

a veteran of five years as a flight mechanic instructor in the Marine Air Force in World War II, also saw the faltering plane. Lester Stull and Harold Hart, who have farms on Dublin Road, said they saw the ship flip over two or three times. Mr. Winship, who operates a 287-acre dairy farm down the valley, said Hart and Stull would have had a better view of the plane since they were on ground higher than the Winship farm.

Mr. Winship said he ran up to the woods and found the crushed plane lying on the ground with the trees around it, almost like a fence, on all sides. He saw the two men were dead. Mr. Winship said, raced back to the house about a quarter of a mile away and reported the crash to Sheriff Morgan L. Sigel of Cattaraugus County. The place where the plane lay in the woods is only 50 feet from an open field.

The sheriff, with eight deputies and Dr. Law, rushed to the scene and after a check, the bodies were removed to the Van Rensselaer Funeral Home here pending transfer to Jamestown.

Mr. Skelton, who was at the scene, said the two men took off from Jamestown Airport at 8:45 A.M. Monday for Rochester in the same plane flown to Franklinville Sunday and back without incident by one of his pilots. Rescue workers said that when they were removing the bodies, a fluid which "smelled like gasoline" poured from what they took to be a gas tank. They declined to say definitely, however, that it was gasoline.

Sheriff Sigel said he received Mr. Winship's call at 3:35 P.M. and at once notified the Aviation Safety District office of the Civil Aeronautics Administration at Buffalo. He then left with his deputies and the VanRensselaer

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Pine Found in Woods

The crash occurred at 6:30 P.M. Phil Coyle, Post-Journal correspondent in Warren, found the wrecked plane as more than 50 persons under the direction of Pfc. Joseph Mastrain and Pfc. Paul Dell of Warren State Police Patrol headed into the area.

Police said the aircraft was en route from Emporium, where Beverly has oil interests, to Falconer, and as it flew over the area, two and one-half miles north of Scandia along the Scandia-Onoville Road, the motor began to sputter. The pilot cut the motor and the aircraft then went into a dive.

Despite the fact that the aircraft fell from a great height, only the nose was seriously damaged. Its long wing spread was apparently damaged as it rested against the small trees.

The crash occurred in one of the most desolate regions of Warren County, and searchers with difficulty found the wreckage in the dark.

Sgt. Donald Holmes, commanding officer of Warren State Police Patrol, reported Russell Fire Department and Russell Township Police mobilized a group of searchers. Constable James Higgenbotham, assisted by Ted Allshouse, guarded the wreckage to prevent souvenir hunters from stripping the aircraft.

Vet's Peace Injury Worse

Kenneth Walker is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Basil H. Walker. The young man returned home March 6 after two years of military service in Korea where he only suffered a fractured foot.

His mother said that he was injured in Korea when a piece of military equipment fell upon his foot in unloading a truck at the battle front.

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ambulance for the scene of the crash.

Cpl. Eugene Redin and Trooper Harry Kunow of Randolph State Police sub-station, also at the scene, assisted in handling traffic and in the investigation.

Frank Borys and William Ptacek of the CAA office arrived in Little Valley in little more than two hours to start their investigation. Their report will be filed with the Air Safety Board for final decision on the cause of the fatal crash.

Funeral services will be held at 1:30 P.M. Thursday from the Henderson-Lincoln Chapel. Rev. George H. Tolley, pastor of the First Baptist Church will officiate. Burial will be in Lake View Cemetery.

Austin Anderson was born in the Town of Poland Sept. 25, 1891, the son of Per August and Mary Gustafson Anderson. He came to Jamestown in 1923 to form his company to manufacture a milking machine he had invented and had been making in Randolph since 1913. He established his plant at 1372 East Second Street that year.