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Operation Big Lift Near To Completion

FRANKFURT, Germany (UPI)—American Air Force planes neared the end of their massive troop-carrying "Operation Big Lift" from Texas to Germany today hours ahead of schedule.

The historic air test of U.S. global striking power was expected to be completed at 10:40 p.m. 5:40 (EDT), 8 hours and 20 minutes under the 72 hours that had been allotted for the airlift of the entire 14,500-men of the 2nd Armored Division.

The final plane of Big Lift's aerial troop ferry was scheduled to land at Sembach Air Force Base about 30 miles south of Frankfurt. The big C-130 transport is now on the 5,600 mile transoceanic flight from Bergstrom Air Force, Texas, a spokesman said.

Earlier, the Air Force issued an even more optimistic forecast. A spokesman said the airlift phase was expected to end with the arrival of a C135 jet at Rhein-Main at 6:01 p.m. (1:01 p.m. EDT). The Air Force later corrected the estimate, admitting that an over-eager officer had forgotten to include the slower-moving C130 heading for Sembach.

The Air Force was optimistic it would complete the job in less than 72 hours despite sporadic bad weather that caused diversion of 11 transports

Wednesday night and early today.

Rain or fog at Rhein - Main, primary terminal of Big Lift, and at Chaumont, Toul and Etain in France, caused the planes to be shunted at Mildenhall and Prestwick in Britain and Chambley and Evreux in France.

Reich Germany Tonight
The diverted planes were expected to reach bases in Germany before the last plane from Texas arrived tonight.

Rhein - Main outside Frankfurt was receiving transports today despite a light fog. Wednesday the Air Force barred Big Lift planes from coming in for seven hours because of poor visibility. Six planes were diverted—for a total of 16 Wednesday and today.

By 10:30 a.m. 5:30 a.m. EDT, 175 planes of the Big Lift armada had ferried 10,995 troops and 449.9 tons of cargo from Texas, a spokesman said. Gen. Paul L. Freeman Jr., U.S. Army European commander, said the link-up between men and pre-ordered equipment also was ahead of schedule.

Gen. Lyman L. Lemnitzer, supreme Allied commander in Europe, said today in Paris that rapid troop reinforcements from areas outside Europe are essential to military success of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization.

Ship Captain Tells Strafing

CORPUS CHRISTI, Tex. (UPI)—The captain of an unarmed American freighter that was strafed and set fire by planes off the Cuban coast said today all the men could have gone to repel the attack "was three potatoes."

"We didn't have anything to defend ourselves with," said Capt. Gerhard Krause of the ship J. Louis, a U.S. owned ore freighter that sails under Liberian registration.

Krause said the planes illuminated the ship with flares and then made 16 passes before "I stopped counting." Bullets rained down on the ship for an hour, the captain said.

Krause said he and two other men were pinned on the bridge. He ordered the rest of the 51 men aboard to remain below decks.

13 Miles Off Coast
He said the ship was at least 13 miles off the Cuban coast

Sales Tax Table

INDIANAPOLIS (UPI)—Here is a table of examples of how the new two per cent sales tax was applied on purchases in Indiana beginning today:

AMOUNT	TAX
.01— .24	.00
.25— .74	.01
.75— 1.24	.02
1.25— 1.74	.03
1.75— 2.24	.04
2.25— 2.74	.05
2.75— 3.24	.06
3.25— 3.74	.07
3.75— 4.24	.08
4.25— 4.74	.09
4.75— 5.24	.10
5.25— 5.74	.11
5.75— 6.24	.12
6.25— 6.74	.13
6.75— 7.24	.14
7.25— 7.74	.15
7.75— 8.24	.16
8.25— 8.74	.17
8.75— 9.24	.18
9.25— 9.74	.19
9.75— 10.24	.20
10.25— 10.74	.21
10.75— 11.24	.22
11.25— 11.74	.23
11.75— 12.24	.24
12.25— 12.74	.25
12.75— 13.24	.26
13.25— 13.74	.27
13.75— 14.24	.28
14.25— 14.74	.29
14.75— 15.24	.30
15.25— 15.74	.31
15.75— 16.24	.32
16.25— 16.74	.33
16.75— 17.24	.34
17.25— 17.74	.35
17.75— 18.24	.36
18.25— 18.74	.37
18.75— 19.24	.38
19.25— 19.74	.39
19.75— 20.24	.40
20.25— 20.74	.41
20.75— 21.24	.42
21.25— 21.74	.43
21.75— 22.24	.44
22.25— 22.74	.45
22.75— 23.24	.46
23.25— 23.74	.47
23.75— 24.24	.48
24.25— 24.74	.49
24.75— 25.24	.50

when the attack occurred Tuesday. The J. Louis was en route from Jamaica to Corpus Christi with 31,500 tons of bauxite (aluminum ore).

