

Reputation Is Ruined, Plane Builder Says

Chairman Says Group Will Stop Being Courteous

WASHINGTON, Aug. 7.—Howard Hughes contended to Senate investigators today that Senator Brewster (R., Maine) "made many statements which are obviously untrue" when denying Hughes charges the senator once made an airline merger proposition.

Previously, in testimony to the Senate war investigating committee, Hughes had called "a pack of lies" Brewster's denial of Hughes' story of the "proposition."

Brewster is chairman of the war investigating committee. Senator Ferguson (R., Mich.) head of the subcommittee conducting the inquiry, broke in to ask Hughes for the source of his information about Brewster's "brink shot" capabilities.

Hughes replied that he had heard Jack Frye, former head of TWA, make a "brink shot" remark. Hughes volunteered these comments to his reputation and that of Brewster at the start of an afternoon session.

Asks Brewster Questions During the forenoon, he had directed to Brewster a series of written questions, most of them obviously aimed at developing relations that have been between Brewster and Pan American.

The Maine senator acknowledged friendship with some Pan American officials and said he had visited a residence maintained here by Pan American.

Brewster went back to the chair to answer a series of written questions. Hughes asked Chairman Ferguson (R., Mich.) of the Senate subcommittee.

In his replies, Brewster: 1. Acknowledged that he had eaten at least "three breakfasts in the last few months" at a special residence maintained here by Pan American for officials and employees.

Says Frye Is A Friend But the Maine senator insisted this could not be termed the "Pan American palace" and instead waved photographs of what Brewster called "TWA's palatial" home and swimming pool.

2. Agreed that Sam Pryor, a vice president of Pan American and former Connecticut Republican national committeeman, is a close friend of his.

3. Said it was true that he had spent two Thanksgiving vacations of about one week each at a home Pryor has at Hobe Sound, Fla. Brewster said Pryor was not there. (Turn to Page 10, Column 1, Please)

Cuba Seizes Four Planes

HAVANA, Aug. 7. (AP)—Cuba seized four American-made military planes which landed illegally in Cuba, Navy Chief of State Commodore Aquila Ruiz said today.

He declined to say who owned the planes, or where they came from. Neither would he discuss charges by the Dominican republic's ambassador to Washington, Julio Ortega Prier, that revolutionaries were gathering men and planes in Cuba for an invasion of the republic.

Had French Crew Planes seized by the Cuban government were described as a Liberator heavy bomber, two Vega Ventura medium bombers, and a Catalina flying boat.

The naval chief of staff said the Catalina would be handed over to the Cuban navy and the other three planes would be given to the Cuban army. The crews, he said, "will be treated in accord with current immigration procedure."

Defense Minister Santiago Vilch said he understood the crew of one of the planes was of French nationality.

Workers To Protest Action By British

JERUSALEM, Aug. 7. (AP)—Jewish leaders decreed a complete three-hour work stoppage this afternoon in protest against the intervention by British authorities of three Jewish mayors and some 40 other Jews for the avowed purpose of checking terrorism.

Violence continued meanwhile. British authorities announced that 12 oil tank cars were wrecked by a mine explosion at Has El Ain, the blast ripped up 300 yards of railway track, but caused no casualties, the announcement said.

THE WEATHER

Table with weather forecasts for various locations including West Texas, Texas, and Louisiana. Includes temperature ranges and wind directions.

ROMANTIC DESIRE AIRED IN COURT

GI's Last Wish: A Rose For Girl Who Spurned His Love

RICHMOND, Va., Aug. 7.—The Virginia supreme court of appeals was asked today to set aside the romantic desire of the late Valentine Lawless to keep "one perfect rose" alive for the girl who spurned his love.

Valentine, an Army Air Forces sergeant killed in battle had asked that a florist deliver to the girl one rose every week after his death. Valentine had specifically instructed his brother not to reveal the name of the sender.

