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13 KILLED BY PLANE IN ALASKA

Air Force Jet Crashes Into Housing Units

FAIRBANKS, Alaska (AP)—A jet fighter plane crashed on takeoff from a row of houses yesterday, killing at least 13 persons.

At least eight were injured. Boaring along a few feet above the ground at an estimated 150 miles an hour, the F84 plowed into the first of six eight-unit buildings used to house Eilson Air Force Base personnel and their families.

The apartment unit was virtually demolished as the plane exploded. Parts of it, its furnishings and the plane scattered over the two-block area onto the other five houses.

The tremendous impact sent apartment fire tanks hurtling through the air, forcing the fire which had broken out in all the buildings.

Among the victims was the pilot, 11 Alfred F. Ponder, 28, Monticello, Miss.

Blamed For Eight Deaths

Severe Cold Stays As Storms Subside

Stormy weather which struck sections of the Midwest and Northeast appeared fading today but there was no immediate relief from the unseasonable cold over the central and eastern parts of the nation.

The Arctic air centered in the Dakotas and Nebraska, where temperatures were generally below zero. But it was freezing and below in wide areas south and eastward to the eastern seaboard.

The storm was centered in the St. Lawrence Gulf during the night and continued moving northward.

The freezing line extended southward to the Gulf coast of Alabama, northern Florida and northern Texas. Record low temperatures for the date were reported in many parts of the cold belt.

Schools and department stores were closed in Buffalo, thousands of persons were stranded in the upper Ohio valley and in the northern Appalachians. Falls of one inch were reported as far south as Flat Top in southern West Virginia. Scattered snow flurries also were reported in the northern Rockies. There was rain along the coastal areas of Washington and Oregon.

It was warmer in the Pacific Coast states with early morning temperatures in the 40s in western sections of Oregon and Washington and in the 50s along the California coast.

Clear skies are predicted today and tomorrow, but clouds may begin to form by Friday. There's some chance of rain here the end of the week. In the mountains the precipitation may fall as freezing rain or even snow.

Relief from the cold spell, the latest of the season, will come only when warm air sweeps in from the Gulf Coast. That should be sometime this weekend.

Coldest city in the Carolinas this morning was Hickory, which reported a 1-degree low. It was 19 in Asheville, 18 in Greensboro, 24 in Spartanburg, 21 in Anderson, 26 in Wilmington, 22 in Raleigh and 23 at Myrtle Beach.

Newspaper Restored

BUENOS AIRES (AP)—The government today issued a decree restoring the newspaper La Prensa to the Perez family. At the same time it ordered dissolution of the Peronista party.

The decree of provisional President Pedro Aramburu spelled a finish to the totalitarian political machine which Juan D. Peron organized six years ago to smother the opposition and tighten his rule.

Expropriation of La Prensa in 1951 was one of the steps Peron took to clamp his control on the nation.

Evening Prayer

Thou, O Father, are the fountain of inner peace. Disturb us when we incline toward laziness and satisfaction with things as they are. Help us to dedicate ourselves to the cause of Thy Kingdom. Teach us to walk in the path of forgiveness and self-sacrifice. Grant us Thy peace through Christ, Amen.

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THE SUNNY SOUTH becomes the icy South temporarily, and Pat Cunningham, Atlanta, stands on an icicle beside a frozen fountain. (AP Wirephoto).

Consensus Opinion Offered

By HERB ALTSCHULL

WASHINGTON (AP)—A subcommittee report to the White House education conference today called on the federal government to keep its fingers out of local school affairs.

Discussing the role of the U. S. Office of Education, the report said:

"The contact of the federal government should be confined to state level contacts and not made directly with local school boards.

The report, presented to a general session of the conference by James D. King, of Brownwood, Tex., represented the consensus of the nearly 2,000 conference participants. It came up through a series of round-table discussions.

The report said that "consideration should be given to the strengthening of the position of the Office of Education in keeping with the importance of education to the nation."

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It said the office should provide "leadership of the sort represented by this conference."

The report, one of six to be presented to the conference, had as its topic: "In what ways can we organize our school systems more efficiently and economically?"

Minority reports which the subcommittee considered important enough to be presented recommended:

1. State financial help for qualified students to "meet the tragic shortages in teaching, medical arts and scientific professions."

2. "A sound, equitable tax base between administrative units."

3. State provision of "desirable services over, above and beyond those provided by local school districts."

4. A study of the practicality of the 12-month school year to provide a basic program.

5. Studies of "menacing dangers and ways to free the teacher to exercise his primary responsibility for instruction."

6. Fiscal independence for local school districts under state law.

7. "The delegates had agreed on the nation's schools' history" in teaching the three R's but that improvement still is "a long and necessary" task.

A number of the 1,800 participating delegates—some others were present in only as observers—grumbled that the first of the giant conference's reports last night was too generalized.

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Leave Local Schools Alone, U. S. Is Told



Grocer McHam Demonstrates How He Started Battle With Gunman

Thieves Got Nothing But Trouble

GUN BATTLES FOIL HOLD-UPS

By DONALD MACDONALD

Charlotte News Staff Writer

Hold-up men, operating in Charlotte's west side last night, had the misfortune to pick quick-thinking victims who fought back.

Two holdups were foiled. The bandits gained nothing. Police believe both attempted robberies were staged by the same pair of Negro men.

In one instance a former policeman, now a grocery store owner, exchanged pistol shots with the pair.

Slipped Away

The delivery boy is Willie Lee Gist, 2500 Remus Rd.

Occurring about 6:30 p.m., the stick-up attempt at Mac's Food Store failed when the grocer grabbed a .32-caliber revolver and fired once at each man.

"I think I might have hit one of the two," Mr. McHam told police today. "I was closing the store when these two Negro men came in, and one walked over toward the heater."

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(News Staff Photo by Tom Franklin—Herald)

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Gadget-Loaded Tractor Plays Second Fiddle

GAITHERSBURG, Pa.—(AP)—President Eisenhower accepted a gadget-loaded tractor and cultivator, complete with built-in radio and cigarette lighter, today—then laughingly declared he has sealed down his agricultural ambitions.

"I still settle now for being a tractor driver on a farm," Eisenhower said.

In high spirits, the President enjoyed the presentation of the \$4,000 tractor-cultivator combination by showing off an electric cow-caller which sent a resounding moo over his pasture and brought the cows coming on the run.

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In Report On Education

14 School Points Stressed

By THOMAS L. ROBINSON

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WASHINGTON—The growing responsibility in the United States of every level of government to provide free public education regardless of the race, creed or religion of the students was emphasized in the first report of the National Conference on Education.

Discussing yesterday the subject, "What Should Our Schools Accomplish?" delegates seated in groups of from 10 to 12 at about 120 round tables came forward with a number of observations and deductions which will become a part of the report to be submitted to President Eisenhower.

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