

Chimneys Fall In Vancouver

Vancouver, B. C., Aug. 22 (CP)—Tumbled chimneys today appeared to be the most severe damage resulting from Canada's worst recorded earthquake that rippled last night through the northern Pacific coast area. It was recorded as stronger than Ecuador's recent disastrous one or the quake that levelled San Francisco in 1906. Yet no more serious reports were received as British Columbia, parts of Alaska and Washington and Oregon states probed for day-after effects.

Officials said the epicentre being far out to sea likely was the reason. Brunt of the attack was felt by the Queen Charlotte islands group where residents said the ground fissured in some areas with cracks up to 50 feet long, six inches wide and "two deep to see the bottom."

Graham Island residents in the Charlotte group just across from Prince Rupert, B. C., 500 miles upcoast said they spent the night fully clothed, nor did they sleep.

The seismograph at Victoria, B. C.'s observatory, said the shock may have been the worst since 1946 when Courtenay, B. C., was hard hit. Then the indicator of the seismograph jumped right off but precautions taken later prevented a like happening this time.

Observatory officials said the shocks continued for four hours after being recorded first at 9:03.12 p.m., PDT. After shocks came around 7 a.m., PDT this morning.

1948 Incomes Average \$1410

Washington, Aug. 22 (AP)—The individual income of the average American reached a new high of \$1,410 last year as compared with \$1,319 in 1947.

A report issued by the commerce department this week-end covered individual income—as distinguished by the take of corporations—from all sources.

The dollar total of \$206,000,000,000 showed for 1948 bettered 1947 by nine per cent, but a gain in population trimmed the individual average back to seven per cent.

The largest regional gain was 12 per cent credited to eight central states, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Ohio and Wisconsin.

The smallest increases, six per cent, were in the six New England states, Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island and Vermont; and four far western states, California, Nevada, Oregon and Washington.

The only two declines reported were four per cent in North Dakota and one per cent in Kansas.

From a per capita or average standpoint, New York led the country with \$1,891 in 1948 while Mississippi was at the bottom with \$758.

WCTU Protests 'Selling Red'

Philadelphia, Aug. 22 (AP)—The president of the Women's Christian Temperance Union today urged charity blood banks to stop accepting "obviously unfit" blood from donors seeking money to buy liquor.

Mrs. D. Leigh Colvin told the 75th annual WCTU convention that the practice of selling blood for drinking funds has become prevalent among vagrants who term it "peddling the red."

Referring to an article by William J. Slocum in Collier's Magazine, the WCTU head said the blood bank practices discussed were investigated by the temperance organization early this year in Chicago.

"What our investigators knew to be true," Mrs. Colvin said, "was met with general denials by clinics and doctors. Nevertheless, most clinics using it certainly know where the blood comes from, and banks take advantage of the donors by paying them as little as \$3 a pint, sometimes up to \$8, while the price of most leading hospitals for good blood is \$25 to \$50."

"Steps by health authorities are certainly indicated if the banks and clinics do not stop the practice."

H. Cecil Heath, of London, general secretary of the United Kingdom (temperance) Alliance, told the convention last night that drinking brought on a host of "disasters and near-disasters to the allied armies" in World War II.

Small Hurricane 500 Miles from Florida

Miami, Fla., Aug. 22 (AP)—A small Atlantic hurricane centered about 500 miles due east of Miami today as President Truman arrived to address the veterans of foreign wars convention.

The storm, first of the 1949 season, was referred to as "Harvey's hurricane" by storm trackers because of the coincidence of the chief executive's visit. Fine weather prevailed here, however, for Mr. Truman's appearance.

A navy hurricane hunter winged over the Atlantic toward the hurricane to explore its eye.

Cat Beaten to Death On State Street

Some downtown merchant was looking for his store's mouse-catching cat today, and there are probably a lot of animal lovers who'd like to get their hands on the culprit who killed the feline.

A large black and white cat was brutally beaten or stomped to death early Monday morning. A city policeman discovered the dead cat on the sidewalk in the 300 block of State street.

The officer examined the dead animal and said that it was obvious that some person had either beaten the animal on the head with a large weapon, or had viciously stomped it to death.

The PIX Theatre Oregon has MONDAY, Aug. 22 JOHNNIE BELINDA

Strike Not to Spread to Coast

San Francisco, Aug. 22 (AP)—There is no danger that the Hawaii longshore strike will spread to west coast ports.

This assurance was made in a joint union-management news-letter distributed today to 1,000 shippers.

The newsletter was accompanied by a memorandum, signed by the International Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's union and the Pacific Maritime association. The memorandum said the statement in the newsletter "represents what in our honest opinion now is a virtual guarantee against spread of the Hawaiian strike to the Pacific coast."

"In the past several days," said the newsletter, "there has been speculation concerning a possible tie-up of west coast shipping arising out of planned efforts by the Matson Navigation company to load Hawaiian-bound cargoes at San Francisco for Honolulu."

