

Air Force Nears End Of 'Big Lift' Hours Ahead Of Schedule

FRANKFURT, Germany (UPI) — American Air Force planes neared the end of their massive troop-carrying "Operation Big Lift" from Texas to Germany today hours ahead of schedule.

The historic air test of U.S. global striking power was expected to be completed at 10:40 p.m. (2:40 p.m. PDT), 8 hours and 20 minutes under the 72 hours that had been allotted for the airlift of the entire 14,500 men of the 2nd Armored Division.

The final plane of Big Lift's aerial troop ferry was scheduled to land at Sembach Air Force Base about 30 miles south of Frankfurt. The big C-130 transport is now on the 5,600 mile transoceanic flight from Bergstrom Air Force, Texas, a spokesman said.

Correct Estimate
Earlier, the Air Force issued an even more optimistic forecast. A spokesman said the airlift phase was expected to end with the arrival of a C135 jet at Rhein-Main at 6:01 p.m. (1:01 p.m. EDT). The Air Force later corrected the estimate, admitting that an over-eager officer had forgotten to include the slower-moving C130 heading for Sembach.

The Air Force was optimistic it would complete the job in less than 72 hours despite sporadic bad weather that caused diversion of 11 transports Wednesday night and early today.

Rain or fog at Rhein - Main, primary terminal of Big Lift, and at Chaumont, Toul and Etain in France, cause the planes to be shunted at Mildenhall and Prestwick in Britain and Chambley and Evreux in France.

Reach Germany Tonight
The diverted planes were expected to reach bases in Ger-

many before the last plane from Texas arrived tonight.

Rhein - Main outside Frankfurt was receiving transports today despite a light fog. Wednesday the Air Force barred Big Lift planes from coming in for seven hours because of poor visibility. Six planes were diverted—for a total of 16 Wednesday and today.

By 10:30 a.m. (2:30 a.m. PDT) 175 planes of the Big Lift armada had ferried 10,995 troops and 449.9 tons of cargo from Texas, a spokesman said.

Gen. Paul L. Freeman Jr., U.S. Army European Com-

mander said the link-up between men and pre-stored equipment also was ahead of schedule.

Says Move Essential
Gen. Lyman L. Lemnitzer, supreme allied commander in Europe, said today in Paris that rapid troop reinforcements from areas outside Europe are essential to military success of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO).

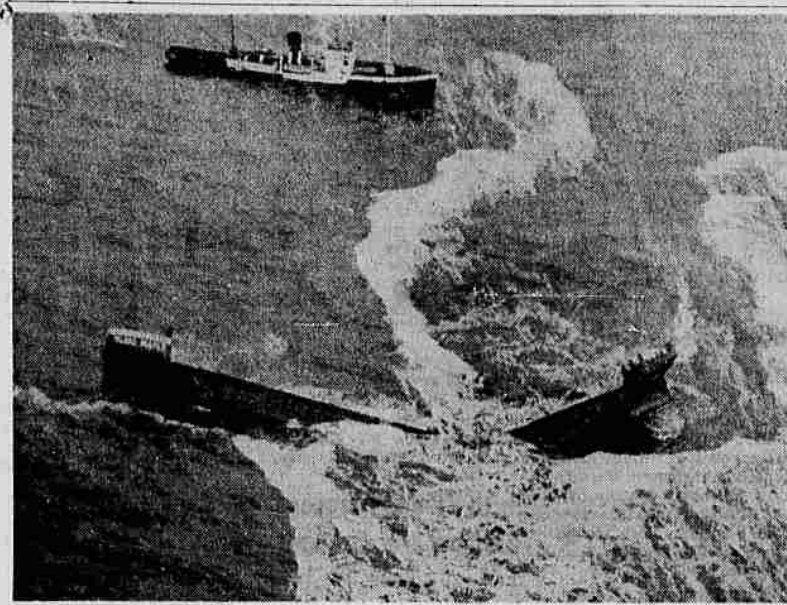
Operation Big Lift defied foggy October weather to outstrip timetables laid down by American planners for the test of U.S. capability for rapid trans-oceanic reinforcement.

