

New Heart Transplant 'Goes Well'

CAPE TOWN (UPI) — Dr. Christian Barnard performed his second human heart transplant operation Tuesday and said it went better than the first.

Barnard, up since dawn after only a few hours sleep, successfully transplanted the heart of a dead 24-year-old man of Negro-white blood into Dr. Philip Blaiberg, 59, a retired white Cape Town dentist, in a five-hour operation Tuesday morning.

It was history's third heart transplant, Barnard's second and the first between members of different races.

Barnard said Blaiberg had regained consciousness and was in "very good condition."

Barnard gave few details of the operation itself. But he said the donor's heart began beating once it was implanted.

In history's first heart transplant, which Barnard performed Dec. 3 on South African grocer Louis Washkansky, the donated heart had to be started with an electric shock.

This time, however, Barnard said that when the heart-lung machine—which kept Blaiberg's

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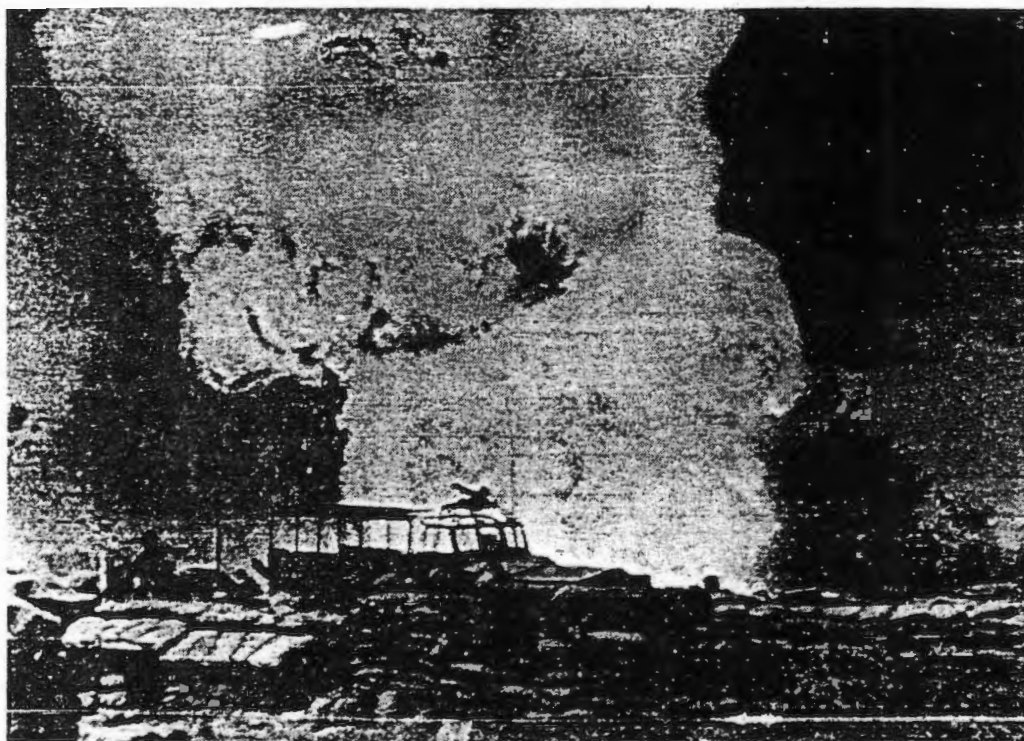
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GI'S BEAT BACK REDS, KILL 351



SMOKE BILLOWS FROM EXPLODING AMMO DURING ATTACK TUESDAY ON U.S. TROOPS 60 MILES NORTH OF SAIGON. UPI Rediophoto

SAIGON (UPI) — Firing artillery point-blank into their attackers, U.S. soldiers Tuesday turned back elements of two veteran Viet Cong regiments who partially overran their jungle position in the waning hours of the bloodiest holiday truce of the Vietnam War.

