

BETWEEN 600 AND 1500 DIE IN MIAMI AREA

Reports Today Direct From Storm Area Indicate First Reports Not Exaggerated

Airplanes, Automobiles and Trains At Service of the Stricken Area

Miami, Fla., Sept. 20.—(AP)—Estimates ranging from 600 to 1500 dead prevailed in the Miami disaster area this morning, as first contact with the outside world was established by airplane, automobile and relayed trains. The damage was estimated at \$150,000,000.

In the Miami storm disaster area are included Hollywood, Fort Lauderdale, Redlands, Moorhaven and Clewiston. West Palm Beach received its first injured patients early today when George Stein and E. J. Sims, both of Hollywood, were rushed to a local hospital by a fast machine. Both were reported in a serious condition.

Little contact with these places had been established as the causeways were flooded and wreckage and high water barred traffic. Because of continued severe winds pilots of airplanes were reported as wary of attempting to enter the storm area.

Airplanes could not find any landing places, and seaplanes feared the rough and debris-filled water. The American Red Cross has established stations throughout the stricken area, and the aid of nearby towns and cities was offered.

Relief trains from West Palm Beach have arrived, bringing additional physicians, nurses, medical supplies and essential foods. Efforts are being made to find relatives or friends of more than 200 children who have been found wandering about what remains of Miami, separated from their families.

Miami was under martial law, and none except government, state officials, newspaper men and persons performing missions of relief were allowed to enter. Profiteering has been banned under another proclamation of Mayor Whartone. It provides that no prices may be charged in excess of those prevailing September 18, the day following the storm. Violators will suffer confiscation of their supplies, a heavy fine, and imprisonment.

Sanitary engineers have reported to the State Board that conditions are "bad." Postal People Do Relief Work. Washington, Sept. 20.—(AP)—Postmaster General New, now in Chicago, en route to Kansas City, gave instructions by telephone today authorizing all Florida postmasters to utilize the facilities of the postal service in relief and rescue work.

Clewiston, Fla., Sept. 20.—(AP)—This place survived the storm safely, with no casualties. SOME DETAILS OF THE GREAT STORM

Interesting Story of the Devastation Wrought at West Palm Beach and Elsewhere. Real estate activity of the last five years has seen millions of dollars poured into developments, modern hotels, subdivisions, apartment houses, homes, public utilities, schools and churches along the lower coastal section of the peninsula which bore the brunt of the hurricane.

Miami Beach ten years ago a low lying sand bar and mangrove swamp, had of late years taken on the appearance of a tropical vista, Spanish villas, golf courses, polo fields, yacht basins and artificial lakes and canals have for several seasons enjoyed a popularity with winter resorts rivaling attractions of Palm Beach.

Hotels Erected. The last three years has seen the erection of the Fleetwood, Flamingo, Nantilus, Ponceast and Roney Plaza Hotels, all modern and imposing structures, at costs estimated in the millions of dollars.

Miami Harbor, where according to late dispatches, damage running into the millions was sustained, has for several years been the site of an extensive development program, and assisted by the Federal Government, thousands of dollars have been expended in deepening and widening the channel into the outer sea.

Causeway Covered. In the shallow waters of Biscayne Bay, artificial islands have made their appearance, and the "Venetian Islands," a late feature of this type of development, built of bulkheaded sand, sucked from the bottom of the bay, have been show places of the Miami area. Late dispatches told of water completely covering the \$1,000,000 causeway, connecting Miami with Miami Beach, and running directly through the Venetian Islands.

Royal Palm Park, in Miami, lying one block from the Biscayne Bay waterfront where reports say a large steamship has been stranded, is the scene of the famous weekly Sunday School class of the late William Jennings Bryan, who for several years prior to his death made his home at the Y. M. C. A. pool Saturday. Their visit was made possible by the courtesy of W. B. Ward Company, which furnished a truck and driver to take them to and from the Y.

Quake Wrecks City on Mid-Atlantic Island



This is a general view of damage done when a series of earthquakes rocked Horta, in the Azores Islands. Many were killed.

COOLIDGE AGAIN ARE IN THE WHITE HOUSE

President Returns From Vacation and Prepares to Resume Routine. Washington, Sept. 19.—President Coolidge resumed life at the White House today as before his vacation and tomorrow plans to be at his desk early in the executive offices prepared to carry on the business of the government.

