

Searchers Find Navy Jet Pilot's Body

Torn 'chute, Other Items Are Located

Shattered Airplane Wreckage Found Near Curtin Friday Afternoon

The body of Cmdr. George W. Staeheli, who died Friday morning in the crash of his Navy F4B jet fighter plane in northern Douglas County, was found late Saturday morning.

State police here reported the discovery. Details were lacking. Sgt. Robert J. Keefe said a helicopter might bring the body to Roseburg.

Between 150 and 200 persons were in search parties scanning the crash scene for the veteran pilot's remains.

Staeheli was the pilot of a single-seat Navy jet fighter—an F4B—which crashed Friday morning after a flame-out.

A big crater where the airplane struck and parts of the craft were found Friday afternoon. Later, a torn parachute was discovered nearby, leading to hopes that Staeheli may have successfully bailed out of his craft.

Reports Prove Erroneous

First reports that footprints were found leading away from the parachute later were termed erroneous by state police. Later, the pilot's crash helmet, a life raft, one of his shoes and other paraphernalia were found in the vicinity.

The parachute was badly torn. Lines attached to the harness were broken, indicating the pilot may have been forcefully torn away.

There were guesses that the pilot may have used his seat ejector in an attempt to save himself. The ejector seat was found away from other wreckage.

The Associated Press reported that some persons had heard two explosions after the plane was seen to flash from beneath a heavy overcast Friday morning. There was speculation that the first explosion might have been the seat ejecting from the aircraft.

Staeheli and the pilot of another plane, Lt. C. B. Olson, were on a flight from Albion, Wash., to Moffett Air Force Base, Calif., when the engine of Staeheli's plane flamed out.

Reported Parachute Dropping

Staeheli reported his altitude as 22,000 feet. About six minutes later, he reported his altitude as 15,000 feet. That was the last heard from him.

The crash time was estimated at about 8:15 a.m. Olson flew on to Moffett Field, but returned in the afternoon with a team of Navy officers who were to investigate the crash.

An aerial search was started to find the plane, but rain held down the fliers. The crater dug by the falling jet was found in the early afternoon by two Anlauf boys (see columns 2 and 3).

Members of the National Guard company at Eugene were called out to look for the body. The guardsmen joined state police, sheriff's deputies and local residents at the scene. Bloodhounds owned by Norman Wilson, Dallas, were called in on the search this morning.

Wife, Eight Children
Staeheli, who is survived by his wife and eight children, was attached to Squadron VA212.

A Gonzaga University athlete during his college days in Spokane, he made a brilliant World War II record as a Navy pilot in the Pacific Theater.

He shot down four Japanese planes in one year and his group was credited with bagging 101 enemy aircraft.

Cameras on his guns recorded his destruction of a Japanese four-engine bomber and the filmed sequence was featured in the Navy documentary motion picture, "The Fighting Lady."

He piloted a Helicot fighter plane during battles in the Gilbert, Marshall and Marianas islands and at two Jims.

Senate Approves Foreign Aid Bill

WASHINGTON (AP)—The Senate has approved a \$3,712,500,000 foreign aid program after heated debate. The bill, which would authorize the president to make loans and grants to foreign countries, was passed by a vote of 77-19.

The big measure authorizing continued military and economic help to free nations was passed by the Senate 51-47 at the end of a session that lasted until nearly midnight. On final passage, 26 Republicans and 25 Democrats voted for the bill while 8 Republicans and 9 Democrats opposed it.

The Senate approved the total recommended by its Foreign Relations Committee, that had cut President Eisenhower's request by \$23 million dollars. The House version, passed earlier, is 210 million dollars smaller than the Senate total.

The Weather

AIRPORT RECORDS	
Scattered showers and occasional sunny periods Sunday. Not quite so cool Sunday.	
Highest temp., last 24 hours	66
Lowest temp., last 24 hours	54
Highest temp., any June	96
Lowest temp., any June	34
Precip., last 24 hours	.70
Precip., from June 1	2.54
Precip., from Sept. 1	42.13
Excess from Sept. 1	12.98
Sunset tonight, 7:51 p.m.	
Sunrise tomorrow, 4:33 a.m.	



VOLUNTEER SEARCHERS cluster around Sgt. Gene Hulett of Eugene, who helped direct operations, as he tells them of the danger involved in being near the scene of the crash of the jet airplane, piloted by Cmdr. G. W. Staeheli. Searchers were kept well away from the place of the crash in case of an explosion. (Paul Jenkins)



HEROES OF THE DAY were Roy Lee Barrick, left, and Donald Work, center. They are shown being questioned about their discovery of the site of the Navy jet crash. The two Anlauf boys found the crash scene and went back to Anlauf to call state police. They said they made the discovery at about 2:10 p.m. Friday.



