

Find \$1 Million Police Study 38th St. Cast Off Plane Engine Valves

Report Army Dumped Supply After War

CHICAGO, Nov. 22 (UPI)—State police reported today that they have found more than \$1 million worth of high quality Army aircraft engine valves discarded in a suburban dump ground. Some estimates figure their value as high as \$6 million.

Former officials of the Dodge-Chicago aircraft plant said the valves, made of tungsten carbide steel, were dumped after the war. The plant made 18-cylinder engines for B-29 bombers.

The former plant officials said the valves were dumped on Army orders shortly before the Chrysler Corp. turned the plant back to the government.

Officials said the Army gave as its reason for dumping the valves the fact that the cost of disassembling and scrapping them would be prohibitive.

Explosion Fueled

Army officers also were quoted as saying that the valves could not be melted down because their hollow shafts were filled with a sodium cooling agent, which might explode in an open hearth furnace.

But one airline said it currently is paying \$75 apiece for valves of the same type. The Army and Navy also have in use planes of the type which could use the valves, aviation experts said.

State police said the valves unearthed at the dump still were wrapped in their original cartons bearing the name of the Easton Manufacturing Co., Cleveland, O., which made them and shipped them to the Dodge plant here.

Estimated at \$8,000.

George Beemsterboer, owner of the land where the valves were dumped, estimated the number discarded at \$8,000.

Mr. Beemsterboer said they were buried beneath three feet of earth, to minimize the danger of an explosion of the sodium compound they contained. He said most of them now probably are corroded beyond use.

"They were supposed to be buried and forgotten," he said, attending a party celebrating selection as members of the Shortridge Vaudeville cast, at the home

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Officer Reports 763 Arrests Made on Street Since Jan. 1; Labels Section a 'Race Track'

Traffic hazards on E. 38th St. were examined by police today after a three-car crash in which 12 persons narrowly escaped death last night.

One of the accident victims, Dwaine Perry, 4730 N. Capitol Ave., a Purdue University extension student, remained in a serious condition in General Hospital.

Two other teen-agers remained in fair condition and eight others were released after first aid. Nine of the accident victims were bound for a drive-in after a party at Shortridge High School students, bound for the cast of the forthcoming Shortridge Vaudeville.

Traffic Capt. Audry Jacobs cited a total of 763 traffic arrests on 38th St. between Northwestern and Emerson Aves. since Jan. 1. Of this total 618 of the violations occurred in the eastern section of 38th St., he said, from Fall Creek east to Emerson Ave.

A "Race Track"

Labeling the section a "race track," Capt. Jacobs asked City Traffic Engineer Lewis Johnson to erect a large sign at the overhead on 38th St. informing motorists they were entering the city limits.

He said motorists fail to see the small city limits sign now there and speed into the city as high as 70 miles an hour. He said he also would ask the city department to erect large "30 Mile Speed Limit" signs at Keystone Ave. and Road 67 to slow down traffic.

Capt. Jacobs said he also would ask the State Highway Commission to paint a center line on the blacktop road from Keystone Ave. to Arlington Ave. That section is now unmarked.

Last night's accident occurred when a car driven by Robert DeGraff, 17, of 2341 Central Ave., driving west on 38th St. near Rural St., started to pass another car and crashed head-on with a vehicle driven by Thomas F. Grady, 19, of 3245 Ruckle St., approaching from the opposite direction.

The DeGraff car turned over and skidded into another car, driven by Robert M. Scheidt, 24, of 3220 N. Bancroft St., which was following the Grady car.

In the DeGraff car were Mr. Perry and six Shortridge High School students. They had been

buried and forgotten," he said, attending a party celebrating selection as members of the Shortridge Vaudeville cast, at the home

of Carol Beane, 3602 Carrollton Ave. They were en route to meet Miss Beane and other friends at a North Side drive-in.

Two passengers, John W. Judy, 16, of 6333 N. Park Ave. and Miss Ruth Beck, 17, of 3424 Guilford Ave. were in fair condition in St. Vincent's.

Released after first aid treatment were DeGraff; Miss Janet Black, 17, of 2503 N. New Jersey St.; Miss Judy Reynolds, 16, of 1649 N. Alabama St.; William Crooks, 16, of 3319 Park Ave., and Ronald Smith, 16, of 1324 W. 30th St.

Traffic Tied Up

Also treated and released were Mr. Grady, driver of the second car and a passenger in his car, Frank Marsella, 17, of 5501 Broadway.

Both are Shortridge students but were not members of the party.

Miss Jean McGannon, 17, of 359 S. Spencer Ave., a passenger in the Scheidt's car, was also given first aid. Mr. Scheidt was not injured.

The accident tied up traffic on heavily traveled 38th St. until wreckers could remove the cars.

Car Demolished

The DeGraff car was demolished. One of the injured, Mr. Crooks, crawled out of the wreckage through a hole which had once been the trunk of the car.

There were no fatal accidents in the city Sunday. However, one Indianapolis man, Ferdinand Strens, 90, of 1030 N. Leland Ave., died in Methodist Hospital of injuries received when he was struck by a car driven by Donald Breen, Cumberland, at 11th and Emerson Ave. last Thursday.

Elsewhere in the state, three other persons died in traffic accidents. Hiram Jacobs, 65, Chicago, died in Henry County Hospital early today. He was the second victim of a two-car collision Friday near Economy, Wayne County. William Wilson, 50, Richmond, was killed instantly in the crash.

2 Other Victims

P. S. Better, 81, Elkhart, was struck by a car driven by Howard Martin yesterday afternoon. At Kendallville, Mrs. Bertha Schmidt, 76, of the Lutheran Home there, was struck by a car driven by Donald Gongwer, 21, of Ft. Wayne.