"San Francisco longshoremen were requested on last Thursday to commence loading cargoes for this vessel (SS Hawaiian Refiner) and refused to cross picket lines of Honolulu members of their union.

"This refusal was immediately processed by the union and the Pacific Maritime association under the coast longshore dispute machinery. . . . It was agreed . . . that the question of refusal to handle the cargoes would be negotiated.

Cut in Prices Puts Pears in Storage

Seattle, Aug. 22 (AP)—Seattle fruit shippers reported today eastern Washington Bartlett pears are being moved into cold storage because growers and canneries are "miles apart" on prices.

A price of \$30 a ton for number one pears has been offered by the canneries this year compared with \$110 in 1948. Growers say their production costs amount to around \$60 a ton.

Fruit shippers said although some pears are moving into the fresh fruit market on the California price of \$2.25 a box, the bulk of the crop will be placed in cold storage unless the price structure changes.

Representatives of the department of agriculture and the production and marketing administration are scheduled to arrive in Yakima tomorrow to establish a government pear-buying program. An unknown amount of the crop will be purchased for federal institutions and schools.

County Farm Agent To go to Harvard

Corvallis, Aug. 22 (AP)—Deschutes county Farm Agent Jean Lear has been granted a year's scholarship at Harvard university for advanced study in public administration.

He plans to start work at Harvard this fall. Lear is a 1938 graduate of Oregon State college. He was assistant county agent at Wasco and Umatilla counties before assignment to Deschutes county in 1943.



Not Sweet But Loud—Diana Dee, 5, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Jenkins of Louisville, Ky., accompanies her 3-months-old dog, Kayo, on harmonica as the dog hits a high note.

8000 Victims Of Polio Tested Aboard Missing Plane With 20

(By the Associated Press) The number of new cases of infantile paralysis took a sharp upward turn last week, boosting the nation's total of victims for the month to more than 8000. It brought the total for the year to 15,500, compared with only 8430 cases reported by the national office of vital statistics through Aug. 13 of 1948, a near record year. Last year's 27,680 total was exceeded only by the 30,000 in the 1916 record year.

In an Associated Press survey, North Dakota reported the disease at an epidemic stage there last week and said the state urgently needed more nurses.

A few more heavily populated states, including Pennsylvania, Illinois and Wisconsin, do not expect to reach the peak of new cases until next month, while four states—perhaps five—already have more than 1000.

Some southern states, where onset of the disease usually starts earlier, have had a gradual decline, while Maine and Minnesota held about steady, and Arizona showed an increase. Nevada with only 18 cases this year, again is having a light season, but health officials there reminded that most of the state's 22 cases last year occurred during the fall and winter months.

McLaren Sees Son First Time in 33 Years

Walter McLaren of Salem, who was 91 years old on August 18, and his son, E. S. McLaren, met for the first time in 33 years recently when Mr. McLaren, Sr., arrived by plane in Richmond, Ont., to visit his son. The younger McLaren is the Canadian National Railway operator at Richmond.

Mr. McLaren, Sr., was born in Buckham, Ont., and lived for a time in Ottaway until 1911 when he moved to Salem where he has been engaged in the real estate business. He celebrated his 91st birthday at the home of his sister, Mrs. Mary McLaurin, in St. Eugene, Ont., and he had not seen her for 48 years. While on the trip he is visiting other relatives, including another son, Wilmer, at Vancouver, B.C.

Turkey Plentiful And to Cost Less

Washington, Aug. 22 (AP)—Housewives got good news today for their Thanksgiving and Christmas menus. Turkeys should be plentiful and cost less.

The agriculture department said the 1949 crop will be the second biggest in the nation's history and the biggest since the war. This promises lower prices.

Every state in the union figures in the increased turkey production, the department said. It estimated the 1949 crop at 41,107,000 turkeys. This would be exceeded only by the 1945 crop of 44,000,000. The increases this year, compared with the short supply of 1948, range from three per cent in New York state to 121 per cent in Arkansas.

The department said a downward trend in turkey prices has resulted in setting a supply price which will average about 31 cents a pound for live turkeys.

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Jobless Above 1948 Record

Although employment expanded seasonally during July to reach the highest levels of the year the number of persons out of work in non-agricultural jobs were approximately 75 percent above the 1948 levels, the state unemployment compensation commission reports in its latest labor market letter. The number of non-agricultural jobs were 22,000 under last summer's peak and the number without work, 49,000.

It is expected peak employment for 1949 will be reached early in September with canning, packing and distributing of late crops providing several thousand more jobs than at any other season.

Total unemployment as of August 1, 1948 was placed at 23,400 as compared with 49,000 this year. Portland had 21,400 jobless as against 16,000 a year ago while Eugene placed second with an unemployed list of 3800 as against 675. Salem's 2150 jobless were up from 600 a year ago. Coos Bay reported 1160 unemployed and Klamath Falls 100. Lebanon had 860 idle, Albany 425, Astoria 950, Bend 600, Grants Pass 825, Medford 975 and Roseburg 960.

