

USO Staffer Only 30 Feet From Blast

'Glass Flying... Didn't Know Where to Turn'

By WALT TROTT, Staff Writer
FRANKFURT (S&S) — "We were about 30 feet from the entrance when it happened," said Mrs. Georgette O'Neill. The explosion that killed Army Lt. Col. Paul A. Bloomquist and injured several other persons outside the main entrance to the Terrace Club left those inside relatively unscathed.

"We were lucky, really lucky," said Mrs. O'Neill, a USO employee. She, her 19-year-old daughter and two friends were the only people in the lobby at the time. "When we left the Keller (the club's downstairs bar), we started out the side but then remembered that our car was parked out front. So we started back in

to go out the front lobby."

The explosion, she related, showered them with glass and fragments from the ceiling. Her daughter's girl friend was thrown to the floor by the blast.

"She suffered cuts on her hands..." said Mrs. O'Neill. "I just remember covering my eyes because glass was flying everywhere. I didn't know where

to turn..."

The O'Neill party hurried out the front entrance, which was by then a shambles.

Outside, Mrs. O'Neill saw a bloodied body being loaded into an MP jeep. Mrs. O'Neill, who had worked with Bloomquist and knew him well, didn't
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MORNING-AFTER CLEANING UP — An engineer soldier removes glass shards from window frames after the explosions which shattered many windows in the I. G. Farben Building the previous night. Spec. 5 Mike Pitschke made this photograph, showing the reflecting pool and wrecked facade of the Terrace Club.

Police Trace Leads In V Corps Blasts

By DAVE IAMS
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FRANKFURT (S&S) — German police and CID agents were tracking down several leads Friday on the person or persons responsible for the bombing of V Corps Hq facilities Thursday night.

The bombings claimed the life of Army Lt. Col. Paul A. Bloomquist, 39, and resulted in injury to 13 other persons.

The bombings — three bombs set off in rapid succession — also touched off a series of bomb threats and bomb rumors involving U.S. installations and the actual bombing of German facilities in Bavaria.

A number of U.S. Army and Air Force facilities and installations received phoned bomb threats and one such call disrupted operations of AFN-Frankfurt. The Frankfurt PX — only a couple of blocks from the scene of the V Corps fatal bombing which resulted in \$300,000 damage — was also

emptied by a bomb threat and a false news report that two bombs had been found in the parking lot.

U.S. authorities put up a "substantial" monetary reward for information leading to the

arrest of the person or persons responsible for Thursday's bombing, in which timed devices had been set to go off about 7 p.m. in front of the Terrace Club and the I.G. Farben
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German Facilities Struck by Bombs

From Press Dispatches

MUNICH — Two bombs shattered two floors of the police headquarters in the Bavarian city of Augsburg Friday and another bomb blasted the car park of the Bavarian criminal office in Munich.

Police said it was too early

to say whether the attacks were connected in any way with a Frankfurt bombing Thursday at the U.S. Army's V Corps Hq.

In the Augsburg bombing a policeman suffered slight injuries and in the Munich attack "several" persons were injured, police said. Police had no clue to the bombers in Augsburg and Munich.

Anarchist Group

In recent years bomb attacks on police and legal buildings have been carried out by members of the "Baader-Meinhoff" left-wing anarchist group, which has been the object of a nationwide police hunt for months. The group is named after its leaders, Andreas Baader and Ulrike Meinhoff.

Police said they believed the Munich bomb had been planted in a parked car. Its blast blew out windows in the criminal office up to the top floor of the six-story building.

In the Augsburg bombing, police said investigation indicated that the bombs were placed in offices on the third and fourth floors of the police headquarters.

Bavarian officials in Munich estimated bomb damage to the criminal office, autos and nearby businesses at \$150,000.

Of the 40 damaged autos, several were destroyed. Also knocked out were windows in businesses several hundred yards from the blast, officials said.

A spokesman for the criminal office said an anonymous telephone caller warned the state pay office nearby of the impending blast. The warning was transmitted to the criminal office, but the explosion came before the building could be evacuated.



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N. Viets With Artillery Cover Drive Into the Heart of An Loc

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North Vietnamese troops backed by tanks and under cover of heavy artillery and mortar fire Friday fought their way into the heart of An Loc, bottling up remaining defenders inside a few buildings.

The Communists faced the heaviest B52 strikes of the war in Friday's battle for control of the provincial capital 60 miles north of Saigon.

Meanwhile, in North Viet-

nam, U.S. bombers knocked out a key railroad bridge and cut Hanoi's northeast rail line with China, pilots said.

In the South, the North Vietnamese launched heavy attacks on Chon Thanh, a district town 20 miles south of An Loc, U.S. spokesmen said.

Reports from Japan said a Russian cruiser and a guided missile destroyer from the port of Vladivostok were seen passing south through the Tsu-

chima Strait Friday, possibly headed for a confrontation with U.S. naval power in the Tonkin Gulf.

In Saigon, U.S. spokesmen fell silent on all aspects of the blockade, mining operations and air strikes into North Vietnam ordered by President Nixon.

In Washington, the Pentagon said the blockade of North Vietnam's ports had been 100 per cent effective during its

first 24 hours. Several ships believed originally bound for Haiphong have changed course.

A Defense Department spokesman, Jerry W. Friedheim, also said two or three additional freighters that were in Haiphong Harbor when mines were sown by U.S. planes got out before the weapons became lethal Thursday. That raised to seven the number of ships that were said to
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