It docked early today at the Reynolds Metal Co. docks at nearby Gregory, Tex.

The only American crew member was W. Fred Thompson, 55, of Portland, Ore.

Thirty-seven crewmembers were Okinawans.

Krause, 54, of Hamburg, Germany, estimated there were three or four planes involved in the attack. He said he never saw them because they were moving too fast. He said he could not hear any engines to tell whether they were jets or propeller driven.

Flares lit the sky 30 minutes before the attack, he said.

"I thought it was a U.S. Navy exercise," the captain said.

Many of the bullets missed their target, he said, but a fire broke out on the bow of the ship and was extinguished with chemicals after two hours.

The captain, who was torpedoed once and strafed many times while sailing aboard German tankers during World War II, said he never thought the J. Louis was in danger.

Says Crew Calm
The crew was calm below decks, but "there wasn't much praying down below. Everyone as crowded in and there wasn't enough room."

"We were lucky, just plain lucky," Krause said.

The J. Louis has been making the bauxite run from Jamaica to Corpus Christi for two years. The strafing occurred on the ship's 91st trip, and it had passed the same spot off the Cuban coast 181 times before.

"We will go farther out next time," Krause said.

Krause said he thought the flares came from the Cuban shore, but he never saw the ships except on radar.

The ship remained on course throughout the attack. Air Force fighters from a Florida base were "scrambled" to aid the ship, but when they arrived the attackers were gone.

Confusion In Full Swing Among Indiana Retailers As Sales Tax In Effect

INDIANAPOLIS (UPI)—Indiana's two per cent sales tax got off to a limping start today after a cliff-hanging night during which it appeared collection might be blocked for a third time.

The state's first tax of its type ever became effective at one minute past midnight, and by late morning confusion in filling stations, restaurants, groceries and hundreds of other retail shops was in full swing.

Part of the confusion was due to doubt about when, if ever, the tax would start. This was reflected by the fact that at least 40 per cent of the merchants in the state do not yet have a certificate to operate.

A special room set up in the State Office Building to process retail merchants applying in person for their certificates was crowded.

Deputy Revenue Commissioner Robert Hale said that 83,500 retailers certificates were issued up to Wednesday. He estimated conservatively that 140,000 should have been issued.

Difficult To Prepare
"There has been a feeling that maybe the tax was not going into effect and that has made it difficult to properly prepare," Hale said.

The 1963 Legislature enacted the sales tax, first in Indiana's history, last April as a means of taking some of the school cost burden off local property taxpayers. The tax was scheduled to become effective last July 1, but an injunction by Marion Circuit Judge John L. Niblack blocked collection.

Later, the Indiana Supreme Court ruled the tax law constitutional and set Oct. 23 as the starting date, but last-minute petitions for rehearing from the Indiana State AFL-CIO and Indiana Atty. Gen. Edwin K. Steers delayed effectiveness for 24 hours.

AFL-CIO President Dallas Seils filed a petition six minutes before the tax was scheduled to take effect early this morning, but two Supreme Court judges who stayed all night in the Statehouse took no immediate action on the bid for a 20-day stay of execution and decreed the tax collection should start as previously ordered by the high court.

Predicts Many Suits
Steers predicted there would be numerous lawsuits as a result of what he said was the court's failure to settle two major issues.

The tax is scheduled to produce about \$252,000 in revenue per day, most of which the state will distribute in state aid to local schools.

Judges Harold Achord and Frederick Landis, who spent the night in their chambers, already had gone to bed, however, and the two-page petition was actually filed with the night watchman in the Statehouse rotunda. It was to be presented to the court today.

Achord already had said, however, that neither he nor Landis would take any action on the petition Wednesday night.

