

TWO TOP NATIONAL BLACKS DIE IN PLANE CRASH



Jet Airliner Crash Fatal For Miss Clark, Rep. Collins

CHICAGO — Black Congressman George W. Collins and Miss Michele Clark, first black woman newscaster for a major television network, were among the more than 40 persons killed when a United Air Lines jet crashed into a Chicago residential area December 8.

The crash occurred after the two-engine Boeing 737 failed to recover from a faulty landing approach to Chicago's Midway Airport. The total number of casualties was uncertain as rescue workers searched through the wreckage of the plane and the rubble of six homes for broken and charred bodies.

Representative Collins (D-Ill.) was returning to Chicago from Washington to supervise the buying of toys for the annual children's Christmas party in the 24th Ward. Collins represented the ward as Alderman before his election to the U. S. House of Representatives.

CRIME BEAT

From Raleigh's Official Police Files

EDITOR'S NOTE: This column is prepared in the public interest with an aim towards eliminating its contents. Numerous individuals have requested that they be given the consideration of overlooking their listing on the police blotter. This is not our policy to do. However, it is our policy to publish the facts as we find them reported by the reporting officers. To keep out of the Crime Beat Column, merely means not being registered by a reliable officer in reporting his findings while on duty. Be sure to keep off the "blotter" and you won't be in the Crime Beat.

IMPERSONATES A COP

L. C. Bruce, an employee of the Alcoholism Information Center, 113 Fayetteville Street, told Officer W. E. Honsky at 5:34 p.m. Friday, that a Negro male, wearing a blue police coat, entered the Center, identifying himself as Dan Williams, a Raleigh police detective, with a yellow card in screen-lined letters, showing his name. Bruce declared the subject wanted some information on how to enter a "friend" into the center. He said he cooperated with the subject and when the unidentified black man was ready to leave, he asked for his yellow card back, saying he needed it to identify himself. Following the departure of the man, Mr. Bruce called "the law" and was informed that the subject was a fraud.

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FIRST WOMAN ASSISTANT SOLICITOR GENERAL — Washington: President Nixon meets at the White House December 12 with Mrs. Jewell Lefont, black Chicago lawyer, whom he has appointed to be deputy solicitor general. She is the first woman to be named to a top level post in Nixon's next administration. Mrs. Lefont, 36, is a U. S. representative to the UN General Assembly. (UPI)

Beatings, Assaults Abound As Violence Plagues Raleigh People And Weapons In Spotlight

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After Denials

Job Rights To High Court

For "Severely Beating" Prisoner

Troopers, Man Indicted

To Present Rights Of Many Blacks

WASHINGTON — The Supreme Court is expected to hand down a final ruling next spring on the right of employers to deny jobs to blacks.

Rep. Collins, also a native of Chicago, is survived by his wife, Cardina, and a son, Kevin. The 47-year-old Congressman graduated from Northwestern University in business law. He made his way up politically through the Cook County Democratic organization of Chicago Mayor Richard J. Daley, from precinct captain in 1954, to election to the City Council in 1964, and to the Congress in 1970 to fill the seat left vacant by the death of Rep. Daniel J. Rosten.

Collins bucked the Daley machine, however, when it sought to force him to step aside when redistricting merged his congressional district with that of Rep. Frank Annunzio. With the united support of the black community, he forced Annunzio (See TWO TOP, P. 2)

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Atlanta, Ga. — Two Georgia state troopers and a county jailer were indicted by a federal grand jury Tuesday on charges of severely beating an escaped prisoner after a posse tracked him down.

Attorney General Richard G. Kleindienst said the indictment was returned in U. S. District Court in Atlanta, Georgia. Named as defendants were State Troopers Warren D. Morgan, 33, and Jimmy R. Holcombe, 27, and Ronald D. Palmer, chief jailer for the Paulding County sheriff's office.

They were charged with beating and injuring Tony E. Clements, 31, while he was being returned to jail on April 26, 1972, the day after he escaped with another prisoner. The troopers and jailer are white. The prisoner is black. Police dogs were used to flush Clements from a field — here he was hiding after a 36-man posse was formed to search for the escaped prisoners. Clements was hospitalized for 12 days as a result of his injuries. Clements had escaped shortly (See THREE MEN, P. 2)

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