



SURVIVORS WERE HERE—Margaret, Billy and Alvis Neal spent five hours huddling in the shed ahead of wrecked family cars. Crushed top of one car is at extreme left. Bodies of parents, sisters and brother were buried in the smashed house. Story of the survivors on page 1.



TYPICAL SLIDE SCENE, though not the worst, was near where the five members of the Neal family died Monday morning. In places, logs this size were buried in mud which slithered over the highway. Raging river was spitting distance from rescue party which worked its way to Remate.



TRAGEDY SCENE—Mud and logs roared down canyon in center background to crush the Neal house, parts of which are scattered in foreground. Waterfall gushes from hillside in canyon where normally there is little water. Camera was pointed uphill from near end of slide. Highway is buried under debris at edge of trees. (Kash photos).

ACTRESS HURT IN FALL

HOLLYWOOD — Movie actress Irene Dunne fell in her home Friday and had to eat her Christmas dinner from a wheel chair. She said she feared at first she had seriously injured her hip, but X-rays disclosed no broken bones.

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Stage Props Used By Prisoners For Escape Attempt

WALLA WALLA, Wash. — Stage tools and props given inmates preparing a convict Christmas show apparently were the tools used in a new attempt to tunnel out of the State Penitentiary, Warden Lawrence Delmore Jr. said Wednesday.

Delmore said the escape plot was discovered Tuesday. The convicts had sawed through bars to reach a possible escape route but before they had tunneled more than two of the 30 feet needed to clear outside walls.

The number of men involved and their identities were not known. Delmore said the attempt was similar to one Nov. 3 when 10 men tunneled to short-lived freedom.

Associate Warden Bob Rhay said the base of operations for the new attempt was the prison audi-

torium where rehearsals were being held on a Christmas program for the public scheduled for Wednesday.

Rhay said the orchestra pit was moved to one side, and the old pit was covered with cotton, fir trees and other decorations.

The convicts sawed through bars in the old pit and crawled into an unfinished basement under the stage and auditorium. Fresh dirt was found in the basement.

One of the ten men who took part in the Nov. 3 escape appeared in Superior Court here Tuesday and pleaded guilty to an escape charge. Judge Glenn L. Bean sentenced Ralph Elmer Lockery, serving a term for robbery in Pierce County, to an additional term of up to 10 years.

Lockery originally had pleaded

innocent, claiming mental irresponsibility. He changed the plea after consulting his attorneys.

Heaviest Gun Battle Erupts Over Quemoy

TAIPEI, Formosa — The heaviest gun battle in a month erupted Wednesday morning between Nationalist Chinese on Quemoy and Communists on nearby Red held territory.

Official Nationalist reports said: The Reds lobbed more than 500 shells onto Quemoy between 8 and 10 a.m. and the Nationalists hit back hard, particularly at Amoy. Nationalists and Communists exchanged light artillery fire in the same area Tuesday.

Wednesday's shelling was the heaviest since Nov. 28.

Tito In Egypt For 10-Day Visit

CAIRO, Egypt — Yugoslav President Tito arrived Wednesday for a 10-day state visit to Egypt. Egyptian Premier Nasser greeted him at Cairo's main railroad station.

Tito arrived aboard the training ship Galeh earlier Wednesday at Suez and came to Cairo by special train. The Yugoslav president has just ended a state visit to Ethiopia.

Tito is the first non-Arab chief of state to visit Egypt since the revolution that overthrew King Farouk in 1952.

An Egyptian communique has announced he and Nasser will hold "some talks" but it did not say what subjects would be covered. Speculation that Tito might offer to mediate the Arab-Israeli dispute has been denied in Belgrade.

One of Nasser's first acts after Tito's arrival was to give him the Order of the Nile, Egypt's highest decoration.

In a special statement to the semi-official Cairo newspaper Al Gunhuryya, Tito said Yugoslavia and Egypt have similar views on international questions and both should strive to uphold "the principle of active coexistence."

1,430 Families Suffered Damage In Oregon Flood

SALEM — The Oregon Civil Defense Agency reported Tuesday that 1,430 families and 137 business firms have suffered damage in the Oregon flood.

The report was made for the Federal Small Business Administration to give it an idea as to how much aid might be needed.

