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## Cadena With Marine Unit In Vietnam

DANANG, VIETNAM (FITING) — Marine Gunnery Sergeant Joseph M. Cadena, son of Mr. Joe Cadena of 26 Sixth Ave. W., Kalispell, Mont., and husband of the former Miss Gwendolyn E. Bobo of 715 Harvard, Houston, is serving with the Third Battalion, Eleventh Marine Regiment of the First Marine Division.

The battalion provides artillery support to First Marine Division units engaged in combat.

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## Carlson With Seventh Fleet

USS CONSTELLATION (CVA-64) at sea (FITING) — Electronics Technician Second Class Dennis A. Carlson, USN, 22, son of Mr. and Mrs. Vernon H. Carlson of Juneau, Alaska, and husband of the former Miss Christine K. McKinnon of Kalispell, Mont., is serving aboard the U. S. Seventh Fleet attack aircraft carrier USS Constellation in the Western Pacific.

After 25 days of conducting strike operations off the coast of North Vietnam, in the Tonkin Gulf, Constellation recently spent an eight-day rest and relaxation period at Subic Bay, Republic of the Philippines.

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Spec. 2, Gerald Carlson, who was home on a 21-day leave, has returned to Korea where he is on service assignment with the Army Engineers, Seventh Infantry Division. He is a 1964 graduate of Flathead High School and attended Flathead Valley Community College. Spec. Carlson is son of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Carlson of Kalispell.

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## Ray Carter Promoted

QUI NHON, VIETNAM (AHT-NC) — Ray F. Carter Jr., 19, son of Mrs. Gladys V. Carter, Columbia Falls, Mont., was promoted to Army specialist four recently while serving as a quartermaster supply specialist in the 134th Quartermaster Company near Qui Nhon, Vietnam. Spec. Carter's father lives in Silver Creek, Wash.

# Sgt. Carver Receives Bronze Star Medal For Vietnam Duty

Sgt. I. C. Robert P. Carver, who is serving as advisor at the U.S. Army Center of Kalispell, was presented with a Bronze Star by Col. Howard K. Welch, Montana Sector commander, during a ceremony Tuesday at the Army Center in Kalispell.

Sgt. Carver was recognized

for his work while a platoon sergeant while serving in Vietnam. During his assignment with Co. C 29th Eng. Bn., at Pleiku, Vietnam, he participated in a number of construction projects in Pleiku and Koniam provinces that included bridges, helicopter rovetments at Camp Holloway, construction of roads and billets, ammunition supply depot, fortifications and landing structures.

He recently was assigned to Kalispell by Montana Sector Command.

Sgt. Carver, a native of Somerset, Pa., entered the Army in June 1944 and took basic training at Ft. Stewart, Ga. In 1945 he joined the Third Recon. Troop, Third Inf. Div. at Nancy, France and served during the remainder of World War II.

He was the recipient of Good Conduct and American Campaign medals and European Campaign Medal with two campaign stars. He also received WW II Victory ribbon and WW II Occupation of Germany ribbon.

He was separated from service April 1946 and remained in the Army Reserve. He was called to active duty during the Korean conflict and served for a year in 1950-51. He was awarded the United Nations Service, Korean Service and National Defense Medals.

He volunteered for enlisted reserve active duty in 1958 and entered the regular Army in 1958. In 1960 he was assigned to duty at Ft. Campbell, Ky., and later served four years at Bamberg, Germany. On his return to the United States in 1964 Sgt. Carver was given instructor duty.

After leadership school at Ft. Leonard Wood, Mo., he was assigned to duty in Vietnam.

## Promoted

RIVERSIDE, Calif. — Joseph G. Casteloes, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph B. Casteloes of Rt. 5, Moultrie, Ga., has been promoted to senior master sergeant in the U.S. Air Force.

His wife, Donna, is the daughter of Mrs. Blana Barnes of 941 Fourth St., Whitefish, Mont.

## Col. Chaney Awarded DFC

MINOT, N. D. — U.S. Air Force Lt. Col. R. L. Chaney, son of Mrs. Maurine A. Chaney of 1112 Seventh St. NW, Salem, Ore., has received the Distinguished Flying Cross at Minot AFB, N.D.

His wife, Carol, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph N. Johnson of Rt. 1, Happy Valley, Whitefish, Mont.

