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Score Trapped On Lift

RATON, N.M. (UPI)—A scenic chairlift ride apparently jumped its cable Saturday on 7,800-foot-high Raton Pass and plunged to a rocky hillside below.

One person was killed and several others injured.

More than a score of others were stranded on the lift but firemen using long ladders rescued all but a group of teenage girls stuck about 80 feet off the ground.

A helicopter was reported en route to pick up the stranded girls, who were not believed in any danger.

Names of the victims and the injured were not immediately known, pending notification of next of kin. However, the injured were believed to have included at least one child.

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Bid for Unity

DE GAULLE SETS GEN. SALAN FREE

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PARIS (AP) — President Charles de Gaulle moved Saturday to heal some of the wounds that have weakened French unity by releasing former Gen. Raoul Salan and former Col. Antoine Argoud from prison.

Salan and Argoud were once among the brightest names in the French Army. Then they turned against De Gaulle by opposing Algerian independence. They were leaders of the secret army organization which sowed terror in Algeria and France to back their dreams of keeping Algeria under French control. Both were serving life sentences.

The Elysee Palace announced that no one now remains in prison for events concerned with the Algerian war.

De Gaulle ordered the release of the last 11 prisoners just 8 days before the elections for a new National Assembly.

Officially, the presidential pardons were taken to commemorate De Gaulle's radio appeal of June 18, 1940, for Frenchmen (Continued on Back Page, Col. 2)

Kennedys Thank Nation



AP Radiophoto

SEN. EDWARD KENNEDY EXPRESSES FAMILY'S THANKS TO NATION AS HIS MOTHER ROSE AND FATHER JOSEPH LISTEN.

HYANNIS PORT, Mass. (AP) — Sen. Edward M. Kennedy said Saturday that Americans will decide this summer how best to fulfill the goals of his late brother, Sen. Robert Kennedy.

"And each of us will have to decide in a private way, in our own hearts, and in our own consciences, what we shall do in the course of this summer, and in future summers," the Massachusetts Democrat said.

He spoke along with his mother at a television taping session in which he thanked the nation for the "strength and hope" re-

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New Red Force Nears Saigon; Communist Shelling Goes On

Compiled From AP and S&S Vietnam Bureau

SAIGON—Fresh elements of a Communist regiment were reported moving on the northern edge of Saigon Saturday night, and South Vietnamese troops backed by artillery swept into the area to give battle.

Vietnamese military sources said there had been "some contact," but they had no other details.

The heavy thunder of exploding artillery shells could be heard clearly in the downtown center of the capital.

The area of the Communist movement was pinpointed as the Go Vap District, where several clashes occurred earlier this week. It is about four miles from central Saigon. The sources said the enemy force had been identified as elements of the Dong Nai Regt., now a

mixed Viet Cong-North Vietnamese unit.

Some enemy sniper fire also was reported Saturday night in the Phu Tho Race Track region.

Enemy gunners shelled a dock area on the Saigon River front early Sunday.

The U.S. command said four rounds of 107mm rocket fire had hit in the river front port facility. Its report listed one Viet-

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Lightning Kills AF Cadet, 18

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo. (UPI)—An Air Force Academy cadet was struck and killed by lightning and two others were injured Friday night while on a training exercise in the mountains above the academy.

Killed was William McCoy Goss, 18, of Newport, Ark. Goss was a sophomore.

Injured by the lightning were Mark W. Steinbruch, 18, of Scotch Plains, N.J. and Gregory L. Harper, 19, of Round Lake, Ill. They were taken to the Air Force Academy Hospital where they were listed in good condition Saturday.

All three cadets were participating in night exercises as part of the regular summer training program. They were hit by lightning in Saylor Park, five miles northwest of the academy.

Does Bang-Up Job

CATTERICK CAMP, England (UPI)—Army bandsman David Murgatroyd, aware that six generals were watching the parade, put extra gusto in his swings and banged a hole in his big bass drum.

As the Night Comes, Saigon People Cover Up

By SGT. ROGER NEUMANN
S&S Staff Correspondent

SAIGON—Saigon is a 12-hour city. It belongs to the day people.

The night people, whose action comes after sundown, are lost here. In Saigon the citizens go home and lock their doors every evening.

Only the police and the military move at night.

Always, the night noises outside Saigon are magnified by the silence of the city. Saigon rumbles, quivering and shaking from the distant explosions. And sometimes the explosions are not distant at all.

Firefights in the suburbs light up the sky like blocks of mar-quees advertizing the only action left in the capital. Parachute flares burst into flame like fireworks, and helicopters draw broken red lines to earth with their tracers. Only the thunderous explosions and the rising debris ruin the carnival atmosphere.

Air Force jets scream overhead, returning to Tan Son Nhut after bombing or strafing runs at nearby enemy positions. Theirs is one of the friendly sounds—a signal to the people that something is being done to

protect them while the city sleeps.

For the people of Saigon it has been a restless sleep of late.

As evening approaches the streets are flooded by great waves of two-, three-, and four-wheel vehicles hurrying home to beat the curfew. The traffic, terrible at its best here, becomes almost impossible.

The taxis and pedicabs are filled. Shops and businesses are empty and locked. And in the bars the hostesses make hasty plays for one more Saigon tea. It's closing time for the capital.

The two faces of Saigon are as different as . . . well, night and day. At night it's a ghost town. But it's far from dead, despite its many would-be assassins.

At dawn, as if a starter's gun was fired to signal the start of a new day, Saigon springs to life.

And the newsboys hawk papers that usually tell about another mortar barrage or rocket attack on the city, the air base or a suburb. Construction crews go to work to repair the damage. Hospitals care for wounded, and sometimes families set about making funeral arrangements.



