

REDS STEP UP ATTACKS



PRESIDENT JOHNSON BREAKFASTS WITH SAILORS ON THE AIRCRAFT CARRIER CONSTELLATION

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SAIGON (UPI)—Viet Cong guerrillas occupied a village on Saigon's northwest outskirts and used it Monday for rocket firing positions to bombard the giant Tan Son Nhut airbase containing Gen. William C. Westmoreland's "Pentagon East" headquarters.

Heavy fighting erupted all along Saigon's northern perimeter and on two sides of the airbase between government troops and resurgent Communists intent on keeping the capital city and its air facility tied up indefinitely.

The Viet Cong blew up a railroad bridge leading from Tan Son Nhut to nearby Bien Hoa—site of South Vietnam's busiest military airbase—and fought for control of a highway bridge linking the two. Government soldiers reported killing 217 in the highway bridge battle.

South Vietnamese and American soldiers fought savagely to

U.S. Marines push ahead in the battle for Hue, Page 6.

drive guerrillas out of at least three towns occupied during the second cycle of the Reds' Tet offensive on Sunday.

U.S. Army helicopter gunships and Air Force warplanes sank 20 Communist sampans loaded with 122mm rockets near Saigon Monday, the U.S. Command said.

A spokesman said the command received intelligence reports late Sunday that 26 sampans had been spotted being loaded with Communist rockets on a canal, 29 miles west of the capital city.

A spotter plane and AC47 "Spooky" gunship were dispatched to the scene, the spokesman said. For six hours, beginning just past midnight, the gunship, dive-bombers and helicopter gunships raked the sampans with bombs and rockets.

There were no reports of secondary explosions on the targets, a spokesman said.

The U.S. Command said one man had been killed and 48 wounded when one Communist 122mm rocket slammed into the

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Florida Teachers Walk Out

TALLAHASSEE (AP)—More than half a million Florida public school children were shut out of classes Monday by the nation's first statewide teacher walkout.

One-third of the state's teachers—25,077 of 60,844—already had resigned Monday with 12 counties not yet reporting, according to figures from the state Department of Education and county school boards.

The teachers' spokesmen here (Continued on Back Page, Col. 3)

So Don't Get Cute

DENVER (UPI)—Denver Post columnist Red Fenick, recently made an honorary member of the Women's Marine Corps, issued a warning in his column Sunday to anyone planning to tease him about it.

"You make some sort of wise crack at me, buster, and I'm going to hit you with my purse," he wrote.

LBJ Briefs Ike on Vietnam; Former Chief Praises Westy

WASHINGTON (AP)—President Johnson gave an enthusiastic account Monday of a six-hour meeting with Dwight D. Eisenhower that climaxed a transcontinental tour. During his weekend tour, Johnson said more troops will be sent to Vietnam if needed.

Johnson visited the former Republican President Sunday at Palm Desert, Calif., before flying back to the White House.

Before flying by helicopter to the luxurious Eisenhower winter home, Johnson bade personal farewells to Vietnam-bound Marines and Army paratroopers and spent Saturday night aboard the carrier Constellation off the California coast.

At the outset of his visit to the Eisenhower home at the El Dorado Country Club in Palm Desert, Johnson was accompanied by Lt. Gen. Lewis W. Walt, deputy commandant of the Marines and a Vietnam veteran, and Walt W. Rostow, the President's special assistant for national security affairs.

These men, Johnson reported,

briefed Eisenhower on crises in Vietnam and Korea for about an hour.

Johnson, who has had many kind words recently for the U.S. commander in Vietnam, Gen. William C. Westmoreland, invoked Eisenhower's name in defense of the general.

Reporting that Eisenhower spoke highly of Westmoreland, Johnson said the former chief executive told him the Vietnam

commander bears the greatest responsibility of any general he ever heard about in history.

Johnson said he asked if this meant greater responsibility than Eisenhower shouldered as allied commander in Western Europe in World War II.

He said Eisenhower replied he meant just that because "I always knew where the enemy was."

Tornado Rips Part of Miami

NORTH MIAMI BEACH, Fla. (AP)—A pre-dawn tornado ripped along a business-lined main street and tore at homes Monday, leaving 17 persons injured and an estimated \$2.5 million damage in this winter resort city.

The destructive winds smashed windows, snatched store merchandise from businesses, pulled down power lines, flipped cars, overturned a trail-

er house, and severely battered scores of homes.

Mayor William McDonald said none of the 17 persons reported injured was hurt seriously. He said most suffered cuts from flying glass.

Three people were hurt, authorities said, when a house was knocked over by the winds.

Police with dogs set up road blocks to prevent looting and to keep out sightseers.

The storm touched down briefly on the narrow strip of beach east of Miami shortly after 5 a.m. EST.

Apparently the hardest hit section was along Northeast 167th Street, a suburban shopping area.

Store fronts along the streets were blown out. Groceries and clothing were strewn across parking meters and along sidewalks.

Allies Push On in Hue Citadel

SAIGON (AP) — U.S. Marines moving behind a protective umbrella of artillery pushed 400 yards through the rubble ruins of Hue's Citadel Monday to the brink of one of the last Communist strongholds in the old capital.

As the battle for Hue raged through its 20th day, the Marines cleared the northeast wall of the old city, then wheeled to the right to begin a sweep along the south wall toward the Imperial Palace, which North Vietnamese troops have held since the battle began Jan. 31.

Military officers said suicidal Communist troops, some reportedly chained to machine-guns to keep them from fleeing an allied assault, were punishing both U.S. and South Vietnamese Marines with heavy casualties.

While U.S. Marines were clearing the northeast wall, South Vietnamese troops pushed along the stone wall on the western side of the ancient walled city to tighten the vise on the 500 richard North Vietnamese troops.

Low cloud ceilings prevented air strikes Monday in support of the Marines. But earlier, the light guided missile cruiser USS Providence, flagship of U.S. 7th Fleet Commander Vice Adm. William F. Bringle, turned her six-inch guns on suspected Communist command posts, tunnel complexes and the 15-foot high wall ringing the Citadel.

Associated Press correspondent George McArthur reported from the embattled city that allied guns also hammered a Communist pocket just outside the northeast wall of the Citadel near the Dieu De Pagoda, the last holdout during the 1966 Buddhist uprisings against the South Vietnamese government.

