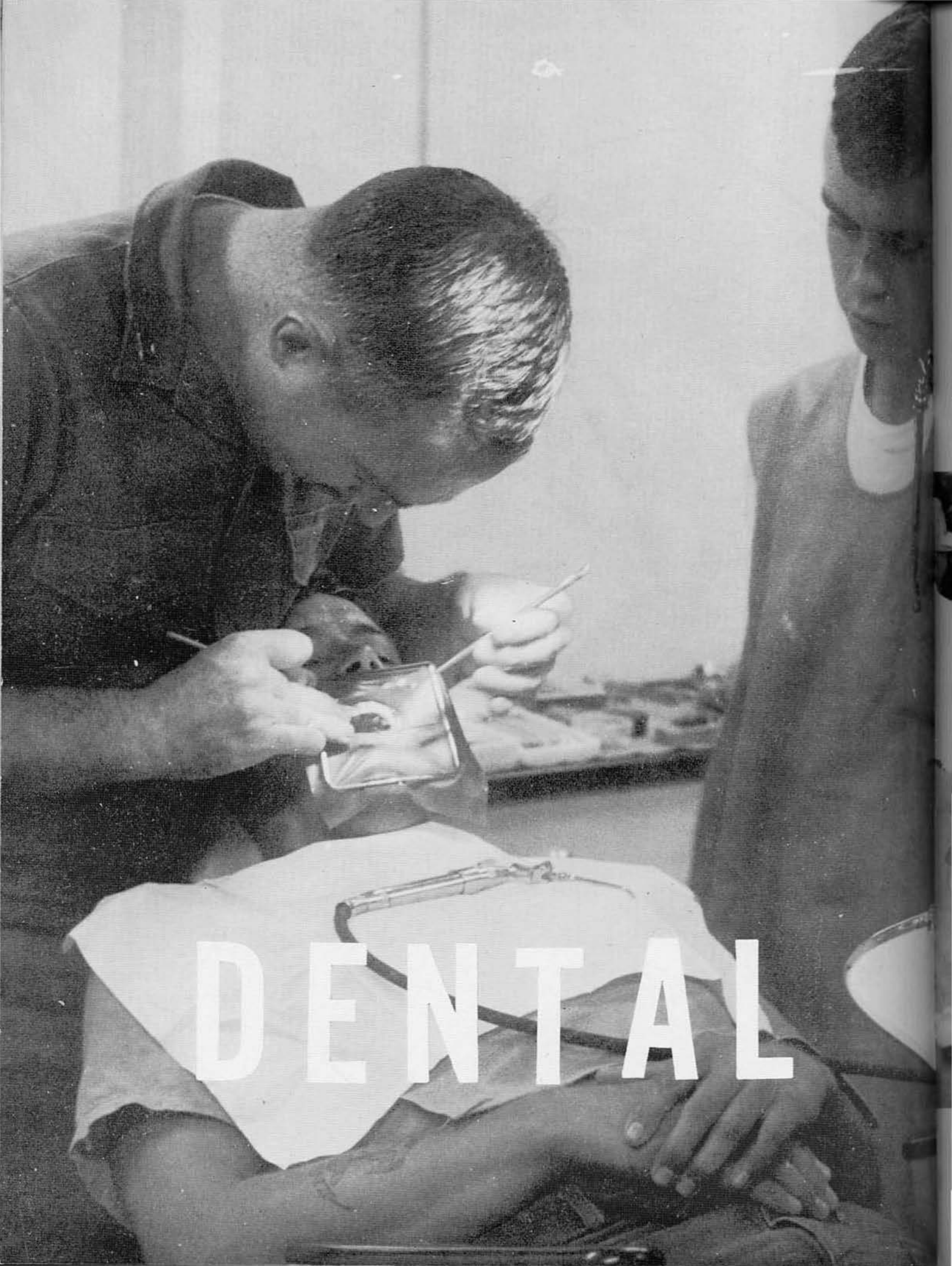
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DENTAL





