

FIRST ESTIMATE AS TO STORM DAMAGE ALONG TEXAS COAST TOO HIGH

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DEATH LIST MAY BE INCREASED, HOWEVER

Damage at Galveston Yesterday Placed at \$15,000,000 or More, Now Estimated at \$3,000,000.

Dallas, Tex., Aug. 19.—With the information from Galveston and other points on the Texas southeast coast swept by the Gulf hurricane that has drifted slowly through, it seems certain today that the storm exacted a comparatively small number of lives and that the toll on property at Galveston at least, was small compared with that caused by the storm of 1900.

That the great \$2,500,000 sea wall saved Galveston from a worse horror than in 1900 is evident by the outstanding fact that the storm caused property damage estimated at \$2,000,000 at Houston, nearly four times the damage done by the storm of 1900. The damage at Galveston, based on meager reports, is placed at \$3,000,000, with the loss of 14 lives; while in 1900 some 800 people lost their lives and the damage to property amounted to \$15,000,000.

First reports yesterday placed the Galveston death list as high as 500 and the property damage as high as \$15,000,000, but this was apparently disproved last night by later advices brought by couriers, newspaper men and from other more authentic sources.

Present Death List.

It is possible, however, that the death list at Galveston and other points may be increased as the water recedes. Large sections of the state are yet to be heard from but from present information the number of deaths at various places follows:

Texas City, 32.
Galveston, 14.
Virginia Point, 14.
Pattin, 10.
Hitchcock, 7.
Morgantown, 7.
La Porte, 7.
Port Arthur, 5.

There was an enormous loss to cotton growers in the storm belt, some estimates stating that 25 per cent of the crop of central Texas was destroyed, and placing the loss at "millions of dollars." The oil fields also suffered severely.

The most pressing need of Galveston, Texas City and other coast towns which faced the sweep of the wind, is drinking water. Galveston's supply was brought from several miles inland and the mains were broken by the waves and storm-tossed vessels.

Four United States soldiers were drowned in Galveston and ten were lost at Texas City. The Fort Crockett and Texas City camps were wiped out and the army transports McClellan and Poe damaged.

The steamer Araphoe from Galveston weathered the blow and arrived safely at Key West, and a derelict schooner, the M. A. Achorn, whose crew had been rescued by steamer, was towed into the same port. There was no word, however, of the United Fruit liner Manowline, which left Belize, Honduras, Friday and was due in New Orleans Monday afternoon.

Fourteen Die at Galveston.

Galveston, Aug. 19.—(By courier to Houston and railroad wire to Dallas)—Fourteen lives were lost in Galveston in the terrific storm which swept the city Monday and Tuesday. Four of the dead were United States soldiers.

Five hundred houses have been crushed and the entire island on which the city stands is covered with debris.

The protection of the seawall, built after the first Galveston disaster, is believed to have accounted for the small loss of life.

The fourteen lost their lives in an attempt to reach the Tremont hotel during the height of the storm. Several thousand persons were quartered in that hotel.

One thousand feet of the seawall has been washed out, one breach of 25 feet being directly in front of the Galvez hotel. It was through this break that most of the resident section of the city was flooded.

Three fires raged Monday night and the fire loss has been great. Three bath houses and four hundred residences on the bay front were crushed, and the wreckage is floating in the bay. The water made a clean sweep along the boulevard.

The storm reached its height at 3 o'clock Tuesday morning when its velocity was 93 miles an hour.

\$2,000,000 Damage to Houston.

Houston, Texas, Aug. 19.—(Via Birmingham, Texas).—Two people dead and property damage estimated at \$2,000,000 was the toll of the hurri-

cane which swept over this city early Tuesday and which cut off wire communication. The dead are E. W. Hans, a carpenter, and an unidentified negro.

Meager reports received from a number of Texas towns along the Gulf coast indicate heavy property damage.

The property loss at Texas City was estimated at \$400,000. Approximately 150 buildings, the majority dwelling houses, were destroyed. At the height of the storm Texas City was covered with six feet of water.

Some loss of life occurred in the summer resorts surrounding Houston. Many brave feats were performed by soldiers of the United States army at Texas City, Sergeant Petty swam nearly a mile carrying a two months old baby. After landing the baby safely, he returned and brought in the mother and another child.

The Soldiers Killed.