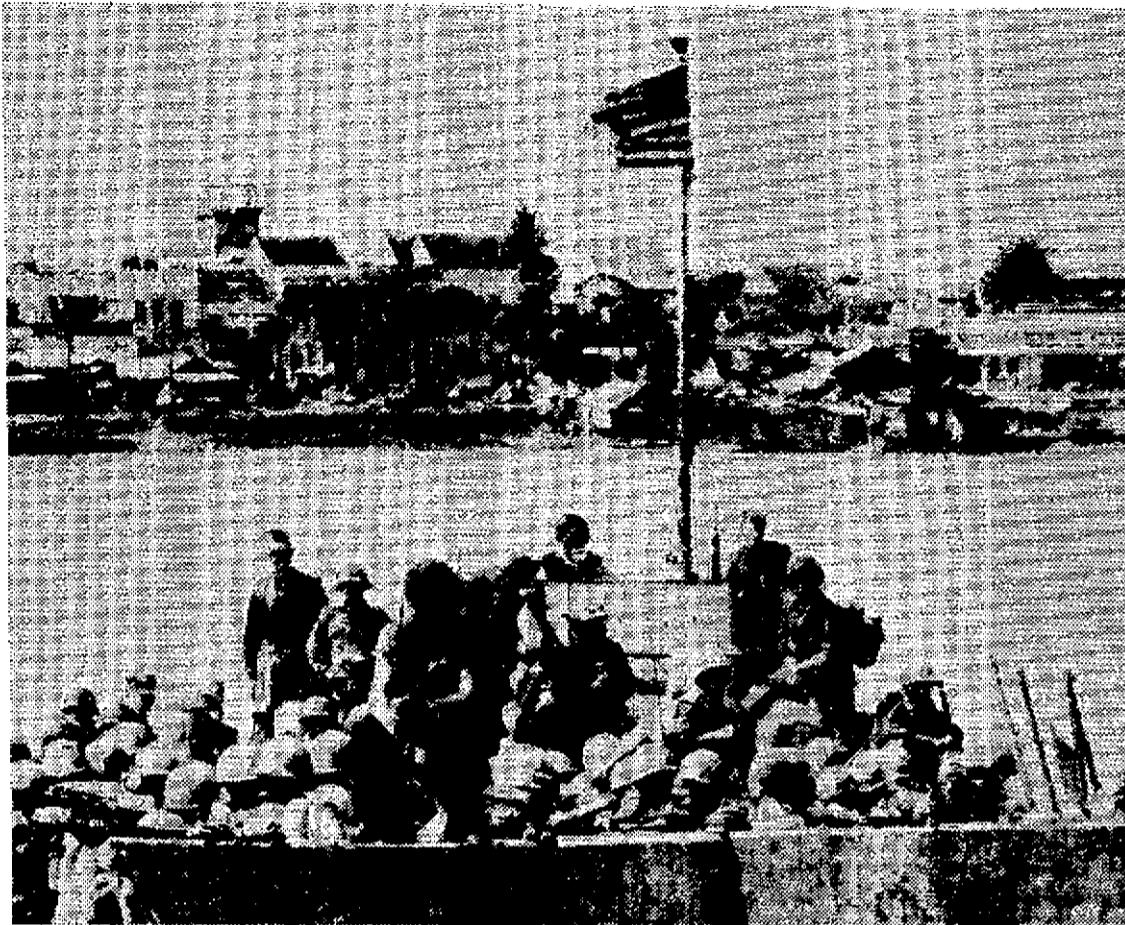
McArthur said the area outside the wall makes up about 10 per cent of the northern half of the city and has been totally overrun by the Communists.

The U.S. command said 53 Communist troops have been killed in Hue in the last 24 hours. U.S. casualties were not reported. Since the battle began Jan. 31, South Vietnamese forces and U.S. Marines claim they have killed a total of 1,512 Communist soldiers. More than 200 government troops have been killed and American losses are reported to be heavy.

The new reports of Communist troops being chained to machine-guns came from U.S. Army Capt. George W. Smith, an advisor to the first South Vietnamese Army Div.

He said he had received a report that a North Vietnamese battalion commander inside the walled city had been killed three days ago and his replacement had asked permission to withdraw his troops.

"He was refused permission and ordered to defend his position to the end," Smith said.



A U.S. landing craft carries Vietnamese Marine reinforcements to the northern section of Hue as fighting continues for control of the city. (S&S Radiophoto by Spec. 4 John Olson)

Prisoner Says Tet Attacks Planned Long Before Truce

SAIGON (UPI) — The Viet Cong were given five months training for the Tet offensive, including street fighting in mock-up villages in the jungle, a prisoner said Monday.

Viet Cong 1st Lt. Nguyen Van Lung, 39, was one of seven captives presented by the South Vietnamese government to local and foreign press. Another was 13 years old and three others were wounded.

All were captured in and around Saigon in the past three weeks, government spokesmen said.

Lung who acted as the main spokesman of the group, was presented as the man who led the attack on one of the gates of the joint chiefs of general staff headquarters in Saigon.

He held out for 24 hours, was wounded and surrendered. "We were told the Vietnamese force would cross over to our side and join the fight against the American imperialists," Lung said, explaining why he eventually gave himself up.

"We did not expect such a great resistance. At night I did not know which forces I was fighting. In the day I was fighting Vietnamese and American forces."

Nguyen Van Hoa, a deputy

company commander with a severed leg, said he and his men had been told to fill their water canteens with gasoline and burn houses to give them an escape route in the confusion if they became surrounded.

All three of the older prisoners said they had no plans in the case of a failure. They said they were told they would be relieved by other forces.

The youngest prisoner, Nguyen Tan Tai, 13, was the only one whose answers were constantly "Khong Biel," the Vietnamese words for "I don't know."

Reporters asked Tai if he was conscious of what he was doing and whether he thought he was a soldier for the Liberation Front.

Two 14 year olds in the group said they had been kidnapped from their homes in villages outside Saigon on the day of the first attack, given rifles and told to fight.

First Lt. Nguyen Trinh Dong, 35, of the Viet Cong 5th Div. who defected after the attack Bien Hoa airbase, said two thirds of the men under his command were North Vietnamese.

"Most of them were draftees who had been told by the authori-

ties in North Vietnam that they would be welcomed as liberators in South Vietnam," Dong said.

The prisoners said civilian reaction to them during attacks had been mixed.

"One family I visited was pleased when they found I was Viet Cong. The other scuttled away," Lung said.

Lung, recounting how his force had made an attack on the chief of staff headquarters, said his men moved into the town in groups of "twos and threes" on the night of the attack and waited in private homes till the word was given.

"They traveled without weapons. The weapons were cached next door to the joint general staff headquarters," he said.