Col. Chaney distinguished himself by extraordinary achievement as a C-123 Provider pilot in Vietnam. He flew a troop airdrop mission in support of a military operation and, despite intense enemy ground fire, successfully completed his mission with exact timing and precision, enabling the troops to serve as a blocking force for a main Viet Cong infiltration route.

All-Women Jury

## Col. Chaney Given DFC

U. S. Air Force Lt. Col. R. L. Chaney, Salem, Ore., husband of Carol Johnson Chaney, formerly of Happy Valley, Whitefish, and North Brockton, Mont., received the Distinguished Flying Cross at Minot AFB, N.D., recently.

Mrs. Chaney is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph N. Johnson.

Col. Chaney distinguished himself by extraordinary achievement as a C-123 Provider pilot in Vietnam.

### R. D. Chapman Assigned To Vietnam Duty

Pfc. Russell D. Chapman left Kallispell recently after being home on an 18-day leave. He re-



PFC. RUSSELL D. CHAPMAN reports to Fort Lewis and from there he goes to Vietnam. Chapman is from the Swan Lake area and lived in Kallispell for several years. His wife, Sandra, is staying with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Joe DiMen.

### Capt. Clark Awarded DFC In Vietnam

WITH U.S. COMBAT AIR FORCES, Vietnam — U.S. Air Force tactical fighter pilot Capt. Clifton C. Clark Jr., Kallispell, Mont., was decorated with the Distinguished Flying Cross at Bien Hoa AB, Vietnam recently.

The F-100 Super Sabre pilot was cited for extraordinary aerial skill and precision marksmanship in destroying a Viet Cong (VC) supply facility 125 miles southwest of Saigon. Despite hazardous weather, Capt. Clark brought his supersonic jet in under a hail of ground fire to hammer the enemy concentration. His blistering attack rounded the VC and smashed their fortifications.

The 28-year-old officer has served as a member of the 3rd Tactical Fighter Wing at the installation 38 miles northeast of Saigon.

The captain is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Clifton C. Clark, 231A Main St., and a 1956 graduate of Flathead High School. A member of Sigma Nu, Captain Clark was graduated with a bachelor's degree in 1960 at the University of Montana where he was commissioned through the Reserve Officers Training Corps program.

His wife, Carole, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Almini of Somers, Mont.

Wing commander Colonel George W. McLaughlin presented the medal.

### Capt. Clark Completes Vietnam Tour Of Duty

WITH U.S. COMBAT AIR FORCES, Vietnam — U.S. Air Force Capt. Clifton C. Clark Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Clifton C. Clark of 231-A Main St., Kallispell, Mont., recently completed his 275th and final combat mission over Vietnam.

During his combat tour, Capt. Clark served as an F-100 Super Sabre pilot with the 90th Tactical Fighter Squadron at Bien Hoa AB, Vietnam.

"It's been a great and rewarding year," the captain commented. "I've had many eventful missions but none to compare with one I flew several months ago."

"I was 15 minutes out of Bien Hoa when my aircraft took hits in the rear section, freezing my controls and forcing me to eject," the captain said. "After parachuting through dense foliage, I waited for a helicopter to come for me. It was 12:30 a.m. and the Viet Cong were less than one-half mile away."

"Twenty five minutes after I landed, an Army chopper tried to land. Unfortunately, his rotor blades hit the trees and he had to leave the area. I really experienced some anxiety as I thought they were going to leave me, but three minutes later another helicopter came in and I scrambled to the rope ladder they lowered." Captain Clark concluded.

The captain earned the Dis-

tinguished Flying Cross for gallantry while defending a supply area near Vi Thanh, 125 miles southwest of Saigon. Despite poor weather and heavy enemy ground fire, he made repeated bombing and strafing runs, routing the enemy and destroying their weapons.

Capt. Clark is scheduled for reassignment to Torrejon AB, Spain.

A graduate of Flathead High School, he received his bachelor's degree in 1959 from the University of Montana and was commissioned there upon completion of the Air Force Reserve Officers Training Corps program. He is a member of Sigma Nu.

The captain's wife, Carole Diane, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Almini of Somers.

### Capt. Clark Stationed In Spain

TORREJON DE ARDOZ, Spain — Capt. Clifton C. Clark Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. C.C. Clark of 231 Main St., Kallispell, Mont., has arrived for duty at Torrejon AB, Spain.

