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Flares in Congo

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LEOPOLDVILLE, the Congo (AP) — Open war flared up in the Congo Saturday with Congolese forces launching a seaborne operation and fighting bitter street battles and mortar duels with U.N. soldiers.

Planeloads of U.N. reinforcements flew into the Congo's narrow Atlantic seaboard after Congolese swarmed ashore from boats to capture the little port of Banana from its U.N. garrison.

U.N. Secretary-General Dag Hammarskjöld was immediately informed and he promptly cabled orders that the situation be re-



Boy Drowns in Pond
As Leaky Boat Fails



Fireman and diver recover body of Robert Pouliot. At left is boys' boat.

By JACK MAJOR

A boyish lark turned into tragedy Saturday when a 13-year-old boy drowned in a large pond in the 2000 block of Valley Drive.

The body of Robert Pouliot



ROBERT POULIOT

of 3533 S. Salina St. was found by a police skin diver in five feet of water 20 feet from shore.

Police said Pouliot and a companion, Franklin Ramsey, 14, of 620 Cannon St., had taken the boat from a nearby barn and were spearfishing in the pond when the boat began to leak.

The boys were attempting to reach shore, Ramsey said, but the boat tipped over and they were thrown into the water.

Ramsey managed to swim the 30 feet of ice-filled water to shore, police said, without realizing his friend wasn't with him. Another boy, Edward Niedzwiecki, 13, of 154 E. Pleasant Ave., who was watching from the shore, said Pouliot disappeared in water near the boat which overturned when the boys jumped.

Police and firemen were unsuccessful in locating the body until skin diver Earl Cooke joined the search about 30 minutes later.

Police were called by Herbert S. Rand of 1942 Valley Drive, who formerly owned the land on which the pond is located.

Niedzwiecki and Ramsey said they had gone to the pond to

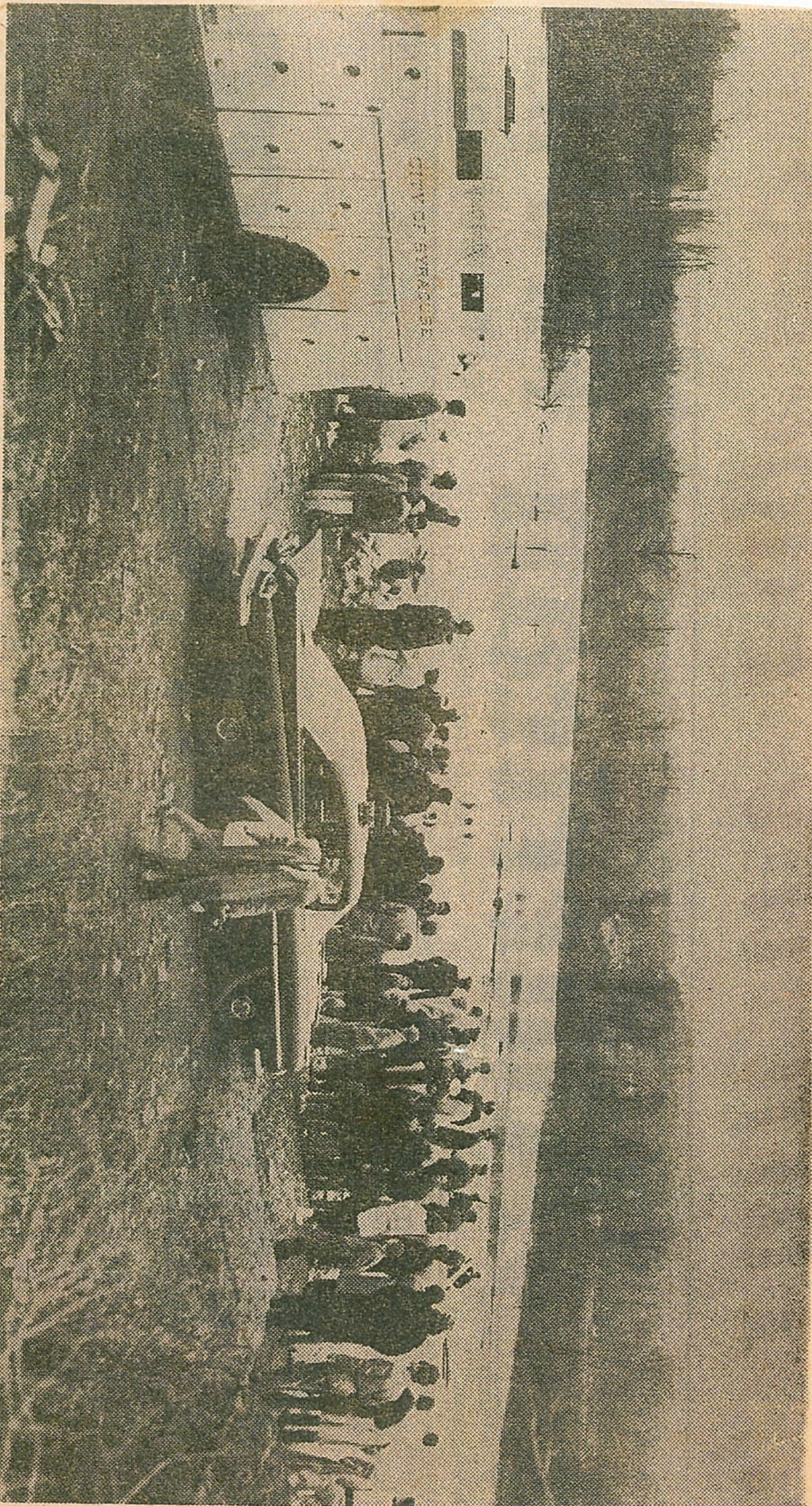
hunt for speck fish. Ramsey had been on the pond on a raft until the others found the boat.

