

9 Provoans, 3 Others Die, 26 Hurt In Accident on Hole-in-Rock Trip

Lose Lives in Ill-Fated Scouting Expedition



MERLIN JOHN SHAW HARVEY DARREL TAYLOR WILLIAM A. CREER



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Scout Trip Ends In Tragedy as Truck Rolls Over

Shattering tragedy hung like a solid black cloud over Provo today, as families, friends and the entire community mourned the death of three men and six boys killed Monday afternoon in the truck accident east of Escalante which claimed a total of 12 lives.

On an Explorer Scout expedition to Hole-in-The-Rock, historic Mormon cross on the Colorado River, the group met tragedy when the heavily laden truck stalled on a steep hill as the driver attempted to shift gears, and rolled backwards off a steep embankment. The United Press listed 12 dead, 26 injured and 10 uninjured as occupants of the truck. This would have made 48 people not counting the driver, who was listed by the highway patrol as David Nielsen, address unknown. Most were members of Explorer Post 36 of the Pleasant View Ward.

Killed from Provo were:
Dr. Merlin J. Shaw, 51, bishop of the Manava LDS Ward, assistant professor of religion at BYU, and leader of the expedition.

Dr. H. Darrel Taylor, 45, Explorer leader in the group and professor of languages at BYU.

W. A. "Bill" Creer, 39, 300 E. 1900 N., Provo contractor and one of the fathers accompanying the group.

Joseph William Erickson, 16, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Erickson, 1840 N. 150 E.

Gordon Henry Grow, 15, son of Mr. and Mrs. D. Spencer Grow, 1600 E. 8th N.

Randy Wayne Miller, 14, son of Mr. and Mrs. Delos Miller, 416 E. 2200 N.

Gary Lynn Rasmussen, 15, son of Mr. and Mrs. LaRay Rasmussen, 2225 N. 650 E.

Gary Lynn Christensen, 14, son of Mr. and Mrs. Louis G. Christensen, 2150 N. 250 E.

Lynn Louis Merrell, son of Mr. and Mrs. LaVair "Red" Merrell, 625 E. 2130 N.

Also listed by the United Press International as killed were:

Dorothy Hansen, 24, Salt Lake City, reporter for the Deseret News.

Randy Hall, 13, son of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene M. Hall, Ogden.

Robert Cook, age unlisted, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert W. Cook, Salt Lake City.

Listed by United Press International as injured were 22 Provo boys, two boys and

a man and a girl from Salt Lake City, and a boy from Ogden. Several girls were in the party as "hitchhikers" from Salt Lake City, intending to join another party at Hole-in-The-Rock.

The United Press listed 10 uninjured from Salt Lake City and Provo.

The list of injured follows:

R. Chase Allred, 2200 N. 550 E.; David Daley, 15, son of Mr. and Mrs. Max Daley, 445 E. 2200 N.; Reed Allen Jr., 11, son of Mr. and Mrs. Reed Allen, 586 E. 2320 N.; Clyde Ashton, 14, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ashton, 475 E. 1700 N.; Ronald Benson, 14, son of Mr. and Mrs. Simon Benson, 630 E. 2320 N.; Norman Boshard, 14, son of Mr. and Mrs. Deah Boshard, 321 E. 1900 N.; Ronald Clark, 16, son of Mr. and Mrs. Vera Clark, 360 E. 2050 N.; Lee Colvin, 15, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harpid Colvin, 595 E. Spruce Ave.; Allen Creer, 14, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Creer, 300 E. 1900 N.; Jed Daley, 14, son of Mr. and Mrs. Max Daley, 445 E. 2200 N.; Dennis Davis, 14, son of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Davis, 1806 N. 500 E.; David Hall, 15, and Tracy Hall Jr., 16, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Tracy Hall, 1711 Lambert Lane; Tom Head, 15, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ward Head, 285 E. 2100 N.; Charles Pope, MIA superintendent for the Pleasant View Ward, 2135 N. 487 E.; Bryan Roundy, 14, son of Mr. and Mrs. Kilmer Roundy, 340 E. 1900 N.; Roger Sheffield, 14, son of Mr. and Mrs. Loftus Sheffield, 410 E. 1980 N.; Norman Skiva, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jullis Skiva, 1847 N. 500 E.; (See NINE PROVOANS, Page 4)

Dead, Injured Pinned Under Heavy Truck

By STEVE SMILANICH
United Press International

ESCALANTE, Utah (UPI)—Boy Scouts from three Utah communities jubilated here Monday morning on the first leg of an overland and river trip that was to be the highlight of their summer vacations.

Hours later, two battered youths limped into a local store to notify authorities that their truck had overturned on a desolate mountain road, killing 12 persons.

The tragedy which ended the long-planned trip for 46 Scouts, leaders and girls occurred about 33 miles southeast of here when their truck plunged down a precipitous mountainside in a "no mans land."

