

# FLORIDA GALE TURNS INLAND

### Latest Hurricane Wreaks Havoc Along 150 Miles of State's Coast

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Aug. 14.—(AP)—After isolating a 150 mile stretch of the northwest Florida coast on its journey up the Gulf of Mexico last night, Florida's latest tropical storm veered inland with hurricane force today and tonight was blowing across southern Georgia toward the Atlantic ocean.

Thomasville, Cairo, Quitman and other extreme southern Georgia towns felt the approach of the disturbance which the weather bureau believed was attended by winds of 60 to 70 mile velocity. It was believed the center would pass in the vicinity of Thomasville late tonight.

Sudden emergence of the storm from the Gulf of Cedar Keys in northwest Florida together with its seemingly increased intensity bolstered the theory that the center passed so far north in the Gulf last night at Tampa and St. Petersburg that those cities felt merely a lashing from the eastern edge.

#### Communication Halted

Wire communications into the new storm area rapidly were going down before the advance of the gale but first reports said the damage apparently would be greater than that done by last week's storm which followed virtually the same course. Cairo, on the Georgia-Florida border, sent word that business virtually had been demoralized by gale and driving rains. Quitman was darkened at noon and a high wind already had done more damage to crops than did the storm last week. Barometers fell rapidly throughout the area, warning the residents to prepare for the gale.

Communication in a section of the Florida coast reaching from above Cedar Keys to a point west of Apalachicola was paralyzed. Little fear for that section was felt, however, since indirect reports from some of the coast towns said that small damage was done.

At Panama city, Port town 25 miles west of Apalachicola, storm warnings had been taken down.

#### Section Deluged

Torrential rains accompanied the advance of the storm, bringing flood threat to lowlands in northern Florida and southern Georgia where highways were badly washed last week and where repairs to lines of communication have barely been made.

Meanwhile the Lake Okechobee flood conditions held the spotlight in Florida where other sections were recuperating from the two blows within one week. The water level in the lake itself was said to be slowly rising with prospect of receiving a fresh deluge when the new flood crest will be down into the great reservoir. Unofficial reading of the water gauge in the lake was 17 feet, within one foot of danger from overflow which would inundate a stretch of country from Okechobee city around the western shores of the lake to the vicinity of Label.

# EDUCATORS ARGUE ON MEXICAN ISSUE

WILLIAMSTOWN, Mass., Aug. 14.—(AP)—The Mexican situation was discussed today at two conferences of the Institute of Politics. One was a round table presided over by Prof. H. T. Collins of the University of Pennsylvania, and the other a general conference under Prof. C. W. Hackett of the University of Texas.

Guy Stevens of New York, director of the association of producers of petroleum in Mexico, indicated that the oil companies were not satisfied with conditions there. The general debate brought out that virtually all of the recent trouble with Mexico arose from the subsoil clause of the Mexican oil regulations and that a conflict of legal systems and practices added to the complexities.

Prof. Collins expressed sympathy with the Mexicans in their struggle to progress.

"Mexico," he said, "should break up her large landholdings and give small farms to the peasants but first she must educate her people to the idea of small farm holdings. Then she must extend suffrage, because today the party in power can turn an election in its favor."

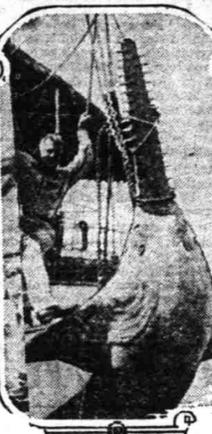
"President Calles is not anti-Catholic; all he wants is that the church have no part in his government; he does not want to drive it out of the country."

The Mexican contention that sub-soil riches belong to the state Prof. Collings said, is a tradition from the old Spanish law that all such wealth belongs to the crown.

# HOOVER'S RELIEF PROGRAM LAUDED

SACRAMENTO, Calif., Aug. 14.—(AP)—The farm relief program of Herbert Hoover, republican presidential candidate, outlined in his acceptance address at Palo Alto is "thoroughly sound economically, of broad vision and one to which the farmers can and should heartily subscribe." G. H. Hecke, director of agriculture, declared here today. "On" Hoover's statement said, "without having to read it, he is admirably sincerely interested and sympathetic and that his intention is to bring about, through rather than promises, sound and constructive relief of agriculture."

# Some Sawfish!



After a three-hour battle, Ed Stedman, of Beaumont, Texas, and his fishing party hauled in this 2100-pound sawfish from the Gulf of Mexico. It is 16 1/2 feet long, the second largest ever caught in Texas waters.

# Former Federal Agent In Arrest

SUPERIOR, Wis., Aug. 14.—(AP)—Edward B. Nelson, former federal prohibition agent at Chicago, was sentenced to one year and one day in the federal penitentiary at Fort Leavenworth, Kans., on a charge of impersonating a prohibition officer and obtaining money under false pretenses.

