

Americal Troops Kill 111; Reds Seen Building in Lull

SAIGON (AP) — Americal Div. units killed 111 North Vietnamese regulars in a series of fights Wednesday in the tough northern I Corps war zone, the U.S. Command reported.

The chief Americal action was 25 miles northwest of Chu Lai, where American infantry, artillery and the division's 1st Armored Cav. units combined to kill 64 Communists in a stiff, but brief, fight at dusk.

Eight Americans were wounded, according to incomplete reports from the field.

The other Americal skirmishes ranged throughout its command area on the coastal plain and Piedmont, about 340 miles north of Saigon, and included another 1st Armor action that claimed 22 Communist dead.

Meanwhile, an apparent still pervaded other fronts and there were fresh appraisals picturing the Communists from the De-

militarized Zone to War Zone C as retraining and refitting for their next move.

"He (the Communists) hasn't given up his goal of dominating South Vietnam, nor has he given up his goal of achieving military victories for political purposes," a source said Wednesday at Phu Bai, the newest of South Vietnam's corps areas.

U.S. officers at Phu Bai, 60 miles south of the Demilitarized Zone are working to counter the Communist threat in the newly designated Provisional Corps, the American military structure now responsible for South Vietnam's two northernmost provinces — Quang Tri and Thua Thien.

"If he is back to the strength he was before Tet, and I doubt it, he hasn't the same quality," the source said. "How well he has recovered from the Tet offensive is the question. We know that he has conscripted

within the country and received fresh troops from the North."

Earlier Wednesday, U.S. spokesmen in Saigon said that five hardcore Viet Cong regiments with some 13,000 men have faded into their jungle hideouts near the Cambodian border, easing the immediate threat of a second invasion of Saigon.

The regiments — units of the Viet Cong-North Vietnamese 5th, 7th and 9th Divs. — were hurt in the Lunar New Year offensive triggered Jan. 31 but they have recruited youths and men to replace their losses and are now training them in their C and D war zones, the officials added.

In the 10 days that Operation Quyet Thang has been under way, American and Vietnamese troops have reported killing 903 enemy soldiers in sporadic fighting. The engagements were believed to involve local-force guerrilla or rear guard elements of the main enemy force that side stepped the action.

Allied casualties so far in the operation are 34 American soldiers killed and 308 wounded and 46 government troops killed and 139 wounded. In addition to the 903 enemy soldiers slain, 204 suspects have been detained.

In the latest engagement in Quyet Thang, a battalion of 400 Vietnamese Rangers caught a band of Viet Cong napping near a stream just five miles south of Saigon Tuesday and killed 21 in a five-hour chase.

Viet Cong terrorists, who went into hiding when government troops and police drove Viet Cong military units out of Saigon, have started a new string of assassinations in Cholon, the Chinese section of the city.

Tuesday night, two civilians were slain by machine gun-wielding terrorists and the night before two other civilians and one policeman were killed and a third civilian was wounded.

In the Mekong Delta 80 miles southwest of Saigon, Communist gunners shot down a U.S. Army UH1 helicopter Tuesday morning but the crewmen were not wounded, the U.S. Command reported.

In ground action Wednesday, spokesmen said a column of 1st Armored Cav. tanks eight miles north of Tam Ky were fired at by Viet Cong gunners on river sampans.

The troopers returned fire from .50-caliber machine guns and 90-millimeter tank guns, killing 22 Viet Cong and sinking 13 sampans in the fight 345 miles northeast of Saigon, spokesmen said.

The column reported no American casualties.

There were continued air strikes in support of the Marines and Vietnamese troops at Khe Sanh. 115 rounds of Communist artillery fire hit the camp. U.S. casualties were termed light.



Hunt Continues Near Saigon

A member of the 6th South Vietnamese Airborne Bn. patrols a watery bamboo grove two miles north of Saigon. (UPI)

