U.S. Loses More Men In Laos

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SAIGON AP—U.S. headquarters reported Friday the loss of eight more American helicopters to deadly antiaircraft fire in the Laotian campaign, bringing to 12 the number of allied choppers downed since South Vietnamese troops drove into Laos five days ago.

Ten of the helicopters were American, with 10 U.S. soldiers killed, two missing and six wounded. Two South Vietnamese helicopters were shot down and the 15 persons aboard, including four newsmen, were reported missing and presumed dead.

Official sources said U.S. reconnaissance teams were operating in Laos, but only on intelligence missions and were not ground combat troops. They added that the reconnaissance teams had been working in Laos for five years and were continuing to do so.

The sources were commenting on news reports of American soldiers being seen in Laos, some wearing South Vietnamese uniforms.

However, CBS reported that one American advisor in a Vietnamese uniform was killed in Laos.

A U.S. Command spokesman declined to discuss any operations on intelligence-gathering but said again that no U.S. ground combat troops were involved in the thrust into southern Laos.

Of the eight American helicopters shot down since the Laotian campaign opened Monday, five crashed inside Laos and three were hit in South Vietnam north of the Khe Sanh combat base that served as a staging area for the Laotian drive, officers said.

In Vientiane, the Laotian capital, informed sources said about 4,000 of the 50,000 civilians in the threatened army base at Long Cheng had left. They are military dependents or refugees. Outposts around Long Cheng, 78 miles north of Vientiane, have been shelled or attacked by North Vietnamese this week.

“No American ground combat forces or advisors will cross into Laos,” he added.

The Viet Cong claimed that 10 battalions of U.S. infantry, artillery and armor were fighting inside Laos and more American forces were massed to enter the country.

In Saigon, the U.S. Command released its weekly casualty summary, reporting 24 American servicemen killed in combat last week, the lowest toll in nearly two months. There were 29 combat deaths in the previous week.

The command said 367 Americans were wounded last week, compared with 264 the week before.

The latest figures raised to 44,408 the number of Americans killed and 294,729 the total wounded in action in Indochina since Jan. 1, 1961. In addition, 9,179 Americans have died of non-battle causes such as accidents and disease.

PARIS AP—The United States Thursday proposed for a new Indochina conference to settle the conflict there and rejected Communist charges that American forces have crossed into Laos.

U.S. Ambassador David K.E. Bruce told the session of the Paris peace talks that Washington “continues to favor the neutrality of Laos” and the 1962 Geneva accords, which called for the withdrawal of all foreign forces from Laotian territory.

AP—Last month, U.S. Ambassador David K.E. Bruce was killed in Laos. A Vietnamese soldier was killed in Laos, but American forces have not invaded the country.

South Vietnamese troops in full battle attire make their way through the battle scene in Laos.

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Protest At Capitol
Duryea Confronted

by Harry Weiner

In preparation for a march on the State Capitol, a rally was held in the Campus Center Ballroom Wednesday afternoon. Approximately 500 people attended.

Plans for the rally and the march had been finalised late Tuesday evening as a meeting called to protest the presence of U.S. air power in Laos.

Jeff Smith of the Anthropology Department spoke to the gathering, and termed the recent invasion of Laos “a colonial example of imperialism” on the part of the U.S. government.

He pointed out that although American troops are not directly involved in the attack, the government’s Vietnamization policies are enabling the U.S. to pay and supply the forces that have already invaded Laos.

In organizing the march on the Capitol, it was hoped by Smith that the University community would unite and use the demonstration as “a chance to begin some new tactics.”

It was felt that the State Capitol was an acceptable target for the protest because, in Smith’s words, “the state governments could and should have meaning and influence upon the national government.”

While attempting to make local governments more “responsive to the people,” the leader of the demonstration hoped to increase the Albany community’s awareness of the problems as well.

No specific plans for action at the Capitol were prepared. Leaflets concerning proper and accepted methods for mass protests were distributed at the rally.

The Events at the Capitol

by Al Senia and Vicki Zeldin

Following the meeting in the hallway approximately 200 students proceeded to gather at the lobby of the State Capitol.

No definite plan of action had been evolved to a variety of opinions on what to do were bandied about.

Mark Belkin, a student and member of Student Move, urged those present to “build the movement,” by going back to campus and gathering support for a larger march on Thursday or Friday. He made an appeal for non-violence, and said the students should not risk arrest by sitting in or taking to the streets.

About a half hour after the group had arrived at the capitol a variety of rumors began to fly. It was believed that Assembly Speaker Duryea would come down to converse with the group.

Several students became panicky when the newsstand and the vendors in the lobby closed, believing that they were being locked in the building.

