



62 Persons Vanish In Overdue Airplane

Believed Down In Mountains

VANCOUVER, B. C. (AP)—A Trans-Canada Air Lines plane carrying 62 persons vanished during a violent west-storm over mountainous south-central British Columbia last night and was believed to have crashed.

Potentially it was the worst Canadian aviation disaster in Canadian history.

A ground search party was investigating reports that lights had been seen on Sumas Mountain, three miles west of Abbotsford, B. C., on the Trans-Canada Highway, Abbotsford is 43 miles east of Vancouver.

Residents of the area told the Red Cross Canadian Mounted Police they had never before sighted lights on the mountain.

NO HOPE

Although Trans-Canada still listed the four-engined North Star as only "overdue," the airline's public relations director here, Al Carlson, said there was "absolutely no hope" the plane was still in the air.

According to the Royal Canadian Air Force, which planned to send "every available plane" in a massive search for the missing aircraft at dawn, the North Star would have exhausted its fuel supply at 6 a.m. (PST).

In addition to the aerial search, a ground party was set to start out from Chilliwack, 65 miles east of Vancouver, at 8 a.m. The party was to search for the plane in the area of the mountain.

The airline listed the plane as "overdue" at 11:15 p.m.

It carried 59 passengers and a crew of three.

FOOTBALL PLAYERS

Among the passengers which boarded TCA's Flight 810 at Vancouver last night were four members of the Saskatchewan team of the Western Interprovincial Football Union.

The missing aircraft, a Canadian version of the DC-4, left Vancouver at 6 p.m. (PST) last night on a flight to eastern Canada but turned back at Hope, 225 miles east here, when one engine failed.

At approximately 7 p.m. the pilot, Capt. Alan Clarke, 35, of Montreal, asked the air traffic control center here for permission to descend from 8,000 feet to a lower altitude.

That was the last radio contact with the plane, a tourist flight to Montreal with scheduled stops at Calgary, Regina, Winnipeg and Toronto.

An employee at the Hope airport, Paul Brindamour, said: "My wife heard the plane when it was out here, but we weren't in radio contact with it. "Weather conditions were pretty bad about 7:30. The wind was up to gale force and very gusty."

Estimate Raised

WASHINGTON (AP)—The Agriculture Department today estimated the 1956 cotton crop at 3,303,000 bales of 500 pounds gross weight.

The final estimate of the season is 150,000 bales more than the November forecast of 3,153,000 bales. It compares also with 3,216,000 produced last year and 3,156,000 for the 10-year (1945-54) average.

The estimated crop is well above the goal of 10 million bales to which the department had sought to lead production. The department had imposed acreage planting allotments and marketing quotas in an attempt to limit production. Cotton stocks, including huge government-owned supplies, are at an all-time high.

However, because of government-financed export programs, the department has forecast that cotton stocks on hand a year from now will be sharply reduced.

Evening Prayer

Gracious Lord, grant us that which we ask for, that we may have Thy day and Thy house the place wherein we may praise Thee. We ask it in Thy holy name. Amen.

Reeds Impose Rigid Control On Hungary

VIENNA (AP)—Police and troops imposed rigid new controls on rebellious Hungary today to enforce martial law proclaimed by Premier Janos Kadar's desperate government. It seemed apparent the regime had embarked on a campaign to wipe out the last vestiges of resistance.

The unhappy nation, torn by revolt, strikes and Communist repression for nearly seven weeks has been cut off from contact with the Western world for more than 24 hours, except for broadcasts by Budapest Radio.

The Red regime ordered military trial for a variety of offenses punishable by death and dissolved the major workers' councils that had tried to negotiate for Hungarian freedom.

NOT ACCEPTED

The Vienna telephone exchange would not accept calls for Budapest, saying there was no contact. Telephone service between Budapest and Moscow resumed on a limited basis. But AP correspondent Harold Mills reported attempts to telephone the hotel where western newsmen stay in Budapest or the home numbers of

Hungarian resident correspondents met with the reply, "Those numbers are out of order."

One western diplomatic mission in Vienna said its only word from Budapest since the communications blackout was imposed was a message at 6 p.m. last night that "all was quiet" in the capital.

Word seeped through that police were controlling traffic strictly in the Budapest area in an apparent effort to halt the movement of any anti-government groups or arms for them.

Premier Janos Kadar ordered summary military trial for persons suspected of murder, manslaughter, arson and robbery, looting, damage to public plants and utilities and all attempts at these crimes, and illegal possession of arms, ammunition and explosives. The penalty is death.

The decision to use force, necessary, to crush the passive resistance of the Hungarian people came just five weeks after 200,000 Soviet troops struck with similar suddenness to crush the military phase of the country's revolt.

Though probably long planned,

the action came as if in swift retaliation for the calling of a general strike by the Budapest Central Workers' Council, which has been trying without success to negotiate with Kadar for the sime of the rebellion.

The council's notices ordering a nationwide strike in protest of Kadar's decree of martial law have been posted in factories at 8 a.m. yesterday.

