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5 Die, 121 Live As BOAC Jet Crashes, Burns

LONDON (AP)—A giant jetliner took 126 passengers and crew on a horror ride over suburban London Monday, shedding an engine and a wing before the flight ended in flames on the capital's airport.

Five were killed in the crash landing and 121 survived. Four of the dead were passengers and one a stewardess, the airline said.

The plane was a British Overseas Airways Corp. (BOAC) Boeing 707 bound for Sydney, Australia.

Two minutes after its take-off its pilot, Capt. Charles Taylor, reported fire aboard. He

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circled left, as parts of the plane fell on villages near the airport, then landed in a pall of black smoke on the airport's runway No. 5.

Fire trucks and ambulances rushed out as it came to rest, broken-backed and burning, in full view of the airport's teeming Queen's Building — main building of the crowded passenger complex.

Witnesses reported scores of

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Death Rap Ruled Out

WASHINGTON (UPI)—The Supreme Court Monday threw out the death penalty provision of the Lindbergh kidnap law on grounds it unconstitutionally limits a defendant's right to be tried by a jury.

The 6-2 decision left standing the remainder of the 35-year-old federal law. The death penalty was eliminated because the law provides that it can be imposed only by a jury and not if the

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AP Wirephoto

PRESIDENT JOHNSON ANNOUNCES A MESSAGE HAS BEEN RECEIVED FROM HANOI.

WASHINGTON (UPI)—President Johnson announced Monday he had received a message from Hanoi, and said efforts would be undertaken promptly to work out a time and a place for talks with North Vietnam. He refused to reveal the contents of the message.

Johnson, in an impromptu meeting with reporters, also disclosed plans for policy talks beginning early Tuesday at Camp David, Md., presumably to consider this latest development in pursuit of contacts with North Vietnam.

Johnson told newsmen he was "taking steps to notify our allies" of the development.

Johnson said any questions about the message from Hanoi or the subject of where and when the talks would be held would have to be answered later through Press Secretary George Christian.

Johnson also announced that U.S. Ambassador to South Vietnam Ellsworth Bunker would arrive at Andrews AFB Tuesday.

Without going into any detail contained in the message, Johnson said the United States was notifying its allies about the exchange with the North Vietnamese.

"We shall be trying to work out promptly a time and place for talks," the President said.

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Russ OK Talk Bid

MOSCOW (UPI) — The Kremlin reaffirmed its approval of Hanoi-Washington contacts Monday but said it would continue its aid to North Vietnam as long as aid was needed.

Alexander Shelepin, chairman of the Soviet Trade Unions and a member of the Communist Party's ruling Politburo, said the United States has yet to show how badly it wants peace in Vietnam.

Shelepin keynoted a special session of the general council of the leftist World Federation of Trade Unions, called to discuss "solidarity with the Vietnamese peoples struggle against American aggression."

A North Vietnamese trade union leader shared the platform with Shelepin and denounced President Johnson's announcement of a partial bombing halt as "a crafty maneuver."

Mrs. King Leads Memphis Marchers

MEMPHIS, Tenn. (AP) — Beneath a spring sky of somber gray, row on row of marchers paraded through Memphis Monday, in silent, grieving remembrance of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. His widow in black and three of his four children clasped hands to lead the ranks.

"I came to you today because I was compelled . . . I felt he would have wanted me to be here." Mrs. Coretta King told the marchers when they arrived at their destination, the city's

marble and starkly modern City Hall.

Looking tired and fighting a head cold, Mrs. King declared of her husband, a Nobel Peace Prize winner: "I can say he was a great man, a great father and a great husband. We

loved him dearly, his children loved him dearly and we know his spirit will never die. . . .

"But then I ask this question: How many men must die before we can have freedom and peace

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Army in Khe Sanh as Marines Go After Reds

SAIGON (AP)—Crack U.S. Army cavalrymen began replacing Marines Monday at the once-besieged Khe Sanh combat base.