All members of a Chinese family turn out in closed their laundry shop for the day to devote downtown Saigon to construct a bunker. They all efforts to the task. (AP Radiophoto)

Oil Storage Areas in N. Viet Blasted by AF and Navy Jets

S&S Vietnam Bureau

SAIGON — Air Force fighter-bombers touched off nine secondary explosions and four sustained fires Friday at a petroleum, oil and lubricant storage area 25 miles northeast of Mu Gia pass in North Vietnam.

Crews of the F105 Thunderchiefs and F4 Phantoms also reported destroying 315 POL drums, each containing 55 gallons of the flammable liquids.

The raid was one of only 82 missions flown over the panhandle by U.S. pilots. The total was about 50 missions below the recent average, with 7th Fleet pilots flying only 12 times.

The Navy said the reason for the sharp decline was a regular maintenance stand-down on its carriers in the Gulf of Tonkin. A spokesman said normal operations probably would resume within 24 hours.

Aircraft carrier America-based A7 Corsairs caused a big explosion at a supply storage

area 21 miles south of Vinh. Pilots said their 500-pound bombs set off a blast that sent up a 3,000-foot pillar of smoke.

Air Force Phantom crews reported similar results at another POL storage area 38 miles northwest of Dong Hoi. They said smoke from one large fire rose to more than 2,400 feet.

Antiaircraft fire was described as moderate, with no surface-to-air missiles fired. Air Force Thunderchief pilots destroyed an SA2 missile and transporter 25

miles southeast of Dong Hoi. The pilots used air-to-ground missiles to blast the site.

B52 bombers flew five strikes Friday night and Saturday morning against enemy base camps and supply areas in Binh Duong province northwest of Saigon. They also hit three times at North Vietnamese concentrations near Dak To and Kontum City.

Army helicopter crews killed 40 enemy Friday in scattered action in the republic.

North Viet Gunners Miss Allied Ships

S&S Vietnam Bureau

SAIGON — North Vietnamese shore batteries Friday fired more than 20 rounds of artillery at two destroyers in the Gulf of Tonkin, U.S. spokesmen said Saturday. Neither ship was hit.

The report said the destroyers Chandler and Hobart, an Australian ship, were shelling a highway bridge 11 miles southeast of Dong Hoi in North Vietnam's panhandle when six guns along the coast southeast of the city opened fire. The enemy rounds were identified as 85mm artillery shells.

The U.S. Navy said some rounds landed within 20 yards of the Australian destroyer. The Hobart returned the fire with its five-inch guns and silenced the shore sites within minutes.

In South Vietnam, gun crews on board the cutter Minona blasted 60 structures and 15 sampans as Navy and Coast Guard units reported blasting the highest single-day total of destruction in more than six weeks. The total for all units was 75 fortifications and 15 sampans.

Casualties in Vietnam

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

KILLED IN ACTION

Army
SP4 Andrew J. Thomas, Birmingham, Ala.
Pfc. Coney Ellis, Willisville, Ark.
Ssg. Albert Ishman Jr., San Pedro, Calif.
Sgt. James O. Ellsworth, Sacramento, Calif.

Sgt. Rudy M. Oliveras, Colton, Calif.
SP5 Harry L. Theurkauf, Grass Valley, Calif.

Pfc. James May Jr., Oakland, Calif.
Pfc. Robert N. Moore, Anaheim, Calif.
Pfc. Loy N. Whaley, Sacramento, Calif.
Cpl. Peter C. Ferguson, Portland, Conn.
Sgt. Jacob R. Weldin, Wilmington, Del.
Sgt. Ernest G. Winston, Miami, Fla.
Pfc. Edward H. Higgins, Tarpon Springs, Fla.

Fla.
Pfc. Franklin W. Hoops Jr., Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.

1Lt. Richard A. Holt, Atlanta, Ga.
1Lt. Richard J. Rudolph, Atlanta, Ga.
2Lt. Harris A. Folmar, Albany, Ga.
Sfc. Frank A. Condon, Augusta, Ga.
SP4 David W. Brantley, Brunswick, Ga.
SP4 Dennis C. Melton, Rossville, Ga.
Sgt. Michael J. Donovan, Berwyn, Ill.
SP4 Dennis Archibald, Chicago, Ill.
SP4 Dennis W. Mourgelas, Chicago, Ill.
SP4 George R. Packard, Fort Wayne, Ind.
Pfc. William L. Jarboe, Indianapolis, Ind.
PSg. Gaylord B. Hendrickson, Shawnee, Kan.

PSg. Alfred McCullough, Salina, Kan.
Sgt. Douglas M. Washington, Waterproof, La.

Pfc. John P. Thompson, Baltimore, Md.
SP6 James K. Wheeler, South Boston, Mass.

SP4 Richard S. Davis Jr., Quincy, Mass.
SP4 Paul J. Pelletier, Wilbraham, Mass.
Sgt. Robert J. Westrate, Holland, Mich.
Cpl. Alan R. Ott, Au Gres, Mich.
Pfc. John H. Ulbrich, Rochester, Mich.
SP4 Douglas R. Ott, St. Cloud, Minn.
Pfc. Leland D. Welch, Belview, Minn.
Pfc. Larry E. Smith, Lincoln, Neb.
Pfc. David A. Ackerman, Derry, N.H.
Pfc. Leonard E. Cruce, Hobbs, N.M.
1Lt. David A. Paddock, Cortland, N.Y.
SSg. William M. Draper, Rochester, N.Y.
Cpl. Gerald Matterna, Central Islip, N.Y.
Cpl. Gerald D. Sorrentino, Rockville Centre, N.Y.
Cpl. Francis V. Todarello, Oakdale, N.Y.
MSgt. Clarence E. Hornbuckle Jr., Fayetteville, N.C.