Vietnam Casualties

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

KILLED IN ACTION

Army
SP4 Henry E. Thomas, Mobile, Ala.
CPL Juan J. De Mara, Los Angeles, Calif.
CPL Larry Munoz, Torrance, Calif.
SP4 William Vazquez, Huntington Beach, Calif.
PFC Joseph C. Carvajal, Norwalk, Calif.
PFC Dennis D. Reed, San Bernardino, Calif.
PFC Jeffrey A. Turner, Mill Valley, Calif.
SSG Rex B. Freeman, Junction, Colo.
SFC Francisco L. Valle, Columbus, Ga.
SSG Leroy B. Robbins, Columbus, Ga.
SSG Robert A. Jans, Honolulu, Hawaii.
SP5 Stephen G. Carlos, Honolulu, Hawaii.
PFC George H. Oehler, Staunton, Ill.
PFC Maurice A. Cooper, Ft. Wayne, Ind.
SSG Robert J. Comstock, Lovila, Iowa.
PFC James L. Nuffer, Dodge City, Kan.
PFC Lawrence W. Scanlan, Shawnee Mission, Kan.
SGT Charles W. Graham, Richardsville, Ky.
SP4 Charles G. Rehberger, Baltimore, Md.
SP4 Gerald F. Wernsdorf, Baltimore, Md.
SGT Warren C. Lane, Grand Rapids, Mich.
SGT William H. Rogers, Battle Creek, Mich.
SP5 Oscar G. Gutierrez, Crosswell, Mich.
SP4 Arnold P. Sarna, Livonia, Mich.
SP4 William E. Lillenthal, Glencoe, Minn.
PFC Garrity Vogel, Chaska, Minn.
SP4 Johnny R. Burton, Hattiesburg, Miss.
SP4 John F. Johnson, Carthage, Miss.
CPL Robert L. Taylor Jr., Copo Girardeau, Mo.
PFC Dale E. Shirley, Joplin, Mo.
SGT Jesse E. Scavella Jr., Belmar, N.J.
SP4 Ralph D. Di Fate, Bayside, N.Y.
SP4 Thomas L. Mork, Newburgh, N.Y.
SP4 Robert Rera, Washingtonville, N.Y.
PFC Ralph A. Lo Grasso, New York City.
PFC Bernard Bachleda, New York City.
PFC Aristides Sosa, New York City.
2LT James F. O'Laughlin, Pomeroy, Ohio.
CPL Richard A. Marsh, Blanchester, Ohio.
PFC David M. Reynolds, Wayne, Okla.
SP4 Joseph R. Wenzler, Lebanon, Pa.
PFC Edward Ritsick, Austin, Pa.
PFC Leon J. Atteridge Jr., Slatersville, R.I.
SSG John A. Hooper, Greenville, S.C.
SFC Estel D. Spokes, Harriman, Tenn.
SGT Benny C. Burns, Lenoir City, Tenn.
SP4 David L. Edney, Erwin, Tenn.
PFC John L. Matlock, Bialne, Tenn.
PSG Homer H. Lee, Ft. Worth, Tex.
SSG Carlos V. Trevino, McAllen, Tex.
SGT William A. Jones, Stinnett, Tex.
CPL James W. Wood, Adkins, Tex.
SP4 Raymond G. Rocha, Houston, Tex.
SGT Boyd L. Herring, Hampton, Va.
PFC Larry J. Waltherman, Chehalis, Wash.
SSG Rodrigo Velazquez-Feliciano, Los Angeles, Panama.

Marine Corps
PVT John T. Beck, Gordo, Ala.
LCPL Billy D. Livingston, Alma, Ark.
LCPL Vincent D. Westberry, Inglewood, Calif.
PFC Richard D. Hall, Whittier, Calif.
PFC Dennis S. Michael, Vacaville, Calif.
LCPL Michael W. Norman, Orlando, Fla.
PFC James Chisholm, Savannah, Ga.
PFC Michael D. Turner, Decatur, Ga.
PFC Terrence M. Dale, Jamestown, Ind.
PFC William G. Smith, Sellersburg, Ind.
CPL Charles T. Lee, Beltsville, Md.
LCPL Max A. Nelson, Walker, Minn.
PFC Robert E. Dooley, Jackson, Miss.
1STLT Gary C. Smith, Kansas City, Mo.
LCPL Carlos C. Aguirre, Silver City, N.M.
LCPL Thomas E. Fatk, Troy, N.Y.
PFC William M. Bagshaw, Catskill, N.Y.
PFC Michael T. Lacoste, New York City.
CPL Delbert L. Leasure, Columbus, Ohio.
PFC Reggie L. Vance, Miamisburg, Ohio.
CPL Terry L. Smith, Nashville, Tenn.