As the units of the 1st Air Cav. Div. came in by foot and helicopter, some of the 6,000 Marine defenders pushed out to sweep the Khe Sanh Valley.

They were looking for North Vietnamese gunners that had pounded them relentlessly with artillery, rockets and mortars while the combat base was under siege for 77 days, until last weekend.

There were positive signs that the enemy was still in the area, even though about half of the 14,000 North Vietnamese troops once estimated around Khe Sanh reportedly melted away into the mountains of Laos to the west or were killed by massive American air and artillery strikes.

Five hours before the guard was changed at Khe Sanh, North Vietnamese troops attacked the command post of a battalion of South Vietnamese paratroopers under the cover of darkness 1½ miles from the Laotian border.

The paratroopers were bivouacked 2.5 miles west of Khe Sanh village, which the North Vietnamese seized last January and turned into a command post. The village is two miles south of the Khe Sanh combat base.

The South Vietnamese paratroopers took the enemy under fire and directed artillery onto the enemy troops on the perimeter of their own defensive positions.

Within 20 minutes, the North Vietnamese troops broke contact, leaving 71 of their dead behind, a military spokesman said. The paratroopers reported capturing 40 individual weapons and 15 crew-served weapons, including mortars. Government losses were put at 11 dead and 28 wounded.

The South Vietnamese battalion is part of a three-battalion task force of paratroopers that joined 20,000 other allied troops Sunday in the second week of a push across the northern mountains and valleys to relieve the pressure on Khe Sanh.

The sweep is likely to carry some of the allied troops all the way to the Laotian border.

Resistance during the operation has been generally light and scattered, and the North Vietnamese have done most of their attacking by artillery, rocket and mortar shellings.

U.S. headquarters said American cavalrymen and Marines killed 118 North Vietnamese troops in scattered clashes over the weekend and turned up another 198 enemy bodies, the victims of air and artillery strikes.

Carson at Tan Son Nhut

SAIGON (7AF) — Brig. Gen. Charles W. Carson has assumed command of the Air Force Advisory Group at Tan Son Nhut AB.

N. Vietnam Raked by 134 Raids

S&S Vietnam Bureau

SAIGON — U.S. pilots, limited to only a little more than 20 per cent of North Vietnam, Sunday flew the highest number of missions over the Communist country since Jan. 6, blasting enemy targets from the DMZ to 160 miles north of the buffer zone.

During the day, 134 missions were flown. The number is the fourth highest of the year. More missions were flown early in January when U.S. pilots were not limited to a 250-mile stretch of the southern panhandle.

The day's strikes marked the second day in a row that U.S. warplanes did not approach the 20th parallel limit set by President Johnson a week ago. The northern most target was about half way between the 18th and 19th parallels.

In the strikes, U.S. pilots concentrated on enemy supply lines, storage areas and gun positions.

Air Force B52 bombers flew eight missions over South Vietnam during the night Sunday and the early morning hours Monday. Three of the raids were against enemy positions in the A Shau valley near the Laotian border. In 11 raids over a two-day period the giant bombers have dumped tons of explosives on enemy targets in the strategic valley which leads out of Laos toward the ancient imperial capital of Hue.

280 N. Viets Killed

SAIGON (AP) — South Korean and Vietnamese infantrymen killed 280 North Vietnamese troops and captured 117 weapons in a three-day battle near coastal Tuy Hoa that ended at noon Sunday, military spokesmen said Monday. Korean casualties were reported as six killed and 12 wounded. South Vietnamese forces lost 10 dead and 39 wounded.

Robb Goes on Patrol, Heads Fighting Outfit

DA NANG, Vietnam (AP) — President Johnson's Marine son-in-law went on his first patrol in Vietnam Monday, then took command of a rifle company that has been in daily contact with the enemy.

No action was reported on the patrol.

Capt. Charles S. Robb took over India Company, of the 3rd Bn., 7th Marines, from Capt. James R. Reeder of Evansville, Ind.