"If the air force keeps up at this pace we may start the ground maneuver phase early," an Army spokesman said. He said the link-up between arriving troops and their pre-stored missiles, tanks, artillery and vehicles also was running ahead of schedule. Transports were swooping in out of mildly foggy skies to Rhein main air base, the primary Big Lift terminal, despite forecasts late Wednesday night the air strip might be shut down by thickening fog today as it was for seven hours Wednesday.

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Capricious Ginny Takes New Course



STANDING HELPLESSLY BY, the tug Sudbury watches while the Canadian barge Island Maple, loaded with pulp liquor, breaks up in heavy seas off Cape Flattery Tuesday. The Island Maple is the second largest barge of the same firm to be wrecked in almost the same area, in the past two weeks. Both ships were bound for Greys Harbor from British Columbia. (UPI Telephoto)

Recapture Of Outpost Claimed By Algerians, Truce Talk Stalemated

ALGIERS (UPI) — Algeria claimed today to have recaptured the tiny desert outpost of Hassi Beida, a key point in its undeclared border war with Morocco.

Numerous outside attempts to arrange a resumption of stalled Algeria-Morocco truce talks continued today with no sign of an immediate breakthrough.

Military sources here said a 200-man Algerian force took Hassi Beida, an oasis about 700 miles southwest of Algiers, Wednesday in a battle that was brief but fierce. They said fighting continued in the region Wednesday night.

(Moroccan officials in Marrakech formally denied Algeria's claim to have recaptured the outpost.)

UPI correspondent Pierre Raymond, with Algerian forces at the front, reported from Hassi Beida that Algerian artillery fire from four 105-mm cannons drove the Moroccans back from the outpost. He said Moroccan forces were supported by two fighter-bombers.

Hassi Beida and the nearby oasis of Tinjoub are vital water stops on the road through the Sahara Desert from Colomb Bechar to Tindouf, in the extreme southwest corner of Algeria. Moroccan forces are believed still in possession of Tinjoub, which they occupied last week.

Both countries claim the territory where the outposts are located. The area is part of the poorly defined border region which is the subject of the dispute between Algeria and Morocco.

Injuries Claim Sutherland Girl

Sonya Herriges, 7, of Sutherland, died Wednesday night of injuries suffered when she was struck by an auto last Friday afternoon in Sutherland.

The little girl suffered a head injury, fractured arm and other injuries, when she apparently darted in front of a car operated by Max L. Hunt, Rt. 1, Box 317, Sutherland, according to a report of investigating sheriff's deputies and Sutherland police.

The accident occurred on E. Central Ave. near Terrace, in front of a service station. Police said Hunt attempted to halt his car, and skidded about 60 feet before striking the girl.

The child was the daughter of Electric Bell Herriges Pease of Sutherland. She was living in the foster home of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Himmelwright, 1164 W. Central Ave.

The little girl was brought first to Douglas Community Hospital, where surgery was performed, then transferred to Sacred Heart Hospital in Eugene, where death occurred.

The child was born Sept. 27, 1956, in Roseburg. Besides her mother, she is survived by her father of Redmond.

The body has been removed to Wilson's Chapel of the Roses and funeral services are pending.

The girl was the 32nd traffic fatality of the year in Douglas County.

Russia To Aid Stricken Cubans

MOSCOW (UPI) — Soviet Premier Nikita S. Khrushchev has offered massive no-strings-attached aid to Cuba to alleviate hardships caused by recent flood and hurricane damage, the official Tass news agency reported today.

The offer, in a letter from Khrushchev to Premier Fidel Castro, said some of the aid will come from Soviet supplies already stockpiled in Cuba.

The letter said Soviet experts also will be dispatched to Cuba to assist in reconstruction work fully at the expense of Russia.

(There had been speculation in western capitals that the Soviet Union was "going slow" in offering aid to Castro because of Cuba's refusal to sign the Moscow partial nuclear test ban agreement.)

(Some diplomatic sources had said Castro appeared to be playing one side against the other in Moscow's dispute with Peking where the test ban agreement has been denounced.)

Diana Churchill Claimed Own Life

LONDON (UPI) — The Westminster coroner's office ruled today that Diana Churchill, eldest daughter of Sir Winston Churchill, committed suicide by taking an overdose of barbiturates.