The last of the prisoners to speak was a 17-year-old boy who said he was a Saigon stone mason who joined the fighting when the Viet Cong told him they were going to "liberate the people from the American imperialists."

Thais Press Hunt for Reds

BANGKOK (UPI) — Thailand has centralized its anti-communist operations and will place greater emphasis in infiltrating agents into Red cells, it was revealed Monday.

A high-ranking officer of the Communist Operation Suppression Command (SCOC) told newsmen that the responsibility of rooting out Communists is now shared in by the SCOC and the Royal Thai Army.

Previously the operations were left to local officials although the search was coordinated by police, the Army and the Ministry of Interior.

4 N. Viet Airfields Pounded

SAIGON (AP) — American bombers swarmed Sunday over four airfields in North Vietnam. The raids included bombing strikes against two MIG air bases northwest of Hanoi and a third MIG base four miles from Haiphong.

U.S. military headquarters said Navy A6 Intruders from the aircraft carrier Kitty Hawk attacked the Cat Bi airfield four miles southeast of the center of Haiphong and cut up the MIG field's runway.

Other Navy planes attacked the Bai Thuong airfield 22 miles northwest of Thanh Hoa below Hanoi.

At the same time, Marine Corps planes attacked the Phuc Yen MIG airfield 18 miles northwest of Hanoi. The damage estimate was not available.

Air Force F105 Thunderchiefs attacked the Yen Bai Air Base and nearby storage area 78 miles northwest of Hanoi.

Casualties

WASHINGTON (S&S) — The Defense Department has announced the following casualties in connection with the conflict in Vietnam.

KILLED IN ACTION

- Army**
SP4 Lowen L. Jones, St. Louis, Ill.
Cpl. Ernest L. Jacobs, Jr., Spartanburg, S.C.
- Navy**
HN Charles L. Morrison, Brookfield, Ill.
BU1 Paul T. Hillman, Long Beach, Miss.
HM3 Gregory A. Gifford, Billings, Mont.
- Marine Corps**
Capt. Ronald H. Brown, San Diego, Calif.
Cpl. James E. Violitt, San Francisco, Calif.
Pfc. Donald L. Nelson, Santa Susana, Calif.
LCpl. Daniel J. Kaplan, Cedar Rapids, Iowa.
LCpl. Tommy A. Wiggins, Mount Carmel, Ill.
Pfc. Larry K. Powell, Park, Md.
Cpl. Gary W. Holbrook, Trenton, Mich.
Pfc. Manzie D. Edmonds, Detroit, Mich.
Cpl. Roy D. McDaniel, Kansas City, Mo.
Cpl. Maxie R. Rice, Reno, Nev.
Pvt. Leonard Braux, Jacksonville, N.C.
Pfc. Robert A. Jensen, Stroudsburg, Pa.
Pvt. Lawrence Chaplin, Frogmore, S.C.
2Lt. Kenneth L. Kirkes, Tullahoma, Tenn.
Cpl. Ronnie L. Terry, Tatum, Tex.
Pfc. Kenneth W. Hudson, Houston, Tex.

DIED OF WOUNDS

- Marine Corps**
SSgt. Glenn H. Galvin, Phoenix, Ariz.
- MISSING TO DEAD—HOSTILE**
- Army**
Cpl. Eloy F. E. Le Blanc, San Francisco, Calif.
Sgt. Willie J. Angus, Columbia, Tenn.

MISSING IN ACTION

- Army**
1Lt. Richard Burbach,
1Lt. Robert E. Coates,
SGM Lloyd A. Himes,
MSG Harold G. Shirley,
PFC John R. Poso,
SFC Kenneth Hanna,
SFC Samuel L. Squarrell,
SFC Everett A. Wyatt Jr.,
SSG John K. Weber,
SSG Lionel Butler Sr.,
SSG Charles C. Mitchell,
SP4 Alberta Carrasquillo-Denton,
SP4 Harold R. Reeves,
SP4 James E. Parker,
SP4 Ronald R. Loveland,
SP4 Ismael Holguin,
SP4 Charles E. Bennett,
SP4 Gordon J. Wellen,
SP4 James L. Wise Jr.,
Pfc. Larry J. Blankenship,
Pfc. Vernon Z. Johns,
Pfc. Ames H. Boutwell,
Pfc. Roger D. McQuay,
Pfc. Brad J. Szutz,
Pfc. Albert D. White,
Pfc. Rayfield Williams,
Pfc. Robert L. York.

MISSING NOT AS A RESULT OF HOSTILE ACTION

- Army**
Cpl. Dennis W. Hammond,
Cpl. Joseph S. Zawlocki Jr.,
LCpl. David R. Devik.
- DIED NOT AS A RESULT OF HOSTILE ACTION**
- Army**
1Lt. Harmon L. Rimmel III, Fayetteville, Ark.
- MISSING TO DEAD—NON HOSTILE**
- Navy**
Lt. (j.g.) Lynn M. Travis, Center, Conn.
AET Melvin C. Thompson, Jacksonville, Fla.
LCDr. Robert F. Meglio, Brunswick, Me.
AMH2 Homer E. McKay, Brunswick, Me.
AX1 Billy W. Mc Ghee, Rockwood, Tenn.
Lt. (j.g.) Roy A. Huss, Abbotstford, Wis.
- MISSING NOT AS A RESULT OF HOSTILE ACTION**
- Navy**
AOC Donald L. Gallagher,
EN3 Maynard L. Smith.

AID Halts Recruiting for Viet Duty

WASHINGTON (AP) — The U.S. foreign aid agency has temporarily halted its nationwide recruiting of civilians for duty in Vietnam pending a review of job needs there.

As a result, plans for enlistment campaigns in 37 cities across the country from February through June have been put

on the shelf until the Agency for International Development completes its reassessment.

AID normally carries on extensive recruiting drives for qualified U.S. specialists in police training, agriculture, nursing, and a variety of other non-military tasks in the pacification or nation-building effort in South Vietnam.

The Communist assault on cit-

ies throughout South Vietnam, also took a toll in the pacification programs in the countryside and this is one of the factors in AID's study. Some officials in Washington believe there also will be a need for more AID attention to urban centers.

However the review was under way before the Reds unleashed their onslaughts at the end of January.

How Marines Captured Shattered Tower

SAIGON (AP)—A U.S. Marine, wounded in his chest and both legs, recited the Lord's Prayer as a Navy corpsman fired bullets into the platoon's radio so that counter-attacking enemy soldiers could not use it.

Another Marine, buried alive for eight hours under bricks, stone and concrete, complained when he was pulled free: "I could hear you guys plain as day; why couldn't you hear me?"

