

## Off-Season Tornado Rips Through South, Killing One

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS  
Off-season tornadoes dipped into Eastern Alabama and Western Georgia Sunday killing one person, injuring 47 and destroying scores of homes.

The black funneled clouds smashed into a dozen communities in Alabama where 29 were injured. Four Georgia towns reported 1 dead, 18 injured. Thunderstorms and high winds were reported in many other areas.

An estimated 220 homes were demolished or damaged as the tornadoes ripped through sections of Manchester, Richland, Blakely and Ellaville in Georgia. An 8-year-old Negro girl was killed near Richland where 15 persons were hurt.

The Alabama twisters struck hardest near Anniston, 65 miles east of Birmingham, in the Op-

elika area about the same distance east of Montgomery and at Liberty City, 20 miles northeast of Montgomery.

Wellington, 15 miles north of Anniston, was struck by the whirling winds. Cody Hall, Anniston Star reporter, said 30 houses and buildings including the Post Office were damaged, flattened or blown away.

Storm debris halted the Southern, streamliner passenger train northbound from New Orleans to New York, on the outskirts of Wellington.

Alabama Gov. Gordon Persons ordered National Guard troops into Calhoun County to protect shattered homes from looters.

Gov. Persons said he understood trains of the Seaboard Air Lines and the Louisville and Nashville railroads had been blocked near

Piedmont by tangled wires and fallen trees.

Red Cross and Salvation Army units were rushed into the affected sections to give aid.

The Anniston area tornado struck near Otatchee and then roared northeastward toward Piedmont along a 25-mile path. Hundreds of trees were flattened and two houses burned at Wellington when fire broke out after the tornado passed.

The Opelika area twister damaged 40 to 50 houses and destroyed four as it skipped along for 10 miles.

In Georgia, the Richland area was the worst hit. Several white persons and eight unidentified Negroes were reported injured, some critically. Damage was estimated in the thousands of dollars.

## Practice Up for Next Deer Season



Eleven-year-old Robbie Norton and his dad, Bob Norton, 1455 N. 19th St., check their deer-hunting skill on a target at the new indoor range of the Jabberwalkies, Salem archery club, which opened Sunday. Club signed up new members and held open house Sunday at the archery range, located at 775 S. Lancaster Dr. (Statesman Photo).

## IT SEEMS TO ME

By Charles A. Sprague

History swings on very small hinges. A little more firmness in St. Petersburg in 1917 and the small group of radical Bolsheviks under Lenin could have been liquidated and the course of Russian history—and world history—would have been greatly altered. (Recall the "whiff of grape shot" fired by a young artillery officer, Corporal Bonaparte, in Paris, and what it did to conclude the French Revolution.)

Victor Hugo in his graphic description of the Battle of Waterloo emphasizes the effect of the light rain which delayed the engagement and gave Blucher's army a chance to reach the field in time to join Wellington's forces; and the sunken road which proved a deathtrap for many of the French cavalry in its gallant charge. Thus did Napoleon lose this decisive battle.

Oscar Handlin, professor of history at Harvard, raises the question "chance or destiny?" in an article on "Independence at Yorktown" in the Current Atlantic Monthly. He relates how the Comte de Vergennes, minister of foreign affairs for Louis XVI, who had maneuvered the French alliance with the rebelling 13 colonies, had concluded in 1781 to effect a negotiated peace. This would have left the British in control of the southeast cities from Charleston to New York, and cooped the youthful United States between the coast and the Ohio valley, anemic, with only Boston for a port, doomed to early extinction. The stub-

## Demos to Hit Eisenhower 'Lack of Capacity to Unite'

By JACK BELL  
NEW ORLEANS (AP)—Paul M. Butler, Democratic national chairman-elect, asserted Sunday that President Eisenhower has shown "a lack of capacity" to unify the country and Democrats intend to emphasize this contention in pre-1956 campaigning.

"We intend to call to the attention of the American people President Eisenhower's lack of capacity to govern and to unite the people," Butler said.

Agrees With Rayburn  
"The responsibility is with the President to see that the nation is united and there is ever-increasing evidence of his lack of capacity to do it."

Butler, who spoke out at a news conference, agreed with Rep. Sam Rayburn of Texas, incoming speaker of the House, that the Democrats do not plan to attack Eisenhower personally as they said their own previous Presidents had been attacked by the Republicans.