Eight Scouts, two university professors, a contractor and a woman reporter were killed when the truck and its contents hurtled down on top of them after dumping them out of its open bed.

When Garfield County deputies arrived at the scene four hours after the accident, they found the dead and injured pinned beneath the truck and buried under their camping equipment and rubber boats.

Young David Hall of Provo, one of the injured, described the accident: "The truck wouldn't shift and started rolling backwards and everyone started screaming. Everyone got tossed around, but I was lucky."

As the truck headed up a rough road carved out of the mountainside, its 21-year old driver, Ernest S. Ahlborn of Provo, tried to shift gears and the vehicle began rolling backward. Then the brakes failed and the truck spilled over the edge of the road, throwing its passengers before it.

The Scouts and their companions were headed for Hole-in-the-Rock on the Colorado River where they planned to meet a second contingent of boys who had hit the river farther north. Together, (See DEAD, INJURED, Page 4)

Provo Leaders Mirror Grief Of Community

Shock and grief gripped Provo today in the wake of Monday's tragic mishap in which a truck rollover claimed 12 lives near Escalante.

Provo city officials, civic and church leaders and school officials mirrored the grief which has touched the entire community, home of all but three of the fatally injured.

Mayor Veri G. Dixon said the city and the administration "is greatly saddened by this news."

"The people of Provo with its city administration express the deepest sympathy to all who have suffered a loss at this time," he said.

Ben E. Lewis, president of the East Sharon Stake of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, said the tragedy "comes as a great shock to the people of the area. They were all fine young men and outstanding leaders. We shall miss them and mourn their passing."

Dr. J.C. Moffitt, superintendent of Provo City Schools, said that school officials are "grief stricken and extend sympathy and condolences."

William K. Wotherspoon, manager of the Provo Chamber of Commerce, termed it a "great tragedy."

"The citizens of Provo at first couldn't believe that it was true," Wotherspoon said, "now they are saddened."

"We extend our heart felt sympathy to the relatives and friends of those who were killed," he said. G. Marion Hinckley, chairman, (See LEADERS, Page 5)

HERALD STAFFERS BRING EYEWITNESS ACCOUNTS OF EXPLORER SCOUT TRAGEDY

By RAY and ELAYNE SCHWARTZ
(Editor's Note: Ray Schwartz, Herald sports editor, and his wife, Elayne, who edits the Herald TV section, were on vacation in Antimony, about an hour drive from Panguitch, when they heard of the tragedy Monday which killed 12 people and injured nearly two dozen others—most of them part of an Explorer Scout expedition from Provo. Mr. and Mrs. Schwartz sped to Panguitch, where they phoned the Herald the following gripping eyewitness accounts.)

When we got over to Panguitch we went to the hospital. Two doctors from Richfield and two from Kanab had joined the Panguitch Hospital staff. They started bringing in the injured kids at approximately 8 p.m.

Outside a crowd was gathering, quiet, solemn-faced — many with tears in their eyes as they watched the station wagons, ambulances and cars unload the injured.

"Mama, I'm Alright"

The door of a treatment room was opened and JeNeil Bierman of 20 East Haven, Salt Lake City was wheeled in. She wanted to telephone her mother. "Mamma, I'm all right," she sobbed. She struggled to go on, "I was lying right next to Dorothy Hansen, (Reporter for the Deseret News) and she was gasping. She was dying and I knew it. I tried mouth to mouth breathing and it helped for awhile, but it was too long. She died on the way to the hospital. Others were having a hard time to breathe and I wanted to help too, but I couldn't. It was terrible."

Extra blood has arrived at the hospital, flown in from Salt Lake City.

We came upon Ronald Clark of

Provo, (son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Sylvester Clark). He told of being pinned in the wreckage for 45 minutes. "Others were pinned too. They were dying and I passed out. I was pinned in the middle and couldn't breathe, but I'm alive. Man, I'm alive. They tried to jack up the truck but we were on sand and it wouldn't hold the jack. I don't know how they ever got me out."

My Cousin Is Dead

We talked with David Hall, son of the H. Tracy Halls, Provo. "Someone pulled me out. I think it was my brother. We started up the hill. The bus couldn't make it. There was a stop sign—I think there wasn't really — the bus wouldn't shift. We started rolling back and everyone started screaming. We were thrown around and couldn't stand up. Some kids got thrown clear. My cousin is dead though (Randy Hall of Ogden) so our family can't be happy even though me and my brother, (Tracy Hall Jr.) made it. I was only six inches away from Randy and he's dead and I'm not. I don't know why."

The Red Cross Bloodmobile has

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CENTRAL UTAH DOCTORS HELP CARE FOR INJURED—Dr. Nephi Kezerian, Provo surgeon, bends over to examine R. Chase Allred, first counselor in the Pleasant View Ward bishopric, at Panguitch Hospital. Mr. Allred was one of the 26 injured in scout expedition accident near Escalante en route to Hole-in-The-Rock. Twelve persons were killed. Several Central Utah doctors flew to Panguitch to assist in caring for the injured.

