

KILLED IN TRAIN COLLISIONS

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Two Planes Crash; 15 Said Killed

By UNITED PRESS
Two huge Air Force bombers exploded and crashed into farm houses in almost identical smash-ups late Monday and 15 men were killed.

The disasters occurred hundreds of miles but only three hours apart. Near Dayton, Ohio, a four-engine B50 crashed and skidded wildly into three farm buildings carrying 11 men to their deaths. Three hours later, near Sedalia, Mo., a flaming B47 Stratofortier sheared off part of a farm home and crashed. The four-man crew was killed and a farm mother and her son were burned.

ROUTINE MISSIONS
In both cases, the bombers had taken off on routine training missions only minutes earlier—10 minutes in Ohio and 11 minutes in Missouri. The planes appeared to develop engine trouble at almost exactly the same time and were trying to return to their bases when they crashed.

Another air tragedy was narrowly averted hours earlier in the Midwest. Seven crewmen bailed out of a refueling tanker plane when its No. 1 engine caught fire, but the craft made a safe landing at the Olathe, Kan., Naval Air Station.

The B50 took off on its fatal Ohio flight from a top secret Air Force installation at Wright-Patterson Field and was believed to be a flying electronics testing laboratory. It carried nine sirmen and two civilians.

Highway patrolmen spotted the stricken plane passing over a small woods and crashing in a cornfield. The pilot was apparently trying to make a crash landing, but the big plane skidded wildly for 150 feet, ploughed directly into a barn, garage, and unoccupied house, and exploded.

PAIRTS SCATTERED
The blast scattered parts of badly charred bodies and wreckage over an area the size of a city block. Witnesses said the entire horizon was yellow with flames 300 to 400 feet high.

Air Force officials said the pilot of the B47 was also attempting a crash landing or a return to his base at Whiteman Air Force Base. The plane exploded in the air and smashed into the Clay Curtis farm home about 65 miles southeast of Kansas City, Mo., and 15 miles northeast of the base.



SMOOTH CLICKING cooperation of the board of directors put mounds of crab, potato salad, boiled egg, relishes and rolls on tables for 500 guests at the annual Malin Chamber of Commerce crab feed last night. The big feed was served in the Broadway Hall, donated by Vaelav Kalina. Retiring president Earl Wilson, presided. This quartet, left to right, Hal Wilson, George Brothnek, Henry Vacknitz and Wayne Fisk, was part of the serving crew.

Fire Destroys Former School

FOREST GROVE — A spectacular fire destroyed the old South Park high school building here late Monday night. Flames roared 50 feet into the air and menaced neighboring residences. But more than 35 firemen confined them to the three-story brick structure.

Roy Thompson, 45, assistant Forest Grove fire chief, was knocked off a ladder while fighting the blaze and was sent to a hospital at Hillsboro, east of here. Attendees said his injuries were serious, and fellow firemen said they understood he suffered a broken leg and possible serious back injuries.

The building, more than a half block long, had been purchased in mid-1953 by St. Anthony's Catholic parish for a reported \$72,000. Church workmen had been remodeling the auditorium and other sections for use as Easter services.

The Forest Grove school board sold the building after completing a new high school in another section of this Tualatin Valley town, some 30 miles west of Portland.

W. F. Vanderveiden, Forest Grove fire chief, said the blaze started shortly before 10 p. m. and was not controlled until three hours later. Firemen from Hillsboro and Cornelius came to aid the Forest Grove department. They were hampered by brisk winds which fanned the blaze.

Five Hundred Persons Stuff Themselves At Malin Feed

MALIN — Five hundred members of the Malin Chamber of Commerce and their guests from all parts of the Klamath Basin trekked to Malin last night, to eat crab at the annual crab feed and to hear new officers of the chamber named.

Wayne Fisk, manager of the Malin Grain and Feed Company succeeds Earl Wilson as president of the chamber. Bill Dalton Jr., was named vice president; Merle Loosley, treasurer and Jack Storey, secretary. Other new directors, elected by mail ballots are George Brothnek, Ben Pickett, Edward McCulley, Halbert Wilson and Henry Vacknitz.

Holder members are Red A. DeMerritt, Edwin Stastny, Merle Loosley, Wayne Fisk and Bill Dalton Jr. President Earl Wilson outlined objectives of the chamber, establishment of a health center in Malin, sponsorship of the "Little Stock Show" each year for 4-H Club members, and sponsorship of the Malin Boy Scout Troop.

Jim Conroy, athletic coach for the Malin High School gave a brief talk on the splendid support of the athletes given by the community but did not name this year's outstanding candidate for the sportsmanship trophy.

Conroy in his surprise announcement, indicated that choice this year is extremely hard to make. The trophy will be awarded at the close of the basketball season. The Malin High School band, directed by Charles Doby and other numbers were on the program that followed the dinner.

Mervin Wilde served as chairman of the program; Louie Kalina, food; Ed Stastny, serving; Merle Loosley, kitchen detail; Bill Dalton Jr., tables; Paul Petrasek, cleanup detail; Elmont Kenyon, coffee and T. A. DeMerritt, host chairman.

