

Over 50 Dead as Hurricane Whips Island of Jamaica

KINGSTON, Jamaica, Sunday, Aug. 19—(AP)—More than 50 persons have been killed by the tropical hurricane which swept this British island Friday night and Saturday morning. It was the worst storm ever to strike this Caribbean Sugar Isle. The island this morning began digging out from the wreckage which is estimated to total at least \$16,800,000.

In Kingston, the island capital, at least 40 persons died including several inmates of the city poor house and mental hospital. The crops in rural areas were devastated, but the complete extent of the damage can not be measured yet because the storm knocked out communications with much of the island.

(The colonial office in London said inmates of the Kingston jail had escaped but had no further details.)

The dominican republic ship "La Dominicana" capsized in Kingston harbor. The captain and seven crew members are feared lost. Five other ships were dashed ashore.

The old city of Port Royal, a survivor of the 1907 Jamaica earthquake, was wiped out by the hurricane. Its tumble-down houses were razed by winds of 120 miles an hour.

Kingston was out of communication with the outside world for 18 hours. The first outgoing reports emphasized that the known toll was only for the capital (population 120,000) and its surroundings, and not the interior.

The big blow at 5 p.m. (EST) today was reported centered just south of Grand Cayman Island, some 200 miles west of Jamaica and 420 miles due south of Key West, Fla. The front was moving at about 15 miles an hour.

Cuba Alerted
In Cuba, President Carlos Prío Socarrás alerted government agencies to stand by for emergency work if the blow hits the thinly populated western tip of that island as expected. Havana was declared out of the hurricane path.

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There was no immediate report from the interior on how they fared. An American movie company, including Linda Darnell, is in Jamaica shooting scenes. Weather observers at Miami plotting the course of the blow figured she and the other movie people might be wet and soggy but their location behind a mountain should have protected them from high winds.

It would be foolish of course for us to start building aircastles on the foundation of rum or for years after the Russian revolution the west was periodically assured that the regime was in trouble. But while we cannot safely predict any breakup in the vast

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Pastor Killed In Car Crash Near Idanha

IDANHA, Aug. 18—A man believed to be the Rev. Henry A. Rose, a minister from Florence, was killed in an auto-log truck collision near here today.

The wife of the minister, 33, only passenger in the auto, was also seriously injured and removed to a Bend hospital by Idanha Ambulance service. She was reported to be in serious condition at the hospital tonight with head lacerations and skull fracture.

The fatal accident occurred about 8 o'clock this morning on the Santiam highway about five miles east of Idanha. The crash came when a loaded log truck and the Rose auto collided almost head-on. The auto hit the truck just back of the driver's seat.

Truck driver Harry Dickerson was not injured. The auto, a 1930 Studebaker, was demolished. The body was taken to the Weddle Funeral home at Stayton.

Marion County Deputy Coroner C. C. Edwards said that papers found on Rose indicated he was an Assembly of God church minister. Edward estimated the age of the deceased at about 34. Papers also indicated Mrs. Rose is a former Molalla resident.

Near 3,000 Hop Workers Needed

A shortage of nearly 3,000 workers has been encountered in the hop harvest, William H. Ballie of the state employment service said Saturday with the independence area most in need of help.

Picking of early hops is about 20 per cent completed, he said, with the late hop harvest expected to get underway around September 1. Ballie said the hop picking will demand about 10,000 pickers at its height.

Bean picking is now at its peak, he said, with some 12,500 workers in the fields. The harvesting will continue for the rest of the week.

BASEBALL

Western International
At Yakima 2, Salem 1
At Tacoma 18, Wenatchee 5
At Vancouver 3-4, Victoria 7-1
At Spokane 5, Tri-City 4

Coast League
At San Francisco 13, Portland 3
At Los Angeles 5, Seattle 7
At Sacramento 5, Oakland 1 (10 inn.)
At San Diego 5, Hollywood 1

American League
At New York Philadelphia 1
At Chicago Cleveland 7
At St. Louis 20, Detroit 9
At Washington 3, Boston 19

National League
At Boston 3, Brooklyn 5
At Philadelphia 4, New York 8
At Pittsburgh 3, Cincinnati 11
At Cincinnati 1, St. Louis 6

Armistice Optimism Grows

MUNSAN, Korea, Sunday, Aug. 19—(AP)—United Nations and communist subcommittees today ended another truce talk as semi-official quarters in Tokyo echoed the guarded optimism expressed earlier by Peiping.

