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Carrier and Racing Pigeons are Wanted By Civil Air Patrol

Patriotic fanciers of racing and carrier pigeons in western Nevada were asked to give their services to the civil air patrol, in a request issued today at the Nevada CAP headquarters in Reno.

Communications problems between planes and headquarters, and the various mounted and ski patrols are complex, and in many areas the answer appears to be carrier pigeons, the statement announces. Rapid transmission of messages concerning medical equipment, guides, or transportation may mean the saving of lives in the event of plane crashes.

The Nevada wing of the civil air patrol is charged with crash rescue and patrol duties in the state of Nevada formerly covered by the army air corps. An echelon of the civilian defense organization, it is under army and air corps direction and works in close contact with the armed services.