At 8:30 the government cut telephone communications with the outside world. The same blackout was imposed on the other Sunday live with the Red army tanks and artillery launched their all-out attack to smash the Hungarian rebellion that began Oct. 23.

Figurehead President Istvan Dobi's decree of martial law was read to the nation over Budapest radio last night.

The decree declared illegal the Budapest Central Workers' Council, all district councils and all county councils and ordered them to cease their activities immediately. Workers' councils in individual factories will be permitted to exist.

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U. N. Resolution Condemns Reds For Hungarian Tragedy

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y. (AP)—The United States and 15 other nations asked the U. N. General Assembly today to condemn the Soviet government for violating the U. N. charter by depriving Hungary of independ-

ence and the Hungarians of their rights. The resolution being introduced in the assembly today (after 10:30 a.m. EST) would call for the Anderson County School Board ordered the school closed.

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One outspoken opponent of the Soviet action in Hungary, Cuban delegate Emilio Nuñez Portuondo, said he would introduce a resolution in a few days to put the assembly on record in the Russian's suspension or expulsion from the U. N. if it continued to disregard assembly resolutions on Hungary.

The Cuban said his resolution also would call for ouster of the Hungarian delegation from the assembly. He added that he would vote for the resolution proposal even though it was not strong enough to suit him.

There was no chance that the assembly would suspend or expel Russia even if it should adopt such a Cuban resolution.

That action can be taken only on recommendation of the security council, and Nuñez-Portuondo conceded the Soviets would ignore or reject four resolutions adopted since Nov. 4, when Soviet troops returned to Budapest. But the Cuban said the assembly should go on record with a declaration that Russia deserved such punishment.

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The previous resolutions all called for withdrawal of Soviet troops, and end to deportations of the rebels and admission of U. N. observers.

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Both Races Appear

CLINTON, Tenn. (AP)—Integrated Clinton High School reopened without a hitch today with eight Negro students—four boys and four girls—walking together back to classes. One student refused to move away with her family.

Three police cars cruised the area briefly and then returned to their normal duties in this little eastern Tennessee city of 4,000. There was no indication of racial disturbances which caused authorities to close the school last Tuesday.

Students of both races appeared in jovial mood. Authorities said about the normal number of white students also reported for the reopening, with approximately 800 students enrolled.

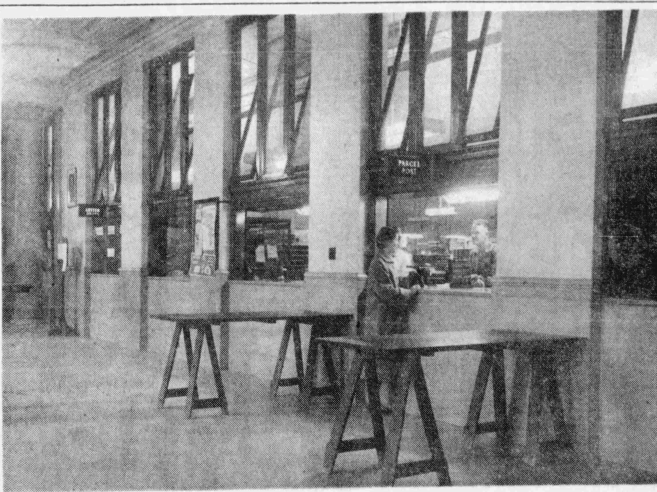
A few minutes after classes were resumed, 16 white men and women were scheduled for arraignment in U. S. District Court at Knoxville, 20 miles from here, on charges of criminal contempt. Judge Robert L. Taylor planned to set early trials for the 16, accused of contempt in violating an injunction last week against interfering with orderly integration.

Taylor said last week he will order their trials within 10 days. A Tennessee gro-segregation group said Saturday that nine lawyers, including attorneys general of two states, have agreed to defend them.

Our Weather

Fair and much colder today and tonight. Tuesday fair and a little warmer.
Low this morning — 35
Low tomorrow morning — 34
High today — 54
High yesterday — 58
High tomorrow — 52
Sunrise today 7:21 a.m.; sunset today 5:12 p.m.

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New Staff Photo by Tom Franklin—Hester

Mail Early And Avoid The Holiday Rush

It's "all quiet on the Post Office front" these days as evidenced by the leisurely chat Mrs. See Cerny (left) of 2326 Eaton St. is having with C. C. Conell, while her packages are being processed.

But wait, hear that ruckus noise? If you don't today, you will later in the week as the huge volume of Christmas mail begins to mount. Postmaster George E. Wilson Jr. said people should do like Mrs. Cerny and come to the post office now and avoid the pre-Christmas stampede.

