

Many Lives Threatened By Surging Waters And Rains In The Mid-West

Towns Turned Into New World Venice as Motor Boats Were Used to Rescue Water-Bound People

LEVEES GIVING WAY TO WATERS

Kansas, Oklahoma and Illinois Bear Brunt of the Rain Storms Which Seem Without End.

Chicago, Oct. 4.—(AP)—A dozen mid-western towns were turned into New World Venices today as motor boats piled through water covered streets to rescue flood-bound residents from tree tops and roofs of houses.

Nearly a score of creeks and rivers in Kansas, Oklahoma and Illinois were surging at flood crest under the impact of increasing rainfall, and thousands of persons were forced to shelter as the swirling waters inundated lowlands.

The flood situation at Beardstown, Ill., became menacing again when the angry waters of the Illinois River plowed two large holes in a levee which withstood the onslaughts of the stream the past two weeks, gave way last night, and volunteers were unsuccessful in efforts to repair the damage.

River stage at Beardstown today was 23 feet, within two feet of the high mark set in the devastating flood of 1922. While scores of homes had been flooded, and considerable damage done, gas power, light and water stations were in no immediate danger, and city officials said no outside aid would be asked unless the situation became more acute.

A twenty-foot river stage was looked for by Wednesday, with the belief expressed that this would cause inundation of three-fourths of the city.

The flood area in the Kansas-Oklahoma district was 200 to 400 miles wide and more than 200 miles long. The rain was abating early today, but reports from the Oklahoma-Kansas border indicated that streams were rising slowly with the great due to reach Oklahoma today.

Chief damage was to crops and buildings, as many farmers heeded Saturday's warning and moved their families and livestock out of the danger zone. Scores of villages, however, were caught unawares, and safety in trees and on the roofs of dwellings. Many were homeless in Arkansas City while 1,500 refugees at Batesville, Okla., were quartered in churches, schools and private homes. Two deaths were reported in the latter city.

With Our Advertisers. An Atwater Kent radio program every day at noon, and also baseball scores at the Carolina Cafe.

Today and Tuesday at the Star Theatre, "Good and Naughty," with Pola Negri. Wednesday and Thursday, Raymond Griffith in "Wet Paint," a big Paramount comedy drama. Friday and Saturday a Buck Jones picture and a good comedy.

Berger and Manhattan shirts \$1.50 to \$5.00 at Hoover's. Electric refrigeration is a year round necessity. See new Kelvinator ad today, by J. Y. Pharr & Bro.

You can get a Goodyear tire at York & Wadsworth Co.'s at as low a cost as you are asked to pay for an ordinary tire.

The York & Wadsworth Co. will sell you a six tube Atwater Kent radio complete and installed for \$125.00. You will also get an Atwater Kent program every day free. Motion pictures in your home the Kodak way. See ad of Cline's Pharmacy.

Suits and union suits for men and boys at Eber's. See new ad today for some prices.

Drop in at Bell & Harris and hear the new Victor records. See list in their new ad today.

The styles in coats at J. C. Penney Co.'s are very new. The prices range from \$9.00 to \$79.50. Fur-trimmed winter models. See description in a new ad today.

Felt and velour hats for all the women at the Parks-Bell Co.'s. Prices \$2.48 to \$5.95.

Two Killed When Train Plows Into Drove of Cattle. Natchez, Miss., Oct. 3.—Two men were killed and several other persons injured early today when a Yazoo and Mississippi Valley passenger train plowed into a herd of cattle at Allen, near Port Gibson.

CHARGE MAN WITH STEALING FROM OAKWOOD CEMETERY

A white man will be tried in recorder's court this afternoon on a unique charge, that of stealing from Oakwood cemetery. It is charged that the man stole a single grave from the grass mower kept at the cemetery. Police officers report that the missing property was found under the man's house.

FIRE PREVENTION WEEK

Began Sunday—Three-Fourth of Fire Loss Caused by Carelessness. Raleigh, Oct. 4.—(AP)—Simultaneously with other states in the Union, "Fire Prevention Week" started in North Carolina Sunday.

