

Toll May Reach Eight In Washington Blast

MOSES LAKE (UPI)—Rescue workers probed through pulverized concrete and twisted steel today, trying to locate the victims of an explosion at a sugar refining plant near here Wednesday which left four known dead and four missing.

The four missing were presumed dead. Seven other men were in a Moses Lake hospital with burns and other injuries.

Workers, who labored by floodlight throughout the night, recovered the bodies of two men, John Henry and Albert Lapp, both of Moses Lake.

Two more bodies, those of James I. Cain and Leonard Able, believed to be from Moses Lake, were spotted in the rubble, but workers have not been able to recover them.

The blast ripped through the \$15 million facility, located three miles east of here and owned by the Utah and Idaho Sugar Co., about 5 p.m. Wednesday. The plant was scheduled to begin processing this year's multimillion dollar sugar beet crop today.

The blast left four of eight 10-foot high sugar beet storage silos nothing but jagged stumps of from 20 to 30 feet high. Surrounding fields were littered with chunks of glass brick, twisted steel and concrete from the silos.

The main building of the plant, located only a few yards from the silos, had all the concrete blown away from it and was nothing but a skeleton of twisted structural steel. Two cars parked nearby were flattened.

The casualties might have been higher had it not been for the fact that the regular work force

of 250 men quit work a half hour before the explosion occurred.

At the time of the explosion there were 50 persons on the premises. Some were putting in overtime for the sugar firm and others employed by a sheet metal firm were working in one of the silos. Henry was the owner of the sheet metal firm.

Ham Simmons, an assistant fire marshal for Grant County Rural District 5, said, "Any actual estimate of damage will have to be made in the daylight."

One survivor of the blast, Paul Butler, an employe of the sugar firm, said the explosion sounded "like an atomic bomb." He said the interior of the factory was a mass of twisted tubes.

Cause of the blast still was not fully explained hours after it occurred, but firemen said it happened in a silo partially filled with sugar beets near where the sheet metal firm crew was working. There were reports, unconfirmed, that the workmen had been using torches of some sort.

The plant, built 10 years ago, was swinging into full production as sugar beet harvest got under way in the Columbia Basin of Central Washington this week. The plant had been expected to handle about 6,500 tons of beets per day.

President Douglas Love of the company indicated at Salt Lake City, Utah, that damage was not as heavy as observers at the scene considered it. He said the plant would be back in operation "within a reasonably short time."

U.S. Officials Fear Return Of Trujillo-Type Rule In Dominican

WASHINGTON (UPI)—U.S. officials expressed fear today that an echo of the Trujillo dictatorship might be taking hold again in the Dominican Republic.

The State Department has suspended all U.S. aid and diplomatic relations with the Caribbean country until it becomes clear what kind of government is set up by military leaders who Wednesday overthrew President Juan Bosch.

U.S. Ambassador John B. Martin in Santo Domingo has been given the difficult assignment of finding out the military group's intentions without formally establishing diplomatic contact.

Martin is expected to remain in the Dominican capital for a time to make this assessment and then to return to Washington for policy talks.

The State Department ordered the U.S. aid mission in the Dominican Republic to halt all disbursements and to conduct no business. However, it will remain in the country.

A small U.S. Peace Corps contingent will carry on its activities.

U.S. officials privately expressed concern that the Dominican Republic might be undergoing "a return to Trujilloism without the Trujillos."

Generalissimo Rafael Trujillo, who ruled the country with an iron hand for 30 years, was assassinated in 1961, and members of his family later went into exile.

The military leaders who ousted Bosch have denied any Trujillo connections. But some officials here believe most of the Dominican military was so much a part of Trujillo's regime that it would be hard to separate them.

The Dominican defense minister, Maj. Gen. Victor Vinas Roman, who apparently commanded the coup against Bosch, is re-

garded as largely owing his position in life to the Trujillos.

U.S. officials were disappointed freely elected president in 1960 with Bosch, the country's first

well-intentioned and liberal, but they regarded him as ineffective and "drifting."

