

# Loss Of Power Blamed For Submarine's Fate

WASHINGTON (UPI) — The submarine Thresher, which went to the ocean bottom April 10 with 129 men aboard, probably lost nuclear power at a crucial moment when water was flooding its engine room.

The reactor apparently shut down automatically, as nuclear power plants are designed to do in certain emergencies, under a "fail-safe" system.

Submariners were wondering today whether the power plant, had it continued to operate, would have been able to drive the Thresher to the surface against the great weight of flooding seawater.

Presumably no one will ever know. There was no suggestion one way or the other in an official Navy report Thursday on the disaster, the worst ever to befall a submarine. The Navy said the "most probable" cause of the tragedy was flooding in the engine room caused by a piping system failure.

The Navy expressed full confidence in its nuclear submarine program and outlined several new safety measures being taken.

In a somewhat similar situation aboard the first nuclear sub, Nautilus, in April, 1959, Cmdr. William R. Anderson had a flooding engine room but was able to apply full speed and make it safely to the surface from a depth of more than 400 feet.

Anderson, now a retired captain heading President Kennedy's National Service Corps efforts, later told United Press International that the full speed applied to the Nautilus increased the "lift" of its control surfaces enough to overcome the weight of flooding water.

"The critical part was starting up before flooding water could put us in dire straits," he said. Anderson was operating "quite deep" in an anti-submarine exercise off the Maine coast when a cooling line broke and dumped water into the engine room "a ton every few seconds."

The Thresher, in deep diving tests off Cape Cod, must have been much deeper and encountered a more violent and rapid series of misfortunes. No one of these could be called the sole cause of the tragedy.

## Correct Rodeo Result Given

SILVER LAKE — J. P. McAuliffe, Klamath Marsh, was third in calf roping and second in the reined cow horse competition at the third annual jackpot rodeo sponsored by the Silver Lake Roping Club, Ambrose McAuliffe was incorrectly listed as placing in the two events.



**KU SERVICE CLUB OFFICERS** — Five new Pelican Service Club officers were picked recently for the coming school year. The club members participate in ushering and ticket selling duties at the high school ball games. Newly elected, from left, are Diane Hancock, president, Jolene English, merit keeper, Rosanne Lehigh, vice president, Jeri Bowers, merit keeper, and Bev Silva, secretary-treasurer.

## Rites Held At Lakeview

LAKEVIEW — Ronda Randall Butts, 73, died June 18, at his home on the Westside. Funeral services were held June 20 at the Church of the Open Bible, with the Rev. Earl Dukes officiating.

The Ousley - Osterman Mortuary was in charge of arrangements and burial was in the Westside Cemetery.

Born at St. Croix Falls, Wis., on April 21, 1890, he was married June 21, 1945, to Dora Gillespie at Roseburg.

Surviving are his wife; three sons, Wilbur of Turner, John of Jefferson, and Orville of Portland; four daughters, Della Kessling, Eldora Soward, and Elvora Malpass of Eugene and Katherine Joyner of Salem; 24 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren. Mrs. Francis Maddock of Lakeview is a sister, and there are five other sisters and three brothers outside the state.

## Contract Set For Loon Lake

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Rep. Robert Duncan, D-Ore., said today the Bureau of Land Management would award a contract to Fred Jensen, North Bend, Ore., for recreational site work at Loon Lake east of Reedsport.

He said the work, to cost \$17,422, would start about June 28. It will include excavation, development of the swimming area, road and parking construction and a concrete boat ramp.

## Rabbit Mixed Up

PETERBOROUGH, England (UPI) — Scamp, a pet rabbit, was taken by its owner to an animal home Wednesday for psychiatric treatment because it imitates ducks in a nearby pond and nearly drowns trying to swim.

## BASIN BRIEFS

**BONANZA** — MR. AND MRS. MIKE CONLEY and daughter, Corvallis, and Mrs. Leonard Nimi, Downey, Calif., spent a few days with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Crawford, on June 6 they went to Medford for dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Brown, and with the Byran Ross family of Bly and the Bob Hartley family they attended the graduation of Tommy Crawford from Crater High School.

**JANET WORDEN** of Klamath Falls is spending several weeks in Dairy with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Rodgers.

**MRS. HAROLD SMITH** of Ashland spent a week with her niece, Mrs. Bob Hartley, and family.

**MRS. MAE GALE** and Mr. and Mrs. Bud Harris and family spent Sunday at Gerber Dam with Mr. and Mrs. Leland Harris.

**CURTIS BALDOCK** spent a few days at Folsom with Mr. and Mrs. Ed Larkin, former Langell Valley residents. He enjoyed a trip to Lake Tahoe while there.

**NEIL GROHS** is home from the hospital in Alturas, where he received care for a break in his right leg. His horse fell with him while team roping at the Likely Rodeo on June 16. Grohs and Stanley Johnson of Malibu won the team average for the two days.

**MR. AND MRS. VERNON NEWLUN** are visiting in Sacramento with Mr. and Mrs. Tom House and family.

**MRS. HARRY FRAZIER**, Mrs. Don Ralph and Mrs. Jimmy Nork and Neil made a trip to Portland, where Mrs. Ralph visited her sister and family. Mrs. Nork and sons remained for a week with Mr. and Mrs. Warren Dick and family. Mrs. Frazier brought her daughter, Linda, home from Shriners Hospital where she had surgery.

