

Secret Device Locates Lost Planes

HILL FIELD, OGDEN, Utah — Hundreds of planes with priceless cargo, troops and crews are being flown safely across the Pacific as the result of a heretofore secret device at Ogden Air Technical Service command.

This device is a high-frequency, long-range direction finder which can pick up the signals and give a geographical fix to a lost plane halfway between Hill Field and Honolulu, Hawaii.

This is the way it works: Any plane finding itself in navigating trouble radio Hill Field and a few other military installations in western United States which are equipped with these sets. Each field that hears the signal takes a bearing on the plane by means of the direction finder and sends the reports to an evaluation center on the Pacific coast.

Here, the reports from all the fields that have picked up the plane's distress signal are checked and charted on a map. Then, by simple triangulation and pin-pointing the spot where all lines meet on

the map, the evaluation center figures out the exact position of the stricken aircraft and radios the information to it.

Handling planes that are in trouble is only one of the jobs of the Army Airways Communications system who man the direction finding equipment. For men work on six-hour shifts so that someone is on duty 24 hours a day, giving bearings and tracking routine traffic.

Detachment commander and officer in charge of the direction finder at Hill Field is Lt. John V. Woodbury. The men constantly on the job tracking planes are T. Sgt. Warren Lewis, S. Sgt. Ralph Brecknock, S. Sgt. Edward Cisowski and Cpl. Robert C. Berger.

German Guns Show Up In City

A number of German guns, sent home by soldiers overseas have been showing up in this city during the past two or three months.

Most of the guns were evidently picked up on battle fields as they are military rifles of the type used by German infantrymen. Chief notable difference between these rifles and those used by the United States comes in the finish. The Germans were evidently pressed for time as they did not do much finish work on stocks, forearms and barrels.

In the lot are also a few shot guns. E. W. Conkle, local gun smith, bought a double barrel 15 gauge and a Browning automatic twelve gauge last week from a lady whose husband, a lieutenant, sent them to her to sell.

These guns are sporting models but may have been used by the army as they have slings attached for easy carrying. The double barrel was made by the Famous Krupp works and the automatic is the gun after which our Remington automatic is patterned. Both will shoot regular 16 and 12 gauge shells as loaded in this country.

Local Topics

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Scott left Monday for a several weeks visit at Roseman, Mont., to visit relatives and friends. Mrs. Scott's father is in ill health there.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Hanigan and daughter LaDonna and A. P. Meechan left last Thursday for Portland, Ore. Mr. and Mrs. Hanigan took their daughter for medical treatment.

Floyd Palmer of Vancouver, Wn., was an arrival in Payette Tuesday. He is visiting with Leonard Medler. Mr. Palmer is a former manager of the Gamble Sotre.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Lacey of Auston, Ore., were Tuesday visitors at the Carl Tipton home.

Mrs. Louise Watson is visiting this week at the Tom Watson home on Little Willow.

Mrs. Walter James had the misfortune to fall and break her arm last Saturday evening. She had been visiting neighbors and when she went to go home fell off the steps.

Mrs. Holly Anderson returned to her home Saturday from Muroc, Cal., where she has been the last several months with her husband. She reported that her husband, Lt. Anderson, a bomber pilot, has been sent overseas for a second tour of duty.

Mrs. Neal Nelson returned to Payette Monday morning after spending the past week with her husband at Portland.

Burney Cady of Wilder spent Saturday night and Sunday here with his sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Scholes and family. Mr. Cady has just been discharged from the armed forces.

Miss LaFawn Stenberg of Tacoma, Wn., spent several days here recently visiting her sister, Mrs. Wesley Weidner and family. She went on to Klamath Falls where she will visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Davin.

Mrs. Harold Cook of San Francisco is spending a two weeks vacation at the home of her mother, Mrs. Viola Ahlstrand and sister, Arlene and other relatives and friends.

Mrs. Ed Putnam, Mrs. Jim Roe and Mrs. John Comer visited at the home of their niece, Mrs. Ralph Young and family Tuesday.

Takes Payette Paper Fifty Years

Mrs. C. Syme, R. 1, a pioneer of this section sent in her subscription to the Independent-Enterprise this week, with the accompanying word, that this is the 51st consecutive year she has subscribed for the local newspaper.

She is probably one of the oldest subscribers as this year's volume of the newspaper is only No. 55. Due to changes in ownership and the fact that many of the early records have been destroyed the present management has no way of checking up on the early list of subscribers. It would, however, be interesting to know if there are any who can beat Mrs. Syme's record.

