

## Conditions In Storm Area Improve; Many Refugees Are Leaving

**Serum and Food Received  
For the Wounded and  
Needy—Still Counting  
the Dead.**

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FROM ESTORM**

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Tangled Wreckage.**

Miami, Sept. 24.—(AP)—Florida's hurricane stricken lower east coast today bent its efforts to prevention of disease and removal of homeless refugees to cities to the northward for shelter and care.

Thousands yesterday bared their arms to the anti-typhoid needle and stores of incoming serums were being exhausted as fast as received. Reports here were that airplanes with thousands of units of anti-typhoid and typhoid serums were speeding from northern points, and that a warship was rushing to Miami from Charles, S. C., with an additional supply.

Meanwhile thousands of refugees were leaving for their former homes in the north, and for northern Florida cities where food, clothing and shelter awaits them. Several thousand passed through Jacksonville yesterday, while other cities north of West Palm Beach sheltered thousands in city buildings and tourist camps.

All women and children are being removed from Hollywood where the greatest fury of the storm was felt. All men have been conscripted for the work of clearing away the mass of tangled wreckage.

Several car loads of food supplies received by the Miami American Legion post have been distributed through Miami, Hollywood and Fort Lauderdale area and ten per cent. of building and roofing material received during the last few days is being reserved for repair of homes whose owners are unable to finance the work.

As Red Cross units, public health service details and other relief workers went about their tasks of burying the dead and relieving the injured, large forces of city workers continued their search for bodies in the mass of wreckage of buildings and marine debris.

Additional surveys and re-checks of the 60-mile coastal area between West Palm Beach and Miami, and of the Lake Okechobee region where the hurricane spent its fury, showed 349 known dead, 1,100 injured, and a property loss of approximately \$165,000,000.

Moorehaven, overwhelmed by flood waters when Lake Okechobee burst its dykes, suffered the greatest death toll with 110. Miami and the immediate vicinity came next with 109; Hollywood had 54; Hialeah 22; Fort Lauderdale 19; Dania 11; Fulford 8; Seaboard Park 7; Ingleside 3; and Hallandale, Homestead and Pompano two each.

Miami officials have estimated that the property loss in the Miami area alone will reach \$100,000,000; Hollywood and Fort Lauderdale each suffered between \$25,000,000 to \$35,000,000; and damage to other smaller cities has been estimated in millions of dollars.

While drivers searched the sunken wrecks in Biscayne Bay at Miami for possible bodies, Col. R. F. Lowry, in charge of military forces at Moorehaven, estimated there were at least 200 more dead there, which will not be removed until flood waters have receded.

From Pensacola comes word that property losses there will reach \$5,000,000 to shipping alone, and Mobile and other cities in the path of the gale are counting their damage in hundreds of thousands of dollars.

There was no loss of life in Pensacola and no serious injuries have been reported there. Reports trickling from Miami from the Bahamas and from innumerable keys and outlying islands off the coast list six killed and seven injured at Bimini. Many schooners have been reported sunk, many of them going down with all aboard.

Restoration of Miami harbor and refloating of scores of boats beached by the mountainous waves will be a huge task for the next few months. Approximately 300 craft were estimated by a Miami committee on maritime affairs to have been destroyed or sunk in the harbor. A number were laid high and dry along the bay front, one five-masted schooner resting fifty feet from the water's edge. Two tankers anchored in the inner harbor during the storm were beached by the gale.

Divers explored the hulk of the sunken "Nohab," formerly the private yacht of the Kaiser of Germany, which ended its existence as a sunken club in Biscayne Bay by plunging into the mouth of the Miami River. The captain and six of the crew are missing.

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Conditions in Miami Approach Normalcy.

Miami, Sept. 24.—(AP)—Conditions in Miami, hit by a fierce hurricane just a week ago (rapidly approached normal today. Excepting when one looked aloft in downtown Miami, virtually every trace of the fury wrought by the elements of the wind and tidal waves had been eliminated. Above, there still yawned great holes in many buildings where material had been driven by the wind, roofs lifted and windows crashed.

