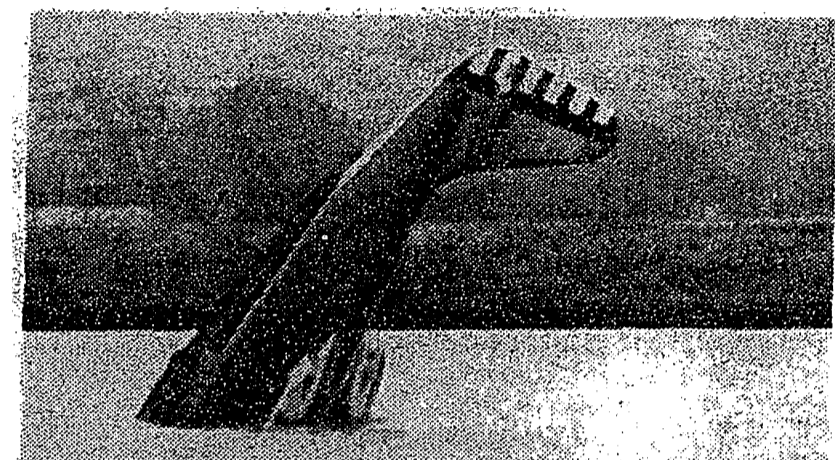


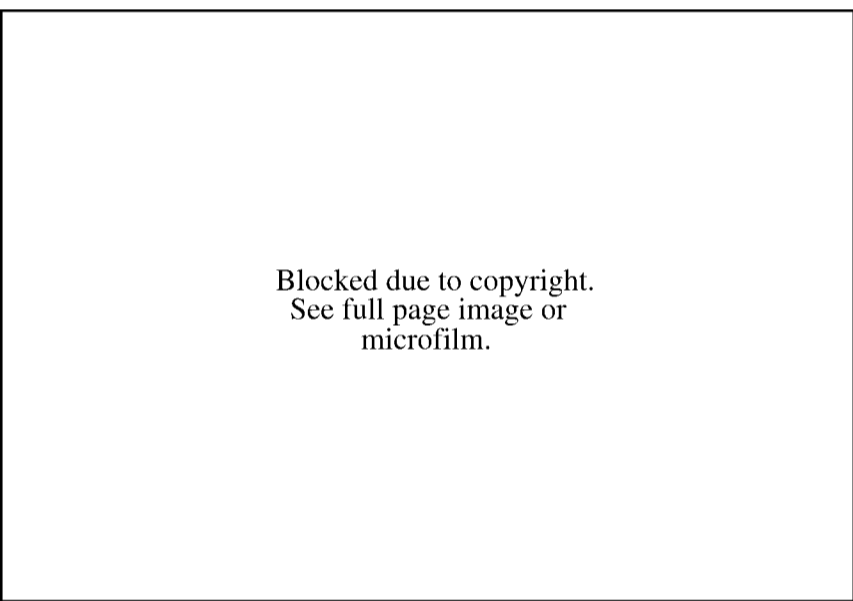
# Four Fliers Escape Injury As Plane Dives Into Anacostia



**MOMENT OF IMPACT**—Private Jacob Cherlin snapped plane above as it hit the submerged object



**NOSING OVER**—Cherlin raced for The Post after this second photo, not pausing to see what happened next



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**RESCUERS**—Sea Scouts Joseph Tevis, Roy Theiss, Dick Winfield, Philip Osborn and Jack Gager. Inset, the pilot, Maj. White

Four Army fliers escaped serious injury yesterday when their amphibian plane suddenly nosed over on the Anacostia River a few seconds after landing.

The fliers escaped through an emergency hatch and struggled al-

most helplessly in the chilly water, hampered by their leather flying clothing, until they managed to reach a wing of the slowly settling craft. They were rescued by sailors from the Naval Air Station.

First to reach the scene were five Sea Scouts and their scoutmaster, who saw the crash from the Corinthian Yacht Club. They piled into a whaleboat and rowed out to the men who were foundering in the water and took two aboard while the other two clung to the sides until the sailors arrived.

The amateur rescuers were Scoutmaster Frederick Tilp, of 1434 Otis street northeast; Dick Winfield, 20, of 1020 Irving street northeast; Philip Osborn, 16, of 1617 Seventeenth street northwest; Joe Tevis, 16, of 2518 Seventeenth street northwest; Jack Gager, 18, of 5301 Massachusetts avenue northwest, and Roy Theiss, 14, of 903 Flower avenue, Silver Spring, Md.

Maj. T. D. White, commanding the twin-motored utility-observation plane, was unable to explain what happened.

"All of a sudden we started taking water," he said. "Then we sank." It was thought the thin metal hull struck some submerged object after landing.

Also in the ship, piloted by Maj. White, were Capt. J. W. McCoy, Technical Sergt. W. E. Langston and First Sergt. W. K. Ettlinger, all of Bolling Field. Maj. White is attached to the office of the Chief of the Air Corps.

The crash occurred just after the big plane landed near the foot of First street southwest, opposite the

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# Four Fliers Escape Injury in Crash

**PLANE, from Page 1.**

Army War College. It was witnessed by Saturday afternoon crowds along the Speedway.

Dragged from the water by a Navy crew and hauled onto a ramp at the Naval Air Station, the ship was found to have a jagged hole in the hull near the bow. It was returned to Bolling Field for repairs.

None of the fliers was injured beyond minor scratches.