

## Pilot of Ill-fated B-36 Bomber Tells Interesting Rescue Story

(Editor's Note: Capt. Harold L. Barry, 39, of Hillsboro, Ill., pilot of the ill-fated B-36 which crashed off the northern British Columbia coast around Monday night after the 17 men aboard had parachuted, was one of 10 survivors to reach McChord air force base. Following is his story.)

By CAPT. HAROLD L. BARRY

McChord Air Force Base, Tacoma, Wash., Feb. 17 (AP)—When we started to lose altitude at around 15,000 feet, I told the radar operator to direct us over land.

We dropped to 5,000 feet in 10 minutes. I set it on the automatic pilot and we bailed out in only 10 to 15 seconds. I was the last to leave the plane. It kept flying on beyond us after we left the ship.

I landed in a little lake on Princess Royal Island. It was covered with slush and ice. I came up pretty good, then waded through the water, dragging my parachute behind me. That got the chute wet, and it didn't do me any good that first night.

I tried to start a fire but it was raining in torrents and the wood was wet. It wouldn't start.

Early Tuesday morning I started off for the coast. I saw a ground squirrel and shot at it a couple of times with my .38 service revolver, but I didn't hit it.

Then I heard Whitfield (First Lieut. Raymond P. Whitfield, Jr., 25, of San Antonio, Tex.) blowing his whistle. He was about a mile away. It was about noon. He was the first of the crew that I saw. The island was hilly and brush-covered and it was hard to make progress. Whitfield and I could only

make about a half a mile per hour on foot.

Then we heard S/Sgt. Vitale Trippodi (of Brooklyn, N.Y.) yelling for help.

He was hung up in his chute on a tree and had been there all night. It took all our efforts to bring him down. He was in pretty bad shape. We did everything we could to make him comfortable, and made him a sort of bed out of pine boughs, after we'd cut him down from the tree and moved him down from the cliff where the tree was.

Later the Canadian Destroyer Cayuga sent in 25 men to pick him up and search for the others.

Meanwhile, however, Whitfield and I scrambled down to the beach, where we stamped out an SOS in the snow. Then we waited for the others, who showed up shortly.

A little while later the fishing boat picked us up.

We were all anxious that our wives and families know we survived okay.



**Marine Duty**—Sgt. Clyde V. Brummell of 1110 South 17th street, who has been appointed as a volunteer Marine corps recruiting non-commissioned officer for Salem and is stationed at the Naval and Marine corps reserve training center.

## Study Given To Oil Merger

Los Angeles, Feb. 17 (AP)—Plans for a merger of Sunray Oil corporation and Barnsdall Oil company are being studied, according to C. H. Wright newly elected chairman of Barnsdall.

Wright made this announcement Thursday following consummation of a purchase of Atlas corporation's 800,000 shares of Barnsdall Oil by Sunray. Wright also stated that Barnsdall was discontinuing its previous policy of purchasing substantial amounts of its own stock.

In event a plan is drawn for union of the business of the two

companies, Wright said, it will be submitted to the boards of directors of each and later to the stockholders.

Floyd B. Odum, president of Atlas corporation and Wright announced the consummation of the sale of Barnsdall stock. Odum, George H. Howard, L. Boyd Hatch, and Oswald L. Johnston thereupon stepped out as directors of Barnsdall. Their places were taken by Wright, Glenn J. Smith, L. W. Bennett and Edward Howell. Wright was elected chairman of Barnsdall to succeed Odum.

Amity—The Amity grade school held its March of Dimes assembly and turned over a check for \$75 to Bernard Kester, the Amity chairman for the drive.

## Lebanon Orchestra Plans First Concert

Lebanon—The newly organized civic band of 30 pieces under the baton of Vinton Snyder, will be heard in their initial concert Monday evening at 7:30 o'clock in the little theater of the Lebanon high school. The concert is open to the public, without charge.

