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...st two weeks.

... strategists had  
... the fight for Xuan  
... as one of the major  
...ttles of the 30-year Indo-  
...china war.)

Hundreds of Americans  
and their Vietnamese wives  
and children were flown  
from the South Vietnamese

capital aboard U.S. Air  
Force C-141 transports that  
had brought war materials  
in from Clark Air Base in  
the Philippines.

A U.S. official estimated  
that about 700 persons left  
Saigon yesterday, including  
American contractors and  
their families, leaving fewer  
than 3000 Americans here.  
Authorities at Clark, how-  
ever, put yesterday's figure

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at about 500 persons, still  
making it the largest single  
day's evacuation since Pres-  
ident Ford ordered non-  
essential Americans out of  
Vietnam last Wednesday.

Saigon military offi-  
said tank-led North  
namese forces  
southward  
Highway  
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