At this point a student spoke with the crowd and informed them that Duryea was not going to come down. “He didn’t recognize the urgency of this,” said the student.

Discussions as to what to do next ensued. Opinions were widely mixed, with some wanting to sit in at the Capitol lobby and others wanting to march to the Federal Building.

Throughout the discussion several Capitol Building policemen observed the crowd. Students blocked repeated attempts by newsmen on the scene to take film footage by waving their arms in front of the camera.

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AP—State Assembly Speaker Perry Duryea speaks to a crowd of students outside his office in the Capitol.
The recent invasion into Laos by United States-backed troops has not only aroused protest once again at Albany State, but has caused demonstrations at numerous campuses throughout the nation. Although the student turn-out this week, compared to last May, is relatively small, leaders hope to build a large, permanent movement.

At Northwestern University in Evanston, Illinois, a large crowd of students attended a Guerrilla Theater "War Crimes Trial" in which President Nixon was indicted for the slaughter of hundreds of thousands of Southeast Asians. The theater group found Nixon guilty as charged, and burned in effigy. Students at the University of Illinois burned an effigy of Melvin Laird, Secretary of Defense.

Other campus action took place at Kent State, scope of last spring's shootings. Close to 500 people, including many members of the Beatles 8 track, took over the Student Union building on Wednesday. Police arrested three students, while the crowd marched to the pressroom of the university's office demanding a policy statement. They warned that if he did not make a statement by Friday there would be repercussions.

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Some are finally recognizing the truth that Earth is a finite, isolated system. The phrase "Spaceship Earth" brings visions of a large but limited vehicle embarked on an endless journey with a greedy passenger-parasite devouring all the food and materials on sight, eventually leaving a barren hulk. Man seems to be doing little more than this to his planet. As one biologist has remarked, the human role in the evolutionary process is to "consume fossil fuels."

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Protesting students, complete with police escort, march up Washington Avenue on their way to the Capitol Building.
Pass or Fail

To the Editor:

I don’t know whether anyone noticed, but in her very objective article about pass-fail (Friday, Jan. 29), News Editor Vicki Zeldin quoted several letters she had received in reply to her questions about transferring. Syracuse, Indiana and North Carolina all told her that pass-fail made it extremely difficult, if not impossible, to leave Albany and pursue her career plans elsewhere. My own experiences in trying to transfer have been equally frustrating.

At first, we liked the idea of not having to compete with fellow students in a mad rush for grades, but now we can see that the system is unjust in these practical ways:

1. Pass-fail discriminates against those students wanting to transfer. The vast majority of universities across the country, especially those offering specialized courses of study, such as elementary education, will not consider pass-fail grades.

2. Pass-fail discriminates against students applying to certain junior-year abroad programs, according to several students who have tried. In addition, most of these programs are evaluated without grades, which would leave the SUNYA students with three years of pass-fail grades.

Larger questions such as whether pass-fail makes a Bachelor’s degree from Albany State worthless belong in the debating rooms and committee conferences. The practical question remains, should we, the students most affected, allow such a system to continue if it is as harmful to our educational and vocational futures as the present pass-fail system is proving to be? Pre-medical students petitioned and won the right to have recorded grades to enable them to apply to medical school. Should we do the same?

Pass-fail is under continuing review. I hereby petition the Central Council to conduct a referendum among SUNYA students on pass-fail—the classes of 1973 and 1974—to evaluate the system and give the Senate a basis for deciding whether to continue it.

I am not urging the immediate scrapping of pass-fail. I do feel, however, that students should have a say in this decision, and should the system be continued, be allowed to elect some graded courses.

Clariation (?)

To the Editor:

Much confusion has arisen over an article appearing in the January 29 issue of the ASP concerning the Little Sister Program of the Upsilon Phi Sigma fraternity. The program was initiated this semester; any woman affiliated with the university and invited by the Brothers is eligible for membership. They can attend any function that an active Brother can, which include regular fraternity meetings. The Little Sisters have no voice, and pay no dues, but their suggestions are welcome. At present, the program is under review by Pan-Hellenic Council, which feels that such a program may inhibit sorority rush. In the opinion of the fraternity, such an inquiry inhibits progress within the fraternal community. Upsilon Phi Sigma views this program as beneficial, and will continue to expand upon this unique idea.

The Brothers of Upsilon Phi Sigma

Communications

Cold Turkey

Last Wednesday’s protest march (side?) to the State Capitol proved several things. One was the futility of such a spontaneous event, especially in a crowd with mixed feelings, anyway. One had only to attend some of last Spring’s rallies to understand how difficult it is to get all to agree on a single course of action.

