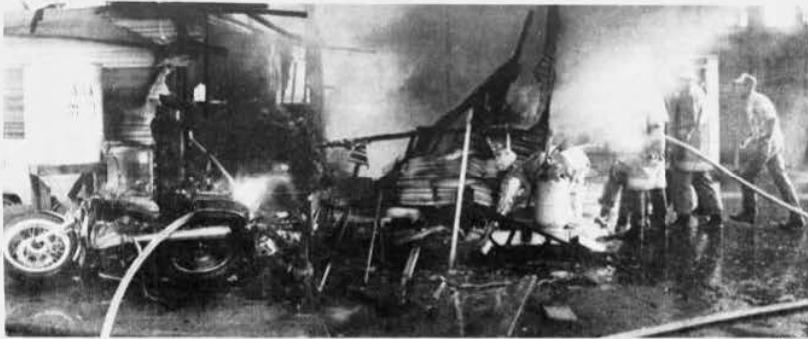


S. California earthquake injures 91



El Centro, Calif. firemen try to drench liquid petroleum fire Monday after three fuel tanks exploded from earthquake shocks.

CALEXICO, Calif. (AP) — With aftershocks still grating, thousands of Imperial Valley residents packed up shattered possessions today after a thundering earthquake injured at least 91 persons.

Police and volunteers patrolled against the threat of looting. Damage from Monday's quake, measuring 6.5 on the Richter scale, was widespread throughout the agricultural valley of 90,000, straddling the U.S.-Mexican border about 100 miles east of San Diego. Buildings crumbled and roofs collapsed. Automobiles were smashed by falling debris. Highways buckled including sections of Interstate 8. Twenty rural bridges were damaged. Several fires broke out. Shattered glass was everywhere.

Firefighters stood by as officials worked to drain more than 1,000 gallons of gasoline and aviation fuel at a fuel tank farm near the Imperial Valley Airport. Nearby commercial establishments were evacuated, and authorities said they feared aftershocks could further damage three ruptured tanks, igniting a mammoth fire.

It was the strongest quake in the 48 contiguous states since the Feb. 9, 1971, Sylmar-San Fernando quake which killed 60 people and also registered 6.5 on the Richter scale.

A six-story, 8-year-old "earthquake-proof" county government building in El Centro shifted and tilted when support pillars cracked and was declared a total loss by state disaster officials.

"Our building, I thought was going about one foot either way. I guess it was something like being on a roller coaster," a mayor's aide said.

There were no major problems at El Centro's schools. Students had been sent home at noon as part of a disaster drill. The quake hit at 4:30 p.m.

The All American Canal, which brings water from the nearby Colorado River to this thirsty desert land, apparently suffered major damage, said authorities, who were to make an aerial survey today.

In Brawley, a water tower toppled and several mobile homes were shaken from their supports. Power and telephone lines were down throughout the valley and many gas and water mains were cracked. El Centro Community Hospital was without water for many hours.

Across the border in Mexico, where an epidemic was reported, police officer Apolinar Samaron denied a Red Cross report of one fatality, but raised the number of injured in that city to at least 30.

North of the border, there were serious injuries, said Alex Smith, administrator at El Centro Community Hospital. "We had light casualties, bumps and bruises, many lacerations. The most serious injury was a laceration that did not take stitches."

'Sam' acquaintance probed

Carr was fearful for his life

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New York City police, no longer certain Berkowitz acted alone in the killings, recently began probing the "Son of Sam" murders among conducting interviews in New York and North Dakota.

Carr, who New York police originally believed did not know David Berkowitz, was in fact acquainted with the confessed 44-caliber killer and was named as an alias of the killer, "Son of Sam," in a June, 1972 letter to columnist Jimmy Breslin, police have now established.

The alias was "John Wheaties, rapist and suffocator of young girls." One of Carr's nicknames, known only to a few associates, was "Wheaties," police say. John Carr was the son of Sam Carr of Yonkers—Berkowitz' neighbor and the so-called "master." Berkowitz said ordered him to kill.

He was found shot to death in North Dakota in what was listed then as an "apparent suicide," but is now being investigated as a possible homicide. "We have received new information that Carr was in fear of his life and that it was someone from back East he was afraid of,"

Ward County sheriff's lieutenant Terry Gardner said Sunday night. "Informants have indicated that Carr was killed because he knew too much about the 'Son of Sam' and North Dakota are studying the possibility that the 'Son of Sam' killings may have been orchestrated."

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Over the last weekend, New York City police confirmed that they were investigating the possibility that someone was involved in the killings with Berkowitz as reported in these newspapers last Friday.

Police also said that they are investigating an "individual" who was possibly linked to Berkowitz although not as a co-conspirator.

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