Newsmen Recount Misery In South Viet Nam Action

Associated Press correspondent Bob Poos and photographer Henri Huet accompanied U.S. 1st Cavalry Division troops into action on South Viet Nam's central coast. Here is their report.

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AN THI, Viet Nam (AP)—Out in a shell-pocked no man's land, a thick blob of mud moved toward our trench, formerly Communist real estate but now our haven — and our hospital and mortuary.

The muddy blob was a U.S. infantryman, wounded minutes earlier as his platoon made another attempt to reach a clump of palm trees 100 yards away and rout out the Viet Cong guerrillas.

Neither he nor the platoon made it. Now he was crawling back, bullets splattering around him.

He flopped into the trench, wounded in the hip. A medic floundered across American dead and wounded in the trench, a trench of misery with the rain falling, the bullets cracking and the wounded piling up.

It had been the guerrillas first line of defence around this tiny village on the central lowlands that the 1st Cavalry had chosen to visit Friday.

CUT DOWN BY SNIPERS

The guerrillas had built it deep into the sand. The cavalrymen wrested it from them in charges across an open rice paddy under withering sniper fire that cut down several of the cavalrymen.

Medic Thomas L. Cole, from Richmond, Va., himself wounded in the head, helped tend the wounded, sprawled in the mud of the trench. He was nearly blinded by the bandage wrapped around his head.

But Cole kept on going, answering the cry of a wounded man here, a dying man there. Cole spent an hour in mouth-to-mouth resuscitation trying to revive one terribly wounded soldier. The man died.

In late afternoon, Cole had civilian casualties to tend to, a whole civilian family.

They had been hiding in a house in the tiny village nearby, and had suffered from the battle. A baby barely a year old had been hit by shrapnel in the abdomen, arms and legs.

The company commander cried out to the father as he carried the baby near the American positions, "Come, get in this trench."

BABY DIES

The man came over as firing snapped around him. His wounded wife, blood all over her face, followed. There was little that Cole or any of the other medics could do for the wounded child. As the day passed into night, and as the rain grew stronger in its intensity, the baby began whimpering, then died.

The wailing of the grieving family, lying fearful in the muddy trench, shattered the nerves of some of the soldiers.

"Tell them to shut up," one wounded man called.

The battleground at An Thi looked like photographs of the beachhead at Iowa Jima in the Second World War.

There were examples of outstanding bravery at An Thi.

Specialist 4th Class Jesus Garcia of Las Animas, Col., was one of the first wounded in A company. He suffered a jagged hole in his right thigh and hip. His buddies covered him from the chilling rain with a blanket and Poncho and one asked: "You okay, Garcia?"

He replied: "I'll make it."

EVACUATED BY COPTER

The next day they carried Garcia, grinning and smoking a cigarette, to a medical evacuation helicopter. He had made it okay.

A drenching rain fell throughout Friday night and in the predawn hours of Saturday, then slacked off about dawn.

The light of dawn exposed a picture of bloody battle — the dead and wounded in the muddied trenches, the empty cartridge clips and ration boxes scattered about, the shell holes.

In the village, a rooster crowed and hens pecked in the mud. A pig rooted through empty C-ration cans.

It was a dawn that did not come peacefully.

ON THE AIR

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CFCY-TV

1.30 p.m.—Musicale
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3.00 p.m.—To Tell The Truth
3.25 p.m.—Take 30
4.00 p.m.—Bonnie Prudden Show
4.31 p.m.—Razzle Dazzle
5.00 p.m.—Wild Bill Hickock
5.30 p.m.—Music Hop
6.00 p.m.—Stars of the Festival
6.30 p.m.—Gazette
7.00 p.m.—CFCY TV News
7.15 p.m.—Dept. of Agriculture Program
7.30 p.m.—Gilligan's Island
8.00 p.m.—Big Valley
9.00 p.m.—Red Skelton Hour
10.00 p.m.—Front Page Challenge
10.30 p.m.—Dick Van Dyke
11.00 p.m.—Newsmagazine
11.30 p.m.—The Public Eye
12.00 p.m.—CBC TV News
12.13 p.m.—Local Weather & Sport Scores
12.15 p.m.—Sign Off

