

CAROLE LOMBARD IS BELIEVED DEAD

Air Corps Men Also Feared
Killed in Crash of
Air Liner.

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ous roar. Flames from the burning wreckage could be seen for miles. O. E. Saylor, purchasing agent at the Blue Diamond Lead Mine, said he heard the plane overhead a few minutes after it left Las Vegas.

"Then we heard an explosion and saw the plane afire against the mountain," he said.

D. Houston, an employee at the mine, said he failed to hear the crash but joined other onlookers five minutes later and still could see the glow against the mountain.

Clark County peace officers recruited Tweed Wilson, steppe-arian Indian, to aid in the search. Army officers ordered trucks and "jeeps" into the area.

Tractors Used

A dozen horsemen and a powerful tractor were pressed into service. The snow-covered mountain is an 8,000-foot elevation at the lower end of the Charleston Range, which separates Nevada from Death Valley. It rises almost 5,000 feet from the valley on either side.

Willard George, Los Angeles furrier who owns the ranch where Tweed Wilson works, said he saw the plane passing in the twilight and that its tail appeared to be bobbing up and down in a peculiar manner.

"It seemed to be out of control for a time," he said, "as though someone was fighting in the cockpit."

Maj. H. W. Anderson, executive officer of the Air Corps Gunnery School at McCarran Field, was in charge of the searching party.

The Victims

LAS VEGAS, Nev., Jan. 17 (U. P.)—The 22 persons aboard the air liner which crashed last night were:

PASSENGERS

AFFRINE, M. B., corporal, Air Corps.
BARHAM, JAMES C., second lieutenant, Air Corps.
BELEJKRAK, A. M., sergeant, Air Corps.

BROWN, HAL JR., second lieutenant, Air Corps.
COOK, FREDERICK F., sergeant, Air Corps.

CRUCH, ROBERT E., first lieutenant, Air Corps.
DITTMAN, FREDERICK, Air Corps, rank undetermined.
DONAHUE, K. T., second lieutenant, Air Corps.

GABLE, MRS. CLARK (Carole Lombard) Hollywood.
HAMILTON, LOIS, Detroit, Mich.

NYGREN, ROBERT F., first lieutenant, Air Corps.
NYGREN, EDGAR A., sergeant, Air Corps (brother of Lieut. Nygren).

NELSON, CHARLES D., second lieutenant, Air Corps.
PETERS, MRS. ELIZABETH, Mrs. Gable's mother, Hollywood.

SWENSON, STUART L., second lieutenant, Air Corps.
TELLKAN, MARTIN W., private, Air Corps.

TINCHMAN, DAVID, sergeant, Air Corps.
VARSAMINE, NICHOLAS, private, Air Corps.

WINKLER, OTTO, movie press agent, Hollywood.

CREW

WILLIAMS, W. C., pilot.
GILLETTE, MORGAN A., co-pilot.
GETZ, ALICE F., hostess.

JAPS LAUNCH FIERCE PHILIPPINES ATTACK

WASHINGTON, Jan. 17 (U. P.)—Gen. Douglas MacArthur's forces today fought stubbornly against a fierce Japanese attack by infantry, artillery and aircraft directed by superior enemy forces against the right wing of their northern Bataan province lines.

The American and Filipino troops, the War Department communiqué admitted, are greatly outnumbered by the Japanese assault troops.

A heavy Japanese attack against the right flank of the American and Filipino troops in the Bataan peninsula is now in progress, the War Department reported. "This attack is well supported by aircraft and artillery."

The assailants greatly outnumber the defending troops. However, our soldiers are stubbornly contesting the attempted advance."

The Japanese are supporting their frontal operations by sending small infiltration groups into the hills and jungles in efforts to get behind the American lines and also have claimed their forces have made new landings on the Bataan shore in Gen. MacArthur's rear.

STAMP CLUB SETS DATE FOR EXHIBIT

The annual stamp exhibit of the Indiana Stamp Club will be next Saturday and Sunday in the Hotel Antlers ballroom.