The 54-year old Miss Churchill who resumed her maiden name after her 1960 divorce from Commonwealth Relations Secretary Duncan Sandys, was found dead Sunday in her apartment in the Westminster district of London.

An inquest was ordered, officials said at the time, because of some bottles found in the apartment.



STANFORD UNIVERSITY SOPHOMORE Robert Mann, 20, released after 21 months in Communist prisons for trying to help an East Berlin student escape to the West, speaks to the press in the U. S. Mission in West Berlin Thursday following his release. (UPI Telephoto)

E. Berliners Free Stanford U. Student Held For 21 Months

BERLIN (UPI) — A blond Stanford University sophomore came involved with a "highly organized" West Berlin student organization and agreed to help Communist prisons for trying to help an East Berlin student escape to the West.

Robert F. Mann, 20, of Sepulveda, Calif., was released by the East Germans Wednesday night.

He said he "accidentally" became involved with a "highly organized" West Berlin student organization and agreed to help Communist prisons for trying to help an East Berlin student escape to the West.

The attempt to bring the East Berlin student through the wall on a borrowed Belgian passport failed, "possibly because we were observed, possibly because we were betrayed, perhaps it was accidental."

It was Mann's first assignment with the escape organization and the last. It led to six months of questioning, including three "unpleasant" months in solitary confinement and 15 months of prison work.

Now, Mann told a news conference, "I feel I should get back to my parents as soon as possible" and take up his interrupted university career.

Still looking somewhat tense after the strains of prison and late Wednesday, Mann spoke hesitantly but firmly.

"My treatment was relatively good," he said, "I was not mistreated, I was not beaten, I was not tortured."

"I was in solitary confinement for a while and that was very unpleasant."

Four-State Area Girds For Storm

MIAMI (UPI) — Hurricane Ginny moved away from the nation's space port at Cape Canaveral today and headed in a northwesterly direction that threatened coastal regions of four states with its 75-mile-an-hour winds.

The Miami Weather Bureau warned residents along the coast from Jacksonville, Fla., to Brunswick, Ga., to be ready to take quick precautions against the storm which crept along the coastline at about 5 miles per hour some 100 miles off shore.

A hurricane watch extended from Cape Canaveral to Brunswick, Ga., and there was a possibility the Carolinas would come into the erratic storm's sights again.

In its 9 a.m. EDT advisory, the Miami Weather Bureau located Ginny's center about 105 miles east northeast of Daytona Beach near latitude 29.5 north, longitude 79.4 west.

Wind Increase Warned
The advisory warned that because of the storm's proximity to the coast, "a slight change in direction would result in rather rapid increase in wind along the area of the hurricane watch and all interests particularly from Jacksonville to Brunswick should remain on the alert for future advisories."

"The center of the hurricane is expected to continue a slow movement generally parallel to the coast and some 50 to 100 miles offshore today," the advisory said.

The weather bureau said that Ginny was no longer considered a threat to South Florida's Gold Coast, but gale warnings were still in effect north of Palm Beach.

Military facilities along the Georgia coast were on hurricane alert status and crewmembers began securing aircraft and other equipment at the Glynn naval air station near Brunswick.

Forecaster Raymond Kraft said winds above the storm would provide the main force tugging Ginny out of its stall toward the north for a second time, making the hurricane a threat to Georgia and the Carolinas unless it swung northeastward out to sea.

The season's seventh twister, which grew into a hurricane while moving northward off the North Carolina coast last Sunday and then did an about-face and headed in reverse fashion toward Florida, flung gale force winds 200 miles to the north and 100 miles to the south.

Proposal For Parking Mall Hasn't Won Council Favor

Roseburg City Councilmen apparently aren't convinced that a proposed parking mall on the half-block property located east of SE Rose Street between Washington and Oak avenues is the answer to the business district's need for off-street parking.

A recommendation from the city administration urging the council to authorize options on the property went begging at last week's City Council meeting.

The council did, however, instruct Public Works Director Kenneth Meng to prepare a layout plan for one portion of the property — the Lockwood Motor Co. car lot on the corner of SE Rose and Oak — to determine if there is enough room on this lot to develop a parking facility.

