

WRECKAGE OF PLANE AFTER "DOG FIGHT"



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This is how plane looked after crashing on roof of three-story tenement house at 240 Johnson ave., killing its Chinese student pilot, following a collision with another plane in a "dog fight" over the heart of Williamsburgh.

GIANTS

(Continued from Page One) past third: Terry out, Whitehead to Collins, Critz moving to third. Ott flied to Medwick. No runs, no hits, one error. Whitehead walked. Rothrock lined to Ott. Frisch out, Vergez to Terry and when Whitehead tried to take third on the play he was doubled, Terry to Vergez. No runs, no hits, no errors. SECOND INNING Jackson was thrown out by Frisch. Watkins walked. Mancuso singled to left, Watkins stopping at third. Vergez fouled to Delancey. While Delancey's back was turned to the plate, Watkins and Mancuso tried to work the double steal, Watkins was out at the plate, Delancey to Whitehead to Delancey. No runs, one hit, no errors. Medwick grounded to Critz. Collins walked. Delancey bounced out to Terry, unassisted, Collins stopping at second, Fullis walked. Durocher fouled to Mancuso. No runs, no hits, no errors. THIRD INNING Bowman flied to Fullis. Moore grounded to Whitehead. Critz out, Durocher to Collins. No runs, no hits, no errors. J. Dean out, Vergez to Terry. Whitehead grounded to Jackson. Rothrock struck out. No runs, no hits, no errors.

Chinese Dies as His Plane Falls on Roof in 'Dog Fight'

Woman in Williamsburgh Tenement Faints as Machine's Nose Comes Through Ceiling.

While Inspector G. F. McElravy, of the Bureau of Air Commerce, was making an investigation today of the crash of an airplane on the roof of a Williamsburgh tenement and the death of a Chinese flyer, following a collision in the air, District Attorney Geoghan announced that the crash is a closed incident as far as his office is concerned.

It was unavoidable, and there was no violation of the law, the prosecutor said. Both planes were flying at an altitude of about 2,200 feet at the time of the crash, he said. He told police to release the second plane which had been under guard at Maspeth pending the results of his investigation.

Edward On Wong, 33, of 176 Canal st., Manhattan, crashed to his death on the roof of a tenement at 240 Johnson ave., between Bushwick ave. and Bushwick pl. His friend, Fong Tru Shek, who was piloting the other plane, made a skillful emergency landing on the Melvina baseball field in Maspeth, escaping with a fractured arm and a dislocated shoulder.

The two Chinese had taken up aviation with the idea of joining the military air squadrons of their native land and were practising combat maneuvers, or "dog fights" as they are known, with which they planned to impress a Chinese war hero who had arrived from Europe.

The tail of one ship, a tiny Aeronca monoplane with a 36-horsepower, two-cylinder motor, was clipped off by the other plane's propeller, and it spiralled downward out of control, imbedding its nose in the roof of the three-story tenement.

Dragged From Wreckage The pilot was dragged from the wreckage, but was dead before an ambulance arrived from the Greenpoint Hospital.

With his propeller shattered and useless, the other pilot managed to glide his plane to the baseball field, but his ship's wheels struck a ditch and the plane flopped over on its back. Tru Shek said he and the dead pilot lived together and they had been partners in a chop suey restaurant at 16 Pell st., Manhattan, which had recently closed, as well as in the Avro biplane which On Wong was flying.

The plane in which On Wong crashed to his death had been rented from Dean H. Franklin, of 37-52 39th st., Jackson Heights.

Tru Shek said he had 75-hours of flying time to his credit. On Wong about 40. He admitted they had planned to repeat their maneuvers later in the day for the benefit of General Chang Fak Wel, who returned on the Bremen after a two-year tour of Europe. Later they were going to ask the general to take them back to China with him.

Only One Woman in House Only one woman was in the tenement on which On Wong's plane crashed, and the pilot had remembered to turn off the ignition, so there was no fire.

The wrecked plane filled the building with fumes, and police warned residents not to light matches until the fumes had cleared away.

George Naeger, proprietor of a lunchroom at 253 Johnson ave., across the street, was the first to reach the roof after the crash. He found the body so entangled in the wreckage he could not extricate it.

The blue and white ship was seen to wobble dizzily for a moment after the crash about 1,000 feet in the air, then plunge headlong into the house.

The plane's nose went through the roof into the living room of an apartment occupied by Mrs. Hilda Schaffner.

Mrs. Schaffner fainted as the plane tore a gaping hole in the roof over her head. She was revived by an ambulance surgeon.

Firemen to Rescue The pilot was extricated from the plane by members of Engine Company 237, who witnessed the air crash and rushed to the scene of the fallen plane before an alarm was sent out.

Thousands of men, women and children, who witnessed the collision or were attracted to the Johnson ave. house by the plane's crash, milled around the front of the house. Many of them fainted in the

crush, and five ambulances were called to revive them.

Three police emergency squads fought to keep the crowds away from the house.

Patrolman Leonard Kropp, on duty nearby, saw Tru Shek's monoplane gliding toward the Melvina field. As it rolled over, he called an ambulance surgeon and then ran to aid the pilot.

