

THE CAROLINA GAZETTE

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2 CHARLOTTEANS DIE IN CRASH

The passenger in the light plane that crashed in Rowan County yesterday afternoon died at 8:10 this morning in Rowan Memorial Hospital. The pilot was killed instantly.

The passenger was Walter W. Smith of 2901 N. Alexander St., Charlotte. The pilot, also a Charlotte man, was John Floyd Alexander, 41, of 3006 N. Caldwell St.

No reason for the crash has been given. It crashed in a pea-field on a hillside between China Grove and Rockwell. The time was about 9 o'clock.

The plane was a two-seated Taylorcraft, owned by Alexander. It was based at Brookhollow Field, near China Grove.

Both Alexander and Smith were employed at Highland Park Manufacturing Co. here.

Investigating State Highway Patrolman Roger Ingram said the plane crashed suddenly after flying at about 200 or 300 feet over the field.

The plane had left Charlotte at 9:45 o'clock yesterday morning for Norfolk, Va. The two men apparently were returning when the crash occurred. The plane's engine and

gas tank were smashed back into the cabin at the crash. The instrument panel was covered with blood. Smith suffered multiple fractures

of the skull and face, three compound fractures of the right leg, law of the left leg, numerous broken ribs and internal injuries. He did not regain consciousness. He was 39 years old and survived by his wife and five children.

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Senate Votes Against Tightening Rent Control

Sen. Wherry Four Down When Cruiser Goes To Kill Bill

Motion Defeated By 44-25 Count

WASHINGTON (AP)—The Senate refused today to shelve the rent control bill. The vote was 44-25. The vote was recorded as an eleven-foot margin on the cruiser when it missed a lock and went over the dam. Wright and his boss, veteran lobbyist James Wolfenden, went to their rescue in an eighteen-foot inflatable. The small craft was smashed to pieces and Wolfenden and Wright jumped to the cruiser. Then, one by one, the four who perished began going overboard. Wolfenden declared: "It was a nightmare. I tried to get everybody to hang on tight and wait for help but it wasn't long before one of the women was swept overboard. Then another woman fell in. Finally a man disappeared. That left four of us."

Authorities laid the lost, in addition to Wright, on Sen. William Fisher, 25; Mrs. Carol Kreig, about 30, wife of one of the

recruited, and William Lahey Jr., about 25. The rescued were Wolfenden, James McHugh, 24, owner of the cruiser; Charles Kelley, 34, and Jack Kreig, 28.

All but McHugh and Lahey were residents of the Pittsburgh area. McHugh is the head of a Chicago construction firm, has been employed on a building project here. Lahey, also from Chicago, worked for the firm and lived with McHugh.

"I've lost my wife, I've lost my wife," muttered Kreig as he was carried in a stretcher. She had been crushed unashamedly until given a sedative.

Several hours later, Kreig told from a hospital bed of the midnight tragedy.

TRAGEDY STORY
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FCX Letter Supporting Senator Graham Branded As Violation Of Federal Laws

A group of ten Mecklenburg citizens charged today that the Farmers Cooperative Exchange of Raleigh had violated a Federal law by using money in supporting Sen. Graham's reelection campaign.

The local men, in a letter to U. S. Attorney General Howard McGrath, demanded an official investigation.

The accusation was signed by S. S. Dickson, W. S. Tate, J. Bruce Wainwright, R. M. Webb, Earle Whitton, Glenn W. Pennington, Lee A. Folger, A. Montgomery and J. L. Crouch.

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During the morning Jordan was presented photographs and a statement by Jesse Helms, news director for radio station WRAL. One of the pictures shown was a man painting and the other showed him being interviewed by Helms.

Helms said he also saw Moore working in a garage-apartment behind Helms' home.

Moore said he would not identify himself as a prisoner. Moore said he planned to present the Governor evidence that he got the materials used in building the garage-apartment from his son-in-law and that he hired a carpenter to erect the building.

Moore said he would not do some of the work but "I do deny that I ordered them to do it. It was purely voluntary and of short duration."

Dr. Jordan has said that if the charges are proved true, Moore will resign.

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U. S. Official In Town To Advise City

Problem Of High Cost Is Talked

By TOM FESPHERIAN Charlotte News Staff Writer

A Washington official suggested today that Charlotte plan construction of its proposed auditorium on cleared slum land.

He made the suggestion informally after he was told that some Charlotte leaders had wanted to locate on an area of slum property for an auditorium site but found the cost of the land prohibitive.

"The Federal Government's urban redevelopment program," said Mr. Creighton said, could be utilized to clear the land.

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Once Over Lightly BY THE OLD SHAVER
M'Arthur Bans London Writer
TOKYO (AP)—Frank Howe, Tokyo correspondent for The London Times, said today he had been advised he is considered "persona non grata" in Japan. Howe said he was invited to further examine Gold in this jurisdiction.

Transfer Of Harr Gold To New York Is Delayed
PHILADELPHIA (AP)—Federal judge James P. McCraney today delayed action on an indictment against Harr Gold, an indicted Communist Party member, for the transfer of Harr Gold to New York where he would be brought to immediate trial.

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