Bars Entrance of Two Negro Students

Gov. Wallace Wins 1st Round In 'Bama Battle

TUSCALOOSA, Ala. (UPI)—Defiant Gov. George C. Wallace stood adamantly in a doorway today and refused to admit two Negro students to the University of Alabama. The two were taken to their assigned dormitories to await an attempt to register formally later in the day.

Wallace, spurning a last-minute order from President Kennedy to "cease and desist," strode into the bright sunshine and in a clear voice read a proclamation barring the two Negroes.

Then, in an apparent last-minute change of strategy by the government, the two Negroes, Vivian Malone and James A. Hood, left the scene of the historic confrontation and went to their dormitories, assigned earlier by the university.

Wallace, standing in the doorway of Foster Auditorium where the Negroes normally would register, three times refused a Justice Department attorney's request to admit them.

Miss Malone and Hood sat quietly in a car a few feet away as the drama was enacted.

U.S. Deputy Atty. Gen. Nicholas Katzenbach told Wallace the government intends to register the students later in the day.

Katzenbach asked Wallace three times to reconsider his determined position and allow the students to enter because, he said, he carried a proclamation from the President of the United States calling for obedience to a federal court decree ordering the two enrolled.

Wallace refused to budge. He said he was on hand — as he had vowed he would be for weeks — to "prevent the entrance because it is illegal and unwarranted."

Edwin Guthman, a spokesman for the Justice Department, said repeatedly that the Negroes would be registered today.

"They will be taken through the door before which the governor stood," he said.

Use of Army Troops Authorized

Kennedy Orders Alabama Guardsmen Federalized

WASHINGTON (UPI)—President Kennedy today federalized the Alabama National Guard and authorized Defense Secretary Robert S. McNamara to use any Army troops he may need to enforce admission of two Negroes to the University of Alabama.

The President issued his executive order shortly after Alabama Gov. George C. Wallace blocked entry of the Negroes in defiance of a proclamation by Kennedy and a federal court injunction.

Kennedy said he acted because the commands in his proclamation "have not been obeyed, and the unlawful obstructions of justice and combinations referred to therein continue."

"The secretary of defense is authorized and directed to take all appropriate steps to remove obstructions of justice in the state of Alabama," the order said.

It further authorized the defense secretary "to use such of the armed forces of the United States as he may deem necessary."

WASHINGTON (UPI)—A congressional subcommittee has recommended cutting the manned space flight budget by about \$250 million, it was learned today.

A house space subcommittee voted unanimously to trim by about 7 per cent the \$3.7 billion the administration requested for manned space flight activities for the fiscal year starting July 1.

The subcommittee's recommendations now go to the full House Space Committee, which is expected to endorse the panel's action.

Most of the reductions took place in the Apollo program to put a man on the moon by 1970. Additional cuts were made in the development of the M-1 engine.

Still to be heard from are the views of the House Appropriation Committee. The space committee merely recommends to Congress the ceiling on spending. The appropriations committee recommends the actual amount of money to be allocated by Congress.

The appropriations committee usually cuts deeper than the committee responsible for the authorization requests.

Accident Third Worst in Utah Highway History

SALT LAKE CITY (UPI)—Monday's accident which claimed the lives of 12 persons near Escalante was the third worst in Utah highway history.

The worst accident was in 1938 when 25 were killed in a bus-train crash involving a Jordan School District bus.

In 1948 two cross-country buses collided in Tooele County killing 13.

HERALDING The News

It's Our Saddest Story, On Which We Did Our Best

There's really only one story for Central Utahns in the Herald today—the saddest story we've ever had to compile.

It took the combined recourses of nearly the entire news staff on the Herald, plus the United Press International, but we have brought you perhaps the most comprehensive coverage you will find anywhere.

Herald Sports Editor Ray Schwartz and his wife were on vacation, an hour from Panguitch, when they heard the news. They sped to Panguitch, to get pictures and one of the most gripping on-the-spot stories you will ever read.

United Press International flew a reporter to the scene. Herald staffers combed Provo for pictures and obituaries of the deceased. One staffer spent most of the night at the highway patrol office in Provo, checking names and gathering information as it came in.

