



S. Viets limit scope of Laos campaign

SAIGON—More weary survivors of South Vietnam's rapidly shrinking task force in Laos returned to South Vietnamese soil Friday and headquarters announced a sharp reduction in the scope of the offensive against the Ho Chi Minh Trail.

Even as some of the South Vietnamese returnees jumped from helicopters, kissed the ground and embraced buddies at Khe Sanh, Communist gunners shelled the base, which is South Vietnam's northwest corner, in two attacks. One American was reported wounded.

The withdrawal of South Vietnamese troops Friday left fewer than 15,000 inside Laos—9,000 under the peak strength which was built in the first days after the offensive began Feb. 8. The monsoon season is approaching in Laos and field commanders had said the thrust would have to be scaled down as soon as weather limited U.S. air support for the task force.

South Vietnamese headquarters in Saigon admitted for the first time Friday that the reduction in troops in Laos had left no South Vietnamese bases north of Highway 9—the axis for the offensive.

Officially, there was no word that the South Vietnamese were winding up the campaign that saw some of the bitterest fighting of the Indochina War. But field reports said 20 South Vietnamese army trucks pulled away from the headquarters of the operational commander near Khe Sanh Friday afternoon, carrying furniture, radios and other equipment to rear areas. A spokesman said the move was "rotation" but declined to elaborate.

Conflicting reports on the campaign made it difficult for observers in northern operational bases and in Saigon to explain clearly what was going on in Laos.

Senate committee okays SST

WASHINGTON—The Senate Appropriations Committee approved continued federal financing of the supersonic transport plane (SST) Friday, but supporters fearful of final defeat on the Senate floor quietly sought alternative ways to keep the embattled program alive.

The day after the House voted 215 to 204 to end federal support for SST development as of March 30, the White House expressed hope the Senate would reverse its own opposition of last year and vote to keep federal money flowing into the \$1.7 billion project.

But Press Secretary Ronald Ziegler told newsmen that if the Senate defeated the measure again, other means of financing construction of two SST prototypes should be developed," Ziegler said.

The Senate Appropriations Committee, by a 17-5 vote, approved the bill to provide an additional \$134 million for the plane in the last three months of the current fiscal year, ending June 30.

The Senate agreed to take up the issue next Tuesday and set the showdown for 4 p.m. EST Wednesday. If the Senate follows the lead of the House and rejects the SST again, said Democratic Leader Mike Mansfield, "I would say that would be the end of it."

Last year the Senate defeated Nixon's request for a full year's financing at \$290 million by a vote of 52 to 41, and the latest informal UPI poll of sentiment among the senators indicated that the decision next week will be extremely close. The outcome, it appeared, may ride on the votes of a handful of senators.

Friends School holding 4th annual Crafts Fair

Carolina Friends School will herald the arrival of spring by presenting its fourth annual Crafts Fair today and Sunday at the Wesley Foundation at 214 Pittsboro St. Fair hours will be noon to 10 p.m. today and 2 to 6 p.m. Sunday.

Features of this year's fair are the craft sale of work by 65 artisans, the international bazaar, the children's room with books for the pre-school through middle school child, the bake sale with regional and ethnic specialties, the flea market, and an international cafe.

The cafe, new this year, will offer full sit-down meals as well as snacks. On the menu are piroshki, a Russian meat turnover, pistou, a French vegetable soup, pizza from the Rathskeller, baklava and other pastries, coffee and soft drinks.

Other features available to the shopper include a supervised play area for young children and floorplans of the fair.

Entertainment will be provided by the Fuzzy Mountain String Band from 6 to 10 p.m. Saturday, and by Stan

Baumgarner, a classical guitarist, on Sunday afternoon.

Some of the imported items are western style dresses and bedspreads of fabrics handprinted in India, Thai temple rubbings and silk flowers, Peruvian rugs, ponchos from Peru and Colombia, African carvings and bowls, Oriental block prints, dolls, toys, dishes and stationery. Items made at Home

Industries for the Blind, the Greensboro Sheltered Workshop, and Murdock Center will also be sold at the bazaar.

Proceeds from the two-day fair will go to the scholarship fund of Carolina Friends School, a non-sectarian school stressing independent study for children through grade eight. The school also provides kindergarten in Durham and Chapel Hill.

