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Australian Vietnam vets gradually being honored

(The Daily Independent, Kannapolis, N.C., Thursday, October 20, 1983)

By ARLENE LEVINSON

Associated Press

SYDNEY, Australia — On a desolate patch of ground in the gray and dusty suburb of Granville stands a reminder of Australia's contribution to the Vietnam War.

T here, behind a veterans' hall, a rough granite boulder bears a simple inscription on a tarnished metal plaque — "To those who died and those who suffered as a result of the Vietnam War 1962-1972."

It is a lonely memorial to the 47,000 Australian troops and military personnel who served in Vietnam. Nearly 500 died and 2,398 were wounded, fighting alongside Americans who lost 58,655 killed and 155,149 wounded.

F or almost 10 years, no one wanted to hear from the bitterly confused young men who had fought there. Now that has changed, partly because of a rock band called Redgum and its hit single, "I Was Only Nineteen."

"God help me, I was only nineteen."

The mournful folk-rock anthem to Australians who fought in Vietnam topped the music charts earlier this year. Written by Redgum member John Schumann, it goes: "And can (you) tell me doctor, why I still can't get to sleep? "And night time's just a jungle dark and a barking M-16" "And what's this rash that comes and goes, can you tell me what it mean s? "God help me, I was only nineteen."

"We've got guys whose wives were demonstrating against the war while they were fighting it," said Phill Thompson, national president of the 9,000-member Vietnam Veterans' Association of Australia. "We have one bloke who's father hasn't spoken to him since." Some of their problems are similar to the problems of American Vietnam veterans — depression, insomnia, alienation and fear about possible health damage from exposure to chemical herbicides and defoliants such as Agent Orange.

But there was one crucial difference, veterans say.

"The Australians have suffered almost from a lack of identity," said former U.S. Marine and Vietnam veteran Phil Bacon of Shelburne, Vt., who now lives in Sydney with his Australian wife. "It was not really their war. They were never given the real credit they should have gotten."

Australia entered the war in 1965 when Prime Minister Robert Menzies announced he would send combat troops to Vietnam at the request of the South Vietnamese government. Yet the public long suspected that the United States had pressured its loyal ally in to the conflict.

A decade later, while going through U.S. documents, Australian journalist Evan Whitton, an assistant editor of the National Times, wrote that he found the reverse was true.

"The weight of the evidence," Whitton said, "indicates that Menzies judged the U.S. and Australia should go in to war and had no intention of being impeded by any discussion to the contrary."

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Staunch defenders of Menzies, who died in 1978, accused Whitton of bias but there was no denial or dispute with his assertion that the Australian public had been fooled. But even public reaction was muted. By 1975, most Australians wanted to put the war behind them.

The country's role in the conflict actually began in 1962 when it sent 30 military advisers to train South Vietnamese forces. It ended 10 year later when newly elected Prime Minister Gough Whitlam fulfilled a campaign pledge and brought the last Australians home.

For many men it was too late.

Before he was a soldier, Bob Gibson was a sheep shearer in the outback. Fourth - generation Australian, grandson of two World War I veterans, Gibson scarcely flinched when he was drafted in 1967 at the age of 20. "I'd watched it on TV. I thought, well, you know, it's fighting communism. What I imagined and what it was like, was like chalk and cheese," he said.

When his 12-month tour ended, Gibson eagerly returned to his country town and his shears. But after six months he abandoned both. The sweat and stress of the work made his skin break out in strange rashes, he said. Burning blisters left scars.

"I did something I thought I'd never do — move to the city to survive," he said. At 37, Gibson is a property researcher for the government.

Jim Papandreas, 33, welcomed his call up in 1970. Born to Cypriot immigrants, he thought the war was his chance to negate the racial taunts of his child hood. "I had this thing about proving I was a real Australian,"

Papandreas came home in turmoil. When he sought a physician's referral to get psychiatric help, he was told "You don't have problems. You're an angry man."

A turn about in public understanding began in 1979 with the founding of the Vietnam Veterans' Association of Australia.

The organization induced the government to investigate purported effects of exposure to Agent Orange — an inquiry is under way — and spurred establishment of the federal Vietnam

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Veterans' Counseling Service in 1982. "I Was Only Nineteen" is the group's official song.

