

FORT WORTH STAR-TELEGRAM
FRIDAY MORNING
JULY 9, 1954

edge of Gary. It narrowly missed a craneman as it blew out through the roof, 70 feet high.

Gary police put their new disaster plan, intended to tie in with civil defense preparations, into effect for the first time. Under the plan, 10 Gary police units barred visitors from the area. Visitors also were barred from Methodist Hospital, and telephone lines were cleared to permit the hospital to call in extra doctors.

However, all the injured were taken to St. Catherine's Hospital in East Chicago, which is nearer the scene.

A blizzard of metal tubing and tin cans, being reclaimed in the vat of caustic solution, was blown against the plant office building, 75 feet away. Office windows were broken, but there were no injuries there.

The roof was blown off the plant building, and part of the front wall was blown out. A steel girder that fell from the top of the building during rescue operations passed less than a foot away from an East Chicago fireman.

The plant is across the street from an office of Cudahy Packing Company, but there are a few homes in the area.

GUATEMALA, July 8 (AP)—Col. Carlos Castillo Armas emerged Thursday as the head man of a three-man junta ruling Guatemala.

The leader of the recent anti-Communist revolt was elected to the punta's presidency Wednesday night but the action was announced only Thursday by the junta secretary, Rodrigo Robles. Col. Elfego Monzon, head man of a five-man junta since last week, remains a member of the ruling committee along with Maj. Enrique Oliva.

Two members were dropped—Lt. Col. Mauricio Dubois and Jos Luis Cruz. Robles said both resigned after Armas' election

and refused to reconsider their action after being urged to do so. They were given a vote of recognition for their services since the junta formed last Friday.

Castillo Armas led the invading exiles into Guatemala from Honduras June 18 in a move that led to the ousting of President Jacobo Arbenz Guzman's Communist-supported regime.

At a peace conference in neighboring El Salvador last week, he agreed to join forces with the anti-Communist junta headed by Monzon which was then in control of the capital. U. S. Ambassador John E. Peurifoy played an important part in bringing about the agreement. Castillo Armas agreed to take second place in this temporary government, which was to hold office until the election of a permanent president of Guatemala by July 17.

Russian Booty

Almost all of the arms were German weapons captured by the Russians in World War II. There were a few Czech machine guns that wouldn't work, and a few British rifles. The Guatemalans are reported to have paid between \$5,000,000 and \$10,000,000 for the 2,000-ton shipment. As it turned out, they were cheated if they paid as much as \$5 or \$10.

There were heavy artillery cannon, made to roll down the wide German autobahns. The Guatemalan army could never get them near the jungle mule-trails where the battles were launched. They never were brought into action, and anyhow the barrels were worn out.

Tank Mines.

It was almost as if the Russians were playing a joke on the Guatemalans, for the largest part of the shipment consisted of anti-Turn to Arms on Page 2.

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Showers Pelt Ft. Worth Area

Light, scattered showers fell in and around Fort Worth Thursday and a small thunderstorm damaged farm buildings near Benbrook during the afternoon.

For the first time in four days, the temperature failed to reach the 100-degree mark. Maximum reading here was 99.

The Weather Bureau at Carter Field recorded only a trace of rain during the day.

But a hard 20-minute shower fell at Benbrook about 3:30 p. m. Strong winds accompanied the rain.

Five members of a fence crew took refuge from the rain in a small barn on the property of Mrs. Edith Petitfils on Mary's Creek. The wind peeled off the roof of the building and the walls tumbled over but no one was injured.

Rain was reported in widely scattered points over the state Thursday.

Rain was falling at Marfa during the late afternoon hours. El Paso had a thundershower earlier in the day.

Amarillo recorded .10 inch Thursday afternoon and there were reports of heavy hail between Dalhart and Amarillo.

Sprinkles, totaling .01 inch, also fell at Lubbock.

Mineral Wells had intermittent showers during the day.

At Marshall in East Texas 1.41 inches of rain fell within an hour,

the city's first measurable rain in 30 days.

A blast of wind accompanying a Dallas storm blew out a concrete block wall and collapsed the roof of a garage, damaging two automobiles.

Castillo Armas flew into Guatemala City Saturday and received the welcome of a national hero. He had been regarded as the most likely choice for president, although he had said he did not want the job.

The third member of the new Junta, Olivia, was defense minister in the provisional government which Castillo Armas set up soon after the invasion started.

Castillo Armas' supporters were reportedly keenly disappointed that he did not emerge as top man in the original fusion with Monzon. Tommygunners from among the exiles who shared the risks of invasion with Castillo Armas surrounded him whenever he appeared in public. Even Thursday half a dozen men armed with submachine guns and rifles fanned out in front of him as he left his residence, apparently fearful their leader might be attacked.