Capt. Clark is assigned as an F-100 Super Sabre pilot with a unit of U.S. Air Forces in Europe.

He previously served at Bien Hoa AB, Vietnam. The captain was graduated in 1956 from Flathead High School and received his bachelor's degree in 1960 from the University of Montana where he was commissioned through the Air Force Reserve Officers Training Corps program.

His wife, Diane, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Almini of Somers, Mont.

### Capt. Clark Given 13 Air Awards

TORREJON DE ARDOZ, Spain — U.S. Air Force Capt. Clifton C. Clark Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. C.C. Clark of 231 Main St., Kallispell, Mont., has received 13 awards of the Air Medal at Torrejon AB, Spain, for air action in Vietnam.

Capt. Clark was decorated for his meritorious achievement as an F-100 Super Sabre pilot. He was cited for his outstanding airmanship and courage on successful and important missions under hazardous conditions. He now holds 15 Air Medals.

The captain is assigned at Torrejon as a member of the U.S. Air Forces in Europe.

A graduate of Flathead High School, he received a bachelor's degree in 1960 from Montana State University where he was commissioned upon completion of the Air Force Reserve Officers Training Corps program. He is a member of Sigma Nu.

Capt. Clark's wife, Diane, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Almini of Somers, Mont.

Cobler

Leonard A

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LEONARD A. COBLER

Pvt. Leonard A. Cobler, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard L. Cobler, Smith Valley, is home on leave after graduating from cannon tradesman school at Fort Lee, Va., where he received a distinguished rating. He and his wife, Barbara, are visiting here on a 28-day leave before Pvt. Cobler leaves for assignment in Vietnam.

### In Vietnam

LONG BINH, VIETNAM (AH-TNC) — Army Spec. 4 Leonard A. Cobler, 21, whose parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard L. Cobler, and wife, Barbara, live on Highway 2 West, KallsPELL, Mont., was assigned as a renovation specialist with the 483d Field Service Company near Long Binh, Vietnam, July 19.

Colby

Robert D

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### Robert Colby In Germany

VII COFFS, GERMANY (AH-TNC) — Army Specialist Four Robert D. Colby, 21, son of Mr. and Mrs. George M. Colby, 1312 Eighth Ave. E., KallsPELL, Mont., was assigned as an aircraft mechanic with Headquarters Battery of the 210th Artillery Group near Ansbach, Germany, Jan. 31.

Collier

Erwin L

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### Collier Given Commendation Medal By Army

The Army Commendation Medal was presented recently to Erwin L. Collier at his home in KallsPELL. Collier earned the award for meritorious service while serving as a specialist, fifth grade, in the Army's 34th Engineer Battalion in Vietnam.

Maj. Ronald P. Frothero, Montana Army Adviser Group, presented the decoration. The medal is awarded by the Secretary of the Army for meritorious achievement or service which clearly places its recipient above his peers. The citation accompanying the medal praised Collier for his exceptional service between April 1967 and April 1968. It said he demonstrated professional competence as an example to his associates. Maj. Frothero said, Collier resides at 336 Main Street and is employed by the Anacanda Aluminum Co.

Conklin

Donnie L

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### In Vietnam

WITH U.S. COMBAT AIR FORCE CTS, Vietnam — Sgt. Donnie L. Conklin, whose wife, Linda, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Texmat, 929 Spokane Ave., Whitefish, Mont., is on duty at Nha Trang AB, Vietnam.

Sgt. Conklin, an administrative specialist, previously served at Mainstream AFB, Mont.

The sergeant is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Conklin.

### M. G. Cordell Finishes Marine Recruit Training

SAN DIEGO — Marine Pvt. Maurice G. Cordell, son of Mr. and Mrs. James M. Cordell, 838 Fourth Ave. W., Kallispell, was graduated from eight weeks of recruit training at the Marine



MAURICE G. CORDELL.

ine Corps Recruit Depot here. He will now undergo from two to four weeks of individual combat training and then, after leave at home, will report to his first Marine Corps assignment.

The intensified Marine recruit training emphasizes rigid physical conditioning and survival techniques, both at sea and ashore, to develop self-confidence and endurance. Marksmanship with the M-14 rifle and .45-caliber pistol are equally stressed, and close order drill instills the traditions of Marine Corps teamwork.