With Mrs. Coolidge he attended services this morning at the First Congregational church. The services were held at the Metropolitan motion picture theatre in the downtown district which has been placed at the disposal of the church pending construction of a new building.

It was the first Sunday service to be conducted by the Rev. Dr. Joseph Noble Pierce since his vacation and he greeted all his parishioners from the pulpit. Mr. and Mrs. Coolidge returned late last night from the Adirondacks to the White House, which was renovated during their more than two months' absence.

The first day home was spent quietly at the executive mansion.

BOY, 12, DIES IN FIGHT FOR GENE TUNNEY

"Dempsey" Aged 10, Lands a "Knockout" on Young Enthusiast.—Clot Caused Death. Philadelphia, Pa., Sept. 20.—A 12-year-old boy's enthusiasm over the prospect of Gene Tunney winning the world heavyweight title from Jack Dempsey when they meet in the Sesqui-centennial Stadium cost him his life.

Offering to demonstrate how the examine would knock out the champion, Manuel Kin of 1632 North Franklin Street today squarred off in the yard of the Clay Public School, Eighth and Thompson streets, with Carl Weinstein, 10, of 341 West Oxford street, his pal, taking the part of Dempsey.

A few moments later Kin was dead, his pal sobbing. "I didn't mean to hit him." Physicians say the dead boy appears to have suffered from a thrombosis, a rare ailment caused by obstruction of the veins or arteries, which blocks the action of the heart. Weinstein was arrested on a technical charge of homicide.

With Our Advertisers.

The big bankrupt sale of shoes at the Rush-Kesler Shoe Store is now in full blast. See big four-column ad. in today's Times. The Parks-Belk Co.'s Beauty Shoppe will dress the hair in such a way as to accentuate the beauty of the face. Phone 892.

Atwater-Kent radios talk for themselves. Get them at the Yorke & Wadsworth Co. Get a radio and enjoy the fight Thursday night from your home. From \$15 to \$375 at the Ritchie Hardware Co.

Just two more big Dollar Days at the Parks-Belk Co.'s. Special discounts in their ready-to-wear and millinery departments during these two days. They buy your country produce. Exquisite new fall frocks at J. C. Penney Company's, only \$14.75. See description in new ad. today.

Final reduction of prices of one-half to one-third at Markson Shoe store. The prices on Goodyear tires are as low as you can find. Yorke & Wadsworth Co. sells these famous tires.

Farmers Form Mutual Help Association.

Lincolnton, N. C., Sept. 20.—(AP)—Farmers in the Triangle section of Lincoln County have formed a mutual help association and at their first meeting built a concrete septic tank at the home of the local minister, reports County Agent J. G. Morrison. The Association will next put in a water system and electric light plant in this home at their next meeting. This is the first rural home in the community to be equipped with these modern conveniences, states Mr. Morrison, and will be used as a community center for the exchange of agricultural ideas.

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FUNDAMENTALIST BODY PLANS NEW ACTIVITIES

Committee of 100 Will Have Important Announcement Within Short Time. Charlotte, Sept. 19.—The Fundamentalist Committee of One Hundred, formed here last spring with the announced purpose of battling to rid state-supported schools of a taint of evolution theories is showing new signs of life and may take an active part in the fall campaign, it was indicated here today with announcement by Dr. A. R. Shaw, of this city, that the committee will have an important announcement to make within a few days.

Dr. Shaw, one of the organizers of the movement, is vice president of the committee of which Judge Walter H. Neal, of Laurinburg, is president. The committee plans a campaign this fall designed to foster public opinion favorable to enactment by the state legislature at its meeting next January of a bill to prohibit the teaching of the evolution theory in public schools and state supported colleges and universities in North Carolina, Dr. Shaw intimated.

Judge Neal is expected to call the committee to meet within the next two weeks at which time definite plans for the committee's future program will be outlined. Dr. Shaw said the meeting in all probability will be held in Charlotte. While declining to go into details of the proposed campaign, Dr. Shaw said that it would be non-partisan, and of a purely educational nature. He said that speakers representing the committee probably would be sent into every nook and corner of the state.

The committee was organized here last spring when a group of prominent churchmen and civic leaders met at the First Baptist church and formed a tentative organization. Later a formal organization meeting was held at the Second Presbyterian church. The organization was completed but the meeting was adjourned in haste, when delegates became embroiled in an exchange of bitter words and a first fight was narrowly averted.