With the aid of other witnesses, Tru Shek was extricated.

He said he and his friend were flying at about 2,100 feet when suddenly the two planes came together. As he tried to bring the ship under control, Tru Shek said he saw his friend's ship barrel roll and then slip into a nose dive.

He found his plane's propeller too badly smashed to be of use. He cut off the motor and headed for the ball park, the only likely looking landing place he could see.

Plane Curiosity Leads To Arrest as Robbers

Russell Caraturo, 18, of 393 South Second st. and Charles Guarino, 18, of 463 Metropolitan ave., were held in \$1,000 bail each for the Grand Jury when they waived examination on a burglary charge before Magistrate Folwell, in Bridge Plaza Court.

The two were arrested yesterday by Detective John Hickey in a crowd looking at an airplane in which a Chinese flyer was killed when it crashed on a Johnson ave. roof.

The men were alleged to have stolen a radio set from Abraham Biszeski's beer garden at 5 Boerum st. on Aug. 19.

LAURELTON MAN KILLED

John Shevlin, 70, Run Over by L. I. R. R. Train.

John J. Shevlin, 70, of 130-15 226th st., Laurelton, a retired member of the New York City Fire Department, was instantly killed yesterday afternoon when he was run over by a Long Island Railroad train at 224th st., a short distance from the Laurelton station.

According to Thomas Kelly, of 10 New York ave., Brooklyn, the motorman, the aged man suddenly appeared about ten feet in front of his train, a local running from Hempstead to Jamaica. Kelly told Detective Vincent Ryan, of the Queens Village Squad, who was assigned to investigate, that when he saw the former fireman, who seemed to be sitting on the track, he applied the emergency brakes.

The train slid along and three cars passed over the man's body before it was brought to a stop. William D. Collins, of 256 Locust ave., Babylon, was the conductor.

Emergency Squad 17, of Ozone Park, was called to extricate the badly mangled body and Shevlin was pronounced dead by Ambulance Surgeon Ryan, of Mary Immaculate Hospital.

Shevlin was a member of the Knights of Columbus, retired from service in 1911. Funeral arrangements have not yet been completed.

He is survived by his widow, a son, John H., and four daughters, Mrs. William Madley, of Mt. Kisco, N. Y.; Mrs. Howard Sack, of Newark, N. J.; Mrs. Robert Cameron and Isabelle Shevlin.

OZONE PARK FIRE

Does \$3,000 Damage to Furniture Warehouse.

Fire of undetermined origin did about \$3,000 damage to the one-story brick storage warehouse, owned and occupied by the Sterling Furniture Co., at 127-07 94th ave., Ozone Park, last night.

The fire which was discovered by a passerby, is said to have started on the roof in the rear of the building. Two alarms were sent in and the blaze was quickly brought under control.

One fireman, Henry Van Rosson, was treated for lacerations of the left hand. He tripped over a hose line on the floor of the building.

DODGERS

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center. Taylor out stealing, Hartnett to Jorges. No runs, one hit, no errors.

Hack grounded out, Stripp to Leslie. English was safe at first on Cuccinello's wide throw to first. Stainback flied to Taylor in short left. F. Herman flied to Taylor. No runs, no hits, one error.

SECOND INNING

Leslie hit a home run into right-field bleacher. Cuccinello grounded out to Hurst. Koenecke popped to Hack. Stripp bunted and was out, Hurst unassisted. One run, one hit, no errors.

Cuyler popped to Stripp. Hartnett doubled to right. Hurst flied to Taylor. Jorges walked. Malone singled, Jorges was out trying for third, Taylor to Stripp. No runs, one hit, no errors.

THIRD INNING

Lopez grounded out, Hack to Hurst. Bengie lined to Hurst. Boyle struck out. No runs, no hits, no errors.

Hack singled to short. English grounded out, Cuccinello to Leslie, Hack going to second. Stainback grounded to Stripp who fumbled for an error, Hack going to third. Cuccinello dropped F. Herman's fly but recovered in time to force Satinback at second, Cuccinello to Frey, Hack holding third. Cuyler flied to Koenecke. No runs, one hit, one error.

FOURTH INNING

Frey hit a home run into the right field bleachers. Taylor doubled to left. Leslie grounded out, English to Hurst, Taylor going to third. Cuccinello bunted along the first base line and was out, Hurst to English, who covered first. Taylor scoring on the squeeze play. Two runs, two hits, no errors.

Hartnett flied to Taylor Hurst flied to Boyle. Jorges also flied to Boyle. No runs, no hits, no errors.

FIFTH INNING

Stripp singled to center. Lopez singled to left center, sending Stripp to third. Bengie lined out to Jorges. Stripp scored and Lopez reached second on a wild pitch by Malone. Boyle and Frey walked, filling the bases. Malone was replaced by Weaver. Taylor forced Lopez at the plate, Weaver to Tartnett. Leslie singled to center, scoring Boyle and Frey and sending Taylor to third. Leslie stole second. Cuccinello popped to Jorges in back of second. Three runs, three hits, no errors.

