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CHARLIE HILL

RALPH GOODWIN identified as hijackers

3 Hijackers Wanted to Fly To Africa, Stewardess Says

A Trans World Airlines jet. hijacked to Cuba by three men wanted in the murder of a policeman, returned to Miami Sunday and a stewardess said she lied at knifepoint to "talk them out of taking us to Africa.

The Boeing 727 was com-mandeered early Saturday at the Albuquerque, N.M., airport by three men charged with gunning down a New Mexico state trooper.

"I was concerned that some "I was concerned that some-one was going to die." said Capt. John McGhee. "These men boarded in a violent, agi-tated manner and were ob-viously ready to commit murder

McGhee convinced the hijack ers that he needed a refueling stop and, after the fugitives re-fused to go to Atlanta or Miami, the jet plane touched down at Tampa, Fla.

The 40 passengers on the scheduled Phoenix-Albuquerque - Chicago - Washington flight were allowed to deplane at Tampa while the crew of six was forced to continue to Ha-

Stewardess Betty Caubre said she convinced "their leader that this airplane couldn't fly all the way to, Africa. I lied, telling them I had been to Cuba twice and how nice they would be treated there." Ann Harrell, another air host-

ess in the Kansas City-based TWA crew, said one of the men confessed to shooting New Mex-ico trooper Robert Rosenbloom when the officer made a rou-tine stop of their vehicle Nov. 8 on Interstate 40 near Albu-

querque. "The smallest one, his name was Michael but had been changed to the African name Mahcha, said he killed the offi-cer," said Miss Harrell,

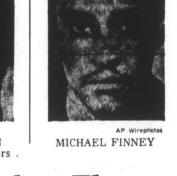
Miss Caubre said she sat with the trio's obvious leader, who identified himself as "Antoine." The stewardess said he claimed to have graduated from the University of California at Berkeley. "He said he had been teach

ing school in southern Califor-nia." she said. "They all claimed to have had at least two years of college. All of them emphasized their devotion to the Republic of New Africa movement.

The organization, established in Detroit in 1968, is dedicated to establishing a separate black nation in the United States. It now has two factions, one in Detroit and the other in New Orleans.

Miss Caubre said the identified as Antoine told her that "they had been hiding in a sand dune for two days near the airport, waiting for their chance. They grabbed a tow truck to get across the runway **FBI** Agents

to the plane." Federal Aviation Adminis Search Woods



Hijacker's Life in Cuba Is Not All Roses

ary nature." They also are a considerable drain on the country's slim eco-MEXICO CITY - "My mother wouldn't believe it," mused the young girl living with other American airplane nomic resources, since the gov hijackers in the Havana suburb of Miramar. "We've got a swimming pool, we live in a house that used to belong to a

nomic resources, since the gov-ernment must feed, house and clothe them. The hijackers, particularly the Americans, despair of ever seeing their homelands and families again. Life for most is drab and uninteresting because drab and uninteresting because they live in a basically un-sympathetic society that has another language and customs. Once in a while, gifts from friends and relatives abroad get through to them. Passersby can often hear outdated rock music blasting from the Ameri-can hijacker house. It is sur-rounded by a high chain-link fence, more to keep strangers Although the Cubans strongly disapprove of airplane hijack-

The family saved money

New Homeowners Attend Home Management Class

Building a house is one thing; making it livable is by making the curtains and draperies and by doing their another. So families completing self-help housing in the Robbinsville area, own wallpapering, points out Graham County, will go to school to learn how to take care of their new houses--

millionaire and we have a cook and a gardener. "The catch is that the pool

never has any water, the house is falling apart and the cook and gardener are keeping us

For the hijacker in contempo ary Cuba, life is unpleasant. Cuban officials have stated

repeatedly that the vast major ity of hijackers are "common criminals, mentally unbalanced persons and socially unadapted

persons anxious to change their

country of residence for person al reasons of an unrevolution

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under surveillance."

"Classes will emphasize home management," reports Sandra Roberts, home economics extension agent, "and will include care of floors and fiberglas fixtures, use and care of appliances, how to operate thermostats and furnaces for best use of heat, and how budget for housing to expenses.'

After families move into their new houses, Extension agents will continue to visit them to answer questions and provide additional information, the agent says.

