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MIRACLE WEATHER REPORT

Fair to partly cloudy skies. Winds at 10 knots from the Northeast. High Saturday 100. Low Saturday night 79. (B-6)

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AMERICAL DIVISION NEWS

CHU LAI (AMERICAL IO)---Action decreased in the Americal Division's southern I Corps Tactical Zone yesterday as Division forces and supporting elements accounted for 11 VC killed and two individual weapons captured.

In the 11th Brigade area of operations around Mo Duc and Duc Pho, ground units killed seven VC and apprehended 10 suspects in scattered action.

"Always First" soldiers of the 3d Battalion, 1st Infantry detained nine suspects for questioning during yesterday's operations. Two rifle companies of the battalion led by 1LT Vincent Satariano (Chicago, IL) and 1LT Eugene S. Phillips (Killeen, TX) killed a total of five VC in three separate contacts north of Duc Pho and east of Mo Duc.

"Sykes Regulars" of the 1st Battalion, 20th Infantry reported a total of two VC killed in two incidents south of Duc Pho.

"Charger" units of the 196th Infantry Brigade killed three VC and captured one weapon in the Operation Wheeler/Wal-lowa area yesterday.

A Recon element of the 3d Battalion, 21st Infantry killed one VC with small arms fire 16 miles west of Tam Ky yesterday.

"Snipers" of a Company of the 3d Battalion, 21st Infantry killed a total of two VC in two separate incidents nine miles west of Tam Ky.

"Guardians" of a 2d Battalion, 1st Infantry company uncovered one M-1 carbine 21 miles northwest of Tam Ky.

Action in the 193th Infantry Brigade area of operation was light and scattered yesterday as "Brave and Bold" soldiers and supporting elements killed one VC, detained two suspects, and captured one weapon.

A company of the 5th Battalion, 46th Infantry led by CPT Lawrence G. Johnson (Westchester, IL) killed one VC northwest of Chu Lai yesterday morning.

A group of NVA fled leaving behind one AK-47 rifle yesterday when "Aero Scouts" of the 123d Aviation Company swooped down on them northwest of Chu Lai.

"Ready Rifles" of the 1st Battalion, 46th Infantry captured one wounded VC south of Chu Lai yesterday morning. The VC was evacuated for medical treatment.

A unit of the 1st Battalion, 6th In-

fantry led by CPT Chris N. Martin (Schoe-field Barracks, MA) captured one VC yesterday when the "Regulars" won a foot race with the VC trying to outrun the unit.

Civic action soldiers of the 198th Infantry Brigade treated 84 Vietnamese yesterday during two medical visits.

Units of the 1st Squadron, 1st Armored Cavalry reported no significant contacts in their area of operations yesterday.

Division forces suffered one soldier wounded and evacuated for treatment.

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CHICAGO--The Reverend Channing Phillips, a Washington Clergyman, won 67 1/2 votes Wednesday night at the Democratic convention as the first negro ever placed in nomination for President at a major U.S. political convention.

Phillips, who marched for Civil Rights in Selma, Alabama, and taught Greek in a Seminary, got votes from about 100 of the 339 negro delegates and alternates to the convention.

GUATEMALA CITY--Guatemala declared a 30-day "State of Siege" Thursday, suspending constitutional limits on search and seizure to hunt the submachine gun assassins of U.S. Ambassador John Gordon Mein.

Mein, 54, was gunned down Wednesday attempting to flee a band of men who forced his limousine off the street three blocks from the U.S. Embassy and ordered him into one of their cars.

His chauffeur said Mein stepped from his limousine in the exclusive residential neighborhood and broke and ran. A burst of machine-gun fire felled him.

DATELINES----UPI

CHICAGO--Hubert H. Humphrey Thursday plunged into a national election campaign against Richard M. Nixon bearing a Democratic banner tattered and dirtied in one of the angriest intraparty fights of modern American political history.

Immediately after receiving a Democratic Presidential nomination of questionable value, Humphrey buckled to the task of finding a running mate. Senator Edmund S. Muskie of Maine will be his Vice Presidential running mate.

MOSCOW--The Soviet press Thursday told Russians that some Czechoslovakians have been "Deluded" into thinking that Russian occupation forces are not their friends.

The Communist party newspaper Pravda blamed "Counterrevolutionaries" for keeping trouble brewing in Czechoslovakia.

(In Prague, Czechoslovak radio said the Slovak Communist Party Congress in Bratislava has ousted as First Secretary Vasil Bilak, accused of being a Soviet collaborator. Pravda did not mention this.)

PRAGUE--Czechoslovakian leaders have begun the crackdown demanded by Moscow. New restrictions are being placed on radio, television, and newspapers.



NEW SERGEANT MAJOR OF THE ARMY
George W. Dunaway ANF
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WASHINGTON--Former President Eisenhower is off the critical list at Walter Reed hospital. But doctors say the extensive damage to his heart from seven attacks and the many complications make his condition guarded.

CHICAGO--Thousands of antiwar demonstrators broke national guard and police lines in Chicago's Grant Park Wednesday in an attempt to carry out their planned march to the Democratic convention.

Rush hour traffic was lined bumper-to-bumper along Michigan Avenue as the demonstrators swarmed the area. Police shot tear gas to break up the march. Hippies, Yippies and motorists tried to escape the fumes by pressing handkerchiefs to their faces or leaving the area.

At one point, some 500 protesters tried to parade to the Conrad Hilton, Democratic headquarters, but were blocked by lines of national guardsmen.

CHICAGO--President Julian Goodman of the National Broadcasting Company early Thursday invited Hubert Humphrey and Richard M. Nixon to hold a two-hour debate November 3rd--two days before the voters decide in the contest for the White House.