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WOMEN PRAISED IN PLANE RESCUE

MARION, Va., Feb. 24.—Two women survivors were praised today as heroines of the American Airlines plane crash which took the lives of 17 of the 22 persons aboard when the ship struck in an isolated mountain area of southwest Virginia.

Mrs. Frances Ulen, Washington, suffering an ankle injury and wearing a pair of shoes taken from one of the men killed in the crash, hobbled across the mountainside to summon aid.

Wiley Vaught, a farmer, who found Mrs. Ulen as she stumbled down the mountain, revealed a grim story of the hours following the crash of the airliner, when, he said, she was unable to extricate herself from the wreckage until a mortally wounded Marine colonel died. The farmer said Mrs. Ulen told him that her first efforts to pull herself from the plane in which she was pinned brought more suffering to the officer, likewise caught in the wreckage. So she remained quiet and made no further efforts to get out until after he had died.

Mrs. Ulen, Vaught said, apparently fainted several times after she left the plane and it took her more than six hours in her injured condition to travel about two miles through the mountains.

CONFERENCES

CHARLOTTE, Feb. 24.—Six postwar education conferences are planned by the State Commission for the Defense of Democracy through education. President Margery Alexander announced today. Meetings are planned for Albemarle, Shelby, Asheville, Lumberton, Lexington and Edenton, all tentatively set for April.

180—Legal

COMMISSIONER'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE By virtue of the power and authority contained in a decree of sale made in a certain action pending in the Superior Court of New Hanover County, wherein the City of Wilmington, et al. are plaintiffs, and Prescilla Palmer, et al. are defendants, the undersigned will, on Monday, March 26th, 1945, at 12 o'clock Noon, at the Court House door of New Hanover County, sell at public auction, for cash, to the highest bidder, all that certain lot or parcel of land, situate, lying and being in the City of Wilmington, County of New Hanover and State of North Carolina, and described as follows, to-wit: BEGINNING at the corner where the eastern line of Twelfth Street intersects the northern line of Wooster Street and running thence northwardly along the said eastern line of Twelfth Street 32 feet, thence eastwardly and parallel with Wooster Street 100 feet, thence southwardly and parallel with Twelfth Street 33 feet to the northern line of Wooster Street, thence eastwardly along the said northern line of Wooster Street 100 feet to the corner, the point of beginning, the same being the south-west part of Lot 6 in Block 70, according to the official plan of the City of Wilmington, N. C. Dated and posted this 23rd. day of February, 1945.

G. C. McINTIRE, Commissioner.

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G. C. McINTIRE, Commissioner.

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA: COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER: LEWANNA LEWIS RANSOM VS. HUBERT FRANKLIN RANSOM IN THE SUPERIOR COURT NOTICE The defendant above named will take notice that action entitled as above has been commenced in the Superior Court of New Hanover County, State of North Carolina, to obtain an absolute divorce against the defendant on the grounds of two years separation; and that the wife doth desire of partition: si qd reuq nonoqz agnyq iira iupreppz plus is required to appear before the Clerk of the Superior Court of New Hanover County North Carolina, at his office in the City of Wilmington in the above State on or before twenty days after the 20th day of March, 1945, to answer or demur to the complaint in said action of the plaintiff now on file in the office of the said Clerk of the Superior Court of New Hanover County, North Carolina, or the plaintiff will apply to the Superior Court of said County for the relief demanded in said complaint.

This the 16th day of February, 1945. A. L. MEYLAND, Clerk of Superior Court.

By LOU J. WARD, Asst. Clerk Superior Court.

COMMISSIONER'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE By virtue of the power and authority contained in a decree of sale made in a certain action pending in the Superior Court of New Hanover County, wherein the City of Wilmington, et al. are plaintiffs, and George P. Hurlbert and wife, Lila Hurlbert, are defendants, the undersigned will, on Monday, March 26th, 1945, at 12 o'clock Noon, at the Court House door of New Hanover County, sell at public auction, for cash, to the highest bidder, all that certain lot or parcel of land, situate, lying and being in the City of Wilmington, County of New Hanover and State of North Carolina, and described as follows, to-wit: BEGINNING at a point in the western line of Eighth Street 132 feet north of Queen Street at R. H. Hall's corner, and running from thence west with Hall's line about 205 feet, more or less, to Hardin's line, thence north parallel with Eighth Street about 36 feet, more or less, to Cumming's line, thence east parallel with Queen Street about 74 feet, more or less, to the southeast corner of a lot conveyed by W. M. Cumming to J. J. Jones, thence north parallel with Eighth Street about 35 feet, more or less, to the southern line of a lot conveyed by M. D. Mott to J. J. Jones, thence east parallel with Castle Street about 131 feet to the western line of Eighth Street, thence south along said line of Eighth Street about 83 feet to the beginning point, being part of Lots 3 and 4 in Block 79, according to the official plan of the City of Wilmington, N. C. Dated and posted this 23rd. day of February, 1945.

G. C. McINTIRE, Commissioner.

Assist In Poll



Two of the 66 Wilmington Girl Scouts, who assisted recently in a poll to obtain a cross-section estimate of the city's woman-power that probably would be available for the care of sick and wounded, either in a military or civilian capacity, are pictured above interviewing a prospect. An officer of the U. S. Army recruiting station, sponsor of the activities, looks on. The Scouts, stationed at strategic points in the city, inter-

viewed women as to age, education, medical training and volunteer experience. The poll was conducted to coordinate the efforts to recruit registered nurses for Army hospital, WAC-Medics for Army hospital duty, and volunteer nursing on a part-time basis in civilian hospitals. Shown, left to right, are Girl Scout Doris Gray, WAC Lieut. Helen Madden, a former Girl Scout, who supervised the poll, an unidentified woman, and Girl Scout Elaine Warren.

