

Local News:

A pat on the back goes to our trio of linguists, Sgt Trev Waghorn, Bdr Pete Hopper and L/Bdr Vic Danko, for work they have done in the last few 'Search and Cordon' Operations. They played an integral part in Australia's new "Confusion Tactics".

World News:

'Confucious Denounced'

Chinese peasants have denounced Confucious as the spokesman of the exploiting classes, according to an official report from China.

Home News:

1. In an attempt to reduce an NS/ARA percentage from its current 99:1, the battery received 14 new ARA Soldiers the other day. Pity only one was eligible (age wise) for service overseas.
2. L/Bdr Menz looks like being Bdr Poustie's replacement.
3. Bdr Uren seems to be attracted back to NUI DAT, he should be swapping with Bdr Bonser.

R&R to Australia;

The following is an extract from an official communique published in Canberra and released to The Daily Mirror, King Cross Whisper and Tom Thumb simultaneously.

"It is our attempt today to clear up a hangover and the mysteries and rumours associated with the availability of Australian R&R to the Australian Fighting Man.

"At all times keeping in mind the welfare and happiness of the Australian Digger and in an effort to give everybody the opportunity of having R&R in Australia, we have proposed the following plan; - Cancel all RTA for 1967-8-9. We believe that this move will almost certainly guarantee R&R for all our men in Saigon.

And in conclusion (Hic) I'de like to take this opportunity to thank all the fellows at the Dept for ignoring my NS Registration.

Andrew Jones M.R.

WHO's WHO:

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L/Bdr Vic 'Rocky' Danko is the Sunray of the Engineers Barber Shop LP. Following his recent jaunts into the local villages, Vic has decided to give up his civic carrier in order to teach the local HOA LONG kids in the finer arts of sandbag filling etc,. Maybe he would be of some assistance in the 'Boys Brigade' too!

Bob 'Woofer' Bruce has certainly been a keen liaison man in the battery, the Rec Room and other constructions and we owe a lot to his 'Taking ways'.

Terry 'Spider' Bruce is certainly the 'Digger with a difference' in the group. All Terry's ideas seem to differ drastically with those of the Army.....Don't worry mate, You're only a Nasho!

'Pappy' Gault is beleived to be cutting short his stay in VIETERS because his sox need darning and his wife is a better cook anyway.

Bob 'Four Pot' King - the rec of the group, was a camera fanatic but lately has been showing talents as the "Dean Martin" of the group.

Opportunity Knocks:

The recent announcement concerning the cancellation of RTA for all members of 1ATF has started a land boom in the surrounding areas. TEE's Real Estate Rep brings you the following suggestion:

"Be one of the first to take advantage of the newly opened 'BARIA-BELLEVUE ESTATE", which offers fully developed housing sites at the most reasonable prices. Take note of the young family advantages-.... Modern up to date markets, first class schools, reliable mini-bus service and a safe airconditioned bunker system. All these only a grenade's throw away from your front door.

Why miss out ? Inquire at your Orderly Room for an appointment with our rep next time he visits your area or phone BARIA 41 and ask for "Charlie".Our Motto:

"Your investment is guaranteed never to go wrong:

"It pays for protection from the Viet Cong!"

Young Love.

The pretty you school teacher was concerned about one of her 11 year old students. Taking him aside after class one day, she asked, "Paul, why has your school work been poor lately?", "I cant concentrate", replied the lad, "I'm afraid I've fallen in love"."Is that so?" said the teacher holding back an urge to smile,"And with whom?";He answered, "With you", "But Paul", exclaimed the secretly pleased young lady, "Don't you see how silly that is? Its true that I would like a husband of my own some day; but I don't want a child!" "Oh, don't worry", said Paul reassuringly, "I'll be careful!"

Rec Room Rumours;

With the introduction of the raffle on payday the Battery Entertainment fund looks like having a healthy beginning. The aim of the fund is to give you, the every dayman-about-town, a more sophisticated selection of cultural entertainment.

Our Rec Room will host such shows as: The Broadway smash Hit play "The King and I" featuring Mickey Rooney and Mrs Miller . The New York Philharmonic Orchestra playing Mozart and vice versa. The Rolling Stones "On Pot"

The stage version of "Ben Hur" with the original cast of 1,000's. Naturally there will always be people who will scoff and say this is impossible, but the entertainment committee has'nt failed yet.

These shows, and many more, can be yours if you support our Fund-Raising drives. *****

.....And always remember--He who laughs last, laughs last.