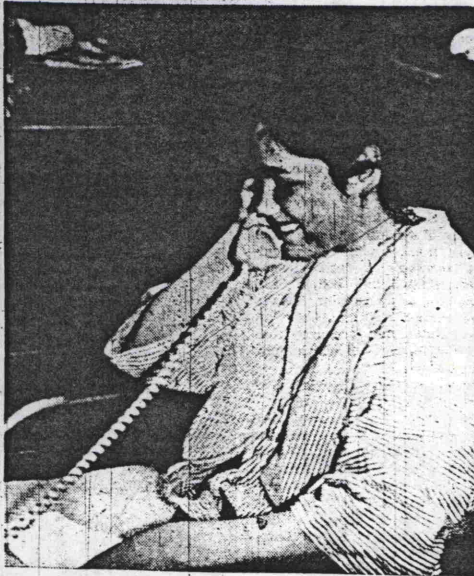
It's the saddest story we have ever had to do—but it needed doing, and we have done our best to bring it to you.

Small Panguitch Hospital Mobilized To Care for Injured Scouts, Leaders

PANGUITCH — A small Southern Utah Hospital — 10 of its 15 beds occupied — within minutes had mobilized physicians, nurses, blood and extra beds for 24 injured brought in Monday night from the Hole-in-the-Rock crash scene.

At noon today, only two of the injured were still at Panguitch, said Keira Owens, superintendent.

Five were at Utah Valley Hospital, with an ambulance from Richfield due in momentarily, and a plane load of injured from Panguitch.



Emergency Aid
Dr. John Cook, Salt Lake City, a member of the party which suffered 12 fatalities and 26 injured, was able to give some first aid at scene, and walked into the hospital, said Mr. Owens. Several others were able to walk in — after being transported by ambulances and cars from the crash scene, and were treated for minor injuries.

Eighteen were admitted, several in very serious condition.

When notified of the tragedy, Dr. William Mason, Panguitch, stayed at the hospital preparing for the multiple emergency while the other Panguitch physician, Dr. Sims E. Duggins, went out to the scene.

Two more doctors were found in Kanab, and two flew in from Provo. A dozen or so nurses were rounded up, three of them senior nurses with the bloodmobile.

Several convalescent patients were discharged to make way for the gravely injured, and extra beds were brought up from the hospital basement.

Doctors, nurses and superintendent worked around the clock.

The first patient from Hole-in-the-Rock was admitted at 8:30 p. m., the last at 2:30 a. m. this morning.

Weather Cool
Fortunately, said Superintendent Owens, the weather had been cloudy and cool at scene of the accident, so the injured did not suffer from dehydration although in a desert area.

Some had lain in or near the wreckage for an hour and a half.

Only two patients remained at Panguitch at noon today, Belva Barlow, 1025 E. 43rd S., Salt Lake City, who suffered a hip injury, was scheduled to leave soon for a Salt Lake hospital.

Still at the hospital in grave condition was Marvin Porschatis, 923 Laird Ave., Salt Lake City, who suffered head injuries.

Utah Obituaries

SALT LAKE CITY — Lester Glen Lewis, 43, of 2055 E. 3185 S., died Sunday; funeral Wednesday, 1 p. m., Garden Heights South LDS Ward Chapel. Charlotte "Lottie" Jensen Gamble, 82, died Monday; funeral Thursday noon, 260 E. South Temple. William Dee Norman, 25, of 8090 S. 830 E., Sandy, died Sunday; funeral Wednesday, 2 p. m., Union Third LDS Ward Chapel. George J. Wood Jr., 45, of 1434 W. 2nd S., died Sunday; funeral Wednesday, 10 a. m., 36 E. 7th S. Louisa Belle Wickel Stahr, 85, of 962 E. 13th S., died Monday; funeral Wednesday, 2 p. m., Emerson LDS Ward Chapel.

DRAPER — Gary Garth Joos, 41, of 12782 Fort St., died Saturday; funeral Wednesday, 1 p. m., Draper First LDS Ward Chapel.

LOGAN — Dean W. Boman, 37, died Sunday; funeral Wednesday, 1 p. m., Lewiston First LDS Ward Chapel.

PANGUITCH — Peter Ray Sev, 65, died Saturday; funeral Thursday, 2 p. m., Panguitch North LDS Ward Chapel. Carlisle Boyler, 70, died Sunday; funeral Wednesday, 2 p. m., Panguitch South LDS Ward Chapel.

DUGWAY — Leo Alexander Powell, 61, died Sunday; funeral Wednesday, 1 p. m., 2128 S. State, Salt Lake City.

GARLAND Box Elder County — Charles Fred Barry, 90, died Saturday; funeral was today.

Utah Obituaries

OGDEN Livestock
OGDEN (UPI) — Livestock: Cattle and calves 1,000; slaughter steers and heifers steady to 25 higher; cows about steady; bulls and vealers firm. Feeders strong to 50 higher; slaughter steers choice 1050-1150 lbs. 21.50-21.60; slaughter heifers choice 750-900 lbs. 21.30-22.00; cows utility 13.00-16.00; bulls utility and commercial 17.50-19.00; vealers, good and choice 26.00-29.00; feeders choice 650-750 lb. steers 23.90-25.30.

Hogs 200; barrows and gilts mostly steady; U.S. 1-2 195-215 lbs. 18.25-18.35; sows steady, mixed 1-2-3 300-400 lbs. 11.50-12.75.

