

Viet Cong Trapped by Allies

SAIGON, South Viet Nam (AP) — U.S. warplanes hammered at targets in North Viet Nam again today, while on the ground American and Allied forces caught the Viet Cong in a giant vise along South Viet Nam's coastal plains and sent them sprawling into retreat after 488 were reported killed.

An Air Force spokesman said three American planes — one Air Force and two Navy jets — were lost in the first day of air attacks on the Communist North after the 37-day bombing pause. There were no details yet on the second day of the raids.

The pilots of the two Navy planes were rescued, but the pilot of an Air Force F105 Thunderchief was missing about 20 miles south of Vinh. He pulled into cloud cover and disappeared. Rescue efforts were called off after a search, the spokesman said.

Radio Hanoi claimed Monday that North Vietnamese gunners had downed five American planes and damaged 10 others.

As U.S. Air Force and Navy carrier planes roared over the North again, the combined allied Operation Masher in the rice fields and jungles 290 miles northeast of Saigon smashed at a large Viet Cong force from three sides. Some of the guerrillas were reported ripping off their green jungle fighting suits and donning the black pajamas of the Vietnamese peasantry in a desperate effort to escape.

In addition to the 488 dead reported, six days of heavy fighting with the hard-core Viet Cong backed up by North Vietnamese regulars yielded 12 enemy prisoners and 48 suspects. A U.S. Army spokesman said intelligence had established that 75 per cent of the suspects are Viet Cong.

The battle raged over an area 13 miles wide and 10 miles deep. Units of the U.S. 1st Cavalry, Airmobile, Division were pressing the Communists from the north and west, while South Vietnamese and South Korean marines were hitting from other directions.

An American spokesman said the battering by ground forces, artillery and air strikes appeared to have convinced the Communists they only escape from an area they have held for 15 years lies to the hills in the

Of the Communist toll of dead, 100 were credited to the Vietnamese force of several regiments and 75 to the South Korean marines on the flank.

Shots Don't End Trouble

PITTSBURGH (AP) — When Melvin Sweeney thought he heard a burglar in his apartment, he didn't know then that would be the least of his worries.

He fired four shots with a rifle, police said. One hit the family dog; two others slammed into the kitchen wall. The fourth punctured a gas pipe leading to the kitchen stove.

At that point Mrs. Sweeney decided to investigate. She went into the kitchen with a cigarette that ignited the leaking gas fumes.

The kitchen ceiling collapsed; plaster fell from the walls of adjoining apartments. But no one found a burglar.

Buster Keaton Dies of Cancer at Age 70

HOLLYWOOD (AP) — Buster Keaton, the great stone face of comedy, died today at the age of 70 of lung cancer.

He had been ill about three months, although it had not been disclosed.

The end for the little man with the baggy pants and straw hat, who was one of the giants of the silent screen, came this morning at his home in suburban Woodland Hills.

With him was his wife of 25 years, Eleanor. Keaton's two sons by a former wife, actress Stella Talma, were quickly informed. They are James, Santa Monica, and Robert, of Arby, Marina del Rey.

Keaton, christened Joseph at birth in Piqua, Kan., began show business at the age of 14 with his family's circus and acrobatic team. As soon as he could walk began acrobatics, and the little well-prepared him for his first silent film comedy.

Keaton came to Hollywood in 1917, appearing first in two roles with comic Fatty Ar-



Operation Changes Hands After Nine Years

Art Montgomery Congratulates Leo Bradshaw and Fred Short.

Auto Dealership Changes

Leo Bradshaw and Fred Short are the new Buick - Chevrolet car dealers in Estherville. They took over the agency yesterday.

Art Montgomery, former owner, is now the Buick dealer in Waterloo, and will move his family there.

Bradshaw has been a salesman at the garage for eight and one-half years, and Fred Short is the Emmet County engineer.

"We hope that Leo's experience as a car salesman and my administrative knowledge will make us a good team," Short said today.

Bradshaw and Short jointly bought and will manage the garage with its present 17 employees. They are planning either to remodel or move into new facilities within the next year-and-a-half.

The garage will continue to sell and service a complete line of Buick and Chevrolet models. "I really enjoy the automobile business," Bradshaw said, adding, "and I have been afflicted with it so long that I decided it was time I tried it on my own."