OPERATIONS



Capt. James C. Linville

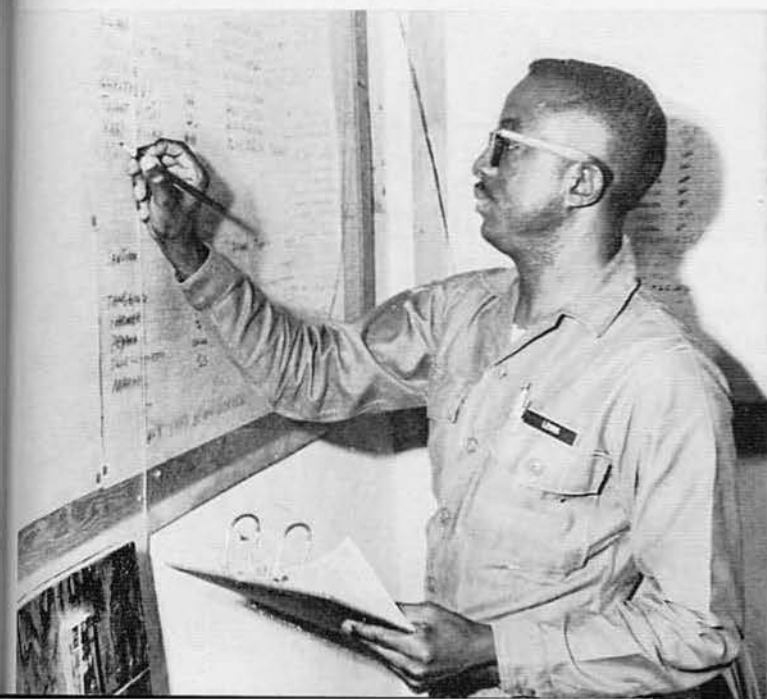
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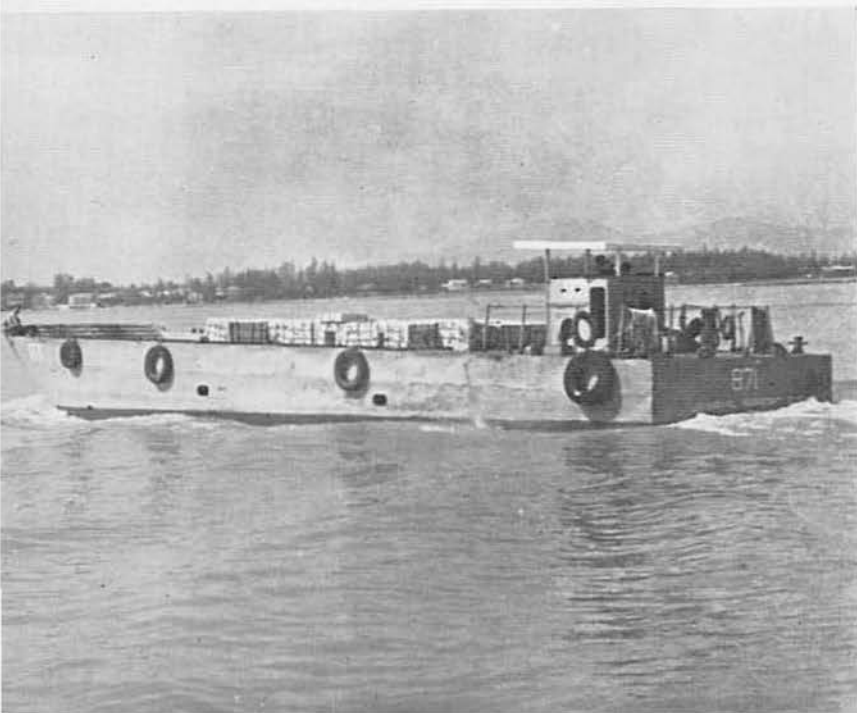
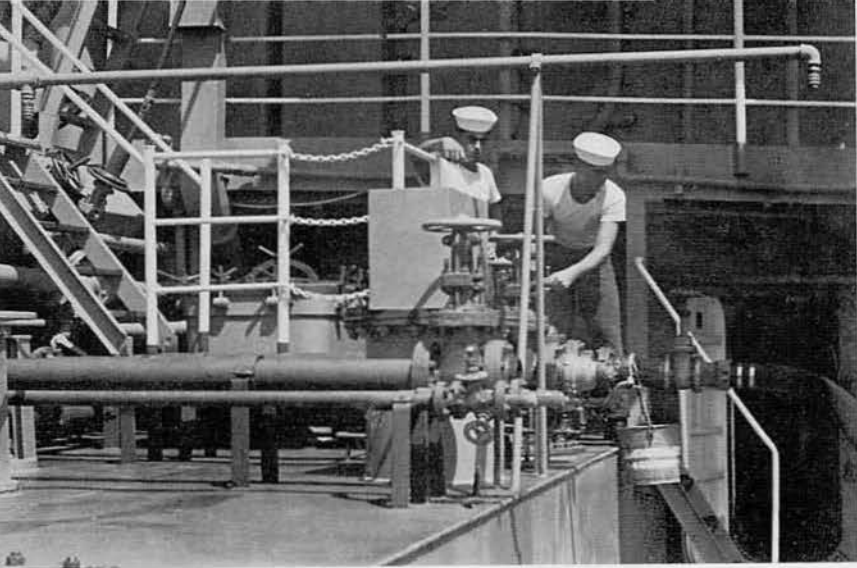
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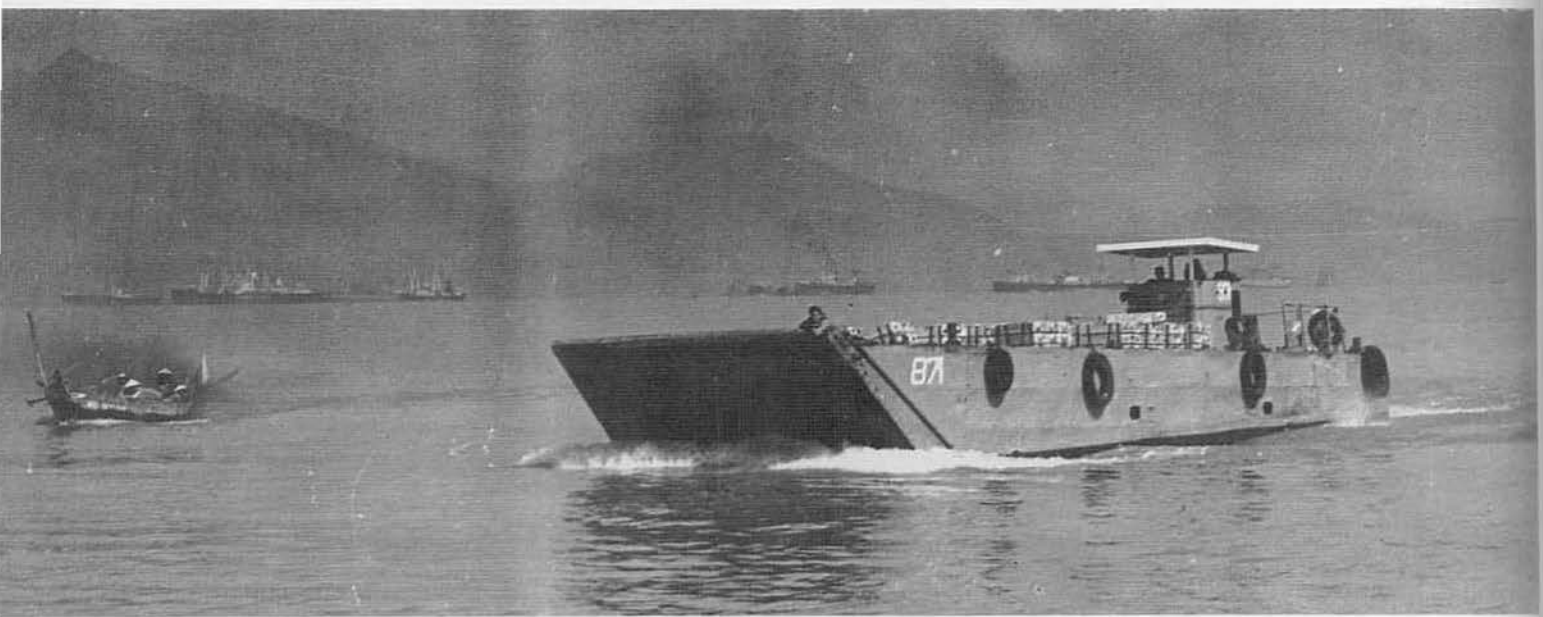




