

IN MEMORY OF BROTHER FRANKLIN D. McCLURE

GOOD CITIZEN
PUBLIC SERVANT
DEVOTED SCHOLAR
INTREPID SOLDIER
COURAGEOUS PATRIOT
MASTER MASON



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ALMA MATER

Hail to thee, our Alma Mater
Of thee we sing
As we lift our hearts and voices
Praises to sing,
Though we through the years may wander
Far from thee and native soil
May we thee in memory harbor
School days recall.

Thou art worthy of our love
School of our youth.
Friends we made and time we squandered
Beneath thy roof.
Yet for all this we are joyful
For each rose must have its thorn.
And thy halls with lives of service
May we adorn.

So let's sing together, comrades
Sing while we can
For there's surely no school finer
In all the land.
Hail to thee, dear Alma Mater
And at last on that great day
May not one of us be absent
School mates, for aye.

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1951-52 Dallas High School Basketball Team

front l to r - Gerald Cole, Odis Shead, Billy Lee, Bobby Cole, Franklin McClure, Ernest Stroud -
Coach.

top l to r - Ralph King, Jimmy Ray Hicks, Wavil Moody, Joe Strickland, Jim Watts, Frank McTyre,



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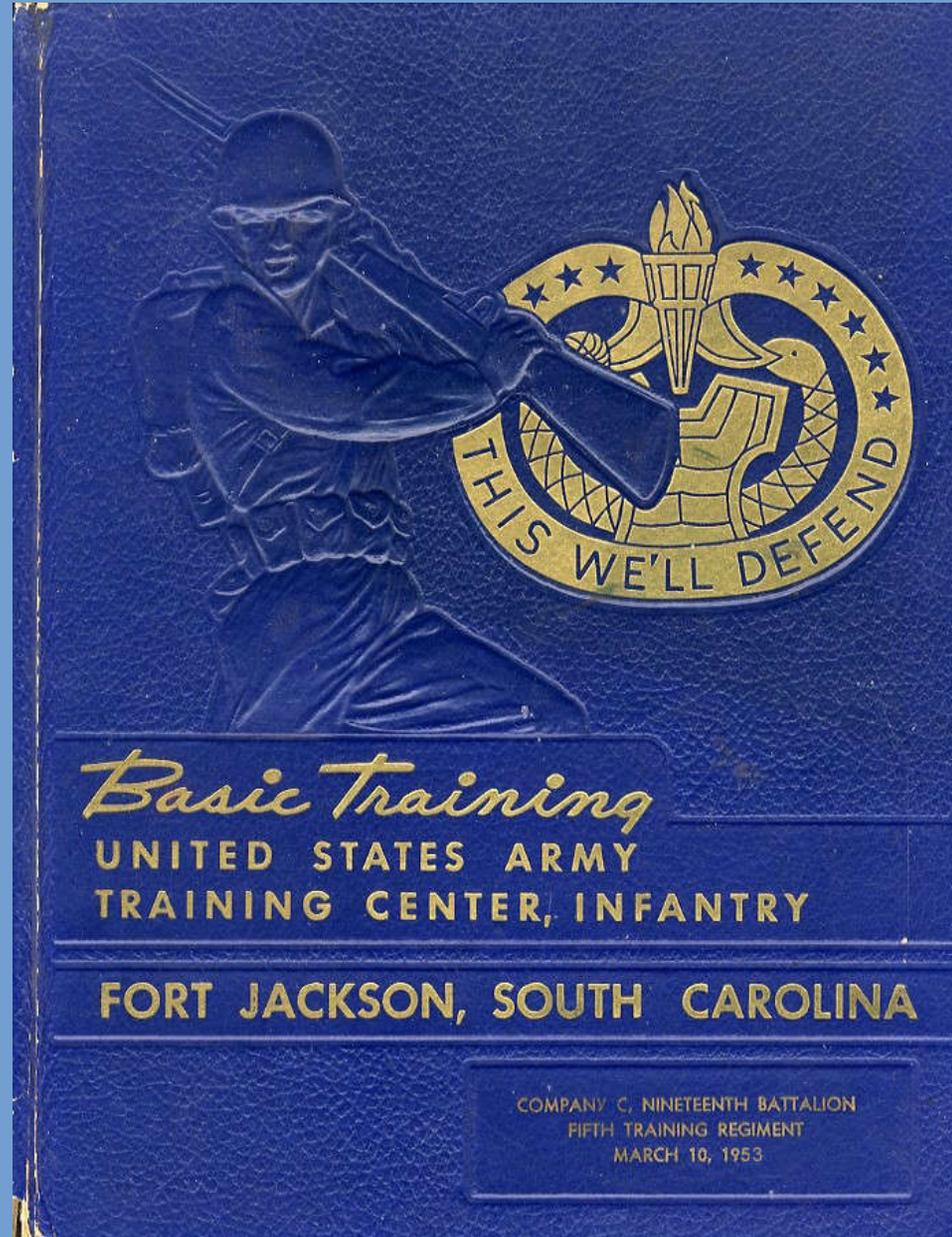
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Honorable Discharge