A third Leatherneck, a black-bearded machinegunner, led a charge up a mountain of rubble that had once been a stately tower, shouting: "We're Marines, let's go."

These three episodes illustrate the battle of the Hue citadel—a grim struggle through the courtyards and battlements of the old imperial fort. The fight pits U.S. and Vietnamese marines, determined to take the citadel, against North Vietnamese soldiers equally determined to hold it.

Spec. 4 John Olson, a photographer with *Pacific Stars and Stripes* spent three days in Hue's citadel with the third platoon of D Co., 1st Bn., Fifth Marines.

Thursday morning, Olson said, the platoon moved forward through the narrow alleys and tree-lined streets of a housing area to attack the tower over the east gate. They dashed at a half crouch into a courtyard but didn't make it across.

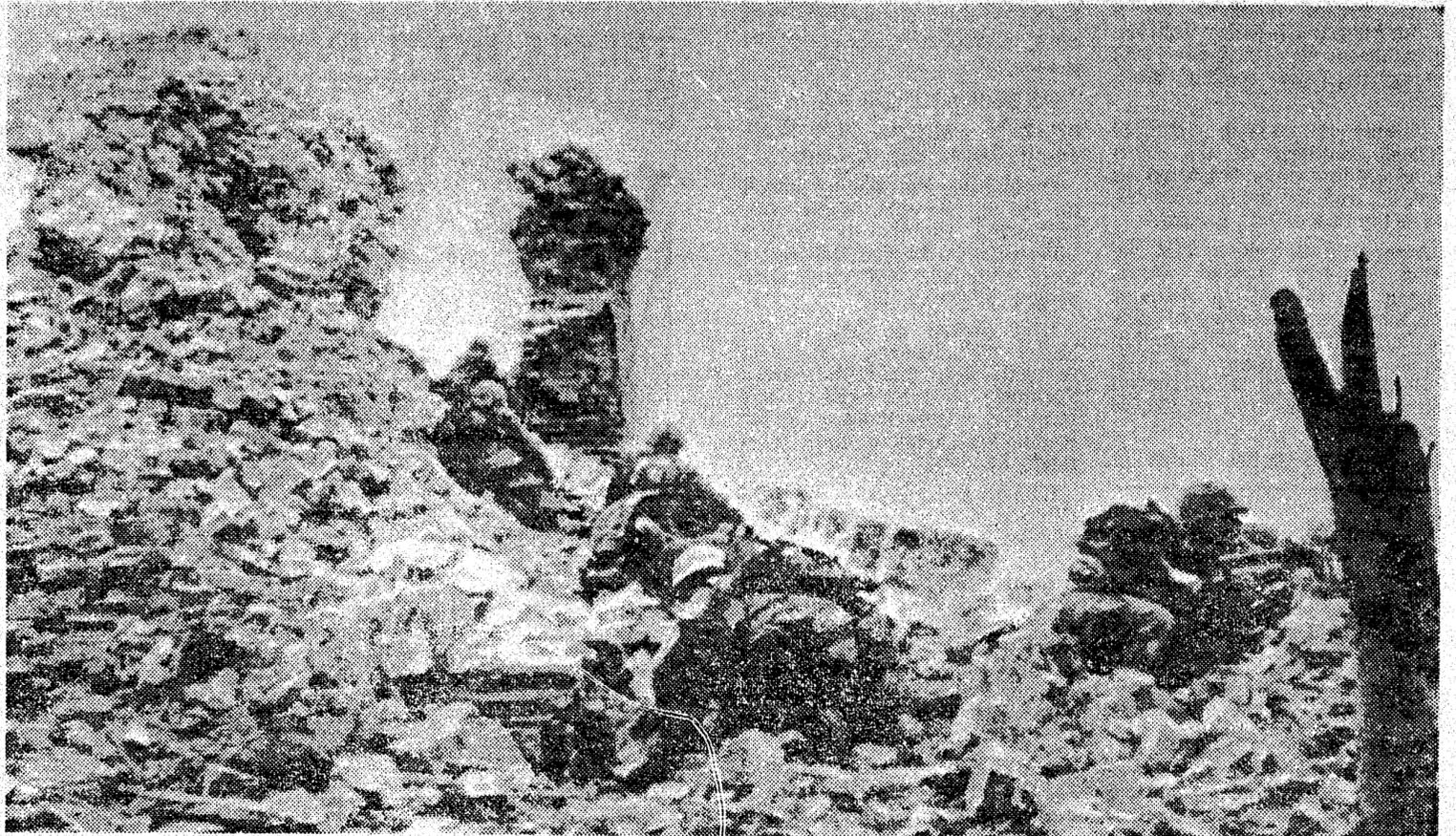
Three Communist rockets crashed into the yard. The radio operator was killed. Several other Marines were wounded. Eight men in the squad retreated to a vacant villa and fired back.

A medic ran out to help the wounded and was hit in the legs and fell. A Marine scrambled into the courtyard but an enemy sniper hit him in the neck and he cried for help.

"We know, we know," a buddy shouted back from the villa, "but we can't get to you."

One of the wounded men, hit in both legs, dragged himself across the courtyard to the door of the villa, where he grabbed the end of a rifle extended to him and was pulled in.

An hour later, as the battle still raged, there were nine men in the villa and three were wounded. They did not know where the other units were.



U.S. Marines crawl through the rubble of the tower which guards the eastern gate of the outer wall of the Citadel in Hue.

They were down to several hundred rounds of ammunition, and the radio was lying in the court on the pack of the dead radioman.

The machinegunner, a lance corporal, borrowed a knife, crawled forward, cut the radio free, and crawled back. But the radio wouldn't work. The small band of Leathernecks could hear the other platoons report to the company but they couldn't transmit.

The Marines ripped drapes and mosquito netting from the villa walls to cover the man with the chest wound. He shivered from shock.

"They're coming around us, on both sides," riflemen at the windows shouted as they saw North Vietnamese soldiers circling the house. One badly wounded man began to recite the Lord's Prayer. Another Marine, the one who had been hit in the neck, tried to comfort him.

"Save your ammunition until they charge," the corpsman, a Navy man, advised the Marines. Then he smashed the radio

headset against the cement floor, turned the dial so that enemy soldiers couldn't trace the frequency, and fired a round into the transmitter.

When the enemy didn't attack, the corpsman told the others he was going for help. He disappeared through the rear door and was back in 15 minutes to say help was on the way. A half hour later, Marines of Bravo Co arrived and laid down a veil of fire as the Marines in the villa ripped off doors to serve as stretchers and carried their wounded out.

