

# Parachute May Be Clue In Mystery

COOS BAY, Ore. (AP) — A parachute, snagged high in a 200-foot fir tree with the harness snaps still buckled, may provide the answer to what happened to a man who vanished in a plane crash 14 years ago.

The parachute was in the upper branches of the tree felled in a forest located in the Lake Creek area of Western Douglas County. Stenciled on the chute was "Sedalia AAF, Knob Noster, Mo." On Nov. 26, 1945, an Air Force C46 en route from there to McChord Field, Tacoma, Wash., crashed in fog when it ran out of gas.

The pilot and the copilot rode the plane down and died. The other 19 men aboard bailed out and nine were found alive. No trace ever was found of the 10th, Sgt. Robert T. W. Neal, of Los Angeles.

The buckled harness on the chute made it appear as if whoever was in it never got out alive. One of the nine rescued was caught high in a fir tree. His cries attracted loggers who got him down.

The chute, stenciled 42-4647-93, was sent to Sedalia Base, now called Whiteman Air Force Base, to see if it had been issued to Neal.

An officer at the base said records of the 1945 operations had been sent elsewhere. He said it was unlikely any identification would come from it because 10 or 12 usually were carried on a plane. A man, the officer said, would simply pick up the closest one.

The discovery came Friday when Jim and Ray Gabbard, contract loggers for Weyerhaeuser Timber Co., felled the tree. It was an hour and a half ride and hike in from a road.

# Interracial Housing Eyed

DEERFIELD, Ill. (AP) — The village park board, with \$550,000 at its disposal, meets tonight to map plans for acquisition of the site of a planned interracial housing subdivision in this all-white suburban community.

The park board wants to buy the land from the builders with funds voted Monday in a village referendum. A record 86 per cent of the eligible voters in this Chicago suburb of 10,000 turned out to give a 2-1 approval to the board's \$550,000 bond issue referendum.

The board plans to add six tracts of land to the village park system, including two that make up the proposed integrated Floral Park project.

Although the ballot contained only a "yes" or "no" on the bond issue, the vote was regarded as a censure of the Floral Park project in which the builders said 10 to 12 of the 51 homes would be sold to Negroes.

The builders, Progress Development Corp., have indicated no desire to sell the Floral Park land. They already have rejected one park board offer of \$166,500.

Park Board President James Mitchell has said that if the land can't be purchased, the board would institute condemnation proceedings. A long court fight appeared probable.

**BELIEVES IN SIGNS**  
LAFAYETTE, Ind. (AP)—Onlookers gawked in amazement as a motorcyclist stopped his machine at an intersection, waited until the "walk" light went on, dismounted, walked his cycle across the intersection, mounted and rode off.

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# Checks Slated For Indians

WASHINGTON (AP) — Secretary of the Interior Fred A. Seaton said Monday the Bureau of Indian Affairs soon will begin payments to

# One Couple Makes Sure

WILKESBORO, N.C. (AP)—One couple made sure, and the other 38 married by Elsie Foster since July 1 had the assurance of Judge Robert Gambill today that they are firmly hitched.

Miss Foster, who works in the Wilkes County Register of Deeds Office, had performed the ceremonies thinking she was a justice of the peace. However, it came to light over the weekend she had failed to qualify for a two-year appointment by not taking oath of office in the prescribed 90-day period.

The Superior Court jurist told Miss Foster, 38, that "technically the couples might not be married but they entered into the ceremonies in good faith. I feel they are actually married. I would not entertain any (court) action," he continued, "to question the legality of the marriage."

Still, Grady Blackburn, 22, and Mary Jane Poplin, 17, of Roaring River, N.C., who were married Dec. 4, by Miss Foster, weren't taking any chances. They decided to go through the ceremony again. This time before Justice of the Peace C. W. Hanes.

# Tons Of Berries To Be Destroyed

SAN FRANCISCO (AP)—Nearly 21 tons of Oregon cranberries, seized in the pre-Thanksgiving cranberry scare, were ordered destroyed Monday by Federal Judge Lloyd H. Burke.

