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* MONDAY *
* : Mostly cloudy *
* Occasional showers. *
* High 95°, low 75° *
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AMERICAL DIVISION NEWS

CHU LAI (AMERICAL IO)—Americal Division units accounted for 20 VC and two NVA killed and one individual weapon captured in the southern I Corps Tactical Zone yesterday.

A village cordon operation by the 4th Bn., 3d Inf. led yesterday's action as 11th Inf. Bde. "Jungle Warriors" killed 16 VC and detained 55 suspects in Quang Ngai Province.

The 4th Bn., 3d Inf. cordon operation, seven miles southeast of Duc Pho resulted in 11 VC killed and 29 suspects detained. A company led by 1LT Robert F. Callahan (Ft. Meade, Md.) killed eight of the VC near a trail as the cordon got under way. Another company of the Bn. killed two more VC on separate actions near trails as the round-up proceeded. One 4th Bn., 3d Inf. company found the body of a dead VC near huts. The VC had been killed by 6th Bn., 11th Arty. fire the previous night. At the end of the cordon operation a total of 29 VC suspects had been detained by the "Old Guard" soldiers.

In action late Friday night, troops of a 3d Bn., 1st Inf. company detained 15 VC suspects eight miles north of Duc Pho. In the same area another company of the Bn. detained one VC suspect and killed two VC.

A third company of the "Always First" Bn. detained nine VC suspects—seven near a village three miles northwest of Duc Pho, and two who had no ID cards five miles north of Duc Pho.

"Sykes Regulars" of a 1st Bn., 20th Inf. company killed one VC after he ran from a hut 11 miles northwest of Quang Ngai City.

"Shark" gunships of the 174th Avn. Co. killed one VC near a beach seven miles southwest of Duc Pho.

Gunships from the 14th Avn. Bn. killed one VC five miles southwest of Binh Son.

In other action "Aero Scouts" of

the 123d Avn. Bn. detained one VC suspect near the Song Ve River, 20 miles southwest of Duc Pho.

In the 196th Inf. Bde's. area of operations, "Charger" units killed two VC and one NVA and captured one individual weapon.

A 2d Bn., 1st Inf. company engaged and killed one VC with small arms fire 23 miles west of Tam Ky.

A 4th Bn., 21st Inf. company engaged a group of NVA yesterday with small arms fire. It was estimated the group numbered about 30. The contact resulted in one NVA killed seven miles southwest of Hoi An.

Bde. aerial observers spotted a possible enemy base camp 10 miles southwest of Hoi An. Artillery fired into the area resulted in one VC killed.

A 4th Bn., 31st Inf. company found an SKS rifle six miles southeast of Hiep Duc yesterday.

The 198th Inf. Bde. reported that "Aero Scouts" of the 123d Avn. Bn. killed one NVA southwest of Tam Ky.

"Dragoons" of the 1st Sqdn., 1st Armored Cav. reported two VC killed and two suspects detained in their area of operations yesterday.

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"D" Trp. of the Cav. accounted for the two VC killed in the Durlington Trail area.

One of the VC suspects was detained by "F" Trp., 8th Cav. and the other by "A" Trp. of the 1st Cav.

One Americal Division soldier was killed and 11 wounded and evacuated for medical treatment yesterday.

Today is TET Trung-Tin, the Vietnamese children's holiday, and in the spirit of holiday giving, soldiers of

the 11th and 198th Inf. Bde's. presented a large array of gifts, for children in nearby villages.

"Brave and Bold" soldiers distributed toys and candy to the village chiefs of Dinh Son and Ly Tin while "Jungle Warriors" gave their gifts to officials in Duc Pho.

Another highlight of the 198th Bde. Civic Action Program yesterday was the graduation of six Vietnamese nurses.

"Regulars" of the 1st Bn., 6th Bnf. had sponsored the course of instruction for the six young women. The nurses will use the intensive training they have received to treat members of their respective villages.

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