"We (the court) decided all the issues that were really significant. We see no use in prolonging the agony. If anything comes in yet tonight, we will show it received but we will take no action on it," Achord said shortly before going to bed.

Ruling Changed
The petition was based on changes made by the court in the wording of its Oct. 2 ruling that the tax was constitutional.

Attorney Lloyd DeWester said that one of the four changes adversely affected the requests for rehearing which he and Indiana Atty. Gen. Edwin K. Steers had filed Tuesday. The court denied those requests Wednesday, clearing the way for the tax to go into effect today.

Steers also was angered by the changes which were not disclosed until late Wednesday but he did not join in the petition for a stay although he was present in his Statehouse office until after midnight and conferred frequently with Seils and DeWester.

The major change in the original ruling related to mention of the Senate Journal and its record of how the tax measure was

passed by a 25-24 vote. The original ruling gave the impression that the journal had been made a part of the record of the case on appeal but the corrected opinion merely included references to what the appeal briefs said about it.

Steers said, when he learned about the changes, that they "changed the very gist of our arguments and made us look like we had misquoted the opinion."

File Belated Opinion
The court denied the petitions for rehearing in a verbal ruling Wednesday morning and did not file a formal written opinion until early Wednesday night after Steers and DeWester learned of the changes in the opinion. That opinion also took note of the fact that the journal had not been considered a part of the record in the case.

Steers had based his request for rehearing on the contention the court had erred in finding the tax constitutional while admitting that the journal showed it did not receive the 26 votes required by the Indiana Constitution for passage of an act.

The revision in the opinion also was believed to have removed part of the grounds for an appeal by the AFL-CIO to the United States Supreme Court.

DeWester said early today, however, that he was still considering the possibility of such a move if the state court, as expected, denied the latest petition. He said, however, that there also was a possibility of a new suit in the state courts to seek clarification of the sales tax opinion.

"We might go either way," he said. "We'll have to give them both some thought."

Ginny Aims At Georgia Coast

MIAMI (UPI)—Hurricane Ginny aimed 85 miles an hour winds today at the southeast Georgia coast and the weather bureau said the center probably will hit the mainland late tonight or early Friday.

"Hurricane warnings will likely be hoisted in the area from St. Augustine, Fla., to Savannah, Ga., later today," the Miami Weather Bureau said in a noon EDT advisory.

The advisory extended gale warnings from Daytona Beach, Fla., to Myrtle Beach, S. C., small craft warnings were posted elsewhere along the coast of the Carolinas and the Florida

coast southward to the Keys.

Clear At Canaveral
An "all clear" was sounded for the nation's space center at Cape Canaveral.

Further to the north, nearly 100 military planes were flown inland from bases in north Florida and south Georgia.

Thirty aircraft were evacuated from the Jacksonville naval air station. Fifty planes from the Jacksonville naval air station near Brunswick, Ga., also were flown inland.

The hurricane was increasing slightly in intensity, the weather bureau said.

At noon EDT the center was located about 80 miles east-northeast of Daytona Beach, near latitude 29.5 north, longitude 79.9 west.

It was moving toward the west-northwest at 8 miles per hour. Forecasters said the hurricane should continue toward the west-northwest or north-west during the next 24 hours.

Search Widens

At Portsmouth, Va., the Coast Guard widened a search today for the commercial tug -Meitowax, missing with four men aboard since Sunday on a voyage from New York to Charleston, S. C. Also being sought was the 42-foot ketch Saruga, with three Canadians aboard, overdue on a trip from Bermuda to New York.

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Carmen P. Morales Dies Last Evening

Mrs. Carmen P. Morales, 77, widow of Filomena Morales, died at 8:15 o'clock Wednesday evening at the Adams county memorial hospital following a short illness. She made her home with a son, Raul Morales, 106 South 16th street.

She was born in Mexico July 17, 1886, the daughter of Camila and Celia Perez Chavez, and had resided in Decatur for some time.

Mrs. Morales was a member of St. Mary's Catholic church and the Rosary society.

Surviving in addition to the son, Raul, are four foster children, Mrs. Louis Serna of Fort Wayne, Mrs. Jose Avalos of Milford, and Gregory Villareal, both of Decatur; one sister, Miss Santiago Chavez of Mexico, and four grandchildren.