## Native of Scio At 100-Year Mark Tuesday

A memorable milestone will be reached Tuesday by Miss Roberta Cary, resident of the Salem Methodist Home, as she observes her 100th birthday anniversary.

Born on a farm near Scio on December 7, 1854, Miss Cary is reported to be in reasonably good health for a woman nearing the centennial mark.

A Tuesday reception is planned in her honor and expected to attend are a number of relatives from the Portland area and other Pacific Coast points.

Miss Cary was born in the Scio area of Linn County over four years before Oregon received its statehood. Her father, Robert Cary, came to Oregon in 1852.

A spokesman at the Methodist Home said Miss Cary regularly gets down to meals and never misses vesper service. Her eyesight and hearing reportedly are "fair."

## State Blames Truck for Span Collapse

It's the opinion of state highway engineers that a lumber truck was responsible for the collapse Saturday of a bridge spanning the Snake River near Nyssa, reports Chief Engineer R. H. Baldock.

Baldock said investigation indicated the truck was carrying its trailer "piggy back" in the manner of logging trucks. The chief engineer said evidence is that the jutting tongue of the trailer struck overhead bracing on portals of the bridge.

The truck, driven by Bill McCarver, barely missed falling into the river when one span of the bridge collapsed.

Baldock recalled that a Tualatin River bridge collapsed some eight years ago after bracing was struck by the tongue of a "piggy back" trailer.

Baldock said he planned to consult with a State Highway Commission attorney about any action that might be taken in the case of the Nyssa bridge.

## More Rain Due for Valley

Rain beat upon the Salem area through a major portion of Sunday and more of it in the form of showers is expected today, according to McNary Field weathermen.

Cooler temperatures are in the forecast with a low of around 32 anticipated tonight. Rainfall in the area measured .71 of an inch Sunday, including a heavy downpour early in the evening.

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## Chiang's Guns, Reds Duel on Island Bases

TAIPEH (AP)—Chinese Communist artillery Sunday raked both ends of Nationalist China's string of bases off the shores of the Red-Sea island.

The Nationalists replied in kind both in the Tachen Islands, 200 miles north of here, and at Quemoy, 350 miles down the coast, said the official Nationalist Central News Agency.

Island Shelled  
The Communists on Tachen (Headgate) Island, one of the Tachen group, shelled Yikiangshan (One River Mountain) Island, a Nationalist base 20 miles off the Red coast of Chekiang Province.

The barrage began at 8 o'clock Sunday morning but stopped after an hour under strong Nationalist retaliatory fire, Central News said.

Planes in Air  
A number of Communist planes appeared near the Tachens Sunday but did not fly over, it stated. No mention was made of casualties or damage.

At the southern extremity of the string of Nationalist bases, a similar artillery duel took place Sunday between Reds on Amoy and Nationalists on nearby Quemoy, 120 miles west of Formosa. The two islands are seven miles apart.

## Thief Raids Query Home Second Time

A Sunday morning burglary at a Salem residence resulted in theft of about \$22, city police reported.

Entered was the home of Floyd Query, 1615 Nebraska St. Query told officers the money was in a billfold and his wife's purse, both resting on a bedroom dresser. The billfold and purse later were discovered in a nearby alley with the money missing.

Query said entrance to the house apparently was made through an unlocked rear door. The burglary was believed to have taken place between midnight and 8 a.m. Sunday.

Query told police five books of green stamps, worth \$15, were taken from the house about a week ago.

## Rep. Velde to Marry Former Secretary

WASHINGTON (AP)—Chairman Harold H. Velde (R-Ill.) of the House Un-American Activities Committee and his former secretary, Mrs. Dolores Anderson, are to be married in Baltimore Wednesday, it was learned Sunday night.

## 'Draft Ike' Move Predicted By GOP Senators for 1956

By EDWIN B. HAAKINSON  
WASHINGTON (AP)—Sen. Aiken (R-Vt.) predicted Sunday that Republicans will draft President Eisenhower for a second term "and he'll be reelected even if he does not want it now."

Aiken, a veteran Republican who usually is classed in the liberal or progressive wing of the party, said in an interview that Eisenhower "has been acting like a one-term President."

"He has made decisions that would indicate he wants only one four-year term," Aiken said. "But that's just why the people will insist he serve a second."