The exhibit, which will display 200 large frames of stamps and covers from all nations, will be open to the public. A banquet and stamp sale will be on the program. On the exhibit committee are Mrs. Albert Eiteljorg, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Cobern, Mrs. Floyd Shockley, Mrs. W. H. Wheeler, Mrs. Horace Currier and Mrs. Lillian Meeker.

Stamp Club officers are Sheldon Book, president; Dr. A. W. Fray, vice president; Mrs. Meeker, secretary, and Charles T. Cox, treasurer, acting director.

HOOSIERS PRAY CAROLE IS SAFE

Schricker Sums Up Feelings: 'Martyr to This War If She Is Dead.'

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room in the Claypool. Miss Lombard would not permit them to leave until she shook hands with each and introduced them to her mother.

When the time came for her to be photographed with World War veterans and others, the much-photographed Miss Lombard gave them friendly tips on how to be good models.

A woman spectator at the State House asked Miss Lombard for her autograph. Miss Lombard stopped to explain that she had agreed to sign only defense bond receipts while she was here. But if the spectator would send her autograph book to "the studios," Carole would be glad to give it her personal attention "as soon as she returned."

Kept Manager Busy

And her business manager, Otto Winkler, carried her pocketbook while she was busy signing receipts and shaking hands with dignitaries. So when Miss Lombard wanted her handkerchief she would give Mr. Winkler a "yoo-hoo" wave and he would flip open a garter on the side of the purse which contained the "kerchief."

Guard Against Surprise

The U. S. Army today informed local TWA representatives that any information regarding the plane carrying Carole Lombard would have to come from the War Department. Not released was information on the exact time of departure here and the names of other passengers. It was learned, however, that two besides the Lombard party boarded the plane here, but got off at St. Louis.

Charmed Cadet Audience

Miss Lombard charmed her audience at the Tabernacle.

When Chairman Pulliam said Mr. Hays, the movie "Czar," was not the "big bad wolf" he was supposed to be, Miss Lombard turned to Mr. Hays and nodded her head and laughed, as if to say:

"That's what Mr. Pulliam thinks."

No one in packed Cadet Tabernacle applauded more loudly when the Culver Cadets strutted their stuff at the beginning of the rally. And Miss Lombard sat in rapt attention while a Negro monologist entertained the vast throng. Her eyes revealed that one artist was admiring another.

Enjoyed Schricker's Quip

Miss Lombard really was tickled when Governor Schricker told of the "dirty politics" which had involved the selection of the person to introduce Miss Lombard at the rally—and how "to settle it all" the Governor issued an executive order to naming the Governor as "official introducer."

When Miss Lombard rose to speak she said:

"This has been a wonderful day—

Led the Singing

"I was invited to bring my Hoosier relatives to this rally. But if I had brought all of them, there wouldn't have been any room for you folks."

And then she led the singing of the Star Spangled Banner. In one or two places she stumbled over the words. The crowd stumbled with her.

"What a swell sport," said the lady in the second row, center.

The crowd belonged to Miss Lombard.

With Carole Lombard on the ill-fated air liner was a souvenir of Indianapolis—penny coin machine called "Bomb Hitler."

Clark Gable had read the local Coin Machine Co. of America ad in a theatrical magazine and had told Carole to bring him one of the machines from Indianapolis for their game room. Shortly after she arrived, Miss Lombard called the company and they sent her one. She was to take it back to Hollywood with her.

ELECTRIC LEAGUE DISCUSSES SERVICE

Adequate electrical appliance servicing and research during the war were discussed by the Electric League of Indianapolis, Inc., meeting at the Antlers Hotel last night.

New divisional directors, who will elect league officers next week, were chosen at the meeting, presided over by Dan C. Hess, president.

The directors are C. E. Chatfield, director of the manufacturers' division; Paul D. Loser, appliance distributors; A. J. Callaway, supply jobbers; H. W. Claffey, contractors; Ivan C. Frakes, motor repair; C. H. Donhoff, large dealers; George W. Ferling, maintenance engineers; R. H. Wilson, oil heating, and A. C. Grandall, utilities.

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Carole and Her Mother



This picture, probably the last taken of Carole Lombard and her mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Peters, was taken in their suite at the Claypool Hotel a few minutes before they attended the Indiana War Rally at Cadle Tabernacle Thursday night. Mrs. Peters, a striking blonde, is a native of Logansport.

