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## Harpooners Leave Annex

**CMAC IO**--After completing a move from the MACV Annex last week, CMAC personnel from the G-1, G-4, AG and Information sections were just one jump away from a permanent home.

Staff sections located on the third floor of the Annex building, including Hq. Commandant Supply, CI and MACV Advisory Team 100, found themselves packing records, regulations and forms and carting them across the street to their new "temporary" home. Residence was quickly established and operations resumed in good order.

The move was necessitated because of new construction in the Annex area which calls for the destruction (Cont'd on Page 7, Column 2)

## RF, PF Heroes Presented Medals

By Sp4 Brian Wickham

**CMAC IO**----Impact awards of two American Bronze Star Medals with 'V' and seven Army Commendation Medals with 'V' were presented recently to nine Vietnamese Regional (RF) and Popular Forces (PF) soldiers near Saigon. The awards gave instant recognition to the soldiers who were

### Thayer Now Col.

Colonel James L. Thayer, CMAC Artillery Officer was recently promoted to his present rank. Major General F.K. Mearns, Commanding General, CMAC, pinned the insignia of rank on the colonel's uniform in ceremonies Jan. 16 at CMAC Headquarters.

Colonel Thayer arrived in Vietnam in May, 1968 and was assigned to the 41st Artillery Group. One month later he was reassigned to the newly formed CMAC.

A native of Belfast, Maine, Col. Thayer now makes his home in Hampton, Va. with his wife and three children.

cited for gallantry in action which had taken place only three days before the ceremony.

### CG PRESENTS MEDALS

Major General F.K. Mearns of CMAC awarded the Bronze Stars to Captain Nguyen Van Mai, 131st RF Company and Squad Leader Doan Van Tu, 149th PF Platoon, at ceremonies in Bam Hom, Binh Chanh District, six miles west of Saigon. Gen. Mearns presented the Army Commendation Medals to Tu's squad members.

Capt. Mai was cited for his role in defeating a VC force on January 18, 1969.

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