Mrs. John McKinney, Mrs. Edgar Johnson and Miss Helen Dunn were among those who attended the luncheon and Republican meeting in Boise Tuesday.

Mrs. Andy Gerulf and two sons, Allen and Harold of Portland are visiting in Payette this week.

Mrs. Wilma Stevens spent from Wednesday until Saturday at Warm Lake with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Neil Fitch.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Rowland of Cambridge were Monday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Welch. They are the parents of Mrs. Welch. Mrs. C. V. Plath and son Davey left today for a two or three months visit with Mrs. Emily Plath at Fargo, North Dak.

LeRoy Chipman, Signalman 2/c arrived in Payette Monday morning for five days here with relatives and friends. He will report at Oakland, Cal., at the end of his leave.

Mr. and Mrs. Neil Fitch and family returned home Saturday from a week at Warm Lake. Roger stayed at the Scout camp for another week.

Mrs. John J. Kaiser and children left Sunday in company with two of her sisters for several weeks at Payette Lakes.

Mrs. Rowenah Keele spent Sunday and Monday in Boise. Mr. and Mrs. Gene Phillips left Monday morning for Portland for several weeks visit there with relatives and friends.

H. S. Starks and son, R. S. Ellis and son spent Wednesday and Thursday of last week fishing at Hazard lake. They report a good catch.

James L. Ransom S 2/c has been assigned as Koeman to the U. S. S. Sibley, according to word received here by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Ransom.

Mrs. Walter Steffner returned Saturday from Seattle where she was called due to the illness of her mother.

Mr. and Mrs. George Sedlmayer and family returned Sunday from a weeks vacation at Spokane with his brother Ed Sedlmayer and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Miller left Friday for Sacramento, Cal. where they expect to locate. Mr. Miller drove a cream truck here for nine years, while Mrs. Miller has been the Spencer support representative for three years.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Sorenson and son Richard spent from Thursday until Sunday at the Payette Lakes.

Mr. and Mrs. Hessa Shafer and son Bud of Portland arrived here Saturday evening, spent Sunday at the Dwight, Maule home and went to Boise Sunday to visit with relatives.

Mrs. John Baldrige is taking her vacation from the ration board office. She left Saturday for Portland where she will visit a week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Shank.

Judge and Mrs. F. P. Leiper of Caldwell spent the week end here visiting their daughter, Mrs. Boyd McMurchie and family.

Miss Mary Lou Decker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Decker left Monday morning for New York where she will enter training at

Hunter College for WAVES.

Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Peterson and family returned home Sunday from a weeks vacation at Payette Lakes and Warm Lake.

Mrs. Lila Bowman of San Francisco, Cal., arrived in Payette Sunday to visit her mother, Mrs. M. Steffen and sister, Mrs. Art Lattig.

Mr. and Mrs. Scott Pearson, Mrs. Orville Worley and Ellis Linder spent Sunday at Midvale and with Mr. and Mrs. Tom Linder had dinner at the Nelson Linder home. Mr.

and Mrs. Tom Linder accompanied them home as they had been visiting there the past week.

Mrs. Nelson McRae will leave Saturday for Colorado Springs, Col. to be with her husband for 14 days. Mr. Nelson has been assistant fire chief at the Mountain Home air base and is being sent to Colorado Springs for temporary duty with the 2nd Air Force Headquarters.

Mr. and Mrs. Udell J. Kuhre and daughter Linda of Salt Lake City, have been here visiting at the C. E. Nelson home and while here Mr.

and Mrs. Nelson with the Kuhres enjoyed a trip to Payette lakes.

Mrs. E. W. Pierce of Salem, Ore., formerly of Payette is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Robert Chapel at Ontario. She hopes to visit in Payette a day or so before returning to her home in Salem the latter part of August.

Miss Edrie Rumley returned to Nampa Monday to resume special training by Montgomery Ward & Co., after ten days of illness. She will be credit manager at the local catalog office.

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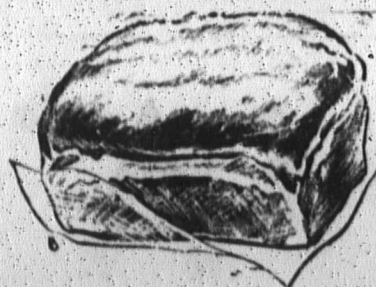
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