Sheep 200; slaughter lambs and ewes steady; wet pelts considered. Slaughter spring lambs package mixed choice and prime 98 lbs. with dry pelts 24.25. Other choice and mixed choice and prime 80-102 lbs. wet pelts 23.75-24.00; slaughter ewes package utility No. 2 pelts 6.00.

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5 Injured In Hospital Here

Five of the Hole-in-the-Rock crash victims were under treatment at Utah Valley Hospital this morning, their condition ranging from good to "fair."

Steven Taylor, 12, 585 East Sageswood, whose father Darrell was killed in the crash was going into surgery at press time for a fractured femur. His mother is Barbara Boshard Taylor.

Brigham Young University Associate Professor of Agronomy R. Chase Allred, 44, 565 E. 2200 N., Provo, was in "good condition" following surgery for a broken pelvis and internal bleeding. He suffered possible other injuries. Prof. Allred is the husband of Virginia Bird Allred.

J. Lee Colvin, 16, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold A. Colvin, 595 East Spruce, Provo, was in fair condition following surgery on a badly injured right leg.

Clyde L. Ashton, 15, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank D. Ashton, 475 E. 1700 N., Provo, was in fairly good condition despite a badly fractured left arm.

Thomas William Heal, 15, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ward Heal, the Eagle Scout who with injured Brian Roundy, 14, ran and walked almost four miles for help, was still in X-ray at press time for

shoulder and rib injuries.

The Roundy youth's mother, Mrs. Kilmor Otho Roundy, 340 E. 1900 N., Provo, was en route to Panguitch to pick up her injured husband and Brian.

An additional half dozen or more injured were expected to be admitted to Utah Valley Hospital this afternoon from Richfield and Panguitch after treatment there.

Hole-In-Rock Destination Historic Spot

ESCALANTE (UPI) — Hole-in-the-Rock—the intended destination of Monday's ill-fated excursion—is a narrow slit in the west wall of Glen Canyon discovered in 1879.

The location got its name and historical significance when Mormon colonizers decided to try a short cut into San Juan County by way of Escalante and the almost completely unexplored and unknown country to the south and east.

Writing in a book entitled "Hole-in-the-Rock," Dr. David E. Miller, professor of history at the University of Utah, noted it took a month and a half of united effort to construct three-quarters of a mile of road from the plateau west of the Colorado River down to the river through Hole-in-the-Rock.

The Provo area scouts making the excursion planned to go to Hole-in-the-Rock and join with another group coming down the river from Hite. From there, they planned to ride the Colorado to Crossing of the Fathers.

This year's excursion held special significance to the scouts since waters from Lake Powell, the lake being formed behind Glen Canyon Dam, soon will cover the bottom section of Hole-in-the-Rock where a plaque designates where early settlers crossed the treacherous Colorado. The lake will not cover the gorge part of Hole-in-the-Rock.

The peanut is not a nut, but it belongs to the same family as the common pea and bean.

Half Mast Flags To Mark Tragedy

Provo and Utah County went into a period of mourning today for the nine Boy Scouts and leaders who perished Monday evening on a trip to Hole-in-the-Rock by dipping its flags to half mast.

County Commissioner G. Marion Hinckley invited Scouts of Troop 176 of Pleasant View to lower the county's flag at the City-County Building to half-staff. Scouts Randy Clawson and Michael Eastmond with a district scout official, Douglas Larsen, lowered the flag.

The Provo City Commission asked that City Attorney Tom Taylor draft a proclamation that flags in the city be flown at half staff until Saturday.



"IT'S GOING TO BE ALL RIGHT"—Nurse, Mrs. Cleo Henry of the Panguitch Hospital, gives comfort to Ronald Clark, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Sylvester Clark, Provo after his arrival from the accident scene.

Provo Leaders Mirror Grief Of Community Over Tragedy

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ones in the tragic loss of these outstanding young people, and their leaders. We of the Utah County Commission extend our deepest sympathy."

National Scout Leader Flying To Utah Tonight

The national director of health and safety for Boy Scouts of America, New Brunswick, N.J., is flying out to Utah this evening to offer any help he can in the Hole-in-the-Rock disaster, and will issue a statement Wednesday, Scout Executive Floyd Loveridge said today.

