

Loudspeaker To Aid Look Plane Crew Lost In North

Seattle, Feb. 18—(U.P.)—A coast guard airplane equipped with loudspeakers to direct search parties and to encourage possible survivors will take part tomorrow in the search for five crewmen of a crashed B-36 bomber.

Coast guard officers said the plane, a PBY, would cruise over the tangled undergrowth of Princess Royal island, booming the words "Don't give up hope. We are still looking for you."

Twelve Already Safe

Twelve men, who parachuted from the B-36 when its engines caught fire on a flight from Fairbanks, Alaska, to Fort Worth, Tex., were rescued earlier this week from the island and surrounding waters.

The loudspeaker plane will circle the British Columbia island directing ground parties to investigate any clue that might indicate the presence of the missing men.

Between messages the PBY's crew was to play "The Star Spangled Banner" in hopes the music would carry throughout the island and give assurance to any survivors that help was on the way.

Missing Since Monday

Flight Commander Capt. Harold L. Barry, 30, Hillsboro, Ill., ordered 17 crewmen and observers to abandon the superbomber Monday night when icing conditions and three failing engines dropped the plane to 5,000 feet.

Tomorrow, other planes will fly low over the 60-by-90 mile island to take aerial photographs. The pictures will be enlarged and examined for parachutes or other signs of life. Weather forecasters predicted milder weather for tomorrow.

High Winds Today

The PBY started its morale mission with loud speakers today but high winds forced it to land. All search planes were grounded and 10-foot waves forced launches, cutters and other surface craft to curtail search activities.

On Princess Royal island more than 150 men pushed through dense brush and over rugged hills in an all-out effort to find the five men.

HANGING CLOTHES DANGER

Hollywood, Feb. 18—(U.P.)—Mrs. Susan Schultz, 38, died today from a fractured skull suffered when she plunged over an 18-foot embankment while hanging up her laundry, police reported.

RETIRE BARBER SUICIDE

San Francisco, Feb. 18—(U.P.)—Lucius H. Wiseman, 84, a retired barber, suffering from an incurable illness, shot himself to death in the bathroom of his home today.



DANGLED BY ANKLE—Staff Sgt. Vitale Trippodi, radio operator who was trapped in a tree after falling out of a disabled B-36 bomber over Princess Royal Island off the coast of British Columbia, dangled by an ankle for 12 hours until other survivors were able to reach him. Twelve of the 17 men aboard the plane have been rescued. The other five are understood to be scattered along a three-mile area of the island.

Late Sports Bulletins

Medford high's Black Tornado basketball team got back into the winning column Saturday night by walloping Illinois Valley (Kerby) 63 to 23 in a Southern Oregon conference-district game here Saturday night. The local boys are out of the title running.

Don Denman with 13 points and Bob Shores who scored 12 paced the Tornado attack.

Central Christian pulled a major upset Saturday night when it knocked Foursquare out of the unbeaten class in ringing up a 28 to 20 Church Basketball league victory at the YMCA gymnasium.

Other league tilts saw St. Peter's Lutheran defeat First Methodist 40 to 6. St. Mark's Episcopal down First Christian 37 to 22 and St. Mary's Catholic dump First Presbyterian 25 to 12.

Davis, Cal., Feb. 18—California Aggies made it two victories in a row over Southern Oregon college by defeating the Ashlands 64 to 45 here Saturday night after leading 31 to 23 at the half.

Captain Keith Wade with 13 points paced the Raiders in their attack while Nelson garnered 16 to lead Cal Aggies.

New Russ Peace Move Reported Back East

Washington, Feb. 18—(U.P.)—Reports of a possible new Russian peace move circulated here today and Chairman Tom Connally of the senate foreign relations committee said "the time may be near" for direct atomic control talks with Moscow.

Authoritative quarters said after studying a big sheaf of press dispatches from the Soviet capital that Russia may be getting ready to suggest high-level conferences with this country on major world problems, including control of atomic weapons.

But their first reaction was cautious. They said such overtures, in the initial stages at least, would be viewed here as a "peace offensive" intended to make political and propaganda capital for the Kremlin.

Robert A. Vogeler Pleads Guilty To Charge Of Spying

Budapest, Hungary, Feb. 18—(U.P.)—U. S. Communications Executive Robert A. Vogeler pleaded guilty today of spying on Hungary for the United States, and asked a Hungarian court for mercy.

Vogeler took the stand three months to the day after his arrest. During that time, no American has been allowed to visit him.

(U. S. minister to Budapest Nathaniel Davis, reached by telephone from London, said today that Hungary's communist government was still refusing to allow U. S. officials to visit the prisoner.)