Gibson helped found the association. Last year he toured the United States, visiting American veteran s of the war.

In Westbury, N.Y., he was on hand for a parade honoring Vietnam veterans. The town's outpouring of affection awed him.

"I've never seen guys so proud in all m life," he said. "I hope someday we can have something like that here."

Click here to hear the YouTube version of I Was only 19.

Captain America says "Keep Uncle Sugar happy, use your checklist!"

From a poster on the flightline at Phan Rang

Heading Down Under

(Daily Herald, Thursday, July 23, 1987)

A trip to Australia in April by Green Beret Sgt. Major Jim Craig, U.S. Army (retired), a muchdecorated Special Forces Vietnam veteran, resulted in the finalization of a very welcome invitation. Craig and all other American Vietnam veterans have been invited to march in Australia's Welcome Home Parade for Vietnam Veterans in Sydney Oct. 3 to 5.

Craig, during his 27-year army career, served three tours in Vietnam, is past commander of Schaumburg's VFW Post 2202 and a member of American Legion Post 1983.

Approximately 80,000 Australians fought in Vietnam. Geoff McGibbon, Peter Poulton and Bob Gibson, members of Australia's Returned Serviceman's League (RSL) a Down Under veteran's organization, marched in Chicago's Vietnam Vets Parade last year.

They were so impressed they decided to have one in Australia. Vietnam vets from all over the world that had troops in Vietnam have been invited to participate. Currently, up to 3,000 U.S. vets are expected to attend.

Craig communicated with Australian veterans by phone last fall to make original arrangements. Travel schedules have been worked out through a travel agency at low rates, and there will be a limited number of Australian host families that will house vets for 12 days.

"We got all this put together in April this year," says Craig.

Craig and Sam Davis, a Congressional Medal of Honor winner from Flatrock, Ill., during a twoweek visit to Australia marched in the ANZAC (Australia New Zealand Army Corps) parade on April 28. ANZAC Day is the Australian veteran's day, a national holiday.

While visiting Sydney and Canberra, Australia's capital, they appeared on Australian national television and were interviewed by several radio stations and newspapers to help promote the Australian Vietnam veteran's parade.

Craig has been appointed official parade marshal for the American contingent, and U.S. liaison officer by the Australian Armed Forces Welcome Home Parade Committee to assist American vets who wish to attend.

"We were asked to come down there to promote the parade. Sam Davis and I were given a V.I.P. tour of their war memorial in Canberra, and we also had a meeting with the American Ambassador to Australia, Laurence Lane Jr., at the U.S. Embassy," Craig says.

"We were given the honor of leading the ANZAC Day Parade with two Australian generals, Geoff McGibbons and other Australian Vietnam vets in Sydney. We got standing ovations over the entire parade course," he added.

Craig worked with Australian army training teams in Vietnam in 1966 and fought in joint operations with them in 1970 in a mobile strike force that included the Australian SAS (Special Air Services) the Australian equivalent of U.S. Special Forces.

"Australian Vietnam vets have the same problems American vets have, and were treated pretty close to the way we were when they got home," Craig says.

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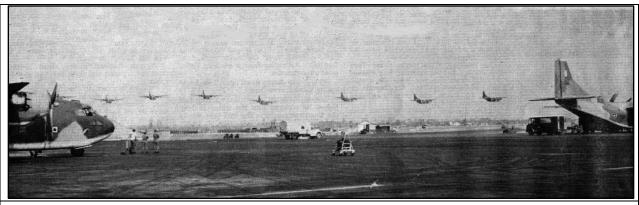
Since his retirement from the army in 1974, Craig has kept his connection with the military in several areas. He worked as a civilian with the Special Forces reserve unit in Arlington Heights, and with the Army Judge Advocate's office at Fort Sheridan.

He is now engaged in raising funds for an Illinois Vietnam war memorial in Springfield. He also is a member of the U.S. Special Forces Association, and VietNow, whose motto is "veterans helping veterans." The organization aids Vietnam vets with a multitude of problems, including employment, making claims with the Veteran's Administration for medical care and hospitalization, family matters and does general counseling.

"We did what we were told when we were called on to lay our lives on the line and fight, but Vietnam vets were treated poorly when they returned home, we were called walking time bombs.

