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B-25 DUE HERE MISSING WIT SIX ON BOARD

Craft Still Unaccounted For After More

Than 3 Hours An Air Force B 25 WBF more

than three hours overdue at Friendship International Airport early this morning and was still unaccounted for two hours after its gas supply should have been exhausted.

Its last contact with the airport control tower was at 10.14 P.M.

The plane based at Andrews Air Force Base, was making for a westerly approach to the Friendship landing strips when last heard from.

Six Reported Aboard

If was on a flight from Tulsa, Okla, carrying three passengers in addition to a erest of three, the Andrews base reported:

Capt. Thomas L. Moore, public information officer at the base, said the twin-engined plane had flown to Tulsa Friday afternoon on a training missing

on a training mission.

He said it should have run out of gas about midnight last night on the return flight.

No air seaich could be under-taken until daylight, he said, ***any Fields In Area

Asked if it was assumed the plane had crashed, he noted that there were many air fields in the Baltimore-Washington area.

The State police harracks at Waterloo immediately was alerted and by radio all State police units were told to be on the lookout! [82]

were fold to be on the Pookour for a downed craft. From its last remorted position it was believed that the plane, if it were down, would be in a land.

In a separate air incident yes-ferday a civilian four-seater plane crashed and burned at the Cheat-nam (Va.) anney of the Norfolk Naval Supply Center.

Naval Supply Center.

Two Reported Killed
The plane was reported to be
registered in the name of Donald
S. Meeske and flying out of
Harbor Field here.

First report: said two persons
were killed in the crish of the
plane, which was almost completely burned. Meeske report
cells staconed at Fort Eustis, Vawas not positively identified as
ene of the occupants.

According to Finene Marlin,
operator of the Patrick Henry
Airport at Himpton Va., Meeske
filed a flight plan at Patrick Henry
Saturday, saying he was going to

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2 Business Men Die In Air Crash

Southern Mars land business men were killed compile when their Finall plane crashed a mile south-

Air Crash Kills Chaplain And Restaurateur

both members of the East Bank more Squadron of the Civil Air Patrol, were (killed yesterday when their small plane crashed Channake Bay, near in the Chesapeake Bay, near Have de G ace; while engaged in the coastwise search for a miss-ing air force colonel who dis-appeared Monday on a flight from New York to Virginia in; a jet

The dead Waltimoreanssare:

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THE REY EDWARD GAORGE CONRAD. 40, of 8003 Oakcrest avenue,
minister of the Alsoutth Presbyterian Church Harford road and
Oakcrest avenue;
CAPT ANTHONY JOHN SYNODINOS, 37 of 235 Each North avenue, owner of the plane and operator of a resistant at Monament and Kresson streets.

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The Rev. Mr. Conrad a lieutenam in the CAP was chaplain of the squadon, Lessythan 2; hours before the crash he delivered the invocation and henediction at the Maryland Wing heads mearters meeting at Friendship Airport, where plans were made for yesterday's search mission.

The plane a single-engine Pages

for yesterday's search mission;
The plane, a single-engine Ryanmonoplane, plinged into musiflats at the mouth of the Susque,
hanna River, about a half milefrom Havre de Grace, during a
dense fog. The trash occurred
about 2 P.M., less than two hours
after they look off from Harbor
Field, where Captain Synodinose
kept his plane. kept his plane.

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Both officers were strapped to their seats when found. This wrecked shis was located by positive and fishermen in about ten feet of water off Penn-Beach, near Point Concord Light. Residents reported her ring the ship circling the area before it his the waters appearable at full power.

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Col. A. Paul Fonda, Maryland commander of the CAP, and pointed a board of investigations to make a study of the crash.

At the time of the crash, Castain Synodinos and Chaplain Contained were hunting for Col. William H. Councill, air force jet speed ace, who disappeared Monday while en toute from Farming dale, N.Y., to Langley Air Force base, Va. No trace of the flyer or his jet trainer plane has been found.

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The Rev. Mr. Conrad was a gradinate of the Polytechnic Institute and Maryville College, Maryville Tenn, He served as pastor of Hawiles Presbyterian Church. Blue Bidge Summit. Pa., and of the Scheack Memorial Church here before resigning the latter post in 1946 to become editor of the Persbyterian, a church weekly edited in Philadelphia. He returned here in 1949.

Capi Jane On Missing

accorat Havre de Grace [Special]—Two C officers, both Balti killed near here t a search mission w plane crashed into Bay mud flats.

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CAPT. ANTHONY SY
or of the plane and
restaurant at Monus
son streets.

At the time of t plane was one of m ing in a CAP sea eastern seaboard for T-33, piloted by Co Councill.

A veteran of 130 slons in the South Councill has been di gramming and com the Tactical Air Co ing the war he set the time as a fight the Thirteenth Air F

Search Is-A State police from barracks and Coast from Baltimore joins for the plane after it the water.

By 5.30 P.M., both been recovered from age.

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Family Of 4 Hurt In Plane Mishap

Hyatisville Md May 31 (P) New York family of four aped with minor injuries when

Five Die, 1 Alive In B-25 Crash **Near Airport**

The bodies of five men were found today in the wreckage of a B-25 bomber which erashed against an Anne Arundel county hilliside 2 miles from Friendship Airport last night as it altempted to make a landing on the rain-awept field.

