

118 Die In Canadian Air Tragedy



RESCUE WORKERS and officials continued searching through ruins of TCA jetliner after it crashed north of Montreal, Canada, Friday. The plane, en route to Toronto, crashed about five minutes after take-off, and came down in a muddy field. All 118 persons aboard perished. All that remained of the jet was smoldering ruins and bits of metal. (UPI Telephoto)

Air Safety Officials Begin Probe

STE. THERESE, Que. (UPI) — Investigators and salvage crews battled a sea of mud and a sudden snowstorm today to gather the remains of 118 persons and the jetliner that plunged them to their deaths Friday night.

Two of the passengers were from the United States. They were identified as Mrs. S. Han-kowsky (P.O. Box 72) Port Washington, N. Y., and R. Kerne of (1491 East 18th St.) Brooklyn, N. Y.

Both Canadian and U. S. air safety experts were investigating the crash — the worst in Canadian history and the second worst for a single plane accident anywhere.

The American built DC8 slammed to the ground with such explosive force that searchers despair of finding a single body intact. The biggest piece of the plane found in the early hours of the search was about the size of a large desk.

Pierce flames that seared the wreckage for at least two hours made even more difficult the task of identifying the 111 passengers — including two Americans — and seven crew members aboard.

In view of the tremendous damage, police were checking for any possibility that an explosive might have gone off aboard the plane.



SHOWN ARE MEMBERS of blue ribbon commission appointed Friday by President Johnson to investigate assassination of President Kennedy. Commission will be headed by Chief Justice Earl Warren (shown below). Here, in file photos are, top, left to right: Sen. Richard Russell (D-Ga.); Rep. Hale Boggs (D-La.); and Rep. Gerald R. Ford Jr. (R-Mich.). Bottom, left to right: former CIA head Allen Dulles; Sen. John Sherman Cooper (R-Ky.); and former disarmament aide John J. McCloy. (UPI Telephoto)

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Reds Apparently Back Down On Venezuela Terror Threat

CARACAS (UPI)—The campaign for Sunday's presidential election wound up last night with no sign of the outbreak of Castro-Communist violence that had been expected.

People turned out by the thousands to attend the open-air political meetings which were held on almost every corner in downtown Caracas. Some rushed from one meeting to another, trying to attend as many as possible.

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No one was injured by any of the blasts. Damage was described as "of regular proportion," meaning it was minor.

The government dealt its left-wing foes a heavy blow Friday night through the arrest of Sen. Domingo A. Rangel, one of the nation's two most wanted terrorists.

Rangel, secretary general of the follow-traveling "Movement of the Revolutionary Left (MLR)," went underground two months ago, when President A. Betancourt ordered the arrest.

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Tax Units Set Ballots In County

Special taxing districts around the county will be holding elections for directors Monday.

Voting will take place as follows:

Roseburg Rural Fire District for one five-year directorship and question of annexation of five new areas. Voting 2 to 8 p.m. at the rural fire station on NW Garden Valley Blvd. Only candidate who has filed is Robert Moursund.

North Roseburg Sanitary District for two three-year term directorships. Candidates are Harold Patterson, Edward Maddox and Fred G. Pilger. Voting 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. at district office.

Roberts Creek Water District for one five-year directorship. Candidate is incumbent Joe F. Sork. Voting from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. at district office.

Winston-Dillard Volunteer Fire District for one five-year directorship. Voting from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. at fire hall.

Winston-Dillard Water District for one five-year directorship. Voting from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. at the district office.

Riddle Cemetery Maintenance District and Riddle Rural Fire Protection District holding joint election at Riddle City Hall from 2 to 7 p.m. William Strobridge nominated for cemetery position and E. V. Sutton for the rural fire directorship. All residents of school district may vote in cemetery district election. Persons living outside the city limits but within the fire district are eligible to vote in fire district election.

Green Sanitary District for one three-year director. Only candidate is incumbent Warren Engdahl. Voting from 2 to 8 p.m. at district office at Rt. 1, Box 1180.

Myrtle Creek Rural Fire District for one five-year directorship. Only candidate Jack Norton. Voting from 2 to 8 p.m. at Myrtle Creek Primary School.

Tri-City fire and Tri-City water districts holding joint election at the water district office from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Fire district will elect five-year director. Don Coon is only candidate. Bert Phillips is the only candidate for the five-year water district board term.

In all cases, write-ins may be made.

Legion Conference Slated In Roseburg

There will be a District Membership Conference held at the Moose Hall, 1222 SE Stephens St., Roseburg on Tuesday, Dec. 3, at 8 p.m. for all American Legion Members of Dist. 9.

Umpqua Post No. 16 will be host.

District Commander Julius Koehler and District Vice Commanders George A. Hannaford and N. Frank (Ricky) Powell will conduct the conference. All members are urged to attend and hear a report from the national membership conference, according to Erma Best, correspondent.