"We have rap sessions with guys who have problems. It helps them to get their lives together and readjust," says Craig. He also said some vets were fired from jobs when it was found they fought in Vietnam.

Craig suffered multiple wounds in Vietnam, had malaria and was affected by Agent Orange. He was decorated with the Silver Star and Bronze Star for valor and several other medals. He also fought in the Korean War, 1950 to 1953



Back to the Corral

(Seventh Air Force News, May 14, 1969)

UC-123 Provider defoliation aircraft of the 12th Special Operations Squadron fly low over Bien Hoa AB as they return from daily missions in the Republic of Vietnam. The UC-123 crews, using

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a commercial herbicide solution used by millions of Americans, temporarily defoliate think jungle areas which provide cover for the enemy. The aerial spray used has a lasting effect from two to three weeks and has been successful in uncovering and exposing enemy concentrations areas, storage area, base camps and resupply trails. (Photo by A1C Johnny Gurley)



Australian Union Retracts Stand on Viet Mutiny

Note: This is a follow up story to one posted in Phan Rang Newsletter 167 titled "Australia Union Urge Viet Mutiny".)

(The Dominion-Post, Sunday Morning, December 21, 1968)

SYDNEY, AUSTRALIA - Facing widespread popular condemnation and a threat of possible legal action by the government, a trade union pacifist group has retreated from an earlier stand advocating "mutiny" by Australia troops in Vietnam.

Reacting to reports of the alleged massacre in March 1988, involving United States forces at the South Vietnamese village of Song My, a meeting early in the week of several hundred officials and shop stewards from 32 unions had adopted a resolution calling upon Australian troops in Vietnam "to lay down their arms in mutiny against the heinous barbarism perpetrated in our name against innocent aged men, women and children "

Prime Minister John G. Gorton immediately attacked the resolution as "a stark incitement to mutiny in the armed forces" Attorney General Thomas E. F Hughes ordered an inquiry to determine whether the union action had violated any federal law.

A succession of denunciations followed from government officials, union leaders, heads of veterans organizations and others.

Spokesmen for the governing Liberal Party, seeing a political opportunity in the incident, linked the pacifist union elements and the Labor Party, which had campaigned in elections last October against Australia's involvement in the Vietnam War. Prominent members of the Labor Party were said to have been present at the union meeting, which adopted the controversial resolution unanimously.

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Gorton called upon the head of the Labor Party and leader of the parliamentary opposition. E G Whitlam, to "disassociate himself from the resolution. Whiltlam had not attended the meeting but let the challenge pass, telling newsmen that he needed time to study the resolution and Gorton's statement.

However, other Labor men stated that the resolution, adopted in Melbourne last Monday by a group called the Trade Union Anti-Conscription Committee, was unrepresentative of the majority view in unions and the country in general.

"Even those who are opposed to, or have reservations about Australia's commitment in Vietnam would not support sabotaging Australian servicemen or inciting them to mutiny." said Laurie Short, National Secretary of the Federated Ironworkers Association.

Describing the attacks on the "mutiny" resolution as the result of "distortions and misunderstandings, the Secretary of the Anti-Conscription Committee, F. J. Lack, issued a new statement Friday qualifying the group's position.

"The resolution does not in fact mean that national servicemen should leave their mates in the face of battle as inferred by Prime Minister Gorton, but simply means that they should act on their own conscience if ordered to participate in the heinous crimes being committed in Vietnam." he declared.

"We believe," he continued, "that the Nuremberg Trials made it plain that a person must act on his own conscience and that any order to shoot defenseless persons, would be an illegal act."

Australian correspondents in Vietnam have reported that Australian troops reacted indignantly to the "mutiny" resolution.



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'Campbell's Kingdom' Flies 932 Sorties

(The Phan Rang Weekly, September 13, 1967)

The "Walls of Jerico" may have fallen down, but "Campbells Kingdom" (A large foam rubber pillow), is still flying missions over South Vietnam, and in all probability will continue to fly long after Campbell leaves Vietnam.

Staff Sergeant Byrl W. Campbell, 29, of Perry Iowa, the owner of "Campbell's Kingdom" is a load master with the 310th Air Commando Squadron which is based at Phan Rang.