The death list for greater Miami included the city and six villages of subdivisions was reduced to 105 today by a recapitulation of citizens committee relief headquarters.

There remained in hospital 408 persons, the condition of most of them regarded as serious. Two days ago there were approximately 1,100 persons in eight hospitals.

The hospital figures are for all of greater Miami excepting Miami Beach, the playground for the rich just across Biscayne Bay, and connected to the main and by two causeways. Those in Miami Beach hospitals were said to number fewer than a score.

The threatened epidemic of typhoid fever here was not giving cause for alarm today and the doctors and sanitation experts regard the situation as well in hand.

At medical headquarters it was said that chlorination of the city water supply by experts from Chicago probably had saved a grave situation and it was expected that two days more would see use of city water officially approved.

Miami remained a center today for wild rumors, most of which dealt with the death list. Of scores talked with by newspaper men, there were very few who did not hazard opinions that Biscayne Bay, upon which Miami faces, would yet yield a number of bodies. Deep sea divers and crews from government boats with grappling hooks continued to explore the water front.

The water front remained a mass of tangled wreckage, with the debris of possibly 150 small boats, some sea grass and dead fish intermingled.

**Charlotte's Tax Rate Fixed at \$1.16 on the Hundred.**

Charlotte, Sept. 23.—Charlotte's tax rate today was fixed at \$1.16 on the hundred, the same as that for the past year, by the city commissioners.

Of this tax 85 1-2 cents will be used for general city purposes; 30 cents for schools and one-half of one cent for the Mecklenburg industrial home.

The commissioners estimated that this tax rate would raise approximately \$1,331,025.20, the assessed valuation of property in the city being placed at \$1,142,000,000.

The county tax rate is 98 cents on the hundred.

## Admitted at 100



Mrs. Rachel Dworjka, of Luthania, was admitted to America after a long struggle with New York immigration authorities. She admitted ninety-four but officials said she deducted six years from her age to facilitate her entrance.

## HARD LIFE OF REPORTER ON POLITICAL NEWSPAPER

**Yorkville Enquirer Man Is Threatened With Suit For \$25,000.**  
(By International News Service)

York, S. C., Sept. 24.—Hard is the life of a political newspaper reporter in South Carolina. Especially in the Democratic campaign years such as this year. Nomination on the Democratic party is equivalent to election.

Take for instance the case of James D. Grist, of Yorkville Enquirer, published in York.

He received the following letter from a defeated candidate (incidentally a minister) who was beaten in his race for the state legislature.

"You defeated me for the legislature through your newspaper articles. Unless you pay my campaign expenses, which are \$250 and two years' salary as a member of the house at \$400 a year, I am going to sue you for damages in the sum of \$25,000."

The poor scribe wonders where he would get the \$25,000 should the candidate get judgment before a petit jury.

Another candidate "sore" over his defeat and laying it to an article of the paper written by the young scribe, writes:

"I'm going to shoot you on sight."

Several other letters, threatening everything from death to torture, have also been received.

## THE COTTON MARKET

**Prices at End of First Hour About Same as at Yesterday's Close.**

New York, Sept. 24.—(AP)—The cotton market's big break yesterday was followed by an opening advance of 9 to 19 points today on covering and buying for a rally promoted by relatively steady Liverpool cables.

The advance to 14.78 for December contracts met heavy southern selling, however, and after initial buying orders had been supplied, prices weakened under continued selling, renewed liquidation and further selling by local operators or commission houses on yesterday's unexpectedly large crop figures.

By the end of the first hour December was off to 14.58, or 7 points net lower, and within 3 points of the lowest price touched on the decline of yesterday afternoon.

Liverpool was a buyer here. Private cables attributed the relatively steady prices there to covering, with local and London buying but said business in Manchester had been much disturbed by the American crop figures.

Cotton futures opened firm, Oct. 14.50; Dec. 14.78; Jan. 14.88; March 15.12; May 15.35.