CKCW-TV

9.57 a.m.—Station Sign On
10.00 a.m.—Canadian Schools
10.30 a.m.—Nova Scotia Schools
11.30 a.m.—Friendly Giant
11.45 a.m.—Chez Helene
12.00 pm.—Butternut Square
12.20 p.m.—Across Canada
12.50 p.m.—Tuesday Playbill Week-end at The Waldorf
2.30 p.m.—At Home with Helen Crocker
3.00 p.m.—To Tell the Truth
3.30 p.m.—Take Thirty
4.00 p.m.—Bonnie Prudden
4.30 p.m.—Razzle Dazzle
5.00 p.m.—William Tell
5.30 p.m.—Music Hop
6.00 p.m.—Supper Club
6.15 p.m.—TV News
6.25 p.m.—TV Weather
6.30 p.m.—TV Sports
6.35 p.m.—Supper Club
7.00 p.m.—Musical Showcase
7.30 p.m.—Dr. Kildare
8.30 p.m.—Peyton Place—I
9.00 p.m.—Red Skelton
10.00 p.m.—Front Page Challenge
10.30 p.m.—Dick Van Dyke
11.00 p.m.—News Magazine
11.30 p.m.—Public Eye
12.00 a.m.—CBC National News
12.15 a.m.—Viewpoint
12.20 a.m.—Lionel Network News
12.30 a.m.—Station Sign Off

CFCY RADIO

TUESDAY

6.30—News and Weather
6.35—Morning Roundup
6.45—Island Weather, Mar. Temp.
6.46—Morning Roundup
6.55—News and Weather
7.00—Hebrew Christian Hour
7.15—Morning Roundup
7.30—News and Weather
7.35—Farm Report
7.41—Morning Roundup
7.45—Island Weather, Mar. Temp
7.46—Morning Roundup
7.56—Sports Capsule & Scoreboard
8.01—News
8.11—Weather
8.16—Morning Roundup
8.45—Weather
8.50—Atlantic News Roundup
8.58—Thought For Today
9.00—CBC National News
9.10—Preview Commentary CBC
9.15—Assignment CBC
9.20—Notes and Music
10.05—Notes and Music
10.35—Checkpoint
10.55—Lucky Seven
11.00—News and Weather
11.05—Starlight Serenade
11.30—News and Weather
11.35—Starlight Serenade
12.00—CBC News, Maritime Weather and Sports

CBA RADIO

TUESDAY

6.00—The Morning Show, Part 1
7.00—The Morning Show, Part 1
8.00—CBC News and Inland Wx.
8.15—Maritime Sportscast
8.21—The Morning Show, Part 1
8.35—Max Ferguson Show
9.00—CBC News
9.10—Commentary
9.15—Assignment
9.21—A.M. Chronicle
10.45—Playroom
11.00—CBC News
11.03—Joan Marshall
11.15—For Consumers
11.20—Record Album
11.30—The Archers
11.45—Music On The Heather
11.55—Assignment
12.00—Jamboree Junction
12.15—Ramblin Man
12.30—Maritime Farm B'cast
1.00—CBC News and Weather
1.15—Gordie Tapp Show
1.45—Time Out For Melody
1.59—D.O. Time Signal
2.00—Time Out For Melody
2.15—Atlantic School Broadcast "Airway To Song"
2.30—Atlantic School Broadcast "Atlantic History"
2.45—John Drainie Tells A Story
3.00—CBC News
3.03—Trans-Canada Matinee
3.30—Trans-Canada Matinee
4.00—CBC News
4.03—Canadian Roundup
4.10—Music In The Air
4.30—Assignment
4.35—Music In The Air
5.00—Mar. Fish Broadcast
5.20—CBC Notebook
5.35—Assignment
5.45—Tempo and Notebook (Cont'd)
6.00—CBC News
6.15—On Parliament Hill
6.20—Today's Editorial
6.25—Inland Weather and Sports Scores
6.30—Business Barometer
6.35—Who Will Come With Me
6.50—Rod and Charles
7.05—Music In The Evening
7.30—Christian Frontiers
8.00—Intro To Tuesday Nite Part 1
8.05—Bruno Walter Documentary
10.00—CBC National News
10.15—Today's Editorial and Speaking Personally
10.30—Into To Tues, Part 2
11.00—The Kodaly Choir of Budapest
12.00—CBC News
12.03—Sports Scores, Inland and Marine Weather
12.15—Music In The Night

