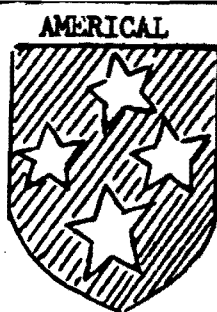


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SATURDAY

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AMERICAL DIVISION NEWS

CHU LAI (AMERICAL IQ) - Units of the Americal Division killed 18 VC and one NVA, detained one NVA and 12 VC suspects and captured one individual weapon in southern I Corps yesterday.

Units of the 198th Inf. Bde. killed nine VC and one NVA and detained one NVA and 12 VC suspects.

In the Durlington Trail area the 1st Bn., 52d Inf. recon. plt., led by 1LT Barry Luther (Orange Park, Fla.) detained one VC suspect who had been wounded in the leg.

Early that morning a 1st Bn., 52d Inf. company, led by CPT Jack W. Sorensen (Council Bluffs, Iowa) engaged and killed one NVA. The enemy was killed when he attempted to flee the "Ready Rifles" west of Tam Ky.

The "Ready Rifles" recon. plt. was next to make contact. The infantrymen engaged two NVA, wounding one. The wounded NVA was detained and evacuated for medical treatment. He had been carrying a pack filled with rice and medical supplies.

CPT Sorensen's company again made contact as they continued to operate west of Tam Ky. They engaged and killed one VC who was carrying military documents.

"Blue Ghosts" of F Trp., 8th Cav. killed two VC while flying in support of "Brave and Bold" infantrymen northwest of Chu Lai.

In two separate actions, the 1st Bn. 52d Inf. recon. plt. detained one VC and called in artillery on a group of VC moving west. Results of the artillery fire mission were one VC killed and two VC suspects detained.

In the Chu Lai area a 5th Bn., 46th Inf. company, led by CPT Michael R. Smith (New Lebanon, Ohio) reported receiving small arms fire southwest of here. Fire was returned, killing five VC. A check of the area resulted in six VC suspects detained.

"Hero Scouts" of the 123d Avn. Co. detained two VC suspects south of Chu Lai in the afternoon.

Civic action soldiers of the 1st Bn. 46th Inf.; 5th Bn., 46th Inf.; and the 1st Bn., 6th Inf. treated 865 Vietnamese during five MEDCAPS.

In the 196th Inf. Bde.'s area of operations, "Charger" units killed eight VC and captured one individual weapon and 13,900 pounds of rice.

A 3d Bn., 21st Inf. company spotted two VC with weapons 14 miles west of Tam Ky. The enemy was engaged with small arms fire, resulting in one VC killed and one K-44 rifle captured.

A 4th Bn. 21st Inf. company killed one VC seven miles south of Hoi An with small arms fire.

The 3d Bn., 21st Inf. command and control helicopter killed one VC 14 miles west of Tam Ky.

In two separate incidents, in an area centered 15 miles west of Tam Ky, a 3d Bn. 21st Inf. company killed a total of three VC.

"Guardians" of a 2d Bn., 1st Inf. company engaged and killed one VC with small arms fire 15 miles west of Tam Ky.

Another company of the battalion killed one VC 11 miles southwest of Hoi An.

A 4th Bn., 31st Inf. company found 3,000 pounds of rice 14 miles southwest of Hoi An.

Another company of the battalion found 7,200 pounds of rice in various containers hidden in huts, 25 miles west of Tam Ky.

A 2d Bn., 1st Inf. company found 3,700 pounds of rice 16 miles northwest of Tam Ky.

Two days ago, Vietnamese civilians, under the Voluntary Informant Program (VIP), turned in to the 4th Bn., 21st Inf. 50 M-26 grenades, 40 81mm mortar rounds, 2 1/2 pounds of Flex-A, eight 106mm recoilless rifle rounds, five 3.5" rocket rounds, one Claymore mine, and assorted small arms ammo, etc.

Yesterday, the "Gimlets" received 28 M-26 grenades, 2 1/2 pounds of Flex-A, two 4.2" mortar rounds, and five 81mm mortar rounds under the VIP.

"Guardians" of the 2d Bn., 1st Inf. received 30 105mm artillery rounds, one M-72 LAW, six M-26 grenades, and one Claymore mine under the VIP on the 25th also.

Very light action in Quang Ngai Province resulted in one VC killed by...

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11th Inf. Bde. "Jungle Warriors."

The single action took place near the Song Ve. "Always First" soldiers of a 3d Bn., 1st Inf. company killed one VC 19 miles northwest of Duc Pho.

The 1st Sqdn., 1st Armored Cav. reported two tons of polished rice captured yesterday. The rice was found by "Dragoons" of A Trp. two miles south of Thang Binh.

Seven Americal soldiers were wounded and evacuated for medical treatment.

SIDNEY -- Australia's first heart transplant patient is doing very well. The operation on 57-year-old Richard Pye took nine and a half hours Wednesday night.

SAPPORO, JAPAN--The only surviving heart transplant patient in Asia is still in the hospital, and doctors say 18-year-old Nobuo Miyazaki doesn't have much appetite, but otherwise there's nothing wrong with him.

CANNES, FRANCE--Pablo Picasso Friday celebrated his 87th birthday at his villa in Mougins.

As in years past, streams of letters, telegrams and flowers will be delivered to the luxurious villa where the Spanish-born painter now lives in seclusion.

HANOVER, NEW HAMPSHIRE--A Northeast Airlines prop-jet with 42 persons aboard crashed and burned in a foggy drizzle on Moose Mountain Friday night while making a landing approach to Lebanon, New Hampshire airport eight miles away. State police said "about 10" persons survived. The fate of the other 32 was not known.

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MEXICO CITY---U.S. Athletes have won four more swimming gold medals at the Olympics and added others in shooting and showjumping. Bill Steinkraus became the first American in history to win the gold medal in showjumping. Second and third places went to British riders. Gary Anderson won the free rifle event with a world record score of 1,157. The American swimmers to take first places were Mike Burton in the men's 400-meter freestyle, Charles Hickoc in the 400-meter individual medley, Kay Hall in the women's 100-meter backstroke and Sharon Wichman in the women's 200-meter breaststroke. Milena Duchkova of Czechoslovakia won the women's platform diving. While another Czech girl, Vera Caslavka, took individual honors in the women's gymnastics.

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