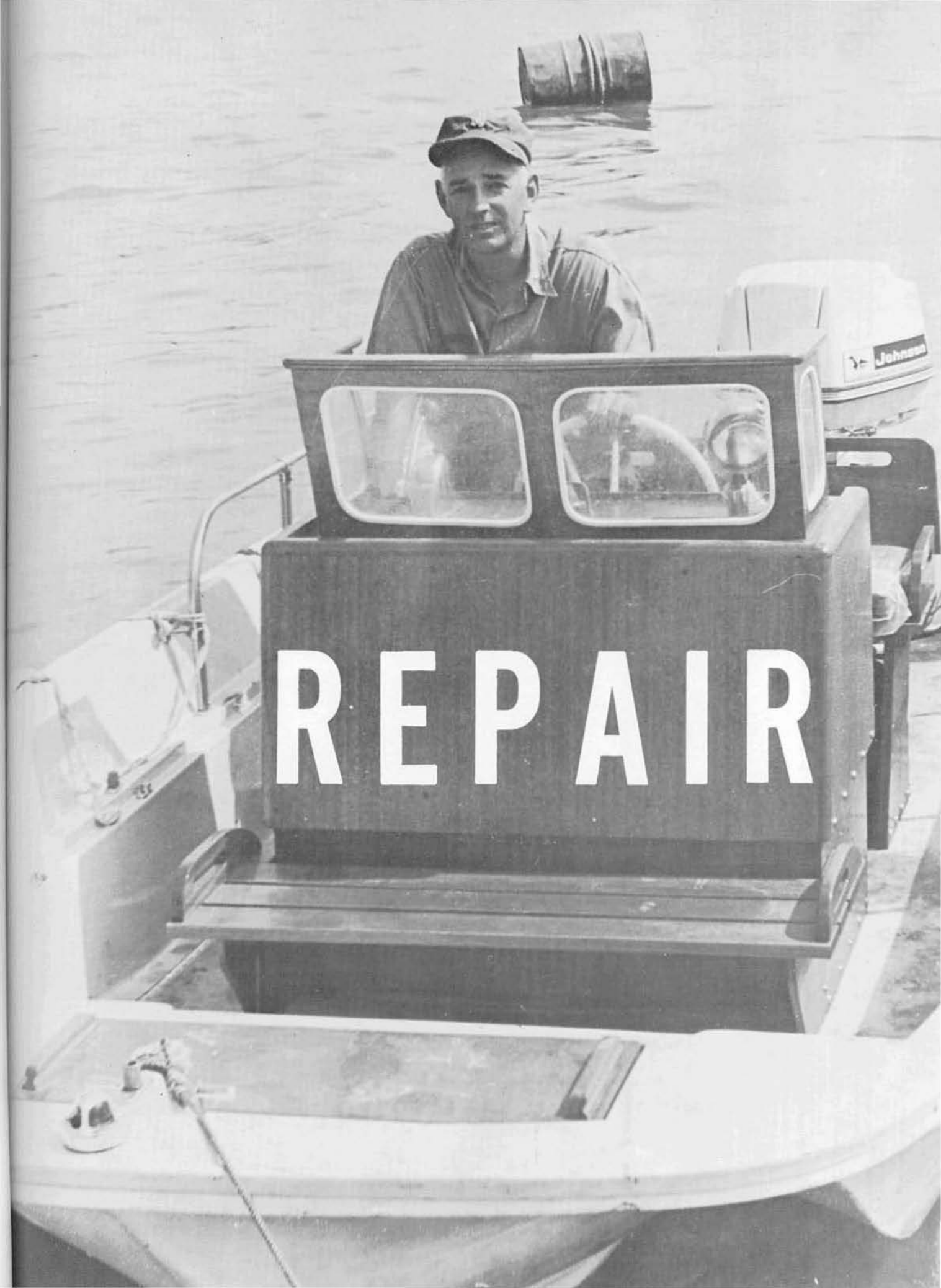












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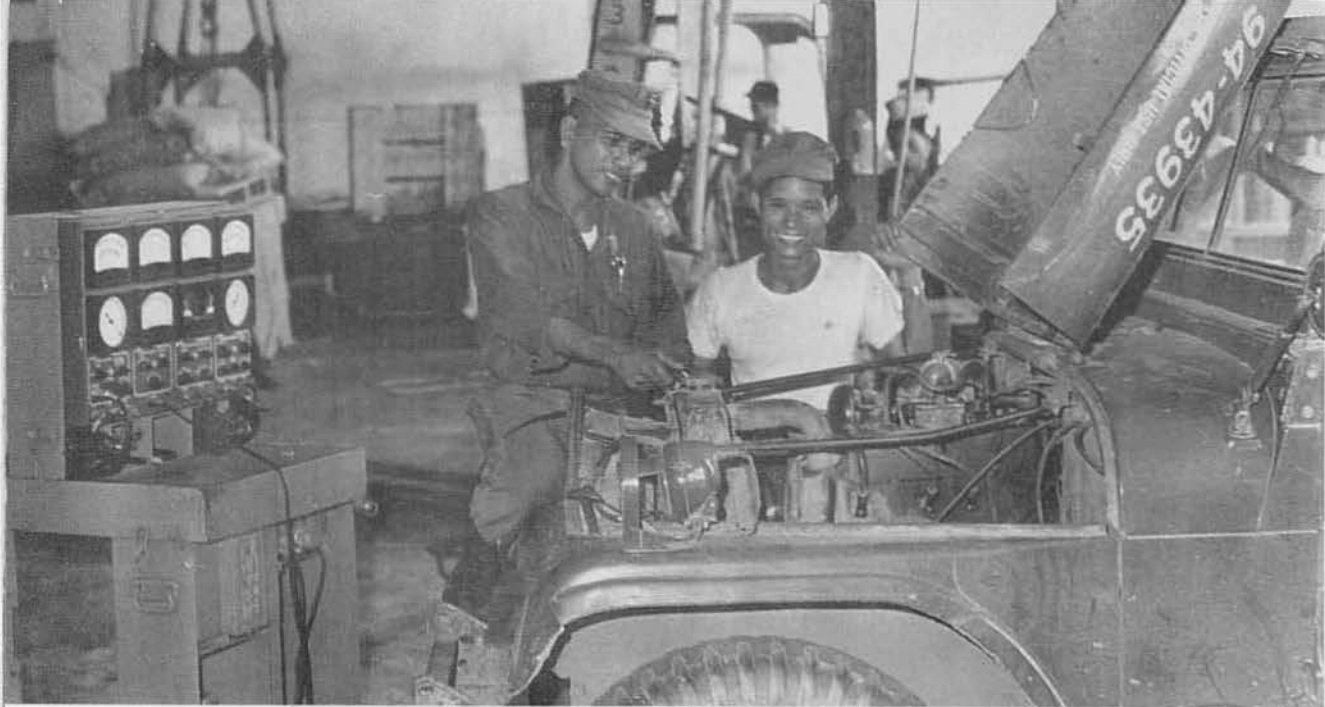


CAPT. Richard D. Pinkerton

CDR James E. Galloway



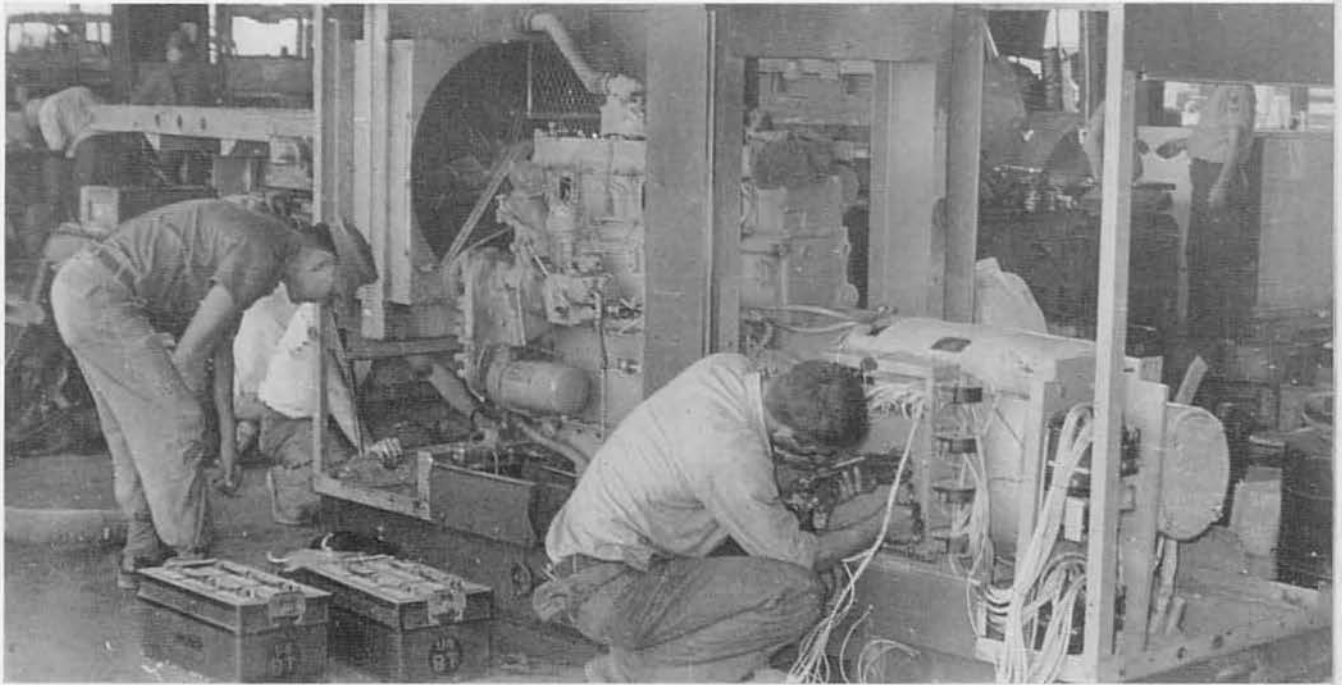
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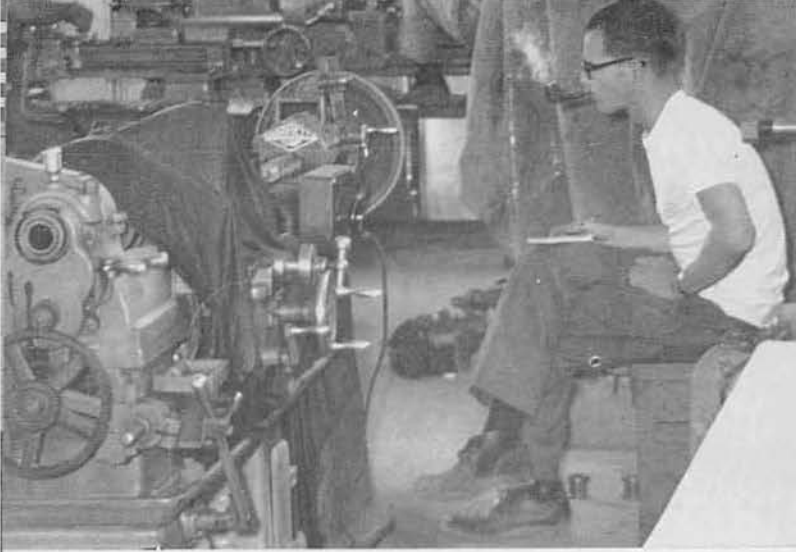
"HEY BUDDY! LET ME OFF AT TRIANGLE"

