

Rebel Snipers Active in Beirut And Tripoli

JET STRATO-TANKER ON TRANSATLANTIC SPEED TEST CRASHES

All Aboard Die; Two Sister Ships Set New Records

Newsmen Among Crash Victims

Woburn AFB, Mass. — (UPI) — A giant jet strato-tanker crashed and exploded on the Atlantic coast today, killing all 15 men aboard. Two sister ships streaked across the Atlantic and set new speed records.

Six newsmen were among the victims aboard the \$3 million plane which snapped two 115,000-volt power lines, bounced or skidded across a superhighway and landed with a burst of flames in a cornfield.

The other victims included seven crew members and two representatives of the National Aeronautics Association. Chicopee Police Chief Richard Haslam, one of the first persons on the scene, radioed his headquarters that "there is no need for any ambulances. Nobody on board had a chance."

While tragedy marred the start of the transatlantic flight triumph crowned the finish. The other two strato-tankers spanned the ocean in record times.

The planes were dubbed Alpha, Bravo, Cocco and Delta for the mission designed to thump U. S. air might. Cocco crashed. As a result of the accident, Delta never took off.

Set New Record

Alpha thundered across the Atlantic in five hours, 27 minutes and 42.8 seconds—an average speed of 630.2 miles per hour. Bravo trailed Alpha by about two minutes, making it in five hours, 29 minutes, 37.4 seconds—an average speed of 626.5 m.p.h. Both planes broke the old record set in 1955 by a British Royal Air Force Canberra jet bomber.

Within seconds after take-off from this Air Force base at 12:30 a.m. (EDT), the third plane in the flight crashed and disintegrated in a brilliant ball of fire that turned darkness into daylight.

"It was brighter than daylight. It was the most awful thing I ever saw," said farmer Kazimierz F. Machowski, whose three-acre corn field was set ablaze by the flaming plane.

The only newsmen on one of the two planes that successfully completed the flight was Sam Kuczyński, Springfield, Mass., bureau manager of United Press International.

The Air Force opened an investigation into the crash but a spokesman said it probably would be "a week or more" before the cause was known. Names of the air force personnel, newsmen and National Aeronautics Association men who were killed in the crash are listed on page 3.

SMOG ALARM

A report of smoke in the Medford downtown area was investigated by firemen about 10:25 p.m. yesterday. Firemen said that no blaze was found in the business district, and that smoke was drifting into the city from sawmills.

New Confusion Added To Nuclear Arms Conference

London — (UPI) — The Soviet Union added new confusion to the Geneva scientific conference today by announcing the nomination of a top Romanian expert to participate in the talks on control of nuclear weapons tests.

The announcement indicated the Communist bloc still might attend next week's conference despite a previous threat to boycott the talks unless the United States agrees in advance to negotiate formal suspension of all nuclear weapons tests.

Moscow Radio Thursday



HOWARD PRAIRIE — Three members of the 70-member tour party are shown gazing out over the Howard Prairie reservoir site. Some of the water now in the site is shown below the cliff on which they are standing. The tour, sponsored by the county court, yesterday examined proposed recreation sites on Howard Prairie and Emigrant reservoirs. Representatives of Portland and local chambers of commerce, the county court and other interested agencies made the tour.

Administration of Recreation Sites To Be Decided Soon

The county court will meet in about two weeks with representatives of various federal agencies to determine whether Jackson county should administer possible future recreation sites in the Talent irrigation project, it was decided this morning.

Following this morning's meeting, the choice of administering agencies seemed to narrow down to Jackson county alone.

However, the Talent Irrigation district board of directors is to meet July 8 when the possibility of administration by the district will be discussed. Also, the county court will meet with Ashland city officials to see if Ashland could or would take over administration of a future recreation site on Emigrant reservoir near Ashland. But legal barriers apparently will prevent either of these alternatives.

Dip in Treasury
Neal Butterfield, Portland, National Park Service, said the Talent Irrigation district would probably have to dip into its treasury to pay administration costs on both Howard Prairie and Emigrant reservoirs recreation sites.