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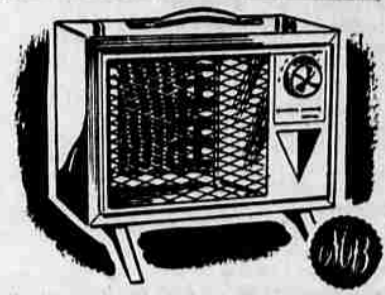
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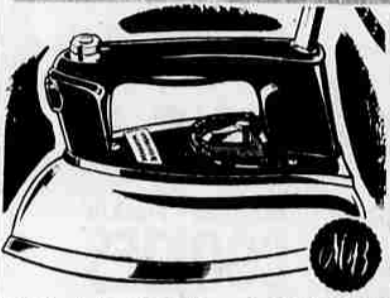
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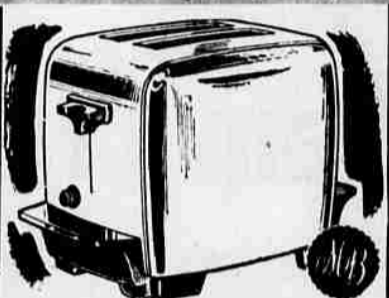
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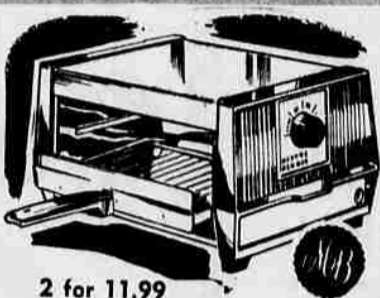
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The long-awaited report by Lord Denning, Britain's second ranking jurist, also cleared other cabinet ministers of any involvement in the scandal that linked War Minister John Profumo with redhaired call girl Christine Keeler. But at the same time Lord Denning said Macmillan and his aides should have been aware of what was going on between the cabinet minister and the play girl.

The report, published a half hour after midnight, sketched the dilemma of a government headed by Macmillan, of Eton, Oxford, and the Grenadier Guards, in dealing with Profumo, of Harrow, Oxford, and the Northamptonshire Yeomanry.

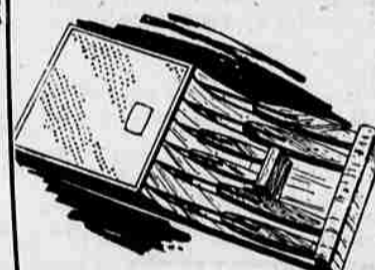


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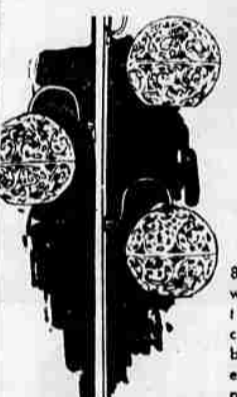
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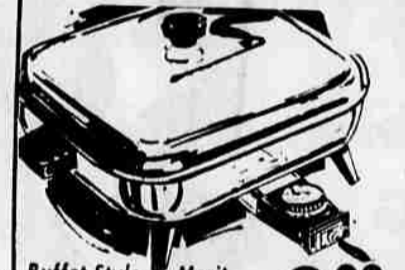


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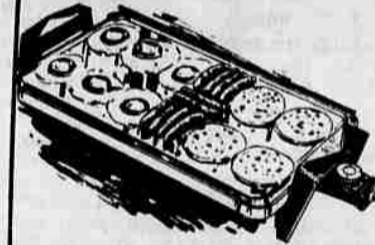
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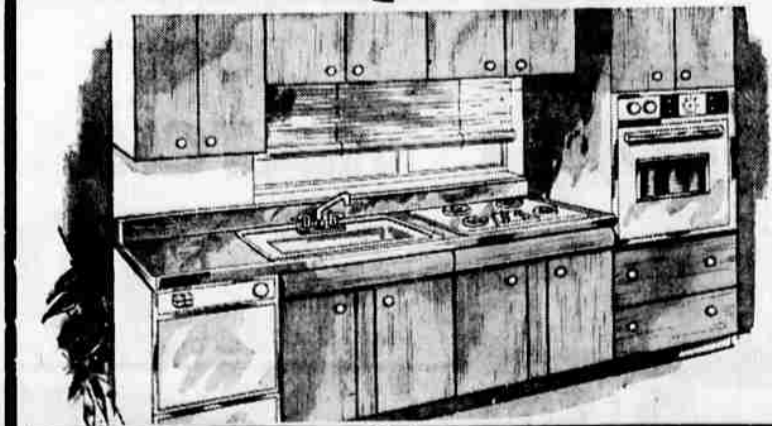
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