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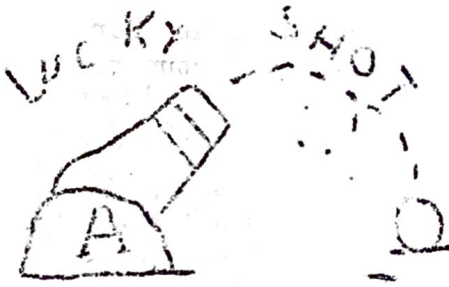
## PILOTS AND MECHANICS TAKE HEED!

"Although there is a connection between time in service (for aircraft) and fatigue effects, it is not a clear cut straight line type of relationship. The effect of flight time on structural integrity is greatly modified by operating conditions, pilot technique and the quality of maintenance and inspection. Of these factors, maintenance and inspection is probably the most important, as good practices protect the aircraft against corrosion damage, prevents excess wear, detects and corrects minor fatigue damage, and incorporates improvements and other recommendations made by the manufacturer. Experience shows that fatigue damage does tend to increase with time in service, but proper inspection and maintenance, which becomes more important as the airplane ages, will find these conditions and correct them before serious damage is created. Historically, the areas most susceptible to fatigue become known and corrective action can then be taken."

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## DATE LINE, PHAN THIET

The warm South-westerly breezes once again attracted our sunbathing club out into the warm rays like a magnet. With the exception of a few showers, Lucky Shot had good flying weather. Alpha Company said good-bye to an important part of our maintenance, and a few of our enlisted men. We also witnessed some added improvements to our Mess Hall and welcomed a Church service to our area. We also lost some of our pilots who are temporarily at Kontum to help one of our companies. Considering that two other warrants went home and two pilots are on R&R it gave the remainder ample opportunity for much flying. Added to this was numerous reports of Charlie's movements which gave our night-hunters an unusual amount of night-time.

## GONE STATESIDE

The only officer to leave the beach club was of vital importance to our A/C availability, Captain Bill Callender. He was our Maintenance Officer whose degree of perfection left nothing to be questioned because of the times he produced all aircraft ready for flight when they were required. Taking over his duty is CWO Clark Ward who is doing an equally fine job of maintaining an outstanding record of A/C availability.

From our supply we lost Ssg Griffin who will return to Ft Meyers, Va. Sp5 Rabello, a crewchief, will report to Ft Eustis. Sp5 Johnson, and Sp5 Mayfield departed and will be discharged upon arrival in the States. Sp5 Magliaro and Sp4 Barnes also signed the leave roster for the last time. Sgt Gadsden left on a 30 day leave after which he will return to us. Sp5 Lewis has also taken 30 days and plans to return to Delta Company.

## NEW ARRIVALS

Not so much a new arrival but one who has returned after a 30 day leave is Ssg Kramer. He spent most of his time back in North Carolina and said he enjoyed it very much.

We also welcome Sp4 Esposti who, came to us from HHG. We also have two new Wojugs who are still back at Alpha Kilo. Our IP days that he is patiently waiting to accept them since it has been quite some time that has had any.

## IMPROVEMENTS

There has been an innovation which has gone unnoticed by many and deserves recognition This is the introduction of a Protestant Church service to Alpha Company. Each Tuesday night at approximately 19:15, we have the service in the Officer's Mess for our area and would like to see more attend.

Once again Ssg Aponti comes through with more new ideas to help improve the Mess Hall atmosphere. Besides the good food and the 'home-baked' dinner buns he continues to make, we also have a new hat rack and hand washing facilities at both the enlisted and officer sections.

## LUCKY SHOT WANDERINGS

Hats off to our maintenance dept and Sp6 Edge for turning out our beautiful candy-apple, olive drab Hueys.....  
 ..Thanks to 1Lt Terry "Guns" Brown for keeping our perimeter guards on thier toes but we still wonder at his reason for leaving a starlight scope. Could it be that he hasn't arrived at a method of acquiring a .50 Cal or for that matter a reason for having it.....  
 ..Our instrument-training flights for parts to Vung Tau are proving to be a very desirable flight especially when the ship has to stay overnight.

