

Pilot Brings In Jet After Loss of Canopy

RAPID CITY, S. D. (AP) — A former North Dakota University football captain, who survived capture in Korea after his plane was shot down, brought a jet trainer into base safely Saturday after the plane's canopy blew off at 26,000 feet.

A fellow Air Force instructor bailed out and made a safe parachute landing.

Pilot instructors Vernon Huber, Mandan, N. D., former University of North Dakota football captain, and Damon Reeder, Glendale, Ariz., were flying at an altitude of about five miles 30 miles north of Ellsworth Air Force Base here. Both are lieutenants.

Huber was in the front seat. Reeder was in the rear cockpit. The canopy split when an explosive decompression occurred and tore the canopy completely off.

Cabins of jet planes are sealed to maintain about the same atmospheric pressure as at ground level and air base officials said loss of the canopy subjected the two pilots to a "serious pressure change."

Officials said the decompression makes the rear cockpit "almost untenable." Reeder bailed out of the rear cockpit.

Huber hunched up behind a small windshield that was left and managed to bring the plane down safely at Ellsworth Air Force Base in spite of high winds created by the speed of the plane.

Reeder is being treated at the base hospital for bruises and the effects of lack of oxygen.

Cross-Country Agriculture Study to End

WASHINGTON (AP) — The House Agriculture Committee will wind up a 16,000-mile "grass roots" tour of the nation's farming areas this month with final hearings in the South and Southwest.

The cross-country study will be followed by the drafting of a new agriculture price support program—one of the knottiest problems likely to face this session of Congress.

Chairman Hope (R-Kan.) said Saturday the committee will conduct final hearings at Enid, Okla., Jan. 12; Waco, Texas, Jan. 13; and Memphis, Tenn., Jan. 14.

The final committee hearings will be held against a backdrop of lowered farm income. The trend of farm prices was generally downward over a period of many months although the latest report showed they increased 1.2 per cent in December.

Many lawmakers appear to favor continued high price supports for the "big six" basic crops—corn, wheat, cotton, tobacco, rice and peanuts. It is in the non-basic crop area that Secretary of Agriculture Benson and Congress will have their hands full.

This has been pointed up by the recent cattle price situation and the towering butter surplus.

U.S. Advised To Join Europe A-Pool Group

By ROWLAND EVANS JR.
WASHINGTON (AP) — Sen. Humphrey (D-Minn.) Saturday proposed to President Eisenhower that the United States join an existing European organization, set up under the United Nations, for pooling atomic information.

Humphrey said that in this way a start could be made toward achieving the President's objective of international action to foster peaceful uses of nuclear energy, without waiting for Russia to accept the plan.

In a speech to the U.N. Dec. 8, Eisenhower called for an international pool of atomic materials to be used for peaceful purposes. The President said Russia's participation in such a plan is a necessary condition.

But Humphrey said 12 European nations have signed a convention under the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) setting up the European organization for nuclear research.

Humphrey, a member of the Foreign Relations Committee, said in an interview the Atomic Energy Act would probably have to be amended before this country could take part in any organization set up to exchange atomic information on an international level.

Driver Has Last Word With Police

DALLAS, Texas (AP) — Police officers E. L. Crenshaw and G. W. Jones were driving down Pearl Street, a one-way artery in Dallas, when they saw a motorist coming in the opposite direction.

They flagged him down and began their lecture on the evils of driving the wrong way on a one-way street, etc.

"But," said the motorist, "you are going the wrong way."

Crenshaw and Jones were Pearl Street, one-way south until recently, was reversed to one-way north during a wholesale downtown traffic revision last week.

A Frank Statement to Cigarette Smokers

RECENT REPORTS on experiments with mice have given wide publicity to a theory that cigarette smoking is in some way linked with lung cancer in human beings.

Although conducted by doctors of professional standing, these experiments are not regarded as conclusive in the field of cancer research. However, we do not believe that any serious medical research, even though its results are inconclusive should be disregarded or lightly dismissed.

At the same time, we feel it is in the public interest to call attention to the fact that eminent doctors and research scientists have publicly questioned the claimed significance of these experiments.

Distinguished authorities point out:

1. That medical research of recent years indicates many possible causes of lung cancer.
2. That there is no agreement among the authorities regarding what the cause is.
3. That there is no proof that cigarette smoking is one of the causes.
4. That statistics purporting to link cigarette smoking with the disease could apply with equal force to any one of many other aspects of modern life. Indeed the validity of the statistics themselves is questioned by numerous scientists.

We accept an interest in people's health as a basic responsibility, paramount to every other consideration in our business.

We believe the products we make are not injurious to health.

We always have and always will cooperate closely with those whose task it is to safeguard the public health.

For more than 300 years tobacco has given solace, relaxation, and enjoyment to mankind. At one time or another during those years critics have held it responsible for practically every disease of the human body. One by one these charges have been abandoned for lack of evidence.

Regardless of the record of the past, the fact that cigarette smoking today should even be suspected as a cause of a serious disease is a matter of deep concern to us.

Many people have asked us what we are doing to meet the public's concern aroused by the recent reports. Here is the answer:

1. We are pledging aid and assistance to the research effort into all phases of tobacco use and health. This joint financial aid will of course be in addition to what is already being contributed by individual companies.
2. For this purpose we are establishing a joint industry group consisting initially of the undersigned. This group will be known as TOBACCO INDUSTRY RESEARCH COMMITTEE.
3. In charge of the research activities of the Committee will be a scientist of unimpeachable integrity and national repute. In addition there will be an Advisory Board of scientists disinterested in the cigarette industry. A group of distinguished men from medicine, science, and education will be invited to serve on this Board. These scientists will advise the Committee on its research activities.

This statement is being issued because we believe the people are entitled to know where we stand on this matter and what we intend to do about it.

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