Technicians Still Lost; Storm Arises

EUREKA (UP) — A ski patrol joined a regular group of 30 men as the search for two Eureka television technicians, missing on Red Mountain since Friday, resumed at dawn today.

A spokesman at the sheriff's office in Crescent City said it was very doubtful if the men were still alive but there is still hope. A fresh storm further reduced visibility and added to the already heavy snowfall.

A new storm moved into the area yesterday causing a 50-man search party to abandon operations at 5 p. m. Poor visibility hampered additional helicopter and air plane searches.

Under the direction of Sheriff Harold Scott, the 50 men proceeded on foot or mounted on bulldozers, jeeps and snowcats. The missing men, Romie Smith, 28, and Glenn McMartin, 25, technicians for Station KIEM-TV, Eureka, left Friday on a routine check of the station's microwave equipment at the 4200-foot level of Red Mountain.

They reported by radio that they left their car at the 2000-foot level and were going the remaining three miles on snowshoes. It was their last message. They did not have any food with them.

Parties began the search on Saturday but have been hindered by bad weather and deep snows ever since. Smith, who attended Oregon Technical Institute near Klamath Falls, Ore., for two years, was graduated in June, 1955. He was a member of the Klamath Falls First Baptist Church.

Mid-Continent Mercury Drops

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS
Skies cleared and temperatures dropped in most sections of the mid-continent Tuesday.

The cold air from Canada spread southward into the Great Lakes region, Mississippi and Ohio Valleys and Southern Plains. Temperatures were as much as 20 to 25 degrees lower than 24 hours earlier in some areas.

The northern Midwest region reported below zero readings in many sections of the Dakotas, Minnesota and Wisconsin. Lowest marks were in Minnesota, averaging around 10 degrees below zero in the northern two-thirds of the state.

Separate Smashups Injure 60 Persons

SWAMPSCOTT, Mass. (UP)—At least 13 persons were killed and more than 60 were injured today when one commuter train smashed into the rear of another in a driving snowstorm.

Some passengers who survived the wreck were involved in a second collision of two other commuter trains that occurred later about five miles from the scene of the first accident.

At least 12 persons were injured in the second wreck, which also was a rear-end collision. The first, and worst, smashup occurred near Swampscott Junction.

Rescuers recovered 13 bodies. It was feared the toll might be higher. The first collision, outside Swampscott Junction, involved passenger trains bound from Portsmouth, N. H. and Salem, Mass., for Boston.

The second accident was in nearby Revere and involved two trains that had left Marblehead. All four trains were operated by the Boston and Maine Railroad. IN BOTH WRECKS

The Swampscott accident was by far the worst. In it, one of the cars was ripped in two. Three others were knocked off the tracks. The cars in the Revere mishap remained on the track and proceeded to Boston where the injured were removed to a hospital.

Austin Davis of Marblehead, an assistant sergeant at arms at the statehouse, was in both wrecks. He suffered a bruised hip and leg in the first accident but was unhurt in the second.

More than 1000 passengers were aboard the two trains in the Swampscott collision. The bodies were taken to the fire station for identification.

The train from Salem, made up of four stainless steel self-propelled Budd cars, smashed into the rear of the nine-car diesel-powered train from Portsmouth.

A witness said the Portsmouth train was at a standstill when it was rammed by the Budd Highlander. The first car of the Budd train virtually skidded under the last car of the Portsmouth train.

Passengers inside the trains scrambled to get out. Some cried hysterically. The accident occurred at 8:10 a. m. ESST during a whirling snowstorm that hit much of New England.

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Dulles Raps Criticism Of Policy

WASHINGTON — Secretary of State Dulles Tuesday rejected Democratic criticism that he has been too optimistic in judging the danger of new Soviet policies. But he said the free world must continue to be fully alert.

Dulles told a news conference the first round of the cold war conflicts appears to be over. He said a second round may be beginning in which Communist leaders will be equally preoccupied through employing more guile and less naked force than heretofore.

In this situation, he said, complacency would be disastrous. Yet he added that it would not be fair to tell the American people their sacrifices in blood and treasure during the past 10 years have not forced improvements in Soviet behavior.

RECKLESS
Dulles said it would be reckless for the United States and its allies around the world to think about reducing their military forces at this point.

That may come, he said, but not until the Soviet Union and Communist China are moving more clearly in new grooves of policy and pose less of a threat to the free nations.

Dulles expressed confidence Congress at this session will vote some kind of long range foreign aid authority which he has said is necessary to fight Russia's economic advances in Asia and Africa.

Some Democratic critics who contend Dulles is over-optimistic have suggested this may injure the administration's chances of getting what it asks in the way of foreign aid.

NEW OBSTACLES
Sen. Mansfield (D-Mont), for one, has said Dulles has raised new obstacles by "suggesting Russia is losing the cold war."