The pillow is inscribed with the number of missions and dates on which they are flown.

"Campbell's Kingdom" has taken the place of a rabbits foot for the C-123 crew in which Sgt. Campbell flies.

Sergeant Campbell, is a veteran of 932 sorties in C-123 Provider aircraft and is the holder of the "Air Medal" with three clusters.

Before coming to Vietnam, Sergeant Campbell, attended Air Force survival school at Fairchild Air Force Base, Washington.

Since arriving in Vietnam 11 month ago, the sergeant has flown all over the country and says 'he has loaded everything imaginable but the worst thing he has had to tie down for flight, is empty 55 gallons fuel drums.

The Phan Rang based sergeant has been a load master for the past four years, and now has more than 1,000 flying hours to his credit.

In looking back over his year with the 310th Air Commando Squadron, he said "The 310th has been good to me and it has been the most satisfying job I have ever had."

Sergeant Campbell goes home in September and said he is looking forward to a good baked potato, a gallon of fresh milk, and the best Sirloin steak money can buy.

During his 12 month stay in Vietnam, the Sergeant said he has learned some French, a little

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Vietnamese and how much his American imitative was worth in dealing with trying situations.

SHARE A RIDE WITH YOUR FELLOW AIRMEN

The base transportation situation could be better than it is, but due to the lack of vehicles, many airmen need a ride. Join the Air Force team and help your brother airmen...



Ogdenites Give Generously To Vietnam Orphan Project

By Don Baker (Ogden Standard-Examiner, Thursday, May 6, 1971)

A little generosity goes a long way.

And in the case of Sgt. **Dave Alexander**, it went halfway around the world to war-torn Vietnam.

While stationed there at Phan Rang AB last winter, Sgt. Alexander wrote home asking for a few clothes for children in a neighboring orphanage.

His parents told an Ogden Standard-Examiner reporter and a subsequent newspaper article generated so much local enthusiasm, that Sgt. Alexander found himself bombarded with 21 large boxes of clothing, shoes, toys, games and food.

TOUR OF DUTY

Currently on leave after completing his tour of duty in Vietnam, Sgt. Alexander is staying with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John W. Alexander at 302 Jefferson.

"I surely didn't expect all that," Sgt. Alexander recalls. "It all started when I had the opportunity to visit an orphanage with a civic action unit; looked around and saw that the kids were all poorly dressed and the orphanage was in bad shape.

"All of the kids at a neighboring Buddhist orphanage were war orphans and it kind of got me to thinking. That night I wrote home and asked my parents if they could send them few boxes of children's clothing," Sgt. Alexander added.

His parents got the idea of appealing to the local public through the newspaper and radio...and that's when it all happened.



FOR TIRED FEET? — Sgt. Dave Alexander shows his mother, Mrs. John W. Alexander, the difference between a tennis shoe and the Vietnamese sandal made from old rubber tires. Sgt. Alexander was responsible for a clothing drive that sent 21 large boxes of clothes, shoes, toys and food to Vietnamese orphanages this year.

Donations began to pour in. The Alexander home began to look like inventory time at a department store and the entire family spent its spare time sorting and boxing up commodities.

"The next thing I knew, the boxes just started coming In," said. Sgt. Alexander, who insists on giving most of the credit to generous Ogdenites.

"All of the items were of very good quality . . . many of them new . . . it was very gratifying."

Sgt. Alexander arranged to make the first visit to the war orphanage to drop 15 of the 21 boxes there.

"It was just like Christmas morning," he recalls. "Most of the kids were jumping around, laughing and acting very happy. Others didn't quite know what to make of it.

BY SURPRISE

"The toys really took them by surprise because the orphans had never seen anything like

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that before. They knew the toys were something good, but they didn't know what to do with them."

Looking back, Sgt; Alexander recalls that visit with mixed emotions.

"It was a good experience but a very sad one," he said "Those poor kids were really starved for affection . . . naturally, the clothing and toys were very nice but what those orphans really needed was love.

"Then you can't help but start thinking about all the other littie kids orphaned by the war,' he added. "It makes it pretty rough."

ARRANGED BOXES

Sgt. Alexander arranged for the remaining boxes to be taken to a couple of neighboring Catholic orphanages. All of the deliveries were made during 'Tet' (Vietnamese New Year).