from the Armed Forces of the United States of America

This is to certify that

SP-5(E-5) Franklin D. McClure, ER 14 507 079, SigC---USAR

was Honorably Discharged from the

Army of the United States

on the 15th *day of* June *1959* *This certificate is awarded*
as a testimonial of Honest and Faithful Service

Carl E. Phillips

CARL E. PHILLIPS
Major, AGC

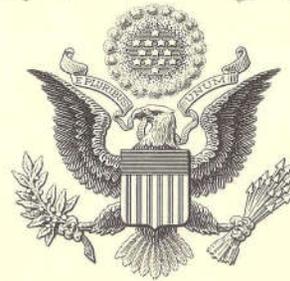


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on the 1st *day of* September 1961 *This certificate is awarded*
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P. A. WAGNON
Major, AGC



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 DALLAS LODGE No. 182, F. & A. M., Dallas, Ga., December 14th., 1961, 19__

At a ~~regular called~~ Communication of this Lodge, held in its hall on the above date, the Lodge was opened in due form on the Master's Degree, the following officers being present:

<u>L onnie Lee</u>	W. M.	<u>Jim Watts</u>	S. D.
<u>R D Jones Act</u>	S. W.	<u>Wm Black</u>	J. D.
<u>John T Perren</u>	J. W.	<u>Lloyd York</u>	S. S.
	Treasurer	<u>Joe Palmer</u>	J. S.
<u>W O Green</u>	Secretary	##### <u>Lloyd Lee</u>	Tyler

C O Cantrell Chaplain

The minutes of the regular ~~called~~ Communication of November 23 1961
~~were read and approved~~

and called Communication of November 25, 1961 were read and approved.

Petition for Degrees of Masonry of Harold Watson Morris, Franklin D. McClure, William Floy Johnson and Carey Carlos Johnson were read for the first time.

John Shipp, J W Rakestraw and R. D Jones for Franklin D. McClure

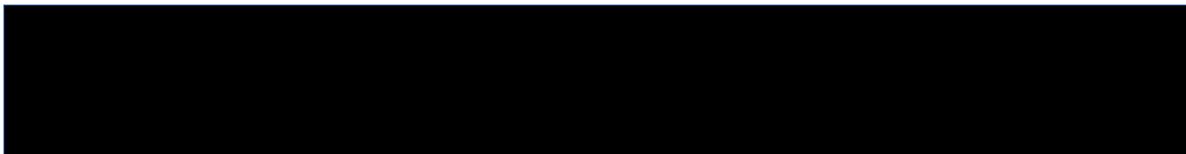
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 DALLAS LODGE No. 182, F. & A. M., Dallas, Ga., December 28, 1961, 19__

At a ~~regular~~ called Communication of this Lodge, held in its hall on the above date, the Lodge was opened in due form on the Master's Degree, the following officers being present:

<u>W S Shelton Act</u>	<u>W. M.</u>	<u>Lloyd York Act</u>	<u>S. D.</u>
<u>James D Watts Act</u>	<u>S. W.</u>	<u>Joe Palmer Act</u>	<u>J. D.</u>
<u>William Black Act</u>	<u>J. W.</u>	<u>J W Rakestraw Act</u>	<u>S. S.</u>
	<u>Treasurer</u>	<u>Robert Butz Act</u>	<u>J. S.</u>
<u>W O Green Secretary</u>	<u>Secretary</u>	<u>Ernest Miller</u>	<u>Tyler</u>
	<u>Chester Fuller Act</u>	<u>Chaplain</u>	

The minutes of the regular ~~held~~ Communication of December 28 1961 were read and approved.