BOAT DRIFTS ASHORE

KASUMI, Japan — A disabled Korean fishing boat with 12 exhausted fishermen aboard drifted ashore here Tuesday night, Kyodo news service reported.

The captain of the boat and one crew member had starved to death while the tiny craft drifted aimlessly, its engine beyond repair, for 10 days on the sea of Japan.

The survivors, weak from hunger and exposure, were hospitalized.

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Medical: Mrs. Larry Dunlap, Myrtle Creek; Mrs. Charles Newell, Mrs. James Lavin, Roseburg.

Discharged

Norma Speidel, Roseburg; Mrs. Gail Madison and baby, Russell Preston, Oakland; Mrs. Jerold Rabor and baby, Max Arden, Days Creek; Ernest Hooper, Corvallis.

Douglas Community Hospital

Admitted

Surgery: Leroy McDowell, Milton Smith, Irvin Josh, Roseburg; Boyd Conny, Winchester.

Medical: Mrs. John Allen, Winchester; Oscar DelPriest, Mike Mohr, Mrs. Leon Scott, Rosie Rose, Mrs. Donald Mellow, Roseburg; Carla Matlock, Sutherlin; Mrs. Ernest Cox, Oakland.

Discharged

Gary Moon, Emmett Hall, Randall and Carolyn Pitney, Mrs. Louis Fenn, Homer Hughes, Roseburg; Mabel Brumel, Winston.

Britain's Comet Streaks Home Across Atlantic

LONDON — Britain's glittering Comet III jetliner streaked homeward across the Atlantic from Montreal to London Wednesday in 6 hours, 8 minutes. The plane's builders immediately claimed a North Atlantic record for civil airliners.

The 74-ton, four-jet aircraft covered the 3,350 miles at an average speed of 548 miles an hour, whizzing through overcast skies to a touch down at London Airport for a tumultuous welcome.

Strong tail winds boosted the plane's speed over the Atlantic to more than 640 miles an hour at times.

A spokesman for the Royal Aero Club, which keeps air records, said however, the Comet's flight was not officially observed. "So it will not be regarded as a record." He said there are "no existing official records between Montreal and London."

The trip ended a 35,000-mile round-the-world proving flight by Capt. John Cunningham and his crew of 10 which began Dec. 20.

The plane's actual time from the Montreal takeoff to the London landing was 6 hours 18 minutes, but for record purposes the flight was figured to the time of crossing the airport beam.

The Comet III is forerunner of Britain's newest bid to take the lead in commercial jet aviation.

Veteran Suffers Injuries As Deer Crashes Into Car

A 23-year-old Korean War veteran suffered minor injuries recently when a husky four-point buck crashed into his automobile. The strange encounter occurred late at night as Herbert Woods drove along the old North Umpqua Highway, some 43 miles east of Roseburg.

Woods told Correspondent Mrs. Arthur Selby that the buck came from behind a school bus parked at the Bob Blakely residence.

The deer rammed a large hole in the car windshield, throwing fine splintered glass over the car. Woods was cut in his right eye and left hand. The deer was crippled. Blakely shot the animal and notified the Oregon State Game Commission. He said a representative came out and took the carcass away.

A Roseburg physician cared for Woods' injuries.

Woods is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Woods, Box 240, Idlewild Rd., Roseburg. A sophomore in agriculture at Oregon State College, he was home for the holidays.

He was in fine condition Tuesday. Not so fine was his car which was damaged an estimated \$230.

NOT MEDIATOR

VATICAN CITY — Vatican sources said Wednesday that while Pope Pius XII has indicated the necessity for an East-West nuclear accord he does not intend himself to serve as a mediator in that regard.

"That task," said an authoritative spokesman, "is for the world leaders. The Pope has indicated the need for it."

Truce Team Head Talks On Frontier Situation

GAZA, Egypt-Held Palestine — Gen. Edson L. M. Burns, head of the U.N. truce team in Israel, discussed the frontier situation Wednesday with the Egyptian director of Palestine affairs, Col. Salah Gohar. The meeting lasted two hours and Burns reported "preliminary progress."

Israeli Premier David Ben-Gurion has suggested a peace conference with the Egyptians. The request was forwarded through Burns.

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