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"The men will be watching him," said Reeder, "but I'm sure he will do well. He's a good officer."

Robb had no comment for newsmen.

Reeder said India Company includes a number of veterans with previous tours in the country.

"They have lots of kills to their credit and have had contact with the enemy every day for the last 10 days," he said.

The company is assigned to the Da Nang area.



A squad of U.S. Marine engineers moves up Route 9 toward Khe Sanh during the lifting of the siege at the Marine combat base. The long-closed road was being repaired. (AP Radiophoto)

Bunker to Report to Johnson On Viet Progress Since Tet

SAIGON (AP) — Calling present possibilities for peace in Vietnam, "the best for some time," U.S. Ambassador Ellsworth Bunker left for Washington Monday night for consultations with President Johnson and other U.S. officials.

In a departure statement, Bunker said, "My talks will not be limited only to the subject of possible negotiations. I shall be reporting to the President on the record of achievement of the government of Vietnam and of the Vietnamese people in the days since the Tet attacks — on the progress which has been made and is being made by South Vietnam, politically, militarily and economically."

Bunker said he saw no reason for the South Vietnamese government to be fearful because of present moves for talks being

made by the United States and North Vietnam.

"I've been in close touch with President Thieu and Vice President Ky," he said.

"I shall be able to assure President Johnson that our two governments are consulting very closely during this important period when the prospects for progress toward peace seem somewhat brighter."

Bunker also said he would report to the President "on the

courage and determination shown by the people of South Vietnam. I shall stress the fine way in which this country is seeking to mobilize its resources and the fine performance of the Vietnamese armed forces, together with its allies. I shall report to the President that this record assures the achievement of our common goal."

Bunker was accompanied by John E. Calhoun, minister counselor for political affairs.

Vietnam Casualties

WASHINGTON (S&S) — The Defense Department has announced the following casualties in connection with the conflict in Vietnam.

KILLED AS A RESULT OF HOSTILE ACTION

Army
Sgt. Gary B. Harris, Hartselle, Ala.
Lic. Mortimer L. O'Connor, Tucson, Ariz.
SP5 Jerry L. Patrick, Eustis, Fla.
SP4 John Levinthal Jr., Oahu, Hawaii.
Sgt. Bert A. Keeler, Weldon, Iowa.
Sgt. John F. Link, Ottumwa, Iowa.
SP4 George L. Myers, Baltimore, Md.
SP4 Larry C. Kyar, Fairmont, Minn.
Pfc. Joseph T. Tangarile, Union, N.J.
1Lt. Robert A. Lulla, Steubenville, Ohio.
SP5 Raymond R. Gillock, Longview, Tex.
Cpl. Jack D. Sundquist, Salt Lake City, Utah.
Pfc. Roger W. Rauh, Manitowoc, Wisc.
Marine Corps
Sgt. Arnold J. Ferrari, Willits, Calif.
LCpl. Leslie A. Devers Jr., Riverside, Calif.
Pfc. Walter R. Riggs, Moorpark, Calif.
Cpl. Arthur C. McLellan, Terryville, Conn.
Pfc. Richard F. Links, Noank, Conn.
Cpl. Raymond L. Plunkett, Washington, D.C.
1Lt. Bruce R. Archer, Pensacola, Fla.
LCpl. Frank T. Watts, Pensacola, Fla.
LCpl. Paul J. Moody, East St. Louis, Ill.
LCpl. Michael M. Barr, Fort Madison, Iowa.
Pfc. Edward T. Stone Jr., Dorchester, Mass.
Pfc. Thomas P. Sweeney, South Ashburnham, Mass.
LCpl. Thomas C. Henry, Swartz Creek, Mich.
Cpl. Alton Thomas Jr., Penns Grove, N.J.
Cpl. Carter L. Moore, Ilian, N.Y.
Pfc. Peter W. Shugovac, Lorain, Ohio.
Capt. Francis L. Shafer Jr., Newkirk, Okla.
2Lt. Lawrence R. Koman, Aliquippa, Penn.
Sgt. Robert B. Mosso, Wellsboro, Penn.
Col. Kenneth E. Sands, West Lawn, Penn.
Pfc. Paul R. Gula, Sykesville, Penn.

