

Quaker Service - Vietnam
 REHABILITATION CENTER
 Quang Ngai Province Hospital

Analysis of data for all patients (108) accepted for treatment at the Center between 1 November 1967 and 31 December 1967

A bilingual (Vietnamese/French) receptionist interviews each new patient and writes in French a detailed case history. The receptionist is well aware of how important it is to avoid leading his questions, to record details accurately, and to enter into his records only facts about which the patient is sure.

Distribution by age

0 - 9	8
10 - 19	33
20 - 29	16
30 - 39	25
40 - 49	14
50 - 59	5
60 - 69	5
70 - 79	1

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Distribution by sex

F	33
M	70
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Distribution by injury

Many patients suffer multiple injuries, and mention is made here only of the condition which led to referral for treatment at the Center.

amputated leg	27	amputated hand	0
legs	2	" foot	1
paralysed leg	8	paralysed ankle	1
legs	8	" hand	1
fractured leg	18	dislocated knee	1
legs	1	fractured ribs	1
amputated arm	5	hemiplegia	2
paralysed arm	8	osteomyelitis	1
fractured arm	9	partial paralysis	1
hand	1	cannot walk, speak	
heel	1	or hold head up	1
knee	3	paraplegia	1
ankle	2		
foot	1		
thumb	1		

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Distribution by cause of injury

ARVN artillery	16	US plane 20 MM cannon	1
" mine	3	" warship shell	2
" grenade	2	" bomb	3
" rifle fire	1	" tank ran amok	1
" flare	1	" artillery	12
" mortar	2	" grenade	1
" machine gun	4	" machine gun	1
" tank (crushed shelter where he hid)	1	Mine near ARVN bunker	1
Korean mortar	2	Found object exploded	1
" rifle fire	1	Mine	1
" jeep	1	Tumor	1
French bomb (1952 & 1954)	2	Poliomyelitis	4
Vietcong mine	5	Fell from tree	1
" mortar	1	Typhoid	1
" rifle fire	2	Meningitis	1
" machine gun	1	Fever	4
" grenade	1	Childbirth	1
US artillery	3	TB bone	1
" plane machine gun	3	Paraplegia	1
" plane rocket	4	Jumped from helicopter	1*
" rifle fire	2	Unknown	4
" machine gun	5	No information (no common language with Montagnard patient)	1

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* Patient was a soldier (the only one treated at our Center in this period.

Note: It so happened that no burn cases were referred to the Center during the 2-month period studied. Six cases were referred between 1 January 1968 and 12 January 1968, of which 3 (ages 6, 10, 12) were caused by napalm and 3 (adults) were caused by kerosene, petrol, and a wood fire.

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