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CHANGE OF COMMAND

Major General Arthur S. Collins Jr. and Sergeant Major Thomas J. Tobin pin green tabs and division crests on the shoulders of Major General William R. Peers, new commander of the 4th Infantry Division, during the change of command ceremony January 3 at Dragon Mountain Airfield. General Collins, commander of the 4th Division since 1965, has been appointed to a new position at the Pentagon. (USA Photo by SSgt. William J. Whitis)

IN BINH DUONG PROVINCE

3rd Bde Sets Up New Base Camp

Dau Tieng — The 4th Division's 3rd Brigade is now situated in Binh Duong Province, 45 miles northwest of Saigon, where no other American force has ever set

up a permanent base camp before.

The move began November 19 with convoys making the 80-mile trip from Camp Martin Cox practically on a daily basis until the move was successfully completed in the middle of last month.

More than 575 vehicles were used, many from the 4th Supply and Transportation Battalion, during the massive move.

Excluding a few units presently at forward command posts, the entire brigade has established its camp on the fringe of the Michelin rubber plantation near the tiny hamlet of Dau Tieng.

When Operation Attleboro began routing the Viet Cong from the area, the 1st Infantry Division made temporary camps in the Dau Tieng vicinity, but left when the operation ended.

The successful operation, which also included the 2nd Battalion (Mechanized), 22nd Infantry of the 4th Division,

and units from the 25th Infantry Division and 196th Light Infantry Brigade, netted more than 1,000 VC dead and pulled in one of the largest enemy rice supplies of the war.

HAS GOOD CANDIDATE

Ivyman Awaits Approval Of Plan To Draft Women

Dragon Mountain—Would you believe that Specialist 5 Harold (Harry) R. LeMarr of Portland, Ore., credits his former mother-in-law with helping him attain his present position with the 4th Infantry Division.

"It began six years ago," the 4th Administration Company's motor sergeant told a group of friends during an after-dinner conversation in the mess hall.

"I was working as a copilot for one of the major airlines in the States. Not bad money, either," he continued. "Things were going

2nd, 3rd Brigade Forward Areas Hit By Mortar

(MACV) — Forward base camps of the 4th Infantry Division's 2nd and 3rd Brigades were hit by enemy mortar attacks during the past week.

The 3rd Brigade area, located 64 kilometers northwest of Saigon in Binh Duong Province, received 27 rounds of 82mm mortar fire Tuesday between 3:27 and 3:33 a.m.

The brigade employed counter-mortar fire. There were light friendly casualties and light equipment damage.

The 2nd Brigade's forward area, located 40 kilometers west of Pleiku City in Pleiku Province, sustained an estimated 40 rounds in a 15-minute barrage that started at 8:15 p.m. January 3.

Ivymen returned fire with unknown results. Friendly casualties were light.

Units of the brigade are participating in Operation Paul Revere V which was initiated January 1.

The new operation has netted 11 suspects and aircraft have flown 76 sorties in support of ground troops.

The number of enemy dead in the 1st Brigade's Operation Adams in Phu Yen Province now stands at 174.

Ivymen from the Famous Fourth's 1st have captured 109 prisoners and 1119 suspects since the battalion-size operation began October 26. Eighty-four individual and one crew-served weapons have been seized.

Air Force, Army and Navy pilots have flown 147 sorties in support of the ground forces.

Friendly casualties in both Adams and Revere V continue to be light.

Camp Holloway Airfield, located four kilometers east of Pleiku City, was attacked by an unknown size enemy force with mortar fire and a coordinated ground assault early last Saturday morning.

The enemy penetrated to the center of Holloway Airfield, placed satchel charges and threw grenades at bunkers.

An estimated 207 82mm mortar rounds landed in the eastern and central portions of the airfield during the 20-minute barrage.

Friendly casualties were light and there was light damage to equipment and aircraft and moderate damage to structures.

Memorial Service Honors Fallen 1/12th Soldiers

Dragon Mountain — Fallen soldiers of the 1st Battalion, 12th Infantry, were honored by their comrades at a recent memorial service.

The ceremony at the Special Services parade field honored the men of the "Red Warrior" Battalion who were killed while participating in Operations Paul Revere III and IV.

Chaplain (Major) Howard T. Lee, 2nd Brigade chaplain, and Chaplain (Captain) Max W. Wilk, from the 1/12th, officiated at the service. Lieutenant Colonel James R. Lay, battalion commander, delivered the eulogy.

A 1/12th honor guard fired a 21-gun salute to the memory of the Ivymen. The playing of "Taps" by the 4th Infantry Band, under the direction of the Chief Warrant Officer William F. Ramsay, concluded the ceremony.

4th Medical Bn Patients, Personnel View Floor Show

Tuy Hoa — Hospital personnel and patients of Company B, 4th Medical Battalion, celebrated New Year's Day with an international floor show.

The show was held outdoors opposite the company's mess hall. Featured entertainers were Maggie Bowra, a "pop" vocalist from Australia, Jane Collins, an exotic dancer from the United States and a three-piece band from the Philippines.

Gen. Wheeler Briefed On 4th's Operations

Dragon Mountain — General Earle G. Wheeler, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, was briefed on operations of the 4th Infantry Division Monday at Dragon Mountain.

General Wheeler, on his eighth visit to Vietnam, is on a week-long tour of U.S. Army, Navy, Air Force, and Marine Corps units and activities.

In the general's party are Daniel Z. Henkin, director of operations for the Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Public Affairs; Colonel John H. Elder Jr., executive to the director; and Colonel Alan C. Edmunds, staff member.