It is a handsome city. Its main street is the Avenue Juarez, which is wide and spacious. It is lined by handsome stores, which carry a wide range of merchandise. The stores are clean and attractive—and it's practically impossible to find one that doesn't have anywhere from one to half a dozen salespeople who speak fluent English.

Incidentally, Sears has a big store at Guadalajara. It handles Mexican merchandise almost exclusively, and its personnel is Mexican. By no means all of them speak English, but someone who does is always within reach.

In this Sears store, about the only American merchandise that is pushed actively is that which is covered by our term "household appliances"—kitchen gadgets a n d such. Mexico buys a great deal of American goods, but is actively interested in pushing the sale of its own products.

Because it is a great merchandise mart, with prices at least as low as anywhere in Mexico, it is a natural goal for tourists who are interested in shopping as well as in seeing the sights.

Its factories manufacture jewelry, which is beautiful and of good quality. It is a textile center. It is a large producer of pottery. It designs and manufactures attractive clothing for women.

These factories are included in practically all the organized tours for visitors, and they are fabulously interesting for Americans because their processes are nearly all hand processes. Their products depend for their beauty and their utility upon the skill and the artistry of the individual worker rather than on intricate and ingenious machinery, as is the case in our country.

An interesting example of this is the glass factory that is included in all the tours. It produces some of the most beautiful glassware made in Mexico.

It is owned by a 78-year-old Mexican who is not only its owner but its maestro. It is he who does the pieces that require artistic imagination. It is he who trains the workers in their skills. And every piece of glass that comes out of this factory is HAND made by an individual craftsman.

Britton Files For Reelection

Sheriff Murray Britton filed his declaration of candidacy for reelection Tuesday on the Democratic ticket.

Britton, who served out the unexpired term of the late Sheriff Jack Franey and was elected to the office in 1952, said he will continue to give the people of Klamath County honest and efficient service.

The sheriff is a World War II veteran and has been a resident of Klamath County for 26 years. He was born November 27, 1913 in Toppenshaw, Washington. Sheriff Britton is married and has four children.

"I am reelected," he said, "I will continue to operate the sheriff's office honestly and efficiently. The rights of all the residents of Klamath County will be protected."

RED CROSS REPORTS
BONN, Germany (UP)—The German Red Cross said Tuesday that it had been able to clear up the fate of only 156,715 of the 1,400,000 members of the German armed forces reported missing in World War II. Over 100,000 were known to be dead while 50,000 were reported to have been taken prisoner. But it was not known how many were still living, the Red Cross said.

Derailment Delays Trains

OAKRIDGE, Ore. — Two Southern Pacific passenger trains were delayed Monday by the derailment of a two-unit diesel engine in the mountains east of here.

The main line was blocked eight hours while the railroad was sending a relief train and crane from Eugene to right the overturned engine. The engine was pushing a snow plow when the accident happened. It apparently hit a snow-covered stump and the snag tore out three tracks.

The northbound Klamath was held at Crescent Lake 3 1/2 hours and the southbound Shasta Daylight was stopped at Oakridge 4 1/2 hours.

The Daylight, normally due in Klamath Falls at 2:25 p. m., arrived at about 9 p. m. and got to San Francisco at about 5 a. m. today.

Administration Rules Out Farm Compromise

WASHINGTON — The Eisenhower administration Tuesday ruled out any compromise on the farm bill, center of a close Senate battle over price support features.

Senate GOP leader Knowland of California said after the weekly meeting of the President and Eisenhower "has not changed his position" against rigid price supports.

Knowland added that he believes the Senate will defeat the Democratic move to restore fixed supports on a close vote. A vote is expected next week.

Knowland said there was no discussion at the White House of whether Eisenhower might veto the farm bill if it should reach him calling for abandonment of the administration's flexible price support system.

Primary Plans Set By Estes

ANNAPOLIS, Md. (AP)—Sen. Kefauver (D-Tenn) was reported today to enter the Maryland presidential primary.

A source close to the Tennessee Democrat, asking that he remain anonymous, said Kefauver's decision probably will become public Thursday.

Kefauver was told when he visited Maryland last December that state party leaders were not ready to commit themselves. They told the same thing to representatives of Adlai Stevenson and Gov. Averell Harriman of New York, who also made "feeler" trips to Baltimore.



DICK JONES, 3407 Bisbee Street, was hard at work this morning when interrupted by the 9 o'clock photographer. Jones is an employe of Lou Hatfield, masonry contractor. The work was in progress at a house on 512 North Ninth Street.

Thornton Asks Reelection

SALEM — Atty. Gen. Robert Y. Thornton, Democrat, announced Monday he would stick with his original decision to run for reelection.

He announced, before the death of Gov. Paul Patterson, he would seek reelection. But after the governor's death, Thornton had been mentioned as a possible gubernatorial candidate.

So far, he is the only Democratic candidate for attorney general, but State Sen. Carl Francis, Dayton Republican, is seeking the office. Thornton's statement said:



MURRAY BRITTON