The Petitions for degrees of Masonry of Mr. Carey Carlos Gordon, Mr William Floyd Johnson, Mr. Franklin D. McClure, and Mr Harold Watson Morris were read for the second time.



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DALLAS LODGE No. 182, F. & A. M., Dallas, Ga., Febry 22, 1962, 19

At a ~~regular~~ ~~called~~ Communication of this Lodge, held in its hall on the above date, the Lodge was opened in due form on the Master's Degree, the following officers being present:

<u>W. S. Shelton</u>	W. M.	<u>Wm Black</u>	S. D.
<u>R D Jones</u> Act	S. W.	<u>Robert Amonds</u> Acting	J. D.
<u>Jim Watts</u>	J. W.	<u>Joe Palmer</u>	S. S.
	Treasurer	<u>J W Rakestraw</u>	J. S.
<u>W. O. Green</u>	Secretary	<u>Ernest Miller</u>	Tyler
	<u>Chester Fuller</u>	Chaplain	

The minutes of the regular ~~called~~ Communication of Febry 8th 1962 were read and approved.



Mr Franklin D. McClure was initiated into the E A Degree.
There being no further business the Lodge closed in due Form.



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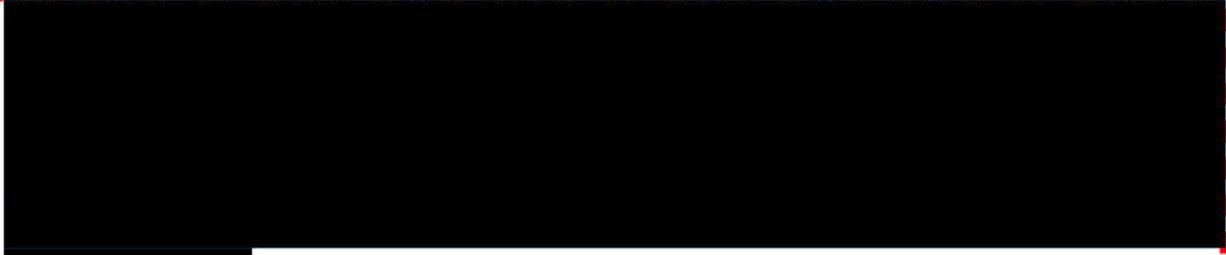


 DALLAS LODGE No. 182, F. & A. M., Dallas, Ga., February 27, 1962, 19__

At a ~~regular~~ called Communication of this Lodge, held in its hall on the above date, the Lodge was opened in due form on the Master's Degree, the following officers being present:

W.S Shelton	W. M.	George Watts Acting	S. D.
R D Jones	Act	<u>A. J. McClure</u> Act	J. D.
Jim Watts	S. W.	Edward Morris ##### Acting	S. S.
#####	J. W.	George Bickers Act	J. S.
	Treasurer	Jack Morris Act	Tyler
W O Green	Secretary		
	Jim Watts Act		Chaplain

The minutes of the regular called Communication of _____ 196__ were read and approved.


Brother McClure was elected to receive the F C Degree.
Brother McClure was passed to the Degree of Fellowcraft.
There being no further business the Lodge closed in due form.

Respectfully Submitted

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DALLAS LODGE No. 182, F. & A. M., Dallas, Ga., March 1, 1962, 19__

At a ~~regular~~ called—Communication of this Lodge, held in its hall on the above date, the Lodge was opened in due form on the Master's Degree, the following officers being present:

W S Shelton	W. M.	Wm Black	S. D.
John T Perren	S. W.	George Watts Act	J. D.
Jim Watts	J. W.	Joe Palmer	S. S.
	Treasurer	Ernest Norton Act	J. S.
W O Green	Secretary	Ernest Miller	Tyler
	Chester Fuller	Chaplain	

The minutes of the regular—called—Communication of _____ 196__ were read and approved.