THE EVIDENCE of the crash of the Navy jet plane was this unspectacular scar of earth on a ridge south of Curtin and northwest of Anlauf. No piece of the plane larger than 1 1/2 feet was found near the 35-foot excavation. (Paul Jenkins)

On-The-Scene Account Told Of Search For Crashed Flier

By GEORGE CASTILLO
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The unbroken blanket of slate grey clouds wept incessantly as two young boys walked along a ridge two miles south of Curtin looking for the remains of a Navy jet aircraft which had plunged into the earth shortly after 8 a.m. Friday.

Because of a report from a logger that he had heard a whistle and a crash, the formal search was being centered around ridges between Bear and Buck creeks, about three miles east of Curtin, so the boys had their own little search to themselves.

The mother of one of the boys, Donald Work, 17, said she was certain the crash had come from south of Curtin. Curiosity got the best of Donald and his friend,

Ray Lee Barrick, both of Anlauf. They both knew the country well, so they decided to run the ridge about a half mile west of relocated Highway 99 so they could see into valleys on both sides.

Earth Gouged Out

Suddenly Ray caught a whiff of what smelled like gasoline. As the smell grew stronger, one of the boys noticed what appeared to be a mass of red, gummy earth gouged out of the side of the hill just below the logging road along which they were walking. At first they thought it was a hole. It didn't appear to be the spectacular sight they expected would be made by a crashed jet. But they decided to check anyway.

From the center of the plovered excavation came a small wisp of smoke. Chunks of earth, metal and glass were strewn over an area of several hundred feet from the 25-foot wide excavation. None of the pieces of light metal measured more than a foot and a half in length. The explosion had to have been tremendous. It, indeed, marked the end of a jet.

Many people in the Anlauf-Curtin area will attest to the force of impact. Mrs. Max Ames, who operates the Ground Observer Corps post east of Curtin was the first to make an official report. She called the Curtin Cafe and asked a waitress there to call state police because many people were calling to report the crash.

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Holdup Killer Barton Kirkham Dies On Gallows

By JERRY MARTIN

POINT OF THE MOUNTAIN, Utah (AP)—Holdup killer Barton Kirkham died on the gallows at dawn Saturday. His last words were a plea for forgiveness.

"I've asked God to forgive me," Sheriff George Beckstead quoted Kirkham as saying.

Through two years of imprisonment, Kirkham had insisted he had no remorse for killing two persons in a grocery store holdup and that he was unmoved by religion.

The 21-year-old Kirkham calmly took 25 steps up a ramp to the gallows. The hangman, at an imperceptible signal from Sheriff Beckstead, pulled an iron lever, dropping Kirkham six feet through a trap door into the canvas-covered lower section of the gallows.

The time was precisely 4:57 a.m. (MST), the official hour of dawn. Dr. W. C. Knott, prison physician, pronounced Kirkham dead.

Maintains Calm
Kirkham maintained his calm attitude to the end.

No members of his family saw the hanging.

Throughout his confinement, Kirkham had carefully built up a reputation as a tough guy who laughed scornfully at the ideas of mercy, remorse and religious salvation.

The rock-hard facade cracked only once—during the last minutes of his life.

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Warmer Temperatures In Store For Oregon

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Warmer temperatures again are being reported in the usually chilly ocean waves along the Oregon coast for the second straight year.

Fishermen say this is because of the warm Japanese current nudging the coastline.

At Charleston a commercial fisherman said the temperature of the water had risen to 52 degrees—the warmest he has measured in 10 years.

The main Japanese current usually flows 50 to 60 miles west of the coast.

Automobiles Damaged, Drivers Escape Injury

No injuries were received in a two-car collision about 8:10 p.m. Friday on Highway 99 BB, north of the Roseburg city limits.

A 1949 vehicle driven by George William Schurmer, 19, 984 NE Cedar St., Roseburg, received a diagonal right front fender. The other vehicle, a 1958 model, driven by William Harold Warden, 45, 221 E. Sherman St., Lebanon, received damage to the hood and grill.

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United States Orders Soviet Diplomat Out

WASHINGTON (AP)—The United States ordered the ouster of a Soviet diplomat Saturday for paying hundreds of dollars to an American in an effort to buy secret military documents and Army manuals.

