

Hurricane Damages Florida Crops

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Estimates of Loss Run From 15-20 Million

Floodwaters Following Freak Blow Reported to Be Highest in 30 Years

MIAMI, Fla., Oct. 13.—(AP)—Southeast Florida, inundated in sections by the highest flood waters in more than a century, placed its crop damage at between \$15,000,000 and \$20,000,000 in the wake of a freakish hurricane that whirled northeastward into the Atlantic.

With winds up to 60 miles an hour, the storm lashed across southern Florida Saturday and Sunday and then moved toward the northeast, accompanied by heavy squalls. Commissioner of Agriculture Nathan Mayo called the hurricane the greatest farm disaster in more than a generation. Tons of water poured down upon the Everglades, where many fields and grazing lands already were covered.

He estimated the multi-million dollar farm damage after receiving reports from throughout the area.

Homes Flooded

Thousands of residents sought refuge in schools and other public buildings as hundreds of homes were flooded and mass evacuations were carried out. Highways were under water and transportation facilities were crippled.

At Fort Lauderdale the Red Cross added 1,800 flood victims to its list of 1,000 persons who were moved to the Pompano State Farmers Market from the Pompano Beach migratory work-

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STRIKE GROWS

Arrows (upper map) indicate probable area where Lebanese and Syrian troops are massing on the Palestine border for a possible invasion of the Holy Land. Lower map shows the Middle East, with arrow pointing to the trouble spot. Announcement of the troop moves comes from Arab League Council meeting near Beirut, Lebanon (lower map). NEA Telephoto.

Owner Comstock Store Kills Self

Suicide of Frank Marketta, 53, owner of the Comstock Store, 10 miles north of Drain, was reported today by Officer Sherman Morris of the state police. Marketta's body was discovered yesterday evening at 8:30. He had killed himself with a .32 calibre Colt automatic revolver, Morris said. Marketta had owned the store at Comstock for several years. County Coroner Harry C. Stearns reported today that Marketta's body was found by his half-brother, Pete Marketta, when the latter returned with a party of friends from a hunting trip. Marketta had shot himself in the head. The coroner was informed that Marketta had complained of ill health for several months.

Carlton Bank Bandits Taken

PORTLAND, Ore., Oct. 13.—(AP)—Three young men charged with the robbery of the Carlton, Ore., State and Savings bank were behind jail bars here today and police said their capture within 36 hours of the bank hold-up was one of the fastest detection jobs in recent Oregon crime history.

Skull of Prehistoric Camel Found in Yard

PORTLAND, Oct. 13.—(AP)—The skull of what was believed to be a prehistoric camel was uncovered yesterday by Merrill D. Smith as he dug in his back yard here.

Local Observance of Meatless Tuesday Varies

There will be a scattered observance of "meatless Tuesday" tomorrow by Roseburg retail meat dealers, according to G. W. Nelson of the Roseburg Meat Co. Several markets have indicated a desire to close, he said, while some will definitely remain open. "Meatless Tuesday" and "poultry-less Thursday" were a part of the food conservation program announced last week by President Truman.

Russia Launches Attack On U.S. Greek Aid Policy

LAKE SUCCESS, Oct. 13.—(AP)—Russia's Andrei Y. Vishinsky today launched another major attack on the Truman program of aid to Greece and pressed the Soviet demands for immediate withdrawal of all foreign troops and military personnel from Greece.

He also demanded creation of a United Nations commission to supervise the American program. The Soviet chief delegate here charged the U. S. and British were "afraid" of this kind of commission because they were guilty of what he called "intervention" in the internal affairs of Greece. Vishinsky spoke before the general assembly's 57-nation political committee. He conceded that his resolution would be defeated, but said "Russia will continue its struggle for removal of the threats to Greece."

Truman Calls Conference on Food Program

WASHINGTON, Oct. 13.—(AP)—President Truman called top government officials to the White House today to hear first hand reports on the European situation from his ambassadors to Britain and Russia and from the American military governor of Germany.

While this discussion of Europe's food and political crisis was going on, representatives of distillers assembled for a 2:30 P.M. (EST) meeting with Chairman Charles Luckman of the citizens' food committee. The purpose of the latter meeting was to set a date for the start of a 60-day shutdown on whiskey-making to conserve grain.

Only five distillers were expected at the Luckman conference. The rest requested by wire and telephone their replies to the shut-down proposal, have bombarded the committee with messages.