Butterfield said he doubted if any recreational proceeds would ever meet the administration costs for recreation sites on the two reservoirs.

Walter Hoffmann, TID manager, said the district would not be allowed to use its irrigation proceeds for anything but irrigation maintenance and development. This, he said, is according to state law.

Harry Skerry, Ashland city attorney, said this morning it is a legal question whether the city parks commission could accept administration as an independent agency. Another question is if such administration must be accepted jointly by the city of Ashland and city parks commission, if it can be at all, he added.

Not Administer Sites
County Judge Rodney Keating said he was informed to

day that the state parks commission will definitely not take over administration of any recreation sites in the Talent project.

It has not been the policy of the bureau of reclamation or the bureau of land management to administer recreation sites, representatives said this morning.

Butterfield said the Howard Prairie recreation sites would draw many more people than Lake of the Woods does now. Official attendance figures for Lake of the Woods in 1955 show 14,000 used facilities there and 15,000 used them in 1956.

Butterfield estimated each tourist spends \$6½ a day. He urged the county court to take over administration of the recreation sites.

Two Home Sites
Howard Prairie, according to present plans, would have two home site areas, one in the north central shore of the reservoir, and at the west end of the lake. The bureau of land management would handle home site leases.

Two recreation sites would also be located on the reservoir. One park site would be located on the east shore. Cost of operating or administration of this area is estimated at \$3,500 a year. The other site would be on the west side.

This morning's meeting followed a tour by approximately 70 people of the Talent project and possible recreation sites yesterday by representatives of interested federal and state agencies, Portland and local chambers of commerce.

Weather Observer Receives Award

V. L. Quackenbush, weather observer at the Talent Experiment station, recently was presented a pin for 10 years service as a voluntary cooperative weather observer.

Quackenbush became an observer Feb. 18, 1948, although he cooperated in the program for several years prior to that time. The work includes taking daily maximum and minimum temperatures and 24-hour amounts of rain and snow.

There are between 250 and 275 voluntary observers in Oregon, and about 6,000 in the country.

Church Membership Shows Rise Here

Church membership in Medford has risen 5.18 per cent during the past year, according to a survey conducted by the Mail Tribune.

Details of the growth are given in a story by the Mail Tribune's church editor, Miss Peggyann Hutchinson, appearing on Page 6 of today's paper.

Oregon Birth Rate Lowest in Nation; Deaths Set Record

Portland — (UPI) — Statisticians for the State Board of Health today released some curious figures for 1957, showing that in the year Oregon had the lowest birth rate in the nation and more deaths than in any other year in its history.

The low birth rate was blamed on slow economic conditions and the fact that Oregon's population is "somewhat older than the national average."

Highest in Multnomah
The statisticians were also puzzled by figures which showed that Multnomah county outside Portland had the highest Oregon birth rate last year while Portland residents had the lowest.

The study showed 37,828 children were born in the state last year for a rate of 21.8 births per thousand population. That was the smallest number since 1951 and the lowest rate since 1945. Estimated national birth rate for 1957 was 25. The Oregon birth rate has declined steadily since 1952 for a total drop of 12 per cent during the last five years.

9,961 Weddings
The marriage rate last year was 5.7 per thousand population, lowest since 1940, with a total of 9,961 weddings. There were 5,261 divorces for a rate of 3 per thousand population. That is the lowest in 50 years. The ratio of 52.8 divorces per 100 marriages was the lowest since the 52.6 per 100 in 1950. Slightly more than 20 per cent of the divorces occurred prior to the second anniversary of the marriage and more than half the divorces involved families with one or more children.

The 15,633 deaths in the state was the largest number ever reported but the rate of 9 per thousand was just a little higher than in 1956.

Commonwealth for Alaska Defeated
Washington — (UPI) — The Senate rejected today a proposal to make Alaska a commonwealth instead of a state.

In the first vote since the Alaska statehood bill was sent to the floor last Monday, the Senate turned down a substitute measure offered by Sen. A. S. Mike Monroney (D-Okla.), George Smathers (D-Fla.), and J. W. Fulbright (D-Ark.).

