

### U.S. NAVAL MOBILE CONSTRUCTION BATTALION EIGHT

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# **Advance Party Touches Down in Vietnam**



As the USS PAGE COUNTY (IST 1076) marries up to the causeway at Red Beach, Coronado, the first piece of equipment off-loads signaling the beginning of NMCB EIGHT's amphibious exercise. (Photos and story on Page 3)

# Initial Flight Begins Deployment With BEEP To Prepare Turnover

The Battalion already has its foot in the Vietnam door with the two flights of the advance Farty touching down there earlier this month.

The Advance Party has already started the Battalion Equipment Evaluation Program, acronymed "BESP." Part of this program is to learn as much as possible of the details and problems encountered at the camp site. Advance Party

members will check files, learn who to deal with, where the projects are located, and, in general, how to go about doing the jobs.

In order to effectively carry out its mission of construction support, a battalion has to know the capabilities and limitations of the equipment used to do the work. This is particularly true when a battalion relieves another battalion which has been using the equipment for several months.

Through BLEF, every piece of automotive, construction and weight handling equipment undergoes a thorough inspection by a team composed of personnel from the relieving battalion, the battalion being relieved and the 31st Naval Construction Regiment.

Inaddition, maintenance records, equipment attachments, spare parts inventories are carefully checked. In this way, the relieving battalion obtains a firm evaluation of the equipment that it is about to take over, and the availability of parts required.

All the main body need do is take over company for company, man for man. Representatives from every company and department are readying for the turnover to take place as soon as the flights arrive.

## A Time To Vote

Since most of the primary elections across the nation will be held during the Battalion's coming deployment, absentee ballots and voting registrations should be taken care of as soon as possible, according to ENS R.D. Laime, CAC, USNR, EIGHT's Voting Officer.

Registration cards are available from ENS Laime in the Charlie Company Office. These are to be completed and mailed to the city or county clerk of the respective resident state. Registration requirements and primary election dates vary according to each home state.

Registration should be completed before the Sept. 1 deadline. Requirements include age, residence, and character.

## **EIGHT Takes Eight in RVN**

There's one thing a Seabee of NMCB EIGHT can be sure of in these times: the deployment cycle. As sure as he'll spend eight months in Vietnam, he'll spend only six short months here at home. It's like death and taxes, there's just no getting around it.

For the men of EIGHT, the six short months are drawing to a close. Soon the Battalion will be airborne again, heading for the rigorous challenges of Southeast Asia. Behind them will be home and their loved ones.

But behind them also will be an unparalelled record of achievement in the technical and military training which was administered here in homeport. Training which molded the Battalion into the effective

construction and fighting unit it is today.

with a well deserved leave period concluded, NMCB EIGHT began the homeport deployment with a Battalion party at the sportsman's Lodge in North Hollywood on september 15.

The training cycle was divided into three phases. The first,

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### Intermission

This edition of the New Signature, first of 1968, completes coverage of EIGHT's homeport deployment.

The Battalion's next Newsletter is scheduled for publication during March from the Republic of Vietnam. EDITORIAL

#### Year of Opportunity

What's ahead for you in 1968? What do the next 340 days have in store?

These are rather difficult questions to answer.

However, there is one thing you can be sure awaits you

in 1968 and that is opportunity.

There is the opportunity to become more skilled in your profession; to learn more of what is hapmening around you; to gain skill in a field that may be new and different; or to become more knowledgeable in your dealings with others.



All these and many more opportunities are waiting for you in the year ahead, but you must be alert and willing to work to take advantage of them.

You can't sit back and simply wish good things will come to pass. Hard work is the only thing that can make dreams and wishes come true.

At this time of the year, we have a tendency to make a number of resolutions to improve ourselves during the coming year.

Unfortunately, most of these resolutions are forgotten by the and of the month

by the end of the month.

So, rather than making a long list of resolutions, make just one. Resolve to take advantage of every opportunity for improvement that presents itself in the coming year.

By doing so, you may find you have created a few opportunities of your own and your family will live a fuller and happier life. (AFPS)

# CO'S COMM

CDR J.F. O'LEARY

This willbe our last publication from our homeport here at Port Our advance Hueneme. party has already been deployed andis now busy preparing for the arrival of the main body of the Battalion. We have completed a highly successful period of technical and military training and are in the process of winding up our crew training. In a matter of only a few weeks, MCB EIGHT will be beginning its third deployment to Vietnam.