Funeral services will be conducted at 9:15 a. m. Saturday at St. Mary's Catholic church, with the Rt. Rev. Msgr. Simeon Schmitt officiating. Burial will be in the Catholic cemetery. Friends may call at the Gillig & Doan funeral home after 7 p. m. today until time of the services. The rosary will be recited at 8:15 p. m. Friday.

President Pushes Civil Rights Bill

WASHINGTON (UPI)—President Kennedy Thursday took his personal campaign to save the administration civil rights bill directly to a group of liberal Democrats who are demanding a tougher approach.

Kennedy held a 40-minute White House meeting with Democratic members of the House Judiciary Committee, which is on the brink of approving a civil rights bill so strong that neither the administration nor congressional leaders believe it can pass.

The liberal Democrats, backed by a group of northern Republicans, make up the core of support for the tough bill drafted by a judiciary subcommittee. Kennedy must woo votes from both parties to keep it from being approved.

The President also discussed the issue Wednesday night with congressional leaders of both parties and succeeded in getting the committee showdown postponed until Tuesday. The vote had been scheduled for today.

Other congressional news:
Republicans: House GOP

Leader Charles Halleck indicated he would do what he could to help the administration get its civil rights legislation to the House floor. But he said he had doubts that Congress will enact a bill this session. Senate GOP Leader Everett Dirksen said he is beginning to have doubts that either a civil rights bill or tax legislation will pass this session.

Education: The House Rules Committee cleared the way for efforts to compromise differing versions of a college aid bill passed by the House and Senate. The committee, which has often killed school aid bills, also voted to the floor a package bill embracing vocational and other school aid.

Pesticides: The Food industry asked Congress, in testimony before a House Agriculture Committee, to step up research efforts on biological warfare against plant pests. A representative of the industry, Max D. Reeder of the H. J. Heinz Co., called for studies to develop substitutes for many present pesticides which he said "can be dangerous if not handled properly."

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Award Many Prizes Here At Halloween

Cash prizes will be awarded in 16 categories for the annual Calhoun parade Halloween night by the retail division of the Chamber of Commerce.

An award of \$3 will be given to the following: tallest man, best fat boy, best fat girl, best adult clown, best kid clown, most original adult, most original boy, most original girl, most comically dressed pet, best decorated pet-drawn toy vehicle, best witch, best ghost, best decorated toy wagon or tricycle, best masked couple and best animal impersonation.

A prize of \$6 will be given to the best masked group of three or more persons.

Kenneth Shannon, parade general chairman, has requested that everyone entering the parade dress for one of the categories mentioned above.

Dress For Category
"Each year," Shannon said, "there are some fine ideas in the parade, but they do not fit into any category, and therefore can not win any of the cash prizes."

In addition to the prizes for the 16 categories, awards of \$50, \$25 and \$15 will go to the three bands adjudged the best of those in the parade, and prizes of \$5, \$3 and \$2 will go to the best drug majors or majorettes.

There will also be three cash prizes awarded for the best floats. The awards, sponsored by the Midwest Record store of Decatur, will be \$50, \$25 and \$15.

One of the judges for the band division of the parade will be C. William Hatt, director of the Fort Wayne North Side high school band, it was announced this morning.

Hatt's North Side marching band won both a superior rating and the class A division sweepstakes trophy at the annual Northern Indiana school band, orchestra and vocal association marching contest recently.

INDIANA WEATHER

Partly cloudy and continued warm tonight and Friday. Chance of scattered showers Friday. Low tonight 55 to 60. High Friday in the 80s. Sunset today 5:54 p. m. Sunrise Friday 7:06 a. m. Outlook for Saturday: Partly cloudy, little temperature change, some isolated showers. Lows in the 50s. Highs 76 to 84.

Historical Society Will Hear Busche

L. Martin Busche, of West Lafayette, who also owns a farm near Monroe, will address the Adams county Historical society Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock at the Decatur public library.

Busche was educated in the Monroe schools and at Purdue University and served as Adams county agricultural agent from November of 1920 until Feb. 15, 1928. During that tenure, he greatly expanded the county Home Economics clubs and the boys' 4-H clubs.