1Lt. Marion H. Norman, Pasadena, Tex.
Col. David L. Hinz, Fort Worth, Tex.
LCpl. Erasmo Palos, Eagle Pass, Tex.
Pfc. Richard Garcia, San Antonio, Tex.
Pfc. Robert E. Lucas, Oak Grove, Va.

Air Force
Capt. James M. Brinkman III, Dallas, Texas.

DIED OF WOUNDS

Navy
HN Donald E. Van Der Schans, New York, N.Y.

Marine Corps

Pfc. Benny M. Santistevan Jr., Denver, Colo.
LCpl. Michael R. Greenidge, Brooklyn, N.Y.

Pfc. Earl W. Harris, Buchanan, Tenn.

MISSING TO DEAD—HOSTILE ACTION

Army
Pfc. Larry J. Moore, Exeter, Calif.

SP4 Joseph E. Sintoni, Sagamore, Mass.

Pfc. Marion E. Wilson, Zanesville, Ohio.

Marine Corps
Maj. William H. Seward, Atlanta, Ga.

MISSING AS A RESULT OF HOSTILE ACTION

Army
1Lt. Peter J. Gallo

Sfc. George R. Brown

Sgt. Alan L. Boyer

Sgt. Ronald W. Burkhardt

Sgt. Charles G. Huston

SP4 Walter A. Cichan

SP4 William P. Murphy

SP4 Marvin E. Penry

Pfc. James E. McPherson

DIED NOT AS A RESULT OF HOSTILE ACTION

Army
Pfc. Robert C. Sirickland, Denham Springs, La.
WO Thomas G. Carlisle II, Sanborn, N.Y.
Pfc. Elmore R. Simpson, Killen, Tex.
Sgt. Robert J. Rylander, Corpus Christi, Tex.
SP5 Warren J. Flanagan, Ridgeley, W. Va.

Marine Corps
Pfc. John W. Hogan, Chicago, Ill.
Cpl. Larry E. Green, Mt. Morris, Mich.
Pfc. Lee M. Rowell, Duluth, Minn.
LCpl. Ernest C. Kerr Jr., Akron, Ohio.

MISSING TO DEAD—NON HOSTILE ACTION

Army
Maj. William P. Hurley Jr., Malden, Mass.

S. Viet Assembly Rejects Coalition

SAIGON (AP) — The South Vietnamese National Assembly rejected Sunday any possible coalition government with Communist participation and warned that peace negotiations unacceptable to the government would be invalid.

The assembly adopted the resolution by voice vote after a two-day debate which noted President Nguyen Van Thieu's opposition to any coalition with the Communists.

Duncan in Command

SAIGON (PAO) — Capt. Max C. Duncan has assumed command of the U.S. Naval Support Activity, Saigon, during ceremonies held at Cofat Compound. Duncan replaced Capt. Burns W. Spore who will report to the Service Force, U.S. Atlantic Fleet.



'Here, Cache'

Sgt. Jerry Kotas holds a case of Communist B-40 rockets found among a large cache of munitions seized by men of the 17th Air Cav. Sq. of the 17th Aviation Group. The cache was discovered 10 miles south of Kontum hidden in 10 enemy "spider holes." (USA)

Soldier Errs, VC Suffer

CAMP FRENZELL - JONES, South Vietnam — "When I got off the chopper and I didn't see any familiar faces, I knew I had gotten on the wrong one," said Spec.4 Milton L. Callison of the 199th Light Inf. Brigade.

But when the action was over, he had downed two Viet Cong, one with each end of his M16 rifle.

The Anchorage, Alaska rifleman was waiting with his company to go out on an airmobile assault when the mix-up occurred.

