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rocket 1 (normass/deepe)

SAIGON, JUNE 14--Discarding clumsy tubes and tripods, the Communists have developed the capability of using "phantom rocketeers" and man-made rice-paddy launching sites to continue shelling the jittery capital or other psychologically-important targets.

Rumors swirled around the capital of even heavier shelling this week-end--and more bitter ground fighting in July--swirled around the capital in the wake of nearly two weeks of hit-and-miss, off-again, on-again bombardment of Communist bombardment of Saigon. These gloomy expectations--perhaps indexing the frg fright in the capital rather than accuracy of predictions--far outpaced any optimistic words that the Paris peace talks would persuade the Communists to cease. Their 122 mm. Rocket shells Many Vietnamese fear the Communists might initiate post-curfew, daylight shelling when Saigon shops are open, the streets are filled and traffic is hectic.

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Intelligence sources report the ~~the~~ "phantom rocketeers" have developed from what one source called "a combination of Russian technology and destructive Vietnamese ingenuity." These sources say--based on interrogation of ^a~~recent~~ recently-captured Communist artillery officer and other information--the Communists have developed a technique by which the Soviet-made rockets can be fired without the ~~gangl~~ gangly tube and tripod. VIETNAMESE COMMUNISTS They have ~~ge~~ begun--and used in the past to an unknown extent--the practice of making out of mud on rice paddy dikes semi-circular indentations with a smooth pole the same size as the rocket. FIN Under the hot sun, the mud dries and hardenes into ~~the same size as the~~ instant rocket launcher ~~launching~~ launcher, the same size as the six-foot, two-inch long rocket.

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Beforehand, Communist artillery surveyors have picked out the rice paddy dike they estimate to be the proper range from the designated target six or seven miles away and have designated the angle of elevation ~~in maximum~~ on the rice paddy dike that the rocket launcher should be constructed at to send the mini-missile on its flight. Generally six to eight ~~of these rocket sites~~ man-made rocket sites are constructed in one pocket, so that a volley of rockets can be fired simultaneously.

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This covey of rockets can be connected by ~~wire~~ wiring to a common detonating device--such as flashlight batteries--sent ~~into flight~~ ^{by} one man--or by "phantom rocketeers." The latter is a means of ^{B/}lighting ~~smoking~~ a slow-burning joss stick, which, ~~is~~ ^{as} it burns, ~~allowing~~ ^{curls off} us suddenly near a string for example, suddenly ^{igniting} ~~ignites~~ the string which in turn sets in motion the detonating device--and all the rockets simultaneously ~~lauc~~ ^{launch} ~~sywar~~ skywards. In this case, the Communists responsible are far from the launching site--thus making detection of them virtually impossible and ~~from~~ ^{from} finding the rocket sites virtually impossible.

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