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From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding General, First Marine Division (Field Historian)

Subj: Command Chronology for the period of 1 June to 30 June 1969

Ref: (a) MCO 5750.2
(b) FMFPacO 5750.8
(c) DivO 5750.2B

Encl: ✓(1) June Chronology

1. In accordance with reference (a), (b) and (c) enclosure (1) is hereby submitted.


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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY
1 June 1969 to 30 June 1969

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ORGANIZATIONAL DATA1. DESIGNATION

7th Engineer Battalion (Rein), FMF

COMMANDER

Lt Col T. T. ANNAS

SUBORDINATE UNITS

<u>Unit</u>	<u>Commander</u>	<u>Period Individual Occupied Billet</u>
Hq Co	1st Lt D. T. DICKEN	5 Apr 69 - 30 Jun 69
Ser Co	Maj W. W. RICH	12 Mar 69 - 30 Jun 69
Co "A"	Capt C. J. GOMEZ	25 Jun 69 - 30 Jun 69
Co "B"	1st Lt C. S. RINEHART	15 Jun 69 - 30 Jun 69
Co "C"	1st Lt T. E. SOKOLOWSKI	10 Jun 69 - 30 Jun 69
Co "D"	1st Lt E. BOTELHO	11 Sep 68 - 30 Jun 69

ATTACHED UNITS

1st Bridge Co	1st Lt R. C. LAGEMANN	11 Jan 69 - 30 Jun 69
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2. LOCATION

<u>Unit</u>	<u>Date Arrived in Country</u>	<u>Location</u>
7th Engineer Battalion	6 August 1965	DaNang, RVN
1st Bridge Company	8 December 1965	DaNang, RVN

3. STAFF OFFICERS

<u>Section</u>	<u>Officer</u>	<u>Period Individual Occupied Billet</u>
Executive Officer	Maj R. J. BORDENARO	18 Apr 69 - 30 Jun 69
S-1	1st Lt R. H. ALNUYT	18 Dec 68 - 30 Jun 69
S-2/S-3	Capt J. C. SHUMAKER	22 Jun 69 - 30 Jun 69
S-4	Maj J. T. MARSHALL	12 Dec 68 - 30 Jun 69
Supply Officer	1st Lt L. E. KRUSEMARK	12 Mar 69 - 30 Jun 69
Sgt Maj	SgtMaj H. E. ABBOTT	25 Apr 69 - 30 Jun 69

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4. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

<u>USMC</u>		<u>USN</u>	
<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>
45	1145	2	21

5. PERSONNEL GAINS AND LOSSES

<u>GAINS</u>		<u>LOSSES</u>	
<u>USMC</u>	<u>USN</u>	<u>USMC</u>	<u>USN</u>
OFF 0	0	1	0
ENL 83	20	117	1

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PART II

NARRATIVE SUMMARY

The 7th Engineer Battalion continued support of the III Marine Amphibious Force within the DaNang area. The battalion continued maintenance responsibility of 70 miles of road and conducted daily mine sweeps of 38 miles of road. The battalion maintained 7 water points in the DaNang area producing 3,850,200 gallons of water. One platoon of the 1st Bridge Company continued to furnish tactical bridge support to the 9th Engineer Battalion at Chu Lai.

Company "A", 7th Engineer Battalion continued maintenance of Rt# 540 and 30 for class 50 traffic and maintenance of Route 540 from AT 899774 to AT 912743, Route 542, Route 544 and Route 10. One platoon is located at Hai Van Pass to conduct daily mine sweeps of Route QL-1N from AT 927842 to AT 886954. Company "A" also conducts daily mine sweeps of Route 545.

Company "B", 7th Engineer Battalion continued upgrading Route QL-1S in preparation for paving. Company "B" is also responsible for maintenance and upgrading on Route 4 from BT 056589 to AT 968584. Due to the tactical situation this portion of the route is not being used. Company "B" conducts daily mine sweeps of Route QL-1S from AT 999705 to BT 077555.

Company "C", 7th Engineer Battalion continued upgrading of Route 540 from AT 912742 to AT 926606. Company "C" also conducts daily mine sweeps of Route 540 from AT 943663 to AT 926606.

Company "D", 7th Engineer Battalion continued upgrading on Route 540 from AT 926607 to AT 874460 for class 50 traffic and maintenance of Route 4. Areas east of Hill 37 and west of Hill 65 were inaccessible due to the current tactical situation. Company "D" conducts daily mine sweeps of Route 540 from AT 926607 to AT 925533.

III MAF WORK ORDERS OUTSTANDING 1 June 1969

III MAF 6379 - Construct the following for 2nd Battalion, 7th Marines; 500 man mess hall with pot shack, 72 strongbacks, 10-4 hole heads, 21 urinals 3 shower units with 10 heads and lavatories, 2-4 head showers and one 500 barrel water storage tower with tank.

III MAF 6384 - Construct 26 strongbacks, 8 shower units, 24-4 hole heads, one pot shack, one GI building and install one hot water heater for 1/1.

III MAF 6385 - Construct 3 strongbacks, 16-4 hole heads, one 50 foot tower, one water tower, and 2 shower units for 2/1.

III MAF 6387 -

1. Perform horizontal construction as required on cantonment roads and Motor Transport lot at 2nd Battalion, 1st Marines

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2. Resurface 1000 linear meters of interior camp roads at 1st Battalion, 13th Marines.

3. Perform horizontal construction on cantonment roads at 1st Battalion, 1st Marines.

4. Perform horizontal construction on cantonment roads at 3rd Battalion, 1st Marines.

III MAF - Provide one Einco with operator to assist 7th Communication Battalion in laying cable.

III MAF 1051 - Construct one 250 man mess hall for 1st LAAM Battalion, Hai Van Pass.

III MAF 1056 - Construct one 250 man mess hall with garbage shed and grease trap for 5th Marines at Liberty Bridge.