The above called meeting was held by Special Dispensation from the Grand Lodge to _____ Raise F C Brother Franklin D McClure out of regular meeting time.

Brother McClure was raised to the Sublime Degree of a Master Mason.

Brother McClure is in the Armed Forces and was home on furlough before going overseas for an extended stay, and it was his desire to be a Master Mason before he departed.

In order to do this he had to take three degrees in 8 calendar days.

By Special Dispensation from the Grand Lodge he received the F C Degree and Master Degree in the same week, both meetings were called Communications.

Brother McClure was a very sincere candidate, in spite of the short time that he had to prepare _____ of each degree he has almost perfect _____ in them.

There being no further business the Lodge closed in due form

Respectfully Submitted

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WEATHER
 Partly cloudy, but daytime mostly sunny.
 Little change in temperature. High today 68.
 Complete weather on Page A-8.

HOME EDITION —

Troop Plane With 107 Vanishes Lost at Sea on Viet Flight

GUAM, Friday (UPI) — A Super Constellation carrying 107 persons including 93 U.S. Army enlisted men en route to embattled South Viet Nam vanished during a night flight from Guam toward Manila early today.

It was presumed to have crashed at sea.

An Army spokesman in Washington confirmed that the soldiers were bound for South Viet Nam in the defense of U.S. military men assisting South Viet Nam in the battle against Communist day that they are taking an increasingly active role in the fighting. He said American pilots have fired at Viet Camps.

Passengers included three South Viet Nam enlisted men and four women troops.

The Pentagon indicated that names of military personnel aboard the plane would not be made available during the night.

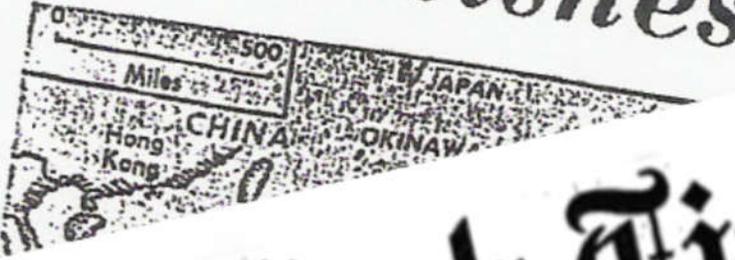
The Americans in South Viet Nam have been listed officially as advisors, but Defense Secretary Robert S. McNamara confirmed Thursday that they are taking an increasingly active role in the fighting. He said American pilots have fired at Viet Camps.

Sixty-seven persons were killed March 21, 1957, when a MATS C97 crashed in the Western Pacific.

A VAST AIR and surface search was begun in the Pacific history. It also would be the second commercial history.

The flight originated at Travis Air Force base near San Francisco, MATS headquarters in the West.

It was learned that the Flying Tiger Line and previously others operating under military charter have greatly stepped up flights direct to Saigon from the United States in recent weeks. Until a month ago Flying Tiger sent only two per month to Saigon. If all aboard are lost, it will be the worst crash at sea in Pacific history. It also would be the second commercial history.



The New York Times

NEW YORK, FRIDAY, MARCH 16, 1962.