For all of us in EIGHT thisis a very sad time, for ahead of us all lie long months of separation from our families, our friends and our country. For those of you who remainat home waiting for our return lie equally long months of loneliness and anxiety without the men in your life. There is little I can say to make any of you feel any better about the prospect of it. However, I can assure you that your men have

been well trained and are ready for any eventuality that they may have to face in the coming months of our deployment. I am very proud of the way these men, yours and mine, have performed during the past months of training. I know from observing this performance, that you can expect to hear great things in the coming months about the men of EIGHT and that you will be every bit as proud of them as I am, for we have been blessed with a truly fine Battalion.

To those of you who remain at home I can only ask that you write as often as is humanly possible; that you keep your letters as cheerful as circumstances permit; that you be understanding when long hours of work do not permit your mento write as oftenas you and they would like; and that you keep us allin yourminds and hearts and prayers. We'll seeyou soon, with the help of God.

# The Forum

JO3 R.J. Rainville

This generation is said to be the torch bearer for future generations. "Torch bearer" sounds symbolic doesn't it? To break down the expression further we come up with the word "torch". Then the fun begins..."torch"... a flame, fire which gives off light. People coming into New York harbor see the liberty torch or "fire of freedom".

As we look across these United States we see other examples of "torches or fires" being used in other than their appropriated uses. Tempers flare and the fires of racial unrest are kindled. What ever happened to the quote "All men are created equal"?

The flames of unrest appear again when one, who does not desire to serve his country in the cause of freedom, decides to burn his draft card. True this is a free country where freedom is one of the basic principles of our lives. But what is freedom? Freedom is the right or the state of being free, as long as you do not infringe on the rights of others. When a person burns his draft card or demonstrates against the policy established by the United Statesheisinfringing on the rights of others and at the same time loosing the right to be free.

Fire, being a beneficial light can lead to sorrow and death. The torch is being used to satisfy one's emotional crisis and at the same time create havoac among others.

The new year is upon us. Let us take a long look at the year gone past. It is history now, but does man learn by the referral to history? Man is so blind that he will always stumble into tomorrow as he stumbled into yesterday.

We, the military, beatniks, hippies, teenagers, in a true sense, are the "torch bearer" of the future. Are we using this light to the best of our advantage? Do we do our best to fulfill the needs of the modern society established by us; the inhabitants of the modern world? Will we stumble into the future and become torn between progression and regression? We must stop and look at history and correct the mistakes we made yesterday and go into tomorrow holding the light of freedom ahead of us instead of dragging it behind.

To conclude, I would like to quote George Bernard Shaw, who once said, "Life is no brief candle for me. It is a sort of splendid torch which I have got hold of for a moment, and I want to make it burn as brightly as possible before handing it on to future generations."



# **EIGHT HITS RED BEACH ONE!**

As the LST ramp slowly grinded open, the drivers of the lead bulldozers stood in place and stared ahead at the 1200 ft. causeway leading to the beach.

Members of the Security Platoon received last minute instructions, inserted clips into their rifles, and prepared to hit the beach.

Behind them, the engines of 11 construction vehicles roared into life, echoing their sounds throughout the enclosed tank deck of the ship.

Ahead lay the beach, the enemy, and the challenge.

Thus was the scene as an embarkation team from NMCB EIGHT prepared to assault and secure a beachhead at Coronado, California, on January 99.

The exercise was complex in that the team would not only be expected to secure the beachhead, but also construct and maintain a self-contained community within a 24-hour period. In addition, agression from the outside could be expected at any time.

From the beginning, however, everything went ahead of schedule. In just over one-half hour, every vehicle and man was off the USS PAGE COUNTY and on the causeway. With the beach clear of hostle action, the dozers began leveling the way for the construction and supply vehicles to follow. Almost immediately, living tents were being erected while the foundations of almost a dozen crew training projects were being set in place.

By 1645 of the same day, eight living and galley tents, two strongback huts, a reefer and generator, an observation tower, a command post and three bunkers plus Story by JO3 J.K. Curtis Photos by PHAN R.F. Cotter









50 per cent of the helopad were completed.

After the sun went down and the second hot meal of the day had been served, the men of the team went to their defensive positions. It was known that agression could be expected from members of Amphibious Construction Battalion ONE. When, how much, and where, were still the unknown factors.

