

1-8 Raids Four Houses, Detains Four

By Pfc. Al Barrus
122nd MPAD

AL RASHID, Baghdad,—Elements of Company B, 1st Battalion, 8th Cavalry Regiment and an attached platoon from 8th Engineer Battalion conducted a successful four-target-simultaneous cordon and knock raid July 30, detaining four suspected terrorists in four different homes in Al Doura.

Four of the intended six targets were allegedly involved in the killing of four Russians who worked at the Al Doura power plant in May, according to Capt. Jeff Mersiowsky, Company B commander.

"All four houses we hit contained personnel we were looking for, so we didn't have any dry holes," Mersiowsky said. "It's always a concern to go into a house and have to disrupt someone's life and realize you're in the wrong house."

An added success to the mission was the speed in

which it was executed.

"We took about 30 minutes to search the house," said Staff Sgt. Michael Clay, 8th ENG team leader. "From the time we left to the time we came back was about 40 minutes."

"The quickness of the raid was all done on purpose," Mersiowsky said. "The area we were going into was close to a mosque; I was thinking we would get some crowds on a Friday night. We already had plenty of intelligence. And we didn't find any significant weapons so we were able to expedite the operation."

The objectives and locations were developed when the company found information about a possible terrorist cell during a farm raid in Al Doura.

"In that cache the farmer was detained and he was the first person in the cell we found. After we got him, pieces of the cell started to unravel with informa-



Photo By Pfc. Al Barrus, 122nd MPAD

Staff Sgt. Michael Clay and Pfc. Sean Bastow of Company B, 8th Engineer Battalion, talk with an Iraqi man, checking paperwork while their fellow Soldiers search the home during a raid July 30 in Al Doura.

"We didn't realize how big the cell was until we got an informant."

With four more terrorists off the streets and one of them a possible leader to the cell, Company B has taken a big step forward to taking anti-Iraq force insurgents off the streets of Al

Doura.

"Every time we pull someone out of there it makes a big difference here. The area has a lot of people who finance the activity," Mersiowsky said. "Whenever we can take out the leader, then it's difficult for the rest of the people to operate."

Army Doctor Treats Attempted Suicide Bomber

By Pfc. Brian Schroeder
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CAMP VICTORY NORTH, Baghdad—Tragedy can strike at any time or place, and when it does, doctors and medics are usually there to care for those injured by the catastrophe.

Lt. Col. Arthur Delorimier, 210th Forward Support Battalion, 10th Mountain Division, senior physician was working his shift the evening of July 26

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210th FSB, 10th Mnt.**



with three medics from the 15th Forward Support Battalion, 1st Cavalry Division. He said the evening quickly became busy when a group of injured Iraqi National Guardsmen showed up at

the clinic.

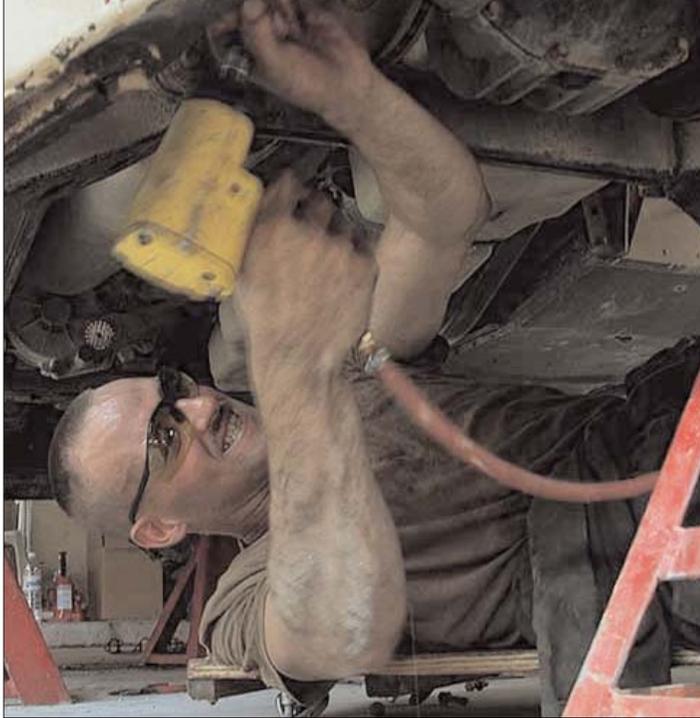
"The first set of patients came in at about seven in the evening," Delorimier said. "It was a group of eight Iraqi National Guard troops who had rolled their vehicle."

Quick action was taken once the Guardsmen reached the clinic. Delorimier said he made a phone call and the 15 FSB medical team was at the clinic in less than 10 minutes.

