

Cambodians Jump Viet Expedition

By Peter Arnett

SAIGON, Viet-Nam, May 8 (AP) — Cambodian troops seized a Vietnamese armored personnel carrier on the frontier 40 miles northwest of here today, killing one crewman and reportedly capturing 18.

Gunfire from a Cambodian M-24 tank knocked out the M-113 carrier. Both vehicles were from the United States, supplied under the U.S. military aid program. No American personnel were involved.

The Vietnamese were on a hunt for Communist Viet Cong guerrillas who have been seen filtering through to neutralist Cambodia after raids.

Coupled with the attack was a Cambodian charge that Vietnamese troops staged an armored raid Thursday on the Cambodian village of Taey.

Military authorities in Phnom Penh, Cambodia's capital, said six persons were killed by the armored force at Taey, which they described as two miles inside the frontier.

Though U.S. advisers have reported that the Viet Cong are openly using Cambodia as a sanctuary, Vietnamese Premier Nguyen Khanh is trying to eliminate border friction.

He said he regarded the personnel carrier incident as minor and would cut short a provincial tour "only if this border thing grows more serious."

Military sources gave this account of the action:

The M-113 was part of an armored company making a sweep along the border at a point where a part of Cambodia's territory bulges deeply into South Viet-Nam.

The car was either on the border or—in an honest mis-



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take—"maybe just a few feet over it."

The Cambodian tank disabled it with fire from its 75-mm. recoilless rifle. A second carrier was reported hit, but got away.

Cambodian soldiers surrounded the M-113. Their commander turned over to the Vietnamese the dead man and a wounded survivor of the attack.

Meanwhile, it was disclosed that Communist snipers have shot three times in the last two weeks at U.S. Army planes carrying Lt. Gen. William C. Westmoreland.

Westmoreland, 50, is taking over as commander of U.S. forces here Aug. 1, succeeding Gen. Paul D. Harkins.

Sources who accompanied Westmoreland said his Caribou transport was peppered by rifle fire near the Laos border April 24, with three men aboard suffering minor injuries; hit by a single bullet on a field trip over the Mekong Delta April 30 and shot at Thursday near Go Cong, 30 miles south of Saigon.

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A NEW PURGE of left-wing politicians in Brazil appeared underway yesterday as the government ordered the ouster of 22 state deputies and other politicians and the removal of political rights for 10 years for 34 other persons.

The government list included persons in the southernmost State of Rio Grande do Sul and was believed the start of a new state-by-state purge due to end June 8.

The list—the third since President Joao Goulart was ousted—hit the Brazilian Labor Party hardest. Among those losing political rights were the State's party chief, Joao Caruso Scuderi.

Rio Grande do Sul was the home province of Goulart and his brother-in-law, Leonel Brizzola, both of whom are now in exile in Uruguay.

The Beatles were beaten in record sales this week, but they still remain Britain's most popular singing group. The Beatles were eclipsed by another Liverpool foursome called the Searchers, using the same "Mersey Sound" made famous by the long-haired quartet.

Striking Spanish miners were accused of bringing "economic ruin" to Spain's rich Asturias region by the ruling Falange Party newspaper Arriba. Officially 5000 metalworkers on strike, most in sympathy with other workers locked out by employers. The newspaper said 80 per cent do not want the strike but stay away from work for fear of reprisals.

A nagging wife has caused the expulsion from the Soviet Communist Party of