

Blizzard Hinders Effort to Remove Crash Victims

SAN DIEGO, Cal. — A blinding blizzard and sub-freezing temperatures Monday impeded efforts to remove 27 bodies from a westbound American Airlines flagship which crashed into a fog-shrouded mountain and burned, killing 23 passengers, including two babies, and the crew of four.

Bound from Dallas to San Diego, on the final leg of a flight from New York, the big Douglas DC-3 Sunday smashed into the side of a rugged 6000 foot peak in the Mt. Laguna range, 60 miles east of here scattering wreckage over a quarter-mile area. Both wings were sheared from the craft.

Two Bodies Missing

Deputy sheriffs who reached the scene of the crash, approximately 100 feet below the peak's crest, accounted for the bodies of 23 adults and the two babies. The remaining bodies were believed burned in the fire-blackened wreckage.

Eight bodies were thrown clear, but 15 of the adults were burned beyond recognition.

Until early Monday, a rescue party worked with a bulldozer to clear a road through the rugged terrain to remove the bodies. But due to the blizzard, authorities believed all bodies could not be recovered until late today.

Before the blizzard started, bodies of the two babies were removed to the San Diego sheriff's office.

Passenger List

American Airlines listed passengers of the ill-fated airliner as:

Cpl. V. C. Berdine, USN, San Diego. Pfc. Eugene Mills, USMC, address unknown. L. J. Baker, Fort Worth, Tex. J. H. Menge, 201 South Texas Bank Bldg., San Antonio, Tex. Mrs. C. C. Bradbury, 608 N. Market St., Inglewood, Cal. Miss Gladys Delaney, discharged WAVE, 1138 Meridian Ave., South Pasadena, Cal. Miss A. Abernathy, believed to be from Jacksonville, Fla. William Battersby, 1040 University, Berkeley, Cal. E. J. Lang, Zurich, Switzerland. Sgt. L. A. Criswell, USMC, address unknown. Miss Joyce Whitlens, 26 Highland, Atlanta, Ga. Mrs. E. P. Upchurch, Jackson, Miss. Mrs. E. O. McGilivray, West 6th St., Charlotte, N. C. Mrs. Margaret Greener, Forrest City, Ark., and her three-month-old son. Mrs. R. L. McCall, Tampa, Fla., and her 18-month-old daughter, R. L. Lamontagne, San Pedro, Cal. Airlines employe riding as a passenger.

Mrs. W. F. Wittaker, College Park, Ga., wife of the assistant chief pilot, Delta Airlines. Cmdr. R. V. Roblin, USN, 3909 South Pacific Ave., San Pedro, Cal. Lt. Milton L. Harvey, either army or navy, address unknown. Ens. Jack Eugene Selover, St. Sims Island, Ga. Lt. E. J. Enderday, navy, address unknown. Members of the crew were: Capt. Samuel E. Stoner, pilot, San Gabriel, Cal. Capt. Max Leonard Fife, Los Angeles, 1st Officer Emmett Baker, Long Beach, Cal. Stewardess Maxine Rickard, Detroit.

The airliner last was reported over El Centro, Cal., at 7:53 a. m. The crash was believed to have come a few minutes later.

Spotted Wreckage
Navy and coast guard planes (Turn to Page 4, Number 3)

Cardinals Start for Home Monday by Air

ROME, (AP)—Samuel Cardinal Stritch of Chicago, John Cardinal Glennon of St. Louis and Edward Cardinal Mooney of Detroit left for home Monday aboard the TWA constellation star of Lisbon. The big plane took off at 9:12 a. m. (3:12 a. m. est.) and was scheduled to reach Chicago at 11:55 a. m. (est) Tuesday.

The only stops planned were at Shannon, Eire to discharge Cardinal Glennon and his party and at Gander, Newfoundland for a six hour rest.

The departure from Rome was delayed more than an hour by the late arrival of baggage.

Cardinal Glennon will attend a dinner Monday in Dublin at the home of President Sean O'Kelly. He planned to leave Thursday and arrive in St. Louis Friday.

Call Me Mister!

Four men reported their discharges from the armed forces Friday to the Cass county selective service office, it was announced Monday.

From the army; Thomas Ruppelt, Tyndall, South Dakota.

From the navy; Clayton Rhylander, Plattsmouth; Wilmer Rhoden, Manly; and Richard Noble, San Francisco, Calif.

Troops Purchase Apartment and Laundry Building

Mr. and Mrs. George Troop completed negotiations Saturday for the purchase of the building between Third and Fourth on Main street, owned for a number of years by Mr. and Mrs. Ted Harris. Nine apartments and the Band Box laundry and dry-cleaning establishment are located in the building. The purchase included the equipment for the laundry.