Sgt. John A. Combs, Akron, Ohio.
SP5 Zack W. Napier, Franklin, Ohio.
Cpl. Dale E. Badgley, Covington, Ohio.
Cpl. Roger L. Inboden, Creola, Ohio.
Pfc. Louis A. Snakovsky Jr., Maple Heights, Ohio.

1Lt. James S. Wood, Oklahoma City, Okla.
1Lt. James W. Cox, Prineville, Ore.
Sgt. Roger W. Shipley, McMinnville, Ore.
Sgt. Angelo C. Sanliago, Philadelphia, Pa.
Sgt. Dayton J. Hooks, Mullins, S.D.
Pfc. Jimmy O. Croft, Columbia, S.D.
SP4 Eljio R. Gonzales Jr., Maria, Tex.
1Lt. Richard C. Knack, Virginia Beach, Va.

Sgt. Frank W. Campbell Jr., Glade Spring, Va.
Sgt. MacArthur G. Gee, Charlotte Court House, Va.
Cpl. Robert W. Cupp, Alexandria, Va.
Cpl. Cecil T. Oscar, Grattoes, Va.
Cpl. Jason A. Hotes, Moses Lake, Wash.
Sgt. Thomas L. Dunithan, Elk Garden, W. Va.

SP4 Robert E. Barnes, Casper, Wyo.
Navy
Lt. Eric P. Brice, Birmingham, Ala.
HM2 Richard A. Roessler, Rhinelander, Wis.

Marine Corps
Pfc. Johnny M. Scott Jr., Mobile, Ala.
Cpl. Earl W. Cobbley, Pacific Grove, Calif.

Lcpl. Felix R. Baconera, Venice, Calif.
Lcpl. Daniel L. Prock, Gridley, Calif.
Pfc. David E. Barber, Hayward, Calif.
Pfc. Peter J. Weidemier, Alameda, Calif.
Pfc. Joseph J. Grillo Jr., Norwich, Conn.
Pfc. Johnny L. Proctor, Melrose, Fla.
Pfc. Kurt E. Hacker, Cicero, Ill.
Pfc. William A. Hayes, Chicago, Ill.
Pfc. Claude M. George, Hammond, Ind.
Cpl. David A. Stokes, Council Bluffs, Iowa.
Pfc. Michael W. Simon, Owensboro, Ky.
Pfc. Raymond A. Bordsua, Bideford, Maine.

Cpl. Norman E. Hicks Jr., Baltimore, Md.
Pfc. Darrell E. Campanello, Hyattsville, Md.

Lcpl. Rodney R. Bernard, Pontiac, Mich.
Pfc. Victor J. Canales, Fennville, Mich.
Pfc. Thomas W. Kemp, Rockford, Mich.
Pvt. John C. Harrington, Traverse City, Mich.

Pfc. Gerold J. McAdams, Lincoln, Neb.
Cpl. Lonnie Sheppard Jr., Newark, N.J.
Pfc. Jeffrey S. Patterson, Dover, N.J.
Lcpl. Raymond T. Steele, Flushing, N.Y.
Pvt. Richard A. Polley, Nelsonville, Ohio.
Cpl. Forrest J. Flyte, Pen Argyl, Pa.
Pvt. Eliezer Ortiz, Bethlehem, Pa.
Pfc. Thomas E. Walker, Charleston, S.C.
1Lt. John H. Carson, San Antonio, Tex.
Cpl. Amelio Nino, Dimmitt, Tex.
Cpl. Carl K. McDorman, Lnydhurst, Va.
Lcpl. Robert V. Holland, Danville, Va.
Lcpl. Jeffrey E. Feser, Seattle, Wash.
Lcpl. Mikal J. Sullivan, West De Pere, Wis.

Air Force
Sgt. Anthony Carra, Des Moines, Iowa.

DIED OF WOUNDS
Army
SP5 Wayne S. Proctor, Saluda, S.C.

Marine Corps
Pvt. David Knox, Dalton, Ill.
Lcpl. Francisco Ortiz, New York City.
Pfc. Renato M. Bevilacqua, Cleveland, Ohio.

Pfc. Colie Etheridge Jr., Columbia, S.C.

MISSING TO DEAD—HOSTILE
Army
SP4 Gregory R. Johnson, Pueblo, Colo.
Sgt. Walter F. E. Matis Jr., Bridgeport, Conn.

Pfc. Philip F. Nestico, Bristol, Conn.
Sgt. Harry W. Butler, Columbus, Ga.
Cpl. Joseph J. Passavanti III, Park

Forest, Ill.
Pfc. Delbert R. Brockmeyer, Murphysboro, Ill.
Pfc. Brian J. Clark, Carlyle, Ill.
SP4 Robert G. Marvin, Gary, Ind.
SP4 Robert G. Galloway, Berea, Ky.
Pfc. Joseph R. Valentine, Prairieville, La.
Pfc. Ronald A. Coleman, Baltimore, Md.
SSg. Charles D. Farrell, Boston, Mass.
1Lt. Robert L. Jones, Chula, Mo.
SP4 Norman L. Keller, North Tonawanda, N.Y.
Pfc. Michael F. Chubbuck, Depew, N.Y.
Pfc. Gary L. Russell, Rome, N.Y.
Sgt. John D. Crews Jr., Rocky Point, N.C.
Pfc. Samuel T. Hill, Gastonia, N.C.
SP4 Terry L. Fyock, Indiana, Pa.
Pfc. Joseph P. Misiaszek, Central Falls, R.I.
SP4 Conley A. Bradshaw, Church Hill, Tenn.
Sgt. Billy R. Brown, Belton, Tex.
1Lt. Steven M. Gillmer, Tacoma, Wash.
Sgt. Michael W. Braun, Milwaukee, Wis.
PSg. Jose Q. Aguon, Umatac, Guam.