Delorimier specializes in pediatric gastroenterology and said he has not had to provide aid to a trauma patient in more than six years. He said the limited experience with trauma

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Keeping Them Up and Running



By Sgt. John Queen, 3rd Brigade Combat Team Public Affairs

In the harsh weather conditions of Iraq, maintenance is key to keeping equipment up and running. Here, Spc. Edmund Casebeer, a mechanic from the Company D, 215th Forward Support Battalion, uses a pneumatic impact-wrench to loosen the nuts on a HUMVEE's rear half-shaft during the vehicles services at Greywolf Forward Operating Base in Baghdad.

Friday

High: 108
Low: 78



Saturday

High: 108
Low: 78



Sunday

High: 110
Low: 80



Weather information provided by 1CD Staff Weather Office (SWO)

Useful Iraqi Words/Phrases

I don't understand.

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Busy Night for Army Doc Who Saves Insurgent

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patients did not affect the treatment of the victims.

"We took good care of these guys and we were done within an hour and a half," he said.

Of the eight guardsmen, Delorimier said three were seriously injured.

"Three of them sustained serious head, neck, face and ear injuries," he said. "They were airlifted out on a bird in less than 20 minutes. The rest were not as serious, just a few broken bones and some scrapes and bruises."

Just as things began to slow down in the clinic, Delorimier said he received a call alerting him another patient was on the way. The patient arrived three minutes after the call, an unknown Iraqi was brought to the clinic for treatment.

"The patient came in with a bunch of shrapnel in his rear end and lacerations on his left hand," he said. "We cleaned that gentleman's wounds and gave him [intravenous] fluids."

While Delorimier was cleaning the patient's wounds, he said an American lieutenant began interrogating the patient.

"At the time I didn't know the whole story behind this guy," he explained. "Apparently the guy I was working on was an Iraqi insurgent who was

shooting [rocket propelled grenades] at a few of our boys, but he missed each time. When he realized our Soldiers were going to capture him, he decided he was going to take some American lives and be a suicide bomber. Instead he blew a hand grenade under his butt and it blew a bunch of shrapnel into his left thigh and hand."

Delorimier said while the story of the patient he was working on unfolded, a fury began to build up inside of him.

"The more of the story I heard, the more angry I got," he said. "But I was still able to do my job and realized I am a professional and I'm going to take care of this guy. If I was the doctor taking care of Saddam Hussein, I would still have bad feelings about it, but I would have bitten my tongue and taken care of him just like I do with any of my patients. It's the professional thing to do."

The anger and rage he felt, slowly turned to sympathy, Delorimier said.

"I had pity for him, just like I do with any of my patients," he said. "But when I reflect on that, it's because he is pitiful. His whole goal was pitiful. His whole idea of trying to kill himself and others around him was pitiful."

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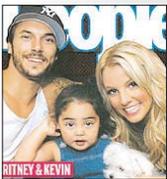
News Notes

Drunk Driver Says to Police 'Arrest Me'

BOSTON (Reuters)--A drunk driver pulled over a police officer in Vermont for an unexpected reason; to be arrested. Ian McCollin, chief of police in Vermont said the driver was very cooperative and polite, unlike your average drunk. "He pulled up behind me, rolled down the passenger side window and said he was looking for a police officer to arrest him," McCollin said. The driver was operating on a suspended license, which was taken away after a previous drunk driving charge. He was four times over the legal limit when he pulled over.

Britney Meets Future Step-Kid

(USA TODAY)-- Britney Spears, 22, met one of her future step children, 2-year old Kori. Her fiancé, Kevin Ferderline, 26, also has another child, a 5-week old boy. Ferdeline's ex, Shar Jackson, says there's no bad blood between her and Britney.



Low-Cost PCs for Minorities, Seniors

NEW YORK (Reuters)--America Online said it plans to sell a low-priced PC targeting low-income and minority households who agree to sign up for a year of dialup Internet service. AOL will begin selling this computer this month. The computers will come configured with a simple desktop with large icons that send users to specific areas of the AOL service loaded on the computer.



Sharon Cosner-Pachar smiles as the employees of Haynes Elementary School are introduced at the KISD convocation Wednesday at the Bell County Expo Center. School tradition mandates that the last employee hired at the school wears a star costume as a sign of school spirit. Cosner-Pachar, a clinic aide, was not the last worker hired, but volunteered for the honor.

Killeen Daily Herald

Killeen ISD Will Grow with Fort Hood

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One of the largest school districts in the state is about to make some big budget cuts. The Killeen School District has to prepare for an influx of new students because of an expansion at Fort Hood.

More than 31,000 students attend schools within the Killeen Independent School District, the 24th largest district in Texas. And it continues to grow. Next year, an additional 5,000 troops come to Fort Hood, bringing more than 12,000 family members. School Superintendent Dr. Charles Patterson says action must be taken to handle the growth.

"Building schools will be the highest priority," he said.