Short is a newcomer to the field but thinks his engineering and administrative experience will prove valuable. "It's about

time I tried something new," he said.

Bradshaw has lived in Estherville for 32 years and was a salesman for Martin Furniture Store and Montgomery Ward prior to selling cars. He and his wife, Elsie, have two children, a boy and a girl, neither one of whom is still at home.

Short and his wife, Jonquil, are both originally from Spencer. They have five children, Jill 13, Debbie 11, Robert 9, Becky 8, and Tom 5.

He has been Emmet County engineer since March 1963 and was formerly affiliated with Humboldt Concrete Products company. Prior to coming to Estherville he was county engineer for Palo Alto County in Emmetsburg.

Short will resign his position with the county as soon as a replacement can be found. Montgomery has been prominent in Estherville civic affairs during the nine years that he and his family have resided here. He served as president of the Estherville Industrial Development corporation, of which he is a director, was for several years chairman of the greens and grounds committee of the Estherville golf and country club, took an active part in

Chamber of Commerce work, and otherwise participated in community affairs.

The Montgomerys, who live in Westwood, have three children—Jeff, a sophomore at Morningside college; Gregg, a freshman at Iowa State university, and Amy.

Saying that he found it difficult to leave Estherville, a gratifying business, his many friends and associates, Montgomery said that the Waterloo agency presented an opportunity that he felt obliged to embrace.

Snow Eases; East Faces New Drifting

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Snowfall eased today in the big Eastern storm, but cold, gusty winds continued to pile drifts, bedeviling efforts to clear roads in smothered communities and a new storm spread 4 to 8 inches of snow northeastward out of the southern Plains. Syracuse, N.Y., still was in the grip of blizzard snow squalls blowing off Lake Ontario. Four feet of snow covered some parts of the city.

The Weather Bureau said that the record January snowfall included 43 inches at Worcester, Mass., 41 inches at both Burlington, Vt., and Roanoke, Va., and 32 inches at Lynchburg, Va. Florida recovered from its frost and freeze and mild weather pressed in from the Gulf of Mexico along the coast to Texas.

Statewide emergencies were declared for Pennsylvania and Delaware where hundreds of travelers and rural dwellers were still isolated by road blockages caused by drifts of 10 feet or more. In Virginia, the snow drifts were reported 15 feet high. With communications hampered, there was no way of assessing the cost in lives or dollars of the January storm series. Death counts bogged as human attrition took many forms including fire fatalities, freezing, and heart attacks from snow removal exertion.

In Pennsylvania the highway department said that with 11,000 men engaged in snow clearance the cost could run to \$5 million. The clean-up cost in Philadelphia, where 9 inches fell, was put at \$500,000. In some localities, all except vital road clearing operations were put off until the snow-shifting winds should die down. Hundreds of schools were closed Monday or Tuesday, not only in the hard-hit Eastern sector, but also in the path of a new storm from New Mexico to Missouri. In Maryland where all schools were shut, two colleges and the University of Maryland delayed registrations for the second semester until Wednesday or Thursday.

U.S. 40 was closed in some sections through Maryland, and hundreds of secondary roads were choked in Maryland, Pennsylvania and West Virginia. Fire flared at Belle, Mo., today when two gas pipelines exploded.

Pieces of the actual balloon are expected to fall to the ground in this area.

Residents should be able to sight the balloon, according to the re-entry crew from General Electric, because it will not be launched unless it is a perfectly clear day—at least 10 miles ground visibility.

Piantanida will be brought to the airport after his descent, where a team of physicians and scientists will examine him.

Mrs. Piantanida, wife of the parachutist will be at the Charles Yost home in Estherville during the jump. Ed Yost of Raven Industries, who is in charge of the balloon, is the brother of Charles Yost.

THE FORECAST



CLOUDY AND COOL

Bus Kills Child

MORAVIA (AP)—A little girl was killed Monday when she tripped and fell beneath the front wheel of a school bus just after she left kindergarten here.

She was Rose Mary Millemom, 6, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dick Bates of near Centerville.

Russia, France Unite Against UN Viet Move

UNITED NATIONS, N.Y. (AP) — The Soviet Union and France joined today in trying to head off a U.S. move for a United Nations effort to settle the Viet Nam conflict.

