



FIRST DIVISION SET FOR AIRLIFT

A seemingly endless line of helicopters is parked on South Vietnam's "bloody route 13" near the headquarters area of the 1st Infantry Division's third brigade awaiting start of an airlift for a search-and-destroy mission into the Michelin Rubber plantation, 50 miles northwest of Saigon. Plantation has long been a Viet Cong stronghold. (AP Wirephoto via radio from Saigon)

American In Britain Finds Readjustment To U. S. Hard

Editor's note — Hal Cooper recently returned to the United States after 17 1/2 years on the U.K. London staff. Here's his account of his first impressions of his native hearth after long absence.

By HAL R. COOPER
NEW YORK (AP) — Saloons open all day long instead of being closed 15 hours in 24. Private cars the size of pantechinons. Rugby matches on the Sabbath. Race horses running counterclockwise. People running every damn which way.

We have made a prodigal's return from 17 1/2 quiet years in England. It was assumed that adjustment would be difficult, but the reality is staggering.

The mind, in fact, boggles.

There is, for example, the effect on two London-born sons aged 8 and 9. The 9-year-old, whose broad A's were the pride of the household, pipes up with "what are you, Daddy, some kinda nut or something?" In the purest accents of Long Island this after one month in America.

There is the dizzying selection of programs on television, where in England you explored the only three channels, turned the thing off and went to bed.

There are other trials: The agonizing indecision when confronted by a bar's 77 varieties of bourbon and rye after nearly two decades of no choice but scotch.

The nagging fear of injury when staggering away from the newsstand with a Sunday edition which outweighs the combined Sunday editions in Her Majesty's tight little island.

The necessity to buy an automobile whether you want one or not because everybody else has one and the kids mustn't develop a feeling of inferiority.

True, there are compensations in living in America. It is possible to buy a carton of cigarettes without first floating a bank loan-British price, 77 cents a pack.

You can go into a soda fountain and call for a chocolate malted milk and they serve you a chocolate malted milk. British reaction: "What's a malted milk?"

When it's cold outside you just pop inside somewhere and it's warm-central heating is the norm, not a novelty.

There are green vegetables the year around instead of nothing but brussels sprouts, the number of ice cream flavors seems unlimited, many highways outside urban areas were designed for the motor car rather than the horse and buggy and if you're bored on a Sunday afternoon there's the movies or pro football. In England Sunday is for church, or you can take a nice, long nap.

Everything is a little easier-going in England. Take students.

When English students are in a state of social ferment they are likely to work it off by draping a pair of black nylon panties on one of the spires of Westminster Palace, the home of Parliament.

Here, they burn their draft cards.

Band Still Leads Corps Marching

After the Houston Corps parade Saturday, the Aggie Band continues in first place in Corps marching.

The Band has a cumulative overall score of 4,324 points. In second place is Company C-2 with 4,267 points and in third place with 4,245 points is Squadron 12.

These three outfits have been battling for first since the opening day of organized drill. The Band and Squadron 12 are separated by only 79 points. The outfit that takes first place overall for the year earns points toward the General Moore Award.

Competition is also held between the color guards of the Corps, Air Division, and the First and Second Brigades.

In the first-place spot after the parade in Houston was the First Brigade with 932 points. The Second Brigade came in second with 901 points. Air Division's 897 points squeezed by Corps color guard by only three points. Overall standings for the year for the color guards rank are:

- First, First Brigade, 4,433 points.
- Second, Second Brigade, 4,341 points.
- Tied for third, Corps, 4,329 points and Air Division, 4,329 points.

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YMCA To Serve Bonfire Workers

Loaded with cookies and coffee, YMCA members will serve refreshments to bonfire workers through Tuesday.

Eddie Carpenter, senior from Taylor and YMCA cabinet president, said shifts for members serving in the stacking area Friday, Saturday, Sunday, Monday and Tuesday nights will be 6-9 p.m., 9-midnight, midnight 3 a.m. and 3-6 a.m.

He added students serving Saturday, Sunday and Monday in the cutting area will work 8-11 a.m., 11 a.m.-2 p.m. and 2-5 p.m.

FRESHMEN

All Freshmen who have not selected their proofs for the Aggie-land '66 are urged to do so NOW.

38 Bryan Rain Gauges Set For Meteorology Program

Thirty-eight rain gauges will be installed in Bryan in the next few days for a Texas A&M Department of Meteorology research program.

Dr. R. A. Clark, associate professor in meteorology and project leader with Jake Cangelose for Water Research Institute Project 5002, announced the double-barreled study.

Concurrent with installations in the Burton Creek drainage basin, 30 gauges will be set in the area drained by East Yegua Creek, above a stream gauge near Dime Box.

The dual project initially will run three years.

"The Burton Creek basin is rapidly being urbanized," Clark said. "Probably 65 to 70 per cent of it is in residential and business areas."

"The variation of rainfall over a small area in addition to effects of urbanization on surface runoff will be studied," he added. A stream gauge is to be put on Burton Creek near Villa Maria

Road to determine variability. Clark said the program, sponsored jointly by the meteorology department and Water Research Institute, will probably extend to cover a 10-year period.

Devices similar to a standard weather bureau gauge will be set on steel posts imbedded in concrete. The gauge, measuring rainfall to 1/100th of an inch, will be read daily. A clear plastic container four inches in diameter and about two feet tall, it has a 10-inch capacity.

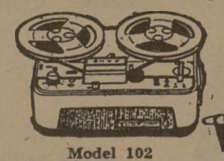
Each gauge costs \$13.40, Clark noted. Total station installation will be about \$20.

Gauges will be set at selected sites one-half mile apart over a six square mile area bounded by a line through the Circle Drive-In Theater and College View, 29th Street to Fannin Elementary School and the railroad tracks west of Bryan.

Present known station sites include the Cavitt Street fire station, Bryan power plant, KORA, Burton Creek near Villa Maria

Measurements in the East Yegua Creek basin are to be correlated with pictures made on A&M's dual-radar system.

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Portraits for the club sections of the Aggie-land are now being scheduled at the Student Publications Office, Y.M.C.A. Bldg.

CORPS SENIORS & 1ST SERGEANTS YEARBOOK PORTRAIT SCHEDULE

Corps seniors and outfit first sergeants will have their portraits made for the Aggie-land '66 according to the following schedule. Portraits will be made at the University Studio in class A winter uniform.

Executive officers and first sergeants will also have portraits made in GH caps for the military section.

Commanding officers will have full length portraits made in boots. PLEASE MAKE INDIVIDUAL APPOINTMENTS WITH THE STUDIO FOR THESE FULL LENGTH PORTRAITS.

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