107 on U. S. Plane Lost Over Pacific; 93 Soldiers Aboard on Way to Vietnam

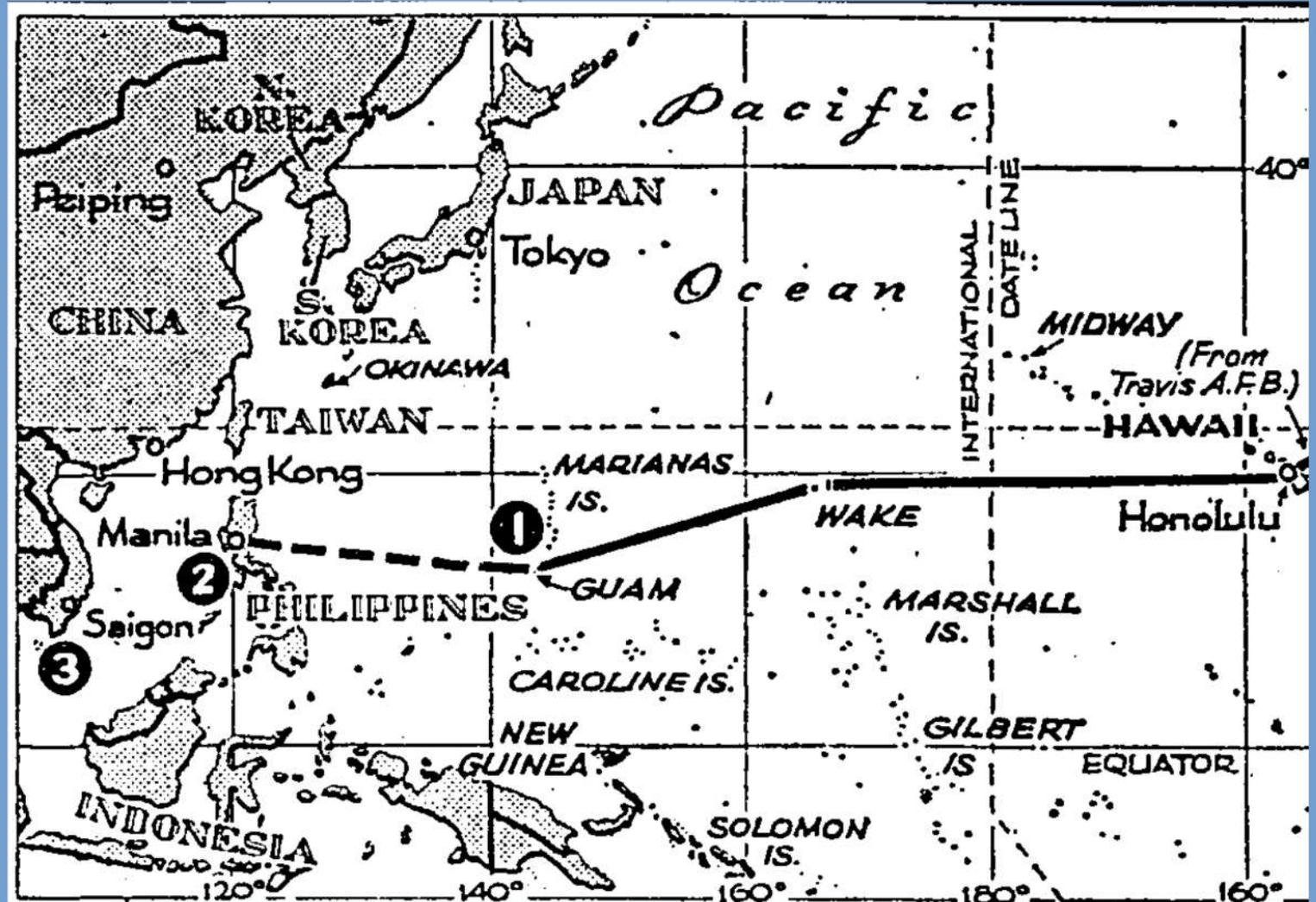
Wide Area Is Searched—
 2d Flying Tiger Craft