Officials said the diplomat failed to get the secret papers but did obtain some Army manuals which had never been secret. The American was not immediately named but the Pentagon said he was not a member of the military or a civilian employee of the armed forces.

The State Department, announcing the action, identified the Russian as Nikolai I. Kurochkin, a third secretary of the Soviet Embassy. It said the Embassy had been told to get him out of the United States immediately because he is "persona non grata" (personally unwelcome).

Date Not Fixed
The incident occurred this year but State Department officials did not fix the date more precisely. Officials said Kurochkin had paid at least \$450 to the unidentified U.S. citizen.

It is customary and entirely legal for military representatives of foreign embassies to buy non-secret manuals from the U.S. Armed services. The embassies buy the manuals at the usual Government Printing Office price.

The United States moved against Kurochkin about three weeks after the Russians ousted from Moscow a U. S. Embassy second secretary, John A. Baker Jr., of Westport, Conn.

The expulsion order was given (Continued on Page 2 Col. 6)



DOWAGER QUEEN candidates for the Canyonville Centennial are Mrs. Helen Cougl, left, and Mrs. Annie Worthington Cassidy. Both were born in the Canyonville area in 1879 and both are life-long residents of the area, reported correspondent Virginia Proctor. Mrs. Cougl, the fourth daughter of Julia Anne and Jerome Sullivan, was nominated by Oregon Chapter 57, OES, of which organization she is a 50-year member. Mrs. Cassidy, also a member of OES Chapter 57, was nominated by Bertha Rebekah Lodge 188. She has belonged to that lodge for 31 years. She was born the second child of Lizie and Adam Weaver. Carl Hill, Centennial chairman, said no other candidates for the title have been nominated thus far.

Macmillin Arrives To Visit With Ike

WASHINGTON (AP)—British Prime Minister Harold Macmillan arrived from London Saturday for conferences with President Eisenhower and speechmaking visits to two colleges.

Macmillan, met at National Airport by Secretary of State Dulles, stressed that his visit to the United States is an informal one.

"The chief purpose," he said, "is to make a pilgrimage to my mother's state, Indiana."

Macmillan will speak in that state at DePauw University Sunday.

The prime minister and his wife arrived in a new Britannia prop jet airliner only nine minutes after Dulles had seen President Theodore Huns of West Germany off on a tour of the United States. Huns had just concluded a three-day state visit.

Macmillan had been scheduled to arrive earlier but engine trouble forced his plane to turn back to London. This set the arrival time back about three hours.

The White House said the British Prime Minister and Eisenhower will not meet before Monday afternoon, when they start three days of informal conferences.

After leaving Washington on Wednesday, Macmillan also will confer with Canada's Prime Minister John Diefenbaker in Ottawa.

Opening Of Swim Pool Delayed By Broken Pipe
The Roseburg municipal swimming pool did not open as scheduled today because of a broken pipe leading into the dressing rooms. City officials said Friday the pool will open some time next week. Date of opening will be announced in advance and the first day of swimming will be on a no-charge basis as was planned for today, said the city officials.

Repairmen began working on the pipe Friday.



A rural Roseburg youth, Harold Nelson, was found guilty on two criminal complaints Friday in the court of District Judge Warren A. Woodruff and bound over to Circuit Court.

He was charged with larceny of personal property belonging to C. G. Hastings of Roseburg valued at more than \$75 on May 27, and for theft of an automobile worth about \$1,500 from the Ute Brothers Co., city, a week later.

The citation alleges Nelson took blankets, pillows, an alarm clock and clothing belonging to Hastings. The second charge stated he stole a 1956 second hand car.

Nelson waived his right to a preliminary hearing and stood trial in district court. Judge Woodruff continued his bail bond of \$1,000.

Fines totaling \$53 and costs were levied Friday by the district judge against Charles Linley Ford, 27, of 4704 NE Stephens St., after he pleaded guilty to three traffic violations given him by three different police officers.

He paid \$33 for switching license tags, \$10 for driving without an operator's license and another \$10 for driving without a headlight.

In other action Friday, Judge Woodruff, fined Harold Budd Butcher, 32, of Portland \$45 for being drunk on a public highway. He was cited by state police who found him in a car near Tri-City on Highway 99 early Friday morning.

Butcher, who pleaded guilty, was committed to jail in lieu of payment of the fine.

TIRES STOLEN
Two Roseburg residents reported to police Friday that someone had stolen tires from their vehicles during the night.

They were W. L. Toner, 1305 SE Cobb St., and Joe Sayre, 1814 Calkins Rd.