The other lesson to be learned from the march was the difficulty of warning up to an invasion in the middle of winter. At U.B., where the University was closed because of a heavy snowfall, only twenty protesters showed up.

Physical factors can prevent any action. The controversial “sunken gardens” were completed by the University only after students had left for the summer. Dick Nixon is equally as wise. What Dick doesn’t realize is that when people can’t make their protest heard normally, they resort to less legal methods. And when such methods fail, by accident or design, frustration becomes violence.

And when the violence comes, as it will come, people will wonder why. Why couldn’t it have been avoided? The answer lies in the minds of those who rule this country, which now finds it so easy to invade others. The fault, though, lies with those who elected him.

Happy Valentine’s Day, Mayor Coughing.
I live alone.
It hasn't always been that way.
It's nice sometimes to open up the heart a little
And let some hurt come in.
It proves you're still alive
I'm not sure what it means
Why we cannot shake the old loves from our minds.
It must be that we build on memory
And make them more than what they were
And is the manufacturer
Just a safe device for closing up the wall.

I do remember
The only fuzzy circumstance
It sometimes where-and-how.
Why, I don't know.
It happens just because we need
To want and be wanted, too,
When love is here or gone
To lie down in darkness
And listen to the warm.
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Albany State's Sauersmen kept on rolling Tuesday night with a smashing victory over New Paltz, 87-61. The win was the Great Danes' eighth in their last nine outings, topping their overall record to a very respectable 12-5.

The first half saw the Great Danes take a 45-27 lead, but it was a very shaky one. Numerous turnovers plagued both teams from the outset of the game. This was due to the very aggressive defense employed by both Albany and New Paltz. The game was nip and tuck at the outset, with Albany boasting an early 12-10 lead. Then Jim Masterson, Jack Jordan, and Werner Kolln started their respective things and started to run away. Masterson repeatedly kept New Paltz off guard with his thirty foot bombs; and when Albany's sharp shooters were missing their marks, Jordan and Kolln always had a hand in scoring up the bounds. The 6' senior picked off 7 rebounds and also contributing 9 points. But it was Werner Kolln who seemed to spark the unceasing offense. Blocking the boards heavily, Werner somehow managed a steal and a breakaway at the midway through the first half. He stabbed one rebound, sunk two free throws, and was fouled. When he was subsequently missed the free throw, Albany grabbed the bound and shot unselfishly. Kolln then snared the rebound, put in, and was fouled. This time, however, he sank the charity toss.

Albany began pulling away slowly in the second half, building a 20 point lead. Masterson lead all scorers in the first half with 11. Dave Welch was sparked as he turned in three steals. In the second half New Paltz started out as if they were going to leave the Great Danes in the dust. Six straight points and the Albany lead was cut to 45-33. But Jim Masterson's fire refused to be put out as he again pumped in some thirty footer. Steve Scoobian then took his turn hitting the boards and damping them for lay-ups. Jordan, Reid, and Quattrocchi each laid a couple of outside shots and the Great Danes had increased the double margin to 19 points with a 62-41 edge.

Shortly afterward, Coach Sauers cleared his entire unit giving his subs their longest playing time this season. They played the game out to an 87-61 Albany win.

Though New Paltz is no basket-case by any means, the Great Danes did turn in a very strong game. The defense was up to its usual true form, while the offense seems to be improving with every game. Let's hope Albany's good defense and current offensive performances will prevail Saturday night against arch-rival Siena College, as Doc will be trying for his 250th lifetime win as the Albany net coach.

Go to the Siena game tomorrow night. It's not far away, and it'll be well worth your while. Tickets are being sold at the information desk at the Campus Center right now. If you don't get them too, go get one now. If you want to get a ticket at the door, just be there early.

Albany-siena games never fail to live up to their promotion. It's a fierce rivalry, right up there with the big guys; Army-Navy, USC-CUCLA, STB-APA, just to name a few.

This year Siena is minus their big 6'7" attraction, Bob Hermann, who used to provide most of the entertainment with his annual Albany State choke.

Even without the opportunity to ride Hermann, Siena still figures to be a fun evening. They call themselves "Albany High" and are averaging a 6'6" and better. Nobody knows the rules better than he does. After the call, shoot a quick look at him. If his arms are folded and his face is taut and glued to the floor action, you can save your breath. The ref did something right (the bum, it's about time).

If his arms are folded and his jaw is moving, then SUNYA has been outplayed by Albany. If a call's been made, and you think we've been done dirty but don't want to be sure before you shoot your mouth off, look at Doc. Nobody knows the rules better than he does. After the call, shoot a quick look at him. If his arms are folded and his face is taut and glued to the floor action, you can save your breath.