Washington, Aug. 19.—The names of ten troopers killed in the storm at Texas City, were reported to the war department today as follows:

PRIVATE JOHN J. MURPHY, Massachusetts.
PRIVATE CHARLES E. MILLER, New York.
PRIVATE HIRAM SAMET, New York.
PRIVATE JOSEPH P. SHANKEL, Baltimore, Md.
PRIVATE PAUL A. SEURAN, Texas.
CORPORAL WILLIAM H. MOORE, nearest in kin, mother, Mrs. Annie Moore, Greensboro, Ga.
PRIVATE ALBERT MITCHELL, nearest in kin, father, Stephen Mitchell, Valdosta, Ga.
PRIVATE THOMAS A. WATSON, nearest in kin, father, T. A. Watson, Carthage, N. C.
PRIVATE HENRY J. RIVAGE, New York.
COOK RADER, quartermaster's corps. (Adjutant general's record shows no soldier of that name at Texas City).

Two Dredge Crews Lost?

Houston, Texas, Aug. 19.—Twenty-five members of the government dredge San Bernardino, which sank in the intercoastal canal below Galveston during the hurricane, are believed to have been drowned. The government dredge San Houston went aground near Galveston and some of her crew of fifty-six are reported lost.

Bodies of Women.

According to the Houston Post story of conditions in Texas City based on an interview with E. V. Rhodes, who brought an appeal for aid to Houston, the bodies of eight women were found washed ashore at Galveston. It is supposed that the bodies came from Galveston. In 1900 many bodies washed ashore at Texas City.

Point Isabel, yesterday reported to be flooded, is safe, according to a news dispatch from San Antonio. It is said there was little damage along the coast from Corpus Christi to Brownsville and no lives were reported lost.

Damage in Millions.

Damage which, it is estimated, will run to millions was done to the cotton crop of Texas by the storm of Monday and Tuesday. Reports received at Austin from towns in the central part of the state say that cotton open in the boll was blown out and beaten into the ground by the rain. It is estimated that 50 per cent of the cotton in this section was open and that from a fourth to a half of the staple was lost.

According to the Houston Post special officers have been sworn in and every person found on the streets after 9:30 o'clock is forced to give a good account of himself.

Relief Planned.

A relief committee at Houston has decided to send a boat load of supplies to Galveston.

At Kemah on the coast only one house was left standing according to Frank Anselmo, who escaped from the storm and went to Houston.

Practically all the houses at Seabrook are reported to have been destroyed.

The Southwestern Telegraph and Telephone company's loss, at Houston is estimated at \$100,000. Practically every big establishment in Houston is reported damaged. The Houston baseball park was damaged beyond repair and it is said that all games will be transferred.

DIPLOMATIC SITUATION IN NEAR-EAST UNCHANGED

London, Aug. 19.—There is little change reported in the diplomatic situation in the near east. Former Premier Venizelos of Greece is reported to have notified King Constantine that he is ready to form a new cabinet to succeed the Goumaris ministry which resigned at the opening of the Greek parliament yesterday, according to a dispatch to the Central News agency from Athens; but his acceptance of the position is not accepted as meaning that the early alignment of Greece on the side of the allies will follow.

The board of trade has received a request from the office of Dr. Joseph Hyde Pratt, secretary of the North Carolina Good Roads association, for additional pictures of the Hickory Nut Gap highway.

PROCLAMATION SOON.

London, Aug. 18.—A proclamation declaring contraband is expected to be issued tonight, or tomorrow at the latest, by both Great Britain and France.

NEW YORK COTTON.

New York, Aug. 19.—Cotton futures opened steady; October 9.33; December, 9.54; January, 9.76; March 9.99; May, 10.22.

LEO FRANK'S BODY REACHES NEW YORK

Comparatively Small Crowd Gathered at Station—Funeral Probably Tomorrow.

New York, Aug. 19.—The body of Leo M. Frank, lynched Tuesday morning in Georgia, arrived here early today on a Pennsylvania railroad train. More than a score of police and detective were on hand to guard against a demonstration, but few people had gathered at the station.

Mrs. Frank, who accompanied the body from Atlanta, was greeted at the station by her sister-in-law, Mrs. Otto Stern, and others of Frank's relatives.

Frank's body was taken to an undertaking establishment a few blocks from the home of his father, Rudolf Frank. Mrs. Frank was escorted to an automobile and went with Mrs. Stern to the Frank home in Brooklyn.

At that hour no arrangement had been made for the funeral. Several motorcycle patrols accompanied the automobile which carried the body to Brooklyn.