"My idea," Valentine wrote to his brother "is to furnish the girl with the pleasure of receiving a rose, not to have her think of me because I sent it to her."

"The name of the girl was not disclosed. She is married and reportedly lives in this state. Valentine's letter, opened at his death revealed that he had been deeply in love with the girl "for over three years." The soldier said that he had no hopes of win-

Record Of 90 To 94 Hours For Global Flight Is His Goal

Flier Off On World Solo Hop

CHICAGO, Aug. 7.—William P. Odom, 27-year-old former British ferry command officer, took off at 11:53 p. m. (CST) today in his converted twin-engine army bomber in an effort to halve the late Wiley Post's 1933 solo globe circling record.

While a handful of spectators at Douglas airport shouted good wishes, Odom, piloting the "Reynolds Bombshell," started off on the twice-postponed flight with a bag of chicken sandwiches and some fresh oranges and tomatoes.

The plane, with about a two-thirds load of gasoline, swung into the air, cleared the field, and headed toward Gander, Newfoundland, the first scheduled stop, aided by a 30 mile an hour tailwind.

Solon Asked To Quit State Senator Is Under Fire

AUSTIN, Aug. 7.—Four members of the Texas House of Representatives today asked Sen. James R. Taylor of Kerrville to resign from the state Senate because of his appointment as director of public relations for the Texas Manufacturers' association.

Reps. Elmer McVey of Teague, James C. Spencer of Athens, Jerry T. Stocker of Frost and George O. Nokes, Jr., of Corsicana, all students now at the University of Texas, sent Sen. Taylor this telegram:

"If the report is true that you are to be director of public relations of the Texas Manufacturers' association, we as representatives of the same people whom you represent as senator from the 4th district feel that you should resign as senator."

In a statement Rep. Nokes added he was "profoundly shocked" that Sen. Taylor had accepted the position "without resigning his seat in the Senate."

"No man should sit as a member of the Texas Senate and serve as an executive of a lobbying organization at the same time," Nokes said.

Four Dead As Quakes Strike

SANTIAGO, De Cuba, Aug. 7. (AP)—Four earthquakes shook eastern Cuba during the night, leaving one person dead and ten injured.

The tremors, lasting up to 15 seconds each, cracked buildings in Santiago De Cuba, and sent hundreds of persons fleeing to parks to sleep out the night.

Other localities in eastern Cuba reported feeling the shocks, but the only casualties were reported in Santiago De Cuba, a city of 62,000 population. The lone fatality was attributed to a heart attack, but falling debris was blamed for injuring others, two seriously.

Electric power in Santiago De Cuba was knocked out for one hour and 40 minutes. In 1933, an earthquake in the city took many lives and caused extensive property damage.

Three Die, Four Hurt In Algeria Quake

PARIS, Aug. 7. (AP)—A series of earth tremors killed three persons and injured four others in Constantine, Algeria, yesterday, the France press news agency reported today from Algiers.

Three Dead In Blast In Melbourne Harbor

MELBOURNE, Australia, Aug. 7. (AP)—A 10,000-ton British freighter Mahis exploded in Melbourne harbor today killing at least three persons and leaving seven others missing.

(In St. Thomas, Virgin Islands, Gov. William Henry Hasde barred all ships carrying ammonium nitrate from entering Virgin Island ports. He acted as the result of disastrous explosions of nitrates aboard ships in Texas City, Tex., and Brest, France.)

Contracts Signed On Five Hockley Wells

LEVELLAND, Aug. 7. (Special AP)—Drilling contract for five wells in the Hockley county oil field three and a half miles northwest of here was announced today.

First of the wells, the Hamd No. 1, in labor 5, lease 133, Hockley county, is expected to spud in Monday or Tuesday, the announcement said. Drilling contract is with Troy Duke of Odessa, and depth of the wells is 4,900 feet.

The new Jec-O-Mat Joe crusher \$7.88. Kings, 1020 Bdwy. Adv.