Niedzwiecki decided to stay on shore while his friends tried the boat.

Nearby residents said melted snow and rain had swelled the pond to a dangerous depth. Residents said the pond has a magnetic effect on youngsters and is a local haunt.

Young Ramsey said Saturday it was the first time he had ever visited the pond. Police said Ramsey and Niedzwiecki were taken to the nearby home of Mr. and Mrs. Chester Korycinski at 2009 Valley Drive, where Ramsey was given hot tea and a change of clothing.

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Spectators crowd around the Valley Drive pond where Robert Pouliot drowned.

Valley Drive Residents Long Feared Deep Pond

By WILLIAM S. STEVENS

Tragedy struck suddenly in the former farm field that, like "Topsy," "just grew" into a deadly pond. Suddenly — but nobody was surprised.

Residents in the Valley Drive area adjacent to the pond where Robert Pouliot of 3533 S. Salina St. drowned Saturday were shocked. But they said they had expected something serious would happen someday.

And all said they have asked something be done to safeguard the area.

The man most acquainted with the pond's history, Herbert Rand of 1942 Valley Drive, right next to the pond, viewed the drowning with sorrow and resignation.

"I've asked the city to do something about it (the pond) numerous times," Rand said. "But, what's the point in being harsh now? The danger has been done," he added.

The Rand family had owned the area where the pond is located now and Rand said that until "eight or ten" years ago it had been a field. The city now owns the five acre pond and some surrounding land.

Then a brook at the rear of the property on the west side of Valley Drive was diverted, apparently by children, Rand said, and the pond began to form.

"At this time of the year, that pond is nearly 10 feet deep at its deepest point," Rand pointed out, "and kids play in it or around it all year. I've asked for a guard to be assigned or that a fence be constructed."

Directly across the street from the pond, Walter P. Brown of 2005 Valley Drive, said he had been battling to keep his own children away from the water for the past several years.

"Sometimes, during the summer, the stench becomes nearly unbearable," Brown said. "We've complained and many of our neighbors have complained, but so far nothing has been done about it."

Brown too noted that children use the pond "both winter and summer." In the winter, he said, children ice-skate and in the summer they fish or swim.

The pond, which is about 200 yards long and 100 yards wide, has no outlet, Rand said. He said that several years ago the city sank some pipe in an attempt to drain it but was unsuccessful.

Potter W. Kelly, city engineer, said that the pond had recently been leased to the Valley Fish and Game Club. He said he understood the club was planning to use the pond for casting and fishing.

Kelly said that about eight years ago he recommended construction of a storm drain which could be used to eliminate the pond on the Rand Tract.

The recommendation was made at the time the Malvic Tract, a residential development on the east side of Valley Drive, was being planned, Kelly said.

The reasoning at the time was that since sewers were to be installed to drain the east side of the street that a larger drain could be installed at an additional cost of \$90,000 to provide drainage for the west side of Valley Drive, Kelly said.

However the plan was shelved, apparently because of the additional cost.

Sunday MONEYWORD PUZZLE

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Contestants may send in as many entries as they wish! Paste this on a 3c postal card and mail to Contest Manager, Box 381, Herald-American, 220 Herald Pl., Syracuse 1, N.Y. in time to be received by 6 P.M. Wed., March 8.

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- CLUES ACROSS:
1. Alberta (abbr.).
 4. Most people have little regard for a person who _____ money if caught.
 8. Is likely to provide some diversion for a young child.
 11. A parent must be careful of this where a sick child is concerned.
 12. Antiseptic (abbr.).
 13. A person who is a burden.
 14. Ernie Caldwell (initials).
 16. May cause one to blush in shame.
 17. A fashion designer on a tour in North Africa may be disappointed by the costumes.
 19. A new driver is not likely to _____ to drive at high speeds.
 23. In the dark, it is likely to have a firehazard aspect.
 25. An expedition may not be able to _____ a jungle except by _____.
 27. A woman who can't _____ adequately should not try to shorten a _____.
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 29. Would make some people very _____.
- CLUES DOWN:
1. Inquire.
 2. Late Latin (abbr.).
 3. May command a certain amount of respect.
 4. Greek letter.
 5. Lee Rogers (initials).
 6. A cook may compliment for a leather-goods manufacturer may be distressed to find more _____ on hand than he expected.
 7. A leather-goods manufacturer may be distressed to find more _____ on hand than he expected.
 9. Southeast (abbr.).
 10. The management of a hotel may feel it makes a good impression to have an elegant _____ at the entrance.
 15. Lost Abinist may be glad to _____.
 22. One may lose patience with a _____.
 23. A person who can't _____ adequately should not try to shorten a _____.
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