The vote was 50 to 29. Acting Democratic Leader Mike Mansfield (Mont.) announced that the Senate would hold another late session tonight and a Saturday session, too, in an effort to drain off surplus debate on the issue.

Supporters had no hope of a final vote before next week.

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Cuba Rebels Seize Nine Americans, Two Canadians

Food, Medical Stores Stolen

Havana, Cuba — (UPI) — Cuban rebels kidnaped nine Americans and two Canadians today from a small American construction colony on the isolated north coast of Oriente Province.

The heavily armed band of 200 rebels invaded the Moa Bay mining properties Thursday night after fighting in the nearby village of Moa during which they killed three Cuban soldiers. They spent the night in the Moa Bay mining properties construction colony, occupied by less than a score of American supervisory workers and some of their families, and left this morning with their hostages and all the colony's food and medical stores.

Word of the raid was telephoned to the outside world by Clinton Breads, engineer for a construction contractor, who managed to reach the project's tugboat communications center after the rebels departed.

The Moa Bay Company, a subsidiary of Freeport Sulphur Company of New York, is constructing a nickel and cobalt concentration plant.

The American Embassy in Havana ordered Consul Park Wollom to go to Moa immediately from his post at Santiago de Cuba. In Washington, the State Department said it had asked the Cuban government "to make every effort" to secure release of the prisoners.

The kidnaped men included Henry Salmonson, Portland, Ore. Salmonson was said to be 40 to 45 and to have a wife, believed in Portland.

Four Persons Hurt In Accident on Butte Falls Road
Four persons were injured in one of two one-vehicle accidents reported to state police yesterday.

Robert Randall Lanham, 38, and Dennis Lee Lanham, 13, both of Whittier, Calif., were taken to Ashland General Hospital by Medford ambulance service. Police said Lanham suffered facial lacerations, and young Lanham suffered possible back injuries.

Others injured were Patricia Ann Delap, 14, Ashland, who suffered possible back injuries; and Dallas Silverton Delap, 44, of 749 Eagle Mill rd., Ashland, driver of the pickup truck involved who received a possible broken nose and facial lacerations.

Not Injured
Another passenger, Gloria E. Culliver, 13, of 116 Oak st., Ashland, was not injured, police said.

The accident happened about three miles east of Highway 62 on the Butte Falls highway about 7:55 p.m. yesterday. Police said a tie rod on the pickup truck broke loose, the truck went out of control and struck an embankment.

An accident involving a loaded log truck operated by William Franklin Allen, 27, of 350 Avery st., Medford, was reported to state police about 10:35 a.m. yesterday.

The truck, owned by C. J. Bean, 902 Mary Jane ave., Medford, was traveling east on Highway 238 about a mile west of Jacksonville. The driver swerved to avoid hitting an approaching pickup truck and went out of control.

The truck crossed the highway and went into a ditch, spilling its load of 10 logs. The truck received extensive damage, they said. The driver was not injured.

Judicial Council OKs New Members
Portland — (UPI) — A proposal to add two members to Oregon's Supreme Court was approved today by the judicial council composed of Supreme Court and other jurists.

The State Supreme Court presently has seven members.

Fox Claims Goldfine Gave Adams House

Isn't It Time To Untie the Apron Strings, Ma?



(Herblock is on Vacation)

Stop to Business Driven From State Urged By Geddes

"We must quit driving business from the state. Anti-business is anti-labor... the reverse of prosperity," Congressional Candidate Paul E. Geddes said here Thursday evening.

"If there is a recession, and there probably is, it should go by its true name—Democratic recession. The Democrats have a way of taking credit for good things the Republicans do and shoving onto the Republican shoulders the bad things that they do," he charged.

Geddes, a Roseburg attorney who is the Republican Congressional candidate for the fourth district, was addressing the Jackson County Republican Central committee. "You," he said, "are the most important persons in Jackson county."

He suggested that with the 1956 election the state started down the road of regression, "down the hill to the poor house. In your hands lies the decision of whether we turn up or continue down that road," he warned.