Air Force
Maj. Eugene P. Beresik, Webster, Mass.
Maj. David J. Gunster, Ridgewood, N.J.

MISSING IN ACTION
Army
1Lt. Kevin J. Dugan.
Sgt. August Gonsalves Jr.
SP5 Richard L. Vines.
Pfc. Lee R. Bush.
Pfc. Charles W. Smith.
Pfc. Loren D. White.

Marine Corps
Sgt. Larry D. Plier.
Lcpl. Harry T. Moore.

Coast Guard
Lt. Jack C. Rittichier.

DIED NOT AS A RESULT OF HOSTILE ACTION
Army
Pfc. James A. King, East Palmdale, Calif.
Pfc. Mitchell P. Conely, Trenton, Fla.
Pvt. Ronnie L. Jones, New York City.
Sgt. Edgar D. Joy, Wellsville, Ohio.
Cpl. Alva D. Henthorn, Columbus, Ohio.
SP4 Milton D. Gruber, Columbus, Ohio.
SP4 Benjamin J. Williamson, Mullins, S.C.
SP4 William G. Poole III, Kingsport, Tenn.
SP4 Larry H. Morgan, Grand Marsh, Wis.

Marine Corps
Pfc. John A. Goldsberry II, Danville, Ill.

MISSING NOT AS A RESULT OF HOSTILE ACTION
Army
SP4 Roger D. Weber.
Pfc. Scott D. Corrello.

Indian Riot Damage

BOMBAY (UPI) — Hindu-Moslem riots in the city of Nagput since Monday have caused one million rupees (\$200,000) worth of damage, the Finance Ministry of Maharashtra State said Saturday.

Viet Assembly Passes Bill to Beef Up Forces

SAIGON (UPI) — South Vietnam's National Assembly Saturday passed amendments to the general mobilization bill submitted by President Nguyen Van Thieu. The bill automatically became law.

The Assembly's action cleared the final hurdle in passage of the bill, which is supposed to put 200,000 more men in the Vietnamese Army by the end of the year.

This will raise the size of the armed forces to 870,000.

In a joint session, members of

both the Vietnamese Senate and Lower House debated each of five amendments proposed by Thieu. They ejected none of the amendments. No final vote was required to make the bill law.

The bill will make all males 18 to 38 years old eligible for the draft.

Males aged 16 to 17 and 39 to 50 will be required to serve in civil self-defense units except for those who volunteer for the Army.

Thieu had asked the National Assembly more than two months ago to empower him to declare general mobilization of the country's manpower and resources.

GIs Find 3 Red Radios

LAI KHE, Vietnam (Special)—First Inf. Div. troops operating about 40 miles north of Saigon recently seized a cache of Communist communications equipment termed "the largest and most significant I have heard of" by Lt. Col. Claude S. Simpson Jr., division signal officer.

Included in the find were three radio sets, two devices for aligning radios, a key for sending code messages, three matching units for connecting radio equipment, several antennas and a number of batteries, tubes and communications wire.

C Co., 1st Bn., 16th Inf., discovered the equipment in a recently occupied red base camp. Simpson said the most significant aspect of the find was the "sophistication of the late model radio gear." One new radio, made in Red China, was an AM set, similar in size to many American field radios.

The presence of a supply of tubes, wire and batteries together with the aligning devices caused the 1st Bn.'s signal officer, 1st Lt. Sylvan H. Riker, to conclude, "The radios must have been brought to the location for repairs or maintenance." In addition to the communications gear, the troops captured 89 rifles, three crew-served weapons and 150 pounds of TNT.

GIs Seize Rice Cache

HUE, Vietnam (Special) — An enemy supply depot, stuffed with more than 35 tons of stolen rice, was seized near here recently by a company from the 101st Airborne Div.'s 2nd Bn.

Working with a platoon of Popular Force (PF) soldiers from Quang Dien, the paratroopers of D Co., 1st Bn. (Abn), 502nd Inf., discovered the cache while capturing two Viet Cong who fled into a tiny riverside hamlet.

"I've seen rice caches before, but never anything like this," said the amazed commander, Capt. Jackie Justice, of Clarksville, Tenn. "We walked into that village and we were literally surrounded by rice."

Searching the village with the PF's, the soldiers found there was even more to the rice stockpile than originally met the eye.