The platoon hadn't made it to the east gate tower, but other Marines had.

They blasted their way along the wall and seized the massive stone structure. But the North Vietnamese counterattacked and drove them back. The Marines attacked again and held until 4 a.m. Friday.

Then the North Vietnamese unleashed a barrage of rockets and recoilless rifle fire and charged. The enemy took the tower again, but now it was reduced to a torn finger of stone

protruding from a mountain of rubble that the Marines labelled "The Hill."

Pfc. Thomas A. Zwetow disappeared as his comrades pulled back from the tower. At daybreak the Marines regrouped for another assault on "The Hill." At 9:30 they began scrambling up the shattered wall. The first five men to reach the top fell back wounded. The others stopped, crouching behind chunks of masonry.

The black-bearded machinegunner, cradling his weapon in his arms, stood up and shouted: "We're Marines, let's go!" The Marines charged. They reached the top—the tower—climbing over the bodies of Marines and North Vietnamese soldiers. They fought two hours to hold it.

At noon, a Marine sniper cried out, "They're running, put out some fire." Other Marines jumped up and began shooting at the North Vietnamese soldiers darting back through the ruins to another tower farther south.

As the shooting faded away,

the Marines managed to gain control of the tower and gate. (S&S Radiophoto by Spec. 4 John Olson)

a Marine behind a machine gun on top of a mound thought he heard voices.

He poked through the rubble and came across a hand. It belonged to Zwetow. Other Marines scooped away two feet of bricks and dust that had buried Zwetow, who was chalk white from the powdered concrete.

They gave him a drink of water and bandaged his wounds.

He had been hit in the legs in the 4 a.m. attack and had fallen as explosives sent a section of the tower toppling over on him.

Zwetow's voice was calm but his hands shook as he drank the water and told the other Marines:

"I could hear you guys plain as day; why couldn't you hear me?"

Close Shave For Spec. 4

DAK TO, Vietnam (IO)—Spec. 4 James R. Hyder of Painesville, Ohio, a member of the 1st Brigade 4th Inf. Div., was washing up and shaving one morning when North Vietnamese mortar rounds began crashing in the area.

"I was almost done shaving when I heard the first rounds come in and then the siren started," Hyder recalled. "I figured I'd best get under cover fast." He heaved for a nearby bunker.

Hyder began to climb into the bunker when a mortar round burst scant yards from where he was shaving moments before.

"After the attack, I went back and there were holes all over the washroom," he added.

Aussies Shell Reds

SAIGON (AP)—The Australian destroyer Perth shelled a concentration of North Vietnamese supply barges and other cargo watercraft Wednesday near Dog Hoi, the U.S. military commander reported Thursday.

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Income Tax

Start With Your Gross Income, Then...

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CHU LAI, South Vietnam — Gross income is the starting point in determining the amount of income tax a taxpayer owes. It includes all income which is not, by law, expressly exempt from tax.

Second of four parts.

Certain items of compensation received in connection with military service are includable in gross income, others are not. Among those items which should be included are: compensation for active service, retired pay based on age or length of service, lump-sum payments upon separation, or release to inactive duty — but including disability severance pay — and reenlistment bonuses.

Awards and bonuses for suggestions must also be included. The following items need not

be included under the conditions prescribed:

Military pay is exempt from tax and need not be reported where it is received for active service in the Armed Forces of the United States for any month during any part of which an enlisted man, warrant officer, or commissioned warrant officer (Navy) served in Vietnam and its adjacent waters, or was hospitalized at any place as a result of wounds, disease or injury incurred in Vietnam and its adjacent waters.

A commissioned officer in the Armed Forces of the United States is exempt from income tax for tax years ending after Dec. 31, 1965, on the first \$500 of compensation for any month during any part of which the officer served in Vietnam and its adjacent waters, or was hospitalized at any place as a result of wounds, disease or injury incurred in Vietnam and

its adjacent waters.

Payments, equal to six months' pay, made by the United States to beneficiaries of Armed Forces personnel who died in active service are exempt from tax.

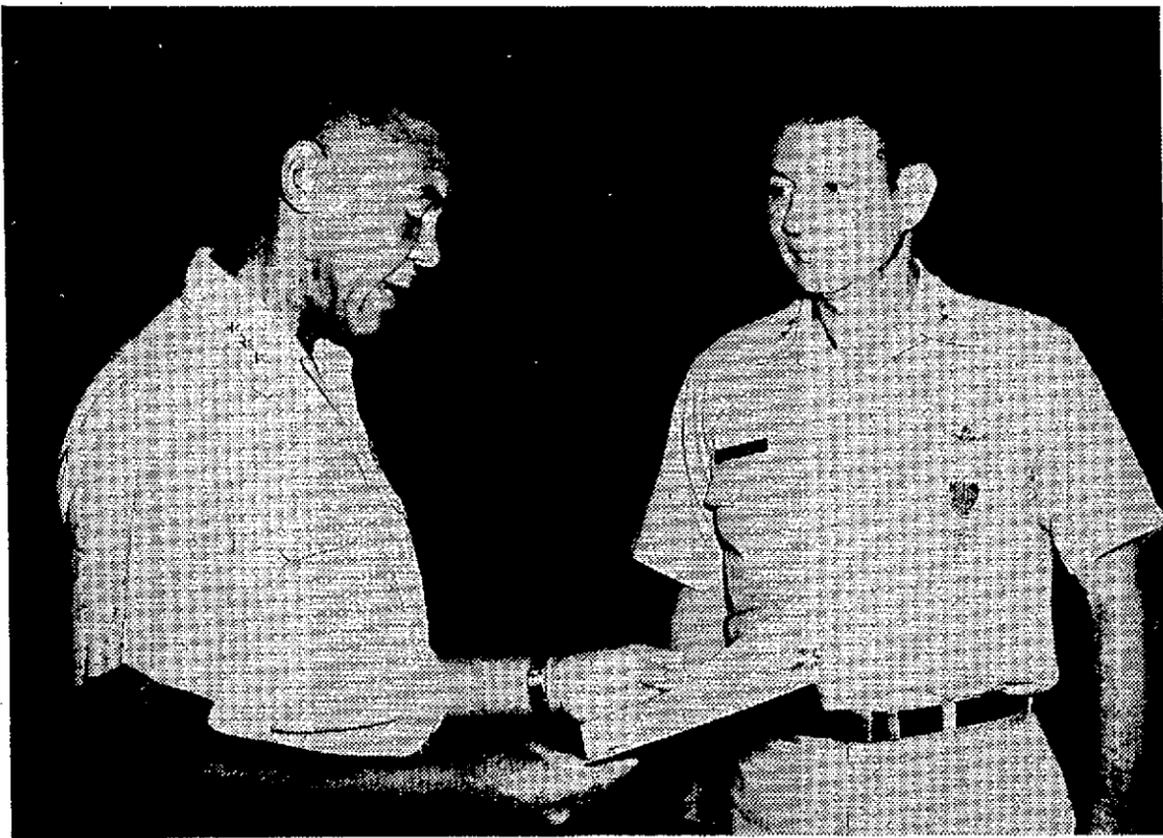
The trailer allowance that members of the uniformed services receive under the Career Compensation Act of 1949 is not includable in gross income to the extent it is used for the purpose authorized. Any excess of the allowances over the actual expenses of moving the trailer is includable in gross income.