## MAL S. DAUGHERTY IS WITNESS IN NEW YORK

**Says Ledger Sheets Which Government Wants Were Burned By His Brother.**

New York, Sept. 24.—(AP)—The testimony that Harry M. Daugherty, attorney general in the Harding cabinet, burned ledger sheets that the government alleges would show that part of an alleged bribe was deposited to his credit in the Midland National Bank, Washington Courthouse, Ohio, was given today in the Daugherty-Miller conspiracy case by Mal S. Daugherty, brother of the defendant Daugherty.

Believe Auto Victim Is North Carolinian.

Gainesville, Sept. 23.—An unidentified young woman was killed near here today, when the automobile she was driving turned over in rounding a curve. Cliff Payne, of Gainesville, who had been picked up by the young woman and was being brought into Gainesville, was unable to identify her. Payne sustained slight injuries.

Medicine bottles found in the woman's satchel bore the name of "H. Jackson" and were issued by Winston-Salem and Salisbury, N. C., druggists. The automobile the young woman was driving carried the North Carolina license number which, officers were informed from the latter state, was issued to Howard Brown.

The discovery of a new alloy steel capable of withstanding higher temperatures than steel has ever withstood was announced recently at Sheffield by Sir Robert Hadfield, who was the inventor of manganese steel.

## Red Cross Relief Fund For the Florida Sufferers

A call has been sent out by John Barton Payne, of the American Red Cross for funds for extending relief to the sufferers from the hurricanes in Florida. Howard Collier, President of the local Red Cross, asks that The Tribune make an appeal to the public of this section for this purpose. The Red Cross is expecting Concord and Cabarrus County to contribute liberally. It is important that the work be done within the next few days as the time of greatest suffering is now. Later, funds that are raised, will be acceptable, of course, but all that can be procured now is needed badly for immediate use.

Hand your contributions to L. D. Coltrane, treasurer of the local Red Cross, at the Concord National Bank.

## THE WORLD WAR VETERANS' LOAN ACT

**Voters to Have Chance to Vote on Constitutional Amendment.**

Raleigh, Sept. 24.—(AP)—North Carolina voters will be faced at the general election on Tuesday, November 2nd, with ballots calling for the ratification of one proposed amendment to the State constitution and of the legislative act known as the "World War veterans' loan act."

The veterans' loan act was ratified by voters at the election two years ago, but a defect in its wording was found by the supreme court preventing it becoming effective. The defect, which involved the wording as to the means of its ratification, was remedied by the 1925 legislature and provisions made for its re-submission to the voters this November.

The constitutional amendment calls for a change in section three, article three, governing election returns. The present procedure is for county elections to make their returns to the secretary of state, State board of elections and the general assembly for canvassing and certification. The amendment would eliminate the general assembly and leave the certification up to the State board of elections.

This will have the effect of cutting short the McLean administration by two weeks, as officers elected in November can take office on January 1st, as provided by the law, without waiting for the legislature to convene and certify the returns.

The veterans loan act provides for making loans not exceeding \$5,000 to honorably discharged war veterans for the purpose of buying homes or farms. It stipulates that no loan shall be in excess of seventy-five per cent. of the property and that only one loan shall be made to any veteran.

The act provides that the administration of the loan fund, which is to be realized from the sale of bonds in an amount not exceeding two million dollars will be in the hands of the board of advisors of four members, composed of the secretary of state as ex-officio chairman, the secretary of agriculture, attorney general and State treasurer, who will act as ex-officio treasurer. It provides for the establishment and maintenance of an office here.

The technicality on which the act was disqualified after being passed at the last election was stated as being the wording which required its ratification by a majority of the qualified voters. It received a majority of the votes actually cast, but the supreme court ruled that this was insufficient and consequently the act was invalid.

The past legislature changed the bill to require a majority of the votes cast in order to secure ratification. During the last campaign the American Legion lent active support to the measure, but in the two years that have elapsed enthusiasm from this source appears to have waned, and Frank Douglas has expressed about the capital as to whether the proposal in reality possesses any great virtue and whether voters will cast their ballots for it in the same numbers as last time.