# OREGON ASSESSORS TO ATTEND SESSION

Oregon assessors and other tax officials who ordinarily do not have the privilege of attending national conventions will have the opportunity for the first time when the conference of the National Tax association meets in Seattle, August 27 to 31.

Because of certain tax questions and investigations in Oregon at the present time, there will be a large attendance from this state, according to Earl Fisher, state tax commissioner. Several county assessors will be in attendance and most of the members of the special tax committee headed by John H. Carkin of Medford.

The fact that a state income tax is to be voted on by Oregon voters in November is expected to stimulate attendance from this state. The investigation now being made by the special state committee appointed under a resolution of the 1927 legislature makes the Seattle conference of special importance to Oregon and members of the committee expect to glean some ideas for use in their deliberations.

Dr. Fairchild of Yale university, who with a force of experts is now investigating timber land taxation in Oregon, is on the Seattle program and the timber owners will have representatives in the Oregon contingent at the convention.

Several Oregon men will be on the program; Earl L. Fisher, state tax commissioner, will be one of the speakers. James H. Gilbert, of the University of Oregon, will talk on "The Situation Under the General Property Tax System." Oregon men will also participate in a round table discussion of state tax research commissions.

# FRANCE DISSOLVES SYRIAN ASSEMBLY

JERUSALEM, Aug. 14.—(AP)—The Syrian assembly, which refused to modify the proposed new constitution for that country so that the document would conform to France's idea of compatibility with the mandate over Syria, has been dissolved. The assembly is to stand adjourned for three months and meanwhile the French commissioner, M. Ponsot, will try to arrange a compromise.

The high commissioner had asked the assembly to change the provision of the proposed constitution concerning Syria's part in determining frontiers and also a provision which would have given to the president of the national army the right to proclaim martial law.

# FOREST FIRES RAGE EAST WASHINGTON

SPOKANE, Aug. 13.—(AP)—Several old forest fires and some new ones in eastern Washington and northern Idaho flared afresh tonight, and additional crews went out today to fight blazes covering some thousands of acres.

In the John Nagay mountain district, 80 miles east of Orofino, Idaho, a 2000 acre fire raged. Several small burns near the crest of the mountain were believed to have joined when wind fanned the flames. On Middle creek in the Clearwater National Forest, a six hundred acre fire burned, a force of 200 men was fighting these configurations tonight, and 30 more men, with three truck loads of food, were expected there tomorrow from Spokane.

Spokane forestry headquarters also sent 23 men to combat a fire in the Salmon river forest of Idaho and 23 men to Flatins, Mont., where the Cabinet national forest, where flames were licking in a growth of young timber. The Missoula offices sent crews to two small fires in the Bitter Root and Lolo national forests of Montana.

# EDITORS DEBATE NEWSPAPER ISSUE

CHARLOTTESVILLE, Va., Aug. 14.—(AP)—The power and place of the press in local, national and international affairs were discussed tonight by two editors before the institute of public affairs of the University of Virginia. Boyd Gurley, editor of the Indianapolis Times, spoke on "Newspaper versus Political Corruption," while Willis J. Abbot, editor of the Christian Science Monitor, discussed the importance of international affairs in the American press.

The modern newspaper has significantly failed, declared Mr. Gurley, as a deterrent of political corruption although in the last eight years more instances of political crime have been brought to light by newspapers than in the previous half century.

The reason, he declared, for the lessened influence of newspapers is that "the commercial emphasis in newspaper-making has destroyed the seal of other days for public service."

"It seems to many," said Dr. Abbot, "that there is open a great opportunity for some idealist willing to lose money in the cause of international peace to establish a newspaper at the capital of the United States and seek a worldwide constituency. He would make no mistake."

# BOURBONS PERFECT GROUP, SALT LAKE

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah, Aug. 14.—(AP)—L. E. Dillingham, Mackay, Idaho, chairman of the democratic state committee of Idaho was appointed associate regional chairman for the democratic national campaign, and W. W.

Armstrong, Salt Lake banker, was named treasurer of the regional headquarters established here today. The appointments were announced this afternoon by Fred W. Johnson, Rock Springs, Wyo., chairman for the region which embraces Utah, Idaho, Arizona, Colorado, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, and Wyoming.

Mr. Johnson said upon his arrival here today that the regional organization will be patterned after the national campaign organization, with a publicity department, a speakers' bureau, and an

advisory committee. Members of the advisory committee will be committee men and women, state chairmen and vice-chairwomen and chairman of the congressional committees of the eight states in the district, he said, adding that the list later may be enlarged to include United States senators and other party leaders of the region.

Culture is sadly on the wane in America, according to a French critic. Maybe he had in mind the fact that a prize fight doesn't seem to draw \$1,000,000 any more.



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