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MIRACLE WEATHER REPORT

SATURDAY

Cloudy skies with rain and gusty winds ending in the afternoon.

High 89°, low 75°.

Winds southwesterly at 10 knots. (B-6)

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AMERICAL DIVISION NEWS

CHU LAI (AMERICAL IO)--Action slowed in the Americal Division's southern I Corps Tactical Zone yesterday as Division forces and supporting elements reported eight VC killed, three NVA killed, seven VC suspects detained, and three individual weapons captured.

Heavy rain failed to stop 198th Inf. Bde soldiers yesterday as they accounted for two VC and two NVA killed, three weapons captured, and discovered two enemy base camps.

The reconnaissance platoon of the 1st Bn., 52d Inf. led by 1LT James A. Lockhart (Montpelier, Ohio) was involved in one contact yesterday. The "Ready Rifles" spotted three NVA west of Chu Lai. The three were engaged, killing two and capturing two AK-47 rifles, two hand grenades, and 155 rounds of AK-47 ammunition.

Early yesterday morning a 1st Bn., 46th Inf. company found the body of one VC killed in action Wednesday night. A CPT team found a VC killed in the same area by the 198th's 1st Bn., 14th Artillery.

Later that morning a reconnaissance platoon of the 1st Bn., 6th Inf. operating five miles west of Chu Lai discovered a large bunker complex used within the past two or three days.

Operating in the same area a 1st Bn., 6th Inf. company commanded by CPT Francis X. Brennan (Boston, Mass.) found an NVA base camp which was capable of holding 25 people.

A 5th Bn., 46th Inf. company found one individual weapon yesterday seven miles southwest of Tien Phuoc.

Civic action soldiers of the "Brave and Bold" Brigade treated 317 Vietnamese during two MEDCAPs yesterday.

Scattered action throughout the 196th Inf. Bde's area of operations yesterday accounted for five VC and one NVA killed in Operation Wheeler/Wallowa.

A 3d Bn., 21st Inf. company engaged and killed one evading VC 18 miles northwest of Tam Ky.

Another 3d Bn., 21st Inf. company engaged and killed another evading VC 18 miles west of Tam Ky.

A 2d Bn., 1st Inf. company while searching an area 24 miles northwest of Tam Ky, engaged a group of enemy soldiers in a hut after the enemy threw hand grenades at the unit. Three VC and one NVA killed resulted from that contact.

11th Inf. Bde's, "Jungle Warriors" reported one VC killed, and seven suspects detained as enemy contacts dropped in the Quang Ngai Province yesterday.

Yesterday morning "Sykes Regulars" of a 1st Bn., 20th Inf. company killed an evading VC three miles southeast of LZ Bronco.

A 4th Bn., 3d Inf. company detained three VC suspects on a trail 4 miles west of Quang Ngai City. Another "Old Guard" company detained two VC suspects in other action 12 miles west of Quang Ngai City.

"Primo Aviation Limited" detained a VC suspect in a village seven miles north of Duc Pho.

A 1st Bn., 20th Inf. company detained one VC suspect four miles southeast of the "Jungle Warriors" home.

No enemy contacts were reported in the 1st Sgdn., 1st Armored Cav's area of operations yesterday.

Division forces suffered two soldiers killed and nine wounded and evacuated for treatment.

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MOSCOW—Soviet occupation troops were told Thursday to beware of "youngsters of loose morals" in Czechoslovakia.

The army newspaper Krasnaya Zvezda (Red Star) said some Czech teenager, inspired by Western propaganda, not only were immoral but also "liked" to shoot from behind the corner" at Russian soldiers.

"Counter revolutionaries and Western propagandists are banding on these youngsters with loose morals," the paper said as it carried a flurry of articles hailing Soviet "Fraternal" help to Czechoslovakia and giving further evidence of difficulties facing Warsaw Pact occupation forces.

In a report from Bratislava, apparently designed to boost the spirit of Soviet soldiers, the paper said Russian troops showed "disgust" when they saw a young Czech kissing his girlfriend.

"He was longhaired, wearing some sort of red trousers and she was naked up to the extreme limits," the report written by Lt. Col. V. Trihmanenko, said.

"They started kissing in front of us all as if they wanted to say, look what freedom of morals we have" the correspondent said.

But Soviet soldiers were "spitting as they watched this scene with disgust", the report said.

HOUSTON, TEXAS—Dr. Michael E. DeBakey, who made a medical "First" with a multiple transplant last Saturday, started another heart transplant operation Thursday.

The surgery started around dawn, a spokesman at Methodist Hospital in the Texas Medical Center in Houston said. It

was DeBakey's second human heart transplant operation.

Saturday, DeBakey coordinated teams of surgeons and nurses who took the heart, one lung, and two kidneys from a woman and transplanted them into four men, all of whom survived and were reported recovering.

PEANUTS

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