

THE NEW SOUTH

Plantation

SERVICE BATTERY

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Service Battery has been busier than the three-ring circus it is often accused of being, changing itself around and making room for new faces. There is a new BC, ammo officer, first sergeant and battery clerk.

On top of that, the busy transient hootch has been relocated, the orderly room rearranged, the RTT rig decorated with a new coat of sandbags and taps sounded for the EM/NCO Club.

Cpt Robert Dieterlen, formerly battalion motor officer, is the new BC; 1SG Danny Tillman, new in country, is the new top sergeant; 2Lt Paul Masciarelli, formerly with Bravo Battery in Song Be, is the XO and ammo officer; and Richard "The Professor" Myers is the battery jerk.

The transients from the other batteries who find it necessary (or desirable) to go south for a multitude of reasons and non-reasons are finding things a bit more demanding. They make formations, clean their own hootch, and even fill sandbags. Plantation is no longer the easy livin' of the Old South; this is the New South. Times change.

The EM/NCO Club, which hardly got its feet on the ground after the battery move, gave its wares away for weeks, as Sp4 Bobrowski, the custodian, liquidated the stock. The II Field Force ordered the closure.

Also the Personnel Section, that anonymous group who control our precarious lives, has moved across the

The "Professor" will be taking over the Plantation writing chores from now on.

street from Service Battery--so they can reach each other's throats. Really, it makes doing business easier for those with personnel problems.

Otherwise, things go on much the same at Plantation. Rockets plop in eleven miles out and we go on red alert. The war drones on.

CROSSWORD PUZZLE

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ACROSS

- 1-Knock
- 4-Mountain nymph
- 9-Prefix: three
- 12-Goddess of healing
- 13-Out of date
- 14-Possesses
- 15-Three-pronged spear
- 17-Chore
- 19-Opening
- 20-Unlock
- 21-Reach across
- 23-Choke
- 27-Fall guy (slang)
- 29-Landed
- 30-For example (abbr.)
- 31-Mature
- 32-Eel fisherman
- 34-Equality
- 35-Sun god
- 36-Edible rootstock
- 37-Marsh bird
- 39-Scoffing
- 42-Direction
- 43-Soapstone
- 44-Word of sorrow
- 46-Trumpeter bird
- 48-Outlawed baseball pitch
- 51-Number
- 52-Memoranda
- 54-Man's name
- 55-Greek letter
- 56-Embrace
- 57-Tattered cloth

DOWN

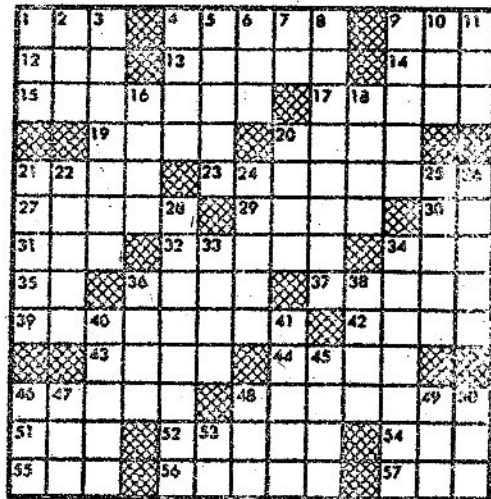
- 1-Soak
- 2-Ventilate
- 3-Personal

4-Unlock

- 5-Rages
- 6-Superlative ending
- 7-Conjunction
- 8-Gives up hope
- 9-Unit
- 10-Hurried
- 11-Suffix: adherent of
- 16-Lairs
- 18-Temporary shelter
- 20-Heraldic device
- 21-Masts
- 22-Hoathien
- 24-Claw
- 25-Jumps
- 26-Long-legged bird
- 28-Baby horse
- 33-Man's name



- 34-Turkish coin
- 36-Athletic group
- 38-Tidy
- 40-Babylonian hero
- 41-Yawns
- 45-Speech impediment
- 46-Devoiced
- 47-Obtain
- 48-Music: as written
- 49-Guido's high note
- 50-Outfit
- 53-Conjunction



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