Two other Republican senators, Duff of Pennsylvania and Mrs. Hazel Abel of Nebraska, agreed with Aiken in separate interviews. Sen. Abel, who is serving the

## Policemen Frown on Piggy Back Cycling

The sight of one boy riding "piggy back" atop another on a motor scooter stirred a city officer's curiosity Sunday and resulted in a citation for the driver.

The driver, a 15-year-old, was cited for having no operator's license and was ordered to appear in municipal court this morning at 8:30. The boys were riding in the 900 block of Gaines street, at the time of the arrest.

## Socialists Win In Berlin Vote, Join Adenauer

BERLIN (AP)—Anti-rearmament Socialists won an impressive victory in West Berlin's municipal elections Sunday.

They immediately moved to join with West German Chancellor Konrad Adenauer's second ranking Christian Democrats to form a solid front city government against the common foe—Moscow communism.

Narrow Margin  
Final official counting of ballots for the 127 seats in the city's Parliament—which chooses the mayor and his administration—gave the Socialists a bare lead with 44 per cent of the total vote, compared with an aggregate 42.7 per cent for the combined Christian Democrats and Free Democrats.

The Socialists were well ahead of Adenauer's party with a count of 684,646 to 466,505. The Free Democrats got 196,845.

Reds Shut Out  
None of the other parties running obtained the 5 per cent of the total vote needed to secure a proportional seat in Parliament.

The Communists were completely shut out for lack of the 5 per cent of the total needed to get a candidate seated in the City Parliament.

They took a shellacking even in the workers' districts of the city such as Wedding, once called "Red Pasture," a stronghold of communism even before World War II.

## 26 ABOARD PLANE

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## Reds Free Korean War Ace; 3 American Fellow Prisoners of Jet Pilot Identified

By FRED HAMPSON  
HONG KONG (AP)—Squadron Leader Andrew R. (Andy) MacKenzie, 34, the Canadian ace shot down in the Korean War, reached Hong Kong Sunday after two years' imprisonment in Red China. He told U.S. and Canadian officials some American war prisoners are being held at his prison camp.

The Americans do not include any of the 13 recently sentenced by the Communist Chinese on spy charges, he said.

MacKenzie was credited with destroying 3 1/2 enemy planes while serving as a fighter pilot with U.N. forces in Korea. He crossed back to freedom through the Bamboo Curtain two years to the day after he was shot down near the Yalu

## Coos Logger Charged With Extortion Try

COOS BAY (AP)—A 25-year-old logger, married and the father of three children, has admitted attempting to extort \$10,000 from a Myrtle Point banker, the FBI reported Sunday.

Held in jail here on a charge of violation of the federal extortion statute was Junior Clyde Games of nearby Myrtle Point.

Joseph Santoliana, a agent in charge of the Portland, Ore., FBI office, said Games admitted making anonymous telephone calls and sending two threatening letters to Harry Dement, president of the Myrtle Point Security Bank. Dement was threatened with bodily harm unless he placed a package containing \$10,000 in bills at a point off a highway some 30 miles south of here.

Santoliana said the first letter was apparently delayed in delivery and was not received until after the payoff was ordered made. Another demand was made by telephone, but the package was not picked up. Games was arrested Saturday in the general area where a package was ordered placed in the third demand.

Dement notified police immediately after receiving the first letter several weeks ago. Police here notified the FBI and agents have been working closely on the case since.

## New Demo Chief To Visit Oregon

PORTLAND (AP)—Paul Butler of Indiana, the new Democratic national chairman, will come to Oregon soon to meet with the state's party officials.

That was the report Sunday of Monroe Sweetland, Oregon Democratic national committee chairman, from the New Orleans meeting of the Democratic National Committee.

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## NW Oregon's Worst Crash Fatal for Five

ST. HELENS, Ore. (AP)—Five persons were killed and 14 injured Sunday in a three-car smashup, the worst in the history of this Northwestern Oregon region.

Three of the victims were children—Joanne Thornton, 15, and her sisters, Genevieve, 9, and Janice, 8. They were believed drowned when an automobile they were riding in rolled off the road after the crash and into a water-filled drainage ditch.

Eight in One Car  
Carl Reimer, St. Helens, who was riding in another car, and a woman tentatively identified as Marie Ainsworth of Vancouver, Wash., riding in a third car, also were killed.

There were eight other persons in the car which ran into the ditch, including the dead children's mother, Mrs. Birch Thornton, St. Helens. There were six persons in the second car and two in the third. All were injured.

Not Enough Doctors  
The accident happened about five miles south of here at 7 p.m.