A and C Companies of the 3d Bn., 7th Inf., were both in the same pick up zone but were going to different places in the assaults against Viet Cong. When he got off the chopper and didn't see anyone he knew, Callison's adopted company moved through the tall grass and rice paddies, they received enemy fire.

"As I was walking along a dike with the 2nd Platoon of A Co., a VC jumped out of the grass in front of me and I shot him," said Callison.

Afterward, as he followed three men, another VC jumped up beside Callison. "I hit him on the side of the head with my M-16 and knocked him out," commented Callison.

"Next time I'm going to make sure I get on the right chopper," were Callison's parting words.

Unsuspecting Hosts - Color Them Red

BIEN HOA, Vietnam (IO) — Eight 101st Airborne Div. paratroopers crept into an enemy-held village north of here recently, reported the enemy's strength and location, and then made off with a Communist battalion's colors.

"At the break of dawn, we reached the village outskirts and heard enemy soldiers talking, very close by," said Pfc. Larry Bigelow of Lexington, Ky. "I moved up past a few empty houses and then, right in front of me I saw two NVA soldiers eating and another cleaning his AK-47. They were so busy talking to each other they didn't see me."

They moved on unseen by the Communist soldiers and discovered a deep trench.

Searching the trench, we found a cache of military supplies and fresh graves," Bigelow said. The paratroopers also discovered two large enemy flags.

"Then we got word to pull out to allow for an artillery strike," he said. Soon afterward, artillery surprised the Reds.

"I'll bet they'd really feel surprised if they knew we'd spent part of the day with them," Bigelow said.

VC Kill 577 Civilians

SAIGON (AP) — Viet Cong terrorism continued strong in March with a total of 577 civilians killed and 1,180 wounded, government officials claimed.

Combat Pay for Korea DMZ

WASHINGTON (S&S) — An estimated 4,000 U.S. troops stationed along the Demilitarized Zone in South Korea are now eligible to draw \$65 a month extra as hostile fire pay, the Defense Department announced Tuesday.

The new pay was authorized in a memorandum to military departments signed Monday by Assistant Defense Secretary for Manpower and Reserve Affairs Alfred B. Pitt, based on recommendations by the Joint Chiefs of Staff. The proposal had been under study for some time.

According to Pitt's memo, hostile fire pay will be awarded to those stationed in the following areas on or after April 1:

"North of the Imjin River and south of the DMZ extending from the intersection of the river and the DMZ on the west, along the DMZ to a point in the vicinity of Bae-nae, then southwest to the north bank of the Imjin River in the vicinity Daechi-po."

In the past, combat pay in South Korea was awarded only for the month in which a serviceman was wounded. Since the end of the Korean War in

Viets Showing All-Out Effort To Rebuild Hue

By MGY. SGT. J. T. FRYE

S&S Vietnam Bureau

HUE, Vietnam—Hue is pulling itself up by its bootstraps.

It will take a lot of sweat and strain during the coming long, hot summer, but early indications are that the townspeople are pitching in with vigor to clear the rubble and hurry the reconstruction.

The rebuilding program is moving in phases.

Hardest hit during the Tet offensive were government structures — provincial headquarters, city hall, university buildings, schools, bridges, markets—which will be repaired according to schedule.

The immediate problem is to move the estimated 50-70,000 displaced persons out of the schools and public buildings and back into their own dwellings or at least under cover so that schools can reopen by May 1.

Civil Operations for Revolutionary Development Support (CORDS) officials estimate that 4,500 homes in Hue were destroyed, 3,500 at least 50 per cent destroyed, and about 3,000 substantially damaged.

President Thieu has promised each family head in the first two categories 10,000 piasters, 20 double sheets of roofing and 10 bags of cement. The cash is coming first to get work started, and construction supplies are following.

The materials are coming by boat, truck convoy and air. Last week more than 10,000 sheets of roofing came by convoy from Da Nang. Aid is planned for at least 1,000 families a week.