Weaver struck out. Hack singled to right. English singled off Leslie's glove, Hack stopping at second. Stainback flied to Taylor, runners holding bases. F. Herman hit a home run into the right field bleachers, Hack and English scoring ahead of him. Cuyler singled to center, Hartnett singled to left center, sending Cuyler to third. Hurst struck out. Three runs, five hits, no errors.

SIXTH INNING

Koenecke struck out. Stripp singled to center. Lopez flied to Herman in right center. Bengie hit to Stainback. No runs, one hit, no errors.

Jorges singled to center. Galan batted for weaver and flied to Frey in short left. Mack doubled to left center, Jorges stopping, at third Bengie was replaced by Mungo. Phelps batted for English and was called out on strikes. Stainback grounded out, Frey to Leslie. No runs, two hits, no errors.

SEVENTH INNING

Lee went to the mound and Galan to second for the Cubs. Boyle grounded out, Lee to Hurst. Frey lined to F. Herman. Taylor grounded out, Galan to Hurst. No runs, no hits, no errors.

STROMBOLI POURS OUT LAVA STREAMS

Messina, Sicily, Aug. 24.—Sicily was shaken by a strong earth shock today, followed by two milder tremors, while Mt. Stromboli poured forth threatening clouds of smoke.

The volcano continued belching spasmodic streams of lava, but the molten waste streamed towards the sea along the northern slopes, which are neither inhabited nor cultivated. No losses have yet been reported.

Smoke clouds at the summit of the volcano are so dense that her fires are hidden, although at night an intense glare is visible.

Hawthorne Park Selections

- First Race—Playmore, Lovesick, Brilliant Duke. Second Race—Rickey Roo, Grey Pal, Brother Lou. Third Race—Martie Flynn, Deets Campfire, Fair Image. Fourth Race—Pancoast, Siskin, Dis Dat. Fifth Race—Ebony Lady, Fanfern, Slapped. Sixth Race—Advantage, Hope Eternal, Blue Armor. Seventh Race—Pot Au Brooms, Spicson, Jens Son. Eighth Race—Hoosiers Pride, Rowdy Boy, Trailson. Best Bet—Hoosiers Pride.

FINE EAST ROCKAWAY DRIVERS FOR SPEED

East Rockaway, Aug. 24.—Motorists using East Rockaway's streets as speedways have discovered that Police Justice C. Walter Cavernor was a strict judge. Twelve drivers who ignored the signs regulating the speed limit were assessed a total of \$135, three of them paying additional fines of \$5 each for other offenses. Fines totaling \$146 were assessed against violators of traffic regulations, the final \$11 being paid by three charged with falling to keep to the right of the highway.

Elbert Lewis Hiler, 19, of 345 Beach 149th st., Rockaway Beach, topped the list, being fined \$20 for driving through Main st. at a speed of 62 miles an hour, and an additional \$5 for driving without an operator's license.

Next on the list was Marvin H. Kornbluth, 19, of 2801 Faber tr., Far Rockaway, was fined \$10 for speeding at 42 miles an hour and \$5 for failing to keep to the right.

Charles Ritter, 24, Maplewood, N. H., was charged with driving through Main st. at a speed of 55 miles an hour, was fined \$15, and Merwin Joseph, 17, of Ausbacher lane, Lawrence, was fined \$5 speed of 46 miles an hour, and another \$5 for driving at that speed—or any speed—without benefit of a license. Five other speeders paid \$10 each and two more paid \$5 each.

DOG RACE ENTRIES

- (Mincola, Tonight) First Race—One-quarter of a mile. Miss Lolla, Miss Venus, Jappy Quinette, Sadie May, Joel Bugger, Dry Miss, My Jack, Just Rockaway. Second Race—One-quarter of a mile. Pinky Burr, Runt Actor, Duty Meadows, Wadley's Warrior, Miss Flip, Kew, Albert's Wonder, Jean Alden. Third Race—Futurity. Dandy Bugawn, Fenhurst Tech, Kentucky Els, Bill Turner, Semo, The Tryolus, Hart's Choice, Jas. Fourth Race—One-quarter of a mile. Brindle Joker, Just Playful, Marvellous Kitty, Betty Marble, Pled Piper, Ho Hum, Bargain Boy, Godfrey's Outlook. Fifth Race—Five-sixteenths of a mile. Fure Ola, Possession, Lady's Gift, Flying Hawk, Peggy Crag, Cape Ferro, Tony, Indian Kiowa. Sixth Race—Futurity. Regulation, Jay Liar, Spivey, High Honors, Open Letter, Constance Cashoo, Charlie Wad, Ditto. Seventh Race—One-quarter of a mile. Captain Martin, White Cashier, Wide Awake Officer, Doc Mills, Crash, Chief, Jarry's Double, Bud Light. Eighth Race—Futurity. Dice Cup, Irish Alden, White Belle, Ring Officer, Kirk, Gay World, Sandy June, Ninth Race—One-quarter of a mile. Golden Laddie, Garna, Red McCarty, Humming Past, Just Follow Me, Lou Wad, White Boots, Silver Gog.

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