

PLANES SEEK MISSING PILOT

Civil Air Patrol planes in Las Vegas were ordered last night by Wing Headquarters in Reno to stand by for a search for a CAP lieutenant, missing since Sunday, on a courier mission for the army. Results are being awaited of early morning flights by Utah CAP units.

A request was made by the Utah Wing to the Nevada Wing last night for help in a search conducted by Utah planes since Sunday. More than 75,000 miles have been flown by Utah planes seeking a CAP lieutenant, missing since Sunday on a courier mission for the army.

Will Fly Friday

Major Johnson, Nevada Wing commander, had issued an order for Las Vegas squadron planes to take the air Friday morning to join Utah units at a search base at St. George. Signal fires were reported in the rugged mountains 18 miles from Richfield, Utah, last night, and Utah pilots suggested they search that area before Nevada units be called in on the mission.

The Las Vegas units will wait pending the checkup on this report before they take off Friday. A mountain climbing detachment in Salt Lake City was reported last night to be preparing to scale the cliffs in the area where the fires were reported near Richfield. The country is said to be virtually unpenetrable and CAP members are preparing to drop supplies by parachute if the pilot is located.

Major Joseph Bergin of Utah thanked Major Johnson of the Nevada CAP Wing for his offer to help the Utah organization.