The state senate is irretrievably Democratic for the next two years, Geddes admitted, but "the house could go Republican and it is highly important that we unseat the present governor."

Referring to a tour of the Talent project which he made Thursday, Geddes remarked, "I saw a living example and illustration of what this country can be if we work with government agencies. The federal government in the fourth district owns more than 50 per cent of all land and resources. We must cooperate with it."

Assists in Project
Senator Wayne Morse did assist a little with the project, the speaker conceded, but he charged, now the Democrats, including Representative Charles O. Porter, are "making bold assertions that they are responsible for the Talent project."

Donald Stathos, Medford, was reelected chairman of the Jackson County Republican Central committee during the business meeting. Other officers elected include Mrs. Marina Gardner, Medford, vice chairman; Otto Ewaldsen, Medford, alternate to chairman; Mrs. Mary Rag-

land, Medford, alternate to vice chairman; Edwin Singmaster, Ashland, secretary; Gene Piazza, Medford, treasurer; D. H. Barber, Trail, congressional committeeman; and Mrs. Eleanor Bolt, Gold Hill, congressional committeewoman.

\$5 Million in Taxes Collected
A total of \$5,497,765.84 in taxes has been collected in Jackson county during fiscal year 1957-58, completing tax collections for the year, Karl Janouch, Jackson county treasurer, said today.

Of the total, \$624,520.43 was from delinquent taxes for fiscal years 1949 through 1957, he said.

Of the current taxes, 84.6 per cent was collected. Adding delinquent tax collections to the current taxes brings the total collected to an amount equal to 95.4 per cent of the total 1957-58 levy, Janouch said.

Delinquent tax collections include interest paid, which amounted to 7.13 per cent of the taxes due, he noted. The high interest rate results from several months interest paid by taxpayers at the rate of 2/3 of 1 per cent per month, Janouch explained.

The bulk of the taxes collected was for city, school district and special district use. The county has had no general tax levy for two years, and will have none during the coming year.

Contract Awarded for Table Rock rd. Paving
Salem — Rogue River Paving company, Medford, was awarded a \$45,533 contract for 1.95 miles of paving on Table Rock rd. about six miles north of Medford, the state highway commission announced today. There was one higher bid, the commission said.

Sig Anderson, North Bend, was awarded a contract for a bridge over the north fork of the Coquille river near Myrtle Point.

REMOVE WEATHER VANE
Firemen were dispatched with the aerial ladder truck to Rogue Valley Memorial hospital about 2:30 p.m. yesterday to remove the weather vane from the flagpole. The flag was being damaged by contact with the vane during high winds.

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Cash and Checks Said Regularly Sent To Adams

Presidential Aide Denies Statements

Washington — (UPI) — John Fox swore today that millionaire Bernard Goldfine told him he had "bought a house in Washington" for Presidential Assistant Sherman Adams. Adams denied the statement immediately.

Fox also testified Adams' friend Goldfine, a New England textile manufacturer, once offered a vicuna coat to the late Sen. Joseph R. McCarthy (R-Wis.) and told McCarthy, "I buy vicuna coats for all the senators."

But he added that "Mr. Goldfine often talked a good bit bigger than the facts warranted."

The witness said Goldfine claimed to have sent "cash and checks regularly" to Adams to help his children before the family came to Washington. Fox had given similar testimony Thursday, and Adams denounced it as untrue.

It was Fox's second day of testimony before a House subcommittee investigating the relations between Goldfine and Adams.

Adams has conceded he accepted a vicuna coat and other favors from Goldfine. He has denied allegations that in return he helped Goldfine in his numerous difficulties with regulatory agencies of the federal government.

Tells of Purchase
The new charge by Fox, former Boston investment broker and promoter, came as House investigators cross-examined him on accusations he made Thursday that Adams had "taken care of" his friend Goldfine's troubles with federal agencies.

"After July, 1955," Fox said, "in a heated discussion with Goldfine, he told me he bought a house in Washington for Adams to live in."

The investigating subcommittee obviously had advance warning of Fox's new charge against Adams.