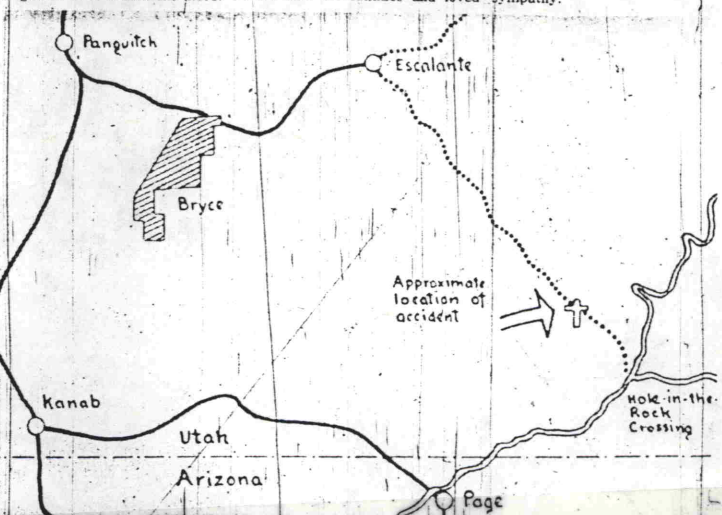
Mr. Loveridge, scout executive for the Utah National Parks Council, expressed sympathy and condolence to families of those killed and wished speedy recovery for those boys who were injured.

"We are anxious to help in any way," he said.

While most of the group in the party were Boy Scouts, it was not a Boy Scout officially-sponsored mission but a scenic tour conducted by Scotowa, a group of Provoans and Salt Lakers. Scotowa is an organization which sponsors tours for LDS groups, it was reported.

Mr. Loveridge and Dr. C. J. Hart, chairman of health and safety, noted that normally Boy Scouts travel about 40 million miles a year, seeing the country and becoming better acquainted with the country. Accidents have been rare.

Official Boy Scout tours require a permit from Boy Scouts of America, which specifies type of vehicle to be used; qualifications of the driver, and bans personnel riding in other than the cab of an open truck, said Mr. Loveridge.



SCENE OF TRAGEDY—in the wild, uninhabited country of southeastern Utah, 12 persons, nine of them from Provo, met death Monday afternoon in a tragic end to an Explorer Scout expedition headed for Hole-In-The-Rock on the Colorado River. Map shows approximate location of accident.

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NO PAPER DELIVERY FOR AWHILE — Explorer Scout Ned Daley, son of Mr. and Mrs. Max M. Daley of Pleasant View is grateful that he is able to look at his injured leg, although he won't be able to perform duties as a carrier for The Daily Herald for awhile. He was in Panguitch Hospital. A substitute will deliver the paper for awhile.

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Grow Services Thursday

Joint Rites Likely For Pleasant View Victims Of Hole-In-Rock Mishap

Joint funeral services probably will be held for the seven members of the Pleasant View LDS Ward who were killed in Monday's tragic truck accident near Escalante. While no definite arrangements have been made, it appeared at press-time today the mass funeral may be held Friday in the East Sharon Stakehouse. Meantime, definite funeral arrangements were announced for Gordon Henry Grow, son of Mr. and Mrs. D. Spencer Grow, another Provo victim of the mishap. The rites will be Thursday at 2 p.m. in the 13th Ward Chapel, 945 E. 7th N.

Below are obituaries of the nine accident victims:

Merlin John Shaw

Merlin John Shaw, 51, bishop of the Manavu LDS Ward and co-founder of the Socotwa School Expedition, the group sponsoring the trip, was born Jan. 8, 1912, in Murray, a son of L.H. E. Larson and George F. Shaw. He married Mildred Ottley June 10, 1937, in the Salt Lake LDS Temple. Mr. Shaw received his B.A. and M.A. degrees from the University of Utah and a doctor of education degree from the University of California. He joined the BYU faculty in 1959 and was assistant professor of religion at the time of his death. Prior to joining the BYU faculty, Mr. Shaw taught with the LDS Seminary program at Murray High School, Forest Junior High School, Ogden, Jordan, Granite and Olympus schools. An active member of the LDS Church, he was named bishop of the Manavu Ward in September, 1962. He had served as a high councilman in the West Sharon Stake and Provo Stake, was bishop of the South Cottonwood Ward from 1948 to 1953, and bishop of the South Cottonwood Third Ward from 1954 to 1962. He also served in the German-Austrian mission. Surviving are his widow, Provo; three sons and three daughters, Mrs. Heidi Ann Shaw Birch, Carol Edward Shaw, Merlene Shaw, David Owen Shaw, George Glade Shaw, and Itege Shaw.

William A. Creer

William A. Creer, 39, of 300 E. 199 N., Provo, who had accompanied his son Allen on the Explorer Scout expedition, was one of the accident victims. The son was only superficially injured. Monday was Allen's 16th birthday. Mr. Creer was born in Provo Feb. 1, 1924, son of Lenn A. and Thelma Greer Creer. He was graduated from Provo High School and attended both BYU and University of Utah. A Provo contractor, he was a Navy pilot during World War II. He was a member of the LDS Church. He married Kathleen Jensen in Provo Jan. 24, 1945. Surviving besides his widow are the son William Allen, one daughter, Robin, and his parents.