One thing militating against the success of the bill was the bitter fight launched by supporters of candidates for the office of judges, who, because of quickly amended with the stigma of a political plum and did much to create adverse public sentiment against the loan proposal. Other observers express doubt as to its passage because of the two million dollar bond issue attached, which is not expected to appeal to the rank and file of voters in the face of a general administrative policy of retrenchment.

## With Our Advertisers.

The hard local water is made absolutely soft by the Crystal Damp Laundry and this means long life to your linens. Phone 632 and let them call for a trial bundle of your laundry.

Let the Ritchie Hardware Co. install a Bosch radio set in your home so you will be ready for the news from the world's series. See ad.

You can have new shoes made from old at the Shepherd Shoe Hospital. Saturday only—Irish potatoes at 50 cents a peck at the J. & H. Cash Store.

The fall exhibit of footwear is now on at Ivey's, embracing all the latest styles. They fit your foot too.

See the high grade aluminum and enamel ware at the Ritchie Hardware Co.

See the attractive new ad. today of W. J. Hethcox, the electrician.

The shoes at the J. C. Penney Co.'s combine style, value, low price and comfort. See cut in ad. of several styles of women's shoes at \$3.49, \$3.98 and \$4.98.

A wonderful assortment of new fall dresses in a big array of colors at Edger's.

See the big line of overalls and work shirts at the Parks-Belt Co.'s. See ad. for particulars.

## NORTH CAROLINA DAY TO BE BIG OCCASION

**Gov. McLean, as Honor Guest, Will Be Given High Military and Naval Honors.**

Tribune Bureau  
Sir Walter Hotel  
Raleigh, Sept. 24.—North Carolina day at the Sesqui-Centennial in Philadelphia is to be one of the memorable days of the exposition, as the result of plans now being perfected by the Sesqui management and which have just been made public by Major Wade H. Phillips, secretary of the State Sesqui-Centennial committee.

Governor A. W. McLean will be the honor guest, and will be given high military and naval honors, and during the course of the day will deliver an address on the site of the North Carolina Pylon. At this same time the State committee of North Carolina women, of which Mrs. William N. Reynolds, of Winston-Salem, is chairman, will present a North Carolina flag to the governor who in turn will present it to the committee for a permanent memorial to be kept among the archives of the thirteen original states of Philadelphia.

"This day will be one of the biggest opportunities for North Carolina to be presented to the nation at large that has yet been offered it," said Governor McLean in discussing the matter. "There are thousands of people at the exposition daily who know little of the state and the part it has played in the history of the nation and the party which it is playing now. Hence, I hope that as many North Carolinians as possible will be present at the exposition on October 11th, so that the State may make an excellent showing. I also hope that the press of the State will have adequate representatives there so that the newspapers of the day may carry full accounts of the State's program."

A. L. Brooks, of Greensboro, chairman of the State Sesqui-Centennial committee, and Major Phillips conferred at length yesterday as to future plans for the day. Governor McLean will be accompanied by Adjutant General J. Van B. Metts and his entire staff.

Nothing is to be left undone to make the occasion a memorable one.

## HERE TO LOOK AT OUR TOBACCO CROPS

**Wisconsin Men See How It Is Cured and Marketed.**

Tribune Bureau  
Sir Walter Hotel  
Raleigh, Sept. 24.—So much has been heard in Washington and even in Wisconsin of the tobacco in North Carolina and how it is cured and marketed that two members of the crop reporting service, C. E. Page, of Washington, in charge of tobacco statistics, and P. O. Nyhus, chief of the Wisconsin crop reporting service, came to North Carolina instead of Missouri to be shown.

They are now on a trip of several days duration through the cotton belt with Frank Parker, state statistician, who is conducting the tour of inspection, which started yesterday at Rocky Mount and will end about Monday at Darlington, S. C.

The rapidity with which North Carolina has become one of the leading tobacco states, especially bright tobacco, has focused the attention of Washington on its tobacco belts with the result that the department of agriculture and crop reporting service in Washington has decided to make an exhaustive study of tobacco growing, curing and marketing here.