LCPL Ramiro Corderas, McAllen, Tex.
PFC Thomas W. Ferguson, Willis Point, Tex.
PFC Miles W. Kimling, Galveston, Tex.
PFC William S. Hunt, Danville, Va.
PFC Clayton J. Theyerl, Racine, Wis.

DIED OF WOUNDS

Army
SP4 Junius C. Collier, Memphis, Tenn.
Navy
HN James R. Ledbetter, Terre Haute, Ind.

Marine Corps
PFC Jonathan N. Spicer, Miami, Fla.

MISSING TO DEAD—HOSTILE

Army
PFC James R. Mathis, Gadston, Ala.
SP4 Craig S. Hogan, Martinez, Calif.
PFC Edward A. Schultz, San Luis Obispo, Calif.
SP4 Craig A. Arndt, Denver, Colo.
CPL Timothy Fuller, Denver, Colo.
PFC Charles E. Hodge, Carbondale, Ill.
PFC Dan E. Charles, Hammond, Ind.
SP4 John G. Helselman, New Hampton, Iowa.
PFC James M. Darby, Harvey, La.
SP4 Willie H. Hunter, Detroit, Mich.
PFC Joseph J. Williams, St. Louis, Mo.
PFC Theodore T. Leo, New York City.
PFC Michael A. Shramko, New York City.
SSG Ronald J. Stille, Library, Pa.
CPL Douglas M. Bacal, Orangeburg, S.C.
SP4 James Miller, Barnwell, S.C.
PFC Michael R. Rivers, Kennedale, Tex.
SSG Rodney G. Frank, Renion, Wash.

Marine Corps
PFC Melvin L. Jones, Shreveport, La.

MISSING IN ACTION

Army
SSG Elsworth Williford.
SP5 Marvin N. Richardson.
CPL Leon M. Phillips.
SP4 Isiah McMillan.
SP4 Rodolfo Villafranco.
PFC Thomas J. Davis.
PFC Joseph E. Perez.
PFC Ben H. Williams.

Marine Corps
CAPT Bill W. Deetz.
CAPT Laurence V. Friese.

Air Force
1LT James E. Hamon.

MISSING TO CAPTURED OR INTERNED

Army
CPT Floyd H. Kushner.
MSG Richard F. Williams.
PFC Francis E. Cannon.
PFC David N. Harker.
PFC James H. Strickland Jr.

Marine Corps
1LT James V. Dibernardo.
WO Solomon H. Godwin.
CPL John A. Deering.

RETURNED TO MILITARY CONTROL

Army
SP4 J. D. De Foor.

DIED NOT AS A RESULT OF HOSTILE ACTION

Army
SSG Dale K. Wilson, Tallahassee, Ala.
SP5 John W. Stevens Jr., Phoenix, Ariz.
WO Stanley B. Smith, Washington, Ill.
SP5 Duwood B. Lombard, Lincoln, Me.
CWO Elmer D. Lauck, Taylor, Neb.
PFC Sylvester E. Conley Jr., Plainfield, N.J.
SP4 Dan L. Herdebu, Baldwin, N.D.
PFC Ronald C. Oglesby, Heavener, Okla.
SP5 Jack L. Goodwin, Waldport, Ore.
PFC John R. Tworak, Klamath Falls, Ore.
SFC Dale R. Kapenske, Amery, Wis.

Marine Corps
SGT Kenneth F. Chastine, Carmel, Ill.
LCPL Richard A. Rothery, Bensenville, Ill.
PFC Guy R. Bean, Gardiner, Me.
SGT John W. Trany, Minneapolis, Minn.

MISSING TO DEAD—NON HOSTILE

Army
PFC Willie L. McGehee, McGehee, Ark.
SP4 Mark E. Smith, Lake View Terrace, Calif.
CPT Peter S. Reinhart, Columbia, Ga.
SFC Floyd Hegler Jr., Fayetteville, N.C.
SP4 David N. Valerio, Russellville, Pa.

Navy
HM2 Robert J. Bridges, Medfield, Mass.
PFC Ishmiel Eaddy, Pamlico, S.C.

MISSING NOT AS A RESULT OF HOSTILE ACTION

Army
PFC Melvin R. Ranson.

Saigon Police Close Black Market Stalls

SAIGON (AP) — Police swooped down on Saigon's extensive black market Wednesday, acting on orders from President Nguyen Van Thieu. They closed thousands of the stalls selling purloined goods.

Barbed-wire barricades were thrown around many of the stalls, indicating police meant to keep the black market closed.