The new owners plan to rename the building and in the future it will be known as the Troop Sky-Line Apartments. The laundry and cleaning business will still be known as the Band Box cleaners and the new owners hope to have it in operation within the next two weeks.

Ted Harris, the former owner, has been here for the past week to take care of the business matters pertaining to the sale. He is now located in Denver, and since his health is so much improved in that climate, he has decided to make his home there in the future.

Bob Cole Featured in Article About 'Fence Row Mower'

Robert Cole, son of Ray O. Cole, who lives near Plattsmouth, in Cass county, is featured in a story in the March issue of Capper's Farmers, entitled "Fence Row Mower". It used to take the elder Cole two and a half days to clean up his fence rows with a sythe. They now have a fence row mower driven with a gasoline engine. The device has a 36-inch sickle bar.

Young Cole can do the same job now in two hours. "It works a fellow pretty hard," Robert said, "but it gets you to the shade a lot sooner." The machine will now right up to a post, under barbed wire, around fruit trees or any place you can get at with a sythe.

Henry Soennichsen To Receive Medal For Marksmanship

Henry Soennichsen, a member of the Kemper Military School rifle team, will receive a gold medal in recognition of his marksmanship as a member of team 1 of the Kemper rifle team. The schools first and second teams one third and second places, respectively, in the William Randolph Hearst Trophy National R. O. T. C. rifle matches. Both teams outshot the winner of the senior units won by the University of Nebraska with a score of 863.

Soennichsen was the individual high scorer of all marksmen in the Essentially Military Schools Division. Plaques will be awarded the school and individual members of the teams will receive gold medals in recognition of this achievement.

Atkinson-Kellberg Wedding Saturday At Methodist Church

Miss Georgia Atkinson and Harold Kellberg were married Saturday evening at the Methodist parsonage with Rev. T. Porter Bennett officiating in the single ring ceremony. Mr. and Mrs. Chester Keil of Omaha were their only attendants.

The bride wore a three-piece blue gabardine suit with black accessories with a corsage of red roses. Her matron of honor was in a dressmaker suit and wore white carnations to complete her costume.

Guests for the ceremony were Mrs. Ollie Atkinson, mother of the bride, Miss Murriel Inman and Finis Atkinson, brother of the bride.

Mr. and Mrs. Kellberg will make their home in Plattsmouth for the present. He is the son of the former Mrs. Hazel Kellberg of Weeping Water and is now employed in Omaha, having been discharged recently from the army after twenty-nine months having been spent in the Pacific theater of operations.

Following the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Kellberg were accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Keil, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Keyes, and Miss Inman and Finis Atkinson in a celebration party at Peony Park in Omaha.

General Motors

DETROIT, (AP)—Scheduled negotiations between General Motors Corporation and the CIO United Automobile Workers were postponed until 2 p. m., Monday at the union's request.

Senate-House Committee Plans to Streamline National Legislature

WASHINGTON, (AP)—A special Senate-house committee Monday recommended elimination of more than half of the standing congressional committees as part of a far-reaching, 37-point reorganization plan designed to meet "a grave constitutional crisis."

A \$5,000 a year increase in congressional salaries and a pension plan for congressional salaries and a pension plan for congressmen were among other proposals made by the 12-man committee after a four-month study on ways to streamline the national legislature.

The committee said its recommendations were made "in response to a widespread congressional and public belief that a grave constitutional crisis exists in which the fate of representative government itself is at stake."

Non-Elective Officials

More and more, the report said public affairs are being handled by administrative agencies headed by non-elective officials "with only casual oversight by Congress." But government by administration, it declared, is a dangerous object of "group pressures which weaken it is protection of the public interest."

"Under these conditions," the committee said, "it was believed the time is ripe for congress to reconsider its role in the American scheme of government and to modernize its organization and procedures."

The report said the existing committee system was the No. 1 problem involved in an attempt to reorganize congress because it was "obsolete and overlapping" and represented a "luxury and waste of manpower."

Fewer Committees

It recommended that the senate's 33 standing committees be organized into 16 and that the House's 48 be consolidated into 18.

It proposed that each senator be limited to membership on two

Stylecraft Re-opens Monday Morning

The Stylecraft Manufacturing Company resumed operation Monday and is making robes again, according to Charles Babian, plant manager. The company suspended operation December 21 because materials were not available.

A maximum of 1000 cotton robes per week will be made for Valley Mills Siluria, Alabama. Babian said. They also expect to obtain material for rayon robes soon.

