

NEWS



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MIRACLE WEATHER FORECAST May 4

Partly cloudy, warmer tomorrow, showers in the mountains during the afternoon. Winds southeast gusting to 20 knots by noon. Temp. H 93 L 55 Humidity H 95 L 55

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AMERICAL DIVISION NEWS

CHU L. I (AMERICAL IO)--Americal Division units encountered light action in southern I Corps yesterday, with a reported 19 VC killed and two weapons captured.

GENEVA PARK--The 198th Inf. Bde. accounted for seven VC killed in its area of operation.

Co. B, 1-52 Inf. killed two VC during a search and clear operation 14½ miles west-northwest of Quang Ngai, where the company later found two more VC who had been killed by gunships.

Co. D, 1-52 Inf. killed another VC while working in the vicinity.

Co. A, 5-46 Inf. engaged four VC, killing one, in a rice paddy 7½ miles northeast of Quang Ngai. A short while later, the company engaged an unknown size force in the same location killing another VC.

IRON MOUNTAIN--Five VC were killed when the recon patrol from the 11th Inf. Bde.'s 3-1 Inf. engaged seven among hootches along Highway 1, 9½ miles southeast of Duc Pho, for the only kills reported in the brigade area.

Co. C, 4-21 Inf. engaged an unknown size force 12 miles southwest of Duc Pho and followed blood trails to a wounded NVA who was detained.

FREDERICK HILL--"Blue Ghost" gunships of F Trp., 8th Cav. killed four VC in the 1st Sqdn., 1st Cav. area eight miles west of Tam Ky.

In a delayed report, C Trp., 1st Cav. found an AK-47 rifle and a carbine in a tunnel it was searching Thursday, five miles west of Tam Ky.

Three VC were killed in two contacts in the 196th Inf. Bde. area of operation.

Two VC were killed by Co. B, 1-46 Inf. in the foothills 16½ miles southwest of Tam Ky, where the company found and destroyed five hootches.

Co. B, 4-31 Inf. engaged two VC, killing one with a pack, in a mountainous region 22½ miles west of Tam Ky.

Three Americal soldiers were killed and 13 were wounded and evacuated for medical treatment, according to an initial report. Sixteen Americal soldiers were killed in action last week.

Action the past week was mostly light in southern I Corps, with Americal Division troops accounting for 16 NVA and 164 VC killed, and 25 weapons, two crew-served, captured.

In Operation Frederick Hill, the 1st Sqdn., 1st Cav. reported killing 77 VC and capturing three weapons.

"Blue Ghost" gunships from F Trp., 8th Cav. accounted for 50 of the VC killed. The gunships killed 17 after engaging an unknown size enemy force 15½ miles north-northwest of Tam Ky, Monday.

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