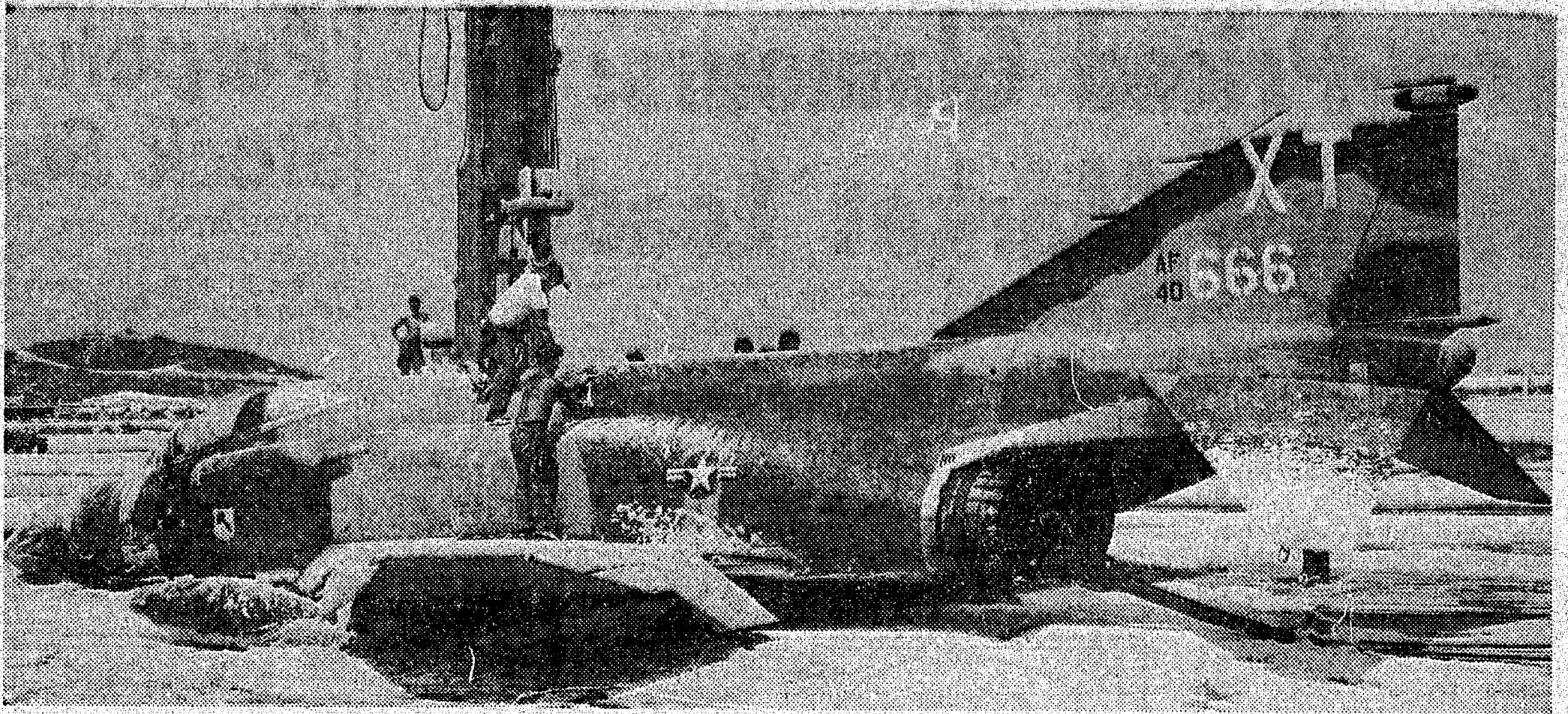
One of the biggest finds was a huge, stone-walled pigpen full of rice. Concealing the vital grain was a sheet of corrugated tin and a six-inch layer of pig dung.

"Losing this much rice is really going to hurt 'Charlie,'" Justice said. "This place was obviously a way station for North Vietnamese Army infiltrators."

With the Americans guarding the village, the PF's and some local citizens dug the rice out and bagged it for shipment to a safe district collection point.

Bus Crash Kills 34

KISUMU, Kenya (AP) — At least 34 persons were killed when the bus in which they were riding crashed through a bridge railing and plunged into the Sodu River between here and Kisii.



Ground crews prepare to lift an F4 Phantom off the runway at Cam Ranh Bay so air traffic can continue. Minimum damage was done to the aircraft as its pilots made a belly landing to save the plane. (USAF)

Seize NVA On Junk

DA NANG, Vietnam (Special) —The Coast Guard Cutter Point Orient captured a sailing junk with six North Vietnamese Army personnel on board 85 miles south of here.

In the course of an ordinary inspection of the junk, the six men, disguised as fishermen, were found in possession of papers which looked too new for the dates on them. Examination of the junk revealed a large cargo of rice, salt and medicine, all items urgently needed by the enemy.

The junk and its occupants were turned over to the South Vietnamese Navy. An intelligence officer identified the men as a captain and five warrant officers of the North Vietnamese Army attempting to infiltrate to assignments in South Vietnam.

Crews' Skill Slides F4 To Safe Belly Landing

CAM RANH BAY, Vietnam (Special)—A multi-million dollar F4 Phantom of the 12th Tactical Fighter Wing was saved from serious damage recently through the skill of the air crew and the rapid reaction of ground personnel.

Because of a landing gear malfunction, Maj. Robert D. Russ, 35, Colorado Springs, Colo., aircraft commander, and 1st Lt. Douglas M. Melson, 24, Kenmore, N.Y. pilot, had to make a wheels up landing.

"We orbited for about an hour to get rid of our excess fuel," Melson said. "Meanwhile, we radioed our emergency situation to the base and the ground

crews foamed the runway.

"A belly landing in an F4 just isn't covered in the books, it's a time when common sense and aerial skill are the governing factors. Major Russ and I had both read a safety article covering a belly landing of an F4 on the wing tanks with minimum damage to the aircraft. We both remembered the tactics used and we went over the checklist.

"We made a low pass over the base to check our sink rate," Melson continued, "and to see the exact location of the foam and to make sure our speed calculations were correct. 'Major Russ was cool; he

wasn't even breathing hard. He told me to remind him of things like the ejection guard handle, the tail hook and to stopcock (turn off) the throttles.

