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NEW U. S. THRUSTS IN CAMBODIA OPEN TWO MORE FRONTS

Nearly 50,000 in Allied Units Now Engaged in 6 Areas— 22 G.I.'s Reported Dead MAY 7 1970

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SAIGON, South Vietnam, May 6 — Fresh American combat troops pushed into Cambodia at two new locations today, widening operations there to six fronts and bringing to nearly 50,000 the number of allied troops committed to the Cambodia forays.

Meanwhile, the United States military command in Saigon announced, a squadron of nearly 100 tanks and armored personnel carriers moved eastward from the rubber plantation town of Snoul toward another North Vietnamese Army base area after the town was nearly leveled yesterday by tanks and jet bombers. Thus far, according to military spokesmen here, more than 2,600 enemy soldiers have been killed in the week-old campaign.

22 Americans Killed

American casualties were put at 22 dead and 58 wounded. South Vietnamese losses were reported as 168 killed and 651 wounded.

[Farther west, the Cambodian Army moved a force of about 2,000 soldiers into position Wednesday near the Neak Luong ferry crossing, held by Vietnamese Communist forces, 37 miles southeast of Pnompenh, The Associated Press reported. The Cambodian force was said to be about a mile from the enemy units and some firing was reported.

In the assaults today soldiers of the United States' 25th Infantry Division moved across the border from Tayninh province, 60 miles northwest of Saigon, while men of the First Cavalry Division (Airmobile) were airlifted into jungles 23 miles north of Phuocbinh.

Some Soldiers Reluctant

Reporters who accompanied the 25th Division soldiers said several of them had complained about going into Cambodia, saying at first that they would refuse. Others said they lacked supplies for the assault, but after harsh words and threats of courts-martial from their commander, they went. At least one company was pinned down by enemy fire shortly after crossing the border.

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