III MAF 1061 - Construct 250 barrel water tank and tower for 2nd Battalion, 1st Marines.

III MAF 1069 - Construct six (6) SEA huts for 175mm Gun Battery at Hill 34.

III MAF - Construct the following for 5th/7th Communication Battalions; five (5) SEA huts, 11-4 hole heads, 2-16' x 32' (20) head showers, one (6) head shower, one 20' x 48' rigid frame building, and one 40' x 100' rigid frame building. (CG, III MAF msg 260008Z Apr69)

III MAF 1099 - Construct one (1) 250 barrel water storage tower and tank at 1st Battalion, 1st Marines.

III MAF - Construct ten (10) 10' x 24' bunkers for MACS-4, at Monkey Mountain. (CG, III MAF msg 050714Z Apr69)

III MAF 1105 - Construct three (3) 20' gun pads for 1st 175mm Gun Battery, 11th Marines.

III MAF - Clear a 25 foot fire break around the perimeter of ASP#2. (CG, III MAF msg 180424Z May69)

III MAF 1102 - Construct 1100 feet of 4/0 wire for secondary distribution system, between Division Radio Relay and Radio Control.

III MAF 1110 - Construct three (3) 40' timber observation towers for the 610 Transportation Company.

III MAF 1111 - Construct six (6) SEA huts for the 7th Marines.

III MAF - Upgrade Route QL-1S from Thanh Quit to BT 036631.

III MAF 1113 - Repair storm damage at Hill 55 and storm damage at Hill 37. (CG, III MAF msg 180610Z May69)

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III MAF 1120 - Construct the following:

1. Eight (8) 20' x 32' x 8' bunkers at the III MAF R&R Transit Facility.
2. Install one (1) grease trap for the 3rd Battalion, 7th Marines
3. Install ~~one~~ (1) head shower at the 1st Medical Battalion.
4. Install shower fixtures in existing buildings at 3rd Amtracks.

III MAF WORK ORDERS ISSUED DURING JUNE 1969

- III MAF - Repair landing zone at 1st Battalion, 1st Marines.
(CG, III MAF msg 310624Z May69)
- III MAF - Support ROK Marines with two (2) Eimco tractors.
(CG, III MAF msg 081156Z Jun69)
- III MAF - Support III MAF with six (6) Eimco tractors as needed.
(CG, III MAF msg 040806Z Jun69)
- III MAF - Support III MAF with tactical Bridge support as required.
(CG, III MAF msg 281310Z May69)
- III MAF - Construct a class 40/45 raft in support of MCB. (Phone Call)
- III MAF - Construct and remove one (1) ~~MATB~~ floating bridge at Lang Co.
(Phone Call)
- III MAF - Provide one (1) Eimco in support of EOD for maintenance of range disposal area.

III MAF 1150 - Construct five (5) standard culvert bunkers at Monkey Mountain.

III MAF 1139 - Construct one (1) 50' tower at the Golden Gate Bridge in the vicinity of Hill 55.

III MAF 1137 - Construct the following; four (4) 30 foot replacement towers for the DaNang Barrier and Install four (4) 30 foot towers for the 2nd ROKMC Brigade.

III MAF - Construct culvert fighting bunkers as required by III MAF.
(CG, III MAF Ltr 15.10/MNV over 11100 dtd 29Jun69)

III MAF 1187 - Install grease trap for the 1st Battalion, 1st Marines mess hall.

III MAF 1110 - Construct television repeater station to include;

1. Building for machinery
2. Pole for Antenna
3. Generator shed

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III MAF 1157 - Install lightning rods on eighteen 60' towers and twenty four 36' towers for 2nd ROK Brigade.

III MAF 1147 - Install secondary distribution system for An Hoa Combat base.

III MAF 1006 - Construct 500 barrel water storage tower and tank at the 7th Engineer Battalion.

III MAF 1051 - Construct one (1) panel door and one (1) door jamb at Radio Relay.

III MAF 1102 - Construct one (1) 20' x 20' Generator shed at Radio Relay.

III MAF WORK ORDERS COMPLETED DURING JUNE 1969

III MAF - Clear minefield at Army Salvage Lot, Camp Falkner.

III MAF - Engineer Support for the 7th Communications Battalion by providing one (1) Eimco tractor with cable layer. (CG, III MAF msg 122350Z Apr69)

III MAF 1111 - Construct six (6) SEA huts for the 7th Marines.

III MAF 1120 - Construct generator shed at Liberty Bridge. (9LYTM 155)

III MAF 1123 - Construct one pentaprime distributor for ROK Marines.

III MAF 1132 - Construct an eight foot extension to the 16' x 32' SEA hut for ROK Marines.

PART III

1. Sequential Listing of Significant Events

a. Personnel and Administration. None

b. Enemy, weather and terrain. A total of 2.36 inches of rain was recorded during the month of June.

<u>TIME</u>	<u>INCIDENT</u>	<u>COORDINATES</u>
010755H.	Vietnamese child gave dud 105mm round to Company "D" sweep team. Company "D" sweep team also picked up four (4) LAWS. Ordnance was blown in place	AT 919598
011050H.	A Vietnamese civilian on a bicycle hit approximately a 30 pound mine. Vietnamese civilian was KIA. The hole was filled and the area graded. The rest of the road was swept.	AT 928718

