Mistakes Field Lights

TWA Pilot Lands At OSU's Airport

COLUMBUS, Ohio (AP)—An investigation was reported under way today in what appeared to be a "goof" of a TWA pilot of a Boeing 707 jetliner which landed at Ohio State University's Don Scott Field early Tuesday instead of its destination, Port Columbus.

While the investigation is under way, the pilot has been grounded.

While the pilot, Capt. Howard Chittenden, 43, set the big plane down safely on the 4,400-foot runway at Don Scott, with room to spare, it caused some inconvenience to 49 passengers left about 10 miles northwest of their destination.

Taxicabs were called into service to switch the passengers to Port Columbus, but the pilot had to wait until daylight Tuesday to transfer his plane to the big airport, which is on a similar eastwest line with Don Scott Field.

Passengers on the misdirected flight did not know of the incident until after landing. A TWA spokesman reported that the pilot had been flying on instrument flight rules but switched to visual flight rules upon nearing Columbus, and mistook the lights of Don Scott Field for those of Port Columbus after getting in below the overcast.

Airport officials said he had wisely decided not to abort the landing after committing himself on his approach to Don Scott.

Negotiations Resuming in Rubber Strike

AKRON, Ohio (AP)—Negotiations resumed today in the 76-day strike against the nation's top rubber producers that has idled more than 52,000 United Rubber Workers Union members.

In letters to company and union officials Monday, Akron Mayor John Ballard called for marathon bargaining sessions in URW talks with the Firestone Tire & Rubber Co., the B. F. Goodrich Co., Uniroyal Inc., General Tire & Rubber and Goodyear Tire & Rubber.

The union has been on strike against the first three since April 20 when contracts expired.