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From The White Side

WHERE IS RACISM GOING?

by Michael Lippsman

White racism at SUNYA? For an answer, there are the all-explaining cliches: The standard-bear, "Some of my best friends..." They serve only as an escape, a cover for true communication. And so find how the average white student feels about the black face must be assigned to coming full circle--he thinks in cliches, not saying anything of his own, not saying what he feels, if he even knows.

It has been a quiet year: no outbursts on either side, nocafeteria upheavals, no accusations or lists are made. A very mediary can dismiss any minor squabbles as just that--minor. Dormitory life continues to be dull and a bit smarmy picture. The elements of the unfamiliar and the strange disappear or are modified. All is going well and we can relax. When the unfamiliar crops up, in the usual brief encounters, the problems, the tensions arise.

"We were in the check-cashing line and had been there a long time. So I just mentioned to no one in particular, "Man I'm glad we have the right line. " So the black girls in front of us heard it and started about the honkies and began using every four-letter word they knew. I'm not anti-black, but I don't like snotty people, and a lot of blacks are snotty."

Blatant racism is dying, if not dead. Perhaps prejudice is more enlightened than to treat blacks as objects of hate, or inferior beings. The situations are reversed and the attitude is not one of derision, but of fear, a fear of the new black in 1970 with his media-shaped image: If he looks like what a black militant must look like, then naturally he's "out to get Whitey," and Whitey can't handle it.

"We're all racists; we may not realize it yet, but we are." The original-sin flagellant so popular in May, the standard-holy, "Some of my best friends..." The cynical, "Black-white relations? There aren't any."

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"But cliches say nothing, or at least nothing new. They serve only as an escape, a cover for true communication."

A fear of what blacks will think is predominant. It is easy to be called a racist, even for the most minor, unintentional or misunderstood actions. And no one can fight back and accuse the accuser of black racism without getting more deeply embroiled in trouble. Whites who seriously wish to try to get along well with the blacks must take on roles to try to treat them the way they believe is best. The white Uncle Tom pandens to every word in an attempt to still be white, and is laughed at or taken advantage of. Those who "treat them like anyone else--isn't that what they want?" are white. Blacks haven't even chosen a role yet, and their dilemma is solved by avoiding all contact.

Besides fear and uncertainty, open resentment flares up, but not in mixed crowds. "The EOP program is great-intellectually. When it gets to an emotional level, it hurts. They have more money to spend than I do. They even dress better than I do. And when the check comes they run off to buy a stereo."

"At New Paltz the blacks presented a list of demands. They don't want to have to carry their own trays in the cafeteria because they've been slaves too long. Can you imagine what would happen if white students tried that one?"

In a vague way, positions are being taken, though perhaps only in the mind. Nothing major is happening, but the incidents and attitudes are threatening. It's a quiet year, but the quiet can be deceptive.

Judicial Workshop: The Student and the LAW

by John Fairhall

Do you know your legal rights as a SUNYA student? Suppose you've been accused of a campus theft. You'd probably think your crime would be handled by the University - somehow. But "somewhere" can range from a hearing before the University Student Judicial Committee to referral to a civil court.

The controversial question of how the law relates to University students has been complicated by recent attempts to measure new measures from angry legislation measures which serve to increase student alienation from society's rules. Perhaps a typical Albany student feels that college is a sanctuary from New York State law, but few students seem aware of the campus judicial process which they think protects them.

This protection, says Ken Kurzweil, an organizer of this weekend's Judicial Workshop, depends upon a studied set of campus judicial guidelines. Where a case will be handled, by whom, and with what punishment, are often arbitrarily decided.

The Workshop, Kurzweil states, will tackle the basic issue of a student's judicial philosophy. Can a student have confidence in the decisions of administrative bodies that are where judicial authority now rests? Do you know, for instance, that an offender punished on campus may ultimately have to appeal to the President, not to a student peer group?

The Workshop will deal with several other questions, including (1) the nature of judicial hearing procedures; (2) the composition and power of judicial bodies; (3) the administration of student conduct records; and (4) the options open to students for appeal and redress.

The Workshop will involve some 75 students, faculty, and administrators, as well as individuals from outside the University community. It will run from Friday afternoon through Sunday evening after which a Statering Committee will review and, hopefully, implement the participants' conclusions.

It is true that this particular movement for change in the University has an advantage in its detailed and published preparation. But, as Kurzweil suggests, the key element in the workshop's success formula is its wide faculty and administration participation. Greater student say in student judicial affairs is just another controversial topic without the cooperation of those who now have the power.