They will be bulldozed into the ground Wednesday in an open field near Modesto, where they were impounded in the Merchants Refrigerating Co. warehouse. The 41,599 pounds were found to be contaminated with aminotriazole, a weed killer that produced cancer in rats. They were the only cranberries seized in California during the scare.

**PLAYS IT SAFE**  
CRAWFORDSVILLE, Ind. (AP)—Six-year-old Greta Jan Zachary wasn't taking any chances on missing a party invitation offered by the city library to any youngster who read 10 or more books in a nine-week period, Greta, who doesn't care for television, zipped through 250 books.

**BUDDY BIRD**  
McALESTER, Okla. (AP)—Squeaky, a pigeon rescued and cared for since it was a baby, follows Edward Hill to high school every day. When they reach the school—the bird flying near his master—Squeaky whirrs and heads back home.

Voluntary church offerings for the support of the Pope are called "Peter's pence."

# Clergyman, Wife Killed In Accident

BEND, Ore. (AP) — A Salem clergyman and his wife, driving to Buhl, Idaho, to spend the Christmas holiday with relatives, were killed Monday when their car left an icy highway and overturned.

Dead were Dr. Brooks Moore, 50, pastor of the First Methodist Church in Salem for 12 years, and his wife, Ferne.

Both were thrown from the car. He was killed outright. Mrs. Moore died about 10 minutes later.

The accident happened about 70 miles east of here in freezing fog that coated roads and telephone lines with ice, halting telephone service to Burns.

The Rev. Robert Becker, pastor of the Trinity Lutheran Church at

Bend, was driving home from Burns and saw the accident.

He said the Rev. Dr. Moore's car skidded onto the right shoulder of the road, traveled along it about 250 feet, swerved to the left side, then rolled several times end-over-end.

Packages containing Christmas gifts the Moores had taken along were strewn around the accident scene.

Witnesses said a small golden-

colored pet spaniel leaped from the wreckage and bounded away into sagebrush. Police and others were unable to find it.

Two years ago the Rev. Dr. Moore and his wife took a 10-week trip around the world. It was a gift of appreciation from members of his congregation.

The deaths increased Oregon's traffic fatality toll for the year to 477 and for December to 36, in the Associated Press tabulation.

# Charges Filed Against Pair

PORTLAND (AP) — Federal charges have been filed here against two men in the Dec. 7 burglary of the Washington Federal Savings & Loan Assn. of Hillsboro and Tigard, southwest of here.

Special FBI agent Joseph E. Thornton said one of them, Guy Bernard Groupet, 22, of Seattle, still is at large. The other, Robert Franklin Knox, 24, of Estacada, Ore., is in custody.

Knox was arraigned Monday before U.S. Commissioner Claire Mundorf, who set bail at \$10,000 after Knox had waived preliminary hearing.

Burglars forced their way into the bank building with a crowbar and broke open the safe, taking some \$2,000 in cash and nearly \$1,000 in checks. It was one of four burglaries in the same area that night.

**HOT BITE**  
LIMA, Ohio (AP) — Ohio Power Company officials had little difficulty determining what time a raccoon wandered into a substation in nearby Lafayette. Every electric clock in the eastern half of Allen County stopped at 3:18 a.m. The raccoon's charred body was found under the power lines it had short-circuited in the substation.



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# Lad Suffocates In Sand Pit

SPOKANE (AP) — Steven Joe Wright, 11, suffocated Monday when the sides of a sand pit gave way and buried him.

Neighbors said Steven and his 9-year-old brother David were playing on the edge of the 200-foot deep pit when the older boy

climbed down to a ledge several feet below the top of the pit. The loose soil above the ledge let go and covered the boy.

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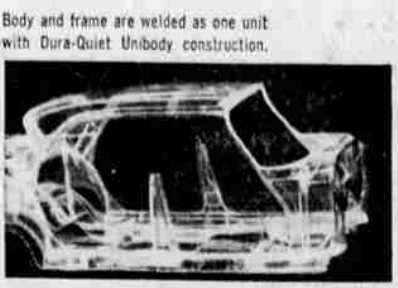
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