As the U. N. two-man subcommittee flew back here from the Kaesong conference site, a general headquarters information bulletin in Tokyo expressed hope that an "actual armistice may be in sight."

"Perhaps," said the release which was labeled "unofficial," "the fact that such a subconference was so readily agreed to indicates that one agreement may lead to another."

"If this is so, it is to be hoped that an actual armistice may be in sight."

Previously, the Peiping radio had said that adjustment on the deadlocked buffer zone issue was possible and that the subcommittees had taken the first steps toward a solution of the deadlock.

For the second straight day Saturday the U. N. and communist junior teams had met in a friendly atmosphere than any shown when the full delegations wrestled with the impasse.

Aerial, Ground Fight Mounts In Korean War

U. S. EIGHTH ARMY HEADQUARTERS, Korea, Sunday, Aug. 19—(AP)—Scores of U. S. and Red jet fighters fought two flashing air battles high over Northwest Korea Saturday.

On the eastern front, Allied ground troops waged their sharpest actions since July 10 when the truce talks began.

They were aided by the heaviest one-point artillery barrage of the war and the mangled fire of the battalions New Jersey, the cruiser Toledo and two destroyers.

The air fights swirled six miles over Sinuju, near the Yalu river boundary of Manchuria. In all, 111 jets tangled. One Red jet was reported probably destroyed, another damaged. All the U. S. jets returned safely.

The flaming ground actions broke out at scattered points from northwest of Yangju to the east coast. Eighth army officers said Allied units attacked communist hill positions but were limited to specific goals.

The fighting was continuing, they added. It was so bitter that hill masses changed hands as much as four times during the day.

Flax Stubble Burns Near Pen

Flax stubble burned through about 2 1/2 acres at the northeast corner of state penitentiary grounds Saturday afternoon, city firemen reported.

The fire crossed into state hospital grounds where it threatened a small compost shed before firemen quelled the blaze. No damage was reported and cause was undetermined, firemen said. Also called to right the blaze were Four Corners and prison firemen, it was reported.

Al Shavegan, a member of the Iranian delegation, said there had been an "informal and friendly exchange of views."

ALASKA FLIGHTS START
PORTLAND, Aug. 18—(AP)—The first flight linking Portland and Alaska with daily air passenger and freight service left the airport here at 8 a.m. today.

Morse Accuses GOP Solons of 'Biased Criticism' of Mac Firing

WASHINGTON, Aug. 18—(AP)—Senator Morse (R-Ore) today accused fellow Republican senators of "highly biased and partisan" criticism of the firing of Gen. Douglas MacArthur.

Morse directed his attack at a report on the MacArthur issue, to be released tomorrow, signed by eight GOP senators. One of the eight, Senator Wiley of Wisconsin, promptly retorted:

"The report will speak for itself. I don't think it's as biased as Senator Morse."

Wiley insisted in an interview there was an "historic interval" during which United Nations forces could have followed MacArthur's proposals and won all of Korea, leaving that entire country free and united.

Beating eight GOP colleagues to the gun, Morse issued a statement asserting that President Truman not only was justified in firing MacArthur but would have been "derelict in his duty" if he had not relieved the Pacific command-

er Bridges (R-NH), have signed a report on the senate armistice and foreign relations committee inquiry into the ouster. The report condemns the methods used by the president in discharging MacArthur and criticizes the administration's Far Eastern policies. The group withheld release of their report until tomorrow.

Convicts Start 4th Day Without Food

Yeater Revives Call for New Warden

Fair Helper



State Fair discs, to be placed on downtown parking meters to publicize the fair which opens September 1, are here shown to advantage by Fair Employee Dwyn Ann Herberger. The discs carry the message "Hi-Lo, come to the Fair."

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MULTNOMAH FAIR READY

PORTLAND, Aug. 18—(AP)—The Multnomah county fair will open at the Gresham fairgrounds Monday. The opening of the seven-day show will be preceded by a parade in downtown Portland Monday noon.

The juvenile department was turned into a canteen, dispensing doughnuts and coffee under the friendly service of women in the department, Matron Dorothy Kennedy, Mrs. Sophie Mull, Mrs. Florence Windsor and Mrs. Josephine Fredrickson.

Police Chief Clyde A. Warren said that "it was gratifying to have so many people come in to see us. It shows the public is interested and I only wish more had come."

The "drunk tank" got as much attention as any place in the building. "That ought to whip 'em out of it" was one woman's comment although just what she intended by the remark she didn't say.