In Vienna, Mrs. Vogeler dismissed her husband's confession as a "dirty lie," and said "they must have done something terrible to him to make him say he did things like that."

Diplomatic observers in Washington said the trial was an obvious frameup, apparently intended to pave the way for seizure of the Hungarian properties of Vogeler's firm, but that there was no way now for the United States to retaliate.)

22 Missing Persons In Dakota Blizzard Located Safe, Well

Chicago, Feb. 18—(U.P.)—Nineteen children and three adults, missing in a North Dakota blizzard, were found safe today as a cold wave whistled into the central states and floods endangered two Louisiana towns.

A basketball coach and seven of the children spent the night stranded in a car near Drayton, N.D., in five below zero weather. The snow blew into a crack in the door and piled up a foot deep in the car.

The other children and adults in two other cars found their way to a farm house in the night. A 30-man search party using a caterpillar tractor cut through six-foot drifts and rescued the children and the coach.

"I had to convince the children they weren't cold and it was one of the highest things I ever did," said Donald H. Mitz, 27, coach at the Drayton grammar and high school.

His group was 14 and 15 years old. They spent 14 hours in the car, that shook in 35-mile-an-hour winds. The entire party was en route home from a basketball game at Wallula, N.D., 65 miles away. Mitz' car ran out of gas three miles from Drayton at 4 p.m. yesterday. Rescuers arrived about 8 a.m.

Klamath Falls, Feb. 18—Sacred Heart of Klamath Falls downed Henley high 48 to 39 here Saturday night to win the Klamath county B basketball title and the right to play Paisley at a date to be announced for the southeastern Oregon B championship.

Winner of the Paisley-Sacred Heart clash will meet Rogue River in a Klamath gym March 1 and 2 for the right to go to the state championship tournament.

Eugene, Ore., Feb. 18—(U.P.)—Oregon and Idaho exchanged the northern division's cellar position tonight as the Webfoots defeated the Vandals, 54 to 48, in a Coast conference basketball game.

SATURDAY SCORES
COP 61, St. Mary's 52.
Western Montana 62, Rocky Mountain 51.
Montana Mines 67, Carroll 58.
WSC 60, Washington 42.
Eastern Washington college 70, Whitworth 57.
USC 62, Stanford 59.
Wyoming 48, Utah State 42.
Texas 47, Southern Methodist 44.
UCLA 64, California 55.
Gonzaga 65, Montana State university 42.

Marshall Plan Needs Money To Help Trade

Washington, Feb. 18—(U.P.)—Marshall Plan Administrator Paul G. Hoffman will ask congress next week for about \$500,000 in United States backing for an inter-European currency fund to unshackle trade and save his program, senators said today.

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Taft Has Say
Sen. Robert A. Taft (R., O.) said new talks with Russia might be worth while but only if prior investigation established "a reasonable chance of success."

Taft said that only President Truman and the state department could make such a determination. He said he personally has "no means of knowing" whether such talks would succeed.

Tito Says Nation Will Not Knuckle Down To Britain

Belgrade, Yugoslavia, Feb. 18—(U.P.)—Marshal Tito told a cheering crowd of 50,000 tonight that Yugoslavia would not knuckle under to Britain and the United States any more than it had done to the communists—even for badly needed loans.

Tito delivered a hard-hitting election campaign speech at Titovo Uzice—the town named after him at the end of the war. It is the principal town in the district where Tito stands for election in the March 26 parliamentary balloting.

No Concessions
Tito warned the United States and Britain not to expect any concessions in return for promised but thus far undelivered financial aid.

Tito's warning was believed to have resulted from Yugoslav hyper-sensitivity to several remarks by western sources that were considered tactless and unimportant, combined with delay in obtaining three pending loans requested to the United States.

These involved \$5 million from the Export-Import bank, \$25 million from the World Bank and \$6 million from the International bank.

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Chiefs To Represent County District Play

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The Chiefs, who will represent Jackson county in the class B district journey in Klamath county March 1 and 2 led 15 to 8 at the first quarter, 34 to 19 at the half and 44 to 31 at the third quarter.

Pete Purrier with 24 points was high man for Rogue River and was named most valuable player to his team in the tournament. Darwin Moore and Pincoble Poole each got 14 for Butte Falls.

Rogue River ran up an early first quarter lead before Butte Falls could score and the Chiefs never were behind. The closest the Loggers could get was about five points.

The all-star 10-man team selected by the coaches from quintets taking part includes Pete Purrier and Gene Duprey (Rogue River), Pinky Palmer and Bob Smith (Gold Hill), Poole and D. Moore, (Butte Falls), Fred Durr (Phoenix), and Rolfe Hartley, Herb Combs and Orville Nichols (Talent).