The answer came at 1830. A "rat patrol" vehicle sped along the landward side of the camp perimeter and rained mock mortars in on the recently completed installation. Scattered and heavy small arms fire then broke out on the left flank. During the remainder of the evening, the men of EIGHT encountered pockets of aggression throughout the beach area. But at 2230 when the combat phase of the operation was secured, the camp and its security were still intact. The Seabees had protected what they had built.

The next morning, the remainder of the helopad was finished and the construction segment of the exercise was completed. The installation was then dismantled and prepared for backloading aboard the LST the next day.

The job had been done in record time. Problems had been encountered, answers had been found, and lessons had been learned.

Above all, the men of EIGHT knew that if the day came when the beach was not Coronado, California, the enemy not their fellow soldiers of ACB ONE, and the operation not a training exercise —— the job could be done with a minimum of difficulty and a maximum of efficiency.

# B,C,D Co's Help Museum Grow Five Arms



# Building To Include ADM Moreell's Display

to the enlarging of the honeycomb at the CBC Seabee Museum soon to include five new Butler Buildings.

Scheduled completion date is Feb. 15 at which time ADM Ben Moreell, CEC, USN (Retired), Founder of the Seabees, is expected to be on board to personally arrange his display.

Two of the buildings will house ADM Moreell's renowned travel collections. Another two will be used for Vietnamese displays, and the fifth is to be used for Museum office spaces.

The additions not only contribute to the experience of crew members from Bravo, Charlie and Delta Companies, but also add to the historical value of the celebrated CBC Museum. This will be the only site where ADM Moreell's collection items will be available for public view-

Construction materials were purchased with funds collected from the sale of the Seabee Medallion commemorating the 25th Seabee Anniversary and from the donations of contributing groups.







**Delta Company** 

### Crew Training Projects Keep 'Bees Busy

again be proven next deployment.

What's new in Delta now that the leave period company? The Big "D" is over, the Company has would like to clear the air that "D" means Delta Company, not Dog Company as rumored. One sure thing, the Big "D" came about as a result of Delta's construction his whole first plateon Delta's construction his whole first platoon effort on the Chu Lai have been put to work deployment and it will on the addition to the Seabee Museum. Addi-Christmas at home forts being accomplished tional construction efwas nice this year. But by the men of the Big

"D" are a timber bridge project completed under the direction of BUR2 T.C. Gibbs and a welded pipeline project performed by SWF2 H.A. Cortez and his crew.

Many men in the company are looking for-ward to our deployment. Men like our illustrious Company Chief, BUCS Ferron, really enjoy the "challenges" which come about from a tour in Vietnam.

#### Family Guidelines

Pages five and six have been compiled by the NEWSLETTER's staff providing information for dependents EIGHT is deployed.

The insert is to be removed and folded in half with the telephone directory as the last

In the case of subjects not covered here, the local Red Cross is prepared to assist.

# EAM 0808 MEETS THAILAND CHALLEN

Seabee Team 0808, under the leadership of LTJG J. Owens, is presently on deployment in Thailand.

Team 0808, is the fourth team to be formed by NMCB EIGHT. The primary purpose of the team is to build for freedom. They, in short, are the Navy's answer to the Peace Corps, and have had unlimited success on deployments in Vietnam and Thailand.

The following are a few excerpts from LTJG Owens! recent letter

to CDR Burton. "...We will be moving to the village of Bung Kan. This village is on the Mekong River and is a little larger than the village of Paeng Chan, where we were stationed. Living quarters will be a 22' by 39' two-story structure. We built an addition, 18' by 39', on the back to be used as a galley. Our luxuries include a hot water heater, showers, interior

plumbing, and a washing machine.

"A new twist has been added to the Border Patrol Folice--seabee Program, and this is the Line Platoon. Line Platoons are composed of approximately thirty men, and in the past they have been only the

from each of the nine

military arm of the BBP with the Counterpart Teams doing all of the Civic Action work. Now due to a shortage of manpower, the Counterpart Teams are coming from areas down south. In the endthis system will provide a trained team

#### Alpha Company

#### TASK FORCE JOBS: PRIORIT

Alpha Company completed training which consists of its two weeks of Military road building for the Equipsnow flurries at our train-

Now that everyone has returned from their well-earned Christmas or New Year's leave, crew training has begun. Grew Training is practical

Training at Camp Fendleton, ment Operators, maintenance despite the temperature which and repair for the Mechanics, was low enough to create and well drilling for both rates. The Equipment Operaing areas. The training at tors have been building a Fendleton was brought to an road at the crew training end during a bivouac, after area under the direction of which the men boarded buses EOC D.I. Starrett. The Me-for the long trip back to chanics have been maintaining Port Hueneme. the equipment used in crew training, and doing a fine job with CMC G.H. Damschroder supervising. EOL J.L. Frost is heading the well drilling crew which set up the rig and drilled about 20 feet below the surface. Any oil yet Jerry? This training will help the men prepare themselves for jobs that may conconfront them in Vietnam.

