

Two Stout Field Men Killed In St. Louis Glider Tragedy

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number produced by the firm were not disclosed.

Johnson said, "every possible cause, including sabotage," would be investigated. The federal bureau of investigation, he said, had not been called upon, but he indicated that it would be asked to investigate if the circumstances warranted it.

Lt. Col. Albert T. Wilson Jr., director of training at Stout Field, was appointed to head an army board of inquiry.

Maj. Robertson Killed

The 10 victims included Mayor William Dee Becker, Thomas D.att., president of the St. Louis chamber of commerce, and Maj. William B. Robertson, president of the Robertson Aircraft Corp., which built the glider.

Robertson, a pioneer in aviation, was co-founder of Lambert field and helped finance Charles A. Lindbergh's historic flight to France. He helped organize Transcontinental Air Lines, assisted in surveying and laying out the China National Airways and made an aerial survey of the air transport facilities of Turkey.

The glider was flying directly over the field at an altitude of about 2000 feet when spectators saw the right wing collapse. The wing dropped off seconds after the glider was released from the towline without incident.

Accommodated 15 Persons

The glider was built to accommodate 15 fully-equipped soldiers and one jeep. But company officials said it could handle five times its weight capacity. Shortly before the crash, the craft made a successful test flight.

Gunfire Effective

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The allied front line now runs

almost due south from San Stefano through Mistretta, Nicosia, then southeastward through Agira and Regalbuto to Catania, and eastward on a line running just south of Paterno and Catania.

Allied announcements revealed

also that Assoro, and Nissoria, small towns in the Agira area, were in allied hands—presumably Catania.

Heavy bombers that raided Naples

and other Italian towns enforced the allied warning that devastating attacks would result from the Italian government's temporizing policy.

A great force of American Flying

Fortresses ripped up the dock area of Naples and blasted the nearby Capo di Chino air field yesterday.

Two transports in the inner dock

were hit and the seaplane base was heavily damaged. One salvo of bombs destroyed a railroad station and a direct hit sent the gas works up in flames with a terrific explosion. A military barracks also was damaged.

At Capo di Chino, hangars and

headquarters buildings were blown to bits, large oil depot was destroyed and planes on the ground were set afire.

ALLIES LAUNCH SICILY BIG PUSH

San Stefano Is Captured As 10,000 Prisoners Are Bagged.

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part of the island. The road runs south from San Stefano through Mistretta and the Catonan mountains to Nicosia.

The American advance of 12 miles brought Lt. Gen. George S. Patton's doughboys within 70 miles of Messina along the north coastal road.

The axis prisoners were captured in the Mistretta area. The total Germans captured represented about one-third of a full division.

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At the press conference before the flight, Mayor Becker was asked whether he thought glider flights were dangerous. Becker, who had never flown in a glider, replied:

"You can die only once and we must die sometime."

Others killed in the crash were:

Lieut. Col. Paul H. Hazelton, miscellaneous area officer of the army air force; Maj. Doyne of the St. Louis public utilities department; Charles Cunningham, assistant city controller; St. Louis County Judge Harry Mueller, and Harold A. Krueger, vice president and general manager of the Robert Corp.

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Lt. Scott Is Killed in B-24 Crash

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Wayne, where his father was business secretary of the Y. M. C. A. 12 years.

The only other immediate survivor is a sister, Mrs. Oliver Cromwell of Alamogordo, N. M., whose husband is in the army there.

Mrs. Scott, the former Miss Phyllis Hollingshead of Howe, was married to Lt. Scott when both were students at Indiana.

Lt. Scott, who was a bombardier, returned to the United States from a mission in South America in June, his wife said.

Prisoners

SIX INDIANAPOLIS MEN are among 697 U. S. soldiers held prisoner of war by Germany, the war department has announced.

Pfc. John H. Jarrett, son of Mr.

and Mrs. Clyde Jarrett, 1021 Goodlet ave., was captured during

the North African campaign in February.

A prisoner since Feb. 17, Cpl. Harold Milender, son of Mrs. Ethel Milender, 2846 N. Capitol ave., has written four cards and one letter to his relatives here since his imprisonment in Germany.

Cpl. John Preda, son of Mrs. Freda Preda, Route 3, also was captured in the African campaign after being in service three years.

Other Indianapolis men on the German prisoner list are Cpl. Robert J. Berger, son of Mrs. Dorothy Berger, 3047 N. Illinois st.; Cpl. Daniel S. Jones, son of Mrs. Clara Cunningham, 319 Taft st., and Cpl. Donald Williams, son of Harry Williams, Route 6.