Self-help housing in Graham County is a cooperative venture between the families, the Qualla Housing Authority and IBEC, con-tractor for the houses.

LEARN SKILLS

Even women who work full time outside the home would do well to learn a few basic homemaking skills, including sewing and drapery making, believes Evelyn Anderson, Mrs. Mebane, Rt. 3.

Mrs. Anderson and other family members recently spent their "spare time"



ing and Cubin law provides for extradition. Cubin has had to take responsibility for hijackers since few countries have gone along with its extradition pro-conducts.

ceedings. The Cubans view hijacking as very much a two-way street. In the case of the United States, which is only 90 miles away, they are prepared to hand over

they are prepared to hand over all American hijackers, except those deemed to be in danger of political reprisals. But they insist that any agreement with the United States must include a right to extradite those Cubans who have hijacked Cuban aircraft and ships, including even row-boats. boats.

The Cubans also are quick to returned hijacked aircraft, in-cluding several Boeing 747 jets that have been taken to

Cuba in the past year. On the other hand, they charge that the United States has rarely reciprocated. Cuba claims that since the 1959 revolution, when Castro came to power, more than 260 boats and more than 30 aircraft have been illegally hijacked to the United States and never re

turned. The last airplane passengers ever see of hljackers is when police and soldiers board a

craft at Hava...a's Jose Marti Airpoft to take them away. Almost immediately upon ar-rival on Cuban soil, the hijack. er is placed in solitary con-finement. Then he is subjected to intense questioning and a deto intense questioning and a de-tailed dossier on his private life

and background is assembled. Foremost in the minds of the Cubans is that the hijacker may be a Cuban exile or even an agent of the U.S. Central In-

telligence Agency. The period of solitary con-finement can last up to three months. In some cases it has a serious psychological effect on

At least two hijackers, a mentally unstable boy from De-troit, Mich., and a member of the San Francisco Red Guard, California Maolst organ ization, have committed suicide in Cuba.

Once the interrogation period is completed, the hijacker is re-

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moved to one of several ho which the Cubans - have aside as living quarters them.

Gradually, the divided into two cass: those the Cubans believe are endankers are gered in their own country be-cause of their political views and those the Cubans feel are undesirables.

Many of the American hijack-ers in the undesirable category are reported more than willing to go back to face the music.

Much of the bitterness they feel comes not from any maltreatment by the Cubans, but rather from the fact that the United States will not or cannot reach an agreement with Cuba on the subject of international air and sea piracy.

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Pakistan Is Pounding Small Indian Town BALURGHAT, India - The

BALURGHAT, India — The people of this Indian border town have been fleeing their bones to safer places in the interior as Pakistani troops have pounded them for four days with 25-pound shells fired from three miles away.

At least 20 people are said to have been killed and 70 injured. Eight shells fell on crowded areas of the-town during an hour yesterday morning while a group of foreign correspondents was on a brief visit here.

The newsmen were flown 185 miles in an air force plane from Calcutta for a possible visit to a front where serious fighting between Indian and Pakistani troops was reported to have broken out three days

"God is merciful. He has left, me living, alone." Suddenly ambulances en-tered the hospital compound, their sirens blaring. Steelhelmeted orderlies transferred neimeteo ordernes transferred an old man, a middle-aged woman, a young man and a 5-year-old boy to stretchers that were rushed to emergency wards. All had

serious injuries. The ambulances, with bold letters showing they were donated by the United Nations Children's Fund, rushed back to fetch more casualties.

The wounded who had been brought in came from a crowded marketplace near the hospital that had been hit by a shell. Four persons had been killed instantly.

requested and appreciated." Miss Caubro said two hippie type passengers said they would get off in Cuba with the hijackers, "but they backed out and deplaned with the others in Tampa." McGhee said the hijackers appeared nervous at first but "settled down to the point of being polite. They even began knocking before entering the cockpit."