"Our final pattern was very wide, about five miles from the field. This allowed us to get lined up with the centerline of the runway about three miles out. We came in low at 144 knots on our final approach. The tail hook caught the arresting barrier, and we slid down the slick runway until the barrier stopped us. It was the softest landing I've ever had in an F4. The wing tanks cushioned the landing and everything worked out fine with minimum damage to the plane. We stopped, got our canopies up and left the aircraft," concluded Melson.

Russ said, "My main concern was the aircraft. We need them badly here, and I didn't want to lose it. I've flown a lot of fighters and this one is best.

"Melson really did an outstanding job," he added. "He reminded me of the things I asked him to, at just the right time. We went over the checklist for the landing and worked together."

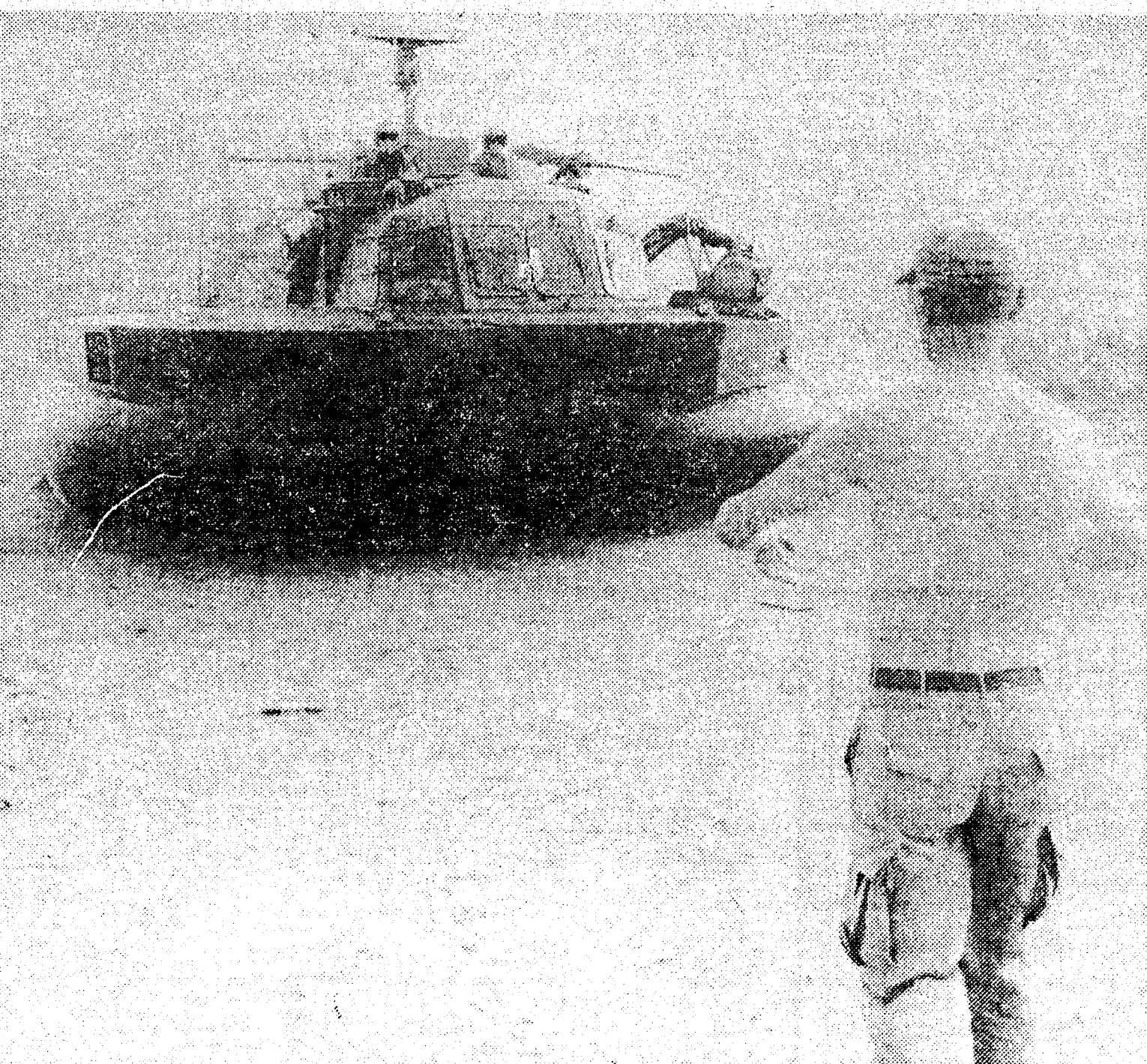
Russ concluded, "I'd like to pat the ground crew on the back. They did a terrific job of foaming the runway in minimum time and they were right there when we stopped to handle the situation."

Damage to the \$2 million aircraft was confined to the two wing tanks and the radome on the nose. Cost of the three items, \$2,808.

British Student Pardoned by Tito

SISAK, Yugoslavia (UPI) — Philip Dobson, 22-year-old British student sentenced to six years' imprisonment, was released from prison here after Yugoslavia President Tito pardoned him, a court official said.

Dobson was sentenced May 31 after he was found guilty in a road accident in which 14 British students were killed in the bus he had driven. Dobson had been given a choice of a pardon or a new trial.



A Boat—Part of the Time

An Army air cushion vehicle pulls onto dry land after patrolling a Mekong Delta canal. The 5th Inf. Div. boat can make speeds of 70 m.p.h.

across all types of delta terrain. It is armed with machine guns mounted atop and on the sides. (USA)

Kennedy Family Thanks Mourning Nation

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ceived by the family from the nation's reaction to Robert's death.

His remarks and comments from Mrs. Rose Kennedy were taped Saturday for telecast later in the day over all three networks.