Municipal Building Increases

OTTAWA (CP) — Municipal building permits were issued in October to cover construction estimated at $385,779,000, the Dominion Bureau of Statistics has reported.

The figure was up nearly 10 per cent from the October, 1964, total of $352,698,000, and showed a gain of nearly 25 per cent in non - residential construction while permits for houses and apartments fell off 1.4 per cent.

The figures brought to $3,174,943,000 the value of construction covered by municipal permits issued in the first 10 months of 1965, a gain of nearly 20 per cent from the comparable total for 1964.

In the 10-month period last year, residential construction was valued at $1,469,553,000, up nearly 10 per cent from the previous year. Non-residential construction was up 28.2 per cent at $1,705,390,000.

Construction permits issued in October last year, with year-earlier figures in brackets, by provinces were: Newfoundland $2,300,000 ($2,131,000); Prince Edward Island $2,202,000 ($1,221,000); Nova Scotia $4,858,000 ($9,320,000); New Brunswick $5,001,000 ($10,254,000); Quebec $90,224,000 ($81,277,000); Ontario $165,756,000 ($153,929,000); Manitoba, $140,670,000 ($16,805,000); Saskatchewan $20,618,000 ($14,212,000); Alberta $50,312,000 ($30,388,000); and British Columbia $30,441,000 ($33,161,000).

Murder Charge Laid In B.C.

PRINCE GEORGE, B.C. (CP) Lawrence Edward Isackson, 24, has been charged with capital murder in the stabbing death last week of Mrs. Eileen Hall, 74-year-old proprietor of a jewelry store at this north-central B.C. city.

Her body was found at the rear of the store and RCMP said she had been stabbed in the neck with a sharp instrument and had a discolored eye. Nothing has been taken from the store.

RIPLEY'S BELIEVE IT OR NOT

THE HOME of a dead tribesman in the Admiralty Islands IS DISMANTLED, FLOATED TO ANOTHER LOCATION, THEN REBUILT WITH THE SKULL OF THE DECEASED INSIDE IT —TO SERVE AS ITS GUARDIAN

Many Elderly Said Living In Poverty

TORONTO (CP) — Rev. Andre-M. Guillemette, head of the institute of gerontology at the University of Montreal, said here a large part of Canada's elderly population lives in poverty.

Aged people with fixed incomes "see the purchasing power of these incomes dwindle by two per cent a year," he told the Canadian conference on aging.

He said poverty arises from economic progress as much as from economic failure.

"This means a large part of our elderly population lives in state of poverty verging on want, not to say destitution."

Father Guillemette said 106,000 persons aged 65 to 69 require assistance from provincial governments.

Another 67,000 over 65 receive supplementary help under other social security programs.

The Canada Pension Plan would "spare everyone from the horrors of destitution" in about 10 years, he said.

Living Costs Jump In U.S.

WASHINGTON (AP)—United States living costs jumped four-tenths of one per cent last month, the largest December rise since the Korean War year of 1950.

The new figures made 1965 the fastest-paced, in terms of the annual increase, in seven years.

