

PLANE CRASH MARS U%S MANOEUVRES

125,000 people at Spokane, Washington, saw a military show, ~~in~~ which the U.S. Army made as realistic as possible. The spectators ^{being} had ~~all~~ the thrill of war correspondents ~~in France~~ without the danger.

(TV) ~~Then came a tragedy - filmed by Paramount's ace cameraman in the States.~~

Then came a tragedy, A mid air collision between ~~div bombers~~. The ~~Paramount~~ cameraman was filming the *div bombers* ~~A-25s as they manoeuvred~~ in close formation..... ~~The four airmen were killed.~~

It was one of these ^{occasional} accidents inseparable from military training - the tough training that ^{is} made the Allied ~~armies~~ armies invincible on every front.

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- 1/ TITLE: DEATH STRIKES WAR SHOW
2. Spokane, Washington---A Sunday crowd of 125,000 people fills a natural amphitheater to see a war show staged by the Army Air Forces. Unaware of spectacular tragedy to come, they watch an exciting sham battle that rolls along without a hitch.
8. Today the Army is showing Americans on the home front what war is like and the Army's message is "These men are sticking to their schedule; you stick to yours!"
12. But then unscheduled tragedy -- caught by Paramount News Ace Cameraman, Ray Paulsen. The air show is on now and following this Liberator, A-23 dive bombers in close formation - then ---!
18. Just 2 and 1/5 seconds after their wings collided, the two planes are flaming wreckage. The four crewmen never had a chance.
23. An hour later the Army - like good soldiers - carried on with their scheduled program. A show in which an accident turned make-believe into tragic reality.