Mrs. Frank was met by her mother-in-law. Only a few people witnessed the greeting and it was more than an hour before the presence of moving picture machines caused a crowd to gather.

Otto Stern, Frank's brother-in-law, said the funeral would be private and declined to say whether it would be today or tomorrow. A close friend of the services would not take place until tomorrow.

GOLDSBORO CHOSEN BY JUNIOR ORDER MEETING

Selected Over Several Other Cities For Next Year's Encampment.

Charlotte, Aug. 19.—Goldsboro was chosen as the next meeting place by the state convention Junior Order United American Mechanics here last night without any particular contest, but the selection of the officers for the state council was a more tedious affair. The roster of state officers of the order was not completed until late. They are: State Councilor, W. A. Cooper, Raleigh; vice councilor, Charles F. Alexander, Charlotte; secretary, Sam F. Vance, Winston-Salem; assistant secretary, T. F. Davis, Milton; treasurer, George V. Fulk, Kernersville; conductor, C. L. Sanda, Reidsville; warden, W. E. Stanley, Durham; inside sentinel, C. V. Talley, Hickory Grove; outside sentinel, B. F. Brittain, Wilmington.

Before reconvening for the election of officers, the Juniors heard an address by Congressman J. L. Burnett, of Alabama, at the Auditorium.

SOLDIERS' MONUMENT NEARS COMPLETION

Jackson Co. Shaft to Confederates to Be Unveiled Sept. 18.

Correspondence of The Gazette-News. Sylva, N. C., August 18.—The patriotic men and women of Jackson county after months of effort for the erection of a monument to the Confederate soldiers of this county now feel assured of success and it is planned to unveil the monument on September 18 in Sylva with appropriate ceremonies.

The handsome shaft will stand near the main entrance to the new court house. It is now under course of construction.

The committee of the Jackson county Monument association is sending out appeals to all who are interested in perpetuating the memory of the men who wore the gray to make contributions to the fund being raised.

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OTHER RUSSIAN FORTRESSES IN SERIOUS DANGER

Germans Are Before Brest-Litovsk and the Position of Novogeorgievsk Is More Grave.

TOTAL LOSS OF KOVNO BASE NOT CONCEDED

French Engage In Violent Artillery Fighting In Three Districts—Austrians Ships Attack Island.

London, Aug. 19.—Russian reports do not concede the total loss of the fortress Kovno, asserting that the Germans have captured only the fortifications on the left bank of the Niemen. South of the Bug the Germans are now before Brest-Litovsk, which is Russia's greatest military station and an important railway center. Novogeorgievsk, which has been invested for the past ten days is in imminent danger.

Reports from both sides indicate that a desperate battle may be under way on the line which parallels the Bialystok-Brest-Litovsk railway.

On the British section of the western front there has been no serious infantry fighting since the advance at Hooge. The French, however, have been more active. Paris announces violent artillery engagements in the Artois region, in the Champagne district beyond the Meuse and in the Vosges mountains.

Attacks with hand grenades by the army of the Crown Prince in the Argonne are reported to have been repulsed.

An Austrian squadron attacked the Island of Pelagosa in the Mid-Adriatic, which was seized by the Italians early in the war. An attempt to land forces was defeated.

There has been no further change in the Balkan situation.

SATTERWHITE FOUND GUILTY IN POLICE COURT

Charged With Renting House for Immoral Purpose—Sentence Not Passed Yet.

Judge J. Fraizer Glenn this morning in Police court found Alexander Satterwhite, colored, guilty of renting a house for immoral purposes, but did not pass sentence in the case. Satterwhite is out under a \$500 bond pending the final decision in the case.

During the last session of Superior court for the trial of criminal cases, Judge Long took occasion during his address to the grand jury to warn the officers not only to arrest vagrant women but the men who were renting them the houses.

Later, during the sessions of the court, in the trial of a white woman on charges of vagrancy, it was brought out that she rented the house she lived in from the negro and the court ordered Satterwhite's arrest and he was brought before the Police court, although judgment was not pronounced until this morning. It is the first case of its kind to be tried here and has aroused a great deal of interest.

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MANUFACTURERS ADJOURN TODAY

Interesting Addresses Were Made at This Morning's Session by Geo. L. Forester and H. M. Curran.