In the past, raids on black market activities have been only temporary, with the curbside merchants springing back into business within a few days, selling goods illegally obtained from the U.S. post exchanges or diverted from U.S. aid meant for civilian victims of the war.

The crackdown is part of a nationwide effort ordered by Thieu to eliminate corruption from his administration in the face of the Communist offensive.

The President also has ordered the closing of bars and

nightclubs which have illegally resumed business despite Thieu's order after the Lunar New Year offensive that they be permanently closed.

The goods from the black market stalls were thrown into police trucks and carted away. In the past, the police usually burned small quantities of the goods and left the rest untouched.

With increasing U.S. congressional criticism of the corruption of the Saigon administration, Thieu is making a determined effort to clean up the government.

He has been warned by his advisers, U.S. Embassy officials included, that the American presidential race may focus on the Vietnam war and attempts by the South Vietnamese government to eliminate corruption and take on a larger share of the fighting.

Thieu already has fired six of the nation's 44 province chiefs and two of the four corps commanders, many of whom have been linked with corrupt activities.

The closing of the black market is a more visible gesture, since the stalls tend to congregate in areas of the city seen by visiting congressmen and U.S. newsmen.

Saigon Schools Open

SAIGON (AP)—Half of the schools in the Saigon area are back in operation following the Viet Cong's Lunar New Year offensive a month and a half ago, U.S. officials said Wednesday.

Honor 4 Defenders of Tan Son Nhut

SAIGON (UPI)—Airmen at Tan Son Nhut airbase Wednesday paid tribute to the men who defended it against the Viet Cong during the Tet offensive and to those who died in the fighting.

U.S. Air Force men held an early morning memorial service for the four Americans who

died in the Jan. 31 attack on the base.

A squad fired a volley of three rounds and U.S. Army helicopters flew overhead in memory of the fallen airmen.

A short time later, Gen. William W. Momyer, commander of the 7th Air Force in Southeast Asia, presented Silver Star medals for bravery to two Vietnamese officers and five

U.S. officers and men.

The Americans, all assigned to the 377th Security Police Squadron which guards the base, were Maj. Carl A. Bender, 38, of Belleville, Ill., Capt. Carl P. Denison, 28, of Schenectady, N.Y., Lt. Gerald Ingalsbee, 25, of Orem, Utah, T-Sgt. Billy M. Palmer, 30, of Wabash, Ind., and Sgt. Alan D. Tucker, 22, of Merrick, N.Y.

Vietnam Seamen Trained

AN THOI, Vietnam (PAO)—Seventy-one Vietnamese Navymen will soon complete six months of intensive training here and begin coastline patrolling in 50-foot patrol craft.

The boats, called "Swifts", are the same type the U.S. Navy is using to patrol the coast of South Vietnam in Operation Market Time — a series of anti-infiltration patrols which prevent the Viet Cong and North Vietnamese from moving supplies and men into South Vietnam by sea.

The plan, according to Lt. David C. Brown, commander, Coastal Div. 11, the unit organizing and conducting the training, calls for Vietnamese use of Swift boats to patrol two areas presently patrolled by U.S. Navy units. Eventually, the operation will be completely undertaken by the Vietnamese Navy.

Of the 71 seamen sent here for training by the Vietnamese Navy headquarters in Saigon, 48 are being trained especially as boat crews. The remainder will serve as reserve crew members and maintenance personnel.

Each Vietnamese crew will consist of four enlisted men and two officers, serving as commanding officer and executive officer. This differs from the U.S. Navy manning level of one officer-in-charge and five enlisted crewmen. The training started in mid-October when the first trainees, about half of whom had graduated from the Naval Training Center at Nha Trang, arrived here.

The officers who have trained these men aboard their boats have nothing but the highest praise for them.