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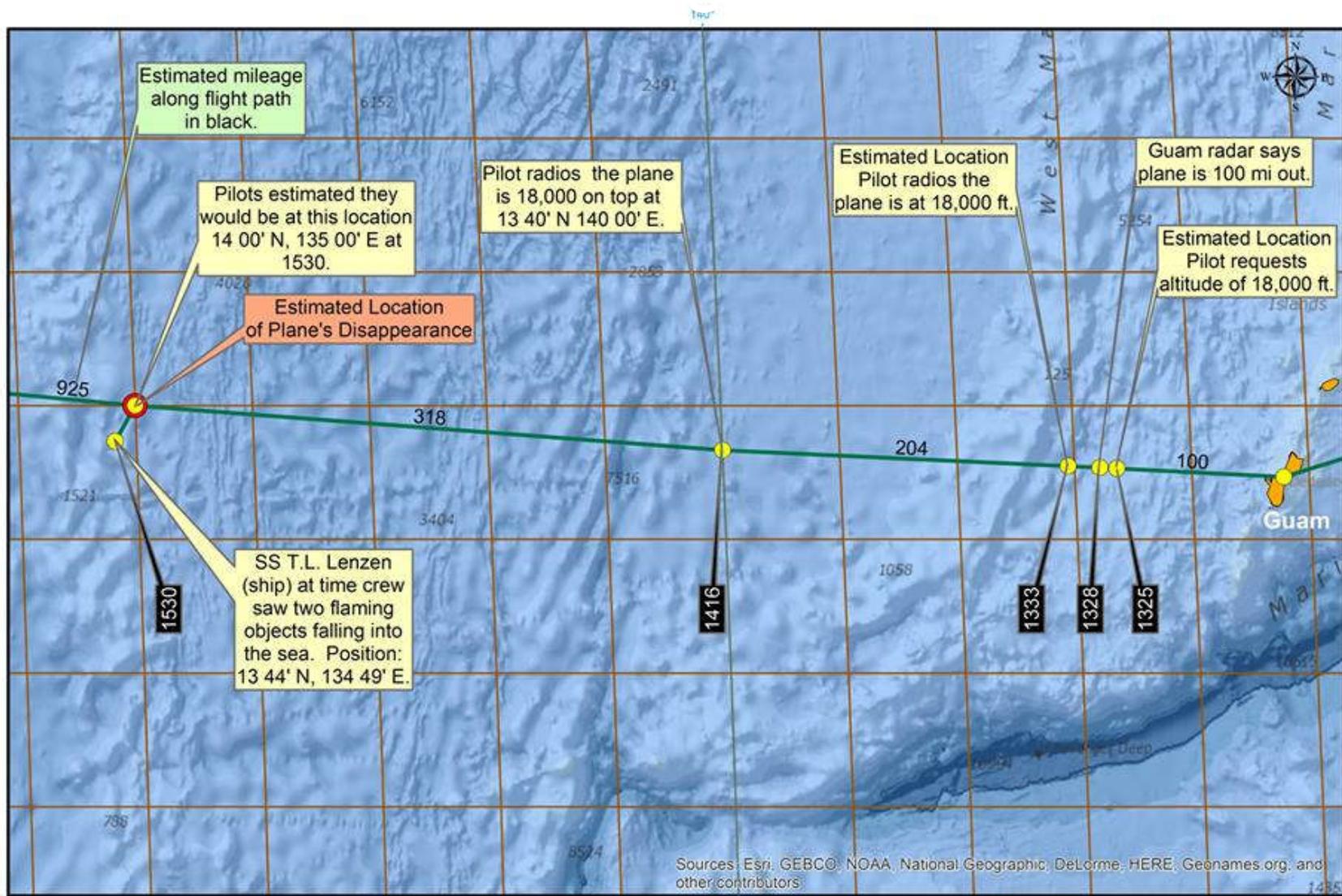
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Legend