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- 020144H. Company "D" M-51 was parked along extreme right hand side of the road due to stalled engine. A Vietnamese vehicle came speeding around the corner, lost control and hit the M-51 on the left rear side. There was no damage to the M-51 and an estimated \$35.00 damage done to the Vietnamese vehicle. Vietnamese filled out questionnaire form after refusing to do so for 45 minutes. S-5 was sent for and a safety report followed. Negative casualties. AT 927608
- 030735H. Company "C" found one (1) mine, box type with pressure firing device (NVA TNT). It was removed from the road and brought to the Company "C" CP. AT 942658
- 030830H. Company "C" found one (1) 60mm illumination round that was buried completely underground. It was blown in place. AT 895823
- 030903H. While sweeping new stockpile site, Company "D" found three (3) M-79 rounds, also one (1) 60mm mortar round and one (1) suspected VC tunnel. All ordnance was blown in place at the new stockpile site. The suspected tunnel was also blown. AT 927527
- 040730H. Company "A" found 2 W.P. rifle grenades on road. AT 934891
- 052230H. Marshall Bridge received small arms fire. Company "D" fell out and manned their perimeter. AT 921579
- 050713H. Company "C" personnel found one (1) M-26 booby trapped grenade, lying in a can with the pin pulled. It was blown in place. AT 941651
- 060900H. Company "D" personnel found one (1) M-79 round and two (2) 60mm mortar rounds. All ordnance was blown in place at new stockpile area. Also blew three (3) shape charges. AT 928526
- 070105H. Company "D" received approximately twenty (20) 82mm rounds and one (1) RPG round with incoming small arms fire. Heavy movement was detected around the position. Personnel fell out manning perimeter line. 7th Marine personnel returned counter mortar fire and small arms fire. Friendly casualties were 1 USMC KIA and 6 USMC WIA. AT 921579
- 070615H. Company "A" found one (1) ChiCom grenade. The grenade was blown in place and the sweep continued. AT 931921
- 080737H. A Vietnamese woman showed Company "B"'s sweep team where an 81mm mortar round was. This round which was an 81mm dud high explosive round approximately 5 meters off west side of road. Ordnance was blown in place. BT 035632
- 080900H. Company "D" personnel found one 60mm mortar round in pit and it was blown in place. AT 927526

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- 081815H. Company "A" personnel found 8 booby trapped M-26 grenades and one bouncing betty. All were blown in place. BT 045611
- 090740H. Vietnamese children reported one 60mm and 1 M-79 round to Company "B"'s sweep team. Rounds were located approximately 50 meters off west side of road and blown in place. BT 036628
- 100830H. A Vietnamese civilian turned in two (2) 60mm HE mortar rounds. Company "B" personnel blew this ordnance in place. BT 035630
- 110740H. A Vietnamese child turned in one (1) 81mm dud to Company "D" personnel. It was blown in fill pit. AT 917592
- 110830H. Company "D" personnel found one (1) 60mm mortar round and blew it in place. AT 927527
- 111755H. Company "D"'s CP received two (2) 122mm rockets which hit at approximately AT 921579. Personnel fell out and manned perimeter. Negative casualties were sustained. AT 921579
- 112130H. 11th Motor Transport driver reported that a hand grenade was thrown at his vehicle about 2130H while in route to ASP#2 near closed FLC range, across from NSA trash dump. Result, road between 7th Engineer Battalion gate #2 and 11th M.T. Battalion was closed to all traffic by OOC, 7th Engineer Battalion. AT 942771
- 120745H. Vietnamese children showed Company "B" personnel where one unknown type round was. This round was found approximately 50 meters off west side of the road. The round was blown in place. BT 036624
- 130800H. Vietnamese civilian turned in one (1) 60mm mortar and one (1) M-26 grenade (illumination) to Company "B" personnel. Rounds were blown in place. BT 036628
- 130830H. Company "B" personnel found one (1) 60mm mortar illumination round approximately 20 meters off east side of road. The round was moved farther out and then blown. BT 040627
- 140030H. Company "D" personnel received small arms fire on southeast side of Hill 37. Personnel fell out and manned perimeter lines. Negative casualties were sustained. AT 921579

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- 140800H. Vietnamese boy turned in a 60mm mortar round to Company "D" AT 914578
sweep team. Round was blown in place.
- 140930H. Company "C" informed Company "D" of crater on the right AT 911503
side of the road. The demensions were 12 foot in diameter
and 10 foot deep. The hole was filled-in the same day.
- 150830H. Company "B" personnel found 3 road blocks on the road. The BT 038629
road blocks were approximately 40 meters apart. The road
blocks were made from dirt, rock and concrete pillars. In
further search of the area negative findings were reported.
- 150930H. A booby trap consisting of a .45 caliber round set up with BT 055594
bamboo. ROK disarmed booby trap and it was sent back to
Company "B" CP.
- 151800H. ASP #2 received 3 incoming rounds at Post #3 coming from a AT 956774
tree line. Negative action taken.
- 161020H. Company "B" sweep team found 1 M-26 grenade booby-trapped BT 064592
with a trip wire, mousetrap, and also a nail coming up
from the bottom, a three-wgy booby trap. It was blown in
place and Company "B" sweep team discovered it was also
booby trapped with a 60mm mortar.
- 161845H. Company "B" reported that B3A's M-51 hit an approximately BT 042612
60 lb mine while returning to their CP. Two emergency and
one priority Medevacs were called in. Incident resulted
in one USMC KIA and two USMC WIA.
- 162219H. Marshall Bridge received small arms fire and approximately AT 921579
(1) 82mm mortar rounds. Company "D" observed fire from
coordinates AT 922587 and AT 913583. Company "D" fell out
and manned perimeter.
- 180700H. Company "A" sweep team found approximately (1) 30 lb rock BT 042612
mine, found approximately one meter south of left side
of road. Rock mine was booby trapped with pressure type
firing device. It was moved from position and blown in
place.
- 190700H. Company "C" sweep team found two box mines in road approxi- AT 942713
mately 25 feet apart. Both weighed approximately 15 lbs.
Pressure release firing devices were found on each mine.
Firing devices were pulled, disarmed, and returned to CP
- 190830H. Found (1) M-26 dud grenade approximately five meters off BT 036630
east side of road. This grenade was not booby trapped;
blown in place.