Joseph William Erickson

Joseph William Erickson, 16, was born March 30, 1947 in Raymond, Alberta, Canada, the son of Lloyd Stevens and Donna West Erickson. The family now resides at 1840 N. 150 E., Provo. He would have been a 11th grader at Provo High School next fall. As a 10th grader during the past school year he was active as a photographer working in production of the yearbook. He was a carrier for The Daily Herald and an Explorer Scout in the Pleasant View Ward. The Erickson family had moved here from Canada two years ago so that Mr. Erickson could finish his education at BYU. Surviving the boy besides his parents are three brothers, Randy, Tommy and Leif; four sisters, Judith Ann Vayro of Tabor, Alberta, Canada, Peggy, Linda, and Kathleen; also three grandmothers, Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Erickson of Lethbridge, Canada, and Mrs. Iona West of Raymond, Canada.

Gary Lynn Rasmussen

Gary Lynn Rasmussen, 15, was born Feb. 19, 1948 in Provo, the son of LaRay and Ruth Johnson Rasmussen who reside at 2225 N. 650 E., Provo. He would have been a sophomore at Provo High this fall, having just graduated from Central Junior High. An Explorer Scout, he had qualified for his Eagle badge and would have received this next Sunday. He was a carrier for The Daily Herald. He has two brothers on missions for the LDS Church—Kenneth L., serving in Sweden, and David E., who left Monday by plane for London to serve in the British Mission. Gary had had 100 per cent attendance in his church meeting from the time he was ordained a deacon at the age of 12. Surviving besides his parents and the two brothers are two sisters, Karen Ruth and Jean; and one grandparent, Mrs. Hilma Johanson of Salt Lake City.

Dead, Injured Pinned Under Heavy Truck

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Scouts planned to float downstream in their rubber rafts as far as the "Crossing of the Fathers." First information about the disaster came when two of the injured Scouts, Brian Roundy and Tom Heal of Provo, walked back toward Escalante and finally caught a ride into town. Nearly all the Scouts were members of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. A Red Cross bloodmobile, on a routine trip to Panguitch, was pressed into service and additional blood was flown to the hospital from Salt Lake City.

Hole-in-the-Rocks has long been a summer trip destination for Utah Boy Scouts. The Hole, a narrow slit from the rugged mountains down to the Colorado River, was discovered in 1879 by Mormon pioneers who hacked out a wagon road from Escalante to the spot. The road is still the primary route through the area, and is seldom used except by uranium prospectors, sheep and cattlemen and groups heading for the remote campsite at Hole-in-the-Rock. The expedition of the scouts this year was billed as "special" because the area will be inundated before next summer by waters from Lake Powell, the 186-mile long reservoir now forming behind Glen Canyon Dam in northern Arizona.

The party she was looking for her sister and asking for her through badly swollen lips. Someone told her that her sister had been taken to a home and only then would Joyce go to another Panguitch home for badly needed rest. The hospital has pressed her maternally room into service for bedding some more of the injured. The names of the dead were strictly guarded from news sources and others but the kids knew that could not "make it," and those that could not in the hallways, bewildered and stunned. They stammered when they talked. Pieces of white paper with their names on had been taped to them with adhesive. There was no place to go. Nothing to do but wait. One boy was violently sick to his stomach. They didn't speak among themselves only to wonder about their parents. They all voiced concern about their folks and hated to have them worry.

Age Claims Provoan, 82

Margaret Effie Bird Crawley, 82, of 459 N. 90 W., Provo died this morning at the Eldred Sun Hospital of causes incident to age. She was born July 9, 1880, in Nephi, a daughter of Edward Harry and Martha Jane Reid Bird. She married Joseph M. K. a v. Crawley July 7, 1898, in Provo. The marriage was later solemnized in the Mantle LDS Temple. He died Nov. 16, 1943. Educated in the Nephi schools, Mrs. Crawley moved to Provo in 1913 and had resided here since. She and her husband owned and operated the Third Ward Grocery store in Provo until their retirement in 1941.

An active member of the LDS Church, Mrs. Crawley had been a Relief Society teacher for 45 years and worked in the Primary. Surviving are three sons and three daughters, Mrs. J.R. (Lyla) Daley, Provo; Mrs. Dean (Della) Cowan, Layton; Mrs. J. R. (Margaret) McKell, Spanish Fork; Le and J. Crawley and Reed E. Crawley, both of Salt Lake City, and Clinton T. Crawley, North Hollywood, Calif.; a grandson whom she reared, Harold Crawley, Provo; 13 other grandchildren; 18 great-grandchildren; a brother, and sister, Lawrence E. Bird, Provo, and Ludean Weston, Sonora, Calif.

Gordon Henry Grow

Gordon Henry Grow, 15, was born April 16, 1948 in Provo, son of D. Spencer and Arta Lind Grow. He was an Eagle Scout at the age of 12 and an Explorer Scout at the time of his death. The accident in which he was killed occurred 30 years to the day after a similar mishap claimed the life of his grandfather, Henry Grow, for whom he was named. Gordon Henry was a student at BY High School and would have been a 10th grader this fall. He was a teacher in the Aaronic Priesthood.