4 DEAD IN FLAMES

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Scorching Heat Wave Broken

Heat-Tortured Residents Get Cooling Relief

Lives Of 111 Are Claimed During Torrid Season

The heat wave which blistered the midwest for almost a week apparently was broken today. Residents of most of the north central states woke up this morning refreshed by their first full night's sleep since the mercury soared to the 100-degree mark several days ago.

Cold Front Rolls In A cold front—the meteorologist's technical term for a mass of cool air—rolled down from Canada, pushing the humid heat away in front of it.

The front hit Chicago about 2 a. m. (CST), bringing with it a thunder-and-lightning storm which soaked parched lawns and cooled houses in which heat-tortured residents were sleeping fitfully.

This morning the front was moving southward across Indiana, Illinois, Missouri and Kansas at 10 to 15 miles an hour. It was expected to bring cooling relief throughout Ohio by tonight.

Showers Are Scattered The thundershowers accompanying the cool air were too scattered, however, to help the midwestern corn and other crops which "need rain" badly.

Besides the immediate relief from the heat wave, the weather bureau had other good news for midwestern residents.

Forecasters said that another hot spell, expected to hit over the week-end, had been dispelled. "The hot weather probably will continue in the southern states, but in the northern states it will continue mild for as long as we can see in advance," the Chicago weather bureau said.

111 Lives Are Lost At least 111 persons lost their lives in the torrid spell. Sixty-three died of heat prostration and 48 were drowned while trying to escape the heat.

The hottest spot in the nation yesterday was El Centro, Cal., where the temperature hit 117 for the 11th consecutive day. Four points reported highs of 113, but like El Centro they were all in the perpetually hot desert regions of the southwest. Blythe, Indio and Needles, Cal., and Yuma, Ariz., registered 112.

The mercury rose to 102 at Memphis, Tenn., for the fourth straight day, and at St. Louis, Mo., for the second consecutive day. Temperatures have been over 100 at Memphis for seven of the last nine days and have topped the 100 mark for five days straight at St. Louis.

Other high temperatures included 112 at Phoenix, Ariz.; 106 at Advance, Mo., and Fresno, Cal.; 102 at Little Rock, Ark.; 101 at St. Paul, Minn.; Chicago, Ill.; Cincinnati, and 100 at Grand Rapids, Mich.

Flying Farmers Are In National Session

STILLWATER, Okla., Aug. 7. (AP)—Hundreds of farmers—the flying variety—descended on Stillwater today prior to the opening session of the National Flying Farmers association's convention at 8:45 p. m.

Montaner, executive secretary of the NFFA, said sludge facilities for 300 airplanes had been reserved at the Stillwater airport. More than 400 air-minded agriculturists registered for the conference yesterday and Graham was expecting "nearly 1,000" registrants before the session ends Saturday.

Gunmen Assassinate Havana Policeman

HAVANA, Cuba, Aug. 7. (AP)—Four gunmen firing from a speeding automobile last night killed Policeman Otmario Montaner, who had been accused of political meddling.

Montaner, a veteran of the Machado and Batista dictatorships, was standing on a corner talking to a friend when the carload of gunmen flashed past, their pistols blazing. Montaner's friend, R. Garcia, was wounded.

Fundamental Mystery Of Science Solved

Long "Missing" Radioactive Elements Are Re-Discovered

Berkley, Cal., Aug. 7.—Two radioactive elements that existed 2,000,000,000 years ago were reported "re-discovered" today by cyclotron bombardment.

Elements 85 and 87, the "missing link" in the periodic table of elements, have been created synthetically by cyclotron and atomic oven transmutation for the first time. The discoveries end a 76-year search for the key to one of the fundamental mysteries of science.

Dr. Glenn T. Seaborg and Dr. Albert Ghiorso of the University of California said the two "missing" elements, now called astatine and francium, existed in nature more than 2,000,000,000 years ago but decayed into other elements.