The program received a boost last week when the commander of the 1st ARVN Division ordered every man to spend at least one hour a day helping to rebuild the city. In practice, entire units have worked together in certain areas for several days.

Priority of job importance is to clear the debris, salvage building materials, then aid in home building.

American units are lending a hand. Seabees have started construction on two orphanages and volunteers from the 101st Airborne are working with ARVN engineers to rebuild the city market. Local youth groups have helped clear and wash the streets.

Meanwhile other cities have come to the aid of the old imperial capital. Da Lat has sent 14 tons of vegetables by U.S. Air Force transports.

Suit Aims At Wives' Payment

WASHINGTON (S&S) — The Fleet Reserve Association (FRA) is planning to file a suit in the Court of Claims here over the family separation allowance that could have a far reaching effect on personnel of all the military services.

The proposed suit is aimed at forcing the government to pay the \$30 a month allowance in cases where wives live with parents while their husbands are on short overseas tours.

The comptroller general recently said they could not receive the allowance and the money could only go to those with dependents living in separate quarters.

The FRA questions whether Congress intended this restriction when it created the allowance in 1963. The money is payable to E-5s and higher, and E-4s with more than four years of service, and further, the law specifies, the serviceman must be receiving the regular basic allowance for quarters. Nothing, however, is said about the type of household.

The money was intended to compensate servicemen for the additional expenses of running a home when families are separated through short-tour duty such as Vietnam and Korea.

The association of 67,000 career Navy and Marine Corps men has asked its counsel, Shields and Shields, to look into the law and determine whether it has a valid case.

Face to Face With Charlie

CU CHI, Vietnam (IO)—A startled 25th Inf. Div. soldier stumbled upon a resting Viet Cong. The meeting was short and the parting not cordial.

B. Co. of the 4th Bn., 9th Inf. were on a patrol six miles northwest of Tay Ninh.

"My platoon was walking point and I was point for my squad," said Sp4 Larry D. Philbrick.

He was fighting through some thick vegetation when he came face to face with another set of eyes. The Viet Cong turned and ran through the undergrowth.

"I untangled my weapon from a vine and fired a half dozen rounds. I don't think I hit him but I sure must have scared the devil out of him," Philbrick said.

55,000 Troops Face Urban Rioters

By Associated Press

More federal troops moved into Baltimore Monday and a rigid curfew was clamped on the city as arson, looting and violence continued for the third day and spread to new areas.

Across the nation, the number of soldiers and National Guardsmen deployed to quell violence in riot-torn cities was put at 55,000—probably the largest such force to be called out for a civil emergency in the country's history.

Five persons were dead in Baltimore and more than 410 injured since Saturday. Arrests climbed past the 2,100 mark.

For the first time since the violence began, there were reports of confrontations between crowds of white and Negro youths.

About 1,900 men from the 197th Inf. Brigade at Fort Benning, Ga., were sent to Baltimore Monday to supplement 2,995 federal troops and 6,000 National Guardsmen already on duty. The brigade had been sent to Andrews Air Force Base near Washington Sunday to replace the first contingent of federal troops moved into Baltimore.

Incidents occurred throughout the city and spread northward to the line of Baltimore County,

where the National Guard was ordered on Sunday. Looting was reported on York Road, 60 blocks north of the downtown area, and to the west five miles from downtown.

In Pittsburgh, fresh looting and arson broke out in two previously quiet Negro sections Monday and more National Guardsmen were put on the streets to try to stop it.

A battalion of 400 Guardsmen marched in after an afternoon of mounting violence.

A big supermarket was stripped by looters. Gangs of vandals tossed rocks at police and cars, and firebombs at stores.

A vacant house, a rug company and a lumber yard were set afire. Police tried to block off parts of the business district to keep the roaming gangs out.

In all, 27 men, all but four of them Negroes, have been killed in four days of rioting in dozens of cities. More than 1,600 were injured and more than 10,000 arrested.