As part of the final phase of homeport training, a crew of men embarked for Coronado, Calif. aboard an LST. This crew simulated, in a small scale, the movement of a battalion aboard an LST. These (Cont'd on Page 9)

areas of Thailand, but it means that when the Thai Team leaves there is no one left to carry on the civicaction-self help program. Solution: involve the Line Platoons with the program for they will remain in the Thus we now area. motivate two Thai units instead of only one.

"...Stress has been on short term, high impact projects such as hand dug wells and the installation of water sealed privies. This type of work can be accomplished by the people in a short period of time and there is no problem with lagging interest. Also, no equipment is involved and the end project is something which can be used by

many people. challenge to get the entire operation running smoothly. ... To make it even more worthwhile, the people are some of the finest I have ever met. They are open and extremely friend-





#### Charlie Company

#### NOWHERE TO GO BUT OVER

SWFCN R.C. Robertson

Crew Training, mount out exercises, embark exercises, new men, and holiday leave have been the major activities of the Super C for the past few weeks. With the deployment close at hand, the new men wonder what it's "really like" and the old timers remember and are hoping for hot water this time.

After our two weeks training at Camp Pendleton (which saw the Super C earn the highest percentage of qualification with the M-16) we began projects as erecting strongback tents, as-strongback tents, as-hling AM2 landing ing in the construction of the new Seabse Museum addition here on the base have kept the men

Super C out of and off the trouble streets.

A real feather in our cap this month was the performance of our Embark Team, led by LT Klauss, in it's venture to Coronado on an LSD, I mean LST. After the 20-hour voyage on the LST, the team did a remarkable job in setting up camp and working on training projects.

We would like to take this opportunity to welcome some new faces to the Super C; SWC Cilbert, BU1 Tenney, SU1 Alexander, SW1 Buckmaster, SWE2 Kistner, SWF2 Drake and BULCA Simpson. We're sure their stay will be fruitful.

The months ahead hold the real challenges and a job well ac-complished has meaning, (Cont'd on Page 9)



GOOD FOR PIPING OVER THE SIDE-SWC Harold T. McCrea was transferred to the Fleet Reserve Jan. 15 after almost 21 years of active service in the U.S. Navy. His service has included duty aboard the cruiser USS HOUSTON, and WW II duty with MCB 54. Since 1952, SWC McCrea has served MCB's FIVE. NINE, TEN, and EIGHT,







# EIGHT Takes Eight.

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Technical Training, began in September and lasted until' November. During this time, the Bees of EIGHT underwent a diverse curriculum ranging from bridge construction to light framework to rock crusher operations. Simultaneously, new blood was being injected into the ranks with the receipts from the NaVSCON letter schools. For three months, the Technical Training phase provided NMCB EIGHT with a wellknowledge of rounded construction skill, a knowledge which will now be put into practice in Asia.

On October 14, a Battalion awards ceremonywas held in order to pay tribute to individual achievements on the Chu Lai deployment. Sixtysix U.S. Military Assistance Command, Vietnam, Certificates of Achievement and 112 Letters of Commendation and Appreciation were awarded to the men of EIGHT.

Two weeks later, the in mass, Battalion, marched before the CBC reviewing stand in ceremonies for Navy Day 1967. Behind the men came the machines of their trade from bulldozers to 6x6 trucks.

The second phase of the homeport schedule, Military Training, be-gan on November 13th when the Battalion reported to the 31st Naval Construction Regiment for three weeks of combat instruction at Fort Hueneme. This period was followed up by two weeks of training at Camp Pendleton under the tutorship of the Marines. The curriculum covered

several different areas of military training, mostly centered but around the mastering of the M-16 rifle, being used by EIGHT for the first time. Lighty-five percent of the shooters qualified with the new weapon.

After EIGHT spent its first Christmas in the States in three years, the final phase, Crew Training, began. The purpose of this segment was to familiarize the men with working as a unit, as they will do in Vietnam.