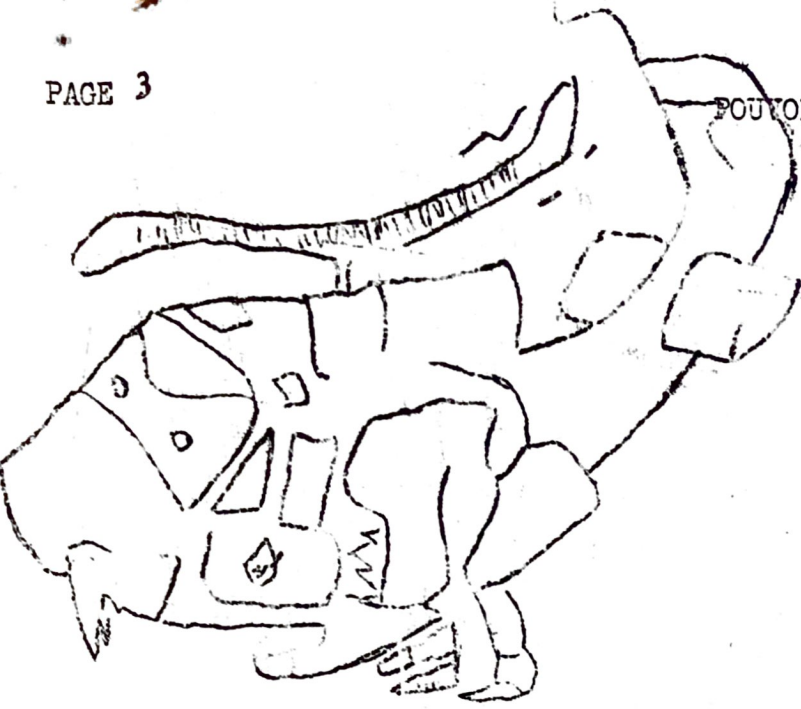
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## ARTICLE OF THE WEEK

The article of the week award will not be given this week, because of the lack of articles to give the award to.

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"Fangs"

The members of Delta Company take pleasure in extending a warm, hearty welcome to our new Fang 6, Major Walter F D Allen. Major Allen will be taking the place of our present commander, Major White. Major Allen has come to us from Fort Monmouth, N J, home of the United States Army Signal Center School where he was assigned as an aviation staff officer. His wife, Sherryl, and five children (aged five to thirteen) are now living in Salt Lake City, Utah. Major Allen's tours include Europe and Korea. Welcome to the top aviation unit in the country of South Vietnam, Sir.

In Kontum, after being rained on for 30 days and nights, the second platoon slushed through the mud towards their aircraft for the last time. The convoy, somewhat overloaded, pulled out of camp and started it's long journey down the narrow roads. An Khe, on the same day, was abandoned by the third platoon and the rear area was once again shrouded by ominous quiet. We now find ourselves planted on LZ Dog with the task of rebuilding our "Home, Sweet Home"

The Fangs would like to congratulate CWO Friedrich L Gruetzmacher for his promotion to that rank.

Would the unknown individual who gave the orders for the Fang area to be peneprimed please stand up. If this action could have been related to aviation, you surely would have received the Baron Von Lemon Award this week. Instead we are going to give you an honorable mention. If our living area had been peneprimed, do you realize what it would have been like on those hot, sticky nights? Not only would we have beads of perspiration trickling from our brow. The horrid odor of pene-

prime would have been there tormenting us as we would try to get that ever so precious 40 winks. Quite fortunately, the peneprime truck broke down allowing time for Major White to halt the damage that could have been done. In closing, we might add that Major White in preventing this disaster also prevented a potential lynch mob.

On the last day at Kontum, a bewildered crew chief, Sp4 Gill, was seen making his way across a deep mud hole. After having been in the rain for hours, his cloths were soaked and mud-splattered. His eyes were blood shot. His spirit broken. Only the keenest of ears could have picked up the pathetic sound of his voice as it was muffled by the rain. "My good fellow, I offer you my kingdom for a poncho."

Has anyone seen Fang 5 around? Oh, yes he's taking a well earned rest in the rear area, but will soon be in the forward battle zone. Not for long, of course, as his days of battle in Vietnam are few.

Mr Sayers is back from R&R in Hawaii. He is all smiles after seeing his wife. What a pleasant surprise it must have been for him to find the platoon had moved from An Khe to good ole' dusty LZ Dog.