Higher food costs were mainly responsible for the increase in the bureau's consumer price index to 111.9. This means it took $11.10 to purchase typical consumer items such as food, clothing, housing, transportation and medical care that cost $10 in the 1957-59 base period.

SHUNNED PORTRAITS

United States coins did not portray the heads of real people until 1909, when Abraham Lincoln was so honored.

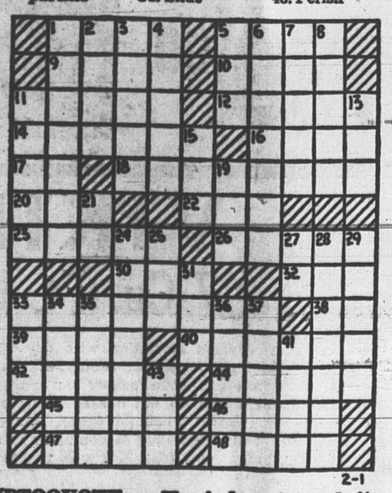
DAILY CROSSWORD

ACROSS
1. Flog
5. Beards of rye
9. Region
10. Bench
11. Ire
12. Walked restlessly
14. Like sheep's clothing
16. Something for the birds
17. India mulberry
18. Certain metal-worker's craft
20. Chinese dynasty
22. Dessert
23. One type of agent
26. Bolsters
30. Fleming or Smith
32. Caboodle's partner
33. Surgical knives
38. Tellurium: sym.
39. Jewish month
40. Male fence-sitter
42. Removed the center
44. Becomes tired: slang
45. Hindu garment
46. Spirit lamp
47. Otherwise
48. Dispatched

DOWN
1. Cosmetic ingredient
2. Mythical ship
3. Closes, as a hawk's eyes
4. Seraglio
5. Viper
6. The almost predictable
7. Mother-of-pearl
8. Guide
21. Arouse from sleep
13. Ruler of Tunis
15. Tuck's partner
19. Gratuity
21. Compass point
24. Arthur, Henry, Glenn, et al.
25. Bark
27. Stamp of approval
28. Palpitate
29. Lets stand, in printing
31. Snare
33. Dry, as wine
34. Shut
35. Of the ear
36. Gallops
37. Struck
41. Nutmeg State: abbr.
43. Perish

FOOD MAAS
AUBE OGRE
FINIS PATRS
ARCTIC AVA
RYE SALE TF
STRADDLE
PAUL GOES
ULTIMATE
MA TILE HIA
ASP BRYANT
SKIVE CENSE
ANTI FASE
SEED TRET

Yesterday's Answer



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DAILY CRYPTOQUOTE — Here's how to work it:
A X Y D L B A A X B
is L O N G F E L L O W

One letter simply stands for another. In this sample A is used for the three L's, X for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophies, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each day the code letters are different.

A Cryptogram Quotation

HR ENATA FATA JW RGEGTA DHRA, WGT KWGDK FWGDL JWE ENHTKE RWT HE.—THSNEAT

Yesterday's Cryptoquote: HE HAS LOST THE ART TO LIVE WHO CANNOT WIN NEW FRIENDS.—MITCHELL.

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OUR BOARDING HOUSE MAJOR HOOPLE

CONTRACT BRIDGE

By B. JAY BECKER

South dealer.
Both sidees vulnerable.

NORTH
♠ 7 5 2
♥ 8 6
♦ A K J 10 7 3
♣ 6 3

WEST
♠ J 9
♥ Q 10 7 3
♦ 9 8 5
♣ J 10 9 4

EAST
♠ K 10 8 6 4
♥ K J 4
♦ Q 4
♣ 8 7 5

SOUTH
♠ A Q 3
♥ A 9 5 2
♦ 6 2
♣ A K Q 2

The bidding:

South	West	North	East
1 ♣	Pass	1 ♦	Pass
2 NT	Pass	3 NT	

Opening lead—jack of clubs.