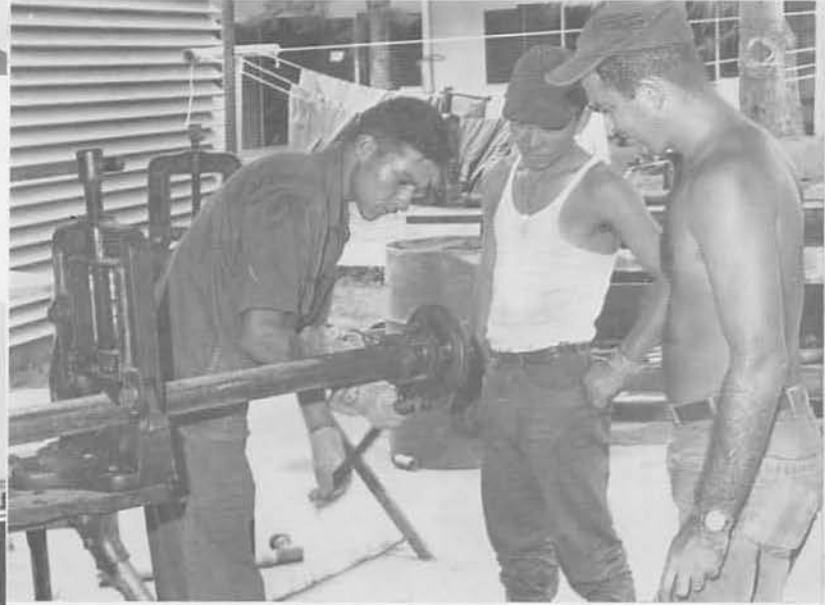


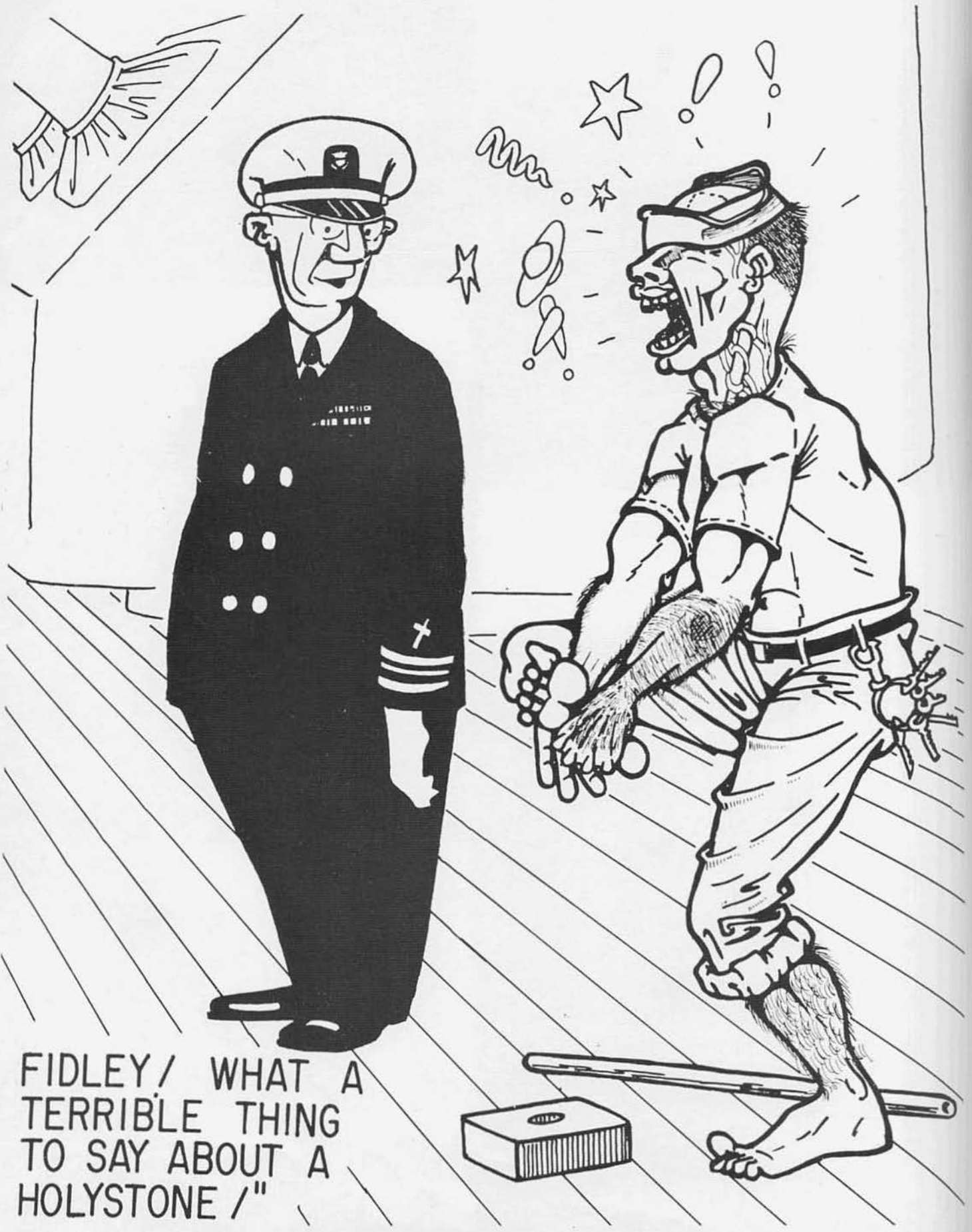












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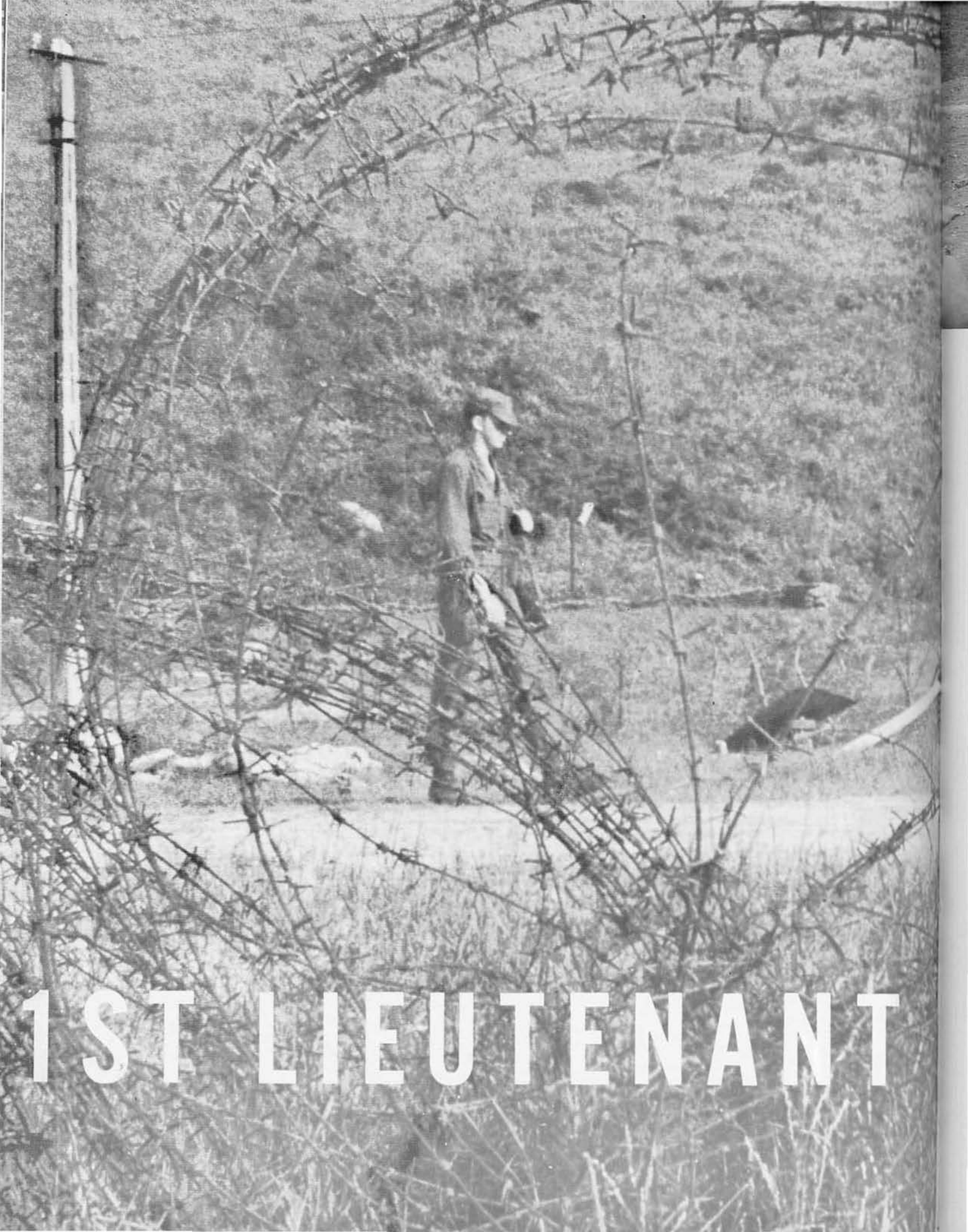
*Base Security
Officer*

Base Security Officer LT. Donald R. Thompson is flanked by his assistants. From left: LTJG Matthew L. Wood, Danang East Security, GMGC James D. McCollum, Division Chief, LT. Thompson, LTJG George K. Carpenter, Package POL Security, LTJG Kenneth L. Whitehead, DaNang West Security.