Immediately after the crash, government investigators were dispatched to the scene from Ottawa. And the Department of Transport accepted prompt offers of assistance from the U.S. Civil Aeronautics Board and Federal Aviation Agency.

A crater, 90 feet in diameter and six feet deep was ploughed in the rain-soaked field by the plane carrying 111 passengers and a crew of seven to their deaths.

Bits of wreckage were strewn over about a hundred yard area and the remnants of charred clothing hung from nearby trees.

Paul Lancet, operator of a nearby service station, said he heard the plane overhead and "then I heard a terrific explosion that seemed to fall right on top of my house and station. . . and then there was a ball of flame."

A woman at the scene told reporters, "it was like a jet breaking the sound barrier and then falling flat like air escaping from a huge balloon — only you could hear the hiss."

A police officer said, "I was picking some clothing off a tree when I looked down and saw charred, twisted bodies — it was terrible."

Then pointing in another direction, he added "over there, arms, heads, everything."

Priests sprinkled the wreckage with holy water and administered the Last Rites to the dead.

Canadian government investigators were dispatched immediately to the scene from Ottawa, and the Department of Transport accepted a prompt offer of assistance from the U. S. Civil Aeronautics Board and Federal Aviation Agency.

The plane had been heading for Toronto. Among those aboard were a number of football fans en route to Vancouver for the nation's Grey Cup professional championship game scheduled today.

It left Montreal's International Airport under conditions of limited visibility, and in a rainstorm that helped produce one of Montreal's worst traffic jams.

The tie-up slowed salvage operations, but it also probably saved the lives of eight persons according to authorities. The eight failed to reach the airport in time to catch the plane because they were caught in traffic.

Salvation Army Kettle Appeal Started Here

One of the familiar sights that marks the beginning of the Christmas season, the Salvation Army Christmas kettles, appeared on the streets in Roseburg Friday. The Christmas appeal will continue until Christmas Eve.

Ray Doerner is chairman for the Christmas appeal this year.

Special Commission Will Probe Slayings

WASHINGTON (UPI) — An extraordinary seven-member commission, headed by the nation's chief justice, will investigate the assassination of President Kennedy and the subsequent murder of his accused slayer.

President Johnson issued an executive order establishing the commission Friday night. He instructed the panel "to study and report upon all facts and circumstances relating to the assassination of the late president, John F. Kennedy, and the subsequent violent death of the man charged with the assassination," Lee Harvey Oswald.

Ruby Attorney Asks Different City For Trial

DALLAS (UPI)—Tom Howard, the cigar-chewing lawyer for Jack Ruby, has indicated he will ask that Ruby's trial be moved to another city because of "inflammatory" statements by Dist. Atty. Henry Wade.

Ruby shot and killed accused presidential assassin Lee Harvey Oswald before network television cameras in the basement of the Dallas police station Sunday.

Howard said Wade was trying to stir up prejudice against Ruby and said he may ask that the trial be moved because of it.

Howard charged Wade had known Ruby on a first name basis for 10 years but now referred to him as a man who used an alias and lived only a stone's throw from Oswald.

Wade is "creating an unfair atmosphere," he said, and added that he would probably ask the trial be moved to a city "200 or 300 miles from Dallas, where Dallas newspapers don't circulate."

If the trial is moved, Howard said, it would probably be late January or early February before Ruby comes to trial.

Howard said reports that Oswald and Ruby knew each other were just rumors and the first time Ruby saw Oswald was in the jail the night after the assassination.

and to report its findings and conclusions" to him, to the American people and to the world.

The White House announced said the commission, named after Johnson, consulted with congressional leaders of both parties, was "to study and report upon all facts and circumstances relating to the assassination of the late president, John F. Kennedy, and the subsequent violent death of the man charged with the assassination," Lee Harvey Oswald.

The White House said that Johnson had issued an executive order giving the special commission the power to subpoena and all necessary authorizations for conducting the inquiry. There will be no time limit on the investigation. The time of the commission's first meeting will be up to Warren.

Varied Membership

Besides Chief Justice Earl Warren, the other members named to the panel were Sen. Richard B. Russell, D-Ga., and John Sherman Cooper, R-Ky.; Reps. Hale Boggs, D-La., and Gerald R. Ford, R-Mich.; Allen W. Dulles, former director of the Central Intelligence Agency, and John J. McCloy, former special adviser on disarmament to President Kennedy. All are lawyers.

Johnson spoke with each man personally to ask them to serve.

Earlier in the day Boggs, the House Democratic whip, had announced that a top-level board

Heavy snow and rainstorms in the East threatened to boost the toll.

Highway casualties were occurring at the rate of about four an hour, less than the average rate for an ordinary four-day weekend this time of the year, according to the National Safety Council.

A United Press International count at 1:30 a.m. EST showed at least 317 persons dead in traffic accidents since the weekend started at 6 p.m. local time Wednesday.

The breakdown:

Traffic	317
Fires	11
Planes	11
Miscellaneous	47
Total	388