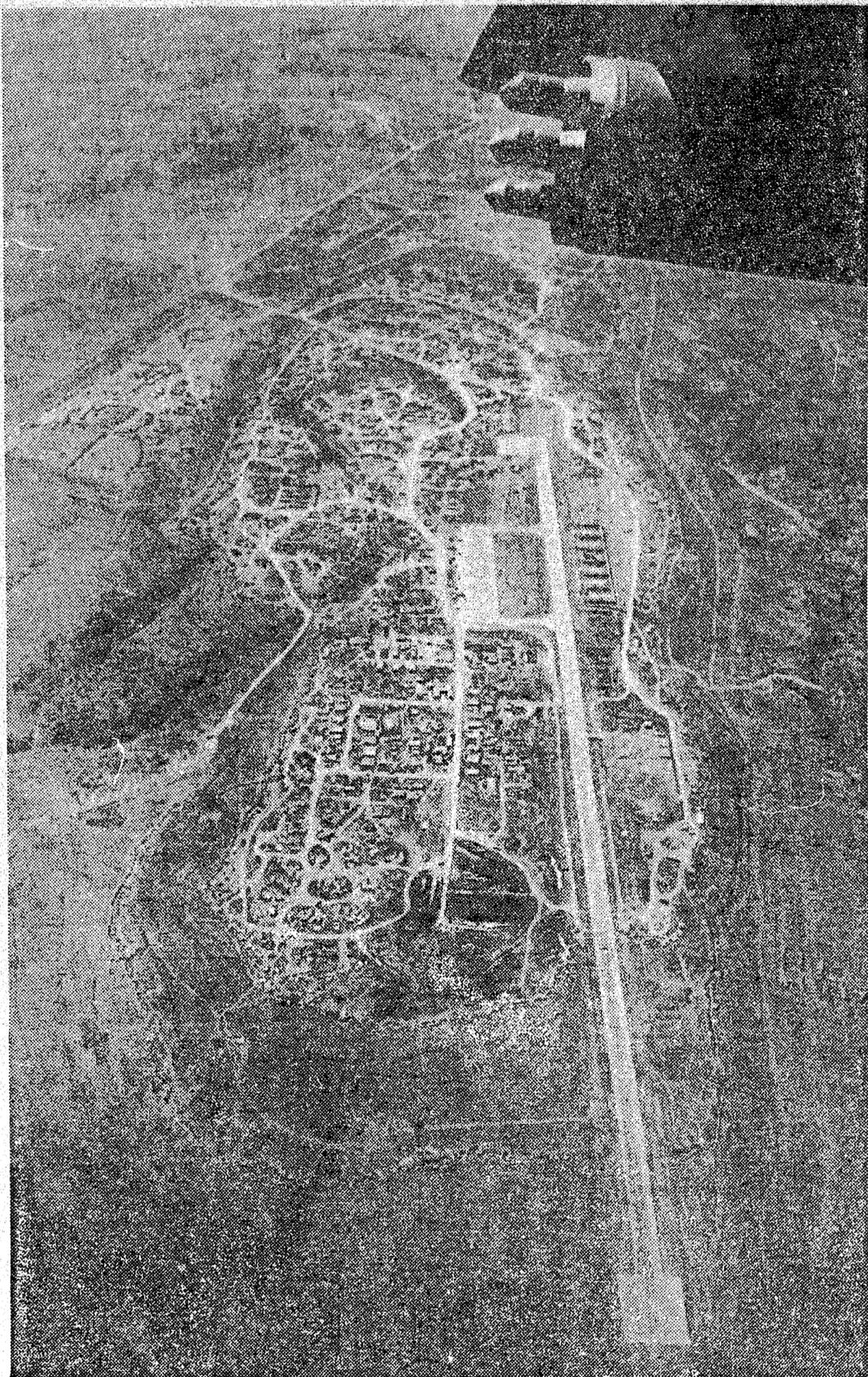
Lt. (jg) Richard Lyons said: "The people I have aboard are as well-trained as the U.S. sailors who come from nine weeks of training at Coronado. If the other watch sections are as good, they will form tremendous crews."

Bound for Vietnam

WASHINGTON (S&S) — Brig. Gen. Allan G. Pixton, assistant division commander of the 1st Armored Div., Fort Hood, Tex., is being transferred to Vietnam in late August, the Army announced.

Supplying Khe Sanh Is Risky

'If They Fire... We Go in Anyway'



This is Khe Sanh, 15 miles south of the DMZ and 10 miles east of the Laotian border. The air-strip runs east-southeast (bottom) to west-northwest. (UPI)

By PAT LUMINELLO
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DA NANG, Vietnam — When a C123 Provider arrives at the embattled Marine outpost at Khe Sanh to drop off supplies and men, the pilot doesn't linger to enjoy the view.

Within three minutes after landing, the Providers start their take-off runs to avoid Communist rocket and mortar fire. The strip at Khe Sanh offers a good target for the Communist gunners, and the target only becomes more tempting when a plane is on it.