Soviet Ambassador Nikolai T. Fedorenko accused the United States of trying to stage a propaganda show in the U.N. Security Council. He said the U.S. request for council action was designed to hide Pentagon plans for expanding the Viet Nam war.

France contended that U.N. intervention would serve only to confuse peace efforts.

Opposition to the U.S. move developed quickly after U.S. Ambassador Arthur J. Goldberg pressed for council action to set up preparatory talks aimed at arranging a Viet Nam peace conference.

Goldberg proposed that North and South Viet Nam be invited to take part in council discussions. Even before he spoke, however, the North Viet Nam government virtually ruled out any cooperation with the United Nations. An official declaration in Hanoi said all council resolutions would be considered as invalid.

Britain backed the U.S. move. Soviet Ambassador Nikolai T. Fedorenko addressed the

U.N. Security Council immediately after U.S. Ambassador Arthur J. Goldberg had urged U.N. efforts to set up a Viet Nam peace conference. Goldberg proposed that both North and South Viet Nam be invited to take part in council discussions.

The Soviet delegate declared that he would oppose any council action.

He accused the U.S. delegate of distorting the situation, and said Goldberg had confirmed that Washington was not interested in a settlement, but was merely seeking to stage a propaganda show in the council.

Goldberg told the council he believed it would be useful to

have representatives of Saigon and Hanoi appear during the current council debate. The primary question, however, was whether the 15 nation council would ignore the Soviet protest and take up the Viet Nam problem.

Nine affirmative votes would be required for inclusion of the issue on the agenda. The big-power veto does not apply.

Fedorenko had declined to tell newsmen in advance what attitude he would take.

U.N. diplomats, however, noted a Soviet news agency dispatch from Hanoi quoting the North Vietnamese government as declaring it would consider any Security Council resolutions

as invalid. Goldberg explained in detail U.S. reasons for bringing the Viet Nam problem to the United Nations. He said President Johnson had acted after every other effort had failed to bring about peace negotiations.

"Our resort to the Security Council, despite what anyone may say or speculate about it," he said, "is briefly and simply further evidence of our resolve to settle this conflict peacefully, a resolve that stems from a deep and abiding belief that a negotiated settlement rather than a military solution is obviously in the best interest of the Vietnamese people as a whole."

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5-year Plan for Foreign Aid Sought

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Johnson asked Congress today for five-year authority for foreign aid and proposed that the global program be split into separate economic and arms aid bills.

In a special message seeking \$3.39 billion in new aid funds for next year, Johnson also spelled out a \$1-billion program of food, education and health assistance abroad.

"I propose that the United States offer to join in new attacks upon the root causes of world poverty," the President told the legislators.

"The incessant cycle of hunger, ignorance, and disease is the common blight of the developing world. This vicious pattern can be broken. It must be broken if democracy is to survive."

New Facts in Slaying

DES MOINES (AP)—A Des Moines businessman, whose frozen body was found in a gulch about five miles north of here last Wednesday, apparently was alive at least 10 or 12 hours after he was last seen in December, according to Polk County Sheriff Wilbur Hildreth.

Hildreth said preliminary tests by County Medical Examiner Dr. Leo Luka indicated that Donald Nergiv, 52, apparently died from a blow to the back of the head.

Hildreth said the tests also showed Nergiv lived 10 to 12 hours after leaving a car north of the city on the night of Dec. 14. Nergiv's body was found about five miles from where he was last reported seen.

Ronald L. Kyger, 26, of Des Moines is the last known person to have seen Nergiv, police said.

Kyger told officers he had several drinks with Nergiv in downtown Des Moines the evening of Dec. 14. Kyger said they later drove to a point near the city limits where they got into an argument and Nergiv got out of the car.

Officers said Kyger volunteered to take a lie detector test, and that results tended to substantiate his account.

Past Speaker of House Dies

INWOOD (AP)—Funeral services will be held here Wednesday for Arthur C. Hanson, 74, a former speaker of the Iowa House of Representatives.

Hanson, who represented Lyon and Osceola counties in 10 sessions in the Iowa House, died Monday in the Veterans Hospital at Sioux Falls, S.D., after a brief illness.

Hanson was speaker of the House in 1955 and was chairman of the Tax Revision Committee for the General Assembly in 1960. A World War I veteran, he lived his entire life on a farm on which he was born in Lyon County.