Babian said that Boris Visty, of Omaha, is now sole owner of Stylecraft.

Rassmusson-Henry Wedding Saturday

Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Rassmusson of Colon, Neb., announced Monday the marriage of their daughter, Patricia Anne Foley, to J. Rex Henry, Jr., of Plattsmouth, Saturday evening. The couple were attended by Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Martens of Fremont.

Mrs. Henry has lived in the Colon vicinity most of her life. She graduated from Fremont high school in 1943. She was employed as cashier in the J. C. Penney store in Fremont for a year followed by a year residing in Los Angeles, Calif. For the past year she has made her home with her parents near Colon.

Henry came here recently as circulation manager for The Daily Journal. Mr. and Mrs. Henry will reside in Plattsmouth after about March 15.

Five Scouts Receive Tenderfoot Badges

Five boys of troop 267 received their tenderfoot badges at Vesper services Sunday night in the Christian church. The boys receiving the badges were: Dick Gopen, Dale Fleischman, Curtis Winters, Stanley Cole and Lyle Reed.

Rev. Taenzler opened the services with a prayer and a brief history of the troop. He then presented the scouts with their enrollment certificates. E. G. Ofc, chairman of the board, gave the certificates to the scout officers.

The Vesper service was led by Jake Taenzler, senior patrol leader, who opened it by giving a brief summary of the history of scouting in America and England.

The twelve scout laws were presented in a candlelight ceremony with the following scouts participating: Kenneth Rozell, LaVerne Dicks, Marvin Hild, David Friest, Dick Cofelt, Glenn Hamilton, Glen Wiles, Bill White, Jack Taenzler and Manford Moritz.

standing committees and each representative to one major committee assignment. At present, it said, many senators serve on as many as 10 committees while some house members on as many as six or more.

Committee chairmanships are jealously guarded privileges in Congress and the proposal to reduce their number was certain to meet strong opposition, especially among southern democrats. One member of the reorganization committee said this one recommendation alone endangered the entire report.

Special Meetings

But it did not only recommend abolition of committees. It proposed an innovation in form of official majority and minority policy committees in both houses which would chart Republican and Democratic stands and strategy on all legislation.

"In order to narrow the widening gap between the executive and the legislative branches," the report added, "we recommend that the senate and house majority policy committees serve also on a formal council to meet at regular intervals with the executive (president) and with such members of his cabinet as may be desirable . . . to improve relationships between the two branches of the government."

Riots Flare Up Again in Egypt

CAIRO (AP)—Anti-British rioting flared across Egypt again Friday and dispatches from Alexandria said ten persons were killed and 170 or more injured in a wild gun battle in the British naval base.

A United Press correspondent telephoned from Alexandria that frenzied mobs were racing through the streets setting fire to cafes and hotels an attacking British and Egyptian police squadrons.

Gunfire Heard

He reported that gunfire could be heard over all the center of the city as native police firing rapidly into the mob in an unsuccessful effort to disperse them. Preliminary estimates on the casualties said six soldiers were killed and 168 injured, while 4 British military policemen were said to have been killed and two wounded when the crowds set fire to a British military station.

The outbreak came during a nation-wide strike called in mourning for the Egyptians killed in last month's disorders.

Investigate Outbreak

Government spokesmen said Hassan Rifout Pasha, undersecretary of the interior, had been sent to Alexandria to investigate the outbreak and draw up a detailed report of the damage.

Reports from other parts of the country indicated the population outside Alexandria and Cairo was remaining orderly, although the danger of a general outbreak had not been dissipated entirely.

In Cairo, all traffic and commercial life were halted by the strike, but police appeared to have the situation under control.

Army Private Found In Geisha House After Prison Escape

TOKYO — (AP)—Pfc. Joseph E. Hieswa of Wallington, N. J., waiting for a War Department ruling whether he must die for killing two Japanese civilians, escaped over a prison wall recently and was recaptured in a Geisha house, it was disclosed Monday.

Military police said Hieswa was caught in a room with a Japanese girl just an hour after he and two other prisoners, one a Japanese black marketer, escaped from the Yokohama military stockade. The military policeman who recaptured Hieswa waiting in the doorway while he dressed, then turned him over to a search party.

The War Department will hold a private hearing in Washington tomorrow, reviewing a court martial verdict which sentenced Hieswa to death for stabbing two Japanese civilians fatally with a bayonet last Nov. 24.

Hieswa's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Hieswa, sr., were scheduled to testify in his defense.