But despite bad weather, low fog ceilings and heavy ground fire, C123 Provider pilots make daily landings at the forward base with their cargo. The Providers of the 315th Air Commando Wing are used in this situation because they can land in a small area. Their job is to provide troops, ammunition, food and fuel to Khe Sanh, and to evacuate wounded from the base, which has no other source of supply except C130 air drops and helicopters.

On a recent flight, the loadmaster informed his nervous passengers at Da Nang: "If we get fire while going in, well, we are going in anyway." The nervousness was not relieved when he also said: "Passengers will keep their seats until the cargo is unloaded. No one will leave the aircraft until all cargo is gone. We don't want you getting in the way of the unloading, and we may need your help in getting the cargo off."

According to the pilots, landing at Khe Sanh is similar to landing on an aircraft carrier. The approach must be perfect, and even when it is, rocket or mortar fire may force the landing aircraft to make extra passes over the strip before coming down.

Air Force Lt. Col. Joe M. Jackson, commander of the 311th Air Commando Sq. detachment, says: "My aircrews are doing an air and ground delivery job that defies imagination."

The pilots themselves agree that their three minutes on the ground at Khe Sanh feels like three hours. Recently one of the supply planes was hit by enemy fire and crashed in flames beyond the Marine lines. All 49 men aboard plane were killed. It wasn't the first plane lost over Khe Sanh, and it probably won't be the last.

But the flights are vital to the 5,000 Marines at Khe Sanh, and so they will continue.

Bird Dog Points Way for Jet Bombers

ABOVE KHE SANH, Vietnam (UPI) — Capt. Charles Rushforth pointed the nose of his small, two-seater observation plane toward the Khe Sanh valley floor and began diving to the pock-marked earth.

Whining and groaning under the pull of gravity, the "Bird Dog" airplane rocked a little as a rocket jumped away from a pod slung under the wing. The rocket zoomed toward the earth at a speed nearly equal that of sound.

After a fiery explosion a small white ball of smoke billowed up. The spot on the Khe Sanh valley floor was marked for destruction.

The target, a suspected North Vietnamese mortar position that had been playing havoc with U.S. Marines at the western end of the Khe Sanh base camp,

had been relayed to Rushforth, a U.S. Air Force forward air controller "FAC."

"Now you're going to see some airpower," the 29-year-old pilot from Wethersfield, Conn., said to a newsman sitting beside him.

Overhead circled two Air Force F100 jet fighter bombers, code-named "Gusty" One and Two.

With the skill of a maestro conducting a symphony orchestra, Rushforth then directed the obliteration of the North Vietnamese position with a fantastic display of U.S. airpower.

"All right, Dusty, just a little to the west of my smoke. Say 50 yards. O.K.?"

"Roger, Bird Dog. clear to make a run?"

"Uh, this is Bird Dog. You're clear, Dusty."

One at a time, directing themselves by the instructions of the Bird Dog, the jet planes roared across the valley and plastered the green knoll with their ordinance.

Bombs bursting against the ground rocked the air for miles around with thunderous shock waves.

Ten minutes later when it was all over, smoke was still rising from the spot and yet another swath of scorched pock-marked earth was left in the Khe Sanh valley.

Swooping down to assess the damage, Rushforth reported two bunkers destroyed along with North Vietnamese mortar positions.

It was a fairly typical day for Rushforth: calling in airstrikes on bunkers, automatic weapons and mortar positions in the vic-

inity of the base, helping to escort big C130 transports into the parachute drop zone, and making close reconnaissance sweeps of the surrounding area.

Just last week, Rushforth was receiving ground fire near the Khe Sanh outpost. One Leatherneck muttered over the radio: "Man, I wouldn't want to be in your shoes."

"These Marines are something," said Rushforth.

Miniskirts 'Immoral'

LJMA, Peru (UPI) — Peru's Education Ministry Wednesday banned use of miniskirts by public school students as "immoral." The ban coincided with arrival in Lima of a group of young, miniskirted Mexican artists making a film, "The Psychedelics."

Wing Briefs SEATO Group

SOUTHEAST ASIA (OI) — Sixty senior officers of Southeast Asia Treaty Organization (SEATO) nations got a firsthand look at the 388th Tactical Fighter Wing's combat mission recently.