A thorough study of basic military subjects, hygiene, first aid and sanitation, and the customs, courtesies, history and mission of the Marine Corps serve to polish the new Marine's recruit education and prepare him to join the Marine combat forces.

### PFC Cordell Returns To Tennessee

PFC Maurice G. "Gene" Cordell, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Cordell, 838 Fourth Ave. W., Kallispell, recently returned to duty after a 28-day leave.

PFC Cordell is with the Marine Aviation Detachment, Naval



PFC M.G. CORDELL.

Air Technical Training Center, Memphis, Tenn. He is attending a course of instruction which will prepare him for specific duties in Marine Corps aviation and upon completion he will be transferred to an operating unit.

Cordell is a 1966 graduate of Flathead High School.

### Corneliuson Given Combat Infantry Badge

U. S. ARMY, VIETNAM (AIFVNC) — The Combat Infantryman Badge, mark of distinction for the fighting soldier, was awarded to Sgt. Chester C. Corneliuson, 23, in Vietnam recently.

Sgt. Corneliuson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Chester A. Corneliuson, Rt. 3, Kallispell, Mont., is assigned to Company B, 1st Battalion of the 4th Infantry Division's 12th Infantry as a squad leader.

He was graduated from Flathead High School in 1963.

### Cornell In Vietnam

LONG BINH, VIETNAM (AIFVNC) — Army Pvt. Jay A. Cornell, 21, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert E. Cornell, Rt. 1, Columbia Falls, Mont., was assigned recently to the 87th Transportation Company near Long Binh, Vietnam, as a light vehicle driver.

### Jay A. Cornell Promoted By Army

LONG BINH, VIETNAM (AIFVNC) — Jay A. Cornell, 21, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert E. Cornell, Rt. 1, Columbia Falls, Mont., was promoted to Army specialist four recently while assigned to the 87th Transportation Company near Long Binh, Vietnam, as a light truck driver.

Cottet

Duane I

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### Cottet Now Artillery Cannoneer

FT. SILL, OKLA. (AHTNC) — Private Duane L. Cottet, 20, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold S. Cottet Sr., 429 Hawthorne Ave., Kallspeil, Mont., completed eight weeks of advanced artillery training recently at the Army Artillery and Missile School, Ft. Sill, Okla. He was trained as a cannoneer in field artillery. His training included maintenance and firing of artillery guns, howitzers and heavy machine-guns. Instruction was also given in ammunition handling and communications.

### Duane Cottet Dies In Vietnam

The Defense Department has informed Mr. and Mrs. Harold Cottet, 429 Hawthorne Ave., of the death of their son, Duane Lee Cottet, in South Vietnam, Nov. 1. According to information received here, Cottet was killed in nonhostile action when a truck he was assigned as an assistant driver to overturned while on a convoy mission. The death occurred about 4:30 a.m. Nov. 1, Vietnam time. Cottet was promoted posthumously to the rank of specialist fourth class. He was a member of Battery C, 6th Battalion, 84th Division Artillery, 41st Group, 1st Field Force.

Cruse

Lionel Russell

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### Missoula Man Dies In Vietnam

MISSOULA (AP) — Marine Lance Cpl. Lionel Russell Cruse of Missoula has died of wounds received from hostile mortar fire in Quang Tri Province in Vietnam, according to word received Thursday by his mother, Mrs. Mary B. Cruse.

Crouse

Phillip W

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### Philip Crouse Promoted

TAY NINH, VIETNAM (AHT-NC) — Phillip W. Crouse, 20, son of Mr. and Mrs. William F. Crouse, 329 Second Ave. E., Kallspeil, was promoted to Army specialist four recently in Vietnam where he is serving as a heavy equipment operator with the 548th Light Maintenance Company near Tay Ninh.

Crouse

William Z

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### Crouse Home On Leave

William Z. Crouse, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Crouse, 329 Second Ave. E., Kallspeil, is home on leave. He is to report to Camp



WILLIAM Z. CROUSE  
Pendleton, Calif., April 15 for duty with YMO 3 wing scheduled for assignment in Vietnam in September. Crouse just completed 22 weeks at the Aviation Electronics School, Jacksonville, Fla.