



CO'S CORNER

" A MOMENT FOR REFLECTION "

November 27 has been marked in red on most of the calendars I've seen throughout the battalion. That is Thanksgiving Day, a day of tradition and sentiment for all of us. While the mess sergeants and their hard-working cooks prepare turkey and all of the trimmings, we should take a moment to reflect on all for which we have to be thankful.

Your initial thought on this might be, ". . . you've got to be kidding . . . in the heat, dust, and dirt of Vietnam . . . thankful for what?" Let me suggest a few thoughts--

--Our fathers and theirs before them worked, fought, and died to make our homes and families secure.

--Our loved ones at home are safe and comfortable because of our nation's strength, wealth, and philosophy of individual human dignity.

--Our buddies serving with us here in Vietnam are willing to fight and die, if need be, to protect and support us.

--Our privilege and duty to serve and defend our fellowmen, the Vietnamese, in their efforts to achieve that which we take so much for granted--individual liberty and dignity.

Let us all take a second before diving into the turkey, dressing, and gravy to ask for strength to complete our tour--safely--conscientiously--honorably.

--LEONARD F.B. REED JR., LTC

VEHICLE AWARD

TOP DRIVER

PFC Fred Sergeant, Baxter, Ken., a heavy truck driver in the ammo section at Battery C, won a \$25 bond for having his M577, Carrier Command Post, picked as Vehicle of the Month.