The tour group included senior Air Force, Navy and Marine officers of Australia, New Zealand, the United Kingdom, Philippines, Thailand and the United States.

The visit included a luncheon hosted by Col. Paul P. Douglas Jr., 388th TFW commander, a slide briefing on the unit mission, film clips of F105 strikes over North Vietnam and a close-up look at the unit's F105s in their parking areas.

'Hour Late,' LBJ Warns in Tax Appeal

WASHINGTON (AP)—Arguing that "the hour is late," President Johnson sent Congress Wednesday a new appeal for higher taxes. He also proposed broader export-financing authority for the Export-Import Bank.

In letters to the presiding officers of the Senate and the House, Johnson termed his proposal for a 10 per cent income tax surcharge "the most critical measure of all" in his program to defend the dollar and resist inflation.

The tax proposal is pending before the House Ways and Means Committee, which has been delaying action on it since last year.

Chaplin's Son Dies in Hollywood

HOLLYWOOD (UPI) — Charles Chaplin Jr., 42, son of comedian Charlie Chaplin, was found unconscious in his home Wednesday and died minutes later.

He was discovered by his grandmother, Mrs. Lillian Gray.

Chaplin Jr. had recently been released from a hospital where he was treated for a broken leg suffered in a fall. He returned to the hospital later with pneumonia.

As a result of the broken leg Chaplin wore a cast and moved about on crutches. Police said it appeared he had died as the result of a fall although no official cause of death was listed.

Chaplin, an actor, was the comedian's son by his marriage to actress Lita Gray.

RFK's Son Seriously Ill

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Matthew Maxwell Taylor Kennedy, 3, was hospitalized Wednesday with pneumonia. His father, Sen. Robert F. Kennedy, canceled all his Wednesday appointments to remain at his bedside.

A spokesman for the senator said Matthew was in "good condition" at Georgetown University Hospital where he was responding to oxygen and intravenous medication.

One of 10 children ranging in age from 1 to 17, Matthew was hospitalized at midmorning when Dr. Richard Scamion diagnosed his illness as "Bronchial Asthma and Bronchial Pneumonia."

De Gaulle Hits \$

(Continued From Page 1) at a regular weekly meeting of the French Cabinet, were reported to newsmen by Information Minister Georges Gorse.

It was the first time de Gaulle had broken silence on the gold-pound sterling crisis since his last news conference, four months ago.

His remarks Wednesday followed an emergency week-end meeting by the seven gold pool nations in Washington at which it was decided to close the London gold market until April 1 and to permit two markets for the precious metal — one for central banks at \$35 an ounce; the other a free market for speculators—to stop a new wave of feverish gold speculation.

France, having dropped out of the gold pool last June, was not invited to the Washington meeting and the Paris gold market has been kept open.

France alone cannot hope to

Referring clearly to last week's gold crisis and its aftermath, Johnson said:

"The nations of the world look to us now for economic leadership. The fabric of international cooperation upon which the world's post-war prosperity has been built is now threatened. If that fabric is torn apart, the consequences will not be confined to foreign countries—but will touch every American. We must not let this happen. Prompt enactment of the tax bill will be clear and convincing proof of our leadership and an exercise of our responsibility.

"The hour is late. The need is urgent."

Johnson also urged Congress to earmark \$500 million of the Export-Import Bank's existing export-financing authority as a special fund to offer American firms such financing "more competitive with that provided by other major trading nations and especially suited to developing new markets."

In some cases this would permit the bank to help finance more risky export sales.

The administration sees a campaign to expand exports as one major way of potentially erasing the balance of payments deficit and bolstering national confidence in the dollar.

Johnson also asked Congress to act promptly on a previous request for a \$2.4 million supplemental appropriation, which would launch a five-year Commerce Department program to promote American exports.

Rap Wins Dismissal

NEW YORK (AP) — Black power militant H. Rap Brown won a dismissal Wednesday of a charge stemming from a shoving incident with a patrolman outside the Cuban Mission to the United Nations last January. The dismissal brought a roar of approval from 200 of Brown's followers who had crowded into the courtroom.

block the international monetary reform favored by her trading partners, financial experts believe.

This is probably why de Gaulle said that "the European economic community", the Common Market, should play its role in revamping the world monetary system presumably along Gaullist lines. This appeal for Common Market unity was seen as an attempt to enlist German support for his ideas.