The KISD serves the communities of Killeen, Harker Heights, Nolanville and Fort Hood. Patterson said eight to 10 new schools are needed by 2011 and the district needs \$280 million to build them.

School Board Vice President Joe Maines believes it's an urgency.

"We need to start on this now," he says. "We can't wait until we need a school building."

To come up with the millions of dollars, cuts are a must.

"We're trying to get money by squeezing our budget as much as we possibly can," Maines says. The district plans to cut \$10 million from this year's budget, twice that amount next year and mil-

lions more over the coming years until it has almost \$300 million to build the new schools. The district plans to keep all of its current 43 campuses.

Dr. Patterson says, to save money, they've already reduced staff at the central office. The district could also cut classes and bus routes. The district recently hired an Executive Deputy Superintendent. District officials said the position is to help them prepare for the future.

"I think there are ways that we can make reductions and still keep a very, very strong quality education program," Patterson said. It's a tightening of the budget that will affect today's students for tomorrow's growth.

Remember: Sign up for Absentee Ballots

Deadline is Aug. 15.

Contact your Unit Rep for Details

U.S. Stomps Greeks in Opener

IRAKLION, Greece (AP) - Mia Hamm began her final Olympics with a stutter-step that left her embarrassed Greek defender sprawling on the grass.

Hamm then calmly passed the ball to Shannon Boxx, who scored the goal that sent the U.S. women's soccer team on its way to a comfortable 3-0 victory over Greece on Wednesday on the first day of competition in the 2004 Olympic Games.

Hamm later added a goal of her own, outmaneuvering two defenders for a 16-yard shot that banked off the left post. In between, Abby Wambach continued her remarkable scoring run with her 15th goal in 16 games as the Americans overwhelmed a team that qualified for the tournament only because it represents the host nation.

"A 3-0 victory in our first game, you kind of get the butterflies out," Hamm said. "And now we have to refocus on what we need to do in a couple of days."

Women's soccer is barely recognized in Greece, and eight of the team's 18 players are Greek-Americans who have played for U.S. colleges. The Americans out-shot their opponents 26-1, and Greece's lone shot was wide of the net. Briana Scurry got her 70th career shutout without having to make a save.

"What we have tried to do is make a decent appearance, and we do believe we have achieved that," Greek coach Xanthi Konstandinidou said. "The score could have been a lot worse."

The U.S. team, looking to re-establish its suprema-



AP

Greece's Eftichia Michailidou tries to get between Team USA defenders Julie Foudy (left) and Linsey Tarpley. The US team won their opener 3-0.

cy after disappointing finishes in the 2000 Olympics and 2003 World Cup, continues first-round play Saturday against Brazil in the only Olympic sport that begins play before Friday's opening ceremony.

The lack of enthusiasm for women's soccer in Greece was evident in the disappointing crowd at kickoff in the seaside, fully renovated Pankrito Stadium on the island of Crete. More than two-thirds of the 27,000 seats were empty when the game began, although the cheaper end zone seats were nearing capacity in the second half, raising the announced attendance to 15,757. Sporadic chants of "Greece! Greece!" failed to rally the home team.

Greece actually took the first shot of the game, but their players' adrenaline kept them competitive for only a few minutes. The Americans were soon dominating possession with crisp passes all over the field. Aly Wagner hit the crossbar in the fifth minute, and Boxx hit the right post two minutes later.

In the 82nd minute, Hamm stole the ball to set up a solo run for her 152nd goal in international play, by far the world record. She is one of the "Fab Five" 1991 World Cup veterans who are playing in their final tournament together.

The only downside to the victory was a yellow card issued to Wambach.

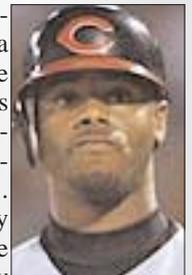
Sports Shorts

Edwards Out -- Devers Running

ATHENS, Greece (AP) - Sprinter Torri Edwards' two-year doping suspension cleared the way for 37-year-old Gail Devers to try to win her third gold medal in the 100 meters. Of course, that means defending champion Marion Jones gets left out of the event at the Athens Games. Edwards appealed the decision to the international Court of Arbitration for Sport. A binding decision should come before the track competition begins Aug. 20.

Griffey: Surgery Ends His Season

CINCINNATI (AP) -- Ken Griffey, Jr. will miss the rest of the season because of a torn right hamstring, the latest setback in a long line of injuries for the all-star outfielder. Griffey will have surgery



Monday, the Cincinnati Reds said. Team medical director Dr. Timothy Kremcheck said Wednesday that an MRI exam showed Griffey had ruptured his hamstring last week in San Francisco. Griffey, who hit his 500th career home run earlier this season, could be fully rehabbed in time for spring training, Kremcheck said.