## 1st PLATOON

Farewell was said to WO "Hoss" Hosmun, this week, as he departed for Alpha Kilo, enroute to Fort Wolters, Texas. His cries of "Next!" and "Short!" will be missed, thankfully by all those "lifers" with over 30 days left, also departed was Sp5 Maue, the 1st Platoon armorer. We wish to thank both of them for a real fine job.

After a sound chewing out for utterly disgraceful guns, Pfc Spencer and Pfc "Peapod" Pierce were promoted to Sp4 by Fang 16. Then we had to cool them down and convince them that we had only been kidding about their guns. Congratulations!

Fang 16 finally moved into his new hootch, thanks to some concerted efforts. Now he's on the brink of being driven out by a herd of savage, man-eating kittens, only to be met at the door by a highly aggravated "Momma" cat. Hang on there, 16!

OVERHEARD: Sp4 Telford offering an officer \$25 to take KP for him....."They can't account for how much?"....."He's got a bloody cathouse over there!".....

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"A care package with two boomeranges in it?"....."You say he called you Baron 17 times in one flight?"

motor pool and there the trouble was finally diagnosed, Pfc "I know how to work the mule" Hannon had put diesel fuel in the gas tank!

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### MIND READER

Have you ever wondered what it would be like to read a person's mind when they have one of those thoughtful, far away expressions. Here are some "probable" thought waves.

Spl Krumwiede: "Should I take six, or go for the big bonus and take all 17 while I'm here in Vietnam?"

Sgt Miller: "No, mail hasn't come in yet you @\*#%\$8!!!"

Pfc Hawk: "You're all stone fools!"

SGM Himes: "Now, where in the world is Maples and Childress."

Captain Jones: "?"

Sp5 Rolley: "They'll never find me here."

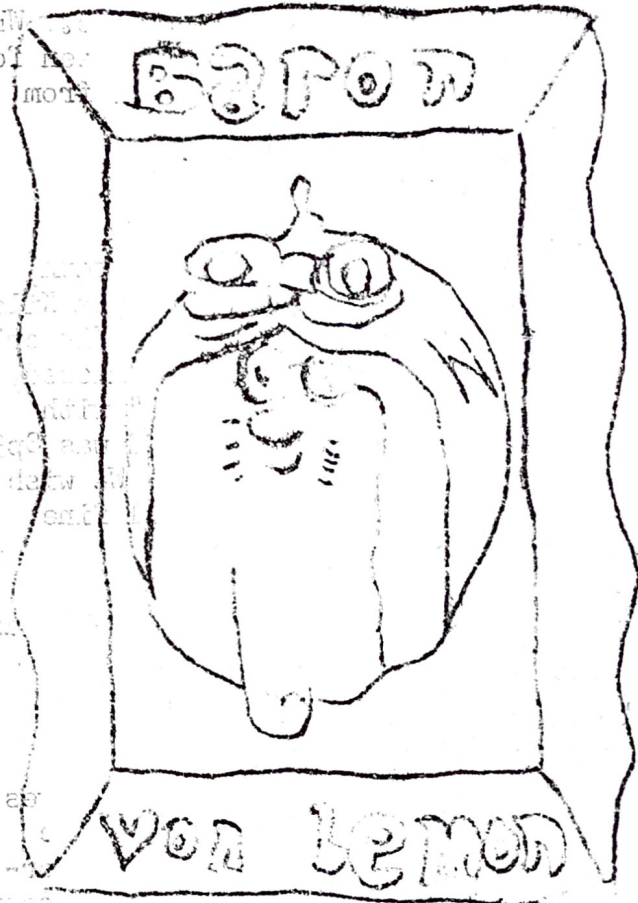
Pfc Fullum: "Yes, I'm wonderful."

1SG Smith: "It's such a nice world."

Major Fyffe: "I'll show Delta who has the fire power around here, now only if there was such a thing as a mini-frog."



MISS MODEL AVIATION—Blonde, blue-eyed Tere Rich is the official hostess for the 36th Annual National Model Aiplane Championships at the U. S. Naval Air Station.



This week the Pouvoir Editor recieved two Von Lemmon Awards with Delta's article. So I guess this week there will be a big Lemon and little Lemon Award.

