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27 Killed In Plane Crash In Ireland

BELFAST, Northern Ireland (AP)—Salvage squads with Geiger counters hunted 12 hours Tuesday through the wreckage of a British airliner before finding a box of "highly dangerous" radioactive radon seeds in the cargo.

Twenty seven persons, including two teachers from Kansas, were killed when the British European Airways plane crashed Monday night. Seven other passengers were injured.

The Americans killed were Miss Dolores Griffin, 30, of Smith Center, Kan., and Miss Aida Duerken, 28, of Inman, Kas.

Radon—gas given off by radium salts—is used in medical radiotherapy. It is packed in small gold capsules called "seeds." The consignment came from the ministry of supply which extracts the radon gas from radium.

PACKED

A ministry spokesman said the seeds were packed for safety in a lead box. The whole consignment weighed 70 pounds. The spokesman put its value at only \$10.

A horrified crowd of relatives and friends, gathered to greet the passengers, saw the twin-engine British European Airways (BEA) plane hit a beacon tower, careen against the airport's radio control building and crumple in flames on the main runway. Wreckage was scattered for 150 yards.

Only one of the 26 persons aboard the ill-fated craft—Steward Jack Young, 26, of Belfast—escaped unhurt. He was flung from the tail section into a muddy ditch when the plane broke up.

The two American schoolteachers were Miss Dolores Griffin, 30, of Smith Center, Kan., and Miss Aida J. Duerken, 28, of Inman, Kas. The other 25 killed were Britons.

LIGHT

The plane was on a regularly-scheduled flight from London to Luton, 14 miles from the crash site. It was flying at 5,000 feet when it crashed.

The impact hurled the plane against the control building, sending all the airport's radio transmitters flying. The battered airliner then burst into flames 200 yards from the airport lounge where the waiting friends and relatives were gathered.

A screaming, panic-stricken girl ran from the wreckage with her clothing afire. Rescuers chased her 300 yards before they were able to catch her and take her to a hospital.

Working by automobile headlights, fire squads extinguished the flames and removed the dead and injured.

STREWN

"When we reached the wreckage, bodies were strewn around the aircraft as if it had been a bomb," said W. H. M. Clelland, a Belfast resident who came to meet a passenger.

There was no immediate indication how the plane happened to hit the beacon mast.

Young, the only crewman to survive, said "everything was normal" as the plane approached for the landing.

The passengers had fastened their safety belts when suddenly there was a terrific crash like a bomb in a blitz, he added. "The next thing I knew I was lying in a muddy ditch."

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Temperatures on the Korean battlefield hit a low of 5 degrees before dawn but quickly rose to a high of 47 in one sector. A right turn turned snow patches muddy.

Ten Superforts bombed a 100-acre Communist supply center and military staff headquarters at Changjin, near the North Korean capital, Pyongyang, against light opposition last night. One Communist fighter hovered near the B29s but did not attack.

In the light on Jane Russell Hill, a finger of Triangle Hill, the Chinese threw a company at the southern slopes held by South Korean infantrymen. Shortly after dark, the Reds rolled forward behind a mist and heavy barrage, struggling with the ROKs for 30 minutes before giving up.

Forces of about 75 men each crunched against two Allied outposts near Christmas Hill just after midnight. Both fights lasted more than two hours before the Reds withdrew. To the east, the Reds sent a platoon in behind a 1,000-round barrage for an hour-long unsuccessful attack against an Allied outpost.

Stepped-up patrol clashes broke out along the rest of the front.



BOB THOMPSON (left) retired as Klamath Falls' mayor last evening as he handed the gavel to his successor, Mayor Paul Landry (right)

Council Mulls Street Paving

Two rather expensive street improvement jobs are being eyed by the City Council for next summer, one requested by petition of property owners, and the other initiated by the Council.

City Engineer E. A. (Taxi) Thomas has made a preliminary investigation as to the cost and feasibility of both, and was instructed by the Council to break the news to property owners who will have to foot the bill.

One job was the paving of S. 6th from Oak to Elm, and paving Elm and Plum between 5th and 6th. Willow street, between the two, already is paved in that block. Thomas estimated the cost would be around \$43,000, envisioning 40-foot pavement with curbs, gutters and sidewalks. He suggested the wide pavement because that area is partly industrial and business-occupied.

Ten property owners of the area petitioned last fall to have the improvement project studied.