A sixth man, found alive at the

A sixth man, found alive at the scene by rescuers, who chopped their way through dense undergrowth to reach the wreckage, was reported in critical condition. He was identified as an army officer, one of three passengers aboard the plane on a flight from Tuisa, Okia, to Andrews Air Force Base outside Washington. The dead were identified as:

MAJOR WATTE G. SEMARER, 20.

AND WATHE O. SHEARER. 20. the pilot, of Route I. Cornelius, Ore, whose temporary address was Annuadale. Vs., attached to the SHEARER TOYCE HESS.

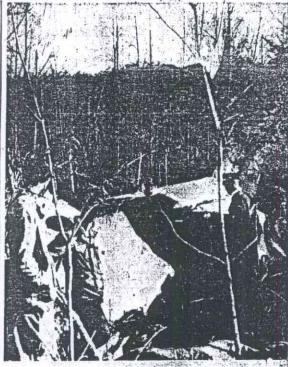
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airplane accident in the Hallimore
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The Family Section

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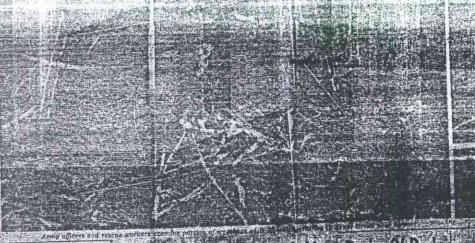
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made her nuscount the noise, she said
Hear Radio Report
"We turned on the radio this morning." the elderly woman continued, "and heard about the crash. I looked at my husband and he just hung his head.
Air-force officers tried to consie Mrs. Smith by telling hee that the five mea killed in the crash probably died instanty or mobal after the plane hit.

Flashes

Noise Of Crash Mrs. Clark Gets For Killing Husb

Longevity Ba Found



U.S. Increases Planned B-52

Bomber Crash Kills Probe Of Reus Five, Hurts Officer

In Southern US Shift

Mlami, Pla, Nov. 22 (P)—Chairman Harold H. Volde of the House Up-American Activities Committee said today the Mlami area is of great strategie importance to the Community party because of its proximity to Latin America. In a statement faunching three days of pulpile hearings, Veide said several witnesses for whom subpoeness had been issued fleet from the Mtami area in advance of the committee's arrival.

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the Mismi area was dealt a servous blow.

Fifteen witnesses were scheduled to testify during the heartings, which Velde said would last three or four days.

One of the first witnesses scheduled to appear at today's opening session was Edwin E. Waller. former State secretary-treasurer for the Congress of Industrial Organizations and a former Communist party member.

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'Holding Own'; Probe Starts +

Capt. Richard C. Nagell, injured in the crash of a B-25 bomber which crashed lats Sunday night near Friendship International Airport, was reported to be "holding his own" at the Bolling Air Force Base Hospital today as a team of air force experts began a study of the wreckage to determine the cause of the crash which killed five men. Captain Nagell, of Elmhurst, Long Island, N.Y., an army passenger in the plane, suffered fractire of both jaw bones, a severe head cut, shock and exposure, but hospital authorities said he is conscious and is expected to survive.

The captain, based at Fort Holabird, lay on a hillside less than 2 miles from the runways at Friendship Airport for more than twelve hours before the plane's wreckage was found.

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The twin-engined bomber, hased at Andrews Alt Force Base, was returning to Andrews after a training flight to Tulso, Okla, but was ordered to Friendship because bad weather had closed down the military field. Shortly riter 10 P.M., after identifying litself to the Friendship control tower, the plane crashed into the hill in Howard county.

Its wreckage was not discovered until after 8.30 A.M. yesterday, and reacue workers found it extremely difficult to reach the scene through the dense woods and underbrush. They chopped a path through the woods with axes to bring out Captain Nageli on a stretcher to a point where a Marine helicopter could land for him.

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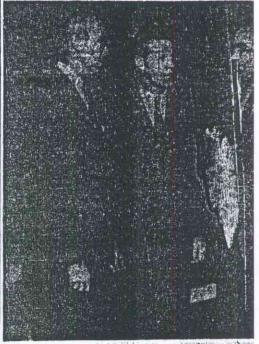
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Found in the wreckage were the bodies of Major Wayne G. Schearer, the pilot, of Cornelius, Great Wayne G. Corne; Major Done Coe, copilot, of Buffalo; Airman 1/C Robert H. Brown, the engineer, of Youngstown, Ohlo; Mast. Sergt. Howard G. Lorentz, of Richland, Wash. and Sergt. 1/C Joseph Cadena, of Los Angeles.

grew impatient waiting for a bus around 8 o'clock last night at the corner of Belair road and Maysoner. She said she decided to walk and was nearing home when a youth about 15 jumped when a would be mouth.

"Give me your pocketbook or I'll kill you," he was quoted.

Legislators Get Orientation



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The girl said she carried the boy virtually on her back up to the front door, where she screamed. The would-be purse snatcher fied, she told police.

Passenger Of Crashed Plane Sues Airline

tory of English law-making from Roman times.

John S. Shriver, director of the Fiscal Research Bureau, talked on the section of the executive.

Father, Children Win \$35,000 In Auto Suit

FATHER and five child were awarded \$35,000 d ages, to be divided equally, in death of Mrs, Hazel E. Holy who was killed last July 21 for

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accident on the Pulaski high
and Route 152 near Magnolia
A Superior Court jury retur
a verdict in favor of Zack
up to
comb and his children, ran
in age from 15 years to 8.
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tion, Inc., William Richard
Earl Richardson,

Heroin-Possession Charge Bail Is Set