

FOUR IN PLANE DEAD, FIFTH IS BADLY HURT

Martin Bomber Which Crashed in West Virginia Is Found in Rough and Lonely District.

CHARLESTON, W. Va., Sept. 5.—The bodies of four of the five members of the crew of the Government Martin bombing plane No. 5 from Langley Field, Va., were found today on the north side of Twenty Mile Creek, ten miles southwest of Summersville, Nicholas County, and the fifth is en route by automobile to Charleston in a serious condition, according to information received tonight by Major Davenport Johnson, in charge of the army air forces stationed here.

THE DEAD.

BROWN, Sergeant ARTHUR R., Kentucky.
FITZPATRICK, Lieutenant W. S., observer,
Medford, Ore.
HOWARD, Private WALTER B., San Francisco.
SPECK, Lieutenant HARRY L., pilot, Medford, Ore.

SERIOUSLY INJURED.

HAZELTON, Corporal ALEXANDER C.,
Wilmington, Del.

Little chance for the recovery of Corporal Hazelton was expressed by physicians tonight, when it was learned that in addition to suffering broken legs the Corporal was injured internally.

The wrecked airplane was discovered by Ben Hughes, a Nicholas County man, after a two-day search participated in by hundreds of residents of the vicinity in which the tragedy occurred, as well as airplanes sent out from Charleston and army searching parties.

Hughes reported to Major Johnson by telephone that he heard faint cries and groans while searching in a heavily wooded and particularly rugged section. Following the direction of the sounds, he said, he came upon the wrecked machine, the nose of which had buried itself in the ground in such a way that the tail remained high in the air. Its position indicated that in the final dive to the ground the airplane had been upside down.

The bodies of three of the victims, Hughes said, were suspended, head down, in midair, held in their cockpits by foot straps. The fourth body, discovered hours later after a careful search of the charred debris, was caught in the wreckage.

Immediately turning his attention to the injured man, who had managed to crawl several yards from the scene of the disaster and was found lying face downward, Hughes partly revived Corporal Hazelton by giving him a drink of water. He then made the suffering flier as comfortable as possible and set out for help. After the arrival of several more searchers, Hazelton was carried more than a mile to the edge of the dense woods, where he was placed in an automobile and taken to Summersville, the nearest town in which there was known to be a physician.

The injured man's condition was regarded as so critical that physicians would allow no one to question him regarding the accident.

Those who examined the wrecked machine expressed the opinion that the crash had been followed by an explosion of gasoline, which enveloped the plane and all personnel left in it in flames.