(AFPS Feature

1. What is the record for the longest recognized punt in the National Football League? 2. What former Chicago Cardinals football great scored

the most points in a single NFL

3. Which college holds the NCAA major college basketball record for the best average in

record for the best average in points per game? 4. Philadelphia 76ers center Wilt "the Stilt" Chamberlain holds many of the major scor-ing records in the NBA. What is the latest record he set? 5. What was the worst championship rout recorded in NFL history?

nampionanip rout recorded in NFL history? 6. What National Hockey League team had two brother combinations playing for them during the same season? ANSWERS

I. Ninety-four yards by Wilbullogs in 1923.

2. Ernie Neers, He scored six bulldogs in 1923.

2. Ernie Neers, He scored six touchdowns and four extra points for a total of 40 points in a game against the Chicago Bears on Nov. 28, 1920.

3. Syracuse University. In 1966, Syracuse averaged 99 points per game.

4. Chamberlain became the first player in NBA history to forted the NBA history to forted the NBA bistory to forted the Washington Bedies of The 1930, the Chicago Bears defeated the Washington Redshirs. 73-0.

6. The 1930, the Chicago Bears being Star New York and Neil Colling and Lynn and Muzz Puttiek on the roster.

# Exam Rush Season on; **Seavey Eligibility Dates Cited**

ADVANCEMENT OPPORTUNITY The masterminds tell us that advancements from the February exams are going to be in the whopper class again. So if you're hankering for that crow or another stripe to go with it, get in there and start cracking the books! The Navy needs petty officers, and we're hoping that all eligible men will take the exam. Remember, it doesn't hurt to try just a little bit harder.

Just a reminder, that the E-8 and E-9 exams are to be given in February instead of May. The selection board will convene in June and advancements will commence in August.

EXAM DISCREPANCIES - Too many cases of discrepancies are not being cleared until after the limiting date for advancement.

What's a discrepancy? It means that some part of the information concerning YOU that is reported is not correct, such as taking an exam for another rating without BUFERS authority, errors in service in pay grade, excessive awards credit, etc. Errors are reported to each command on the advancement Letter. First of all, be sure that all the personal information that you put on the answer sheet is correct. Next, if you are listed as a discrepancy when your command receives the advancement results, see the personnel officer and have the errors corrected.

SEAVEY— Every four months we are faced with the task of a new Seavey. After the deadline for submission of rotation data cards, the Bureau of Naval Personnel receives numerous letters and phone calls from commands and discover that the man concerned was not informed about the necessary obligated service to be eligible for seavey.

In order to decrease the administrative workload and more important, not jeopardize an assign-ment to shore duty of personnel who are eligible for Seavey except for obligated service, all commands are requested to comply with the Enlisted Transfer Manual.

All personnel who became eligible for Jeavey must have 24 months of active duty obligation from the last order issuing month. That is for A-68, your expiration of active obligated service (8408) must be here 1000 active obligated service (8408) must be here 1000 active obligated services (8408) must be here 1000 active obligation of active obligation oblig vice (EAOS) must be May 1970 or later; for B-68 your EAOS must be September 1970 or later; and for C-68 your EAOS must be January 1971 or later.

It is recommended that if you are eligible for Seavey, make sure you extend for the required amount of obligated service or else sign a Page 13 entry stating you do not desire to extend for Seavey.

For information relating to the advantages of a rewarding Naval career, see Master Chief Lenning in the Career Information Office.

#### Headquarters Company

### **Curtain Closes Fast; H** Moves into Boxes

Our time in the land of the big exchange is fast coming to a close. Yes, nomeport deployment will soon be history as Headquarters Company begins to pack up and look for the big silver birds to come and take us to our home for the next eight months.

Everyone who made the Chu Lai deployment seems

to be anxious to get back.

During the past six months we have been thoroughly trained in all respects to prepare us for our major job in Vietnam which is the direct support of the 'Bees of EIGHT. This will have to be accomplished without the assistance of some of the Chu Lai vets. The personnel office will lose all three First Class PN's. Ray is soon to be discharged and returned to his native Texas, "Pop" Lewis is going back to the thriving metropolis of Broken Bow, Nebraska when he retires into the Fleet Reserve next month, and Quinene

will return to duty in the fleet off Guam.