U.S. spokesmen said the men who defended fire support base Burt, 60 miles northwest of Saigon and a mere eight miles from the Communists' Cambodia (Continued on Back Page, Col. 3)

Rail Crash Blasts, Gas Peril Town

DUNREITH, Ind. (AP) — A seepage of deadly gas forced firefighters to back away Tuesday from the smoldering remains of a train wreck at this tiny east Indiana town.

State Board of Health officials issued the warning of the gas and all but health officials and military teams pulled out of an area about four blocks square around the wreckage.

The firefighters had been on the job since shortly after the collision of two trains Monday night touched off tumultuous explosions. (Continued on Back Page, Col. 1)

BULLETIN

SAN ANTONIO, Texas (AP) — President Johnson signed Tuesday night bills extending a record \$3.5 billion financial aid to elementary and secondary schools and appropriating \$2.29 billion for a severely slashed foreign aid program. Johnson also was expected to sign shortly a Social Security bill.

Parking Lots Of Trouble

WASHINGTON (AP) — In the traffic-clogged nation's capital, parking is an eternal problem even for government employees, who get into combat daily with ingenuity.

In a small square two blocks from the White House, employees of two agencies emerge at random during the day to play musical chairs jockeying for new parking spaces within legal time limits. One secretary's lunch-time duties include checking for police chalk marks on the trees (Continued on Back Page, Col. 2)

LBJ Names Economic Aid, OKs Service Benefit Bills

SAN ANTONIO, Tex. (AP) — President Johnson today named Arthur M. Okun, a 39-year-old economist, to succeed Gardner Ackley as chairman of the Council of Economic Advisers. Okun will be the youngest man ever to hold that post.

In other actions from his LBJ Ranch, the President signed four bills aimed at helping servicemen. He said the bills reflect in small measure "a large concern for America's men-at-arms" and show America does not forget service in freedom's cause.

In signing the minor bills improving benefits for servicemen and their families, Johnson said this was a day of telling them "America does not forget."

"No words of ours — and no actions — can match or measure their sacrifice," he said. "But in the ways that are open to us,

this nation can show its gratitude."

The bills provide: — No fighting man will lose the annual leave time he earns in Vietnam. The current 60-day limit for accrued leave is now expanded to 90 days for those in battle areas.

--Servicemen in combat zones can retain their traditional privilege of mailing gifts costing (Continued on Back Page, Col. 3)

New Heart Transplant a Success

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blood circulating and aerated during the operation — was switched off, "the new heart took up circulation immediately."

A senior member of Barnard's medical team said, "It was a beautiful operation. These boys (Barnard and his surgeons) are good."

The doctor said the operation had gone far smoother than the first.

The heart came from Clive Haupt, a smiling, good-looking young man who grew up in one of Cape Town's worst slums. Haupt suffered a stroke during a New Year's Day romp on a bathing beach and died early Tuesday morning of a brain hemorrhage.

Hours before he died, Haupt had been moved to Cape Town's Groote Schuur Hospital where Blaiberg had been waiting for more than a month for a suitable donor.

Permission to perform the transplant had been obtained from Haupt's mother. Haupt's bride of three months collapsed from shock and grief at his death.

When Haupt died preparations for the operation began. Members of Barnard's 30-man team had performed tests, while Haupt clung to life throughout the night, to make sure his blood and tissue matched well enough with Blaiberg's.

They matched, "not perfectly but satisfactorily," a member of the surgical team said, and better than had those of Washkansky and his donor, a 25-year-old girl who died in an automobile accident.

As in Washkansky's case, doctors will maintain a watch against an immunity reaction by Blaiberg's own body against the foreign heart.



Clive Haupt, donor in South Africa's second heart transplant operation, is pictured with his bride, Dorothy, at the time of their wedding three months ago. (AP Radiophoto)



DR. PHILIP BLAIBERG

Trains—

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plosions and a roaring blaze. The death of cattle alongside a stream in the area raised the fear of leaking cyanide from the tangled wreckage of freight cars.

