CHARGIN' CHARLIES

SP4 Ron Frantz

TOGETHER AGAIN

Chargin' Charlie returned in force to Phuoc Vinh recently, rejoining the platoons from LZ Elaine and LZ Bunard. For the first time since January, the battery has been at home and together again. What looked like a sure R&R--Rest and Recuperation--turned out to be an R&R of a different type--Repair and Restoration--as the battery tightened up for the USARV CMMI.

SHORTTIMERS AND NEW GUYS

There were those for whom homecoming meant homegoing. 1LT John McNeill left for Ft Benning; SGT Bobby Chancery went to Ft Bragg; SP4 Don Pittman to Ft Knox; Richard Kimble-The Fugitive-to Ft Rucker; Dave Hooper to Ft Sill; and Gary Mershon to Ft Stewart. Leaving to become civilians were EX-SSG Jake Jacobsen of Long Island; N.Y., EX-SGT Leroy Clevinger of Missouri, EX-SGT Elester Jensen of Oregon, and EX-SP4 Charlie Thomas of North Carolina. Charlie welcomes a new First Sergeant, Augustine Cuellar. 1SG Cuellar joins us after a tour of duty with the 1st Infantry Division. 1SG Sanchez leaves for the 1st Bn, 3d Artillery at Ft Hood. Also assigned to Charlie this month were: SSG Ernest Bullard, and PFC'S Richard Deaver, James Malloy, and Elliot Reidel. SP4 Jack Vernon joins us from the 1st Infantry Division and 2LT George Montgomery and SP4 Kent Oleen join us from Headquarters Battery.