Wisconsin has also taken up the growing of tobacco on a small scale, but which is rapidly increasing, so that Mr. Nyhus thought it best to come to North Carolina and see how it is done here.

So Washington wired Mr. Parker to show them how it is done, and they are certain to find out all about it by the time the present trip is ended.

## Prisoner About to Become a Mother Is Paroled.

Tribune Bureau  
Sir Walter Hotel  
Raleigh, Sept. 24.—Because she is but 15 years old and about to become a mother, and in order that her baby may not be born under the shadow of prison walls, Willie E. Edwards, young negro girl of Pitt county, sentenced to the State prison in April for 18 months for larceny, has been paroled by Governor A. W. McLean. The parole was granted solely on the grounds mentioned "and without regard to any of the other facts." The girl is placed under the supervision of the Pitt county welfare officer and must engage in gainful employment as soon as she is able.

Cleveland is the first American city to own and operate a complete system for the collection and disposal of garbage. Something like 150,000 tons a year are collected and treated in the municipal reduction plant.

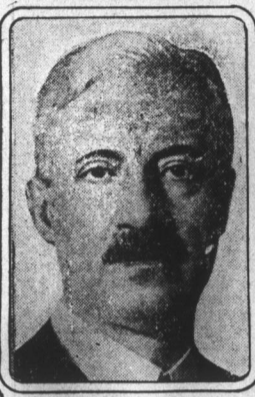
## In the News of the Nation



CHARLES R. FORBES



CHARLES P. SUMMERALL



BAINBRIDGE COLBY



BERNARD M. BARUCH

Colonel Charles R. Forbes, former director of the Veterans' Bureau, was denied a parole from Leavenworth penitentiary. Major-General Charles P. Summerall was appointed chief of staff. Government is not progressing as fast as other sciences, Bainbridge Colby, Secretary of State under President Wilson, told the American Bankers' Association. Bernard Baruch, financier, was the largest contributor to the Democratic Senatorial campaign.

## PRODUCTION OF MOTOR VEHICLES IN UNITED STATES

**Was 424,394 in August—Total Number in 1926 Was 4,336,271.**

Washington, Sept. 24.—(AP)—Production of motor vehicles in the United States mounted to 424,394 in August, according to figures compiled by the United States Department of Commerce. Of this number 379,111 were passenger cars and 45,283 were trucks.

The figures apparently rumors of situation in the automobile industry by showing an increase from only 252,451 in August 1925, and from 355,455 in July 1926.

The figures are based on reports received from 172 manufacturers, 65 making passenger cars and 124 making trucks (11 making both trucks and passenger cars). The figures on truck production also include fire apparatus, street sweepers and busses.

August productions represents the highest in the past two years, being approached by only two months: October 1925, and April 1926, of which months showed a total of over 400,000.

The lowest total for any month during 1925-26 was in January 1925 when only 242,050 vehicles were manufactured.

The total number manufactured in 1926 was placed by the report at 4,336,271.

## Governor Likes Fishing When They Bite.

Tribune Bureau  
Sir Walter Hotel  
Raleigh, Sept. 23.—Governor A. W. McLean is beginning to admit that he likes fishing. They were biting fine this week at Ocracoke Island, and the governor finally admitted that he caught a 35-pound drum, nearly three and a half feet long, and that it took eighteen minutes to land him!

Cal Coolidge has nothing on North Carolina's governor when it comes to fishing.

Much refreshed by his trip, and somewhat tanned by the salt wind and spray, Governor McLean dipped into his work with a zest on his return to Raleigh from his brief outing. While away he drove Swanquater, in Hyde county, over the new hard surface road, and went on up into Tyrrell and Dare counties, which he had not previously visited, so that now he has been in every one of the 100 counties in the state.

Bamboo and similar plants can now be woven by a patent process into fabric which is much cheaper than material made from either flax or cotton.

## Back in Old North State once more, the Best State in the Union, and Concord the Best Town in the State.

Would Appreciate it if all my friends would pay me a visit. I am very anxious to shake your hand.