French Cabinet Moves Quickly To End Strife

By STANLEY JOHNSON

PARIS (AP)—Premier Charles de Gaulle's cabinet moved quickly Saturday to put his pacifying program for Algeria into effect and endorsed his crackdown on the insurgent junta in Algiers. The ministers agreed an Algerian Moslem should be brought into the cabinet for the first time.

They decided to call city elections in Algeria in about a month. This will be the first test of De Gaulle's formula of equal votes for Moslems and Frenchmen in the territory.

The cabinet set Oct. 5 as the tentative date for a referendum throughout France and Algeria on constitutional reforms De Gaulle will draft to strengthen the hand of the executive.

The cabinet heard De Gaulle report on his dramatic three-day trip to Algeria, where he unfolded his plan to placate Algerian nationalists rebels and cut off the powers of the French civilian-military junta that rebelled against Paris, but now is completely faithful to the government.

Stamps Approval
The cabinet stamped approval on De Gaulle's appointment of Gen. Raoul Salan, French troop commander in Algeria, as his official representative.

The cabinet announced Salan will have at his side a high ranking civilian aide with the rank of secretary general. The appointment (Continued on Page 2 Col. 5)

Girl Aided By Douglas County Blood Doing Fine

PORTLAND (AP)—Glady May, 6-year-old girl from Westlake, Ore., who underwent a hazardous heart operation May 25, was reported recovering well here Friday.

"She looks good. She is eating. She no longer is under oxygen treatment, and her condition is satisfactory," said Joe Adams, public information spokesman at the University of Oregon medical school.

The girl underwent a three-hour operation to close a hole in her heart. Without the operation she was considered sure to die soon.

The operation, the first of a series planned to save children born with heart defects, required 21 pints of blood from donors.

Little Girl Dies After Day Proclaimed In Her Honor

PLAINFIELD, N.J. (AP)—Relatives of Donna Knott got word that the 3-year-old girl had died in a Midwest hospital a day after she underwent a delicate heart operation.

The news saddened this community. The mayor had proclaimed Friday as Donna Knott Day. Hundreds responded with their prayers and donations for the girl, a little blonde with bangs over her forehead and known as Bunny to her friends and family.

Word of her death was received by her aunt, Mrs. Allen Caswell Jr.

Parade, Election Highlight Final Day's Activities

A total of 1,731 persons had registered this morning for the annual Oregon State Elks Assn. convention being held in Roseburg.

Another 1,000 persons were expected to register today, the third and last day of the convention, as late comers and hands arrived in town. A highlight of today's activities was the election of officers and a parade through downtown Roseburg.

Although officers were elected each vice president was slated to move up one position and one new vice president was installed. Jack Judson, first vice president from Ontario, was scheduled to be elected state president.

Drill Teams to Compete

Drill team competition among Elks lodges was scheduled for 1 p.m. at the National Guard Armory, 1034 SE Oak Ave. Among units competing were the Portland Women's Elks Drill Team and men's drill team from Beaverton.

Bands and drum and bugle corps from throughout the state started arriving in Roseburg Friday and this morning for the convention parade, which was scheduled for 3 p.m. Several bands from out-of-town were practicing Friday afternoon and evening on downtown streets.

A buffet from 5 to 8 p.m. was set for the Elks Lodge and dancing and entertainment was to get under way about 9:30 p.m. Bowling and golf tournaments and trapshoot have been going on throughout the three-day convention.

Tour VA Hospital

Friday, Elks members and their wives toured the Roseburg Veterans Administration Hospital. Wives attended a gem and jewelry show and a luncheon at noon in the Moose Hall. This event was planned by the Emblem Club and ladies of the Elks.

Forty-eight lodges from throughout the state were represented at the convention. Elks membership in Oregon numbers 48,336. Out-of-town delegates were issued permits allowing them to park free on downtown streets. When the Elks members registered they were also given a map of Roseburg, pointing out hotels, motels, the Roseburg Veterans Administration Hospital and other points of interest.

Two Plywood Producers Plan To Increase Prices

PORTLAND (AP)—Two major plywood producers will increase prices Monday. A third said it plans to follow suit soon.

Georgia Pacific Corp. announced an advance from \$64 per thousand square feet to \$68 in the price of quarter-inch sanded plywood, and said there will be proportionate raises in other plywood items.

Similar increases were announced by Evans Plywood Co., and a Simpson Lumber Co. spokesman said his firm probably will do likewise next week.

It will be the first significant plywood price rise since last fall.

Levy Fact Rant

By L. F. Reizenstein

The automobile has nearly put the horse out of business, but frequently there is a reminder from the back seat that some nags are still with us.