Symington Calls for New Bomb Targets

WASHINGTON (AP) — Sen. Stuart Symington, D-Mo., called today for "a real air effort to knock out important military targets" in North Viet Nam.

Symington, a member of the Armed Services Committee who visited Viet Nam in December, said in a Senate speech:

"It would seem that we are attacking the least important targets most, the more important targets less and the most important military targets not at all."

The Missouri senator spoke out after it became known that President Johnson has told administration officials he intends to keep a tight rein on any expansion of the war. Johnson is understood have ruled out any bombing of Hanoi or Hai-phong in the immediate future.

"I agree with some leading military authorities that a real

Izaak Walton Plans Effort To Organize

The Emmet County Izaak Walton League will attempt to re-vitalize its lagging activities at a special meeting Thursday.

Election of officers and planning of projects is on the agenda for the 8 p.m. meeting at the junior college building. The League has been plagued by poor attendance at meetings in recent years, and no regular meetings were held last year, a spokesman said.

Russian Claim Oldest Man, 160

MOSCOW (AP)—Tass, the Soviet news agency, has billed Shirali Mislumov as "the world's oldest man." The agency says he's 160.

In the latest development in Mislumov's family life, Tass reported Monday that he has become the grandfather of his 50th grandchild.

The child was born to his youngest daughter, Galima, in the city of Baku in the Caucasus.

Mislumov's oldest grandchild is 75 and has 11 children, Tass said.

Debby Huntsinger Chosen City's First Junior Miss

Debby Huntsinger is the first Estherville girl to compete for the title of Junior Miss of Iowa.

Ten Iowa girls are candidates at a pageant in the Spencer Junior High school auditorium at 8 p.m. Feb. 12. The winner will receive an all-expense paid trip to Mobile, Ala., and will appear on national television March 26, the night of the American Junior Miss pageant.

Miss Huntsinger is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Huntsinger and a senior at Estherville High School. In order to compete for the Junior Miss title she has to be in the top five per cent of her class.

Estherville's representative was selected by the Chamber of Commerce, assisted by the school administration.

The Iowa pageant is sponsored by the Spencer Jaycees and will be held Feb. 12 at 8 p.m. in the Spencer Junior High School auditorium.

The girls will be judged Feb. 11 and 12. Poise and appearance will account for 15 per cent, interviews by the judges 35 per cent, scholastic achievement 15 per cent, youth fitness 15 per cent and creative and performing arts 20 per cent.

Festivities at Mobile will run a full week, and the winner will receive a \$10,000 scholarship. Other scholarships will also be awarded, a total of \$42,000 at Mobile and \$250,000 nationally. Savings bonds worth \$1,500 will be awarded to the five fi-



Debby Huntsinger

Home Town News Sought for Soldiers

DES MOINES (AP) — Mrs. Walter H. Glynn of West Des Moines, national president of the American Legion Auxiliary, said Monday that about 150 Iowa servicemen in Viet Nam have asked the Legion Auxiliary to send them their home town newspapers.

She urged more than 350 women at an Iowa Auxiliary conference to take more part in the organization's "Operation Home Town Newspaper" to get the papers to servicemen who ask for them.

son of the education department of Buena Vista College in Storm Lake and Mrs. Claire Teeter of Emmetsburg.

Claire DeKoster of Arnolds Park will be master of ceremonies.

Miss Huntsinger became a member of the Junior High National Honor Society while in eighth grade and the high school National Honor Society as a junior.

She is a member of the All-State Chorus and the All-State Band and sings in varsity chorus and the Madrigal.

She is secretary of her class and vice president of the Thespians. Other activities include Y-teens, Girls Athletic association, Future Teachers of America and past service as an officer and member of a 4-H club.

Miss Huntsinger had the lead in the junior class play and played one of the leading roles in this year's musical, "Carnival." She has received division I ratings at speech contests for the past three years.

A member of the Methodist church, she is also president of the Youth Fellowship.

Other contestants are Linda Anderson of Spencer, Mary Brenden of Ida Grove, Mary Pat Carroll of Sibley, Jana Larson of Webb, Jayne Lashier of Odessa, Polly Steffen of Eversly, Gail Van Dyke of Spirit Lake, Lynn Miller of Akron and a thus far not named candidate from Audubon.