American Airlines President Says Safety No Strike Factor; Reservations Continue

American Airlines notified its offices throughout the nation Thursday to continue accepting reservations until further notice despite a threatened strike by the company's pilots.

The pilots announced to newspapers that they would walk off their jobs at midnight July 15.

The announcement came from C. N. Sayen, president of the Air Line Pilots Association (AFL), in Chicago after the U. S. Circuit Court of Appeals in New York denied the association's application for suspension of a special civil air regulation which authorizes nonstop service from New York to California.

The pilots said they want the nonstop flights halted because they require pilots flying the route to work an eight-hour and

35 minute day. The pilots want their work day limited to eight hours.

C. R. Smith, president of American Airlines, issued this statement in New York Thursday night:

"On the announcement by the Air Line Pilots Association that it has scheduled a strike for July 15:

"The Air Line Pilots Association, by its strike announcement, says that its members will not continue to fly the nonstop trips from New York to Los Angeles for the reason that the flight in one direction, westbound, exceeds an eight-hour flight day by 35 minutes.

"This same question of an eight-hour limitation on these flights has been considered by the

THE WEATHER

(By the United States Weather Bureau.)

(Weather map and Texas forecast on Page 12.)

July 9—Fort Worth and vicinity—Partly cloudy and hot Friday and Saturday with widely scattered thundershowers in afternoon. Highest both days 100, lowest Friday night in upper 70s.

Sunrise, 5:28; sunset, 7:40. Maximum temperature Thursday, 99; downtown, 103; minimum, 80, downtown, 80.

Maximum temperature this date, 105 in 1917; minimum, 61 in 1905.

Maximum precipitation this date, .82 of an inch in 1907.

Barometric pressure at 9:00 p. m. Thursday, 29.91, rising

two federal agencies which share responsibility for regulating air transportation and both of them have approved operation of the flights.

"On May 21, 1954, the civil aeronautics administrator certified that in his judgment safety would not be prejudiced by a granting of authorization for the non stop flights.

"On June 14, 1954, the Civil Aeronautics Board said it had concluded that nonstop operation is safer than one of comparable length involving intermediate stops and it amended the regulation to permit the nonstop operation.

"An ALPA petition for a stay on the CAB decision was denied today by the Second U. S. Circuit. Turn to Pilots' Strike on Page 2.

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—Associated Press Wirephoto.

TEXAS SOIL IN OLD WORLD—Louise Cochran of Houston sprinkles a bit of Texas earth on old stones of the Colosseum in Rome. The Texas widow gained recognition last year when she cabled Queen Elizabeth asking hotel room reservations during the coronation.

MORE ABOUT PILOTS' STRIKE

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cuit Court of Appeals in New York.

"Among reasons given by the Civil Aeronautics Board for its conclusion were these—the operation of the nonstop flights will avoid the necessity of making more than one landing, flights will be conducted at high altitudes where traffic is light and the weather generally better. Such weather as does exist in these higher altitudes may be more readily avoided than those closer to the surface.

12-Hour Overseas Flight

"The board also called attention to the fact that for nine years there has been a 12-hour limitation in overseas and foreign air transportation (as compared with eight for domestic air transportation) and said, 'during the nine years that this rule has been in effect there has been no decrease in safety of flight operations which could be remotely attributed to this extension (12 hours). In many respects the transcontinental nonstop flight parallels the most favorable of the operations in overseas and foreign air transportation.'

"The Air Line Pilots Association has failed in its effort to have the nonstop flights prohibited by the federal regulatory agencies. Because our pilots may be required to fly 35 minutes more than eight hours, on not more than five days a month, the union has also failed to persuade the United States Circuit Court of Appeals, New York, that it should issue an order which would stay the decision of the Civil Aeronautics Board pending appeal. The union seems now determined that it will impose its will by strike or threat of strike.

Two Pilots Aboard

"On the nonstop flights it would be difficult to envision an operation where the working conditions could be better. There are two pilots and a flight engineer aboard each airplane. On each flight they make one take-off and one landing. The pilots fly on 10 days of each month and are off duty 20 days of the month. On five days of the month they exceed eight hours of flying by 35 minutes. On the other five days of the month they fly a schedule of seven hours and 35 minutes. The compensation for the first pilot is about \$20 per hour, \$160 per day, \$1,600 per month, \$19,000 per year."

In a statement to all personnel of the airline, Smith said, "We have had no official notice from the association about the strike which it threatens. Continue until further notice to accept reservations and conduct business in the usual fashion. We will keep you informed."

The strike would affect more than 1,200 pilots and approximately 90 cities on American routes, including about 250 pilots in the Fort Worth-Dallas area.