The Lockwood property takes up about one-fourth of the half-block.

Council Not Sold
Councilmen are apparently not sold on the possibility of acquiring the remaining portion of the half-block — the property at the southeast corner of Rose and Washington which is presently being used as a privately-financed off-street parking facility.

Mayor Thomas Garrison, one of the principal adherents of a parking mall at this site, had indicated that the Lockwood parcel might be acquired for \$55,000 and the other portion for \$110,000.

The program for acquiring this half-block property had proposed that the acquisition costs would be paid for solely from the revenues derived from on-street parking meters and off-street parking meters on the proposed parking mall itself.

Comments by some of the councilmen indicated they feel that parking to be developed in connection with the new Roseburg Plaza will create more over-all "on-street" parking spaces, so it would be in the best interest of the public to provide off-street parking in other areas.

There is general agreement, however, that off-street parking is needed in downtown Roseburg. The city is hopeful of developing an off-street parking program which would be financed from parking meter revenues. Toward this end, \$8,500 has been set aside this fiscal year for acquisition of municipal parking lots.

Earlier this year, the Roseburg Chamber of Commerce urged the council to continue study on the feasibility of a parking mall. The chamber has not considered the matter in the light of the recent council discussion.

The chamber had also recommended the financing plan for off-street parking which was later adopted as council policy.

In addition, the chamber urged the council to consider the ultimate goal of a Roseburg parking program to be the offering of off-street parking without a parking fee.

Competition Is Factor
A recent report by city administrators indicated that the central business district must be provided with ample parking if it is to compete with outlying shopping areas.

"If downtown property values are to remain high, and if new investments are to be attracted to the downtown area, ample parking is vital," the report stated. "If downtown Roseburg continues to remain economically sound, it will help the entire community through its substantial contribution to the city's tax base."

"Therefore, in order to obtain parking that is 'more than ample' and to preserve valuable space for parking in order to assure growth in the central business district, the need for proceeding with an off-street parking plan is well justified."

Arrival Of Quadruplets Surprises New York Pair

NEW YORK (UPI) — New York's contribution to the population explosion, a set of quadruplets born to a grade school teacher and her attorney husband, were reported in "satisfactory" condition today.

The petite, 90-pound mother of the three girls and one boy, 27 year old Mrs. Rhoda Brecker was "doing fine" following the multiple delivery by Caesarean section.

A spokesman at Columbia-Presbyterian Medical Center said the quad's proud father, Martin Brecker had not yet decided on names for the couple's first-born, now known as 1, 2, 3 and 4.

The quads, weighing a total of 13 1/2 pounds were born Wednesday night between 6:32 and 6:35 p.m. (EDT). They were placed in incubators but only as a precautionary measure, according to a hospital spokesman. They are expected to be kept in incubators for a few days at least.

The infants arrived on their due date but their parents who had been advised to expect "more than one" were shocked when the number hit four.

But the father, whose family grew from two to six in a matter of four minutes, rose to the occasion.

"It's magnificent. It's a wonderful blessing," he said. He added that he and his wife looked forward to having more children to keep the quads company.

The first born, a girl, weighed a flat four pounds. The boy, second born, was two pounds, 15 ounces and the two other girls weighed three pounds, 11 ounces and two pounds, 12 ounces.

Odds against having quads range from once in 680,000 births to once in a million.

The Weather

AIRPORT RECORDS

Cloudy with occasional rain and occasional strong winds to 40 miles per hour today. Partial clearing with showers Friday.

Cooler Friday
Highest temp. last 24 hours 59
Lowest temp. last 24 hours 50
Highest temp. any Oct. (58) 91
Lowest temp. any Oct. (34) 26

Precip. last 24 hours .03
Normal Oct. precip. 3.02
Precip. from Sept. 1 3.05
Precip. from Oct. 1 1.63

Sunset tonight, 6:17 p.m.
Sunrise tomorrow, 7:39 a.m.

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Goal	Score To Date
\$69,936	\$37,100
	53%

Gusty Winds Hit Western Oregon

By United Press International
Gusty southerly winds struck Western Oregon from a Pacific storm today but the Weather Bureau said it did not expect them to be of destructive proportions.