LTJG P.E. Derby

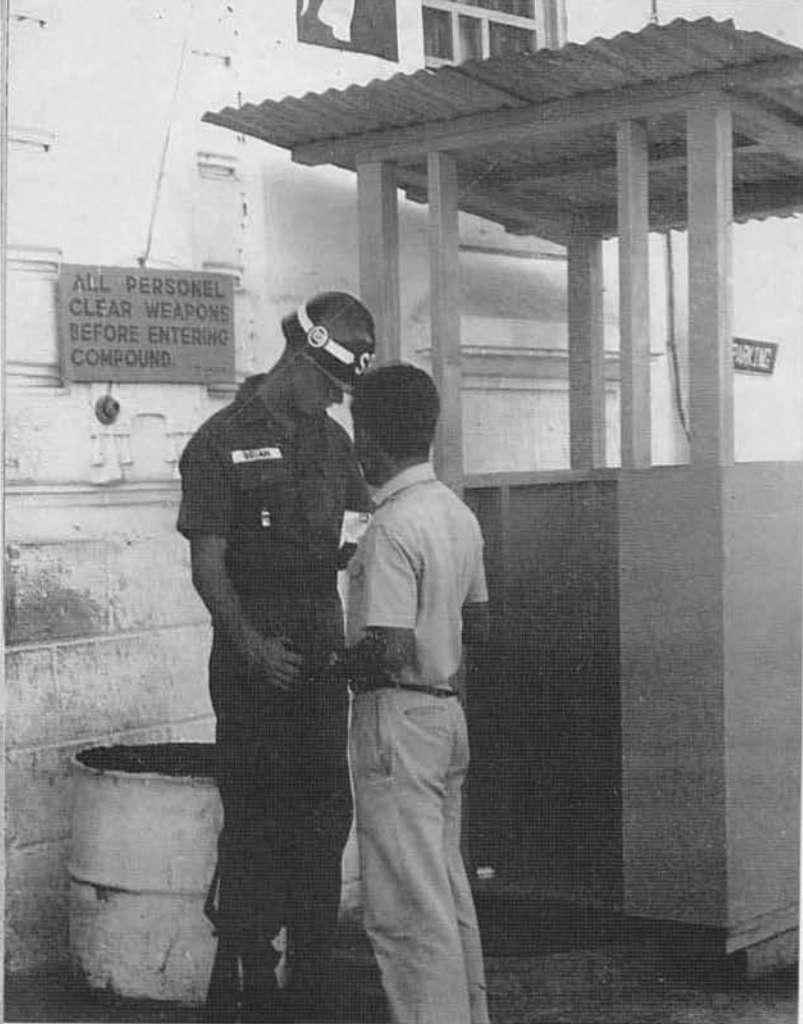


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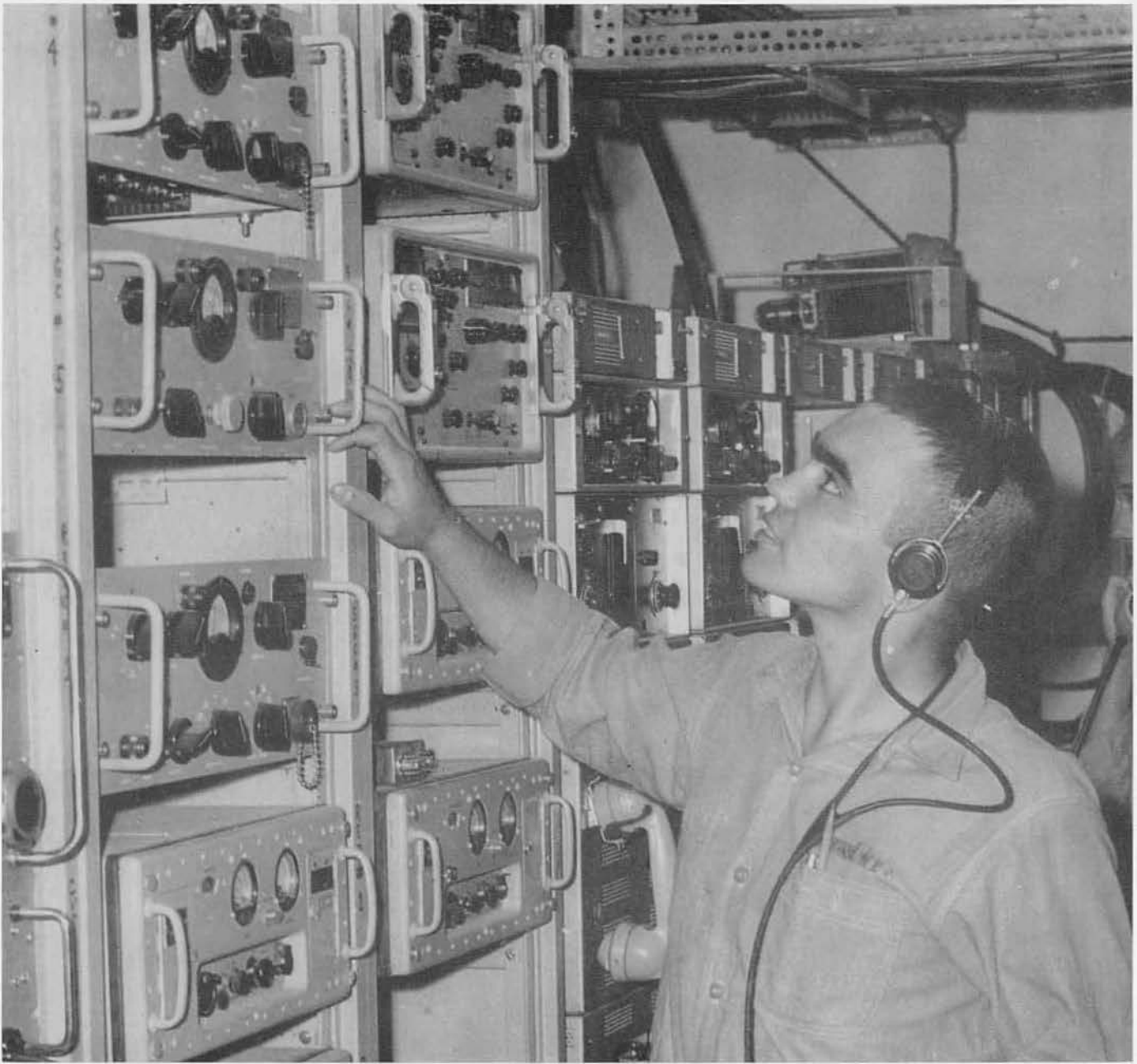












COMMUNICATIONS

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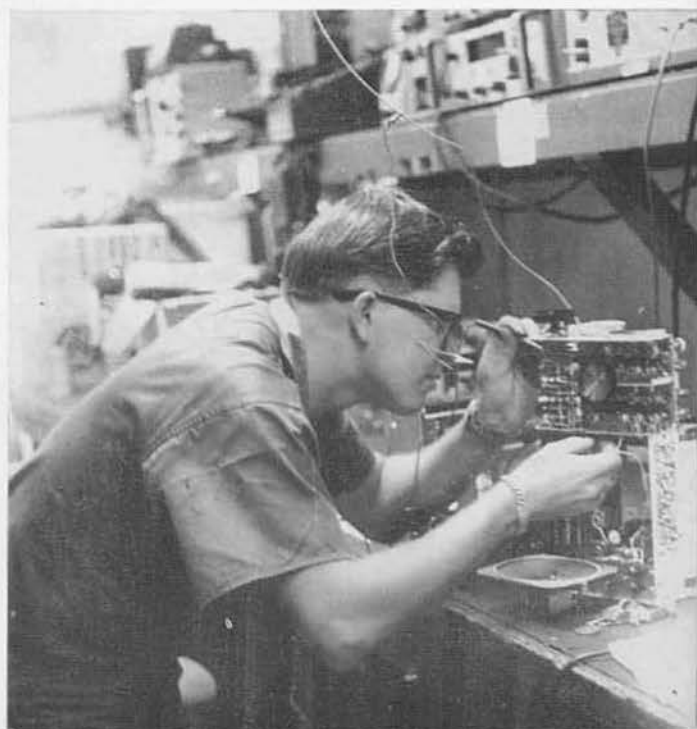


*Electronic Material
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ADMINISTRATION

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LCDR. Nash and CW04 Abney

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& Planning*

Capt. May

*Commanding Officer
CAMP TIEN SHA*







Staff Legal Officer



QUOTES FOR
BLUESTOCKETS



'I HAVE YET ROOM FOR SIX SCOTCHES MORE.'