The drunk tank is the latest in such facilities. With nothing in it but slatted racks for drunks to sleep on, the tank can be kept clean merely by raising the racks and hosing the place down.

The jail, a two-floor structure, contains 10 cells. Five are downstairs, including the drunk tank and the women's cell, and five, including a juvenile cell, on the second floor. Halls are wide, air circulation is good, and bars and locks are sturdy, although not too much in evidence Saturday.

The touring ended Saturday at 6 p.m. and the jail took on the work for which it was designed—housing prisoners.

While the city police presently have 17 men assigned to cells in the Marion county jail, police said none of these would be transferred until probably today. Charter members of the new jail were those picked up by city police Saturday night.

Plans to Call Legislators if Fast Continues

Fly Conrad G. Frange
Staff Writer, The Statesman

State Senator Douglas R. Yeater of Salem will call a special meeting of the legislative committee on institutions and public welfare if the strike at the state prison does not end by Monday to "prod the board of control into hiring a new warden."

Prisoners at the institution have been on a no-work strike since Tuesday noon.

Mincing no words Sen. Yeater said Saturday that Prison Warden George Alexander must go.

"All the recent troubles at the prison," stated Yeater, "stem from the fact that the prisoners will never like and will never cooperate with Alexander as warden. A new warden, plus a few changes will alleviate the situation."

"The prison needs a qualified penologist in charge. At the present the institution is guided by poor administration from the top down."

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Ten Killed in Bus Accident

ALPENA, Mich., Aug. 18—(AP)—Ten persons lost their lives and a score more were injured today when a southbound Greyhound bus and a big beer truck rumbled each other on US-23 six miles south of here.

Six hours after the crash, five of the dead still had not been identified.

Among the dead were truck driver Arthur Aube, 23, of Oseola, Mich., who collided with the bus when he swerved his big vehicle to avoid a car pulling out from the side of the highway.

The bus, traveling from Mackinaw City to Detroit, had left Alpena just a few minutes before the crash. It carried about 40 passengers, nearly a full load.

Dewey to Visit Alaska Before Returning Home

PORTLAND, Aug. 18—(AP)—A visit to Alaska is planned by Gov. Thomas E. Dewey of New York before he returns home.

Par American World Airways said Dewey would arrive in Portland Monday noon from a trip to survey the Asian picture. He will and continue from there to Alaska, the air line announced.

Gas-Masked Men Bury Santiam Fish

GATES, Aug. 18—Fifteen men armed with gas masks and shovels waded into the stench of thousands of dead fish near here Saturday and started to clean the place up.

The fish are those killed by ammonia released into nearby Santiam river at the Detroit dam site nine days ago. The men were sent into cleanup duty by Consolidated Builders, Inc., contractors who dumped the fish-killing chemical last week.

Working in three shifts, five at a time, the men carried the fish up the bank and buried them. Robert Veness, Mill City businessman, said the area near Gates was "pretty well cleaned up" last night. But the odor was still strong, he said.

A lot of the dead fish were scooped out of the water immediately after the tragedy. But the defunct fish which have risen to the surface since Thursday are those which had laid on the bottom until recently—and oh, boy!

Veness said the odor was most concentrated around the Gates area. But, he said, dead fish are visible in shallow pools and hung up on roots all the way down river to Mehama.

So far municipal water supplies in that area are not affected. Only one city, Mill City, (about three miles below Gates) draws its supply from the river. Chlorination of the water supply there was at a high level Saturday, but officials of Mountain States Power company said it was within the safety mark.

Salem's source of Santiam river water from wells near Stayton is not affected.

Fire Danger Forces Shutdown of Logging

Another fire emergency period loomed in the state today as a new series of blazes brought closure of all western Oregon to logging operations.

The little town of Scottsburg, in western Douglas county was threatened Saturday night as a 600-acre blaze continued to rage uncontrolled in western Lane and Douglas counties.

While fires were reported in areas from Newberg south, the most serious fires in the northwest were in Washington and southern Oregon.

A 300-acre fire 20 miles northwest of Roseburg, on Hubbard creek, was still burning out of control Saturday night, although the state forestry department had patrolled three sides of it. Another serious blaze was reported in Curry county on Pistol river, eight miles south of Gold Beach, which had covered between 500 and 600 acres. Humidity there was reported to 20 per cent.

State Forester Dwight L. Phipps ordered all of Oregon west of the Cascades indefinitely closed to logging operations effective midnight tonight. Western Washington, where two serious fires were burning, was closed to logging operations Saturday.