The dislocation allowance granted under the CCA of 1949 to members of the uniformed services is in addition to the allowances designed to defray moving expenses. Since it is to cover costs merely related to, and not a part of the moving expenses, it must be included in gross income.

Subsistence, uniform and quarters allowances (including temporary lodging allowances) granted officers and enlisted men of the Armed Forces, Coast and Geodetic Survey, and Public Health Service are not income. Similarly, the value of quarters or subsistence furnished is not income.

Housing and cost-of-living allowances received by members of the Armed Forces, to defray the excess cost of quarters and subsistence while serving on permanent duty at a post outside the United States, are not income, regardless of whether paid by the United States Government or by the government of the country in which they are stationed.

Forfeited pay is not includable in gross income. Fines, as distinguished from forfeitures whether or not collected by withholding from pay, may not be excluded or deducted from income.



Bronze Star for General Lindley

Lt. Gen. B.O. Davis, 13th Air Force commander, reads a certificate accompanying the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Maj. Gen. William C. Lindley Jr., deputy commander, 7AF/13AF, at a ceremony in Bangkok. Lindley received the award for his outstanding leadership. (USAF)

LBJ Picks 90 for New Stars

S&S Washington Bureau
WASHINGTON — President Johnson has nominated 32 Air Force brigadier generals for temporary promotion to major general and another 58 colonels to one-star rank this week. Included on the list, which went to the Senate for confirmation Tuesday, are the names of eight on duty in the Pacific and seven in the European area.

Those in the Pacific area are: Brig. Gens. Joseph J. Kruzal, deputy chief of staff, Seventh Air Force; Burl W. McLaughlin, commander, 834th Air Div.; and

Cols. Robert Holbury, commander, 460th Tactical Reconnaissance Wing; George W. McLaughlin, commander, Third Tactical Fighter Wing; Robert V. Spencer, commander, Eighth Tactical Fighter Wing; John O. Moench, chief, Plans and Policy, Pacific Command, and John C. Giraud, commander, 355th Tactical Fighter Wing.

Those in Europe are: Brig. Gen. Richard F. Shaefer, USAF chief of staff; and Cols. James B. Nuttall, USAF chief, Aeronautical Services; Richard G. Bulgin, deputy director, opera-

tions, European Command; Edmund B. Edwards, commander, 20th Tactical Fighter Wing; Theodore S. Coberly, commander, 10th Tactical Reconnaissance Wing; Sanford K. Maats, commander, 401st Tactical Fighter Wing; Alton D. Slay, director, USAF operations and Lee M. Paschall, commander, United Kingdom Communications Region.

The Air Force also said it will announce Wednesday, the names of 852 lieutenant colonels selected for temporary promotion to colonel this year.

Viet Villagers Get Help Fast For Fresh Start

LONG BINH, Vietnam (IO)—Help for refugees in the village of Ho Nai, 19 miles northeast of Saigon, began even before the firing stopped.

With the assistance of the 2nd Civil Affairs Co., II Field Force Vietnam, Col. William H. Pietsch, assistant chief of staff for Civil Affairs, continued his "Operation Friendship" for the predominantly Catholic village.

Operation Friendship had seen many improvements made in Ho Nai. Today most of those improvements are rubble and the villagers are scattered among churches, hospitals and other public buildings.

The village, a few miles north of the sprawling headquarters of II Field Force Vietnam, lies directly across from the 199th Light Inf. Brigade camp. Because of its proximity to key military targets along the Saigon-Bien Hoa Highway, Ho Nai became the unwilling hideout of at least a battalion of the same enemy the villagers fled in 1954 when they came south from North Vietnam.

After a sneak attack on the greater Bien Hoa area, while the villagers were still celebrating the lunar New Year (Tet), Ho Nai was caught in the cross-fire between attacking Viet Cong and defending U.S. troops. At least 20 per cent of the village was totally destroyed, the rest heavily damaged.

The 2nd CA Company, commanded by Lt. Col. David E. Wade, took care of basic needs first. Water and nearly 20 tons of rice have been moved into the shattered community. The company also provided tents for temporary shelter for 10,000 refugees.

The Ho Nai Hospital is housing some 4,000 refugees. Another 3,000 are expected to seek shelter there.

The 61st Medical Det. of II Field Force Vietnam commanded by Lt. Col. Lawrence Lature, is preparing to inoculate at least 5,000 refugees as a precaution against cholera and typhoid.

Plans are also being made to allow villagers to return to their areas to salvage what is left and to begin rebuilding.

The villagers told U.S. authorities that when the VC moved into their homes shortly before the attack, they threatened to shoot anyone who tried to warn of their presence. Despite the threat, several town-folk, including a 7-year old girl, tried to slip out and were killed.

Life continues at Ho Nai as the villagers prepare to start over again. Twelve babies have been born in the village since the battle.

AF Offers Instant-Pay In Saigon

SAIGON (OI)—Air Force personnel arriving at Tan Son Nhut Air Base no longer have to wait several days to receive their travel and regular pay allowances upon arrival from the United States.

The first "Instant Pay-On-Arrival-Service" in Southeast Asia recently went into operation here, and it enables new arrivals to collect all of their back pay and travel allowances within a short time.

"This means the individual arriving in the morning will have his pay in his pocket by that same morning," said Maj. Ralph Law, accounting and finance officer, who initiated the new system.

The "Instant Pay Service" computes a new arrival's pay while he is being processed through the Central Base Personnel Office.

Outgoing personnel are processed under the same system. They will obtain their pay records and advance pay or travel pay at CBPO, instead of the main finance office as done in the past.

The new pay system allows new arrivals to begin work sooner by cutting down on the processing time.

Memorial For 3 GIs

CAMP SANSONE, Okinawa (IO)—A military memorial ceremony in honor of three Special Forces soldiers who gave their lives in Southeast Asia was held on Okinawa by the U.S. Army's Special Action Force Asia.