It was thought at the time that the committee would cease to function but a few days later this was denied by Judge Neal, and Dr. Shaw's statement today indicated that the organization is planning for a new lease on life.

THE COTTON MARKET

Opened Fairly Steady at Advance of 3 Points to Decline of 7 Points. New York, Sept. 20.—(AP)—The cotton market opened fairly steady today at an advance of 3 points to a decline of 7 points, most months being lower in response to relatively easy Liverpool cables.

Selling was active after the call, owing to belief that the volume of hedge business by the South was steadily increasing, and further private reports pointing to an increase in the indicated crop. October broke to 15.93, net decline of 12 points, and new low ground for the movement, while January sold off to 16.21, the general list showing net losses of 12 to 15 points by the end of the first hour.

Silk That Explodes.

Paris, Sept. 20.—A French manufacturer of artificial silk has been sued for one hundred thousand francs by the parents of a boy who was killed by the sudden fanning up of the scarf he was wearing. It is said that a certain mixture of cotton and artificial silk makes a compound almost as explosive as gun-cotton.

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Hurricane Sweeps To Florida West Coast; Pensacola Is Struck

MR. MORRISON PROVES PUZZLE TO POLITICIANS

It May Be He Expects to Profit if Mr. Overman Should Retire in Mid-Term.

W. T. Bost in Greensboro News. Raleigh, Sept. 19.—Politicians have been trying to understand the meaning of former Governor Cameron Morrison's recent announcement of his United States senatorial candidacy, a statement which came at the opening of a very dull off-year in politics and in advance of the actual commencement of the term to which Senator Overman recently has been nominated and soon will be elected.

Messrs. Morrison and Overman have been very thick for a year or two. Though the high aspirations of Mr. Morrison have been unopposed by him for four or five years, he never would hear to any proposal to run against Mr. Overman and the worst threat that he would make was a candidacy designed to beat anybody else who might beat Mr. Overman. That splendid loyalty of Mr. Morrison nerved the Overman men during the late fight with Bob Reynolds. There were all sorts of evidences that Mr. Reynolds was making much headway; the boy was irrefragable.

Mr. Morrison never came out to help Mr. Overman by announcing against Reynolds. When the Charlotte statesman would not take Reynolds seriously the Overman boosters knew everything was all right.

This generous support of Mr. Overman must melt that gentleman. The interpretation of it is this: Mr. Overman will probably serve half of his term, will resign and take things quietly for the next 20 or 30 years. He will have served 30 years if he completes his term and 24 plus if he does not. That is a long senatorial life and Mr. Overman has gone through the senate during the most exciting years of the world. He never has said anything publicly about retiring but he has dropped things to friends in his part of the world that they construed to mean a possible retirement before the date of maturity.

Mr. Morrison stands to profit most by such a step-down. If it should come three years from now Max Gardner would be governor and it could hardly be asked of him that he name his brother-in-law, Clyde Hoey. And primary would be necessary and Mr. Morrison would be in it. If Mr. Overman should resign two years from now Governor McLean would be asked to name several senators and he could not do it. It is assumed that he would let a primary decide the issue and Mr. Morrison again would be in it. These considerations come to the men attempting to analyze Mr. Morrison's statement.

Wanting to Hold Baby Bill Bill Was Paid.

Tribune Bureau Sir Walter Hotel Raleigh, Sept. 20.—The incident arising when the sheriff at Waynesville refused to deliver the prisoner to Massachusetts officers until the \$500 reward was paid, though unusual and irregular, is rather amusing, but not as unusual as a case that was brought to me when I first started practicing law years ago, in Robeson county, said Governor A. W. McLean today.

"In this case a midwife had sworn out a laborer's lien and threatened to keep the baby until her bill was settled. The young father came to me much agitated, lest his young son be taken away from him, for he was too poor to pay the eight or ten dollars due the midwife, who had gone before a country magistrate and secured the lien.

"The young father was much relieved when I told him that the woman could not take the child, that the lien was illegal, and that he and his wife need no longer worry about losing the custody of the baby."

Von Elm's Victory Lauded By Bobby Jones.