Reads Two Records
Rep. Joseph P. O'Hara (R-Minn.) immediately interrupted to read two letters into the record.

One was from O'Hara to Adams saying that witness from Boston was going to testify that "Goldfine bought a house" for him and also purchased securities for the presidential aide.

The second letter was a vigorous denial by Adams of both accusations.

Adams wrote that Goldfine "never directly nor indirectly purchased a house of mine."

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Armored Cars, Tanks Brought Up By Lebanon Army

Fighting Follows Thursday Outburst

Beirut — (UPI) — Sporadic firing broke out in Beirut and Tripoli today and the Lebanese army brought armored cars and tanks into action against rebel snipers.

The new outburst of violence followed a night of heavy fighting in both cities, timed by the rebels to coincide with the Moslem feast of Aid Al Adha. Six persons were killed in Tripoli Thursday.

Reports from Merjeyoun, in South Lebanon, said shells fired from the Syrian fortress at Banias fell inside the town Thursday night and seriously wounded four persons.

Shoot From Rooftops
Rebels started sniping at mid-morning in Beirut behind the Defense Ministry. A few minutes later they opened up from nearby rooftops on army positions.

The government soldiers answered with rifle fire and big armored cars and tank guns. There was no immediate report on casualties.

Government troops remained at sand-bagged barricades in Beirut all day.

A rebel spokesman reported three hours of heavy fighting in Tripoli during the night when loyal troops attacked the section of the city where opposition leader Rashid Kara has his headquarters. He said the army had been forced to withdraw from its initial foothold in the area.

Heaviest in Two Weeks
The fighting in Beirut was the heaviest in two weeks. Government sources expressed apprehension that it signaled the beginning of an all-out rebel attempt to oust the pro-Western government of President Camille Chamoun before the United Nations could act.

The U. S. Embassy warned all Americans in Beirut to stay off the streets today because of "possible adverse developments."

This morning the streets of the capital city were deserted.

Stop Signs Being Installed on Eighth

Stop signs are being erected on West Eighth st. between Elm and Fir sts. by the state highway department, according to the city manager's office.

When the project is completed all traffic entering Eighth between Elm and Fir will be required to stop, and four-way stops will be in effect at Eighth and Holly and Eighth and Grape. Several of the signs, including those at Eighth and Hamilton, Orange, Oakdale and Grape, will be superseded later by traffic signals now being erected.

According to information received this morning, the traffic signals being placed on Eighth and on West Main are expected to be in operation sometime after Aug. 1. At that time, the previously announced one-way traffic pattern on the two streets will go into effect.

Traffic will travel west on Main between Riverside and Elm, and east on Eighth between Elm and Riverside.

SP To Consolidate Locomotive Shops
Portland — (UPI) — Southern Pacific Railroad said today it planned to gradually consolidate in Eugene the heavy locomotive repair shops now located in both Portland and Eugene.

Woxberg said the over-the-road drivers would not take a strike vote but would ask for a cost-of-living escalator clause if it is obtained by the pickup and delivery drivers.

Supported by Hoffa
He said the demands have the support of Teamster President James Hoffa as well as the over-the-road and general hauling divisions of the Western Conference.

Woxberg explained that a strike in any local area would result in a shutdown of pickup and delivery operations throughout the West and would in effect also shut down over-the-road hauling.

WEATHER	
FORECAST Cloudy tonight. Partly cloudy Saturday with widely scattered light showers. Low tonight 50. High Saturday 78-88.	
Highest Yesterday	Temp. 79
Lowest this Morning	51
Our Skies Tonight	
Free. to 10 a.m. Today, Trace	Sunset today 7:53 p.m.
Partly cloudy tomorrow	4:38 a.m.
Moonset tomorrow	2:32 a.m.
FULL MOON	June 30
PROMINENT CONSTELLATION	Jupiter, in the south
VISIBLE PLANETS	Jupiter, in the south
Saturn, due south	9:45 p.m.
Venus, rises	11:11 p.m.
Mars, high in southeast at sunrise.	2:56 a.m.