There is a lot of psychology in bridge, and you can't be a really good player unless you are able to read the other fellow's mind and outwit him more often than he outwits you.

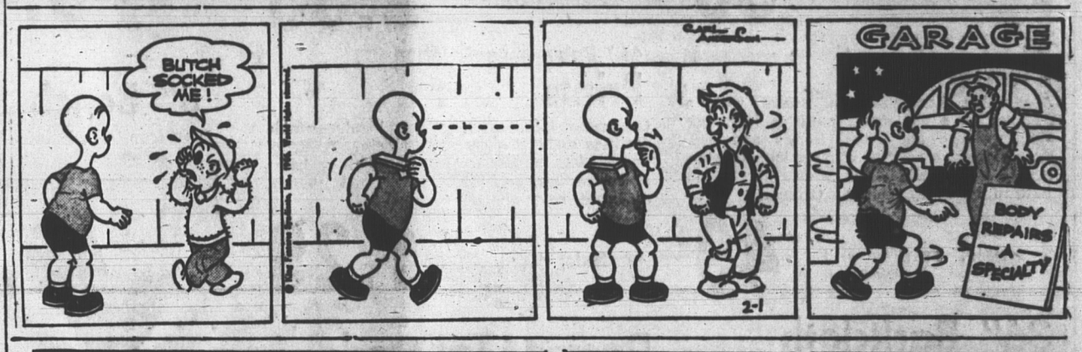
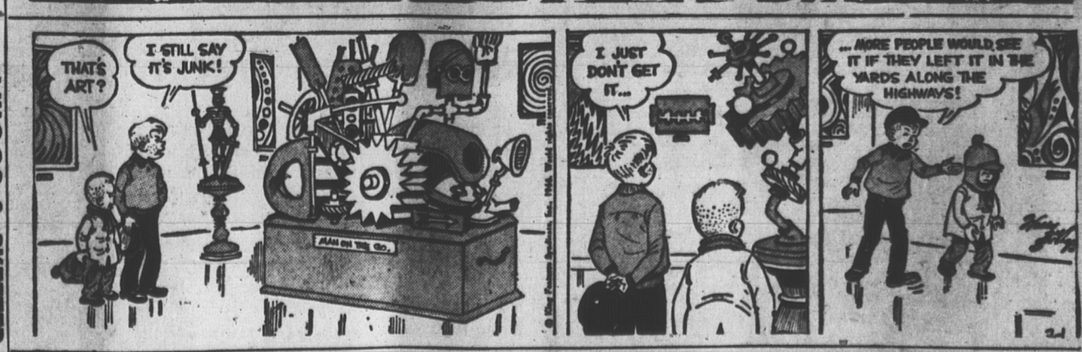
Take a case like this one, where South was in three no-trump and got a club lead which he took with the queen. At trick two he played a diamond to the ten, which won the trick, East smoothly playing the four.

Declarer, a trusting soul, returned to his hand with a club and took another diamond finesse. Obviously, he was trying to guard against the possibility that West had four diamonds to the queen.

However, East took the jack with the queen, and even though South later made two spade tricks, he wound up going down two. Had he rejected the second finesse, he would have made twelve tricks instead of seven!

East's play of a low diamond at trick two was certainly a valiant bid to defeat the contract, but it would have been unsuccessful if South had exercised some slight caution to protect himself from skulduggery.

What South should have done at trick three was lead a spade and finesse the queen. Had he made this play he would have found himself with nine high-card tricks and he would not have had to run the risk of a second diamond finesse. He would then have made twelve tricks with the greatest of ease.

The spade finesse at trick three is clearly the right play to make to avoid a later problem of how to play the diamonds. South should credit East with the skill required to duck the ten of diamonds and should be careful not to accept East's play of the four at face value.

The psychological battle initiated by East at trick two could have been resolved by South at trick three.