Thomas said that most of the property encompassed by that proposed project is valued enough to bear the cost of the paving, but that some vacant lots don't have enough assessed value, so that about \$8,000 would have to be raised in cash if the rest of the cost were to be bonded.

Second improvement job outlined by the engineer is the proposed paving of Eldorado from Del Mar to Birch, five blocks.

At present there is a narrow strip of hardtop on four blocks of that street, put down some years ago by the Klamath Development Company.

Here again Thomas recommended a 40-foot street, because Eldorado is becoming a thoroughfare to that north part of town. He suggested that the property owners be assessed for the cost of a 26-foot street, with sidewalks, curbs and gutters, and that the city assume the cost of improving the other 14 feet, building up the one-lane strip already laid.

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Brief Ceremonies Mark City Government Switch

By HALE SCARBROUGH

The transition was made from the administration of Mayor Bob Thompson to the administration of Mayor Paul Landry in a brief ceremony at City Hall last night, and then the new administration got down to work.

Immediately after Mayor Thompson read his 1952 report and summary of his four years in office, the inauguration began.

Police Judge Frank Blackmer, Mayor Landry, and City Engineer E. A. (Taxi) Thomas, Police Chief Orville Hamblon, Fire Chief Roy Rowe, Meat Inspector J. C. Hunt, City Attorney Henry Perkins, Plumbing Inspector Jack Dyer and Building Inspector Vern Schortgen.

He also announced the appointment of two new members to the park and recreation board: Martin Bruhe, 127 Lookout, a Lorenz Company employee; and John Van Doren, 1264 Martin, insurance adjuster. They replace Alfred Collier, 1401 Pacific Terrace, and Fred Robinson, 1180 Crescent.

Lloyd Derby, 1968 Huron, was reappointed to the airport commission.

In addition, Mayor Landry appointed a series of Council committees:

Police—Don Kenyon, chairman, Wendell Smith and Frank Tarr.

Finance—Tarr, chairman, Spiker and Kenyon.

Fire—Jimmy Barnes, chairman, Smith and Spiker.

Street—Smith, chairman, Barnes and Tarr.

Utilities—Spiker Chairman, Kenyon and Tarr.

Judicial—Spiker Chairman, Smith and Barnes.

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Dye Becomes Jaycee Boss

Rex Dye became new president of the Junior Chamber of Commerce here last night at the annual installation dinner. He took over from Gail Osborn, who became state director on the local Board of Directors.

Other new officers are: Don Piper, first vice president; Jim Bock, second vice president; Peter Zupan, secretary; and Frank Michelson, treasurer.

On the Board of Directors with Osborn are Wayne Plasted, Barney Cavanaugh, Bill Wilson, George Demetropoulos, Lewis Hamblin, Leo McIntosh and Duane Shogren.

The Jaycees are to join with the senior chamber for the annual joint dinner meeting Jan. 14. That meeting is to be addressed by Oregon Supreme Court Chief Justice James T. Brand, Salem. Also on the program is the annual presentation of the gold key to Klamath County's most deserving young citizen of the past year.

Officials Seek Wreck Victims

YREKA, Calif. (AP)—For the third day, sheriff's deputies and out-rides Monday unsuccessfully dragged the Klamath River for the bodies of five persons who drowned Saturday when a crowded auto fell into the river.

A sixth body was recovered soon after the car carrying 11 persons plunged off the road.

A grappling hook suspended from a power line snagged something on the river bottom Monday but was unable to dislodge it. Authorities hope it may be the death-car, which has not yet been recovered.

One passenger in the car, 17-year-old Pete Goodwin who was thrown clear in the crash, remained on the critical list at Siskiyou County Hospital. Four other injured were released from the hospital earlier.

Iron Lung Shown Here

The George Adler Memorial Iron lung was today put on display in the lobby of the First National Bank. The lung was purchased through a memorial fund honoring the memory of George Boie Adler, son of Dr. and Mrs. George Adler who died from polio last year.

The lung was brought here from Portland free of charge by Bend-Portland Truck Service.

The lung is to remain on display through the March of Dimes campaign, according to Campaign Chairman Alice Vitus. It will then be turned over to Dr. Adler to be placed in service.

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Congress Dubious

WASHINGTON (AP)—Sen. Dirksen (R-Ill.) predicted today that "hell will pop" in Congress if any proposal for U. S. support of British currency comes out of the Eisenhower-Churchill conference.

Dirksen told a reporter he does not believe President-elect Eisenhower made any commitments in his conversations with Prime Minister Winston Churchill yesterday.