She Eats Sand, Says It's Fine

(Continued From Page 1) knocked back at least 2,700 pounds. She enjoys perfect health and so do her five children—all of whom have the habit, too.

"Sometimes I give them some of my sand, unless my supply is getting small," she says. "Then I chase them out into the backyard where they



N.J. Firemen Battle Gasoline Blaze

Firemen pour water on burning gasoline truck that struck a pole and overturned Wednesday at Somers Point, N.J. The unidentified driver was

killed. Burning gasoline poured into sewers and set a warehouse across the street ablaze.

(AP Radiophoto)

Dayan—

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Dayan will be in hospital.

Doctors said Dayan was "in good spirits" and had been given a radio for his bedside "so he can keep in touch with the current situation and international events."

Dayan is undergoing a series of X-rays to determine the extent of his injuries, sources said.

The tough, patch-eyed general reportedly asked doctors: "When do I get out of here?"

His wife, Ruth, Finance Minister Pinhas Sapir, government and army leaders drove to the hospital to see him Wednesday afternoon.

A cordon of police and military police kept all other visitors away from Dayan's ward.

Dayan was digging in a pit about 10 feet deep at Azor, on the southwestern outskirts of Tel Aviv, when the walls collapsed, burying him in a pile of gravel and dirt.

It is believed the cave-in was caused by vibrations of earth-moving equipment at a nearby construction site.

Workers from the site, Dayan's young assistant and several women passers-by leapt into the pit and clawed the earth off the injured minister.

60,000 Dockers Strike in Protest

NEW YORK (AP) — About 60,000 longshoremen staged a four-hour strike in ports from Maine to Virginia Wednesday in sympathy with a dispute which has tied up the Port of New York since Monday.

For once, the union and the shippers are on the same side in New York—both protesting a

new port hiring policy which would open the longshoremen's register to 750 more men.

The longshoremen and the shippers' association in New York have obtained a temporary court stay preventing the port from starting its new hiring policy. They say it's wrong to hire new men on the new, automated Jersey docks when veteran longshoremen are out of work in Manhattan and Brooklyn.

In all the struck ports, longshoremen did load military cargo.

TWA Workers Start Slowdown

NEW YORK (UPI)—Some 5,000 pilots and flight engineers began a work slowdown Tuesday against Trans World Airlines' domestic and international operations, the Air Line Pilots' Association (ALPA) announced.

The spokesman said the operations of other airlines also would be delayed by the TWA slowdown.

The dispute centered around a wage clause in contract negotiations which the union said the company had broken off Feb. 9 after a month of talks. The old contract expired March 1.

Weather

USAF Weather Central

TOKYO AREA

Thursday Night: Foggy; Low 50

Friday: Cloudy; rain; High Low 60s

TEMPERATURES

March 20

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Bangkok	91	78	Naha	69	64
Chitose	35	33	Saigon	80	77
Guam	78	76	Seoul	52	37
Hazuke	62	58	Taipei	72	68
Manila	80	75	Tokyo	59	55
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Albany	58	37	Melbourne	80	59
Albuquerque	56	28	Memphis	79	36
Amarillo	57	35	Miami	72	48
Atlanta	79	45	Milwaukee	60	46
Birmingham	81	43	Minneapolis	36	32
Blissmark	26	18	Mo. City	62	49
Boise	54	24	N. Orleans	77	59
Boston	45	40	NYC	62	43
Chicago	60	46	N. Platte	44	26
Cincinnati	77	51	Okla. City	64	53
Cleveland	49	25	Omaha	48	31
Denver	44	17	Portland	52	43
Des Moines	52	40	Phoenix	68	46
Detroit	65	30	Pittsburgh	68	30
Duluth	40	33	Portland, Me.	46	39
Fargo	32	22	Rapid City	36	26
Fort Worth	64	56	Reno	50	18
Hankou	72	64	Richmond	72	43
Honolulu	77	70	Singapore	88	75
Houston	78	66	St. Louis	60	52
Indianapolis	71	49	St. Paul	39	31
Jackville	52	47	Salt Lake	47	28
Jakarta	86	77	San Antonio	74	47
Kansas City	60	48	San Diego	67	46
K. Lumpur	90	73	San Fran.	66	54
Las Vegas	62	45	Seattle	58	36
London	50	42	Shreveport	77	61
L.A.	73	48	Sydney	75	71
Louisville	74	45	Tucson	56	43
			Wash.	67	47