Busche is now professor emeritus from Purdue University, where he served for years as assistant director of extension service. He is also a director of the First State Bank of Decatur.

His subject will be "Some observations from Europe," and will deal with his latest trip there last summer. A question and answer period will follow his address.

Gerald R. Durkin, president of the Historical society invites the public to attend. There is no admission charge.

Eight Are Killed In Crash In Viet Nam

SAIGON, South Viet Nam (UPI)—A U.S. Air Force plane on a flare-dropping mission crashed in Communist territory 65 miles south of Saigon today, apparently killing four Americans and four Vietnamese on board.

A U.S. military spokesman said this afternoon that the C-123 transport plane crashed and burned about 2 a.m.

"There was no evidence of survivors," he said.

The spokesman said the plane was on a mission over Communist-infested Vinh Binh Province when it went down.

He said the Americans on board included two officers and two enlisted crewmen. The four Vietnamese were enlisted crewmen.

The spokesman said the wreckage of the craft was "scattered over a wide area" and that military authorities did not know as yet the reason for the crash.

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List Voting Sites For City Election

With the procurement of a polling place for voting precinct 1-D, the list of voting spots for the coming city election is complete. The new 1-D polling place, the garage at the Glen Rambo home, 404 S. Fifth street, was selected Wednesday by the Adams county commissioners.

The previous 1-D polling place was the Psi Ote trading post, which is unavailable this year because it is crowded with furniture and other merchandise.

The voting places for A precinct are: 1-A, Quonset building, Grant street; 2-A, court house; 3-A, Zintmaster Motors, First and Jackson streets.

The B precinct voting places are: 1-B, Decatur Canning company, Tenth street; 2-B, fire station, Seventh street; 3-B, Hebble Barber Shop, Nuttman avenue.

The C precinct voting places are: 1-C, county jail, First street; 2-C, Worthman field house, Adams street; 3-C, J. E. Sheets garage, Walnut and Washington streets.

The Decatur-Root polling place is at the Decatur Equipment company, 704 N. Thirteenth St.

The polling places for the Berne city election are: A, the auditorium; B, Berne high school; C, Berne Farm Equipment company; D, Berne city hall.

Mrs. Earl W. Moser Dies This Morning

Mrs. Mary May Moser, 66, wife of Earl W. Moser of Wren, O., and a native of Adams county, died at 1:50 a. m. today at the Van Wert county hospital, where she had been a patient one week following a coronary attack.

She was born near Pleasant Mills Feb. 24, 1897, a daughter of John L. and Katherine Teeples, and was married to Earl W. Moser Dec. 25, 1912.

Mrs. Moser was a member of the Wren Evangelical United Brethren church.

Surviving in addition to her husband are five daughters, Mrs. Leland (Leona) Hunt of Vermilion, O., Mrs. Waldo (Ruth) Bennett of Willshire, O., Mrs. Leon (Evelyn) Beardslee of Pontiac, Mich., Mrs. Fred (Audrie) Sammetinger of Fort Wayne, and Mrs. James (Harriet) Krugh of Ohio City route 2; two sons, Marshall and Harry Moser, both of Wren; 18 grandchildren; one brother, Albert Case of Waynesfield, O.; and one sister, Mrs. Opal Sargent of San Bernardino, Calif. Four brothers and two sisters are deceased.

Funeral services will be held at 2:30 p. m. Sunday at the Wren Evangelical United Brethren church, the Rev. George W. Bailey officiating. Burial will be in Woodland cemetery at Van Wert. The body was taken to the Cowan & Son funeral home and will be removed to the Moser residence, where friends may call after 2 p. m. Friday.

Announces Changes In Train Schedules

W. M. Bumgardner, Decatur agent for the Erie Lackawanna railroad, today announced changes in time schedules for passenger trains, effective at 2:01 a.m. Sunday, when the nation's major metropolitan areas return to standard time.

Arrival times, all Decatur time, of the trains, effective Sunday, are: Westbound—No. 1, 5:34 a.m. (regular stop); No. 5, 12:39 p.m. (not regular stop); No. 7, 12:27 a.m. (regular stop); Eastbound—No. 2, 1:21 a.m. (regular stop); No. 8, 2:16 a.m. (regular stop); No. 6, 2:44 p.m. (not regular stop).