



 * MIRACLE WEATHER REPORT *
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 * Chance of Showers *
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AMERICAL DIVISION NEWS

CHU LAI (AMERICAL IO)--Americal Division forces accounted for 21 VC and seven NVA killed and ten individual weapons captured in action in the southern I Corps Tactical Zone yesterday.

In the 196th Inf. Bde's area of operations yesterday, "Charger" units killed 13 VC and captured nine individual weapons.

In the largest contact of the day, a 4th Bn., 21st Inf. company spotted a group of VC evading into a tunnel seven miles southwest of Hoi An. The enemy was engaged, resulting in nine VC killed.

A search of the area resulted in the capture of three SKS rifles, two M-1 carbines, one M-16 rifle, and one Chicom sub-machine gun.

In the same area another 4th Bn., 21st Inf. company engaged and killed a total of three VC in two separate incidents.

In other action, a 196th Inf. Bde. aerial observer called in artillery on one VC, resulting in one VC killed 18 miles northwest of Tam Ky.

"F" Trp., 17th Cav. captured two M-72 LAWs eight miles south of Hoi An.

Soldiers of the 198th Inf. Bde. and supporting gunships killed seven NVA and one VC and captured one individual weapon yesterday.

"Aero Scouts" of the 123d Avn. Bn. spotted a group of NVA 10 miles west of Tam Ky yesterday morning.

The gunships opened fire on the NVA before they could take any evasive action.

The "Aero Scouts" then inserted infantrymen to search the area. Seven NVA bodies were found at the scene.

About noon yesterday a 1st Bn.,

46th Inf. company led by 1LT Larry Gragg (Metalina, Wash.) engaged a group of enemy west of Tam Ky. One VC was killed and two captured. The two captured VC were evacuated for interrogation.

A 1st Bn., 52d Inf. company found one M-72 LAW four miles east of Tien Phuoc.

"Brave and Bold" Civic Action soldiers of the Bde. treated 541 Vietnamese during five MEDCAFs yesterday.

11th Inf. Bde. "Jungle Warriors" killed four VC and detained seven suspects during scattered action yesterday in Quang Ngai Province.

"Always First" soldiers of a 3d Bn., 1st Inf. company led by 1LT Bruce E. Pikeas (Chicago, Ill.) killed three VC in separate actions three miles north of Duc Pho.

Seven miles north of Duc Pho, troops of another 3d Bn., 1st Inf. company detained two female VC suspects. The two suspects had jumped in front of a patrol to prevent the "Always First" soldiers' firing at a group of evading VC.

"Dragoons" of "E" Trp., 1st Sqdn., 1st Armored Cav. working with troops of the 11th Inf. Bde. yesterday detained three suspects in separate contacts eight miles northwest of Quang Ngai City. One of the suspects without an ID card was found hiding in a (Cont'd.)

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ditch and the other two were caught near a clearing. Neither of the two had ID cards.

Working with "E" Trp., 1st Cav., soldiers of a 1st Bn., 20th Inf. company detained two VC suspects near huts. One of the suspects had no ID card.

Soldiers of a 4th Bn., 3d Inf. company observed two VC moving toward their position near Highway 1, 11 miles south of Duc Pho. The VC fired five to six rounds at the unit and fled.

The "Old Guard" troops pursued the enemy. Later one of the VC was found dead. He had been killed by M-79 grenade fire.

The 1st Sqdn., 1st Armored Cav. reported three VC killed and one suspect detained in their area of operations yesterday.

"Blue Ghosts" of "F" Trp., 8th Cav. killed three VC 12 miles northwest of Tam Ky. In the same area "B" Trp. detained one VC suspect.

Three Americal Division soldiers were wounded and evacuated for medical treatment yesterday.

DATELINES AROUND THE WORLD

STOCKTON, CALIFORNIA (UPI)—As Sandra Wagner sees it, 120 hours work a week for no pay is unfair. But Sandra's job has no union to help her and no wages and hours laws to protect it. She is a housewife.

So she has established a one-woman picket line.

Her strike against her husband entered its fourth day Wednesday.

She has refused to cook or to wash clothes, and has marched militarily up and down in front of her house with signs such as "strike a blow for womanhood."

Her husband is a sign-painter but Sandra has painted her own during the dispute.

Sandra, 23, has been married for eight years and has two sons and an infant daughter.

She said she was still friendly with her husband, Tom, but planned to continue her strike "until Tom is willing to sit down and negotiate."

CAPE KENNEDY (UPI)—The U.S. Space Agency has announced the Apollo-eight moonship will be moved to the launch pad on October 10th. That's one day before Apollo-seven is scheduled to carry three astronauts around the earth for an 11-day trip. Wednesday's announcement signals another step forward in planning to send astronauts around the moon in December, if Apollo-seven is successful.

Malaria plays no favorites—take precautions!

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