Gold Hill's cage squad was named by tourney officials as the most sportsmanlike.

Secretary Brannan Talks Farm Bureau Meet, Des Moines

Des Moines, Ia., Feb. 18—(U.P.)—Secretary of Agriculture Charles F. Brannan, taking the fight for his farm income plan into the Midwest stronghold of the American Farm Bureau federation, accused that organization today of trying to force little farmers out of business for the benefit of "big-scale" farmers.

Farm Bureau President Allan B. Kline, in a gloves-off combat debate at the National Farm institute, branded the Brannan plan "something for nothing" bait to lure farmers into a "new despotism based on government favors and government controls."

It was the first time the two farm leaders had shared the same platform since Brannan announced his controversial plan to keep farmers' income up by giving them direct production payments that would not affect market prices of farm products.

Brannan's blistering attack before some 4,500 farmers and others was seen as an administration bid to weaken the hold on their followers of the leaders of the nation's biggest farm organization before this year's elections, in which his farm plan was shaping up as a key farm-state issue.

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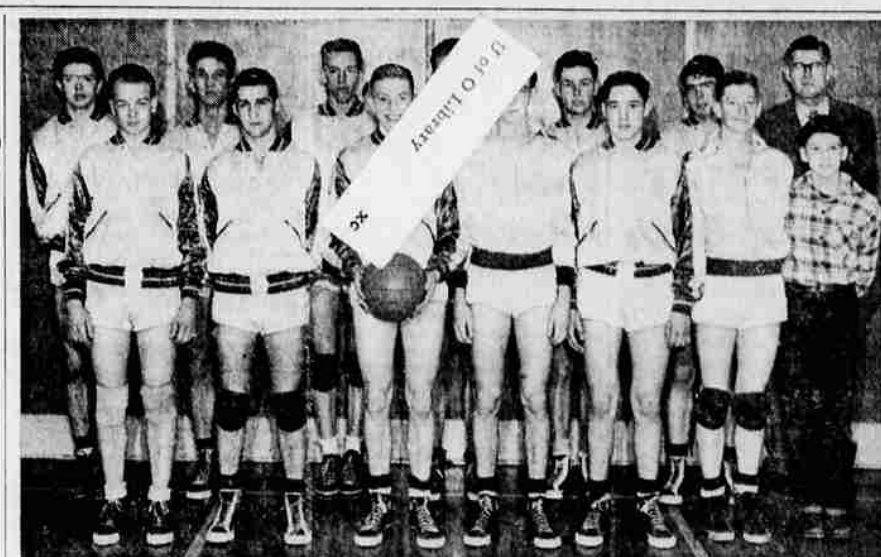
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The westbound train had the right-of-way. Eyewitnesses said "slow-down" yellow lights and then the red lights calling for a full stop faced the oncoming train going toward Babylon, 50 miles east of Times Square.

A few seconds difference and the sickening crash would have been avoided. It was the only spot in 50 miles the accident could have occurred and it was an accident which railroad men would have bet couldn't happen in the day of modern traffic signals.

Dennis, Phil Crosby Make Radio Debuts

San Francisco, Feb. 18—(U.P.)—Two more chips of the old Crosby block made their debut on an air show tonight and gave every indication of going pop's way.

Dennis and Phillip Crosby, 14-year-old twins of the old Crooner, made an appearance before an enthusiastic CBS studio audience at the recording of Bing's Chesterfield show for March 15.

The twins, following the example set by their older brother, Gary, 16, who appeared on the program several weeks ago, just about took the show away from the old man.

Phillip, the smaller of the two and a definite tenor at this stage, did a creditable job on the song "Thanks," a ballad made famous by his father in the 1930's when the elder Crosby was a rising star of the airwaves.

Ex-Pilot Faces Bribe Charge In Washington

Washington, Feb. 18—(U.P.)—The FBI arrested a former command pilot late Saturday on charges that he tried to bribe federal employees in an attempt to get a government contract.

Wayne C. Criley, 39, of Flushing, N. Y., was arrested by FBI agents at a downtown Washington hotel.

According to FBI spokesmen, Criley admitted that he gave \$500 in checks to two employees of the army's department of engineers—one of them to an army major.

Criley declared that he had struggled for a long time with government red-tape and finally tried bribery, the FBI said.

Six Conventions Due In City This Summer

Chet Hubbard, president of the Jackson County Chamber of Commerce, yesterday announced that at least six fraternal, service and professional organizations will hold their state conventions in Medford during the summer of this year.

Two or three other groups are expected to announce Medford as their 1950 convention city later.

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