Word from Pfc. Jarrett, 22, was received recently by his parents, telling them that he "was well and having good time."

He said that he did not have to work hard and that he would be permitted to write one letter and two postal cards a month.

He has been in the army nearly three years and received his training at Ft. Knox, Ky., in Louisiana and New Jersey.

Cpl. Freda, a member of the army armored division, also has written home that he was "okay."

He has been in the service three years and was graduated from Ben Davis high school.

Other Indiana men taken by the Nazis were:

Cpl. George B. Bojler, son of Mrs. Freda Bojler, Lexington.

Cpl. Hubert T. Bowman, son of Tom Bowman, Indianapolis.

Pvt. George M. Chigas, son of Mrs. Susie Chigas, East Chicago.

Pvt. Mervin L. Clum, son of Mrs. Grace Clum, Indianapolis.

Sgt. Joseph T. Dawson, brother of Lt. Col. May Dawson, Christy.

Pvt. Joseph F. Dill, son of Mrs. Marie E. Doyle, Longmeadow.

Sgt. Sam F. Fields, son of Forrest Fields, Indianapolis.

T. 5th Gr. Robert E. Gist, husband of Mrs. Robert E. Gist, Evansville.

Pvt. William H. Goodale, son of Mrs. Clara M. Goodale, Indianapolis.

Pfc. Donald D. Humberger, son of Mrs. Anna Humberger, South Bend.

Sgt. Carl E. Johnson, son of Dan Johnson, Anderson.

T. 4th Gr. Max Kowalewsky, son of Mr. Max Kowalewsky, Hammond.

Pvt. William O. Lobb, son of Mrs. Anna Lobb, Hammond.

T. 5th Gr. John S. McCabe, brother of Mrs. John S. McCabe, Gary.

Sgt. Claude R. McCrary, son of Mrs. Laverne McCrary, Brownstown.

Pvt. Forrest R. McRill, son of Mrs. Owen Bunnell, New Albany.

Sgt. Robert C. Nichols, husband of Mrs. Catherine Nichols, Anderson.

T. 5th Gr. Eddie R. Nielsen, son of Niels R. Nielsen, North Judson.

T. 5th Gr. Arvid J. Putman, cousin of Arthur Putman, Indianapolis.

Pvt. Edward E. Reeves, son of Mrs. Alice Reeves, Dugger.

Sgt. Theodore R. Roff, brother of Mrs. B. W. Roff, Indianapolis.

Pvt. William E. Sims, son of Mrs. Ada Sims, Indianapolis.

Sgt. Norman W. Sanning, husband of Mrs. Norman W. Sanning, Elkhart.

Cpl. Paul J. Sappington, son of Mrs. Edna Sappington, Indianapolis.

Pfc. Doyle Smith, husband of Mrs. Doyle Smith, Huntington.

2d Lt. Robert Spurr III, husband of Mrs. Robert Spurr III, Richmond.

Pvt. Donald F. Strohm, husband of Mrs. Donald F. Strohm, East Chicago.

Sgt. George P. Thorpe, son of Mrs. Edith Thorpe, Evansville.

Pvt. Edward J. Verhey, son of Mrs. Meyer Verhey, Attica.

Pfc. Norman L. Vernon, son of Mrs. Mary L. Vernon, New Albany.

T. 5th Gr. Francis C. Wackenbush, husband of Mrs. Winifred C. Wackenbush, Anderson.

Pfc. Charles E. Wright, son of Mrs. Lillian Wright, New Albany.

T. 5th Gr. Bernard L. Zimmer, Evansville.

Mrs. Martha T. Zimmer, Evansville.

Wounded

SGT. JOHN E. WRIGHT, son of Mrs. Florence E. Eby, 1447 Montcalm st., has been wounded in the Aleutians, the war department announced today.

According to his mother who works on airplane gears at the Indiana Gear Co., her son, a bomber crewman, was hurt in a plane crash July 15. She said she had heard from her son and that he was "feeling all right."

Sgt. Wright, who joined the army air forces two years ago, was with the Roscoe Turner Aeronautic Corp. school before enlisting. He was graduated from Tech high school in 1941.

Other Indiana men among the 109 U. S. soldiers wounded in action are 2d Lt. Charles R. Christian, son of Charles L. Christian, Lafayette, and Pvt. Gene Kopp, son of Mrs. Maria Swirca, Michigan City, both wounded in the European area, and 2d Lt. William C. Shrenemann, son of Lloyd Byron Shrenemann, Plymouth, who was wounded in the Pacific theater.

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