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TO
HISTORY OF 368TH TRANSPORTATION COMPANY (TS)

Captain Lamoreaux assumed command of the company on 11 July 1967, replacing Captain Alexander. The men were sorry to see Captain Alexander leave but looked forward to working under Captain Lamoreaux whose previous experience included duties as a platoon leader in a terminal service unit, later as a Operations Officer at Naha Port, Okinawa, under the 2nd Log. Command. Under Captain Lamoreaux's leadership, the company continued to improve both administratively and operationally. The success of the company in accomplishing its mission may be seen by looking at some operation statistics for a typical month in 1967:

Discharged	<u>16,242</u> s/t
	<u>41,565</u> m/t
Backloaded	<u>10,880</u> s/t
	<u>25,632</u> m/t
Trucks	<u>1,848</u> (no.)

Construction of 16 personnel bunkers, as defense against mortar and rocket barrages, were built in addition to a large Command Post bunker. Each bunker is capable of seating 20 men with combat equipment.

The unit constructed a football and baseball field for the battalion. This required grading, hauling of fill, and construction of goal posts and back stop.

Much effort was spent in 1967 to improve the 368th Transportation Company area. When the unit first arrived in Vietnam, the troops were billeted in general purpose tents. In the spring of 1967, construction was started on permanent type quarters. By the end of the year, eighteen Adams Huts had been constructed and an orderly room erected by the men of the 368th, working 18 - 20 hours per day. To improve the appearance of the company area and benefit of the troops, porches for the huts were built, boardwalks laid, and trees planted. By December the men of the 368th had become so proficient in engineer type work and were so enthusiastic over the success of their building program that plans were made for even more ambitious projects in 1968. These projects included plans for asphaltting the parking area, for improving the drainage system, and for construction of a new shower facility.

The men of the 368th also participated in several civic action projects in 1967. When a number of "mama-sans" were killed in an accident behind the Battalion mess hall, the men contributed over three hundred dollars to the families of the deceased. The men also donated money to the Chaplain's "Pig Fund," a fund which was used to purchase pigs for a nearby village. On the fourth of July, many of the men of the 368th accompanied the Chaplain and his pigs to the village and were quite pleased with the villagers' happiness at receiving the pigs.

During the year, the mission of the 368th remained the same: to conduct discharge and backload operations to tranship cargo to consignees from the Barge Site and the two LST Slips at United States Army Terminal, Newport, to include the LCU ramp. Techniques were perfected in the operation which improved the efficiency of the unit.