Caring for the dead and injured overtaxed the facilities of the town. Doctors were summoned from nearby communities and a number of the most seriously hurt were taken to Portland.

## Dictator Rules in Country

TEGUCIGALPA, Honduras (AP)—A rump meeting of Congress broke up in a brawl among the Liberal deputies Sunday and Vice President Julio Lozano became Honduras' virtual dictator.

Santiago Mesa, elected president of the rump session by the 26 Liberals, said he would not attempt formal installation of Congress.

Legal Dictator  
This meant that Congress would not be formally constituted by the midnight deadline Sunday night and could not carry out its constitutional function of electing a President of the republic.

Vice President Lozano thus became the de facto dictator, and under the constitution becomes the legal dictator at midnight with all executive, legislative and judicial authority, probably for at least two years.

In U.S. for Health  
President Juan Manuel Galvez, who would have been dictator, suddenly took a leave of absence Nov. 16 to receive medical treatment and is now in Miami, Fla., leaving Lozano as acting President. President Galvez has not announced whether he would return to Honduras.

The presidential election of Oct. 10 was thrown into Congress when the Liberal candidate, Ramon Villeda Morales failed of an absolute majority over two other candidates, Nationalist Tiburcio Carias, former dictator for 20 years, who ran second, and Reformist Albert Williams, who ran third with the backing of President Galvez.

Lacked Quorum  
Frustrated Liberals met Sunday in boycotted solitude. The Nationalists and Reformists refused to attend, obviously aiming at the creation of a dictatorship by Lozano if they could not get the old dictator Carias back.

The Liberals therefore lacked the necessary quorum of 37 or 38 necessary to formally constitute Congress.

Since Saturday night Tegucigalpa had been battered down drum light by a government order prohibiting automobile traffic in a move to prevent any sporadic shooting from speeding cars.

The capital was filled with soldiers who roamed the city and bottled up strategic points.

## Benediction Broadcast by Ailing Pontiff

By FRANK BRUTTO  
VATICAN CITY (AP)—Pope Pius XII swallowed a few spoonfuls of broth Sunday took a long nap and then—appearing stronger than at any time since his collapse Thursday—broadcast a benediction by microphone from his sickbed to the people of Rome.

It was a "live" broadcast. Vatican radio technicians had wanted to make a tape recording of the Pope's benediction several hours in advance, but his nap upset the plans.

Voice in Cadence  
Beset by the gravest ailment of his 78 years, the pontiff was sleeping when the technicians gathered in his antechamber in early afternoon and his physicians declined to disturb him.

He awoke only a short time before his words were to be directed to a ceremony in St. Peter's Basilica. So the microphone was held over his lips for direct relay to the basilica's loudspeakers and the Vatican radio.

At one point the voice of the emphysemic leader of the world's Roman Catholics faded slightly. But most of his brief message was stated firmly and with cadence.

Moved From Noise  
Mechanically, the broadcast was arranged to tax his strength as little as possible. A responsible source said the Pope's sickbed had been moved from his white-walled bedroom of 16 years to a room farther inside the Vatican Palace to get him away from the rest-disturbing noise of St. Peter's Square.

Radio networks of many West European nations hooked in with the Vatican radio to relay the Pope's words.

Only four days ago, the pontiff was in grave peril, medical experts said. Hiccups, nausea and fever took their toll in recurrence of an abdominal ailment. He was still critically ill Sunday, but he appeared no longer in imminent danger.

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The children were sleeping in an upstairs bedroom; three in one bed and the other two in cribs. The DeBaggis were sleeping downstairs with the baby.

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"Me, do you want to learn to play basketball?"

ANIMAL CRACKERS BY WARREN GOODRICH

SALEM PRECIPITATION Since Start of Weather Year Sept. 1, This Year Last Year Normal

City	Max.	Min.	Precip.
Salem	51	49	11
Portland	48	44	58
Baker	46	31	00
Medford	51	37	27
North Bend	57	50	1.44
Roseburg	52	44	84
San Francisco	53	50	30
Chicago	39	32	trace
New York	44	36	00
Los Angeles	64	49	00
Willamette River	-1.3	feet	00

FORECAST (from U.S. weather bureau, McNary field, Salem): Mostly cloudy with showers today; partly cloudy tonight and Tuesday; highest temperature today near 50, cooler tonight with lowest near 35.

Temperature at 12:01 a.m. today was 47.

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