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tration officials in Miami said they were informed by Cuban officials that the trio was removed from the plane and disarmed of two guns and a knife when the jetliner landed at Ha-ana's Jose Marti Airport.

before they move in. The FBI identified the hijackers as Michael Finney, 20, Ralph Goodwin, 24, and Charlie Hill, 21. They had been charged with murder. New Mexico Gov. Bruce King sent a telegram to President Nixon, Secretary of State Wil-liam Rogers and the New Mexi-co congressional delegation Sat-

urday saying: "Urge your all-out assistance

in seeking return from Cuba of

accused slayers of New Mexico

State Policeman Robert Rosen-

bloom . . . suspects should be returned immediately to New Mexico to stand trial for mur-

der. Your good offices in secur

For Hijacker

their return is urgently

The Indian government has acknowledged having crossed the border "in self-defense" to engage the Pakistanis, and has said that 80 Pakistanis were killed in the battle and one tonk was computed. tank was captured.

The newsmen were barred yesterday by the local authorities from going to the front near Hilli, 18 miles northeast of here. Nor were they allowed to go to border positions outside the town from where the Pakistani shells were said to be coming.

There were indications here that Indian troops might have gone into East Pakistan to stop the shelling of Balurghat. The town protrudes into East Pakistani territory and Pakistani bunkers are on three sides of it. There were signs of military activity in the town itself. At the airfield, in heavily fortified bunkers, Indian soldiers were seen armed with light and heavy machine guns. The town is thick with rumors of fighting not far away, but local of-ficials said they were not aware of any.

K. I. Gupta, the district magistrate who had been asked by military authorities to use his discretion in per-mitting the newsmen to go to the front, declined to allow them to do so saying that them to do so, saying that the roads were being heavily shelled by the Pakistanis.

Instead, he led the visitors to the local hospital where two wards were overflowing with casualties.

with casualties. Bulbuli Shaha, a 26-year-old refugee woman from East Pakistan, was groaning with pain and grief. A thigh and hip were beavily bandaged. Her home, a shack in town, was hit by a shell Friday, killing her husband and a child, and causing her to lose the baby she was carrying. Mirs. Shaha, speaking in Bengali, answered questions in a low voice. She said her parents and a sister were tilled during a raid by Pakistani soldiers on her home across the border in May, She then fied here with her husband and so. "I've stopped crying now."

"I've stopped crying now," a said with a wry smile.

that seven other shells fallen in town and that there would be many more dead and injured. He said outgoing buses were loaded with people fleeing with their belongings

5 Nations Will Seek Neutrality

KUALA LUMPUR, Malaysia — Representatives of five Asian nations declared formally Saturday they will seek to neutralize Southeast Asia.-Malaysia, originator of the here or womether before of the

plan, promptly began cam-paigning for world backing for a neutral zone covering 10 countries.

Foreign ministers from Singapore, Indonesia, and the Philippines, special envoy Thanat Khoman of Thailand and Malaysian . Prime Minister Tua Malaysian. Prame Minister fun A b g u l' Razak signed, a declaration of "peace, freedom and neutrality," pledging joint support for the plan. Razak told newsmen later Razak told newsmen later

three more governments of the region now suport neutrality-South Vietnam, Cambodia and Laos

He said North Vietnam and Burma, who have not com-mitted themselves, would be asked to join the zone which would be declared off-limits to major power wars.

Neutral Zone

The Malaysian leader called on the United States, the Soviet Union and Mainland China to guarantee the neutral zone from outside interference, adding the

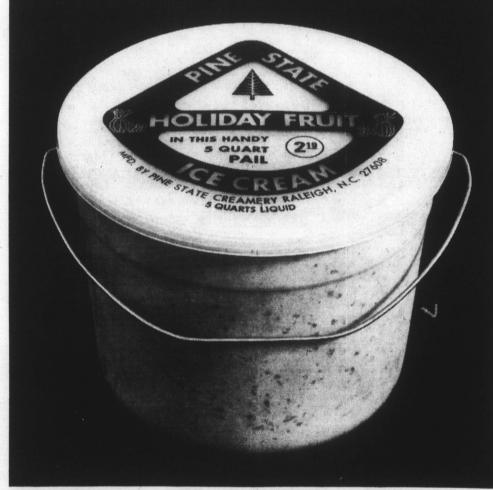
outside interference, adding the scheme may be one way to end the Vietnam war. Other representatives from the five member countries of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) were not so enthusiastic, although agreement on meutrality in comment interne was unanimous. meral terms was unanimous general terms was unanimous. Philippines Foreign Secretary Carlos P. Romulo and Foreign Minister S. Rajaratnam of Singapore both spoke after the signing ceremony of the need to proceed slowly with neuralization neutralization

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