Full gale warnings flew along the coast.

Wind warnings for velocities of 40 to 45 miles per hour with gusts to 50 in the Portland area and to gusts to 40 miles per hour in the Willamette Valley were posted.

Winds momentarily hit speeds of 80 mph at Tatoosh Island and more than 50 mph at Astoria but subsided to less than 50 mph at both locations shortly after the front passed, the weather man said.

The strongest wind in Portland until 8:20 a.m. was 33 miles per hour.

The Weather Bureau said winds would decrease by tonight. Gusty winds also were forecast east of the Cascades.

A deep Pacific storm center in the Alaskan panhandle was blamed for the blow.

Viet Nam Crash Fatal To Eight

SAIGON, South Viet Nam (UPI) — A U.S. Air Force plane on a flare - dropping mission crashed in Communist territory 65 miles south of Saigon today, apparently killing four Americans and four Vietnamese on board.

A U.S. military spokesman said this afternoon that the C-123 transport plane crashed and burned about 2 a.m.

"There was no evidence of survivors," he said.

The spokesman said the plane was on a mission over Communist-infested Vinh Binh Province when it went down.

He said the Americans on board included two officers and two enlisted crewmen. The four Vietnamese were enlisted crewmen.

Captain Of Strafed Ore Ship Reports On Attack Off Cuba

CORPUS CHRISTI, Tex. (UPI) — The captain of an unarmed American freighter that was strafed and set fire by planes off the Cuban coast said today all the men could have done to repel the attack "was throw potatoes."

"We didn't have anything to defend ourselves with," said Capt. Gerhard Krause of the ship J. Louis, a U.S. owned ore freighter that sails under Liberian registration.

There were no casualties. Krause said the planes illuminated the ship with flares and then made 16 passes before "I stopped counting." Bullets rained down on the ship for an hour, the captain said.

Krause said he and two other men were pinned on the bridge. He ordered the rest of the 51 men aboard to remain below decks.

He said the ship was at least 13 miles off the Cuban coast when the attack occurred Tuesday. The J. Louis was en route from Jamaica to Corpus Christi with 31,500 tons of bauxite (aluminum ore).

It docked early today at the Reynolds Metal Co. docks at nearby Gregory, Tex.

The only American crew member was W. Fred Thompson, 55, of Portland, Tex.

Thirty - seven crewmembers were Okinawans.

Krause, 52, of Hamburg, Germany, estimated there were three or four planes involved in the attack. He said he never saw them because they were moving too fast. He said he could not hear any engines to tell whether they were jets or propeller driven.

Flares lit the sky 30 minutes before the attack, he said.

"I thought it was a U.S. Navy exercise," the captain said.

Many of the bullets missed their target, he said, but a fire broke out on the bow of the ship and was extinguished with chemicals after two hours.

The captain, who was torpedoed once and strafed many times while sailing aboard German tankers during World War II, said he never thought the J. Louis was in danger.

Says Crew Calm
The crew was calm below decks, but "there wasn't much praying down below. Everyone was crowded in and there wasn't enough room."

"We were lucky, just plain lucky," Krause said.

The J. Louis has been making the bauxite run from Jamaica to Corpus Christi for two years. The strafing occurred on the ship's 91st trip, and it had passed the same spot off the Cuban coast 181 times before.

"We will go farther out next time," Krause said.

Krause said he thought the flares came from the Cuban shore, but he never saw the shore except on radar.

The ship remained on course throughout the attack. Air Force fighters from a Florida base were "scrambled" to aid the ship, but when they arrived the attackers were gone.

Two Persons Killed In Highway Accident

SHANIKO, Ore. (UPI) — Two persons died on U.S. Highway 97 north of here Tuesday night when a car swerved across the road and struck another parked on a shoulder.

The victims were Roy Sather, 17, of Kent, Wash., driver of the moving vehicle, and Mrs. Edgar Morris, 41, Sacramento, Calif.

Morris, 52, and Gerald D. Hammond, 7, of Pasco, Wash., were hospitalized. Both were in the parked car.