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SATURDAY

Mostly cloudy to cloudy with intermittent showers.

High 90°, low 77°. Winds northeast at 8 to 10 knots. (B-6)

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AMERICAL DIVISION NEWS

CHU LAI (AMERICAL IO)—Action remained scattered in the Americal Division's southern I Corps Tactical Zone yesterday as Division forces and supporting elements accounted for 29 VC and four NVA killed, two crew-served and three individual weapons captured.

Fighting in the 11th Inf. Bde's area of operations yesterday resulted in 14 VC and four NVA killed, two suspects detained, and two crew-served and three individual weapons captured.

A Vietnamese national recently escaped from the Viet Cong (who had used him as impressed labor) led troops of a 4th Bn., 3d Inf. company to a complete 105mm howitzer buried near the base of a hill eight miles west of Quang Ngai City. The Vietnamese had been forced to help bury the howitzer during the last TET offensive.

"Aero Scouts" of the 123d Avn. Bn. killed a total of eight VC in four separate contacts yesterday 15 miles west of Quang Ngai City. Later the "Aero Scouts" killed an NVA and captured his AK-47 one mile southwest of the Ha Thanh Special Forces Camp. The "Aero Scouts" also detained two suspects west of Quang Ngai City. One of the suspects had blood on his clothing, but no wounds.

Soldiers of a 3d Bn., 1st Inf. company killed three NVA and captured two AK-47 rifles and one RPD light machine gun in separate actions near the Ha Thanh Special Forces Camp yesterday.

Yesterday morning two evading VC were killed by a 1st Bn., 20th Inf. company eight miles north of Duc Pho. Later in the day the "Sykes Regulars" killed another VC in a firefight 11 miles north of LZ Bronco.

In other action yesterday the U.S. Air Force killed three VC during an air strike 12 miles west of Quang Ngai City.

"Charger" units of the 196th Inf. Bde. killed 12 VC yesterday in Operation Wheeler/Wallowa.

"Legionaires" of a 2d Bn., 21st Inf. company engaged and killed one evading VC 25 miles northwest of Tam Ky.

"Polar Bears" of a 4th Bn., 31st Inf. company called an air strike on an area where an aircraft previously received fire, killing one VC 31 miles west of Tam Ky.

In an area centered 15 miles west of Tam Ky, "Gimlets" of two 3d Bn., 21st Inf. companies killed three VC in two separate contacts.

A reconnaissance element of the 4th Bn., 21st Inf. killed four VC in two contacts 12 miles southwest of Hoi An.

A 4th Bn., 21st Inf. company engaged a group of VC hiding in a tunnel 29 miles west of Tam Ky, killing three of them.

Three VC were killed in light scattered activity in the 198th Inf. Bde. area yesterday.

A force from a 5th Bn., 46th Inf. company led by CPT Lawrence G. Johnson (Westchester, Ill.) engaged two VC yesterday afternoon 23 miles northwest of Chu Lai. One VC was killed by the "Professionals" in that jungle skirmish.

An element of the 1st Bn., 6th Inf. "Regulars" discovered a series of six spider holes while sweeping the ridge line west of Chu Lai.

Gunships of "F" Troop, 8th Cav. supporting 198th ground troops, reported killing two VC and destroying four camouflaged enemy huts yesterday afternoon 15 miles west of Chu Lai.

"Brave and Bold" soldiers and Medics of the 198th treated 545 Vietnamese yesterday during five MEDCAPs.

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NATIONAL LEAGUE STANDINGS as of 9/12/68

CLUB	W	L	PCT	GB
St. Louis	91	57	.615	
San Francisco	79	68	.537	11 1/2
Cincinnati	76	69	.524	13 1/2
Chicago	76	72	.514	15
Atlanta	75	72	.510	15 1/2
Pittsburgh	71	75	.486	19
Philadelphia	69	77	.473	21
Los Angeles	66	81	.449	24 1/2
Houston	66	82	.446	25
New York	66	82	.446	25

AMERICAN LEAGUE STANDINGS as of 9/12/68

CLUB	W	L	PCT	GB
Detroit	93	54	.633	
Baltimore	85	62	.578	8
Boston	78	65	.531	15
Cleveland	79	71	.527	15 1/2
New York	76	70	.521	16 1/2
Oakland	76	72	.514	17 1/2
Minnesota	69	78	.469	24
California	63	85	.426	30 1/2
Chicago	61	87	.412	32 1/2
Washington	57	89	.390	35 1/2

DATELINES AROUND THE WORLD—UPI

TOKYO—The Commander of the USS Pueblo has told foreign newsmen in North Korea that his ship, carrying espionage equipment, violated communist waters several times before its capture January 23rd. The statement attributed to Pueblo Captain Lloyd Mark Buscher broadcast by the Korean news agency did not differ from earlier confessions and letters which the North Koreans said were written and signed by the 82 surviving crewmen of the intelligence ship.

SAIGON—Communist troops have withdrawn from Tay Ninh after occupying several hamlets around the populous city Wednesday. Allied forces met little resistance as they moved to wrestle control of the city near the Cambodian border.

WASHINGTON—The World Bank has approved two loans totaling 8 million U.S. dollars for the expansion of Malaysian telecommunications and water supply systems. Bank officials say 4,400,000 dollars will help Malaysia cover equipment for local and long distance networks and Telex facilities and 3,600,000 dollars will be used to develop the Langat River as a major source of water. The loan will be payable in 20 years with 6 1/2 per cent annual interest.

DAILY SUMMARY

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No significant contacts were reported in the 1st Bdn., 1st Armored Cav's area of operations yesterday. Division forces suffered two soldiers killed and eight wounded and evacuated for medical treatment.

CHARLOTTE, NORTH CAROLINA (UPI)—Richard M. Nixon said Wednesday the United States should postpone signing the proposed Nuclear Test Ban Treaty because of the Russian military intervention in Czechoslovakia.

"I hope that it can be universally adopted," Nixon said, "but the Soviet invasion of Czechoslovakia, now less than a month old, has seriously damaged prospects for early ratification of the treaty."

Nixon, who consolidated his New York State support before flying south to third party candidate George Wallace's stronghold, drew laughter and cheers when he assured crowds at the Raleigh-Durham airport, Chapel Hill and Charlotte that "I like turnip greens, too."

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