Former U.S. Ambassador Joseph P. Kennedy, 79, sat in a wheelchair beside his wife, but did not speak during the taping. He was rendered speechless by a stroke 6½ years ago.

Edward and his mother spoke from wicker lawn chairs on the lawn of the Kennedy family compound overlooking the waters of Nantucket Sound.

Mrs. Jacqueline Kennedy, widow of the president, stood on the lawn nearby but did not

take part in the taping. Several relatives of the Kennedy family were also present.

Sen. Edward M. Kennedy's statement:

"I hope that the countless thousands who have sent their expressions of sympathy and condolence to Ethel Kennedy and my mother and father and members of the Kennedy family can realize the strength and the hope that they have given to the members of the family during these last several days.

"This has not been the first tragedy that has afflicted my parents and the members of my family, and we pray that it is the last. But in each instance, in spite of a world of cruelty, we have been much more impressed with the compassion

and the love and the warmth of the human heart than we have over any other emotion.

"We are deeply indebted to President Johnson and Mrs. Johnson for their words as well as their actions, to the Vice President of the United States for his assistance, and we have been consoled by His Holiness Pope Paul, the Secretary General of the United Nations, and other heads of state and many political leaders.

"But most of all, it has been the people themselves, with outstretched hands of sympathy and strength that have most touched the hearts of the members of my family. It is the ones who could give the least who have given the most. To

those who have expressed their grief and who have raised their voices to the members of our family, we shall always be deeply grateful.

"To the thousands who filed through St. Patrick's and stood on the streets of New York and stood on that railroad embankment, the other thousands in the rain in Washington, D.C., to those in California, the longshoremen who paused for a few minutes in their work, to the graduates and commencement speakers in the Midwest, to those who offered prayers on the battleship Massachusetts in my own state of Massachusetts in Fall River, we shall never be able to express adequately in words our thanks but we shall in

our deeds, in our public and private lives.

"And to those who began the campaign and carried on the campaign for the ideals for which Robert Kennedy believed, that dream still remains, and those hopes still remain.

"And each of us will have to decide in a private way, in our own hearts, and in our consciences, what we shall do in the course of this summer, and in future summers, and I know we shall choose wisely.

"Ethel and the members of the family are doing well. They have returned to school. Their oldest daughter Kathleen is teaching in an Indian reservation this summertime. They have the strength that their father has given them, and we pray to God that the Lord will give them the health to carry on."

Mrs. Rose Kennedy's statement:

"May I extend my sincere thanks to all you dear friends who offered your prayers, affection, and condolences at the time of our recent bereavement.

"We know that these tributes came straight from your hearts and our hearts responded with gratitude and deep appreciation. We cannot always understand the ways of Almighty God...the crosses which He sent us...the sacrifices which He demands of us...but we believe in His divine goodness...in His wisdom.

"We accept with faith and resignation His holy will with no looking back to what might have been, and we are at peace. We have courage for the future, and we shall carry out the principles for which Bobby stood.

"His devotion, his dedication, to those high ideals are well known, and we shall honor him not with useless mourning, and vain regrets for the past, but with firm and indomitable resolutions for the future...acting now to relieve the starvation of people in this country...working now to aid the disadvantaged and those helpless, inarticulate masses for whom he felt so deeply and for whom he worked long hours...night as well as day.

"And in our thoughts of him, and in our prayers, we shall remember Ethel as well as his little children with whom he laughed and prayed...that they too, may remember their father not as only a parent who gaily shared their sports and their childhood triumphs, but also as one who pledged his heart, soul, and strength, to the betterment of humanity and the spiritual enrichment and honor of our great country, the United States of America."

Popular Guitarist Dies at 45

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind. (UPI) — Wes Montgomery, the self-taught guitarist who after almost a quarter of a century of relative obscurity became one of America's leading jazz musicians, died Saturday at the peak of his career.

Montgomery, 45, suffered a heart attack at his home here where he was resting between tours with his quintet, which included his brothers Monk and Buddy.

At his death, Montgomery's "A Day in the Life" was No. 1 in Billboard magazine's chart of best selling jazz albums for the 37th consecutive week. It has sold more than 250,000 copies.

An earlier album "Going Out of My Head," won Montgomery the Grammy Award for the best instrumental jazz performance in 1966 but it was with "California Dreamin'" in 1967 that the guitarist caught the ear of the nation.

Montgomery also was voted the best jazz guitarist of 1968 in a Downbeat magazine poll.

The extent of his present success was in sharp contrast to his earlier years. Born in Indianapolis March 6, 1923, and schooled primarily in Columbus, Ohio, Montgomery was 19 and married before he ever picked up a guitar.

Montgomery later recalled how he listened to recordings by the legendary guitarist Charlie Christian and the music "burned my ear." Obsessed with Christian's playing, Montgomery scraped together \$350 to buy a new electric guitar and amplifier without even knowing how to read a note of music.

For the next eight months he devoted every spare moment to mastering the guitar and learning each solo Christian had recorded with Benny Goodman.

After four years of playing locally he was hired by Lionel Hampton but two years of touring was enough for Montgomery. Missing his family, he moved back to Indianapolis, took non-musical jobs and concentrated on playing his guitar on weekends.

Smoking Sam Swiped

LONG BEACH, Calif. (AP) — The American Cancer Society chapter reported that someone has taken Sam, a mechanical mannequin it uses to show school children the effects of smoking.

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De Gaulle Frees Algeria Foes

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to fight on against Nazi Germany.

Unofficially, the pardons were seen as a bid for support from Algerian settlers repatriated to France. The former Algerian residents have been bitterly opposed to De Gaulle, and one of their most pressing demands has been for release of their heroes.