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- 210800H Company "B" sweep team found one claymore mine approximately 5 meters off west side of road in bushes, angled up in a Northeasterly direction. Detonator wire led to well approximately 60 meters off west side of road. Searched houses in vicinity with negative findings. Removed and destroyed mine. BT 030645
- 211930H Land Clearing Operation, Operation Pipestone Canyon, CP received ten 105mm rocket rounds and automatic small arms fire. All personnel manned lines, returning fire. Counter mortar and artillery fire were called.
- 232055H Company "C" CP received (7) 82mm mortar rounds. Personnel fell out and manned lines and counter mortar fire was fired. AT 925581
- 242250H Company "D" CP received (5) 82mm mortar rounds. Company "D" personnel fell out on lines. Counter mortar fire was fired. Negative casualties were sustained. AT 925581
- 260825H Company "B" a sweep team security on east flank reported one (1) dud 60mm mortar round off to their flank. The sweep team went to recovery the dud when an M-26 grenade booby trap was detonated. Two (2) USMC WIA's were sustained. Emergency Medevac was called. BT 036634
- 261020H Company "D" reported Liberty Bridge is burning due to an 81mm illumination round. Bridge section off north shore was completely burned down. AT 925532
- 290650H Company "A" sweep team found two (2) M-26 grenades on side of road. Continued sweep and returned to CP with M-26 grenades. AT 928933
- 300730H Company "B" sweep team found one (1) 105mm rocket, 50 meters off west side of road. Pressure type firing device. Blown in place. BT 034635
- 301105H Company "B" sweep team found one (1) 30 lb. rock mine wrapped in burlap and hidden in the tall grass. This rock mine did not have a firing device. Also found two (2) M-26 grenades, one (1) dud M-79 round, four (4) 60mm mortar H.E. rounds. None of the ordnance was booby trapped. All ordnance was moved from position and blown. BT 040608

c. ORGANIZATION AND OPERATIONS

- (1) Officer assignment - See TAB A, enclosure (1).

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(2) Operation 1 June - 5 June 1969

(a) Horizontal construction - The 7th Engineer Battalion hauled, spread, graded and rolled 541.7 cu.yds. of 3"(-) rock on Route QL-1S in the vicinity of BT 055589, in preparation for paving. Hauled, spread, graded and rolled 855 cu yds. of 3" (-) rock on Route 540 from AT 914739 to AT 928718, to repair and improve these sections of the road. Hauled and spread 8400 gallons of oil on Route 540 to aid in dust suppression and mine detection. Hauled and spread 640 gallons of oil on the EOD road at AT 939639 to aid in mine detection and dust suppression. Stackpiled 112 cu yds of 3"(-) rock at Phu Loc (6) for future use on the An Hoa Road. Civilian contractors hauled 1485 cu yds of 3"(-) rock to Company "C"'s stockpile for future use on the An Hoa Road. 1st Bridge Company continued installation of the M4T6 floating bridge at Lang Co at AT 887956. Company "A", 7th Engineer Battalion began clearing one minefield as per instructions of CG, III MAF. Reference III MAF message 122350Z Apr69.

(b) Verticle construction - The 7th Engineer Battalion completed construction of one (1) strongback tent at the 7th Engineer Battalion rock crusher. Continued construction of the water storage tower at the 1st Battalion, 1st Marines Cantonment. This tower is 50% complete. Company "C" started installing the outside covering to the Butler Building under construction at the 7th Communication cantonment. This project is 50% complete. Continued construction of six (6) SEA huts for the 175mm gun battery. These are 20% complete. The Second Battalion, 7th Marines 500 man mess hall has the end walls and roof completed. Construction is continuing. Construction continued on the shower units at the Second Battalion, 7th Marines cantonment. Work continued on 250 man mess hall at 1st LAAM Battalion. Horizontal construction drainage project at 1st Battalion, 13th Marines is now 75% complete. Company "C" completed construction of the 500 barrel water tank at 3rd Battalion, 1st Marines. Plumbing remains to be installed.

(c) Engineer Comments - Significant Events

3 June 1969 - Completed construction of one strongback tent at the 7th Engineer Battalion Rock Crusher

(3) Operations - 6 June - 12 June 1969

(a) Horizontal construction - The 7th Engineer Battalion graded Rt# 540 from AT 945707 to AT 942689 and from AT 911588 to AT 928610 to repair and improve these sections of the road. Continued to construct culvert head walls on Rt# 540 at AT 911590 and AT 919599. Civilian Contractors continued to haul for stackpile to Company "C"'s CP, 295 cubic yards of 3"(-) rock for future use on Rt# 540. Hauled and spread 7,000 gallons of oil on Rt# 540 to aid in dust suppression and mine detection. Hauled and spread 4,000 gallons of oil on road to fill pit at Phu Loc (6), (AT 928530), to aid in dust suppression. Hauled and spread 15 cubic yards of fill to fill crater on the An Hoa Road at AT 909485. Hauled and spread 20 cubic yards of 3"(-) rock to fill two(2) craters on the An Hoa road at AT 920516 and AT 911304. Hauled, spread, graded and rolled 90 cubic yards of 3" (-) rock on the An Hoa Road at AT 925529 to repair and improve this section of the road.

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Hauled, spread, graded, and rolled 2040 cubic yards of fill on the An Hoa Road from AT 925529 to AT 928520 and from AT 920930 to AT 902473 in maintenance and upgrade of road. 1,499 cubic yards of 3" (-) rock was stockpiled at PhuLoc (6) for future use on the An Hoa Road. At the 1st Battalion, 13th Marines in-camp cantonment roads continued upgrading and drainage improvements. One (1) spillway was completed, 30 feet of 60" culvert was installed and one culvert headwall completed. Hauled, spread, graded, and rolled 548.8 cubic yards of shot rock, 33.6 cubic yards of 3" (-) rock and 138.8 cubic yards of 6" (-) rock on Rt# QL-1S at BT 043618 to construct a bridge bypass so that an existing bridge can be replaced. Hauled, spread, and graded 15 cubic yards of 3" (-) rock on Rt# 4 at AT 968584 to repair a crater. The 7th Engineer Battalion hauled, spread, graded, and rolled 285 cubic yards of fill and 150 cubic yards of 3" (-) rock in the construction lot drainage improvement project. Continued clearing minefield. This project is 70% complete. 1st Bridge Company completed in the installation of the 765 foot floating bridge on Route # QL-1N at Lang Co (AT 887956).