Following their Monday night appearance, the musicians are booked for several concert, radio and entertainment appearances during the spring months. They have been in rehearsal since early winter.

The group was a direct result of a Junior Chamber of Com-

merce project to inject music into local civic agenda. Next appearance of the band is slated at the Park theater where they will furnish music for the Jaycee burlesque show, Feb. 22 and 23.

## Turner Is Injured In Fall at Home

Dallas — R. R. Turner, book store owner and former superintendent of schools in Dallas for 20 years, is recovering at his home from a fractured pelvis. His condition is fair, but a complete rest of several weeks in bed is necessary for his recovery, according to his physician. Turner, who is 74 years of age, suffered a fall in his home

## Might Destroy World In Less Than Minute

Ottawa, Feb. 17 (AP)—Explosion of the first hydrogen bomb might cause the world and all in it to disintegrate in less than a minute, Dr. Allan Munn, one of Canada's foremost physicists, said today.

The super bomb, if big enough, could set off a chain of reaction that would encircle the globe and annihilate it, Munn said in an interview.

early in February, but did not believe that his injury was serious until x-rays a number of days later revealed the fracture.

## How Is Farmer Going to Make His Wheat Land Pay?

By OVID A. MARTIN

Washington, Feb. 17 (AP)—What is to be done with upwards of 20,000,000 acres of wheat land which soon will no longer be needed to produce the nation's No. 1 food grain?

This is a perplexing problem facing both wheat farmers and the government. Declining export markets for wheat threaten a new wheat surplus unless production is reduced or new outlets for wheat are found.

The final solution will have far-reaching effects on economic welfare of wheat growers as well as upon tax burdens and food supplies for the general public.

At the moment the government is headed in the direction of rigid controls designed to force farmers to limit wheat plantings to levels which would produce only that amount of wheat needed for the nation's food and for whatever export markets exist.

But such a program does not settle the question of what the farmer should do with the millions of acres which he would be required to take out of wheat.

After all, the farmer has money invested in his land. He must in many cases meet mortgage payments on it and pay taxes on it. He needs income from it.

It has been suggested that farmers put some of the excess wheat land in to grass to pasture livestock. But in many wheat areas this is not practicable because of excessive temperatures and lack of rainfall during the summer.

The suggestion is being made by some farm leaders both inside and outside government that federal control programs permit farmers to use the so-called excess wheat acres to produce wheat for livestock feed.

Under such a plan, each farmer would be given a production or marketing allotment for wheat for sale as human food. He would be free to plant additional acres of wheat for livestock feed. The price for wheat for human food would be supported at rates about 30 per cent higher than the wheat grown for livestock feed.

Advocates of this plan contend it would encourage greater production of meat animals, particularly cattle and hogs. Both the wheat farmer and the consumer would benefit, they say—the producer through a supplemental income from wheat grown for feed and the consumer through increased supplies of beef and pork.

Studies show that wheat is a good feed when fed in suitable quantities. Pound for pound, it is as good or better than corn for fattening cattle and hogs and poultry, but not quite so good for fattening lambs.

Studies made by the agricultural department in cooperation with the Kansas state agricultural experiment station show that if wheat farmers themselves fed the extra wheat to livestock there would be little danger of adding to feed grain surpluses.

## Eighty-Third Date Of Birth Celebrated

Unionvale — Honoring their mother, Mrs. Mary E. Shelburne, who was 83 years of age Wednesday, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Shelburne and family entertained with a birthday dinner at their home Wednesday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Harness of Lafayette, Mr. and Mrs. John Clow and four children of Unionvale attended.

Mr. and Mrs. John Shelburne of Unity called at her home in the afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Shelburne and two daughters of Happy Valley, beyond McMinnville, called at her home Sunday afternoon.

**Troop Holds Party**  
Williamina—Girl Scout troop 1, north side, had a Valentine party at the home of their leader, Mrs. Otto Hirn. Games were played and refreshments of popcorn and koolaid served.

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