

## Planes Missing With 12 Aboard

Snowstorm Hampers  
Search Near Denver

DENVER, Colo. — (AP) — Two planes carrying a total of 12 persons were missing in the vicinity of Denver.

Search efforts were hampered by a snowstorm accompanied by strong winds which blanketed Eastern Colorado.

An Air Force B-25 with 11 persons aboard disappeared Tuesday after reporting it was only 25 miles east of Denver on a trip from Kansas City, Kan.

Another plane, piloted by Capt. Sidney L. Harrison, 40, of Arlington, Va., a reserve Army officer, disappeared on a flight from Colorado Springs to Denver last Thursday night. It last was reported over Castle Rock, Colo., 30 miles south of Denver.

A Japanese Air Lines plane carrying 33 passengers and a crew of four was downed in the water off the coast of Japan southwest of Tokyo.

Aircraft searched the area until nightfall without success, then returned to their bases as American and Japanese ships pressed the search through the night.

THE TWIN-ENGINE B-25 missing in the West left Fairfax Air Force Base in Kansas City on a trip to Lowry Air Force Base, Denver. The plane was reported to be carrying passengers in addition to the usual crew of three. Names of those aboard the B-25 were not released immediately by the Air Force.

Harrison's light single-engine L-19 Cessna plane has been the object of an intensive air-ground search for the past five days, but no trace has been found of the olive-drab color craft and its pilot.

The city of Oslo, Norway, was founded more than 900 years ago.



CAUGHT IN AN early morning flash flood on Main Street in Bingham Canyon, Utah, these autos are almost completely buried. The sudden flood damaged several homes and kept the town's miners off the job.

## Morris Ready to Back Congress Against Truman Administration

WASHINGTON — (AP) — Newbold Morris said Wednesday he is ready to back up his charges that the Truman administration is afraid of a "real" corruption investigation.

He "willingly" accepted an invitation to testify Thursday before a House judiciary subcommittee which is investigating his angry backstage feud with former Attorney General J. Howard McGrath. McGrath fired Morris as government cleanup chief last Thursday, and was in turn fired by President Truman.

The subcommittee may call McGrath to the witness stand later. Chairman Frank L. Chelf (D-Ky) said subcommittee investigators are now in McGrath's home state of Rhode Island, checking on his affairs. Morris indicated he might give a preview of his congressional testimony in his speech before a National Press Club luncheon Wednesday.

He said he did not prepare a formal address for the Press Club function because "I wouldn't want to appear before the nation's best newspapermen and hand them a press release."

Chelf said Morris would be subpoenaed if he declined the subcommittee's "invitation" to testify. "They won't need a subpoena for me," Morris snorted. "I'm a citizen of the United States and I try to help people out."

President Wilson's radio address to the crew of the U.S.S. George Washington on July 4, 1919, was the first attempt to broadcast a U.S. president.

## Airfield-Soviet Trade Rejected

Indirect Bid Made  
By Red Spokesman

MUNSAN, Korea — (AP) — A U.N. negotiator said Wednesday the Allies "absolutely would not" trade a ban on repairing military airfields for the "strictly phony issue" of Russia as a Korean truce supervisor.

Maj. Gen. William K. Harrison made the statement after a Chinese negotiator hinted for the second successive day the Communists would like to make such a swap.

"They are trying to offer us something that should not be an issue at all for something really vital to an armistice," Harrison told newsmen.

IN TOKYO, British Gen. Sir Charles F. Keightley commented the "Chinese are playing a game at Panmunjom. They know, everyone knows, the U.N. is anxious for peace. When that peace will come probably will be decided by the men in Peiping." Nevertheless Keightley said he was "optimistic that within six months an uneasy peace will be worked out in Korea." Keightley, commander of British Far East Land Forces, made the statement as his "personal opinion" after an inspection tour of Korea and a conference with Vice Adm. C. Turner Joy, chief U.N. truce negotiator.

AT PANMUNJOM, Chinese Maj. Gen. Hsieh Fang made the indirect bid to trade off two of the major stumbling blocks to a Korean truce.

The Allies want a ban on building or repairing military air fields. The Communists want Soviet Russia named as one of the "neutral nations" who will police the armistice.

Hsieh said the two questions "could be settled together." But he did not press the point. And Harrison ignored the hint.

## 'Death March Anniversary In Philippines

BALANGA, Bataan, Philippines. — (AP) — The 10th anniversary of the fall of "bloody Bataan" was high-lighted Wednesday by dedication of a memorial to its American and Filipino heroes.

They were the men who wrecked the Japanese timetable for conquest of the Philippines with their stubborn defense of this historic peninsula.

Nationwide observance of the anniversary was centered here at Balanga, a gathering place for captives of the Japanese before they started the "death march" to the north.

## French Premier Wins 10 Votes

PARIS — (AP) — Premier Antoine Pinay won his no compromise fight Tuesday night to finance France's 10 billion dollar budget without new taxes. The National Assembly approved his plans in a series of 10 confidence votes.

Final vote on the budget as a whole, which provides almost four billion dollars for France's war in Indochina and her contribution to North Atlantic defense, was 311 to 206.

Pinay had said he would resign unless all nine of his proposals and the entire budget were approved.

The parliamentary outcome was good news for France's partners in the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO). The Assembly had voted down proposals by two previous governments to get the 1952 budget money, raising grave fears that French inability to pay would wreck the NATO program.

Instead of new taxes, Pinay plans to get the funds by stringent economies, and "pitiless pursuit" of future tax frauds coupled with a pardon to those who have cheated on taxes in the past.

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## Snow Depth Sets Record In Northwest

PORTLAND — (AP) — Snow cover in mountains along southern, southeastern and southwestern tributaries of the Columbia River is the greatest in the history of the Federal-State Snow Survey, R. A. Work, the U.S. Soil Conservation Service's survey superintendent said Wednesday.

The April 1 snow survey report showed a high water content in many parts of the above average snow cover throughout the drainage. Work said this assures excellent supplies of water for irrigation and hydro-electric power for the area in 1952.

He pointed out that weather conditions between now and June would determine whether snow water leaves the mountain in a slow, orderly fashion, or whether it leaves quickly in sufficient volume to cause major flooding.

The April 1 summary of snow conditions in the Columbia basin was based on measurements of some 350 "snow courses" in Oregon, Nevada, Montana and British Columbia.

Work said checks on the snow courses would continue to be made until June 1 as an emergency means of keeping a closer check on the potential dangers from the mountain snows.

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