Randy Wayne Miller

Randy Wayne Miller, 14, was born Sept. 28, 1948 in Provo, the son of Milton DeLos and Faye Hair Miller who reside at 410 E. 2200 N. He was graduated from the Central Junior High this spring and would have been a sophomore at Provo High this fall. He was a member of the LDS Church (Pleasant View Ward) and an Explorer Scout.

Lynn Louis Merrell

Lynn Louis Merrell was born in Provo Jan. 16, 1948, the son of LaVoy (Red) and Donal Gregerson Merrell who reside at 625 E. Spruce Ave.

Gary Lynn Rasmussen

Gary Lynn Rasmussen, 15, was born Feb. 19, 1948 in Provo, the son of LaRay and Ruth Johnson Rasmussen who reside at 2225 N. 650 E., Provo. He would have been a sophomore at Provo High this fall, having just graduated from Central Junior High. An Explorer Scout, he had qualified for his Eagle badge and would have received this next Sunday. He was a carrier for The Daily Herald. He has two brothers on missions for the LDS Church—Kenneth L., serving in Sweden, and David E., who left Monday by plane for London to serve in the British Mission. Gary had had 100 per cent attendance in his church meeting from the time he was ordained a deacon at the age of 12. Surviving besides his parents and the two brothers are two sisters, Karen Ruth and Jean; and one grandparent, Mrs. Hilma Johanson of Salt Lake City.

Eye-Witness Account by Herald Staffers

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arrived in town. The personnel is staying to help. Panguitch Opens Doors The people of Panguitch, which is a little town, began collecting kids and housing them and bedding them down. The cafes have opened their doors. The Utah Highway Patrol is helping to furnish traction splints at the hospital. We saw Joyce Rabiger, 19, of Salt Lake, (one of five girls in

the party) who was looking for her sister and asking for her through badly swollen lips. Someone told her that her sister had been taken to a home and only then would Joyce go to another Panguitch home for badly needed rest. The hospital has pressed her maternally room into service for bedding some more of the injured.

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Provoan's Mother Dies in Bountiful

Funeral services will be held Wednesday at 2 p.m. in the Union Mortuary Chapel, Bountiful for Mrs. Melvie Smith Callister, mother of Mrs. William E. (Eleanor) Berrett of Provo. Mrs. Callister, 90, died Sunday in the Bountiful hospital of causes incident to age. She was born Feb. 18, 1873, in Centerville, a daughter of William Reed and Eleanor Felschaw Smith. Her father was the first president of the stake in Davis County. She attended school in Centerville and at the old University of Deseret. She married Russell K. Callister of Fillmore on April 28, 1898. He died in 1933. Survivors besides Mrs. Berrett are four grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren; two sisters, Mahala Smith Parrish, Idaho Falls, Ida., and Clara Smith Cleveland of Centerville. Friends may call Wednesday from 1 p.m. to time of services. Interment will be in the Centerville Cemetery.

Victims Insured Before Expedition

SALT LAKE CITY (UPI) — Members of the Escalante tour were insured for \$5,000 each against accidental death. Donn R. Amott, treasurer of Socotwa School Expeditions said today. He said the policy, issued by Travelers Insurance Co. also provided injury benefits.

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Western Union Asks Rate Hike

NEW YORK (UPI)—A 10 per cent increase in telegraph rates has been requested by Western Union, the company announced Monday. Western Union said it had asked the Federal Communications Commission to recommend repeal of the 10 per cent excise tax on telegrams. If the rate increase is approved and the tax is repealed, the public would pay no more for telegrams, the company said. The excise tax dates from World War II. Western Union officials said the firm would use added revenue to complete a modernization program, including microwave communications systems valuable to national defense.

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BERG MORTUARY SERVICES

William Ralph Hoover funeral services will be held in the Berg Drawing room Chapel Tuesday, 11 a.m. Friends may call at the Mortuary from 6 to 8 p.m. Monday and Tuesday prior to services. Interment in Provo City Cemetery.

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Daniel Alfred Gull funeral services will be held Wednesday at 10 p.m. in the Spanish Fork 10th Ward Stake House. Friends may call at Our Chapel of Memories, Spanish Fork, Tuesday from 7 to 9 p.m. and Wednesday prior to services. Interment will be in Spanish Fork Cemetery.

Funeral services will be held for Peter Nicholson, Saturday at 11:00 a.m. at the Masonic Temple in Magna. Friends may call at Our Chapel of Memories Mortuary from 6 to 8 p.m. Friday and at the Masonic Temple at Magna 30 minutes prior to services. Interment in the Mt. Olivet Cemetery, Salt Lake City.

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