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VIOLENT HURRICANE SWEEPS GULF COAST

People Are Warned in Time to Flee.

SOLDIERS DRIVEN TO REFUGE

Wind Blows 70 Miles an Hour and 120 Is Forecast.

ALL WIRES BLOWN DOWN

National Guardsmen at Brownsville Forced Out of Camp and Take Quarters, With Two Days' Rations, in City Hall.

CORPUS CHRISTI, Tex., Aug. 18.—(By Long-Distance Telephone to Dallas, Tex.)—Blowing 70 miles an hour, the forerunner of the tropical storm in the Gulf of Mexico was felt tonight as it approached the Texas coast at this point, Brownsville and on the intermediate plains.

Forecasts by the local weather bureau were that the crest of the storm would reach here about midnight and that a 120-mile wind could be expected.

Everything Movable Carried Away.

Few details of the storm's work south or north of here had been received early tonight. In Corpus Christi, however, the gale had carried almost everything movable before it. In its wake it had left demolished Summer cottages along the beach front, thousands of dollars' damage to buildings in the business section and a heavy sea running in Corpus Christi Bay.

Waves whipped over the beach in the northern section of the city, beaching small craft and carrying up on the shore debris from a score of docks and small bathing pavilions. Lloyd's Pier, a pleasure resort, had been almost completely demolished at 6 o'clock tonight.

Residents Escape to Safety.

Amply warning of the storm, it was said, had given all residents an opportunity to prepare for the approaching hurricane and no deaths have been reported. The 70-mile gale blew almost continuously for three hours.

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., Aug. 18.—National Guardsmen stationed at Fort Brown have been driven from their quarters and have taken refuge in the City Hall and other public buildings at Brownsville on account of the gulf coast storm which is ravaging the region, according to meager reports received over the Army wireless at Fort Sam Houston from Fort Brown tonight.

Troops Driven to Refuge.

A terrific and destructive wind, according to this report, has wrought havoc in Brownsville and in the military camp. These troops which took refuge in the Courthouse were the Illinois, Iowa and Virginia regiments. They took two days' rations.

All wires to Brownsville are down and communication except over the Army wireless is impossible.

At 9 o'clock tonight General Funston received a wireless message from General James Parker at Brownsville saying that the storm seemed to be abating there and that he thought perhaps the worst was over. The wind was then reported at 50 miles.

Army Stores in Danger.

It was said at Army headquarters here that fear was entertained of saving the immense quantities of Army stores and supplies, in and around Brownsville. It was said that a wind velocity of 50 miles an hour would damage the big National Guard camps. An 80-mile wind, it was declared, would level the camps, destroy canvas and lightly constructed buildings and equipment. The latest reports said it was blowing 70 miles an hour.

Governor Edward F. Dunne, of Illinois, and staff, who spent two days in Brownsville, left northbound this afternoon and are due to arrive in Houston tomorrow.

Water Supply in Danger.

A government wireless to Fort Sam Houston at 8:35 o'clock tonight said the trouble at the lighting station at Brownsville might leave the city in darkness and that the water supply is in danger.

The Rio Grande is rising, the message said, and several washouts had been reported.

General Parker, commanding, ordered temporary abandonment of all military encampments. The wooden buildings of the Iowa camp were blown down, the Illinois camp was under water, the horses of the Illinois Guard suffered greatly from exposure, much equipment had been lost, and all roads were impassable.

TELEGRAPH LINES GO DOWN

Port Aransas and Aransas Pass Without Communication.

CORPUS CHRISTI, Tex., Aug. 18.—(By Long-Distance Telephone to Dallas, Tex.)—The city of Corpus Christi is situated on a boot-shaped peninsula, 18 miles from the open gulf, but surrounded on three sides by Corpus Christi and Nueces Bay. On the other side of the bay are Mustang and Padre Islands, forming a breakwater to any

HOT WAVE RETURNS TO WILTED CHICAGO

THERMOMETER CLIMBS JUST AS MORGUE IS CLEARED.

Prostrations Result and Epidemic Takes New Hold—Storm From Dakota May Give Relief.

CHICAGO, Aug. 18.—(Special)—Just as the morgue was cleared of the last of the unidentified dead stricken down by the terrible heat wave, the streets were cleaned of dead horses and the wilted and emaciated public was beginning to take a fresh grip on life, the hot spell returned for another engagement. It will find the people with far less resisting power than before and if it continues many days the death list will be heavy.

The official maximum temperature today was 97, but on the streets it was 100 and 101. Farther down the state, away from the flickering gulf breezes and influence of the large body of water, the maximum reached 105.

Five prostrations were the result of the first day of the second heat siege. Forecasters say it will continue hot tomorrow and Sunday, but hold out hope that a Dakota storm will reach this district by Monday and bring relief. There are daily deaths of persons who survived the first long siege of heat but succumbed when the weather became cooler. Infantile paralysis took a fresh grip on the city today.

The hot wave is general over all the Middle West, Iowa, Nebraska, Missouri, Lower Wisconsin, Indiana and adjacent states were much hotter today. All of Canada continues hot and there does not appear to be any relief in sight from that direction.

GRANGE PICNIC HORSELESS

Motors Carry 3000 Persons From Five Counties to Tacoma.