(b) Vertical Construction - The 7th Engineer Battalion completed repairs to supply buildings at Hill 55. Continued repairing damaged COC bunker and continued construction of six (6) new SEA huts. Construction continued on 20' x 40' Butler building and SEA huts for the 5th/7th Communication Battalions joint cantonment project. 7th Engineer Battalion continued the construction of three (3) gun pads at Hill 34. Progress continued on the six (6) SEA huts which are now 45% complete. While providing engineer support to 1st LAAM Battalion in the Hai Van Pass construction continued on the 250 man mess hall. A concrete deck was poured and the wall frames were started. The 7th Engineer Battalion installed louvers on the 500 man mess hall. All vertical construction of the mess hall is now complete. The mess hall still requires wiring. The 7th Engineer Battalion excavated and began constructing forms for a grease trap. Concrete decks were poured for one (1) 20' x 20' and one (1) 16' x 32' shower building at the 2nd Battalion, 7th Marines cantonment. Installation of foundation forms and deck for a 10 head shower were completed in the 7th Engineer Battalion Cantonment. Engineer support of units within the 1st Marine Division TAOR from 6 June to 12 June 1969. Six (6) Eimco tractors to the 1st Marine Regiment. Two (2) Eimco tractors to the 2nd ROK Brigade. One (1) Eimco tractor at the 7th Communications Battalion with cable layer.

(c) Engineer Comments - Significant Events

6 June 1969 - 1st Bridge Company completed the installation of a 765 foot floating bridge on Route QL-1N at Lang Co (AT 887956).

10 June 1969 - The 7th Engineer Battalion completed all vertical construction of 500 man mess hall at 2nd Battalion, 7th Marines cantonment. Some wiring remains to be done.

12 June 1969 - The 7th Engineer Battalion completed construction of 250 barrel water tower. Water distribution lines have not yet been installed.

1st Bridge Company installed a 210 foot M4T6 floating bridge which is in tactical bridge support of 2nd ROK Brigade.

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(4) Operations 13 June - 19 June 1969

(a) Horizontal construction - The 7th Engineer Battalion hauled, spread, graded and rolled 9962 cu.yds. of 6"(-) rock on QL-1S in the vicinity of BT 043617, in preparation for paving. At the 1st Battalion, 13th Marines cantonment the 7th Engineer Battalion, continued construction of eight (8) culvert headwalls to improve drainage. The 7th Engineer Battalion continued maintenance of Route 545 by hauling and spreading 2400 gallons of oil, while grading from AT 942780 to AT 938770 and from AT 942788 to AT 933792. At the construction lot at the 7th Engineer Battalion compound 455 cu.yds. of fill was hauled and spread to improve drainage. This project is 90% complete. The following was accomplished on Route 540 during this reporting period: The 7th Engineer Battalion hauled for stockpile at Phu Loc (6) 1490 cu.yds. of 3"(-) rock for future use on the An Hoa Road. Civilain contractors hauled 1050 cu.yds. of 3"(-) rock to Company "C", 7th Engineer Battalion stockpile for future use on the An Hoa Road. Installed one (1) culvert headwall on Route 540 from AT 911590. Graded Route 540 from AT 924606 to AT 911578, and from AT 921577 to AT 922540 to upgrade and improve these sections of the road. The 7th Engineer Battalion hauled and spread 756 cu.yds. of fill on the An Hoa Road near the Liberty Bridge to repair, upgrade and improve this section of the road. Also hauled and spread 1105 cu.yds. of fill on the An Hoa Road at AT 924528, to upgrade, repair and improve this section of the road. The 7th Engineer Battalion hauled and spread 20 cu.yds. of 3"(-) rock on the An Hoa road to fill two craters at AT 909498 and AT 910489. Spread 1200 gallons of oil on the An Hoa Road from AT 924528 to AT 900470 to aid in dust suppression. The Provisional Land Clearing Company discovered and destroyed 38 linal meters of tunnels, 68 bunkers, 20 fighting holes, three 500 lbs. bombs, two 250 lbs. bombs, two 750 lbs. bombs, four 105mm Artillery rounds, two 155mm Artillery rounds, one 60mm mortar rounds, one 40mm (M-79) round and 691 acres of land was cleared during this reporting period.

(b) Vertical Construction - The 7th Engineer Battalion completed an eight (8)' extension to an existing SEA hut at the 2nd ROK Brigade at Hoi An. This project was completed on 18 June 1969. The 7th Engineer Battalion continued construction of 16' x 32' shower unit on Hill 37. At the 7th Engineer Battalion cantonment the plumbing fixtures have been installed in the shower unit for Company "A". The 7th Engineer Battalion continued making repairs to the damaged SEA huts and COC bunker on Hill 55. The SEA huts are complete except for doors and louvers at this time. Storm damage repair was continued on SEA huts at Hill 37. As of 19 June 1969 these huts were completed except for doors. The Minefield clearing project by the 7th Engineer Battalion continued. This project is 83% complete. At the 2nd Battalion, 7th Marines cantonment the 7th Engineer Battalion completed vertical construction of the 500 man mess hall; utilities, plumbing fixtures etc., remain to be installed. Installed the siding and roof for the 20' x 20' shower unit. Completed the excavation and construction of forms for the grease trap on 18 June 1969. Continued hanging doors on completed strongback tents, 10 more strongbacks remain to be erected. 3000 gallons of oil were spread on in-camp cantonment roads to aid in dust suppression. The concrete foundation for the 16' x 32' shower unit was poured on 13 June 1969.