CAROLE NATIVE OF FT. WAYNE

Born Carol Jane Peters on Oct. 6, 1908; Preferred Name Lombard.

HOLLYWOOD, Jan. 17 (U. P.)—The world knew her as Carole Lombard. Her friends called her "Pete." Her husband called her "queen." But she was born Carol Jane Peters, in Ft. Wayne, Ind., on Oct. 6, 1908.

She dropped the "Peters," added an "e" to Carol and substituted "Lombard" because she thought it sounded more like a movie actress. Legend says Miss Lombard took the advice of a numerologist when she added that final "e," but she always uttered raucous laughs when accused of consorting with soothsayers.

At any rate, her greatest successes came after that one little letter was added to her name.

Shot the Injuns

As one of Mack Sennett's bathing beauties, she made the male movie fans look goggle-eyed. As a rip-snorting queen of the horse opera, she took many a pot shot at the injuns and found herself rescued from fates worse than death more times than she liked to remember.

In the 20's, when safety glass was only an idea in the head of an engineer, she figured in an automobile wreck which sent slivers of glass into her face and almost disfigured her permanently. Plastic surgery finally removed the scar.

In 1931, when the movie makers looked upon her as a dramatic actress, she married Bill Powell. She still was his wife a year later when she first met Clark Gable, who was cast as one of her leading men.

Wed Gable in 1939

She divorced Powell on the conventional charges of mental cruelty and on March 29, 1939, she married Gable, who already had a house built to her specifications.

She furnished it with easy chairs and ankle deep rugs and a bathroom lined with mirrors. In this country house she spent most of her spare time, while Mr. G. tinkered in the barn with one of her leading men.

Divorced Powell in 1939

The destroyers are equipped with listening devices which detect the presence of submarines.

If they hear one, an emergency signal is given. Immediately the area is peppered with depth charges while heavily laden ships in the force formation to maneuver against the enemy. If need be,

All Remember Pearl Harbor

Again, it may be one of the scouting planes which spots a submarine.

Again: Depth charges, though lighter ones than the destroyers carry. The destroyers, called by wireless, rush in to drop their own.

The men carry with them a remembrance of Pearl Harbor—and grimly, relentlessly they are demanding payment in blood.

"The Japs will rue the day they attacked us the way they did," an officer told me.

Said another officer:

"Once the United States Navy gets a taste of fighting in its mouth it will be the best in the world."

Dawn shows over the Pacific. Silently on the waters dark warships drive on their course; destroyers—the scouts—skirt swiftly along at the side, and planes wing out still farther in search of the enemy.

In connection with these precautions, foreign broadcasts heard in the Marshall Islands, 2,400 miles south of Hawaii.

Belief was, that if the Axis made any move at the moment, it would be intended to lower American prestige in the Rio De Janeiro meeting, and that simultaneous Japanese and German thrusts might be made.

Men Sleep in Relays

Messages fly back and forth; every unit of the task force is functioning as one tremendous, deadly unit.

The sun climbs higher. Planes come back; planes go out. There is a flurry of action on the fringes of the task force—the rumble of depth charges; ships wheel into position. Then—with another enemy blasted to pieces—the scouting goes on.

The men sleep in relays, watch in relays. They check and re-check. They practice with the guns, drill until they are team-perfect in a Navy which puts its emphasis on gunnery. Not only first string gun crews, but second-string crews—and third.

In event of casualties those guns will be fired as long as there are men to fire them.

CLAIM MISSIONARIES SLAIN

CHUNGKING, Jan. 17 (U. P.)—An official Chinese communiqué reported today that the Japanese had murdered American Presbyterian missionaries, including the Rev. and Mrs. D. H. Thomas and Miss M. Burkwall on Hainan Island, off the southern coast of China.

FIVE DIE IN TRAIN WRECK

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Jan. 17 (U. P.)—Five persons were killed, including four soldiers, and 21 injured, 16 of whom were soldiers, when a switch engine collided head-on with a Missouri Pacific passenger train at Perla, Ark.

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