Since airline operation comes under jurisdiction of the Railway Labor Act, there are provisions which could delay any strike for more than 60 days. During this period the National Mediation Board, or finally a presidential fact-finding board, could attempt settlement.

To Attempt Mediation

A mediation board spokesman in Washington said mediation probably would be attempted.

American Airlines began operating DC-7s in nonstop flights from coast to coast in November.

In the New York hearing the union argued that relaxing the eight-hour limit creates unsafe flying conditions and "accidents may follow from increasing the permissible maximum flight duty."

A CAB spokesman in Washington said that on trans-Atlantic and other international nonstop flights in pressurized aircraft, flight shifts up to 12 hours are permitted provided there is a relief pilot aboard in addition to the two regular pilots.

Wind-Swept Flames Spread Over Wyoming Range, Land

WHEATLAND, Wyo., July 8 (AP).—Wind-swept flames jumped portions of a 25-mile fire line late Thursday and rushed across timber and range grasses for the sixth straight day.

"She's busted wide open," reported Jack Wilson, district manager of the Bureau of Land Management office here.

He said the fire was contained early Thursday in an area roughly five miles square about 40 miles north of Laramie, Wyo., and 25 miles west of here.

A plane flight over the area late Thursday revealed it had jumped to an estimated 15,000

Fort Worth Negro Drowning Victim

WHITNEY, July 8 (Sp1).—A Fort Worth Negro, Roy Bell, 46, of 1917 Stalcup Rd., drowned in Lake Whitney Thursday afternoon.

Witnesses said Bell and three Negro women were fishing from the banks at the mouth of Cedar Creek. Bell waded out into deep water to free a snagged fishing line and apparently sank in a hole.

Rescuers gave him artificial respiration for more than an hour.

The first steamboat on the Mississippi was the New Orleans that sailed down the river in 1811.

said in a local radio broadcast.

"I am for full parity. I take my stand where President Eisenhower, then a candidate, did in 1952."

Dougherty criticized U. S. Senator Lyndon Johnson, calling him "the senator of special groups" and charging he was never lawfully nominated to office.

Dougherty urged immediate working out of a program of distribution of the commodities in trade with other countries. Particularly, he said, we should look to Mexico and other Latin American countries.

Pilot Justified In Shooting, Official Rules

A police prosecutor in Cleveland, Ohio, ruled Thursday that the slaying of a 15-year-old youth by a Fort Worth airline pilot was justified.

American Airlines Pilot Capt. William F. Bonnell of 3820 Hamilton Dr. shot the youth to death at the Cleveland airport Tuesday. The boy, Raymond Kuchenmeister Jr., boarded the plane and, at pistol point, ordered Bonnell to fly him to Mexico.

Chief Police Prosecutor Bernard G. Conway returned a verdict of justifiable homicide after investigating the case.

acres, Wilson reported.

He said nearly 400 firefighters were on the lines Thursday night, including National Guardsmen, 100 Warren Air Force Base enlisted men from Cheyenne, volunteers and ranch hands and 55 Navajo Indians, professional fire fighters flown in from New Mexico.

Wilson said the flames jumped a Medicine Bow ridge line to the north and east Thursday, but that no one was caught in the surge of flame. He said only minor burns, sprains and cuts have been reported so far.

He said the fire was burning over state, federal and private lands mainly in Albany County.

Private pilots from Denver flew in fresh supplies of picks, shovels, blankets and other equipment to those on the line Thursday.

Wilson said range land on two large ranches has been completely destroyed and four others seriously damaged. He said the Luther Bookout ranch and sawmill, once believed safe from the flames, was "definitely threatened" Thursday night.

ley, by a Texas judge who said Texas laws do not provide for appointment of a divorced husband and wife as joint guardian of a child.

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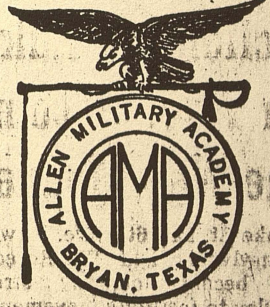
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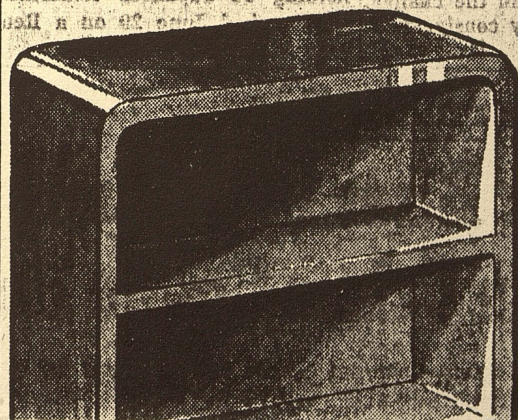
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