- CAB Report Locations (Time GMT below)
- Flight 739 Flight Path

Flight 739 Flight Path Events

Coordinate System: World Robinson
Central Meridian: 100°0'0"E



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File No. 1-0002

CIVIL AERONAUTICS BOARD AIRCRAFT ACCIDENT REPORT

Adopted: April 8, 1963

Released: April 10, 1963

THE FLYING TIGER LINE INC., LOCKHEED SUPER CONSTELLATION 1049H
N 6921C, BETWEEN GUAM AND THE PHILIPPINE ISLANDS,
MARCH 15, 1962

SYNOPSIS

On March 15, 1962, sometime after its last position report at 1422 G.m.t.

Flight line and ramp areas of the en route airports used by N 6921C at Honolulu, Wake Island, and Guam were examined by Board investigators. It was found that access to these areas and to non-military aircraft parked therein was possible, without challenge, to anyone desiring entry. It was reported that the aircraft was left unattended in a dimly lighted area for a period of time while at Guam.



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STATEMENT OF CASUALTY		REPORT NUMBER AND TYPE A 1028 FINAL	DATE PREPARED 30 APR 1962
1. SERVICE IDENTIFICATION (Name, Service Number, Grade or Rate, Component, Branch and Organization) MCCLURE, FRANKLIN D. RA [REDACTED] SP4 RA US ELM MAAG, Vietnam (9787) Saigon, Vietnam			
2. CASUALTY STATUS <input type="checkbox"/> BATTLE <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NON-BATTLE DIED 16 March 1962. Passenger aboard a chartered Flying Tiger Airlines aircraft which disappeared on a flight between Guam and Philippine Islands. Extensive air-sea rescue search conducted revealed no evidence of any survivors or wreckage of plane.			
3. DATE AND PLACE OF BIRTH, RACE, RELIGIOUS PREFERENCE 20 June 1933, Marietta, Georgia Caucasian [REDACTED]			
4. DATE AND PLACE OF LAST ENTRY ON ACTIVE DUTY IN CURRENT STATUS AND HOME OF RECORD AT TIME 18 September 1961, Atlanta, Georgia Dallas, Paulding County, Georgia			
5. SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER, PAY GRADE, LENGTH OF SERVICE FOR PAY, BASIC PAY, INCENTIVE PAY [REDACTED] [REDACTED] Over 8 years [REDACTED] [REDACTED]			CHECK IF APPLICABLE <input type="checkbox"/> CREW <input type="checkbox"/> NON-CREW
<p><i>NOTE: When imprinted with the official seal of The Adjutant General's Office, this form requires no signature. The form may be used to facilitate the cashing of bonds, the payment of commercial insurance, or in the settlement of any other claim in which proof of death is required.</i></p>			
<p>BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:</p> <p>J. C. LAMBERT Major General, USA The Adjutant-General</p>			



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Honorable Service



in the Armed Forces of the United States of America

In grateful Memory of

SPECIALIST FOUR FRANKLIN O. McCLURE, RA 14 507 079

*Who Died while in the Service of our Country
as a Member of the*

Army of the United States

*on the 16TH day of MARCH 1962 This certificate is awarded
as a testimonial of Honest and Faithful Service*

Charles A. Stetson, Jr.
Secretary of the Army



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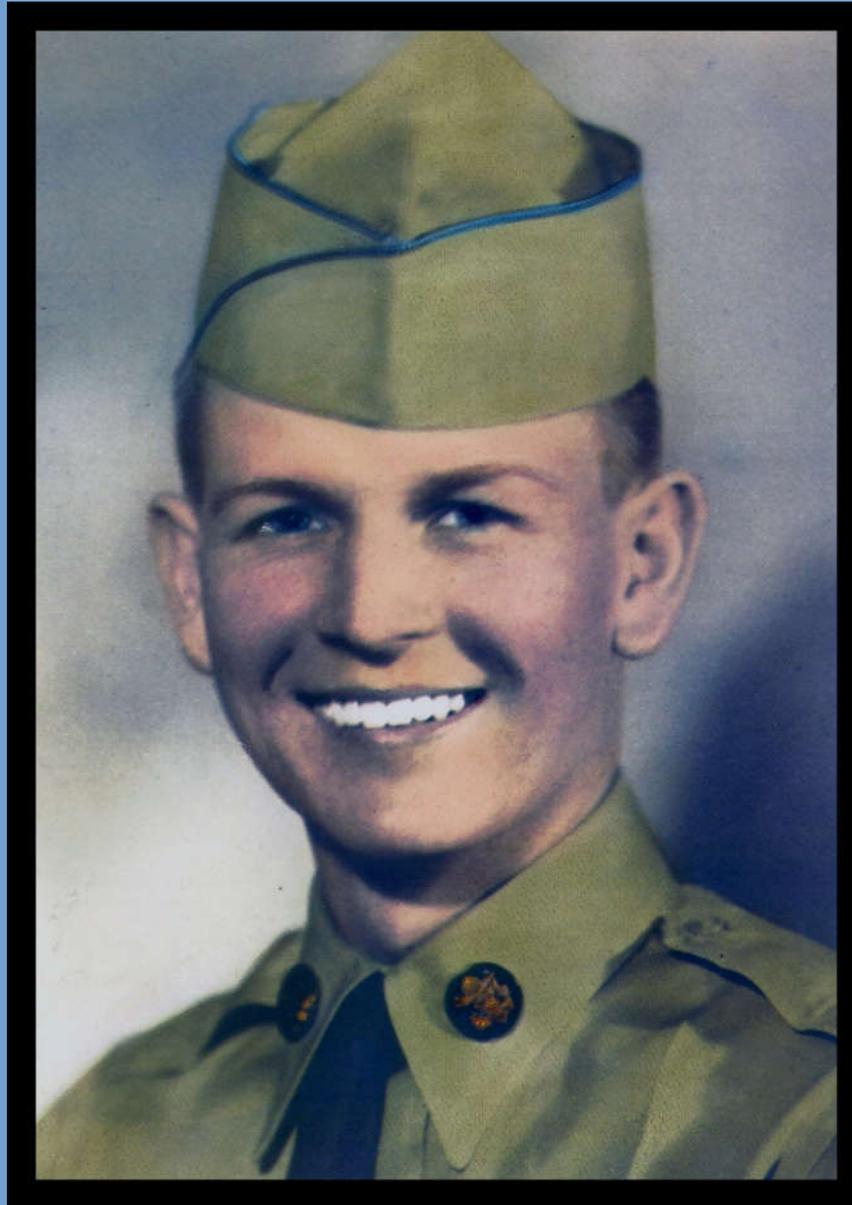
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He loved
his Family,
his Friends,
his Fraternity,
and his Country....
and to each of these,
he made a difference.
RIP BROTHER FRANK