Merchants and farmers were asked to join loggers and forest crews fighting the Scottsburg area fire. It had jumped the Umpqua river three times, and firefighters said if the wind changed it would threaten Scottsburg. Firefighting recruiters were sent to Reedsport to seek volunteers.

A plane was to be dispatched to determine whether the fire was serious enough to cause evacuation of farms. The flames had spread into farm pasture lands in spots, firefighters reported.

Under control was a 300-acre blaze burning on Chehalem mountain, west of Newberg. Firefighters there reported the fire could be stamped out barring unfavorable winds.

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Mercury Hits 90, But Clouds Expected Soon

Possible showers are seen for the extreme northwest part of Oregon by Tuesday or Wednesday, McNary field weathermen said Saturday night. And it coastal lows move in, Salem area may receive some rain, too.

High yesterday was listed at 90 degrees at the airport with about the same expected for today.

'Alumni' Fail to Visit Salem Jail, But Lots of Other People See Renovation

It's too bad the old "alums" couldn't see the new Salem city jail. Members of the police force kept a courteous, friendly eye out for former "guests" but few showed up at the open house Saturday.

Instead, children—possibly lured through the spacious, clean-looking jail by the free doughnuts and pop—and women made up the largest part of the visitors. Many of the kids, probably not seriously, joked about how much "fun" it would be to spend a little time there.

One woman said, "The floor is cleaner than my kitchen."

Everything was open, no doors closed, and big bowls of flowers gaily decorated the front office of the police station while nearly 1000 people toured the jail throughout the day.

Resignation of Likins Laid To Controversy

As hungry, stubborn inmates of the Oregon state prison entered their fourth day of fasting today, one of the few men their leaders had expressed confidence in said he resigned his job at the prison because of "lack of cooperation from prison authorities."

He is Robert Likins, former recreation director at the prison, who resigned Friday during one of the institution's longest sit-down strikes in recent years.

The 1,400 convicts, without food since Thursday, have refused to work since Tuesday noon.

Following his unexpected resignation Friday Likins has been unavailable for comment. He left his Portland home early Friday for a trip to California where he intended to find employment.

Clash with Rules
Close friends of Likins in Salem said the former recreation director stated his theory of trying to rehabilitate prisoners apparently clashed with other prison rules.

Likins was quoted as saying prison guards also were not in sympathy with his program. Friends stated that Likins said he took the prison job in a sincere effort to prepare the convicts for release back to society. Likins was quoted as saying things "came to a head" during the strike, so he resigned. Members of the recently-abolished eight-man inmates grievance committee had expressed appreciation for Likins' recreational program.

Prison authorities said Likins' resignation was not connected with the prison strike.

Likins Praised
Col. William C. Ryan, supervisor of state institutions, praised Likins and said he was "sorry to see him go."

Col. Ryan said that Warden George Alexander had assisted Likins as much as possible. "Alexander gave Likins more assistance and more freedom with the prisoners than any former recreation director ever enjoyed," he said.

Meanwhile convicts remained quietly in their cells Saturday. They will get no food until they decide to work. Alexander has said. The warden said theirs was the longest strike of his kind at the state prison in the 13 years he has been in charge.

No Medical Aid
None of the convicts has requested medical aid due to the lack of food. The manager supply of candy they had in their cells is undoubtedly long since exhausted. However, it was pointed out, the men could exist without food for several days without serious ill effects because they are inactive and therefore require less energy.

The inmates went on strike Tuesday noon over their demands that a guard, Lt. Morris Race, be removed to duty outside the prison walls. This the warden has refused to do. In their cells unless the strike is broken Monday operation of the prison cannery will be taken over by a force of workers from the state hospital. Prison guards have been operating the cannery, in the middle of its annual bean-canning season, since the strike began.

Bean picking on shares, usually carried on by about 100 convicts has been halted, with the result that other state institutions which have depended upon the prison cannery for canned goods will be required to obtain canned supplies from other sources.

Warden Alexander said Saturday that he has received many letters and telephone calls from the public backing him on the show-down measures he has taken against the striking prisoners.

Firemen Halt Keizer Blaze

Statesman News Service
KEIZER—A grass and log fire Saturday afternoon threatened two homes in the area between Cherry avenue and River road at the junction of Sunset avenue.

The flames were quelled by the Keizer rural fire department.

The fire started on the property of Hugh Adams in a wire basket behind the McCune Food Sales Co. plant. Burning rubbish spread to old logs and grass and the flames were carried uphill toward two homes until they were stopped by the firemen.