Two motorcyclists were injured, one seriously, when their cycle crashed into a station wagon in the 700 block E. New York St. yesterday.

Paul Haskett, 26, of 1313 Nerdke St., riding as a passenger on a motorcycle driven by Carl Vess, 32, of 209 S. Oriental St., was injured seriously. The car, driven by Dwig, 21, of 21 of 2959 S. Meridian St., crashed into the front of a car owned by Herbert Schafer, 702 E. New St.

Serious Condition

Mr. Haskett was in serious condition in General Hospital. Mr. Nungesser, who received a broken leg, was in fair condition.

Funeral services for Mr. Strens will be at 10 a. m. tomorrow in the Dorsey Funeral Home. Burial will be in Crown Hill. Survivors include a nephew, Harry Dobruck, Indianapolis; a niece, Mrs. Myrtle Thompson, Indianapolis, and another nephew, William Ginz, Germany.

Indianapolis resident 65 years Mr. Strens was superintendent of carpenters for the Big Four Railroad 40 years before his retirement 20 years ago. He was a member of the Evangelical and Reformed Church.

Predicts Job Level

TO THE WELL INTO 1949

WEDNESDAY, NOV. 22 (UPI)—Oscar C. Goodwin, chief of the U. S. Employment Service, today predicted continued high employment through most of next year.

Mr. Goodwin told the United Press his staff of experts "so far hasn't found anything in the employment picture that indicates a major break in the foreseeable future."

He said there have been signs that employment is leveling off in many industries and even dropping sharply in some.

IU Offers Students Major in Russian

BLOOMINGTON, Nov. 22—Students at Indiana University may now secure a degree with a major in Russian studies.

The faculty of the Arts and Sciences College voted to include Russian studies as a major subject. The university has provided courses in Russian language, culture, literature and history for the last two years under Prof. Michael Ginsburg.

Typhus Vaccine Shipped to Lebanon

WASHINGTON, Nov. 22 (UPI)—Typhus vaccine sufficient to inoculate 450,000 persons is being shipped to Lebanon to prevent an outbreak of the disease among refugees from the war in Palestine, according to the Red Cross.

The Red Cross said little typhus has developed so far but that the vaccine is needed as a precautionary measure.

Ex-Soviet Spy Denies Evading Summons

ROCHESTER, N. Y., Nov. 22—Elizabeth Bentley, self-confessed former Communist spy courier, says she has not evaded a summons and willingly would accept one in the \$100,000 slander suit brought against her by William W. Remington, former Commerce Department official.

Miss Bentley met reporters before addressing 1200 persons last night on "I Was a Russian Spy," in which she repeated the details of her career brought out before the House Un-American Activities Committee.

"The matter of the law suit is entirely in the hands of my attorneys," she said.

U. S. Recognizes New Peru Regime

WASHINGTON, Nov. 22 (UPI)—The United States last night granted diplomatic recognition to the new revolutionary government in Peru.

The State Department said the new regime, headed by Gen. Manuel Odria, notified this government on Oct. 31 that it would "scrupulously" observe Peru's international obligations.

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Air Force Makes Posthumous Award Here



Mr. and Mrs. Vern Brunner, 413 W. Market St., Crawfordsville, accompanied by their daughter, Arlene, (right) yesterday received a Purple Heart posthumously presented by the U. S. Air Force to their son, Sgt. Billy W. Brunner. The medal was presented at Stout Field by Col. James A. Ronin, Stout Field commanding officer, along with the Air Medal with an Oak Leaf Cluster and a Distinguished Unit Citation. Sgt. Brunner was killed in the Pacific Theater when the B-29

on which he served crashed as it returned from a mission.

Petillo Returned To Jail Here

\$1500 Bond Canceled By Judge Bain

Kelly Petillo, former 500-mile

Race driver, was back in jail again today.

The stormy petrel of racing

was back behind bars after his \$1,500 bond was canceled at the request of Mrs. Mary Maio, 1428 E. Southern Ave., in Criminal Court 1.

Mrs. Maio's request to be freed

from the bond was granted by

Judge Bain. She said she frequently could not locate Petillo at his residence at a trailer court at 5100 W. Washington St.

She signed the bond for Petillo's release after he was arrested July 4 in Corunna, Mich.

He was returned here and charged with assault and battery with intent to kill in connection with the knife attack on Mrs. Naomi Schafner, Lebanon, in his room in the Roosevelt Hotel, June 29.

Sets New Bond

In court Petillo explained his frequent absences from the city, saying that he was racing in California and Florida. He said racing was his only means of livelihood and asked to remain free until time for the trial.

Judge Bain refused, however,

and set a new bond at \$500.

More trouble came up for Pe-

tillo later when T. Ernest Maholm withdrew as his attorney. Petillo

had Bain he had no money to

hire a lawyer and the judge ap-

pointed public defenders John O.

Lewis and William Wilson.

No date has been set for the trial.

Admirers' Efforts Assure Sibelius Of Birthday Cigars

NEW YORK, Nov. 22 (UPI)—Finnish composer Jan Sibelius

will get Havana cigars for his 83rd

birthday after all, it appeared to

day.

Several months ago the eminent

musician told a visitor the only

things he wanted for his birthday

were Havana cigars, difficult to

obtain in Finland.

"They are my food," he said

wistfully.

The National Arts Foundation

in this country heard of his re-

cords from American music

lovers. They mailed the cigars

more than a week ago so that

they would arrive by Dec. 8, the

composer's birthday.

Spurred by wartime shortages,

plant scientists at Duke University

under the leadership of Dr. Frederick R. Durkis have suc-

cessfully grown high-aroma to-

baccos in co-operation with the

agricultural experiment stations

of Virginia and the two Carol-

inas.

The new American "Turkish"</