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received from Flight 739/14, a regularly scheduled position report, indicated that it was cruising normally at an altitude of 18,000 feet; the message gave no indication of any existing or impending difficulty. It appears to be more than coincidence that the explosion witnessed by crew members of the Lenzen occurred near the position and at the time estimated by the aircraft's crew for their next position report. It is, therefore, the opinion of the Board that this witnessed phenomenon was most likely N 6921C in the process of demolition.

A summation of all relevant factors tends to indicate that the aircraft was destroyed in flight. However, due to the lack of any substantiating evidence the Board is unable to state with any degree of certainty the exact fate of N 6921C.

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coincided with the estimated position of the aircraft; weather was not a factor in the disappearance; and no wreckage or debris was found that could be associated with the aircraft.

Because no portion of the structure of N 6921C has been recovered, it is impossible to determine whether a mechanical/structural failure, or sabotage, occurred in flight. If such a failure did occur it can be reasonably assumed that it happened suddenly and without warning to the crew. The last message

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that would have indicated any further difficulty.

The departure of the aircraft from Honolulu was delayed for 30 minutes because of complaints by the stewardesses concerning inadequate crew rest facilities aboard N 6921C. Board investigators interviewed the four

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stewardesses who had attended the flight from San Francisco to Wake Island. It was learned that the aircraft contained one single bunk and one double bunk forward of the passenger compartment. Under normal conditions there are two pilots on duty in the cockpit and one off duty, with a single bunk

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bunk forward of the passenger compartment. Under normal conditions there are two pilots on duty in the cockpit and one off duty, with a single bunk available for his use. The double bunk is for the use of the off-duty navigator and the off-duty engineer. Additionally, there should have been two passenger seats reserved for the use of the stewardesses during the flight. However, on this flight there was only one seat provided, and when the aircraft arrived in Honolulu the senior stewardess protested. After a conference with the captain, FTL, and MATS officials, a mattress was placed on the deck under the lower bunk for the use of the stewardesses. Access to this mattress was through a small opening of approximately 18 by 24 inches.

The aircraft departed Honolulu at 2040 and arrived at Wake Island at 0354

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about 30 minutes after the plane made its last report.

The Super Constellation was last heard from about 10:30 p.m. Thursday, 270 miles west of Guam, and gave no hint of anything amiss.

The missing four-engined plane, whose passengers included 93 U.S. Rangers en route to South Viet Nam to help in the fight against Communist Viet Cong guerillas, was en route from Guam to the Philippines.

Mattress Picked Up

A search ship was reported Monday to have picked up an air mattress in the general area of the Pacific where the airliner last radioed its position.

Reports from Guam said the minesweeper Gallant found the mattress while patrolling the ocean as part of the vast air-sea hunt for the constellation, missing since Thursday.

The Joint Rescue Co-ordination Center at Guam said the mattress was 42 miles northeast of a position where the Liberian freighter reported sighting falling red lights.

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