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The 7th Engineer Battalion while working on the 7th Communications Battalion cantonment completed construction of the Butler building on 18 June 1969. They also completed construction of 4 SEA huts on 19 June 1969. The 7th Engineer Battalion continued construction of six (6) SEA huts at 175mm Gun Battery, 1st LAAM Battalion, 250 man mess hall construction was halted (Ref CG, III MAF msg 1905348 June 1969). The 7th Engineer Battalion began cutting timbers and 55 gallon drums for installation of shoring material at the 175mm Gun Battery. The 7th Engineer Battalion reported no heavy equipment in direct support of units in the DaNang TAOR at this time.

(c) Engineer Comments - Significant Events

18 June 1969 - The 7th Engineer Battalion completed 8' extension of SEA hut at 2nd ROK Brigade.

18 June 1969 - The 7th Engineer Battalion completed construction of the Butler building at the 7th Communications Battalion.

19 June 1969 - The 7th Engineer Battalion completed vertical construction of the 500 man mess hall at 2nd Battalion, 7th Marines cantonment.

19 June 1969 - The 7th Engineer Battalion completed construction of 4 SEA huts at 7th Communication Battalion Cantonment.

(5) Operations 20 June - 26 June 1969

(a) Horizontal Construction - The 7th Engineer Battalion hauled, spread, graded and rolled 178 cu.yds. of fill on Route 540 at the Marshall Bridge by-pass (AT 919599) to repair and improve road surface. Hauled and spread 16,000 gallons of oil on Route 540 to aid in dust suppression and mine detection. Assembled 80 feet of 48" culvert and 25 feet of 36" culvert for future use on the An Hoa Road. Civilian contractors hauled 1005 cu.yds. of 3"(-) rock to Company "C", 7th Engineer Battalions stockpile for future use on the An Hoa Road. Also hauled and stockpiled 1192 cu.yds. of 3"(-) rock at Phu Loc (6) for future use on the An Hoa Road. The 7th Engineer Battalion hauled, spread, graded, rolled and watered 3,276 cu.yds. of fill on the An Hoa Road, from AT 925523 to AT 928527, to upgrade and improve this section of the road. The 7th Engineer Battalion hauled and spread 5000 gallons of oil on in-camp cantonment roads at ASP#2. 6000 gallons of oil was hauled and spread on Route 4 from AT 922577 to AT 969584 to aid in dust suppression and mine detection. 4800 gallons of oil were hauled and spread on Route 542 from AT 940753 to AT 930745, to aid in dust suppression, plus hauling, spreading and grading 45 cu.yds. of 3"(-) rock on Route 542 from AT 939753 to AT 925743, to repair and improve road surface. The 7th Engineer Battalion installed 10 culvert headwalls and the access road has been compacted and graded at the 1st Battalion, 13th Marines cantonment. Continued extraction of minefield as per CG, III MAF instruction (Ref III MAF msg 122350Z April 1969). This project is 90% complete to date.

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The 7th Engineer Battalion hauled, spread, graded and rolled 548.8 cubic yards of 6"(-) rock and 286.8 cubic yards of 3"(-) rock on Rt# QL-1S in the vicinity of BT 043619, to upgrade and improve this section of the road in preparation for paving. The 7th Engineer Battalion Provisional Land Clearing Company discovered and destroyed 138 bunkers and 173 lineal meters of trenches. One 105mm artillery round, 2-250 lb bombs, 1-750 lbs bomb, and one 500 lb bomb was discovered while clearing 729 acres of land.

(b) Verticle construction - The 7th Engineer Battalion poured the deck for the 20' X 16' maintenance shed at Hill 37. Bunker construction of 10' by 40' for MACS-4, Monkey Mountain, continued with the project 38% complete. The 7th Engineer Battalion constructed forms and poured 10 cubic yards of concrete for the 20' X 20' shower unit under construction on the 5th/7th Communications Battalions. Construction continues on the SEA huts for the 175mm gun battery on hill 34. This entire project is 95% complete. The 7th Engineer Battalion completed one SEA hut and poured the concrete deck for the 16' X 32' shower unit at Hill 37. At the 2nd Battalion, 7th Marines cantonment, the 7th Engineer Battalion continued construction for the 16'X32' shower unit, grease trap, and garbage shed. Concrete for the refer pad was poured. Also began construction for the 20' X 20' shower unit on 26 June 1969. The gun pads for the 175mm gun barrery were contined by the 7th Engineer Battalion. Repairs on the Heliopad at 1st Battalion, 1st Marines continued. The 7th Engineer Battalion completed the storm/battle damage repairs to Hill 55 structures. The construction of the 250 man mess hall for the 1st LAAMB Battalion has been placed on an indefinite hold. The 7th Engineer Battalion, Company "A" completed pouring concrete deck for the shower unit under construction at their CP. The generator shed for 5th Marines at Liberty Bridge has the concrete deck complete at this time. The following list of heavy equipment was in direct support of units in the Danang TAOR from 20 June to 26 June 1969. Eight (8) EIMCO tractors and one (1) 105 compressor are in support of the 2nd ROK Brigade in operation Pipestone Canyon.

(c) Engineer Comments - Significant Events

24 June 1969 - The 7th Engineer Battalion construction of the 250 man mess hall at the 1st LAAM Battalion, Hai Van Pass was placed on an indefinite hold. (Reference: CE, III MAF msg 190534Z Jun69).

26 June 1969 - The 7th Engineer Battalion completed storm/battle damage repairs to structures on Hill 55.

(6) Operations - 27 June - 30 June 1969

(a) Horizontal construction - The 7th Engineer Battalion hauled, spread, graded and rolled 225.2 cu.yds. of 3"(-) rock on QL-1S in the vicinity of BT 043617 for the preparation of paving. Another 50.4 cu.yds. of 6"(-) rock was hauled to the same vicinity on QL-1S. The rock count received from RMK was 1784.9 tons hauled by the 7th Engineer Battalion during this period. On Route 542 in the vicinity of AT 940753 to AT 911743, 2400 gallons of oil were hauled and spread for dust suppression and mine detection.