Captured in the Geisha house with Hieswa was Kirby Willis, a San Francisco soldier serving a 20-year sentence for rape. Yoshitaka, the Japanese who made the prison break with them, was captured two days later.

Strikes At a Glance

By United Press
Strikes and shutdowns kept an estimated 880,000 U. S. workers away from their jobs Monday. The major disputes:

Automotive—General Motors rejected arbitration of its 104-day-old strike and countered with a proposal for a "secret vote" among its 175,000 idle workers.

Telephone—A conference seeking to prevent a nationwide telephone tie-up ended without accord and union officials went ahead with plans for a nationwide walk-out Thursday.

Rubber—More than 300,000 CIO rubber workers were granted wage increases of 18 1/2 cents an hour in an industry-wide agreement without a work stoppage.

Coal—government officials feared a soft coal strike in April if United Mine Workers (AFL) Chief John L. Lewis insisted on bargaining rights for supervisory employes.

Steel—approximately 250,000 CIO steel workers still were out in small companies and steel fabricating firms which had not agreed to the 18 1/2 cent hourly boost granted by "Big Steel."

Negro Confesses to Double Slaying

BLOOMINGTON, Ind. (AP)—A negro handy-man confessed Monday that he killed Russell Koontz, a Sunday school teacher, and Mrs. Phyllis Coleman, a choir singer, when he found them in a lovers rendezvous at an old stone mill last Friday.

State police at Indianapolis disclosed the confession of Joseph Woodridge, 29, who was trapped by foot prints which investigators found at the scene of the slaying.

The victims were beaten and strangled and thrown into a pit of the abandoned stone mill.



WAR CRIMINAL'S SCAFFOLD—Gen. Tomoyuki Yamashita, one of the Jap officers responsible for the "Death March," climbed these 13 steps February 23rd, to meet his death on these gallows in closely guarded execution at Manila, P. I. His last wish, to bow in the direction of the Imperial Palace, Tokyo, was granted. Two other war criminals followed him. (NEA Telephoto)

Nationwide Telephone Strike Is Set For Thursday; Talks Are Fruitless



WHERE RUSSIAN TROOPS MOVE—This map shows developments, announced by Moscow radio, in the Russian occupation of Iran. The broadcast announced that Red troops will remain in some areas, probably the Azerbaijan district, "until the situation clears." Russian troops will begin withdrawing from eastern areas. (NEA Telemap)

Russians Strip Manchuria of Heavy Industry

SHANGHAI, (AP)—A delayed Mukden dispatch from Dick Wilson, correspondent for the army newspaper Stars and Stripes, said Monday the Russians were stripping Manchurian heavy industry systematically and shipping the material to Vladivostok aboard U. S. Lend-lease liberty ships.

Wilson filed the dispatch Feb. 28 after the Russians had escorted him out of Dairen where he had gone on an unauthorized visit.

He reported that the Russians were leaving the area with no war manufacturing plants that could fall into the hands of a possible enemy "if Russia chooses to fight to maintain a new grip on eastern and southern Manchuria."

Determined to Stay

Wilson said Chinese military sources believed Soviet determination to remain in Manchuria was expressed by Marshal Rodion Malinovsky, Soviet commander in Manchuria, in a red army day speech at Changchun.

The Chinese sources quoted him as saying, "Russia fought bitterly and lost heavily in her invasion of Manchuria and will not quickly sacrifice hard won gains."

Wilson said unconfirmed Chinese reports added that Malinovsky declared "if anybody but Russia reached a hand into Manchuria, Russia will cut off that hand."

Wilson said that on the basis of his own observation, reports from other American and British correspondents who entered Manchuria without permission and from conversations with old residents the following appeared to be facts of the Manchurian situation:

Red Army Arsenal
"That the so-called Kwantung (Turn to Page 4, Number 8)

Senator Opposes Loan to Britain; Suggests Ways to Spend Same Money

BY FREDERICK C. OTHMAN
WASHINGTON — (AP)—The only senator who chews cold cigars without first removing the telephone, seems to like the proposed loan to Great Britain little more than he does the flavor of tobacco.

I mean he doesn't like it, although Sen. William Langer of N. D., didn't say so. He placed his unshucked cheroot on the edge of his desk and told the cohorts the way he figured it, the British wanted about \$3,750,000,000. The statesman from Bismarck cracked no smile when he said that then he'd like to introduce a few bills.

One of them called for an appropriation of \$3,750,000,000 to give free jeeps, or sedans (if a preferred 'em), to veterans. The senator's bill said the G.I. could choose the color he wanted. The Senate, which cracked no smile, either, sent it to the committee on post offices.

