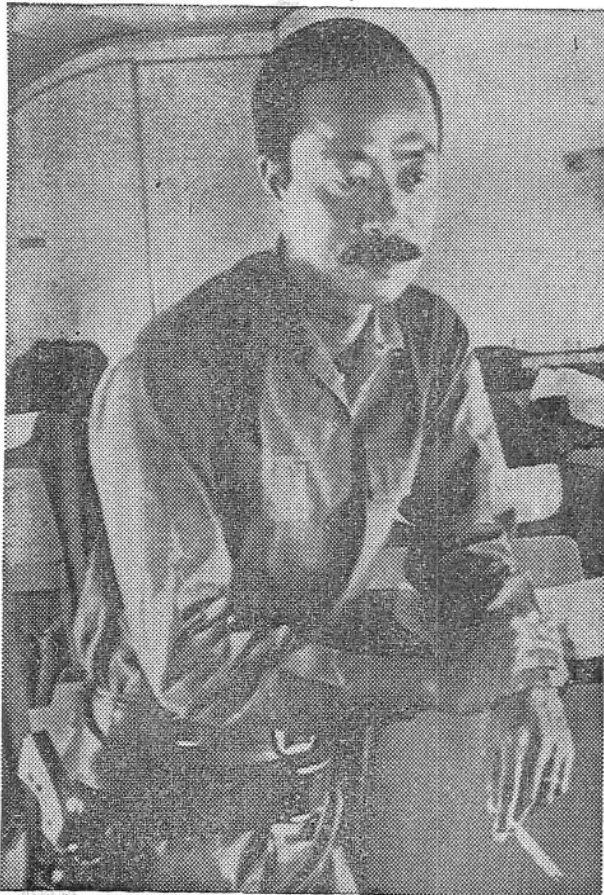


Thieu Links Survival To Outcome of Drive

SAIGON, South Vietnam, April 30 (UPI) — President Nguyen Van Thieu said today in a May Day address to the nation that the outcome of the enemy offensive would decide the country's "survival" and that Government troops must fight on despite the costs.

President Thieu described the border dividing North and South Vietnam as "the border of world peace" and said the Paris talks could not progress until the Communists withdrew their forces back across the demilitarized zones. Stopping the offensive "is not enough." He said the South Vietnamese must chase the enemy "back to the North."

"This is the period that will decide our survival," he said.



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VISITS HUE: Former Vice President Nguyen Cao Ky talking to reporters in former capital. He said situation was "serious but not desperate," but added that holding Hue and Quangtri depended on weather and air support.