Some French newspapers said Salan's release is part of the price asked by the army for a pledge of loyalty in the great surge of social upheaval that has just hit France. When the picture was darkest, and De Gaulle admits that he was thinking of withdrawing, he went to eastern France and to Germany to find out where the army stood.

Salan was convicted of taking part in the 1961 generals' putsch in Algiers which seized power for a few days. He has been serving a life sentence in the Tulle prison.

Salan was the only prisoner left at Tulle. Argoud also was serving a life term. He had been captured in Munich by what were generally believed to be French secret agents and spirited back to France to stand trial.

The liberation of Salan had been expected for the past few days. Former Premier Georges Bidault who had been living in

exile for six years to avoid facing court charges of subversive activities returned to France last Saturday.

Former Col. Charles Lacheroy, once sentenced to death in absentia for participation in the putsch, came back to France from Spain Thursday after seven years in exile.

The only top political leader involved in the battle against Algerian independence who is still living outside France is Jacques Soustelle, former minister of information and one-time governor-general of Algeria.

Salan walked out of the Tulle prison just 31 minutes after the pardon had been announced in Paris. His 18-year-old daughter Dominique was with him.

Salan's voice was choking with emotion as he told newsmen. "You understand my feelings on leaving this prison. I leave nothing behind me, except my followers who are dead and to whom I pay homage. What is important now is to be with my wife and daughter. I am going with them to have a rest."

When asked if he planned to enter public life, Salan said, "Certainly not. I have already been mixed up in too many events."

He indicated, however, that he would write a book.



Raoul Salan talks with newsmen after his release from prison at Tulle, France.

(AP Radiophoto)

Peace Talks Stalemated

PARIS (AP)—At the end of five weeks, the peace talks between the United States and North Vietnam rested on dead center Saturday.

The ninth meeting between Ambassadors W. Averell Harriman of the U.S. and Xuan Thuy of North Vietnam is scheduled for next Wednesday following a week-long recess. During the recess Harriman is consulting with his advisers here and is also in touch with policy-makers in Washington.

Since last Wednesday's meeting, which produced another round of argument over how to de-escalate the war, Thuy and his delegation have been publicly silent. But claims of military victory and eventual triumph for the North Vietnamese cause continue to be heard from Hanoi.

The issue on which Harriman and Thuy have been deadlocked from the beginning is North Vietnam's demand that the U.S. stop all attacks on its territory and the U.S. counter-demand that North Vietnam must also scale down military operations.

Shelling Goes On

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namese civilian wounded and one truck destroyed.

Spokesman said the rockets were launched from the southwest and counterbattery fire directed into that area resulted in a secondary explosion.

The Viet Cong continued their harassing rocket and mortar attacks against Saigon Saturday. Bien Hoa AB and a Saigon police station received over 80 rounds from Communist gunners.

Early Saturday morning, approximately 60 rounds of 107mm rockets struck Bien Hoa AB, 16 miles northwest of Saigon, no damage or casualties were reported.

Twenty mortar rounds landed near a National Police outpost in the southeastern sector of Saigon, wounding two policemen and three civilians.

Nine other civilians were wounded in random shellings in the same area Saturday morning.

U.S. Marines killed 21 enemy Friday morning while repelling an attack near Hoi An, 350 miles northeast of Saigon.

The Marines' position was attacked at 3 a.m. by an enemy force of unknown size. The Americans repulsed the attack

and directed artillery, helicopter gunships and air strikes into the enemy's positions.

A sweep of the area revealed 12 enemy bodies. No Marines were killed in the action.

In other ground action Friday, U.S. Army troops killed 43 enemy in an operation north of Saigon. Helicopter gunships killed 12 Viet Cong while supporting Vietnamese troops in the Mekong Delta.

Chairlift—

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James Roper, manager of radio station KRTN in Raton, said one woman and her son, believed to be 10 or 12 years old, jumped from one of the chairs to the ground but were apparently not hurt.

Raton Pass is about 10 miles north of Raton, on the Colorado-New Mexico border.

The lift runs from the highway through the pass to the top of a brush-covered mountain. The lift is a popular scenic ride which operates only in the summer.

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Manila	97 75	Tokyo	77 68
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Albany	82 59	Memphis	92 63
Albuquerque	84 59	Miami	86 77
Amarillo	90 65	Milwaukee	83 65
Atlanta	85 54	Moscow	75 50
Birmingham	91 57	N. Orleans	93 67
Bismarck	59 41	NYC	75 57
Boise	75 46	N. Platte	77 56
Boston	67 63	Okla. City	89 69
Chicago	83 69	Omaha	78 63
Cincinnati	81 52	Paris	72 53
Cleveland	80 43	Phila.	77 54
Denver	76 51	Phoenix	105 65
Des Moines	78 70	Pittsburgh	76 41
Detroit	84 53	Port., O.	73 51
Duluth	61 51	Rapid City	84 48
Fargo	58 43	Reno	85 39
Fort Worth	95 70	Richmond	81 53
Hong Kong	84 61	Singapore	87 74
Honolulu	85 79	St. Louis	92 68
Houston	92 78	St. Paul	69 58
Ind'polis	83 54	Salt Lake	78 45
Jackville	92 73	S. Antonio	93 75
Jakarta	90 75	San Fran.	75 51
Kansas City	92 70	Seattle	70 49
K. Lumpur	87 71	Srievport	95 60
Las Vegas	106 66	Sydney	63 51
London	73 59	Tucson	101 63
Louisville	94 52	Wash.	80 57
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