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TRANSCRIBED HISTORY FROM PARARESCUE DAILY LOG

- 26 Mar 67 SNOWDEN & WIDNER RESCUE MISSION, COLUMBIA, TWO MEN WITH RABIES
- 9 Jun 67 BLATCHFORD & SNOWDEN RESCUE MISSION, FT. GULICK, ARMY PERSONNAL
- 27 Jun 67 SNOWDEN RESCUE MISSION, RIO HATO, SAVED ONE MAN
- 29 Jul 67 BLATCHFORD & SNOWDEN SEA RESCUE, ONE MAN
- 5 Oct 67 SNOWDEN SEA RESCUE, COAST GUARD MADE PICK- UP
- 20 Nov 67 BLATCHFORD & SNOWDEN SEA RESCUE, BOAT WRECK, FOUR PEOPLE
- 4 Dec 67 BLATCHFORD SEA RESCUE, MISSING BOAT, FOUND
- 8 Jan 68 SNOWDEN & PICKELSIMER RESCUE MISSION, REP. OF GUYANA, ONE MAN  
BLATCHFORD CESSNA 180, CURTIS MYER, DEAD, LEFT IN AIRCRAFT, UNABLE TO REMOVE BODY DUE TO POSITION OF AIRCRAFT, 130 ft on side of cliff laying on its back supported by two trees, aircraft slips when cutting or trying to pull door open, to dangerous 2,000 ft stright down
- 24 Feb 68 PICKELSIMER & VOGEL
- 8 Feb 68 BLATCHFORD, SNOWDEN EMERGENCY- Control tower, man with appen-  
PICKELSIMER dicitis, lowered over side of hanger with ropes and wire strecher
- 6 Jul 68 PICKELSIMER UH-1F, Injured crewman on german freighter fell and hurt his head, he was OK. Rode the ship to Panama
- 29 Jul 68 PICKELSIMER & VOGEL Volcano in Costa Rica, named Arenal. Killed about 80 people. We went up on two Hueys. Stayed in Costa Rica 3 days, San Jose, we stood by, rescue & evacuation was taken care of on the ground - SEE ATTACHED NEWS CLIPPING
- 9 Sept 68 SNOWDEN & VOGEL Picked up a man with bleeding ulcers. Died approx two hours befor pick-up- 25 miles off the coast of Colon, Atlantic side. Used UH-1F chopper, we left Howard at 1235, got to the scene at about 1300, Snowden lowered to the boat. He was informed the patient had trouble with his ulcer for the last three days, he had trouble breathing this morning they had been giving artificial respiration for the last two hours befor we arrived. The patient had a dark blue purple pallor about his face and neck when Snowden saw him, no pulse was found, the patient was not breathing. The patient had been bleeding through his nose. Vogel and Snowden both tried mouth to mouth resuscitation on the patient, this did not change his color, he did not respond We delivered the patient to Coco Solo hospital on the Atlantic side around 1340 hrs. Rigormortis had not set in
- 23 Oct 68 PICKELSIMER & SNOWDEN An Army UH-1D (HUEY) went down about 800 yds south west of the base hospital, Sgt Snowden and Sgt Pickelsimer were both in seperate U-10B's waiting for their regular Wed. jumps when they were called by radio on the planes to jump into the scene. Sgt Pickelsimer jumped from 1500 ft with a PC chute and landed a few feet from the chopper

Snowden jumped static line from 1100 ft with a 35 ft canopy, S-10 parachute and landed in a tree about 100 yds or so away. The crewmembers on the chopper were OK and didn't require any major medical attention. The chopper went down at approximately 0931. SSgt Snowden was found at 1745 the same day, Dead, on the jungle floor, below the parachute he had used to travel from the U-LOB to the jungle trees near the helicopter crash site. Cause of death was strangulation. Sgt Snowden had been wearing a Bell Toptex helmet with double "D" ring chin strap fastening assembly. After landing in the trees, Sgt Snowden had deployed his 24 ft reserve parachute. Sgt Roy T. Vogel.

- 4 Feb 69 PICKELSIMER & VOGEL Flew 11 hrs on C-47 searching for two men on a boat missing since last Saturday. Did not find that boat. Found another boat though, outboard & inboard with no one onboard. USAF Huey chopper flew out to it, hovered over it and confirmed no one onboard. We left it where it was on the Pacific side about 60 miles off the coast. We later flew cover for a Huey US USAF chopper air evac from Perlas Islands.
- 14 Feb 69 PICKELSIMER & VOGEL Flew 6 hours on a C-47 searching for 3 teenagers in a boat off the Panama coast on the Atlantic side. We flew up the beach too Costa Rica and back down the coast, checked all small islands just off the coast. Didn't find anything.
- 15 Feb 69 PICKELSIMER Flew about 3 hrs in a UH-1F chopper just off the coast, Atlantic side, check 60 ft boat that had broken up out there after hitting the rocks about 10 miles off the coast the night before. Supposedly 9 people onboard. Most of them were pick-up by other boats in the area. Didn't find any survivors.
- 24 Mar 69 PICKELSIMER & HENRY (CCT) Flew 2 hrs on a C-47 looking for missing boat. Found out it was at Taboga Island with a bad motor.
- 22 May 69 VOGEL Practice for Air show to be held Friday morning. Full rehearsal. Three C-47's with five army static line jumpers in each plane flew over the bleachers and on over the trees. The jumpers exited their plane over the trees. Only three jumpers did not land in the jungle trees next to Venado beach DZ. One jumper was hung up in a tree around 70 ft high the jumper was too high to even use his reserve chute to slide down on, to safety. I passed a nylon climbing rope up to him via his reserve. I instructed him in using his reserve "D" rings as a friction device to lower himself out of the tree as is done in a PJ tree jump. After about 30 minutes the jumper comprehended and slide down the rope after tying it off to his risers and popping his capewells. The jumper had a scratched face. Later in the afternoon in a UH-1F Huey the crew and I recovered the chute from the tree utilizing the penetrator and a rope.
- 14 Jul 69 AUSTIN, VOGEL & HINDMAN (CCT) Flew to Maiquetia Venezuela on way to Br. Guiana. We were called back though from Maiquetia. Missing Consul or Ambassador had walked away from his light plane after it had crashed, but was slow about spreading the word. 6½ hrs flying time each way.
- 4 Sep 69 PICKELSIMER, AUSTIN & VOGEL Special Forces conducting HALO trg. school