Prop Wash

By MEARES HARRISS

One of the fallacies, partially fostered by the Army and Navy low age limit for pilots, is that after the first dash and vigor of youth has worn off, a man is no longer capable of safely piloting an airplane. The demands of the physical strength and endurance of service fliers are much greater than the non-scheduled private pilot ever meets, necessitating young men of extremely high physical and mental calibre.

The fact is that in civilian flying, judgment pays off as much, or more, than skill. Proof lies in the figures released by the Civil Aeronautics Authority on investigation of nearly 5,000 non-scheduled civilian aircraft accidents in 1941. This figure does not include airline accidents.

Of this number, 4,700 were of a minor nature, involving only slight damage to the plane and no injury to pilot or passengers. In the 280 major accidents, there were only two fatalities, a truly remarkable tribute to the safety of private flying.

The significant note in this investigation was the revelation that the pilots in the over 40 year age group had much better safety records than younger men per thousand hours flown, and the age group from 50 to 55 had the best record of all.

The Hawthorne Flying service, which has more than a dozen non-scheduled fixed base locations in North and South Carolina and Virginia, reports that the average age of plane owners at their airports is 37 years and in Rocky Mount, it is over 40.

FIRST FLIGHT

Major J. C. Pennington, former manager of the Pennington Flying Service, flew recently in a C-49 Transport on a routine training flight for an overnight stay. While here, he took his wife, the former Anna Feenstra, and their 1-2 year old son, Allan, for the youngster's first flight in the Carolina Beach airport's Taylorcraft.

By coincidence, Captain George Carr, of Burgaw, also in the Air Transport command and former instructor for the Pennington Flying Service, came in the same day

180—Legal

COMMISSIONER'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE By virtue of the power and authority contained in a decree of sale made in a certain action pending in the Superior Court of New Hanover County, wherein the City of Wilmington, et al. are plaintiffs, and Dixie Land & Development Co., a corporation, G. A. P. Bowman, and wife, et al. are defendants, the undersigned will, on Monday, March 26th, 1945, at 12 o'clock Noon, at the Court House door of New Hanover County, sell at public auction, for cash, to the highest bidder, all that certain piece or parcel of land, situate, lying and being in Masonboro Township, County of New Hanover and State of North Carolina, bounded and described as follows, to-wit: BEGINNING at a stone on the east side of the new Federal Point on the Sound, and running thence South 86 degrees 5 minutes West with said road from a point where the line of the Seaman's Friend Society land crosses said road, running thence North 23 degrees 30 minutes West about 592 feet to the southern line of the property known as Lake Side Park, runs thence with said line North 66 degrees 5 minutes East about 457 feet to a stone located on the west side of the old Federal Point Road; thence with said road South 13 degrees 30 mins. East about 508 feet to E. H. Davis' corner, thence South 86 degrees 5 minutes West with E. H. Davis' northern line about 448 feet to the point of beginning, containing 52.5 acres, more or less, saving and excepting however, such lots as were sold.

SECOND TRACT: BEING all of Lot Nos. 316 and 317, according to plan of Lake Side Park, as platted by H. deW. Rapalje, and recorded in Book 64, page 688, of the Registry of New Hanover County, to which reference is hereby made for a full description of said lots.

THIRD TRACT: BEGINNING at a stake in the dividing line between the lands of G. W. Rodgers and John E. A. Grissom, deceased, located 6611 feet westwardly from the Sound, and running thence North 60 degrees 30 minutes West 745 feet, thence North 24 degrees 55 minutes East about 790 feet to Cray's line, thence with said line eastwardly about 700 feet to a stake, thence South 21 degrees 50 minutes West 800 feet to the beginning, containing 13 acres, and being all of Lot No. 11 in the division of the lands of John E. A. Grissom, deceased, and being the same property purchased by G. A. P. Bowman from W. H. McEachern and wife by deed bearing date August 19th, 1914, of record in the Registry of New Hanover County in Book 81, page 461.

L. H. McINTIRE, Commissioner.

FIGHTING SPREADS ON ITALIAN FRONT

ROME, Feb. 24.—(P)—Allied activity intended to tie down a maximum number of German divisions spread along the Fifth Army front in Italy today, accompanied by a continued aerial offensive from Italian bases against the enemy's southern European communications.

U. S. infantrymen and Brazilian troops consolidated their newly-won heights around Monte Belvedere, 30 miles southwest of Bologna. American raiding parties punched into German fortified holdings south of Bologna. Farther to the right, artillery fire blasted the enemy front some positions.

Key points in the network of railroads in northern Italy essential for an enemy withdrawal behind the Alps were left smoldering by more than 60 hours of day and night bombing by American and British warplanes.

Several sharp German counterattacks hurled against newly-won American positions at Monte Dell' Torracchia have been beaten off. Allied headquarters announced. Field Marshal Albert Kesselring, in a desperate bid to win back the former German positions south of Bologna, marched some of his men for six days and then loaded them into trucks for the final dash to the front.

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