"Actually, there wasn't much over there that a soldier could do to help the kids," he pointed out.

"Many GIs contributed to a 'Dollars for Scholars' program but that was about the only way we could help. I remember a buddy of mine donated \$75...and that put two children through high school for a year."

Academy Grads Donate To Vietnam Orphanage

(Gazette Telegraph, Tuesday, Jan. 19, 1971, Colorado Springs, Colo.)

The Air Force Academy's Association of Graduates donated \$100 to the Tan Tai Catholic Orphanage near Phan Rang City, Vietnam, recently on behalf of the family of the late Maj. James R. Weaver, 1959 USAF Academy graduate. The money was presented to the orphanage by three Academy graduates stationed at Phan Rang Air Base.

The donation came from the Major James R. Weaver Memorial Fund, administered by the Association of Graduates, and in memory of Maj. Weaver, who was killed in an aircraft crash off the coast of England in May 1970.

In a letter accompanying the donation, Capt. Frederick L. Metcalf, executive secretary of the Association, said that Maj. Weaver actively supported the Tan Tai Orphanage through the base's civic action program while he was stationed at Phan Rang Air Base.

The orphanage cares for 68 Vietnamese children and is run by four Roman Catholic nuns.

The gifts was presented to Sister Marie Aimee De Jesus at the orphanage by Capts. **Gilbert D. Mook**, Charleston, R.I. and **Craig L. McKinney**, Falls Church, Va., and 1st Lt. **William W. Taylor**, Glastonbury, Con. All three are flying F-100s with the 35th Tactical Fighter Wing at Phan Rang Air Base.

Cathy Cuts Out To Big BX Land

(Seventh Air Force News, May 14, 1969)

PHAN RANG - A 22-year · old Red Cross worker from Largo, Fla., is returning home after serving in Vietnam for one year.

Miss Catherine A. Knutson, known as "Cathy" to the more than 6,000 Air Force officers and airmen who served with her, is leaving Phan Rang AB. In a parting letter, Col. Frank L. Gailer Jr., of Arlington, Va., 35th Tactical Fighter Wing (TFW), commander spoke for all his men when he wrote to her that her "cheery voice and happy smile went a long way toward boosting morale among the men in their combat duty."

The colonel also expressed grateful appreciation for the "long hours and devotion to duty" which she put in at the Red Cross's recreation center on the air base.

As a token of the wing's esteem of her, Colonel Gailer also presented Miss Knutson with an ascot similar to those worn by the F-100 Supersabre jet pilots of the 35th TFW.

Miss Knutson is a 1968 graduate of Florida State University where she majored in English and social welfare. Her plans are to continue to work for the Red Cross and enter graduate school at Rutgers University, N.J., to work for a masters degree in guidance and counseling.



WENT OUT WITH HIGH BUTTONED SHOES?



Airborne Soldiers Dubbed 'Firemen'

By RICHARD MERRON

DAK TO, South Viet Nam (AP) — Paratroopers of the 1st Brigade, the U.S. 101st Airborne Division, have come to be known as the firemen in Viet Nam. They do a lot of moving from hot spot to hot spot.

"When we first came in (last July 29) we were assigned the radio call sign 'Grand Nomad'," a young officer recalled today. "We have certainly lived up to the name."

Part of a division called the Screaming Eagles, they have spent a total of three weeks in their base camp at Phan Rang, on the South China Sea coast 160 miles northeast of Saigon.

All the rest of the time they have been on the go.

They had their first major engagement shortly after reaching Viet Nam, They were assigned to secure a central highlands area around An Khe for the arrival of the 1st Air Cavalry

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Division. A battalion of Screaming Eagles, lifted by helicopters, cleared out a Viet Cong base camp after 24 hours of heavy fighting.

From that battle and later ones, field commanders such as Lt. Col. Henry Emerson of Milford, Pa., of the 2nd Battalion, 502nd Infantry, were able to devise new tactics to deal with an illusive enemy who would not fight the conventional war taught at the Army's service schools.

"If you study past battles in history, you'll find that flexibility is the most important element." Emerson said.

To apply this principle, the tall West Pointer has developed what he calls a checkerboard concept.