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At the Phu Loc (6) stockpile 575 cu.yds. of 3"(-) rock was hauled by the 7th Engineer Battalion for future use on the An Hoa Road. 2855 cu.yds. of fill was hauled, spread, graded and rolled with 4800 gallons of water spread on the An Hoa Road in the vicinity of AT 928527. Civilian contractors hauled to Company "C", 7th Engineer Battalions stockpile 775 cu.yds. of 3"(-) rock for future use on Route 540. The 7th Engineer Battalion installed 2-50' lengths of 48" culvert on the An Hoa Road at AT 927527.

(b) Vertical Construction - The 7th Engineer Battalion completed construction of 6 SEA huts for the 2nd 175mm Gun Battery cantonment. The construction of a water point platform for the 1st Battalion, 1st Marines was completed by the 7th Engineer Battalion. Construction continued on the 10'x40' bunkers at MACS-4, Monkey Mountain. At the 2nd Battalion, 7th Marines construction was completed on the garbage shed by the 7th Engineer Battalion. The 2nd Battalion, 7th Marines cantonment project is 88% complete during this reporting period. Construction continued for a 20 head shower at the 5th/7th Communication Battalions. The 7th Engineer Battalion is 80% complete in laying matting for helopad at the 1st Marines. Storm and battle damage to SEA huts and showers on Hill 37 and Hill 55 was continued. The 7th Engineer Battalion completed installing foundation forms for the 250 man mess hall at the Liberty Bridge, 5th Marines.

(c) Engineer Comments - Significant Events

28 June 1969 - The 7th Engineer Battalion completed construction of a water point platform for the 1st Battalion, 1st Marines.

29 June 1969 - The 7th Engineer Battalion completed construction of the garbage shed for 2nd Battalion, 7th Marines Cantonment.

29 June 1969 - The 7th Engineer Battalion completed construction of 6 SEA huts for 1st 175mm Gun Battery.

d. Plans

- (1) Continue general support of all units within the 1st Marine Division TAOR, or as assigned by III MAF Headquarters.
- (2) Continue maintenance of assigned roads within the 1st Marine Division TAOR and as directed by III MAF Headquarters.
- (3) Continue upgrading of Route QL-1S
- (4) Continue upgrading of Route LTL 4
- (5) Continued maintenance of Route 545
- (6) Continued upgrading Route 540 to An Hoa
- (7) Continue upgrading of Route 30
- (8) Continue maintenance of Route 544

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- (9) Continue maintenance of Route 542
- (10) Continue maintenance of Route 10

e. Training

- (1) Command indoctrination and information for newly arrived personnel was conducted. 92 enlisted personnel attended.
- (2) 28 enlisted personnel attended Landmine Warfare School (1st Engineer Battalion)
- (3) 5 Staff NCO's attended Career Planning Course (1st Mar Div)
- (4) 2 Staff NCO's attended Career Planning Course (Okinawa)
- (5) 1 enlisted personnel attended NCO Leadership School (1st Mar Div)
- (6) 1 Staff NCO attended SNCO Leadership School (1st Mar Div)
- (7) Two hours of Technical Subjects are held weekly for Officers and Staff Non Commissioned Officers.

f. Logistics, Equipment and Supply

(1) Administration

- (a) 5 June Received (1) MRS 200 (1) B170A scraper (2) Euclid front end loader.
- (b) 11 June Received additional 150,000\$VN for AIK from III MAF.
- (c) 13 June Sent (8) Eimcos, (1) M60 Crane, (3) Disk Harrows and (1) 105 air compressor to Operation "Pipestone Canyon".
- (d) 14 June Received one (1) Rotary Tiller.
- (e) 16 June Floated (2) Eimcos under Maintenance Balance Program.
- (f) 16 June Received (1) Euclid Front End Loader.
- (g) 18 June Combat loss (1) M51 Dump Truck
- (h) 18 June Combat loss (1) pair Binoculars and (1) AN/PRC-25
Radio.
- (i) 24 June Received (1) Shop Equipment Repair set
- (j) 26 June The 511th Panel Brdg CO 45th Engr Grp as tenants.
- (k) 27 June The 511th Panel Brdg Co vacated.

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(l) 28 June Received (1) HPCU.

(m) 28 June Received 28-M51A2 dump trucks under the R&E program and turned in like number.

(2) Supply

7th Engineer Battalion (AC 21300)

During the month of June, Battalion Supply processed 123 priority 02, 372 priority 05 and 701 priority 12 and 17 requisitions. Also processed were 1298 receipts from due, 1298 issues from due and 697 issues from stock.

1st Bridge Company (AC 21325)

During the month of June, 1st Bridge Supply processed 6 priority 02, 67 priority 05 and 38 priority 12 and 17 requisitions. Also processed were 255 receipts from due, 230 issues from due and 32 issues from stock.

Motor Transport

Approximately 135,718 miles were logged in on the Battalion Motor Transport Vehicles during the month of June.

Maintenance

The Battalion Motor Transport Maintenance received 157 work orders, completed 123 work orders and 20 work orders to FSR during the month of June. The Battalion Heavy Equipment Maintenance received 53 engineer work orders, completed 40 and sent 2 work orders to FSR during June, 0 items returned from FSR and 0 were Code H during June.

Messing

The Battalion Messhall continues to provide four (4) meals daily except Sunday. The fourth meal being mid-rations for duty personnel. On Sunday and holidays a brunch is served replacing breakfast and dinner.

Medical

The Battalion Aid Station treated 1639 military, 65 Vietnamese and 1 civilian worker.

The Dental Clinic treated 145 military, 7 Vietnamese and 1 civilian worker.

g. Civil Affairs/Civic Action

(1) The Civic Action Program sponsored the following:

(a) The MedCap Program provided treatment for 420 persons.