Falling Plane Is Death Trap For Socialites

Ship Plunges Into Mouth Of A Giant Refinery Cauldron

EVERETT, Mass., Aug. 7.—Four socially prominent North Shore residents were killed early today when their monoplane, groping through fog, plunged into the flaming mouth of a giant cauldron at an oil refinery.

Assistant Fire Chief James A. Scott identified the dead as: Thomas Mandell, about 56, of Beverly, a Boston broker; his two daughters, Ann, 29, and Harriet, 19, both of Boston; and John Nelson Bonland, 22, of the Olympia Hunt club, Beverly, pilot of the plane.

Had Left Montreal Scott said the party had taken off from Montreal last night and was scheduled to land at Beverly airport, 20 miles north of here, at 12:30 a. m. The plane, off its course in the murky weather, crashed shortly after 2:30 a. m.

Scene of the accident was a waste-gas furnace of the brightly-lit reservation of the Colonial-Beacon Oil Co. in South Everett. The pilot apparently mistook it for nearby Logan international airport in the fog.

The furnace was double walled brick construction, 40 feet high and 15 feet in diameter at the top. It burns like an inferno 24 hours a day, belching flames and smoke. The plane missed half a dozen skyscraping chimneys to the South Everett area, only to crash against this sturdy cauldron.

Plane Disintegrates The wings being shaken off, and most of the fuselage dropping into the flames inside the cauldron.

Both men and one of the girls were hurled directly into the sea of flames. The other girl dropped within the four-foot-wide space between the two walls but she also was burned almost beyond recognition when the plane's fuel tank dumped blazing gasoline on her.

Firemen closed the in-take valve through which the furnace was fed and brought up hose-lines to quench the flames. Even after the blaze was out they continued to play water on the rebar until it was cool enough for them to approach.

The scalded bodies of one man and one girl were recovered soon after the accident but it was more than two hours later that the other bodies were exhumed.

Steel Exports Face Control

WASHINGTON, Aug. 7. (AP)—The United States will revert October 1 to its strict wartime controls over steel exports.

These require government approval of both the country to receive the metal and the use to which it is to be put.

Since shortly after the war American exporters have been permitted to ship their orders and ask permission to ship a specific tonnage.

Action Is Necessary M. E. Sweeney, chief of the Commerce department's export control division over general products, told a reporter today the return to the wartime allocation method is necessary because of the large sums the United States is spending on foreign reconstruction.

First consideration in issuing export licenses, Sweeney said, will be given to requests for shipments aimed at rebuilding basic industries, most likely to move the purchasing nations back into financial good health.

In explaining the decision to clamp tight controls over steel products, Sweeney said: "For the basic industries of Europe we would rather ship them, for instance, can making plants than tin-plate with which to can their perishable foods. On the other hand, we'd rather send them tin-plate than keep on sending food. And we'd also rather send them tractors to produce their own food. Our whole drive is to get them back to producing for themselves."

August birthstone rings, peridot or sardonyx rings. King's Adv.

Record High Baby Crop In 1947 Predicted

NEW YORK, Aug. 7. (AP)—A record high baby crop for 1947, eclipsing last year's high of 3,440,000 babies, is predicted by Metropolitan Life Insurance company statisticians.

The prediction is supported by the fact that there were about 1,572,000 births up to the end of May, an increase of 456,000 over the figure for the corresponding period of 1946, the company said last night.

Relief Fund For Truck Victims Is Raised

WAXAHACHIE, Aug. 7. (AP)—Several checks from over the state have been received as donations to the relief fund for survivors of the truck collision that took 10 lives here early Tuesday morning.

Floyd Casbolt, editor of the Waxahachie Light, said that contributions now total over \$300, and that the fund is growing rapidly. An emergency relief station, operated by negro ministers, is aiding in collection and administration of funds.