Military firemen brought in from nearby Wright Patterson Air Force Base at Dayton, Ohio, had to hold off use of their long-range foam equipment for fear of adverse chemical reaction.

The entire population of Dunreith—slightly more than 200 persons—left homes in the sub-freezing temperatures of New Year's night following the collision.

Two ammonia-filled tanker cars exploded with a thunderous roar when the two freight trains collided.

A canning factory was destroyed, along with two homes, and several houses damaged.

Three firemen and a policeman suffered minor injuries. The blast was felt in areas 25 miles away. A pilot said the explosions shook his small plane as he flew over Dunreith, which is about 35 miles east of Indianapolis.

It Was Holiday For Death, Too

By The Associated Press

The New Year holiday weekend traffic death toll fell below that for a nonholiday weekend and below advance estimates.

A National Safety Council spokesman gave credit Tuesday for the improvement to bad weather and good driving.

The total reached 376 compared with 484 on a nonholiday weekend of identical length.

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Parking—

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of her bosses' car and rubbing them out.

One Capitol Hill staffer without the cherished parking sticker solved his problem with a small block of green trading stamps glued to his car window.

A man in the Interstate Commerce Commission found his solution in a dime store where he bought a card that said "Official U.S. Government."

In tiny letters it added "Taxpayer."

The card worked until one day he found on his car a \$3 parking ticket with a handwritten note: "Don't try this stunt again."

Spain Cracks Red Cell

MADRID (UPI) — A Spanish cell of pro-Chinese Communists has been broken up and seven persons arrested, it has been revealed. The leader, identified as Martin Cantalejo, had been recruited in Paris to set up a Marxist-Leninist Communist party in Spain.

GIs Beat Back Reds

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sanctuary, killed 351 Viet Cong in 10 hours of fighting.

But they paid heavily — 23 Americans killed and 153 wounded — by far the most serious of the 177 violations U.S. and government spokesmen claimed the Communists initiated during the 36-hour New Year's truce which ended at 6 a.m. Tuesday.

Early reports, which proved erroneous, had said 75 Americans were killed.

A total of 27 Americans were killed and 205 wounded during the so-called truce, while 44 South Vietnamese died and 132 were hurt. U.S. and Saigon government spokesmen claimed 549 Communists killed and 11 captured.

This compared with 111 incidents reported in the 48-hour New Year's truce a year ago in which 14 Americans, five South Vietnamese and 40 Viet Cong were killed.

Meanwhile, Communist gunners slammed several rounds of 122mm rockets into Da Nang AB early Wednesday, destroying three planes.

A U.S. spokesman said four Americans were wounded. There were no reports of Vietnamese casualties.

The attack near the Cambodian border began shortly after sunset, after elements of the 25th Inf. Div. battalions had settled in for the last night of the second of three holiday truces. The third, for the Lunar New Year, is scheduled for 72 hours later this month.

First came the 350 mortar rounds, then the first of two ground assaults.

American planes were quickly overhead, sweeping the Communist positions with bombs and cannon fire within 100 yards of the U.S. perimeter.

The brunt of the attack was aimed against a platoon of four armored personnel carriers commanded by 2nd Lt. Gordon

F. Kelley, 24, of Northwest Harbor, Maine. Communist rockets hit all four tracked vehicles, but the men inside kept pouring out machine-gun fire at the flicker of Viet Cong muzzles.

At one point, Communist soldiers swarmed through the perimeter and occupied one section of bunkers from which they fired their hand-carried, bazooka-style B40 rockets.

Then the American artillery began to take effect. Firing "beehive rounds," shells filled with hundreds of tiny darts that spew over a wide area when fired, artillerymen leveled their 105mm guns and cut loose with 100 rounds.

At dawn the combined air strikes and artillery caused the Communists to break and flee, UPI correspondent Robert Kaylor reported.