ASSOCIATION ENJOYS BANQUET LAST NIGHT

W. S. Kies Addressed Furniture Makers on South American Trade Relations—Other Speakers.

One of the most successful and interesting meetings of the Southern Furniture manufacturers' association closed its quarterly conference today just before 2 o'clock at Grove Park Inn. The reports of the secretary J. T. Ryan of High Point, and of the committees on credits and on questions connected with traffic were very satisfactory to the members. The association heard interesting addresses at this morning's session by Secretary George L. Forester of the Western Carolina Lumber and Timber association and Hugh McCollum Curran of the United States Forestry Service.

Mr. Curran is originally a Winston-Salem man and is enthusiastic over the possibilities of trade between the United States and South American countries. For several years he has been in South America studying the forest growth of that continent for the purpose of ascertaining what varieties of woods there might be grown to advantage in this country. His work has given him exceptional opportunities of studying general conditions in those countries and his remarks were heard with close attention by the members of the association.

Mr. Forester spoke on the value of co-operation in securing satisfactory adjustment of freight rates questions. The speaker called attention to the fact that the railways have associations organized for the purpose of co-operating in the matter of rates and told of some of the results attained by the lumbermen's organization in the western part of the state. He urged that those who produce lumber for the markets and those who turn out the finished material as furniture follow the example of the various railway lines in working together in their study of freight rates. He explained that the traffic department of the lumbermen's association was not organized to fight the railways and that in a majority of cases conferences and discussions led to the settlement of questions in an amicable manner. Mr. Forester has met with great deal of success as secretary and traffic manager of the lumber association in this territory and the furniture men followed his speech with great interest.

Pleased With Asheville.

The members of the association expressed themselves as delighted with their stay in the chief city of the mountains. A majority of them will leave for their homes this afternoon, although several will take a brief vacation here.

Opening Session.

At 8 o'clock yesterday afternoon President J. B. Finley, of North Wilkesboro, called the association to order for the first meeting. About forty members of the body in this state were present with a few visitors from neighboring states.

President Robert S. Jones, of the Asheville board of trade, in welcoming the manufacturers to the city said although a comparatively new industry, furniture manufacturing had advanced with tremendous strides. It has often been stated, he said, that North Carolina is the home of cheap furniture. To refute this charge the speaker declared that it was only necessary to call attention to the fact that all of the furniture in Grove Park Inn was made in a North Carolina town and that every piece in the Langren hotel was manufactured in Asheville.

Representing Mayor J. E. Rankin, of trade, gave the visitors a cordial welcome to the city. After wishing the association success in its deliberations Secretary Buckner told the members of some of the beauties of this mountain region, calling special attention to the many lofty mountains and to the railway now going to near the summit of Mount Mitchell.

Mr. Hackney Responds. George L. Hackney, of Lexington, responding to the words of welcome, referred to an article on co-operation in a recent issue of Asheville Energy and said that co-operation was the keynote of the manufacturers' organization. Mr. Hackney urged the study of Spanish as a necessity for extending trade in Latin America.

James R. Young, insurance commissioner of the state, spoke on fire prevention and of the great aid the furniture men can afford in reducing rates in this state. By keeping their factories in good condition the speaker said that the manufacturers can do much to reduce rates as well as losses from fire.

The association, following these addresses, adjourned until tomorrow.

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GOV. HARRIS TO INQUIRE ABOUT FRANK DELIVERY

FRANK PAID JUST PENALTY, HE SAYS

Mayor Woodward, of Atlanta, Also Warns Slaton Not to Return to State.

San Francisco, Aug. 19.—J. G. Woodward, mayor of Atlanta, in an address in this city, declared that Leo M. Frank had suffered just penalty for an unspeakable crime.

The mayor of Atlanta at the same time warned Former Governor Slaton of Georgia, who is now in California, not to return to Georgia.

Mayor Woodward delivered the address at a banquet of the State Assessors' association. Little or no applause greeted his remarks, but he was listened to with the closest attention.

Slaton Condemns Speech.

San Francisco, Aug. 19.—Former Governor John M. Slaton, of Georgia, who commuted the death sentence of Leo M. Frank to one of life imprisonment has issued a statement condemning an address delivered by Mayor J. Woodward, of Atlanta, and terming the mayor "old and garrulous." He called the Frank case a "football of politics."

Commenting on Mr. Woodward's declaration that three-fourths of the people of Georgia, including himself believed Frank guilty and condemned the lynching, Mr. Slaton said:

"Similar utterances made before the lynching, naturally resulted in subsequent lawlessness. In one breath he proposes to defend the fair name of Atlanta and Georgia, and in the next breath he casts on them the most terrible condemnation."