A committee spokesman said a clear majority gave assent to the closing, but that the messages had not been sorted through to discover if the acquiescence was 100 per cent. Some distillers and their employers have protested in public statements against closing.

Residential Secretary Charles G. Ross told reporters that the noon meeting of top-level diplomats and officials in the White House was for the "giving and receiving of information."

No Decision Expected

"It is not expected that any conclusions will be arrived at," Ross said.

The meeting was called, Ross said, because of the simultaneous presence in this country of Lewis W. Douglas, ambassador to Britain; Gen. Lucius Clay, military

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Diplomats Believe Russia Will Not Risk Open Break

By JOHN M. HIGHTOWER
WASHINGTON, Oct. 13.—(AP)—Despite Russia's all out battle against the Marshall plan, top American informants all predict that the Soviet Union will stop short of a final breakdown of relations with this country any time soon.

This estimate, it was learned from official sources, is entering into basic planning now being undertaken for the Big Four foreign ministers meeting Nov. 25 at London and German and Austrian peace settlements. It also figures in development of American policies in the current United Nations meeting at New York.

The view is that Russia will campaign to the limit against the United States on great world issues but will not at this point be willing to wreck any important piece of machinery for international negotiation.

This opinion is understood to have been presented to state, defense and other policy-making officials by two American leaders abroad who returned to Washington a few days ago. They are Ambassador Walter Bedell Smith, American envoy to Moscow, and Gen. Lucius D. Clay, American commander in Germany.

Smith is due to confer this week with Secretary of State Marshall, who is leading the American delegation to the U. N. assembly sessions in New York. Major Developments Expected

The week will bring major developments on at least three scores.

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Oregon Second in Rate of Growth

PORTLAND, Oct. 13.—(AP)—An Oregon population increase of 39.2 per cent in the seven years ending last July was reported today by the local office of the U. S. census bureau.

The percentage boost, listed as second largest in the nation during the period, estimated the state's population at 1,517,000, excluding members of the armed forces overseas.

The population growth shifts the state from 34th to the 32nd rank.

The bureau noted that an April check in the Portland metropolitan area indicated 31 per cent increase over the 1940 census, from 406,000 to 534,000.

California led the nation in percentage and numerical increase of persons moving into the state.

Denistons to Attend Meeting in Portland

Three dentists from Roseburg will attend a Dental Health Workshop to be sponsored by the Oregon State Board of Health at Portland, Oct. 19, 20 and 21. It was reported by Dr. Harold M. Erickson, state health officer. Attending the workshop from Roseburg will be Dr. Bruce Hendrick, Dr. James Finlay, and Dr. F. W. Field.

Scotland Yard Denies Report Of Attempted Assassination

LONDON, Oct. 13.—(AP)—A foreign office spokesman said today there had been a revival of threats against the life of Foreign Secretary Ernest Bevin.

The British Press Association said detectives guarding the foreign secretary had been told he "might be attacked by terrorists."

A Scotland Yard press officer earlier denied a report published in the London Evening Standard that "a plot to kill Mr. Bevin has been uncovered by Scotland Yard."

The officer would neither confirm nor deny a British press association report that "a threat had been received during the weekend." Neither the agency nor the Evening Standard indicated whom the purported terrorists might be.

Asked for comment, a foreign office spokesman said: "I feel fairly sure that no threat has been received during the weekend. However, we possibly have some evidence of statements in various parts of the world that some people have it in mind to attack Mr. Bevin."

Bevin was one of several British leaders to whom letter bombs were addressed last June in a "murder by mail" plot which Scotland Yard blamed on Jewish extremists operating from Italy.

Like all such letter bombs, envelopes which contained small, lethal bombs adjusted to explode when the envelopes were opened—the one addressed to Bevin was

Consumer Group Argues Against Milk Price Raise

PORTLAND, Oct. 13.—(AP)—Consumer groups asked Agriculture Director E. L. Peterson to grant no increase in the minimum milk price as the Portland area milk hearing closed Saturday.

Elizabeth Huey, chairman of the affiliated milk committee which represents women's clubs here, quoted a study by Dr. D. B. Loach, Oregon State College agriculture economist, in arguing that a price boost was unwarranted.

Referring to statements by dairymen that the increase would be to assure milk supply, she noted that the economist stated in the milk industry study that new producers are continually asking permission to sell in the Portland territory.