The military ceremony was followed by a Memorial Mass for Sgts. I.C. Gilbert L. Hamilton, Denver, Colo., and Charles N. Tredinnick, Dallas, Pa., and Spec. 5 Larry D. Millard, Columbus, Ohio.

Officiating at the Sukiran Chapel was Chaplain (Maj.) Edward J. Kita, SAFAsia, with a bugler playing "Taps" and troopers from the 1st Special Forces Group (Airborne) forming the honor guard.

Attending the ceremony were Lt. Gen. F. T. Unger, commanding general, and Maj. Gen. John M. Finn, deputy commanding general, U.S. Army Ryukyu Islands.

Leading the large contingent of Special Forces paying their respects was Col. Harold R. Aaron, commanding officer, SAFAsia.

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Pay Gets Through

LONG THANH, Vietnam (IO) — Fierce fighting in Long Binh did not stop a 9th Inf. Div. pay officer from getting through to his embattled company.

Second Lt. Earl E. Mueller, 27, of Dubuque, Iowa, was transporting the pay for B Co., 2nd Mechanized Bn., 47th Inf. on Jan. 31 when an estimated Viet Cong company stopped his progress.

Undaunted, Mueller climbed from his vehicle and began crawling with the money.

"We crawled for about three hours under heavy small arms fire," Mueller said. "In fact, we killed four VC before we convinced the enemy to let us deliver the pay to the company."

"The men can do without many luxuries," Mueller reflected, "but I'm afraid they'd be a bit upset if they weren't paid on time."

S&S Opens Store For GIs at USO

MANILA (S&S) — A Pacific Stars and Stripes bookstore at the Manila USO—in the Manila Hotel—now serves visiting U.S. servicemen.

The new outlet was recently opened in response to a request by Norman Hogg, club director.

The bookstore is within walking distance from the Bayside Hotel area.

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Taipei AS	—	—	
Linkou	3	4	
Tien Mou	5	3	
Grass Mt.	6	—	
Taichung	7	—	
Tainan	8	9	
Chin Chuan Kong	10	11	
GUAM			
Meehan	12	16	
Skyview	13	13	
Marbo	14	17	
Superfort	15	14	
OKINAWA			
Billy Mitchell	18	—	
Whee	19	19	
McConnell	20	21	
MCAF	22	22	
Machinato	23	24	
Olympic	25	25	
Camp Hansen	26	27	
Ora-Wan	28	29	
Kawasaki	30	31	
Torii	32	32	
Camp Kinser	33	—	
Bataan	—	34	
Chimu-Wan	35	35	
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TITLES			
1. Eye Of The Devil, Deborah Kerr			
2. Alvarez Kelly, William Holden			
3. Tom Curfain, Paul Newman			
4. The Tall Women, Anne Baxter			
5. One Million Years B.C., John Richards			
6. How To Succeed In Business Without			
Really Trying, Robert Morse			
7. The King's Rats, Doug McClure			
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9. Walt Disney's The Gnome-Mobile, Walter Brennan			
10. Ambush Bay, Hugh O'Brian			
11. The Happening, Anthony Quinn			
12. The Cobra, Dana Andrews			
13. Fire Creek, James Stewart			
14. Murderer's Row, Dean Martin			
15. The Upper Hand, Jean Gabin			
16. Bonnie And Clyde, Warren Beatty			
17. The Sea Pirate, Gerard Barry			
18. Rough Night In Jericho, Dean Martin			
19. Divorce American Style, Dick Van Dyke			
20. Gambit, Shirley MacLaine			
21. The Last Challenge, Glenn Ford			
22. Gunn, Craig Stevens			
23. Destination Inner Space, Scott Brady			
24. In The Heat Of The Night, Sidney Poitier			
25. The Way West, Kirk Douglas			
26. Penelope, Natalie Wood			
27. The Money Pot, Rex Harrison			
28. In Like Flint, James Coburn			
29. The Tiger And The Pussycat, Ann Margaret			
30. Fantastic Voyage, Stephen Boyd			
31. The Big Mouth, Jerry Lewis			
32. The Taming Of The Shrew, Richard Burton			
33. The Poppy Is Also A Flower, Senta Berger			
34. Texas Across The River, Dean Martin			
35. Cool Hand Luke, Paul Newman			
36. Kill A Dragon, Jack Palance			
37. The Long Duel, Yul Brynner			
38. The Venetian Affair, Robert Vaughn			
39. You Only Live Twice, Sean Connery			
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41. Woman Times Seven, Shirley MacLaine			

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UNITED CEREBRAL PALSY ASSOCIATIONS

Heavy Fighting Breaks Out Near Saigon

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civilian air terminal at Tan Son Nhut Monday morning. Most of the casualties were GIs awaiting a plane trip home.

For the second successive night, the Communists lobbed "six or seven of the four-inch-thick rockets near the "Pentagon East" compound Monday evening, but no casualties or damage was reported.

The Communists have lobbed more than 115 mortar or rocket rounds into the sprawling base north of the capital city since early Sunday. Four persons have been killed and 179 wound-

ed, 61 of them seriously. U.S. spokesmen said the rockets and mortars were coming from north and northwest of the base and that the firing positions had been charted and U.S. or Vietnamese ground troops deployed to the scene.

One of the firing positions was inside Tan Thoi village, three miles northwest of the base, which two companies of Communist troops penetrated Sunday and took over despite government counterattacks.

South Vietnamese spokesmen said the village was a center for its soldiers' dependents and that

the Communists had burned down 160 of their houses before taking over the marketplace. Fighting there was still in progress at last report.

East of the base, government troops fought desperately for control of a key highway bridge crossing the Saigon River between Tan Son Nhut and Bien Hoa. Guerrillas attacked the span Sunday with rockets, mortars and small arms.

(Pacific Stars & Stripes correspondent Spec. 5 Ray Belford reported from Can Tho that a major battle was raging less than five miles from the delta

capital at nightfall Monday. (Elements of the 21st Vietnamese Div. were fighting an estimated battalion of Communists. A battalion of the 9th Inf. Div. was helicoptered just north of the Red positions. No other details of the fight were immediately available.)

Elsewhere, government and American forces drove Communist forces out of three key population centers they invaded Sunday—Phan Thiet, Vinh Long and Song Be.

At Phan Thiet on the central coast, U.S. and South Vietnamese forces supported by naval

gunfire, fighter-bombers and artillery drove out an estimated two Communist battalions who seized a train station, jail, city hall and hospital.