"Mayor Woodward suggested I could not with safety return to Georgia within a year. Such a statement is not only gross reflection on the state, but is absurd and ridiculous. It is in accordance with utterances of others who expect to utilize the Frank case as political perfume."

"I was born in Georgia and I love her and her reputation. I shall return there in accordance with my original intentions."

"I think Mayor Woodward's statement is an affront to the people of Georgia instead of a defense. He is old and garrulous."

STATESVILLE FIRM ASKED TO MAKE BID ON SHELLS

Statesville, Aug. 19.—J. C. Steele and Sons have blue prints and specifications for shells, coming from the war department at Washington. If the firm desires to bid on the manufacture of shells for the government it is requested to do so.

This firm is prepared to make the shells with some slight alterations and additions. It is not known whether or not it will do so or not as no statement has been given out authoritatively.

ANOTHER DETACHMENT OF MARINES LANDED

Cape Haitien, Haiti, Aug. 19.—Another detachment of American marines has been landed from the warship off this port. The rebels refused to disarm and in some sections expressed a desire to fight the Americans.

The people of Cape Haitien are greatly excited, although there has been no outbreak of any kind. Foreigners at Port-au-Prince, a Haitian town 35 miles northwest of Cape Haitien, report that they have been menaced by Haitian rebels and have asked protection.

ZEPPELIN RAID

London, Aug. 18.—The outbreak of a Zeppelin. The damage to property was not important. Ten people were killed in the raid.

One Zeppelin is believed to have been hit. Thirty-six persons were injured.

The air raid was over the eastern counties of England.

Will Question Prison Commissioners as to Capture of Prison Officials at the State Farm.

MAXIMUM REWARDS TO BE OFFERED FOR MOB

Telegram Sent to Mayor Woodward Saying Georgia Press Condemns the Lynching of Frank.

Atlanta, Aug. 19.—The first actual step by state officials looking to the arrest and conviction of the members of the mob which took Leo M. Frank from the state prison farm at Milledgeville Monday night and lynched him, after carrying him near 100 miles to Marietta, was to be taken today when Governor Harris held a conference with the members of the state prison commission. All the members of the Prison commission were at the state farm, when the mob carried Frank away, and they will be asked as to the details of the capture of the prison officials by the mob and whether any of the members of the mob were recognized.

Members of the commission have stated that in their opinion the prison officials could not be blamed. Chairman R. E. Davidson of the commission declared that the mob was so well organized and took the prison officials so completely by surprise that they were powerless to resist.

Governor Harris will offer rewards for the capture and conviction of members of the mob. Under the Georgia state law he can offer a maximum reward of \$500 for each arrest and conviction.

"I will probably do this," Governor Harris said. The abduction of the state's ward will be fully inquired into," Governor Harris stated last night that he would issue a statement sometime today.

The governor said he was receiving many letter and telegrams from outside the state asking what action would be taken and urging a complete inquiry.

J. N. Ragsdale, acting mayor of Atlanta, while Mayor Woodward is in California, at the request of an eastern paper sent the following telegram to Mr. Woodward:

"The daily and weekly press of Georgia are practically unanimous in condemning mob law and in urging the governor to take action in the Frank case at once. He is investigating now and will probably offer rewards tomorrow to bring the guilty parties to justice. While a large part of the people believe Frank guilty, yet they are law-abiding and heartily disapprove of the action of the mob."

Only \$2500 is available in the state treasury for rewards. When reminded of this Governor Harris said he would probably offer the maximum reward of \$500 for the arrest and conviction of five members of the mob. The legislature each year appropriates \$3000 for rewards. Of this amount \$500 has been used this year.

BURKE MAN FOUND NOT GUILTY OF MURDER

Morgantown, Aug. 18.—Superior court has been engaged for almost a full week in the trial of Horace Smalley, charged with the murder of Tom Gallion in the Bridgetown section of Burke county on the night of July 10. The defendant did not offer any evidence but relied for acquittal upon the evidence of the state. The case was closed at noon yesterday by R. L. Huffman who made a two hours argument in behalf of the prisoner. The jury remained out for about 30 minutes and returned a verdict of not guilty. The prisoner left for his little home in the South mountains of Burke.

STROMBOLI VOLCANO IN VIOLENT ERUPTION

Messina, Sicily, Aug. 19.—The chief of the signal office, on the Island of Stromboli reports the eruption of large quantities of lava from the Stromboli volcano. The lava is forming a lake of fire between the strata and the sea.

Emissions of lava are accompanied by loud detonations and clouds of smoke.