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SAIGON MARINES HIT BY SHELLING

Foe in Quangtri Is Said to
Rely on Artillery

SAIGON, South Vietnam, Nov. 26 AP)—South Vietnamese marines bore the brunt of artillery fire yesterday as they and Government paratroopers pressed slowly up the coastal plain in Quangtri Province, the Saigon command said.

The Government said more than 1,400 rounds were fired at the troops in Quangtri as they tried to retake the northern province. A radio said an F-4 Phantom jet was shot down on Friday in Quangbinh Province, at the southern end of the panhandle. United States military sources said they had no report of a plane loss.

Fewer B-52 Raids

SAIGON, Nov. 26 (Reuters)—The United States command today reported a drop in the number of heavy bombing raids over North Vietnam.

A spokesman reported that only three B-52 missions were flown north of the demilitarized zone during the night—the smallest number of raids reported in seven days.