

Saigon, Vietnam
December 20, 1966

Dear Ron,

My apologies for getting this information off to you; it has taken quite a long time to get it pulled together—and even then, I don't think it is as complete as you requested.

I'll enclose all the information I could find on the Medal of Honor winner. In addition, Major Young has requested that the Army IO in either Ft. Bragg or Benning (where Joel now is) to send you any more info as well as pictures, if possible. I don't think that it has yet been awarded, but we can't find out when it will be. I hope the US IO's keep you posted on it.

About the specific stories, it is almost impossible to track them down without some first hand traveling, talking with the IO's themselves, or the medics. The information channels didn't turn up anything. Sorry I can't be more helpful on this score.

I'll enclose a few more photos. We've been collecting photos as we went along here and Major Young has asked about 5 different units in the field to submit them, in addition. But, as you can see, the quality isn't too good. The Log Command is still processing some better ones—but even then, they are mediocre. The only other alternative is to try to contact some of the professional photographers here, such as Jim Pickerell. I'll await your cable before doing that, however.

All of this didn't take much time; so if there are any added expenses, let's figure it up after your piece and photos are in.

Sorriest I didn't see Jill's photo. One issue of Newsweek was banned here. Please give both of them my best.

And, of course, happiest holidays to you—

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