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- (b) Four room school at An Ngai Tay is complete.
 - (c) Well survey of all hamlets complete. All wells contaminated.
 - (d) Project Submittal Sheet submitted to Province for building a high school in An Ngai Tay.
 - (e) Started plans for dam in Phu Thuong.
 - (f) Started experimental rice plot in Phu Thuong.
 - (g) Introduced plans and will soon start chicken farm in Phu Thuong.
 - (h) A total of 18,258 bricks were produced and 3,260 issued for various Civic Action Projects throughout Quang Nam Province.
 - (i) A total of 8 packages containing clothing, toys, and soap were received from various donators.
- (2) PSYOPS
 - (a) 3 PSYOPS movies were held during June for approximately 1,000 people.
 - (3) Personal Response
 - (a) 3 Cultural Tours were conducted in the City of DaNang.

PART IVSUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

- 1. Officer Assignments, See TAB A of enclosure (1)

<u>NAME</u>	<u>SERV. NO / MOS</u>	<u>RANK</u>	<u>PRIMARY DUTY</u>	<u>RTD</u>
ANNAS, T. T.	053496/1302/0430	LtCol	BnCmdr	30Aug69
BORDENARO, R. J.	064504/1302/2502/1802	Maj	ExecO	21Oct69
ALNUTT, R. H.	095814/0130/0102	1stLt	S-1/Adj	10Jan70
BRANNON, D. R.	0105032/2502	1stLt	CommO/LegalO	1Dec69
BRISSON, J. J.	0105725/1310	WO	HvyEquipPltCmdr	1Aug69
DICKEN, D. T.	0104170/1302	1stLt	HqComdt	25Aug69
ERICKSON, R. L.	0105083/1302	1stLt	Asst S-3	28Sep69
GETTMAN, J. A.	0102613/1302	1stLt	AwtgAsg (SplLv)	1Jan70
MARSHALL, J. T.	080929/1302/1310	Maj	S-4	30Oct69
MCALLISTER, G. D.	099031/1360	CWO-2	ConstPltCmdr	21Dec69
OSBECK, D. G.	0106007/1302/0430	1stLt	Asst S-4/LegalO	22Nov69
PRIGER, K. D.	0104937/1302	1stLt	Asst S-3	6Dec69
SHUMAKER, J. C.	090562/1302	Capt	S-3/S-2	9Jun70
WHITE, E. G.	0105701/1302	1stLt	S-5/Asst S-2	17Oct69

SERVICE COMPANY

RICH, W. W.	071206/1302/0302	Maj	CoCmdr	23Sep69
BANKS, R. J.	0100833/1302	1stLt	ExecO	14Mar70
DEBUSSEY, R. C.	0104910/1302	1stLt	UtilitiesO	23Nov69
HAMMACK, J. A.	0104222/3502	1stLt	BnMT	13Sep69
JACKSON, J. M.	098854/1310	CWO-2	MaintPltCmdr	20Aug69
KRUSEMARK, L. E.	0104657/3002	1stLt	BnSupO	11Oct69

"A" COMPANY

GOMEZ, C. J.	089904/1302	Capt	CoCmdr	16Jul70
CARLSON, F. G.	0105884/1302	1stLt	PltCmdr	23Nov69
FLAMMANG, J. F. JR.	0105512/1302	1stLt	PltCmdr	17Oct69
KLEIS, H. N.	0104652/1302	1stLt	PltCmdr	15Aug69
RANISZEWSKI, A. JR.	0106863/1301/1390	2ndLt	PltCmdr	17Jun70

"B" COMPANY

RINEHART, C. S.	0105243/1302	1stLt	CoCmdr	28Sep69
BASHAM, G. W.	0105865/1301	2ndLt	PltCmdr	17Jun70
WICKMAN, B. E.	0106423/1301/1390	2ndLt	PltCmdr	22Jun70
WISE, R. A. JR.	0104959/1302	1stLt	PltCmdr	11Dec69

"C" COMPANY

SOKOLOWSKI, T. E.	0104779/1302	1stLt	CoCmdr	18Aug69
LINDSEY, E. E.	0105959/1302	1stLt	PltCmdr	23Nov69
LYONS, A. E.	0106846/1302	2ndLt	PltCmdr	17Jun70
MCLARTY, R. A.	0106319/1302	1stLt	PltCmdr	17Mar70
PERRIN, W. R.	0108421/1301	2ndLt	PltCmdr	30Jun70

"D" COMPANY

BOTELHO, E.	096213/1302	1stLt	CoCmdr	18Sep69
ADAMS, R. E.	0105441/1302	1stLt	PltCmdr	23Oct69
LEONARD, R. L.	0105165/1302	1stLt	PltCmdr	29Sep69
MANGNALL, B. C. JR.	0103650/1302	1stLt	PltCmdr	3Jan70
WILLS, H. J.	0106074/1302	1stLt	PltCmdr	23Nov69
WILSON, T. J.	0107962/1301	2ndLt	PltCmdr	6Jun70

<u>NAME</u>	<u>SERV.NO./MOS</u>	<u>RANK</u>	<u>PRIMARY DUTY</u>	<u>RTD</u>
<u>1ST BRIDGE COMPANY</u>				
LAGEMANN, R. G.	0101216/1302	1stLt	CoCmdr	5Sep69
BELL, D. C.	0103235/1301	2ndLt	PltCmdr	22Jun69
GORDON, T. E.	0105524/1302	1stLt	PltCmdr	24Oct69
JONES, J. C.	0105555/1302	1stLt	PltCmdr	23Oct69
PASCARELLA, R. A. JR.	0103721/1302	1stLt	PltCmdr	3Jan70
TORBET, P. A.	0104365/3002	1stLt	SupO	16Sep69
<u>USN</u>				
ANDREWS, S. S.	728168/2105	Lt	BnSurgeon	27Jul69
CARLSON, C. R.	698088/2205	Lt	BnDentist	6Feb70
ROBERTS, M. H.	650865/4100	LCdr	BnChaplain	27Jul69

ENCLOSURE (1)
TAB A