TACOMA, Wash., Aug. 18.—(Special)—Three thousand members of Pemona Grange in Pierce, King, Mason, Kitsap and Thurston counties held a picnic at Point Defiance Park here today, and not one person was hauled to the outfit by a horse. Gasoline has supplanted old Dobbins. Cars of every description were parked near the beach, and a heavy sea running in Corpus Christi Bay.

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A programme of field sports closed the picnic.

WATER RECEIPTS SUFFER

Loss of City Revenue Due to Weather Estimated at \$10,000.

Rain and cool weather which have prevailed during the Summer have cost the City Water Bureau many thousands of dollars according to a report yesterday by Water Superintendent Kaelen. An estimate of the loss of revenue due to non-use of the hose has not been made but the figure may run as high as \$10,000 or \$12,000.

The Water Bureau had had 1200 fewer applicants for permits from flat-rate water users which alone will amount to \$3600. In addition heavy loss has been suffered by reason of users with meters not having sprinkled and run up the usual heavy Summer bills.

FUNERAL NOT FAMILY DEBT

Salary Attachment for Mother-in-Law's Burial Is Released.

A mother-in-law's funeral expenses are not a family necessity, ruled District Judge Bell Thursday when he ordered the release of the salary of John Andre, attached by P. L. Lerch, undertaker, to secure a funeral bill.

Andre's family consists of a wife and three children, the husband working in box factory for \$13.50 a week. His mother-in-law did not live with him. She took sick, was sent to the County Hospital, and later to the County Farm. She died there.

A funeral was arranged in style with an expensive casket, carriages, etc., and Undertaker Lerch charged \$100 and attached the wages of Andre when the bill was not paid.

FISH PRICES TO BE FIXED

California Board to Establish Regulation in San Francisco.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 18.—The price of fish in San Francisco will be fixed, beginning next Tuesday, by a board on which wholesaler, retailer, fishermen and consumer will be represented. Announcement that the board was ready to go to work was made today by Harris Weinstock, state market director, who suggested the plan and worked out the details.

The board will meet daily and from data gathered on supply and demand will not only fix the minimum retail price of fish but will apportion the price between the fishermen and the dealers.

BARLEY EXCITES GRAIN PIT

Prices Ascend at San Francisco, Touching \$1.72 at Close.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 18.—Excitement prevailed in the local grain pit today, when December barley further took an upward leap, opening at \$1.66 1/2 and closing at \$1.72. Present favorable conditions in the Chicago market is thought to be the cause of heavy buying.

It is estimated 4800 tons were sold.

MR. HUGHES ALOOF IN PARTY DISCORD

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PRICES NOT MANIPULATED

Nothing Found in Wheat Situation on Which to Base Action.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 18.—Preliminary investigation in Chicago of the recent rise in wheat and flour prices and threatened rise in price of bread, by Chairman Hurley, of the Federal Trade Commission, is understood to have disclosed no evidence of illegal manipulation.

As the matter stands now the Comptroller is not expected to take any action. Mr. Hurley returned from Chicago today.

Rewell's Suggestion Overruled.

Mr. Rowell has charged that the Republicans in control of the party in California have used their power in an endeavor to pay off a personal grudge against Governor Johnson, candidate for Vice-President with Colonel Roosevelt in the campaign of 1912 and now a candidate for United States Senator.

Mr. Rowell said that Governor Johnson, although the California Progressive leader, came out with a declaration of support for Hughes, but was purposely left out of the plans for the reception and entertainment of Hughes in this city. He charged that Governor Johnson was instrumental in the arrangement made by the Republicans in the meeting tonight at which Mr. Hughes spoke, and that the members of the arrangement committee had told him that Governor Johnson's presence would be "highly undesirable."

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The situation has grown out of the plans for the meetings at which Mr. Hughes is to speak in California and also out of the effort of the regular Republicans to put a crusher over Governor Johnson's candidacy for the Senate.

Mr. Rowell, as a National committee man, sought to have Governor Johnson

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Democrats Name Woman Organizer.

CHICAGO, Aug. 18.—Mrs. George Bass, of Chicago, was today appointed chairman of the women voters' bureau of the Western headquarters of the Democratic national convention.

The appointment was announced by Senator Walsh, of Montana, who is in charge of the Western headquarters. Mrs. Bass will have charge of organizing the women voters in the 12 suffrage states.

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A BUGABOO THAT WORKS TO PERFECTION.



ROADS EXPECTED TO YIELD; PUBLIC PAYS

WINTER RETURNS; OVERCOATS RAGE

BAKER REPORTS SNOW FALLS IN MOUNTAINS.

Eastern Oregon Country May See Freezing Point—California Is Hit by Cold Spell.

BAKER, Or., Aug. 18.—(Special)—Winter dropped plump into the lap of summer in the last 24 hours and overcoats and umbrellas are all the rage here.

The thermometer went down to 37 early this morning and stayed in that neighborhood practically all day. It threatens to get still lower tonight and may hit freezing.

Snow was reported in the high mountains this morning.

REDDING, Cal., Aug. 18.—(Special)

Phenomenal cool weather was reported throughout the northern part of the state today. There were frosts at Dunsmuir, Whitmore, Castella and Shingletown, enough to kill garden vegetables. It snowed at Sisson yesterday. Mount Lassen and Mount Shasta were covered with snow far down toward timber line.