

Accused terrorists

Chile executes 16 more men

SANTIAGO — Government firing squads yesterday executed 16 men accused of terrorist attacks against the military government, raising the official number of executions to 38 since the overthrow of Marxist President Allende Sept. 11.

The U.S. embassy, meanwhile, announced that an American student — the first to die since the coup — was shot to death after an arrest by the military.

Some of the executions have resulted from court martial sentences. Others have been carried out on the spot by police and military patrols acting on orders from the junta that ousted Allende to punish armed opposition with summary execution.

U.S. embassy officials postponed release of an autopsy report on the body of Frank Teruggi, 23, a student from Des Plaines, Ill., shot to death in mysterious circumstances after being arrested Sept. 20 and taken to the improvised prison camp at the National Stadium.

An embassy press spokesman said the report from the Santiago morgue was apparently in the hands of Ambassador Nathaniel Davis and was expected to be given to Consul Fred Purdy for release tomorrow. Teruggi's body was delivered to the morgue Sept. 22. He was not identified until Thursday.

Of the latest executions announced by authorities, 11 took place Thursday night in Valdivia, about 400 miles south of Santiago. A court martial had sentenced the men to death for allegedly attacking a police headquarters Sept. 12 as part of a heavily-armed paramilitary outfit.

Five other men were killed in two separate cases when they allegedly tried to grab weapons from soldiers.

At Arica, on the Chile-Peru border, Luis Rojas Valenzuela, described by military authorities as 'an extremist labor leader,' was shot to death by an army patrol that went to his home.