The death toll includes 11 in Chicago, six in Washington, five in Baltimore, two in the Detroit area, and one each in Minneapolis; Memphis, Tenn., and Tallahassee, Fla.

Soldiers also stood guard in Detroit, Nashville and Memphis, but no new violence was reported in these cities. New York was also quiet and one policeman said the biggest Negro neighborhood in Brooklyn was "like a tomb" Sunday night.

In Milwaukee, two outbreaks of rock-throwing marred a memorial march by 15,000 persons through the downtown district—the largest civil rights demonstration in the city's history.

The rocks broke store windows, but so-called commandos of the Youth Council of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People formed lines and kept the crowd away from the buildings.

In Chicago, where 10,000 soldiers patrolled the streets in shifts, church appeals brought a flood of food donations. About 300 homeless were sheltered in YMCA's, churches, social service centers and private homes.

Another 11,600 soldiers guarded Washington, where demolition cranes swung against burned-out buildings and city officials rushed aid to the hungry and homeless in the pillaged Negro areas. The troops carried unloaded rifles and had their bayonets in their belts.

In Nashville, Tenn., fire blamed on arsonists destroyed the ROTC building on the campus of predominantly Negro Tennessee A&I State University, scene of four days of disorders.

Des Moines reported six blazes started by firebombs and several clashes between Negroes and police.

An 11-block section of downtown Richmond, Va., was sealed off because of vandalism, looting and arson.



Mrs. Martin Luther King Jr. (center), accompanied by the Rev. Ralph Abernathy (white coat), her children and singer Harry Belafonte, join march in Memphis, Tenn. (AP Radiophoto)

Kidnap—

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case is heard simply by a judge.

In essence the court held that this confronted a defendant with the jeopardy of being condemned to death unless he waived jury trial.

Similar death penalty provisions are contained in the atomic espionage law, the federal bank robbery statute and the District of Columbia rape law.

The Justice Department argued against disturbing the law. Nevada, New Hampshire, Wyoming, New Jersey and Mississippi have similar provisions, the department pointed out.

The Court also:

—Ruled 5 to 3 that the Justice Department has authority to bring criminal prosecution against anyone who assaults or intimidates a Negro exercising his right to eat in a public restaurant under the 1964 civil rights law. The decision means the federal government can proceed against four white men who allegedly beat up several Negroes who ate in a Braselton, Ga., truck stop.

—Refused a hearing to a group of Jehovah's Witnesses from Washington state who are fighting to prevent giving of blood transfusions to their children by hospitals and doctors.

Memphis— Hanoi Message

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and truth in this society?" On occasion a light drizzle fell upon the line of marchers—many of them smartly dressed, others in the humble working garb of field and mill. About 30 per cent were white.

Police Director Frank Holloman estimated their number at more than 6,000. A newsman counting the eight-abreast lines arrived at a figure of 12,500.

Top officials of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, the civil rights organization Dr. King had headed, other civil rights leaders and union officials from several states were in the front ranks of the march.

Among them were Bayard Rustin, the chief architect for the 1964 march on Washington; Dr. Benjamin Spock, the baby doctor turned antiwar organizer; the Rev. Ralph D. Abernathy, King's closest friend and the new head of SCLC; Walter Reuther, president of the United Auto Workers and singer Harry Belafonte.

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Johnson said he was going Monday night to Camp David, the White House mountain retreat in nearby Maryland, with several of his staff members.

The President said he would have breakfast Tuesday with Bunker and Secretary of State Dean Rusk and Secretary of Defense Clark Clifford.

Earlier Monday, reports from Tokyo stated that Radio Hanoi broadcast that it was willing to meet with American diplomats at Phnom Penh, Cambodia.

The Hanoi broadcast monitored in Tokyo said the North Vietnamese stipulated that the talks be held on an ambassadorial level.

In another development, American Embassy spokesmen in Vientiane, Laos, confirmed Monday that United States and North Vietnamese diplomats met at Vientiane last Wednesday, the day that Hanoi announced—also over Radio Hanoi—it was willing to establish contacts with American officials for preliminary talks.