Three Albany motorists, driving "too fast" early Sunday morning, missed a turn on the Pacific Highway, 53 miles north of Roseburg, and overturned in a ditch. Officer Sherman Morris of the state police reported, the three were treated at Mercy Hospital Sunday and were released to return to their homes. Their names were given as Dale Stewart Clark, Mrs. Zena Pierce, and her husband, Otis Pierce.

Fritz Katzenmeyer, driver of a local cab company, suffered a broken knee cap when his taxi another vehicle at the intersection of Military St. and Brown Ave. yesterday afternoon. He was treated at Mercy Hospital and released, according to an attendant.

In a third accident, which occurred at Drain, Frederick Colman, 23, reportedly suffered a fractured skull when his motorcycle overturned at the intersection of the Drain-Reedsport Highway and the Pacific Highway. Colman was traveling from Eugene in a party of six motorcyclists. He was brought to Mercy Hospital by the Roseburg ambulance and in condition was described as "serious."

DIES IN TRUCK FIRE

PORTLAND, Oct. 13.—(AP)—Otis Andrews, 35, Clifton Falls, burned to death yesterday in the rear of a small pickup truck. He and a friend were sleeping in the truck when it caught fire, possibly from a smouldering cigarette.

CEREMONIAL TO BE HELD AT MASONIC HALL TUESDAY

Ascalon Commandery No. 11, Knights Templar, in Roseburg, will be host to grand commandery officers at a meeting in the Roseburg Masonic Building Tuesday evening.

Among the visiting officers will be J. Donald Meyers, La Grande, Ore., grand commander; Eugene H. Tardy, Eugene, grand captain general; Lyman C. Palmer, Portland, grand senior warden, and Richard H. Tusant, Portland, grand recorder.

The evening's program will include a turkey dinner at 6:30 P. M. and the conferring of Knights Templar degrees on a class of nine candidates. Tardy will confer the degrees.

QUADRUPLETS BORN TO BRITISH NAVY FAMILY

DEVONPORT, Eng., Oct. 13.—(AP)—Quadruplets were born yesterday to Mrs. Frank Robinson, 27-year-old wife of a chief petty officer in the royal navy.

The mother and children—three girls and a boy—were reported at nursing home to be making satisfactory progress. The quads, ranged in weight from one pound, 13 ounces to three pounds, nine ounces.

The children, born eight weeks prematurely, were in incubators. The navy wireless the news to the father, who is aboard the cruiser Norfolk off the eastern African coast.

PORTLAND CARPENTERS SEEK BOOST IN WAGE SCALE

PORTLAND, Oct. 13.—(AP)—The AFL Building and Construction Trades Council has asked contractors here for a 25 cent an hour wage increase for carpenters and laborers, effective next January.

Herman A. Schmitt, chairman of the Portland Home Building Association's labor relations committee, said the carpenters here now receive \$1.75 an hour and laborers, \$1.35.

THE WEATHER

Partly cloudy tonight and Tuesday.



AWAITS DECISION ON 15TH DIVORCE—Mrs. Betty M. Dunlavy, 40, readies a plate of cakes—and at her restaurant in Brooks, Ore., while awaiting developments in her application for her 15th divorce. First married in 1924 and the most recent time in 1946, she says she has no candidate in mind for Number 16. [A.P. Photo].

In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS.
FROM the city of Beirut, in Lebanon (which lies just north of Palestine) this dispatch clicks off the wire:

"THE ARMIES OF FIVE ARAB NATIONS STARTED MOVING TODAY, translating into action last night's Arab League resolutions calling on the Arab world to defend Palestine from Zionism WITH MEN AND MONEY."

THAT is highly significant news. It could be SHOOTING NEWS. You haven't heard much talk from these Arabs. In the battle of words that has raged around the world, they have kept strangely quiet—speaking only here and there, and at no great length.

They never have been heavy talkers, but their history indicates that when they pull a gun they are apt to USE IT.

GET out your globe—or, preferably, your map.

If your map is reasonably mod-

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Spanish Nobility Couple Depart on Wedding Trip

SEVILLA, Spain, Oct. 13.—(AP)—The Duchess of Montoro, 21-year-old daughter of the Duke of Alba, and her bridegroom, fourth son of the duke of Sotomayor, are to leave by plane Tuesday from Madrid on their wedding trip, it was announced today.

The two were married yesterday in the Sevilla cathedral before the largest gathering of Spanish grandees and European aristocracy since the Halcynon days of the Bourbon monarchy. They will honeymoon in the United States and Latin America.