The same is true of the Supply Department.
Chief Keel is gone, R. Corpus and Joe Carey have received orders. Their replacements have taken over and things are about as normal as they can

The way things have been going lately one may think that PAO means Supply Department. It is getting to be a gathering place for doughnuts and coffee in the morning and when anybody needs supplies they come to us. Even Supply draws its supplies from the Public Affairs Office.

There are some new faces in H Company. We wish to welcome aboard YN3 Jim Ladd from duty in Japan and a "dual-roller" SN R.W. Harp from

Texas.

Our next article will be coming from the Southeast Asian paradise of Vietnam. Till then,

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ALPHA COMPANY

men unloaded equipment and their gear after the LST nosed into the causeway. In a short time a bivourc area was built and defended against the aggressor force.

Next on our schedule is our deployment. We have been adequately trained to "Build and Defend," and feel that we can handle any task given us in Vietnam.

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CHARLIE COMPANY

not only to the people who worked on it or to EIGHT, but to the war effort as a whole. After the training and schools that we've been through, we're sure that we can meet these challenges.



"WELL HARRY, IF YOU'RE GOING TO ARRIVE EARLY YOU'LL HAVE TO EXPECT THIS!

Servicemen now being discharged from active duty have the protection of their National Servicemen's Group Life Insurance policies extended for 180 days at no cost to them. During that period they are entitled to apply for and receive their private life insurance at regular rates, regardless of any disabilities they have incurred in the service. They may apply to any of more than 500 comto any of more than 500 commercial insurance companies which participate in the pro-





(AFPS Feature)

MORALE: A STUDY OF MEN AND COURAGE, by John Baynes. By Lt. Col. Bob Webb, USAF

John Baynes.

The author's purpose in this book was to "find out why the infantry, which suffered the most as it always must, was able to show such courage and determination."

able to show such courage and determination."

Restricting his field in order to "stick to something small and try to get near the truth," he narrowed his investigation to one battalion in one battle—the Second Scottish Rifles at the Battle of Neuve Chapelle, March 9-15, 1915. Six days after the 900-man battalion went "over the top," it marched out of the line with 150 men commanded by a second licutenant. This book should have some real meaning for more than just military readers since morale is felt to be the key to the survival of any community. It is just as important to a nation at peace as it is to one at war and this book provides a study

and this book provides a study of genuine value in a field largely ignored.

THE BATTLE FOR THE PA-CIFIC, by Donald MacIntyre, Pub-lshed by W. W. Norton Co., N.Y.,

The attack on Pearl Harbor Dec. 7, 1941, not only plunged the U.S. into World War, II but also started the greatest naval war in history. The Japanese began the battle for the Pacific with something of an edge—the main units of the U. S. Pacific Fleet had been knocked out. Our aircraft carriers were saved because they simply were not

Mr. MacIntyre takes what must Mr. MacIntyre takes what must be a unique view of Pearl Harbor. His opinion is that had any of the battleships been saved from this initial attack, the war might ac-tually have been prolonged. The point he makes with considerable clarity and force is that the Japanclarity and force is that the Japanese had the only modern and effective navy in the Pacific and
that they had learned the value of
the carrier and what its aircraft
could do to battleships.

As a non-participant, naval authority and British, the author
makes a good case in a good fashien in a very interesting and
worthwhile book.

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worthwhile book.

EAGLE DAY, THE BATTLE
OF BRITAIN, by Richard Collier.
Published by E. P. Dutton and
Co., N.Y., at \$5.95. Hlustrated.
Much has been written about
the Battle of Britain, the struggle
between the Royal Air Force and
the German Luftwaffe in defense
of the English homeland. This
book, however, helps bring alive
one of the historically great battles of any war in any element.

tles of any war in any element. Mr. Collier, an ex-RAF mem-ber, war correspondent and muchpublished author, tells the story pretty much the way it was—a hair-raising story of great courage and the endurance of a surprising-ly small number of men and ma-

EAGLE DAY is the story of perhaps the crucial engagement for England in World War II. The reader is introduced to those of both sides who led the attack, planned the defenses, flew the air-

reaft and provided ground support.
Four-hundred eye-witness accounts of all that went on in that incredible period from Aug. 6 to Sept. 15, 1940, comprise this definitive account of the Battle of Britain.





Does any special electricity pass through you when you say the word, "life"? Listen to the spring which comes with the "I" and then the mute which the "I" puts on the word. It is a magic word, a word which has a paradox even in its articulation.





...are you swinging with me Jesus?



"THE MIND BLOWER - THE SPIRIT"

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