The United States had suggested Geneva as the site for

preliminary talks between North Vietnamese representatives and Ambassador W. Averell Harriman, who was designated by the President March 31 as the chief U.S. contact for preliminary meetings.

North Vietnamese even earlier had indicated through various indirect sources a preference for Phnom Penh, the capital of Cambodia. The United States does not now have a diplomatic mission in Cambodia and this would mean a difficult communications arrangement for the American representatives.

Weather

Asian Weather Central

TOKYO AREA

Tuesday Night: Rain; Low: 50

Wednesday: Partly Cloudy; High: 66

TEMPERATURES

April 8

	H	L		H	L
Bangkok	94	76	Naha	76	64
Chitose	50	29	Saigon	90	79
Guam	84	76	Seoul	56	49
Hazuke	75	59	Taipei	82	68
Manila	88	75	Tokyo	59	50
	H	L		H	L
Albany	67	28	Louisville	67	36
Albuquerque	68	33	Melbourne	68	60
Anchorage	69	46	Memphis	69	44
Atlanta	65	47	Miami	—	73
Bismarck	41	38	Milwaukee	67	33
Boise	50	30	N. Orleans	77	50
Boston	55	33	NYC	56	37
Chicago	71	42	N. Platte	53	31
Cincinnati	67	37	Okla. City	67	55
Cleveland	68	31	Omaha	57	41
Denver	47	27	Paris	54	39
Des Moines	68	46	Phila.	60	33
Detroit	62	32	Phoenix	80	42
Duluth	43	38	Pittsburgh	69	42
Fairbanks	31	23	Port., O.	55	42
Fargo	42	38	Rapid City	44	34
Fort Worth	79	62	Reno	63	24
Hong Kong	76	67	Richmond	67	33
Honolulu	87	71	Singapore	89	74
Houston	80	60	St. Louis	76	44
Indianapolis	72	34	St. Paul	53	44
Jacksonville	73	46	Salt Lake	48	32
Jakarta	93	77	S. Antonio	80	65
Juneau	41	34	San Diego	70	53
Kansas City	69	51	San Fran.	65	52
K. Lumpur	91	72	Seattle	54	42
Las Vegas	72	39	Shreveport	73	59
Little Rock	70	45	Sydney	75	61
London	50	38	Tucson	76	44
L.A.	79	52	Wash.	64	38

121 Survive BOAC Jet Crash, Fire

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passengers jumping and running from the plane within seconds of the crash. Firemen reported bringing out the bodies of three women, a man and a child.

Miss Francesca Hall, 17-year-old convent school student bound for Singapore to spend Easter with her parents, said: "I went down the plastic chute that was thrown from the front door after we landed. There was

a lot of smoke and people were pushing and shouting but there was no mass hysteria.

"There were several little children near me. It must have been a horrible experience for them but they got out all right."

The aircraft which crashed Monday narrowly escaped a similar incident at Honolulu late last year, BOAC said.

While taking off on a flight to Tokyo an outer engine caught fire. The plane had not yet left the ground.

It was stopped and there were no casualties.

Monday's flight was the first

for the aircraft after its thorough three-week winter overhaul, BOAC said.

A BOAC spokesman said: "This plane was taken apart, checked, and put back together again. It was as good as new."

An engine fell from the plane into a gravel pit before its crash landing Monday. Seconds earlier the aircraft had flown over a busy shopping center.

Sir Giles Guthrie, chairman of the state-owned airline, said: "It is a matter of great credit to everyone concerned that there have been so many survivors."

Mexican Police In Assassin Hunt

MEXICO CITY (UPI) — The FBI has asked for cooperation of Mexican authorities in tracking down the suspected assassin of Dr. Martin Luther King, a police spokesman said Monday.

The spokesman said a drawing of the suspect has been distributed throughout Mexico with emphases given to law enforcement agents at border crossing points.