

Nevada mystery

Wreckage of 3 planes found

LAS VEGAS, Nev. (UPI) — Searchers late Saturday found the wreckage of three planes that disappeared within five days of one another northwest of Las Vegas, including a military craft that sprayed live rockets on the desert.

Officials say they will be unable to disclose the fate of the two crew members of the armed military aircraft until the white phosphorous rockets are disarmed today to make it safe for a medic-

al team to enter the cordoned-off area.

Two crew members of another military plane sent to search for the first one were killed in their crash,

An off-duty Air Force colonel survived the third incident, the wreck of a private plane, but his 21-year-old son is missing.

The three planes disappeared in a five-day period in an area that became known as the "sagebrush triangle" after the "Bermu-

da Triangle" known for mysterious disappearances off the Atlantic Coast.

During the search Saturday, an Air Force helicopter crashed, and four men aboard were taken to Nellis Air Force Base with minor injuries.

The armed plane, an O-2 Skymaster that disappeared Monday shortly after taking off from Nellis on a training mission, was found 40 miles north of Las Vegas near Indian Springs.