#### THE BIG LEMON AWARD

This week's Baron Von Lemmon Award is given to the king himself, Fang 6. During the welcoming ceremonies for Major Allan, Major White presented him with a "short timers" belt of 7.62mm expended cartridges, each cartridge signifying a day remaining in Vietnam. 360 shell cases were neatly linked into a 25 foot belt, but to the old Fang 6's chagrin, Major Allan quickly pointed out that he only had 358 days left. Oh well, no one's perfect.

#### THE LITTLE LEMON AWARD

The Baron Von Lemmon Award this week, goes to Pfc Hannon of Delta's 1st Platoon. As the primary operator of their "mule", his knowledge of the mechanics of his gasoline powered vehicle has been somewhat awe inspiring and a source of constant amazement to the other members of his platoon. This past week the image was shattered! After the mule broke down and after hours of tedious trouble shooting to find the cause, it was sent to the

Answer to Previous Puzzle

CROSSWORD PUZZLE

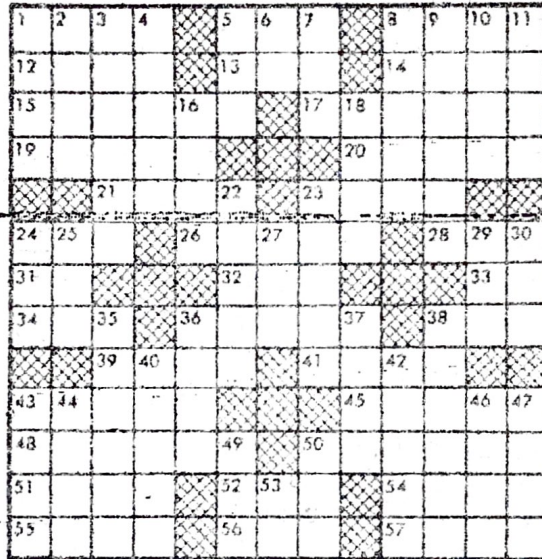


ACROSS

- 1-Turkish standard
- 5-River island
- 8-Bridge term
- 12-Citrus fruit
- 13-Also
- 14-Wan
- 15-Disinclined
- 17-Pieces of dinnerware
- 19-Kind of fabric
- 20-Regions
- 21-Cultured man (slang)
- 23-Mastens
- 24-Expire
- 26-Ogre
- 28-Small child
- 31-Paid notice
- 32-Negative
- 33-A state (abbr.)
- 34-Chart
- 36-Repulse
- 38-Hurried
- 39-Leave out
- 41-Go at an easy pace
- 43-Pits
- 45-Title of respect (pl.)
- 48-Omits from pronunciation
- 50-Decipher
- 51-Insects
- 52-Garden tool
- 54-Silkworm
- 55-Performs
- 56-Before
- 57-Rodents

- 2-Dwell
- 3-Come into view
- 4-Join
- 5-Devoured
- 6-Maiden loved by Zeus
- 7-Uppermost part
- 8-Extra
- 9-Newest
- 10-Appellation of Athena
- 11-Army meal
- 16-Dispatch
- 18-Reclined
- 22-Doctrine
- 23-Hostelry
- 24-Obstruct
- 25-Girl's name
- 27-Cleaning device
- 29-Anglo-Saxon money
- 30-Metal

- 35-Protective organization
- 36-Ascend
- 37-Mine vein
- 38-Minorance
- 40-Ancient Persians
- 42-Kind of race horse
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- 46-Prepare for print
- 47-Oceans
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- 50-River in Wales
- 53-Conjunction



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

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FOR LACK OF PARTICIPATION



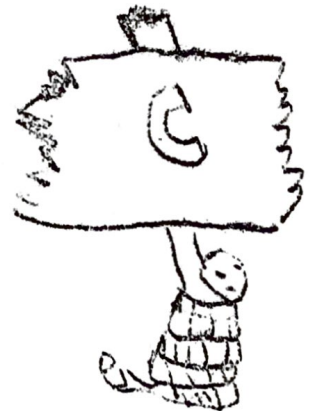
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Alias: "Tony"



GUNSLINGER

Alias: "The Kid"



RATTLE SNAKE

Alias: "The Whip"

LET BE KNOWN THAT FROM THIS DAY FORWARD  
POUVOIR ARTICLES WILL BE IN ON OR BEFORE  
WEDNESDAY OF EACH WEEK. MAKE SURE WHEN  
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