"Nevertheless," the Illinois senator said, "I shall be interested to see whether Mr. Churchill subsequently makes any proposal for a gift of American gold to support the convertibility of British currency."

"If anything of that nature comes up, hell will pop in Congress, I'm sure," Dirksen said.

While Churchill has made no public mention of it, there have been reports the British Prime Minister would like to have American financial support for an international stabilization fund for the free countries.

Publicly, Churchill has concerned himself more directly with the theme that U. S. tariffs are impeding trade and hampering Britain's efforts to earn her own living with "trade, not aid."

While Sen. Taft of Ohio, the new Senate majority leader, indicated he favors extension of the Reciprocal Trade Agreements Act in about its present form, some other Republicans held out little hope for any considerable tariff cuts. The act permits the administration to cut import duties, in exchange for similar concessions from other countries.

Taft, who opposed extensions of the trade program when the Democrats were writing their own version, said he thinks the present law has been working fairly well.

Congress provided in it that the president must cite his reasons when he overrules any tariff commission finding that a proposed rate reduction threatens an American industry.

Sen. Edward Martin (R-Pa.), a finance committee member, told a reporter that while everybody would like to see an increase in the free world's trade, he believes there will be strong protests from small businessmen against lowering many rates.

Sen. Bricker (R-Ohio) said he thinks there may be "some tariff changes, but not many."

Coon May Get Committee Job

WASHINGTON (AP)—There is a "bare chance" that Oregon's freshman congressman, Rep. Sam Coon, may be appointed to the House Appropriations Committee, Rep. Walter Norblad (R-Ore.) said Monday.

Norblad, a member of the House Republican Committee on Committees, pointed out that if Coon, a Republican, were named to the committee, he would be following his predecessor, Rep. Stockman (R-Ore.) who retired after five terms.

Stockman was the only Oregon member of the committee.

Weather

FORECAST—Klamath Falls and vicinity and Northern California: Variable cloudiness Tuesday, becoming mostly cloudy at night and on Wednesday. A few scattered snow flurries Tuesday night and Wednesday. High both days 36, low tonight 22. High tomorrow 36, low next night 17. Precip yesterday 0. Since Oct. 1 5.51. Normal for period 5.92. Same period last yr 5.93.

By MARVIN L. ARROWSMITH

NEW YORK (AP)—British Prime Minister Winston Churchill will confer at dinner Tuesday night with John Foster Dulles, secretary of state, designated in President-elect Eisenhower's cabinet, and Winthrop W. Aldrich, who will be ambassador to Great Britain.

This get-together at the home of financier Bernard Baruch will follow by about 24 hours a similar dinner conference between Churchill and Eisenhower at the Baruch home.

James C. Hagerty, Eisenhower's press secretary, told newsmen that "so far as I know" there were no plans for another Eisenhower-Churchill meeting Tuesday. Hagerty said he did not know whether the two would get together again before the Prime Minister goes to Washington.

Baruch said Churchill expected to leave from La Guardia airport at 11 a. m. Thursday to visit President Truman.

Both Churchill and Eisenhower were silent on any conclusions they might have reached on world problems during their conference.

Eisenhower and Churchill—old friends from World War II days—got together at the Manhattan home of Bernard Baruch. Churchill is Baruch's guest during his New York visit.

TOPICS

The possible topics of conversation may have included such things as the Korean war, Soviet Premier Stalin's recently indicated willingness to meet with Eisenhower.

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Neither Eisenhower nor Churchill made any public statement after their meeting.

Eisenhower and Churchill met twice after the Prime Minister's arrival from England aboard the liner Queen Mary yesterday morning.

Eisenhower called first at the Baruch home on the way from his Commodore Hotel headquarters to his Columbia University residence. That session started a few minutes after 5 p. m. and lasted an hour and three-quarters.

The general then went home, changed to dinner clothes and was back at 8 p. m. to dine with Churchill, Baruch and a few others. That get-together lasted three hours.

A few moments after Eisenhower arrived the first time, photographers were called in and later described the scene in Baruch's apartment.

Eisenhower, the cameramen said, told the 78-year-old Churchill: "You look much better than I saw you last."

The last time was in December, 1951, when Churchill called on the general at his headquarters near Paris. Eisenhower then was supreme commander of Western Europe's defense forces.

At Baruch's home, Eisenhower and Churchill met the photographers in a spacious living room. They and their host sat in comfortable chairs. Above the fireplace mantle was a portrait of Churchill.

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