American paratroopers reported driving one Communist force out the northwest side of the city, but said a pocket of Communist resistance still clung to the provincial hospital.

The government spokesmen listed Communist casualties for the two-day Phan Thiet fight at 102 killed. Government and American casualties were not disclosed.

Admit Jets Flew Over N. Korea

PANMUNJOM, Korea (AP)—The United States admitted Monday that two of its planes violated North Korea's air space. A U.S. spokesman expressed regrets for the incident.

Rear Adm. John V. Smith, the U.N. Command's senior delegate to the mixed armistice commission, told the commission the violation occurred Sunday afternoon due to bad weather, the pilots' unfamiliarity with the Korean peninsula and a failure of navigational equipment.

He said the two planes were on a navigational flight originating outside Korea.

"When they became aware of their location, they immediately took action to depart," Smith said.

The North Koreans, who called the commission meeting, charged that "a formation of American military airplanes" intruded into North Korean air space north of Panmunjom and engaged in "hostile acts and reconnaissance."

It was one of only a few Communist charges of armistice violations that the U.N. Command has admitted in recent years.

Pak charged that U.N. forces committed a total of 37 armistice violations between Feb. 13 and Feb. 18, but Smith denied all except the air violation.

In Washington, the State Department said Monday talks will be continued at Panmunjom with North Korea to obtain the release of the 82 survivors of the capture of the intelligence ship Pueblo "but we do not want to raise any false hopes."

The cautioning tone was taken by press officer Robert J. McCloskey who also said the fact the meetings were being held at all showed some progress.



VIETNAMESE SOLDIERS ATOP A TANK FIRE INTO A BURNING BUILDING IN SAIGON TO FLUSH OUT VIET CONG

Pershing Kin Killed in Viet

NEW YORK (AP)—Second Lt. Richard W. Pershing, grandson of the late Gen. John J. Pershing, has been killed in action in Vietnam, Pershing's father said Monday night.

The father, Francis Warren Pershing, a stockbroker, said he had been informed of his son's death in a telegram from the Defense Department.

The telegram said Pershing came under small arms and rocket fire Saturday while searching for a missing member of his unit. He was a member of the 101st Airborne Div. and had arrived in Vietnam last Dec. 13.

Florida Teachers Walk Out

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said another 13,000 would quit by Tuesday.

All classes were canceled in 22 counties with combined enrollment of 556,155. The state's total public school enrollment is 1,360,000.

Four other counties closed part of their schools Monday for lack of teachers. Some that were open Monday announced plans to close Tuesday, a few for the whole week.

The teachers, acting through their professional organization, the Florida Education Associa-

tion, began the walkout after rejecting as insufficient last Friday a legislative program for increasing financial support to public schools.

There was no picketing as most of the teachers who resigned joined in 21 mass meetings around the state.

The teachers say their resignations were legal and not in conflict with Florida's law barring strikes by public employes, but an aide to Gov. Claude Kirk said the teachers were on strike.

Dr. Philonstans, executive secretary for the FEA and chief

spokesman for the teachers, said Monday 35,000 had stayed away from their classrooms and would not return until the Legislature passes a bill acceptable to the teachers—one that would give \$257 million additional money to schools not including construction. The teachers said the disputed bill gave only \$116 million.

World Weather

USAF Weather Central
TOKYO AREA
Tuesday Night: Partly Cloudy; Low 25
Wednesday: Mostly Cloudy; High 48

TEMPERATURES				
Feb. 17				
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Bangkok	91	74	Naha	57
Chitosa	32	25	Salgon	88
Guam	86	70	Saui	73
Hazuke	37	30	Taipei	50
Manila	84	70	Tokyo	37
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Albany	25	63	Melbourne	100
Alouque	60	40	Memphis	43
Amarillo	30	25	Miami	80
Atlanta	37	26	Milwaukee	26
Birmingham	41	30	Moscow	18
Bismarck	15	-12	N. Orleans	47
Boise	47	36	NYC	31
Boston	26	12	N. Platte	-15
Chicago	30	12	Oklc. City	38
Cincinnati	34	10	Omaha	41
Cleveland	24	10	Paris	45
Denver	36	00	Phila.	34
Detroit	30	13	Phoenix	73
Duluth	11	-07	Pittburgh	24
Fairbanks	14	-12	Port., O.	55
Fargo	14	-09	Rapid City	31
Fort Worth	49	38	Reno	62
Hong Kong	63	53	Richmond	35
Honolulu	79	64	Singapore	85
Houston	55	42	St. Louis	37
Indianapolis	30	11	St. Paul	17
Jackville	52	37	Salt Lake	54
Jakarta	89	73	S. Antonio	45
Kansas City	37	21	San Diego	47
K. Lumpur	90	70	San Fran.	44
Las Vegas	71	43	Seattle	54
London	45	38	Shreveport	55
L.A.	73	59	Sydney	87
Louisville	35	15	Tucson	68
			Wash.	39

Moon Orbiter 5 Poses for Photograph

WASHINGTON (UPI)—A spacecraft sailing around the moon has been photographed by a telescope on Earth.

The National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) Monday said, "Scientists believe the experiment was the first success in sending observable light signals from the moon's vicinity to Earth."

The "light signals" were rays of the sun reflected by the shiny solar panels on Lunar Orbiter 5 as the spacecraft moved past the left edge of the moon's face on Jan. 21.

Photographs showing Orbiter 5 were made by the 61-inch telescope at the University of Arizona.

According to Dr. Gerard Kuiper, director of the university's planetary laboratory near Tucson, the spacecraft looks

like a very faint star (12th magnitude) in the 52 photographic plates in which it appears.

Exposure times were either 5 or 10 seconds. As a result the spacecraft images show up on the plates with short tails due to the combined motions of the

moon between the stars of the spacecraft's swing around the moon.

These pictures, together with radar tracking data, will give scientists a more precise position for the center of mass of the moon with respect to its visible edge, NASA said.

Campus Is Rich in 'Gold,' 'Silver'

STORRS, Conn. (AP)—Gold and Silver are scattered throughout the University of Connecticut campus, but there are only four Miners in the student body.

In the Residence of Halls live

one Chick, three Lambs, two Fish and one Colt.

Frost, Fog and Snow appear daily, regardless of the season.

There are two Churches, with only one Chaplain, but four Bishops and three Parsons are on campus.

Eight Cooks and nine Bakers work with four Balagnas, one Lemon, three Bacons, one Yam and two Cherrys.

The names are from the 1968 university student directory. The most common name is Smith, appearing 66 times.