**BILL HOUSE** spent a few days in Sacramento with relatives and friends.

**MR. AND MRS. WALTER FOSTER** and Rickey of Monterey spent a few days in Langell Valley with her sister, Mrs. Orval DeVaul. They came for the June 13 wedding of their nephew, Jack DeVaul to Madelon Guidi. Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Conley of Astoria, sister and brother-in-law of DeVaul, were also here for the wedding.

**MR. AND MRS. BOB COLWELL** and Diane, Arnold Criss and Russell, Norman Holbrook, Delmar Criss and Wayne and Kenneth Holbrook, Macdowell; Gary and Roger Porterfield and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Porterfield and sons, Dorris; Mrs. Jaunita Stevenson and Pamela Hartline.

**TUNISIA GETS LOAN** — TUNIS, Tunisia (UPI) — The United States will lend Tunisia \$15 million under an agreement signed Thursday by U.S. Ambassador Francis Russell and Ahmed Ben Salah, Tunisian secretary of state for planning and finance.

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## Air Force Boundaries Realigned

The realignment of air defense forces recently announced by the Department of Defense has increased the operational responsibilities of the 25th Region, North American Air Defense Command, the Information Office at Kingsley Field has reported.

Since June 1, the 25th Region has been supplemented by two fighter-interceptor squadrons, including the 84th at Hamilton Air Force Base and the 82nd at Travis AFB; seven U.S. Army Nike-Hercules missile sites; and three radar sites, all of which were previously part of the 20th Region's San Francisco-Sacramento air defense complex.

The region boundary, which previously extended southward to Red Bluff, Calif., has been extended to include San Jose, about 40 miles south of San Francisco. This change has added 290 miles of coastline and some 37,000 square miles to the 600,000 square mile area previously comprising the region's zone.

No boundary changes were made to the north or east.

Except for the increase in Northern California, the region's defense of Washington and Oregon and Canada remains the same.

Control of the air defense system has been changed to comprise two, rather than three, sector direction centers. The Seattle sector commanded by Brig. Gen. Grover C. Brown with headquarters at McChord Air Force Base, Wash., takes over responsibilities of the "phase-out" parts of Oregon, Idaho and Montana. Oregon and the expanded Northern California portion of the system come under the Portland sector, currently commanded by Col. Leon W. Gray, with headquarters at Adair Air Force Station, Corvallis, Ore.

Changes affecting personnel and units are minimal. In all, some 190 officers and 1,830 airmen are involved in personnel changes, including transfers within the region and command-wide.

The alignment, as previously announced by the Department of Defense, is aimed at achieving the best means of affording an effective defense against the long range bomber threat.

## Ex-Teachers Hear Officer

Lt. Col. Lucius Theus, Kingsley Air Force Base, guest speaker for the June 13 meeting of the Retired Teachers, talked on the North American Air Defense Command with headquarters at Colorado Springs.

Defense orders that originate there and in Canada are relayed to all defense units. Past State President Lorena Ward of Klamath Falls installed new officers: Miss May Phinney president; Marguerite Parker, vice president; Miss Olive Wilson, secretary; Helen Perkins, treasurer; Frieda Bryant, auditor. Ann Ogilvie, historian and Edna Wilkinson, assistant historian. Hostesses were Miss Marie Dressler and Ethel Dibble.



**SCHOLARSHIP** — Alex Sapiens, foster son of Mr. and Mrs. John Brown of Bonanza, was recently notified that he had been selected recipient of the Walter H. Beane memorial scholarship. A 1963 graduate, Alex plans to attend Oregon State University and major in electrical engineering.

## Fire Belles Hold Drills

BONANZA — The 10 members of the Bonanza Fire Belles, Fire Chief Lloyd Sparks, Louis Van Sipe, and Gerald Watson recently held a two-hour fire drill.

The group met at Bonanza Park and Clara Boid sounded the alarm, testing a new method of pushing the button. She released it at intervals and the siren was heard at a greater distance.

The women were instructed in pumping water into the trucks from the Lost River. One pump, a gas pump, is set on the river bank, and the city truck has a pump on the truck. The rural truck is equipped with a portable pump.

At the next regular meeting of the group, to be announced, films will be shown on fire training and fire fighting.

Patent of an article is not required to either manufacture or sell his patented item if he does not see fit to do so.

## 'Missing' KUHS 1936 Students Are Sought

Plans are progressing rapidly for the reunion of KUHS classes of 1933, 1934, 1935 and 1936, but the committee in charge of the class of 1936 has not been able to obtain the addresses of 30 members. The first reunion of the class is scheduled Aug. 10 at the Reames Golf and Country Club.

Anyone having information concerning the "missing" persons is requested to contact Mrs. Tessie Dempsey at TU 2-3366 after 3 p.m. Information on the following is needed:

Louise Canady, Luella Mai Cooper, Edward English, Harold Gordon, Louise Hansen, Lola Howe, Ray Irwin, Kenneth Jarrett, Flora Keen, Florence Kiesel, Kathryn Lee Kimble, Dorothy Lind, Dorothy Lockwood, Vivian Mathison, Arlene McCoy, Vernon Michaelson, Margaret Monahan, Douglas Mordoff, Adele Morton, Jack Pape, Florence Park, Beth Price, Sherman Ruttencutter, Don Sellers, Florene Sink, Billie Smith, Dale Smith, George Warrell, Edna McLain Age and Vernon Renner.

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