Carpenters to Seek Boost in Pay Scale

Walter Dage, Roseburg, business agent for the Southwestern Oregon Council of Carpenters and Millwrights (AFL) announced today that negotiations have been opened for wage increases. Present wages, Dage said, are \$1.75 per hour for carpenters and \$2.00 per hour for millwrights. The pay scale to be sought was not disclosed.

Pepco Reorganization To Follow Court Act

PORTLAND, Oct. 13.—(AP)—Reorganization of Portland Electric Power Company and subsidiaries has been set in motion by a formal order of Federal Judge J. A. Fee in court here.

The order, which dismisses objections of the Guaranty Trust Co., New York, and claims of first preferred stockholders, is effective 40 days after its signing Saturday. The case has been in litigation eight years.

Five Persons Die in Wrecked Ship in the Georgia Strait

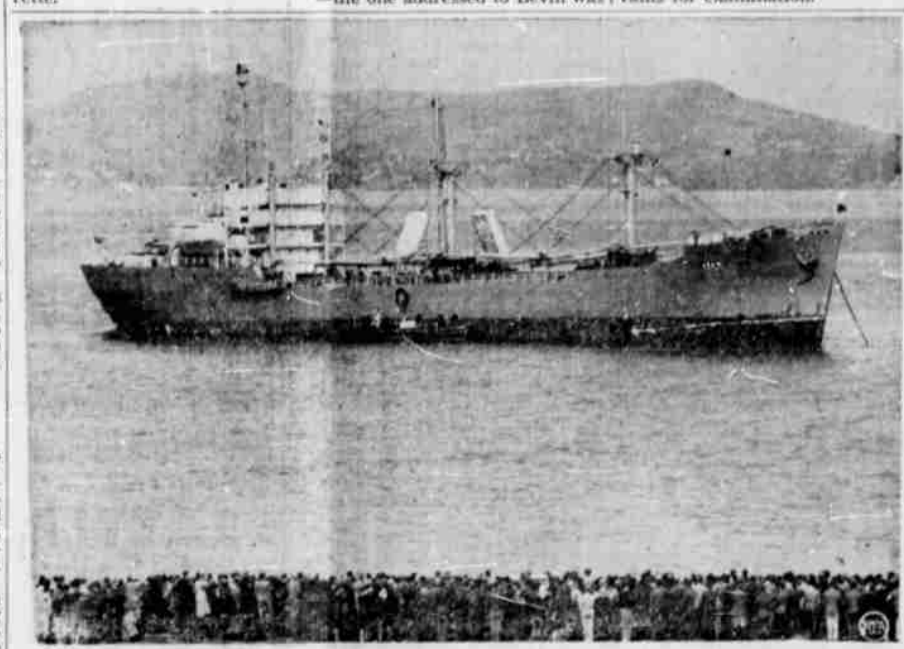
POWELL RIVER, B. C., Oct. 13.—(AP)—Three small children and two women, one-third of the passengers aboard the 145-foot coastal motorship Gulf Stream, perished in the night Saturday when the converted Canadian yacht smashed onto a rock island and partially sank while threading a narrow passage of the Georgia Strait.

A nearby fishing vessel, the Betty L. rescued the 10 other passengers and 22 crewmen, bringing them to Powell River where 11 were hospitalized. Their condition was reported not serious.

Officials of Gulf Lines Ltd., operators of the Gulf Stream, listed the five missing persons, who were believed drowned in the vessel's submerged after cabins, as:

Mrs. K. Elliot, Vancouver, B. C., her son, Lyle, 2, and a 3-year-old nephew, Douglas Lispett.

Mrs. S. Fleck, Refuge Cove, B. C.
A small child of Mr. and Mrs. H. Pavid, also of Refuge Cove. Search for the bodies in the



NATION PAYS TRIBUTE AS FIRST WAR DEAD COME HOME—Thousands of solemn San Franciscans, military and civil officials line a shore of San Francisco Bay near a spot inside Golden Gate Bridge, where the Army transport Honda Knot, lies anchored briefly. Arrival here of the Honda Knot, bearing bodies of more than 3,000 World War II dead from the Pacific, marked the beginning of a two year program to return 228,000 war dead from Pacific and European burial grounds. A motor launch can be seen alongside the shell-gray ship as a huge wreath bearing the name of President Truman is being lifted aboard. NEA Telephoto.