Medical Examination
Sen. Langer said there were many diseased people in America. He presented a bill calling for \$3,750,000,000 to give everybody a special kind of examination not

Food Program Is Moved Ahead to Avert Famine

WASHINGTON, (AP)—The administration moved ahead rapidly Monday with its program to avert what threatened to be the worst global famine in history.

Secretary of Agriculture Clinton T. Anderson announced increases in six major grains as the most important step yet made to avert famine in history.

The price adjustment was designed to balance livestock feeding with reduced prices of grains and encourage prompt marketing.

Prices Raised

The price of wheat goes up 3 cents a bushel, effective today. Other price rises are: Corn, 3 cents a bushel; oats, 2 cents a bushel; barley, 4 cents a bushel and grain sorghums 9 cents a hundredweight.

Rye ceilings will be 4 cents higher than previously announced when they go into effect June 1 for the first time.

(Other points in the administration's anti-famine campaign: 1. Members of the famine investigating committee were called into session to interview representatives of the commercial food industries on ways and means of slashing food waste.

Conference Called
2. The Agriculture Department called a conference of farm trade and food processing representatives to discuss a prospective government order designed to bring about a more equitable distribution of limited grain stocks. The order will require inventory limitations and delivery preferences for consumers in greatest need.

3. The house food investigating committee has scheduled hearings (Turn to Page 4, Number 5)

Workers Seek 18 1/2 Cent Raise

NEW YORK, (AP)—A nationwide telephone strike appeared inevitable Monday unless the government intervenes to halt the walkout of 250,000 workers in 42 states scheduled for 6 a. m., Thursday.

Negotiations between the American Telephone and Telegraph Co., and the federation of long lines telephone workers broke off at 2:30 a. m., today with the company standing on its offer of a 15 cent hourly wage increase and the union holding out for 18 1/2 cents.

"There is little hope that a strike can be averted unless the company changes its attitude," said Henry Mayer, counsel for the union.

The long lines federation is an affiliate of the independent national federation of telephone workers, which set the date of the nationwide walkout at a meeting in Memphis, Tenn., two weeks ago. A settlement of the dispute with the long lines workers, it was believed, would have set a pattern for negotiations in other affiliates of the NFTW.

No More Talks

John J. Moran, president of the long lines federation, said the union would participate in no more wage talks with the company. However, he said he would be willing to continue negotiations in Washington if labor department officials intervened in an effort to avert the strike.

Moran said he had agreed to Sunday's meeting "expecting a bona fide offer. The meeting was fruitless. The company knew I would not go below 18 1/2 cents an hour."

Only result of the 13-hour meeting, Moran said, was an increase in the company's offer from 14.3 cents an hour to 15 cents.

George S. Dring, assistant vice president of the A. T. & T., in charge of industrial relations, said the company had suggested a continuation of negotiations "but no date has been set."

He said the 15 cent raise offered by the company would add \$6,000,000 annually to the wages of long lines workers in the New York area alone.

'Waste of Time'

U. S. Conciliator Peter J. Manno met with the two groups throughout the session. He had stated previously that the meeting would continue as long as the conferees could stay awake, but he adjourned the session at 2:30 a. m., "because it is a waste of time."

A strike of the 250,000 telephone workers would disrupt all except local dial telephone service in 42 states and transoceanic calls.

The walkout of the 19,000 long lines workers alone would halt transoceanic service, long distance calls and would possibly affect teletype and telegraph circuits leased by the government, press associations, radio networks and private organizations.

However, the A. T. & T. has stated that it would attempt to maintain all circuits used by the government, the press and radio.

The long lines department of A. T. & T. operates about 1,500,000 miles of teletype and telegraph circuits for government agencies, press associations, and private organizations. Radio networks use about 80,000 miles of long lines.

Picket Lines

Only 16 of the NFTW's 48 affiliates have agreed to participate in the walkout. However, the union has stated that picket lines will be thrown up around all telephone companies and it expects all 250,000 of its members to refuse to cross picket lines.

Some unions already have indicated that they will not abide by the walkout order. In Syracuse, 3,000 members of the Empire State Telephone union, an affiliate of the NPTW have agreed not to strike and 5,000 members of the Connecticut union of telephone workers have voted to ignore the walkout. Several other telephone unions throughout the New England states also have agreed to ignore the strike order.

WEATHER

Cloudy and colder with snow flurries, mostly cloudy today; colder southeast portion; low tonight 25-30; cloudy Tuesday, with occasional light snows extreme south portion; little change in temperature.