"This concept," Emerson said, "means the deployment of small units over large areas lo find 'em, fix 'em and finish 'em.

"The small units, using guerilla tactics, find them and fix them. Once found and fixed, the action reverts to conventional warfare, with large units called in to finish them with envelopment and heavy fire support."

The tactics have provided new problems for the people supplying forward combat troops. The checkboard concept entails small units staying in the field for periods up to a week, avoiding helicopter resupply in order not to give away their position.

One platoon leader said, "There is nothing worse for trooper's morale than to be handed a week's supply of C-rations weighing upwards of pounds." The brigade has had several military victories against Viet Cong, but just as important to Brig. Gen. Willard Pearson, the brigade commander, have been the victories while working for the Vietnamese people.

"The Screaming Eagle," Pearson said, "has two wings. One represents the warrior and the other the diplomat."

While the paratroopers were securing the area around coastal city of Qui Nhon for the

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incoming Korean Capital Division last fall, they uncovered tons of enemy rice, the largest cache found by an American unit to that date. The rice was distributed to the people of area through Vietnamese officials.



Serving Our Country

Flying Officer Awarded Air Medal At Phan Rang AB

U.S. Air Force Lt. Col. **Barr D. Younker**, son of Mrs. Charles Younker of Seneca RD I, has received the Air Medal at Phan Rang Air Base, Vietnam, for outstanding airmanship and courage as a C-123 Provider pilot on successful and important mission's under hazardous conditions. Younker has flown 600 combat sorties since arriving in Vietnam, some in support of the Marine outpost at Khe Santo. A 1943 graduate of Cranberry Area High School, he holds bachelor's degree from the University of Pittsburgh and a Master of Arts degree from George Washington University in Washington, D. C. He was commissioned in 1943 through the Aviation Cadet Program and served in World War II. His wife, Sarah, is a daughter Mr. and Mrs. R. Bruce Graham of Seneca. (Oil-City Derrick, July 16, 1968)

MILLBORO — A1C **Edmond Page**, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Page, Cantonment, Fla., is on duty at Phan Rang AB, Vietnam. Airman Page, a fireman, is member of the Pacific Air Forces, America's overseas air arm in Southeast Asia, the Far East and Pacific. His wife, Louise, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harold R. Hayford, Millboro. (The Daily Republic, Mitchell, S.D., Wednesday, July 19, 1967)

M/Sgt. and Mrs. **M. Dean Calton** and family of Offutt AFB, Omaha, Nebr., spent the weekend visiting with his sister and family, Sheriff and Mrs. Bob Baker. Sgt. Calton has been assigned to a years duty at Phan Rang AFB, Vietnam. His family will remain in Papillion, Nebr. during his absence. (The Spirit Lake Beacon, Thursday, August 24, 1967)

Sgt. Jesse Don Moorman has been in Phan Rang, Vietnam since July and expects to return

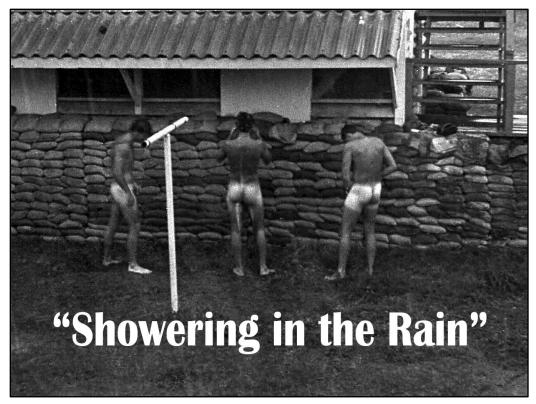
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home in August, 1970. He is married to the former Connie Sue Carruth who is staying here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Carruth. The couple were In Spain for the years with the Air Force. He is in aircraft mechanics in flying status. (Andrews County (Texas) News, Sunday, October 19, 1969)

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The following email addresses had delivery problems during the sending of the Phan Rang Newsletter 170. If you are one of the Lost Souls please, please send me a corrected email address, however it's unlikely I will get a response from most because you didn't receive this notice.

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In the early days of Phan Rang before a reliable water supply it was considered a luxury to be able to get a 'good' shower with relatively clean water when it rained.

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