Your True Friend,  
JOE GASKEL.

"THE HUB"

## COOLER TEMPERATURES HEADED EASTWARD

**Snow Fell Thursday in Northwest With Frosts in Parts of the Middle West.**

Kansas City, Sept. 24.—(AP)—Sharp drops in temperatures were forecast for mid-west states today as cool breezes swept eastward from the snow-blanketed northwest territory.

The advance of fall yesterday was marked with rain and snow in Washington, Montana, Wyoming, North Dakota and Canada. Freezing temperatures were reported generally in the northern tier of states. Livingstone, Mont., reported the record low with 18 above zero, while the mercury hit the lower 20's throughout the northern Rocky Mountain region.

Two to four inches of snow fell in the Nicola Valley of British Columbia, and in the prairie provinces of the Dominion heavier snow was reported. Spokane yesterday recorded the earliest snow since 1887, with a thermometer registering 31 degrees.

Some damage was reported to unharvested grain in the Pacific northwest. Clear skies with frosts and freezing temperature was the general forecast for this region today.

Although temperatures in the mid-west states were slated to register no higher than the upper 60's or lower 70's today, the prediction calls for generally clear skies.

## A. P. MEMBERSHIP PART OF CAPITAL

**Board of Tax Appeals Says Newspaper Has Right to Include Membership in Invested Capital.**

Washington, Sept. 24.—(AP)—Newspapers holding membership in the Associated Press are justified in regarding the value of their membership as a part of their invested capital for purposes of taxation.

Overruling the Commissioner of Internal Revenue, the Board of Tax Appeals today approved a membership valuation entered as a part of the invested capital of the American Press Co., publishing the Lake Charles, La., American Press.

## Bed 6-Cylinder Car on Jack Dempsey.

Asheville, Sept. 23.—Something entirely new in the way of prize fight bets developed here tonight when it became known that one Asheville man was so sure Dempsey would win that he wagered a new six cylinder car against an Ingalls watch. The man who owned the car was totting the timepiece and the man who sported the watch was driving the car as the time for the fight approached.

## Charlotte Kiwanis Subscribes to Re-

Charlotte, Sept. 23.—Members of the Charlotte Kiwanis Club subscribed Thursday \$535 to assist in the rehabilitation of Florida. At the opening of the meeting Dr. W. H. Frazer, president of the club, made an appeal for this cause. Two checks were for \$100 each.

## Favor Disarmament Conference.

Geneva, Sept. 24.—(AP)—The league of nations assembly today unanimously adopted a resolution to convene a general disarmament conference before the next assembly unless material difficulties interfere.

Maine, in 1876, was the first state to abolish capital punishment.

## MOOREHAVEN LIKE DESERTED VILLAGE WRECKED BY STORM

**Last of 100 Persons Left in  
Florida Village Evacuated  
by Troops Against  
Their Own Wishes.**

**WADE IN STREETS  
FILLED WITH MUD**

**Some Led Cows and Others  
Pulled Hogs Along the  
Streets as They Waded  
Waisthigh in Muck.**

Moorehaven, Fla., Sept. 24.—(AP)—Some 100 remaining residents of this storm-devastated town were evacuated today by national guard troops, despite their protests and their appeal to Governor Martin.

Evacuation was carried out under an order by the militia officers issued on the advice of Dr. B. L. Adams, state health officer. Notice of the evacuation was posted yesterday, and the citizens immediately dispatched an emissary to Governor Martin to have the order set aside.

The scene presented early today as the first of the survivors started to leave was reminiscent of some of those in France during the world war. Some waded knee deep and sometimes waist high through flooded streets towing row boats loaded with household goods and personal effects.

A number of refugees led cows or pulled hogs along the street. They were given accommodations on the steamer "Priscilla" down the lake, and the railway points where they entrained for Sebring and other places. The scene of desolation is almost indescribable. The town practically is wiped out. The atmosphere is charged with offensive odors caused by decomposing animals as well as by decaying vegetable matter swept into the town during the flood from Lake Okechobee.

Will Spend Funds Where Needed.