SHAKESPEARE - Antony and Cleopatra ,IV, 7



Clubs & Messes



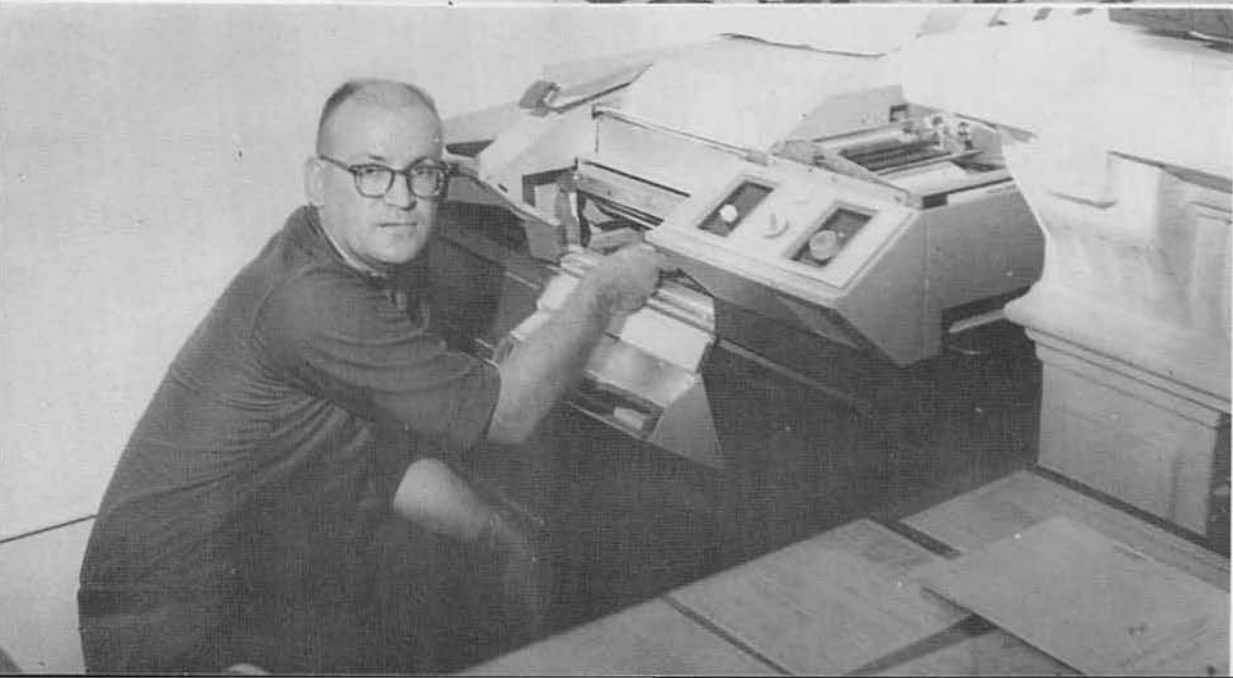


*Public Affairs
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*NSA's own . . .
"Combat Camera Team?"*







QUOTE FOR BUNNY TRACKS



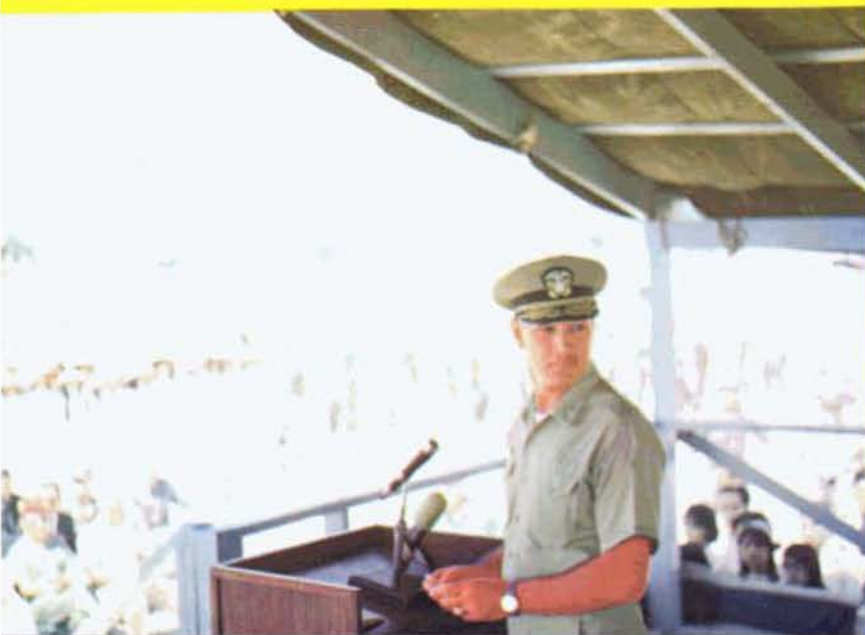
"OLD AND YOUNG, WE ARE ALL ON
OUR LAST CRUISE." ROBERT LOUIS STEVENSON-
Virginibus Puerisque.

THOUNG NHAT PIERS: OFFICIAL OPENING





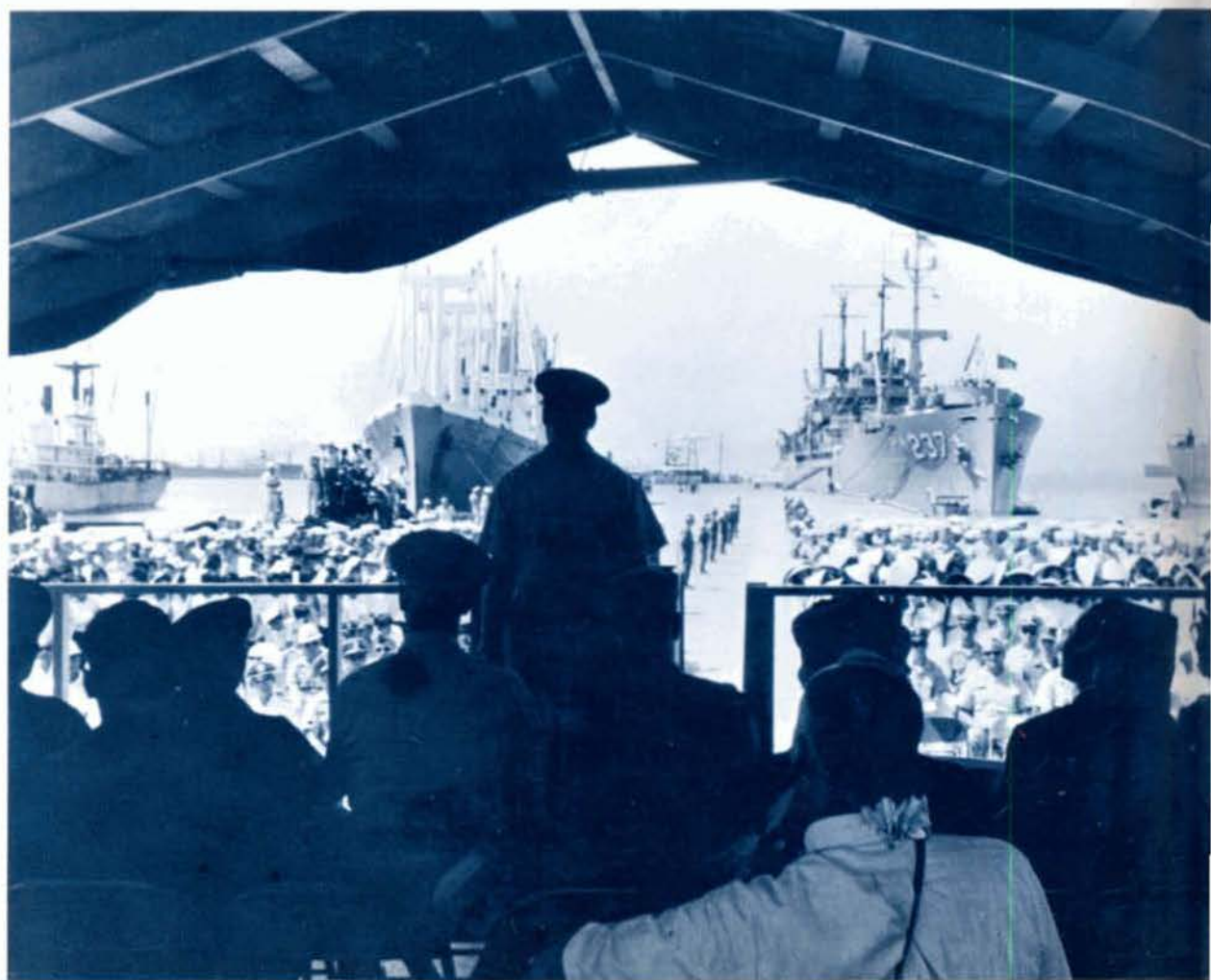
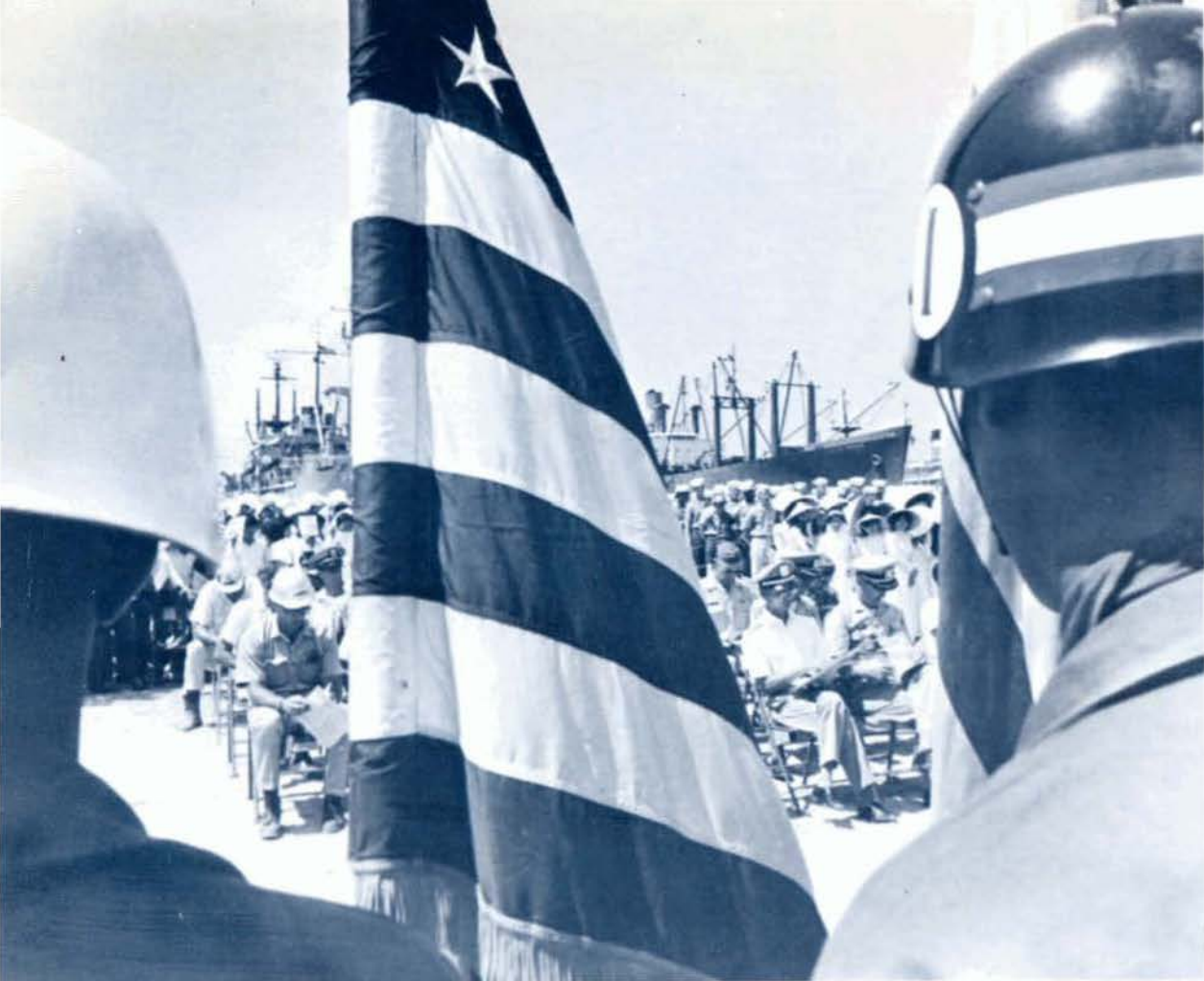
The transformation of DaNang into a port with facilities for direct offloading of deep draft vessels began in February of 1966 with the staging of material for deep draft piers. Completed in the fall of 1966, they consist of two 90 by 600-foot piers, a DeLong Pier and 70 acres of adjacent storage area located near Observatory Island. Extending west, out into the harbor of DaNang, the piers greatly reduced the need for using lighters in the offloading process.