Baptists feature Ga. pastor

"Grace is not a Blue-eyed Blonde" is the first subject announced for a series of student-oriented services Sunday through Wednesday at the University Baptist Church, Columbia and Franklin streets.

Dr. William W. Lancaster, a Georgia pastor whose ministry has emphasized speaking to college students, will preach Sunday at 11 a.m. and at 7:30 each evening for the four days.

His other subjects include: Sunday, "The Possibility of Belief"; Monday, "The Case for Hope"; Tuesday, "Beyond Command"; and Wednesday, "Radicalism Reconsidered."

Dr. Lancaster, a native of Asheville, has been a frequent speaker on university campuses for religious emphasis weeks, and he has written for "The Baptist Student," Southern Baptist publication for college students.

He has received a "Young Man of the Year" award from the U.S. Chamber of Commerce. Dr. Lancaster now pastors the First Baptist Church in Decatur, a suburb of Atlanta, Ga., and he was formerly minister at churches in Mullins and Orangeburg, S.C.

He holds degrees from Wofford College and Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, and he has also studied at Princeton Seminary and Emory University.

Pastor of the University Baptist Church is Dr. Henry E. Turlington.

Campus calendar

The Duke's Men of Yale, a sub-group of the Yale Glee Club, will sing Tuesday, March 23 at 2 p.m. in the snack bar of the Union. The show is sponsored by the Music Committee of the Union.

The Low Rent District is giving a benefit concert tonight at eight o'clock in Memorial Hall for the Peoples' Peace Coalition. Donations are requested.

The Peoples' Peace Coalition is sponsoring a state-wide organizing conference on the Peoples' Peace Treaty. The conference starts at 10 a.m. in Gerrard Hall. All interested persons are urged to attend.

The Union Coffee House presents the Phantasia Suite and their production of "Beyond the Fringe." Scott Gayle will also be at the Coffee House and will be playing the guitar. From 8:30-12:30 Saturday night.

"Free Soviet Jewry" demonstration this Sunday, March 21, at 12 noon, White House, Washington, D.C. Sponsored by 14/21 Coordinating Committee.

Colloquium: "The Curriculum in Operations Research & Systems Analysis." Professor George L. Nemhauser will speak on "A Modified Linear Program for Columnar Methods in Mathematical Programming" at 4 p.m. on Monday, March 22 in room 265, Phillips Hall. Coffee and tea will be served at 3:30 p.m. in room 277, Physics Lounge.

Phillips Hall. You are cordially invited to attend. G.L. Nemhauser is Professor of Operations Research at Cornell University. During the year 1969-1970 he was an N.S.F. Faculty Fellow at the Center for Operations Research and Econometrics of the Catholic University of Louvain in Belgium. From 1961-1969 he was on the faculty of the department of Operations Research and Industrial Engineering of Johns Hopkins University. He received a Ph.D. from Northwestern University in 1961. He is the author of "Introduction to Dynamic Programming," Wiley (1966) and of numerous articles in such journals as "Operations Research" and "Management Science."

"Electoral Outlook for the 70's" symposium will be held all day Saturday by the Young Democrats Club. The opening session, free and open to the public, will be held at 11 a.m. in the Great Hall of the Union. Noted speakers in the field of public opinion and voter behavior research will talk on "The Shifting Nature of Party Allegiance." Seminars and discussion groups will continue in the afternoon.

An opening meeting of the Junior Transfer Forum to consider the liberalization of the required residence policy will be held Mon., Mar. 22, from 3-5 p.m. in rooms 202-204 of the Student Union. Students, particularly this year's and last year's transfer students are asked to attend the meeting to express their views on this issue.

Walk begins this morning

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Scott Morgan, sophomore from Bel Air, Md., and coordinator of the Walk, said walking 25 miles is possible if the walker is in good health, but "if anything goes wrong, the participant should drop out immediately rather than injure his health."

Supported by William C. Friday, president of the Consolidated University; J. Carlyle Sitterson, chancellor of the University; and Tommy Bello, president of the student body; the walk has been enthusiastically endorsed by various community organizations and merchants.

Interest in the Walk and in the problem of world development has increased since the Walk of November, 1969, according to YMCA members.

Young World Development and the YMCA are pleased with the organizational work that has gone into the planning of the Walk and with the general enthusiasm with which it has been received.

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