The battle near Cambodia was not the only major fight reported during the last hours of the truce. In South Vietnam's northern quarter, government troops hurled back separate attacks on Monday and early Tuesday, killing 95 Communists.

Sixty-five of those Reds died trying to overrun the Nghia Hanh subsector compound along the northern coast. South Vietnamese and Popular Forces defenders fought them off with light losses of their own.

The other 30 Communist died attempting to overrun another government subsector compound, this one 13 miles south of Quang Tin. Again the government defenders drove them off, taking only light losses.

Theft by the Trunkful

LONDON (UPI) — The elephants at London's zoo snatched 14 coats, 12 handbags, 10 cameras, eight gloves and six return railway tickets to Leicester from visitors who went too close to try to feed them last year, the London Zoological Society says.

Hanoi Prodded On Offer

WASHINGTON (AP) — A State Department spokesman said Tuesday the United States is seeking clarification of the meaning of a statement from Hanoi Monday that North Vietnam "will" hold talks with the United States if the United States first stops bombing North Vietnam.

Press officer Carl Barich declined to give any detail on the diplomatic probing now underway, however. He was under instructions to say only that the statement, by Foreign Minister Nguyen Duy Trinh, is under study.

Barich declared, however, that clarification of the meaning of the Trinh statement is "part of the study process."

While Barich would not say what clarification is being sought, it is understood that one thing the United States wants to know from North Vietnam is what issues would be covered in talks as offered in the Trinh statement. Trinh has been quoted as saying that the talks would be concerned with "relevant" or "pertinent" questions.

LBJ—

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up to \$50 duty free. The limit for others is \$10.

— The families of men missing in action will have twice as much time — up to a year or more — to store their household goods at government expense.

— A serviceman with a trailer home will receive an increase in allowance for its commercial shipment from 51 cents to 74 cents per mile when he is reassigned to a new station.

Johnson named Ackley Monday to be U.S. ambassador to Rome. The Texas White House said Okun, now a member of the three-man Council of Economic Advisers, would move up to the \$30,000-a-year chairmanship after the Senate approves Ackley in his new post.

The President also appointed an 18-member commission on obscenity and pornography to look into the relationship between such material and antisocial behavior. The commission will be headed by William B. Lockhart, head of the University of Minnesota Law School.

World Weather

USAP Weather Center

TOKYO AREA

Wednesday night: Cloudy, Fair: Low 20

Thursday: Fair: High 28

TEMPERATURES

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Tokyo	46	24	Saigon	86	64
Calcutta	24	22	Bangkok	98	68
Hankow	51	44	Hong Kong	63	50
Seoul	42	19	K. Lumpur	85	72
Naha	62	43	Manila	72	53
Taipei	61	52	Singapore	77	70
Hankow	87	64	Sydney	74	64
Guam	83	74			
	H	L		H	L
Albany	15	85	Memphis	29	17
Albuquerque	41	13	Atlanta	78	68
Amesbury	56	21	Albuquerque	9	11
Atlanta	39	28	Albuquerque	27	18
Birmingham	48	33	H. Orleans	49	45
Bismarck	2	20	H. Orleans	24	68
Boston	28	21	H. Orleans	33	15
Chicago	17	5	Paris	41	27
Cincinnati	15	4	Paris	25	28
Cleveland	10	-4	Phoenix	37	31
Denver	28	12	Pittsburgh	19	7
Des Moines	12	86	Portland, O.	49	38
Detroit	10	-7	Roswell City	22	-1
Fort Worth	43	-31	Rose	53	13
Galveston	54	28	Richmond	36	26
Hanover	49	43	St. Louis	11	-7
Houston	57	73	St. Paul	15	-7
Indianapolis	42	12	St. Louis	49	29
Jackville	77	57	St. Louis	55	39
Kansas City	53	6	San Diego	61	43
Las Vegas	46	28	San Francisco	49	41
London	41	29	Shreveport	39	32
L.A.	60	46	Tucson	59	32
Louisville	17	-2	Wash.	28	18