Short Hills, Sept. 18.—Bobby Jones received his defeat at the hands of George von Elm today as the "finest thing that could have happened for amateur golf." "If ever a man deserved to win, George did," said Bobby. "He just put us all down and stepped on us."

Von Elm, blushing and stammering, received the championship trophy with his head bowed, eyes riveted on the ground. "I don't know what to say and you wouldn't either," was the new champion's brief message to a cheering throng which looked on at the presentation.

Oil Keeps Eggs Fresh.

London, Sept. 20.—Bathing eggs in oil is the latest method for keeping them fresh and sterilized. Eggs at the rate of 360,000 per day are passed through a bath of hot oil having a temperature of 235 degrees Fahrenheit. The oil is said to fill the pores in the egg shell, and prevent air from entering.

THE WEATHER

Increasing cloudiness followed by showers Tuesday and in southwest tonight; cooler Tuesday. Increasing northeast and east winds.

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MOBILE ALSO IS FEELING STORM

Barometer Reading at Mobile Was 29.31 and Still Falling This Morning—High Winds There.

Mobile, Fla., Sept. 20.—(AP)—The wind velocity at Pensacola, Fla., was 100 miles an hour, the weather bureau reported just before all communication was lost with the west Florida city. The last barometer reading was 29.16. Efforts were made to communicate with Pensacola by radio from Mobile after all other wires failed, but the antennae at the local station was damaged by the high winds here, and put out of commission temporarily. The last barometer reading at Mobile was 29.31, and still falling at 8:10 o'clock this morning. The wind here had reached a velocity of 60 miles.

Hurricane Strikes Pensacola.

Jacksonville, Fla., Sept. 20.—(AP)—A hurricane riding a 100 miles an hour wind swept into Pensacola shortly after 11 o'clock today, the Southern Bell Telephone Company here was advised by its Pensacola office.

Mobile Feels Storm.

Mobile, Sept. 20.—(AP)—The barometer had fallen to 29.21 at 10 o'clock and an 84-mile wind was sweeping this city.

Storm Gaining in Intensity.

Birmingham, Ala., Sept. 20.—(AP)—A radio message from the Warrior river service boat, twelve miles north of Mobile, said that all lines of communication with Mobile had been lost there, and that the storm was rapidly gaining in intensity. All boats on the river had scurried to cover.

A fast train bearing bridge and construction gangs left here at noon for the Louisville & Nashville railroad for Mobile and Pensacola. Right of way will be given the train as far south as the tracks are safe. Superintendent James Morrison, of that railroad, said he had word just before noon that the wind at Mobile was gaining momentum and was then about 100 miles. This report said the wind was from the northeast, a fortunate thing for Mobile, as no water was being forced into the city at that time.

The Birmingham Community Chest today telegraphed \$5,000 to the Red Cross to aid storm sufferers. Many residents of Mobile are seeking places of safety in downtown hotels and office buildings, according to wireless messages received by the Warrior River Service from Birmingham. Since that message was received Mobile was silent—and all efforts to get into touch with the Alabama port by wireless failed.

Most business was suspended, street car service tied up, and church services were being held in some sections. New Orleans-Mobile Wires Down. New Orleans, Sept. 20.—(AP)—All telegraph and telephone communication between New Orleans and Mobile was severed shortly before noon today.

The Tropical Radio Company reported a short time later that its station at Mobile reported a 100-mile gale at 10 o'clock with the barometer down to 29.05.

Meekinsburg Woman Takes Her Own Life.

Charlotte, Sept. 19.—Mrs. Rosa Zani Toplin, 38, wife of D. L. Toplin, Long Creek farmer, died Saturday afternoon shortly after firing a pistol bullet through her head at her home on the Statesville road, 11 miles from Charlotte.

Her act was attributed to ill health by the surviving husband, Coroner Frank Hovis said. No investigation into the death will be made, the Coroner announced. Toplin told Mr. Hovis that his wife was unbalanced at times and that she had been acting queerly recently. He was in an adjoining bedroom when his wife killed herself in the dining room.

Sugar-Coated Booze Is Latest Rum Coup.

Vancouver, B. C., Sept. 19.—Bootleg chocolates have emerged in British Columbia's latest liquor problem. Police announced they would prosecute five leading confectioners in Victoria next week for selling the chocolates, alleged to contain liquor which can be sold under the law only by government liquor stores.