Unfilled job openings and placements fell away during July to 4894 industrial and trade workers as compared with 8504 a year ago. Only 14 construction jobs were on file as against 122 in 1948 while opportunities in logging and lumbering dropped from 539 last year to 82. Skilled and semi-skilled classifications declined from 781 to 216. Farm placements last month numbered 22,726, less than half those for July, 1948.

Trade, finance, government, utility and other service groups had 267,500 persons on the job, slightly more than a year ago.

Rent Control Again in Senate

Washington, Aug. 22 (AP)—The argument about rent control boiled up again for the senate today.

The specific question is whether to reconsider a \$17,500,000 appropriation which the rent director, Tighe Woods, says is not enough to keep rent controls going at the present rate.

(Woods has said that if congress doesn't increase funds for his agency, he will have to lift controls from one-third of the areas still having them. Further, he says he may have to rely on volunteer citizen help to watch over controls in some of the two-thirds remaining.)

President Truman asked \$26,750,000 to operate the office of housing expediter during the year that began July 1. The senate cut this down to \$21,667,500 but a senate-house conference whacked off another \$4,167,500 to \$17,500,000.

Senator Douglas (D-Ill.), with the support of President Truman and others who favor rent controls, contend this amounts to making it impossible to enforce the rent ceilings and so, in effect, partially nullifying the law.

He has a motion pending to reconsider previous senate approval of the conference report. Vigorous debate, of undetermined length, was in store before a vote.

Letter Carriers Seek Higher Pay

Pendleton, Aug. 22 (AP)—Oregon letter carriers will ask the National association convention at Seattle next year to work for a higher starting pay.

President Harry Palmer, Tillamook, told the convention here Saturday night that the \$2,550 starting wage was unrealistic on the basis of today's living costs.

Portland Hotelman Drowns in Riptide

Cannon Beach, Aug. 22 (AP)—The body of Samuel Rice, 55, Benson hotel catering manager for many years, was recovered from the surf yesterday after he was drowned in a riptide.

Pilot A. W. Slight spotted the body off Arch Cape. Rice and a companion were swept to sea during the afternoon. William Markham, Arch Cape, managed to reach shore.

Auto Crash Proves Fatal

Roseburg, Aug. 22 (AP)—David White, 71, San Diego, died here today of injuries resulting from the collision of his car with a West Coast Trailways bus on Hill August 13. He was a retired naval officer.

Warns of Price Support Evils

Washington, Aug. 22 (AP)—Senate Democratic Leader Lucas today demanded "drastic changes" in the government's price-support programs and bills pending before congress.

The Illinois senator said he favors limiting government price-supporting loans and purchases to a few basic or major crops—such as corn, wheat, cotton and others—on which planting and marketing controls can be operated.

He said Secretary of Agriculture Brannan should have broad authority to support prices of all other "non-basic commodities"—such as meats, dairy products, fruits and less important crops—with broad standards set by congress.

Unless congress cuts back the present farm-price support programs to a few basic crops, Lucas told reporters: "People will be so bitter that we'll break the whole federal farm program down."

The senate leader's blast came after a meeting of the senate agriculture committee of which he is a member.

Kootney River Usage Approved

Boise, Aug. 20 (AP)—The International Joint Commission has approved two applications of Canadian concerns for additional usage of Kootenay river and lake water.

State reclamation engineer Mark R. Kulp was notified that the West Kootenay Power and Light Company, Ltd., and the Consolidated Mining and Smelting Company of Canada, Ltd., had been granted permission to store an additional two feet of water in Kootenay lake during the fall and winter months.

Kulp said the Canadian firms would have to pay for damage to Northern Idaho farms caused when the river backs up as result of the increased storage level in the lake will submerge some gravity outlets of farms in the Bonners Ferry section, which otherwise would have drained by gravity flow.

Kulp said the increased storage would mean some Bonners Ferry farmers would have more water to pump on their drainage district farms.

He said the approval was for a five-year period because of the Pacific Northwest power shortage.

Also approved was the application of the Creston Reclamation Company, Ltd., for reclaiming of about 3,200 acres of land in the Duck lake area of Canada.

Lebanon Mother Struck Down by Car

Lebanon, Aug. 22 (AP)—A young mother, struck by a car while she carried a baby in her arms, was reported in a critical condition here today.

Marie Whitney, Lebanon, was walking on the highway three miles southeast of here at 2 a.m. yesterday morning when a car hit her. The baby was not seriously hurt, but she suffered critical injuries.

The car driver, Laddie Elliott, Scio, said he did not see the woman. The accident occurred on a hill.

Lumber Mill Burns

Roseburg, Aug. 22 (AP)—Mill of the Tyee Lumber and Timber company 18 miles west of here was burned to the ground this morning in a fire which started under the head saw, the Doug-

las Forest Protective association reported. The plant was a total loss.

Cargo plane service may be established to transport various types of seed from Argentina to the United States.

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