He pointed out that this year's volume of incoming and outgoing Christmas mail will probably exceed 23 million pieces. To ease the strain on his regular and Christmas personnel, Mr. Wilson has been posting "mail early" notices around the city. Today he sent letters to school superintendents Dr. Elmer H. Garinger of the city and J. W. Wilson of the county urging them to relay the "mail early"

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'Bargains' End With Warrants For 12 Thefts Case May Take In Purchasers

By JIM SCOTTON

Charlotte News Staff Writer

Weekend arrests involving two rings of alleged thieves may spread to many more local persons, police said today.

"Some of these people who brought this merchandise at bargain prices must have realized it was stolen," said one detective today. "If we find they did, there will be more warrants out."

Already warrants have been issued for 12 men whom police charged with larceny, embezzlement or conspiracy. The men are accused of being members of two rings that stole auto tires,

freezers, refrigerators and other appliances from local firms. The value of the stolen merchandise may reach \$100,000, detectives said.

Detectives said the merchandise was stolen from two Charlotte firms with the help of figure juggling by some people having the best of both worlds.

Some truck drivers were taking extra merchandise along when they went to make a delivery to the victimized firms. This extra merchandise was dropped off at various hiding spots and was collected that night.

LOW PRICES

The merchandise was resold by the ring members as slightly damaged goods. Detectives said persons in Mecklenburg, Gaston and Lincoln counties charged with merchandise at ridiculously low prices.

Detectives said today they already have had several calls from people who believe they bought the stolen goods. Detectives recommend anyone who has bought tires and appliances from individuals at very low prices recently to let the police know about it.

"It might save them some embarrassment later," said one detective.

Detectives said they had no idea just how long the rings had been operating, but it may have been for several years. The operations of the two rings interlocked and other firms may have been victimized, police said.

Police started investigating weeks ago when a Gaston distributor said local service stations were buying tires much cheaper than the wholesale cost. The first arrest in the case came Saturday afternoon and police

had rounded up 11 men by yesterday's morning. They said the 12th man came to police headquarters voluntarily yesterday and was expected to have warrants served on him today.

All 12 men are scheduled for a preliminary hearing in City Recorder's Court tomorrow.

Charged in the embezzlement of electrical appliances are: Ernie Lemmond, 24, 2948 Robby Ave., embezzlement and conspiracy.

Harry L. Kerr, 38, Huntersville, embezzlement and conspiracy.

Richard Herron, 33, 2332 Vail Ave., embezzlement and conspiracy.

Frank Simmons, 33, 916 W. 5th St., larceny and conspiracy.

Lester Swamy, 29, Rt. 4, Charlotte, conspiracy to embezzle.

William James Craig, 34, 311 See ARRESTS on page 6A

Attorneys Talk Bus Segregation

WASHINGTON (AP)—Thirty-three U. S. district attorneys from 14 Southern and border states assembled here today to discuss what they should do about laws in those states requiring racial segregation on buses.

Att. Gen. Brownell called the conference Nov. 19, a few days after the Supreme Court struck down as a violation of the 14th Amendment such segregation laws in the state of Alabama and in Maryland, Mississippi, North Carolina, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas and Virginia.

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'Lucky' City Woman In One Of Odd Accidents Of Year

A 21-year-old Charlotte housewife has been named to the National Safety Council's 1956 list of victims of the nation's oddest accidents.

Mrs. Loretta Lewis of 367 Piedmont Court was driving alone on Highway 29 between Concord and Kannapolis when she was struck by a car.

The Jackson Training School. She lost control of her car and plunged down a 50-foot embankment and came to rest beside a railroad track.

A few seconds later Mrs. Lewis was swept off the highway by a passenger train bore down on her auto. The train cut about 17 inches off the front of the 1951 model car, she recalls.

"I never lost consciousness," says Mrs. Lewis. "But I wasn't doing too much thinking at the time."

The Safety Council's report says that Mrs. Lewis escaped from double danger "with only a broken arm and a few bruises."

BIRD TIME STORY

Richard Fleming, of Woodland, Calif., had a good reason for momentarily losing his head while driving. A woodpecker was pecking away at it.

The bird's family pet was in the lap of Fleming's son when it mistook the elder Fleming's cranium for a tree and went to work.

The car left the highway and rolled over twice. Neither of the men was hurt. The woodpecker found itself a tree.

In Dallas, Mrs. Edward Lee Covart investigated a noise in the bedroom reported back to her husband, "Honey, there's a car in your bed." That was,

SAFETY BEGINS

After 10 years and 750,000 miles of accident-free driving, Lou Murdock of Maywood, Calif., was given an award by his insurance company. He accepted it in the hospital. He had broken his leg in a fall down a flight of stairs 13 months ago.

No one was injured when four cars piled up in a collision near Co's Mines — no one, that is, until Patrolman Elmer Van Noy, investigating the crash, slammed a car door on his finger.

Mrs. Mary Hastings Bradley, author and big game hunter, survived six African safaris without injury. But in the calm of the trophy room of her own home in Chicago she tripped over a lion's head and broke her arm. The lion had been shot by her husband, without incident.

12 SHOPPING DAYS LEFT

BUY CHRISTMAS SEALS

Christmas Greetings

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