

AF Transport Crash Kills 12 On Colo. Peak

Rescue Team Must Climb Vertically To Wreckage

BUENA VISTA, Colo. (AP)—All 12 persons aboard an Air Force C-77 were killed yesterday when the twin-engine craft plunged into the sheer northwest edge of 14,172-foot Mt. Yale.

A joint army-air force team equipped with mules started an ascent to the 11,500-foot level to reach the bodies.

Among the victims, who included both civilians and military personnel, was a red-haired woman, Mrs. Mollie Netcher Newbury, 29-year-old heiress named sole beneficiary to her grandmother's 12-million-dollar department store fortune.

The plane was attached to the Continental Air Defense Command at Colorado Springs, Colo. A spokesman there said it left about 9:30 a.m. (MST) Monday on a flight to Hamilton Air Force Base, near San Francisco.

Watches on the bodies of the victims had stopped at 10:10. Allen Fitzgerald, an employe of the Colorado Reformatory here, flew over the crash scene at midday, and later guided the first rescue team to the site.

"It was the most gruesome spectacle I've ever seen," he said.

"The impact must have been so great that all their shoes were ripped off."

So hazardous is the climb to the crash site—Fitzgerald said his team climbed "almost vertically" for two miles—that six mules from Camp Hale, near Leadville, Colo., were brought here to help pack out the bodies.

The scene is near the top of the Continental Divide, 12 miles west of Buena Vista.

Two inmates of the Colorado Reformatory told authorities they saw the plane "spin" and crash. Smoke rose immediately.

Fitzgerald said one of the victims apparently tried to parachute to safety. The tattered silk of the chute was found fluttering along a craggy slope.

WASHINGTON (AP)—The Air Force identified Tuesday three of its members who are among 12 persons killed in the crash of a military transport plane in Colorado Monday.

The remaining nine dead were civilians or attached to other military services and their names will be made public later. The Air Force dead are:

Col. Charles A. Miller, Kemper, Texas.

W. P. A. Sgt. Helen M. Schuyler, daughter of Mrs. Elizabeth B. Schuyler, East Brentwood, N.Y.

Staff Sgt. William E. McKenzie, Jr., Oakland, Calif.

3 Bandits Loot Vancouver, BC, Bank of \$8,000

Suspects Arrested 3 Hours Later; Wife Of One Held

VANCOUVER, B.C. (AP)—Three bandits wearing black masks held 13 persons at bay while they scooped up \$8,000 cash from an East End bank here Monday afternoon.

Less than three hours later, city police said, they captured three young Vancouver men and recovered \$8,000 in a rooming house a few blocks from the bank, a branch of the Royal Bank of Canada.

A woman, said to be the wife of one of the suspects, was arrested subsequently.

The holdup, fourth in 10 years at the bank, was carried out with precision in about one minute, witnesses said.

The first of the four robberies, in February 1947, was followed by a running gun battle in which two city police constables and one bandit were killed.

The trio, arrested about 5:30 p.m., will be charged with armed robbery, Det. Sgt. Laurie McCulloch said. They were captured without resistance.

A fourth man, said to have driven one of the getaway cars, was sought.

The bandits' flight from the bank was punctuated by one warning pistol shot which splintered a wooden bank counter and injured no one.

Cyprus Rebels Bomb British Army Vehicle

NICOSIA, Cyprus (AP)—Rebels blew up a British army vehicle carrying a mobile patrol Tuesday, killing one soldier and seriously wounding three others.

Three more members of the patrol, operating on a desolate highway in the mountainous country of western Cyprus, sustained minor injuries.

The death was the third of a British serviceman in the past three days and the 46th since EOKA, the Greek Cypriot underground, launched its bomb-and-gun campaign 18 months ago.

A military spokesman said the explosion was believed to be a bomb electrically detonated by an operator some distance away.

Members of EOKA, the Greek Cypriot underground, have been using a new technique of setting off bombs by remote control rather than the use of time bombs or quick action bombs that are tossed.

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SECOND FEATURE Richard Egan, Rita Moreno in "SEVEN CITIES OF GOLD" Cinemascope

Where 12 Persons Died



BUENA VISTA, Colo.—Only fire-blackened bits of wreckage remain in this aerial shot of a crashed Air Force C-77 transport plane which shattered against 14,172-foot Mt. Yale yesterday. A ground party, climbing nearly straight up, found a wing, the tail section and one engine were the only large pieces of the ship left. The dead included a red-haired WAC. The plane, from the Continental Air Defense Command at Colorado Springs, was en route to Hamilton Air Force Base near San Francisco. (AP Wirephoto)

Nixon Slowed Down By Flu, Laryngitis

Speech Cancelled In Oklahoma City

By WILLIAM F. ARROGAST SALT LAKE CITY (AP)—A hoarse-voiced Richard M. Nixon carried his campaign to the Democratic Southwest Tuesday after a parting blast at Adlai Stevenson.

But influenza and laryngitis which slowed down the vice-president here last night forced him to cancel a scheduled speech set for Oklahoma City Tuesday afternoon. Instead he will make only a brief appearance in Oklahoma City. However, he will deliver a scheduled speech in Houston Wednesday night.

He was slowed down by what his physician diagnosed as influenza and laryngitis—probably due to fatigue from daily speeches in 12 states in the past week, plus extreme changes in temperature and exposure from riding in open convertibles in motorcades.

Dr. Malcolm C. Todd, Long Beach, Calif., physician assigned to Nixon's airborne campaign, said the vice president should be in bed.

The doctor, at a news conference, said he advised Nixon not to speak in Salt Lake City last night, but Nixon insisted on going through with his commitment.

"If he were a private patient, I would order him to bed for one or two days, but Mr. Nixon is insistent on carrying out his job," Dr. Todd said.

The Republican vice president hoped to woo some Democrats to the Eisenhower cause in speeches at noon in Oklahoma City and in Houston, Tex., tonight, in line with his professed belief that the GOP needs the aid of independents and "switching" Democrats if it is to win in November.

Because he will be operating in heavily Democratic areas, Nixon planned to conduct a "constructive" campaign in his initial visit to the Southwest. The "peace, prosperity and progress" he

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The Eisenhower administration, he said, has applied only one yardstick to every problem: "What policy is in the best interests of a majority of the 167 million people in the country?"

"Our deeds have matched our words," he added.

It has become apparent, he said, that all Stevenson has to offer to the American people is a carbon copy of the same type of political demagoguery which characterized the Truman Fair Deal.

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Judge Voids \$12 Million Inheritance

CHICAGO (AP)—Mrs. Mollie Netcher Chagnon, Mrs. Bragno's aunt and only survivor of four children of the Boston store founder, Mrs. Bushkin and Mrs. Bragno are the only children of Charles Netcher Jr., who died in 1931.

The suit charged that trusts established in the Netcher will had been mismanaged by Mrs. Newbury, who was trustee of his estate from the time of his death until 1923.

Judge Fisher, in upholding the Master in chancery report, said Mrs. Newbury failed for 19 years to set up separate trusts for each of the four children of her husband and deposit annually in each a prescribed portion of the earnings of the principal trust as her husband's will required.

Fisher also said Mrs. Newbury ignored or disobeyed instructions in her husband's will in connection with the sale or discontinuance of the department store. He said Mrs. Newbury should have sold the store in 1923, when 19 million dollars could have been obtained for it. She sold it in 1946 for six million dollars.

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