The Thung Nhat (Allied) Piers were officially opened on October 15, 1966 in ceremonies attended by high-ranking Vietnamese and American military and civilian officials. October 15 also marked another outstanding day in the history of Naval Support Activity, DaNang. It marked the first official birthday of the commissioning of the command.





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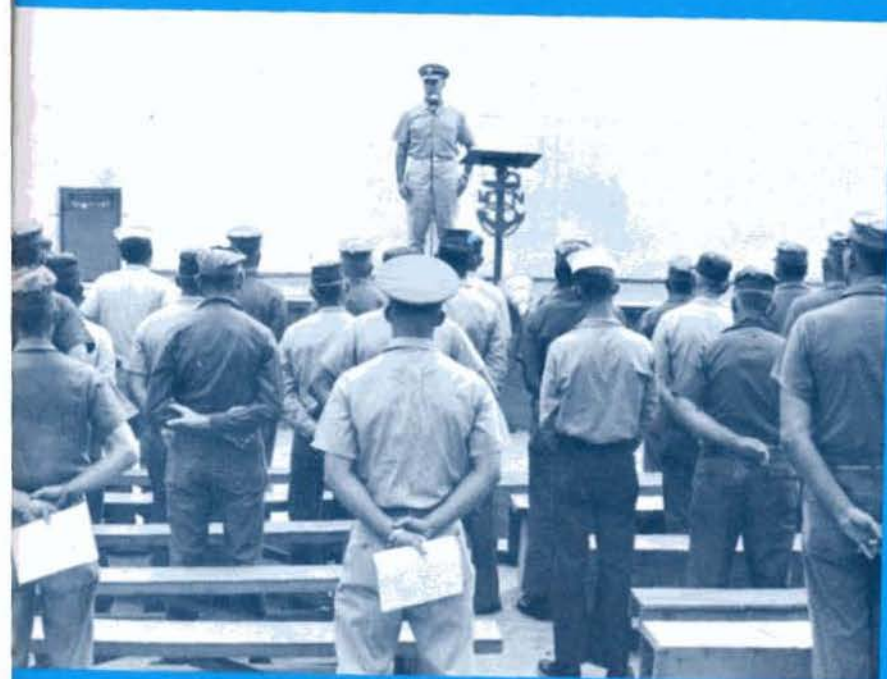
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30 November 1966

Rear Admiral Thomas R. Weschler, U. S. Navy
Commander,
U. S. Naval Support Activity, DaNang
U. S. Military Assistance Command, Viet Nam

Dear Admiral Weschler,

Not since the Second World War have Marine forces been committed to combat in such great numbers as they are in Viet Nam today.

Now, as then, the United States Navy lands the landing force then keeps it supplied with the many materials necessary to wage a successful battle for freedom.

Supply of combat troops has always been a demanding, arduous and at times seemingly thankless task. When the demand is of such magnitude as is currently necessary in Viet Nam, it becomes doubly so. Through the untiring efforts of the personnel of the Naval Support Activity, DaNang, no Marine in Viet Nam has gone into combat without the equipment, rations, or weapons needed for victory.

The men of the III Marine Amphibious Force sincerely appreciate your exemplary performance in maintaining a constant flow of thousands of tons of material passing through this key port daily.

Congratulations on a job well done.

Sincerely,

L. W. WALT
Lieutenant General, U. S. Marine Corps

IN MEMORIUM

To the men of our command who have given their lives in the defense of freedom and also to the families of these men, we dedicate this book.

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