Sponsored by the State Insurance department, the week of October 3-9 has already been designated in a proclamation from Governor McLean as a week for the study of methods of fire prevention and for the enlightenment of the citizenry of the state on how fire occurs and what loss they entail.

The campaign will be carried to every corner of the state through local clubs, literature sent out from the insurance department at Raleigh, the schools and the press.

Chief among the facts to be presented in the one-week educational campaign is that seventy-five per cent of North Carolina's fire loss in 1925 was caused by carelessness.

The total property fire loss was placed at \$614,014.00 in the state last year. This resulted from fires in 2,418 structures, classified as follows: 1,430 residences, 30 school houses, 23 churches, 16 apartment houses, 131 stores, 72 factories, 72 garages, 9 hospitals.

This loss was deducted from the total value of property listed on the tax books of the state, which is placed at approximately \$2,751,000,000. Estimates have it that it would require at least \$100,000,000 to replace the property actually destroyed.

Not so impressive in figures, but far more appalling in human appeal, are the figures on deaths from accidental burns in the state last year—2,667, and an injured list twice that great.

All this loss of life and property was brought on by twelve causes, officials of the state insurance department state. They are:

- First—Exposures (fire jumping from house to house and roof to roof). Second—Poor wiring and carelessness with electric irons and other appliances. Third—Defective flues and chimneys. Fourth—Carelessness with matches. Fifth—Sparks on shingle and other quick-burning rooms. Sixth—Starting fires with kerosene. Seventh—Stoves and furnaces. Eighth—Hot ashes and coals. Ninth—Spontaneous combustion and blazes starting from accumulations of trash. Tenth—Rats. Eleventh—Cigar and cigarette butts. Twelfth—Incendiarism.

"The great waste of energy, for wealth is but stored energy, cannot, in our generation, be entirely eliminated, but if every citizen in the state will use fire prevention week in an honest effort to reduce unnecessary fire hazards, a large part of it can be eliminated and a foundation laid to relieve the children of this generation and their children of an economical burden which, if not materially lightened, will within their lifetime prove disastrous," declares a statement issued by the insurance department concluding its plea for proper observance of the week.

WHEN BOOTLEGGERS FALL OUT

Rival Gangs of Moonshiners in Open Warfare in Tennessee. (By International News Service) Memphis, Tenn., Oct. 4.—"When thieves fall out, just men get their dues."

When bootleggers fall out it's even worse. Sheriff Will S. Knight, declares. Rival gangs of moonshiners have been engaging in open warfare here for several weeks. But the more they fight, the more good they do for officers.

Anonymous telephone calls "tip" the sheriff's office off to the locations of many stills in the surrounding territory of this city every day. Acting on these tips, deputies have destroyed more than 200 stills during the past few months.

"It was just recently that I found out where these calls come from," said the sheriff. "Rival gangs of moonshiners are tipping us off as to the location of the other band's stills."

Memphis liquor market is flooded and the price has been run down to fifty cents a half pint.

While conducting raids through the Wolf river bottoms north of this city, deputies had where rival gangs of liquor-makers have been dynamiting stills themselves.

By eliminating their competitors, each gang expects to get control of the liquor market and run the price up. So keen has the rivalry grown, that officials are beginning to fear bloodshed among bootleggers as was an outbreak in 1922.

AS DOUTHIT SCORES FIRST HIT OF SERIES



Douthit, the first man to bat for the St. Loui Cardinals, was photographed the moment he swung on the ball for a two-bagger. He went to first on a sacrifice and, on Bottomley's single, scored the first run of the 1926 World Series. (International Newsreel).

"COLOSSAL FOLLY"

"The south," says J. E. Latham, great cotton merchant of Greensboro, "must readjust itself to the conditions brought about by the colossal folly of planting forty-nine million acres in cotton."

CAROLINA MOTOR CLUB

During September 656 Members Were Added to the Club. Raleigh, Oct. 4.—Commemorating its fourth anniversary the Carolina Motor Club has just experienced the greatest membership production of any single month in its history. It was announced here by Co-man W. Roberts, vice president, in talking of the growth of the club.

During the month just passed 656 new members were added to the club roster, which has moved up to fourteenth position among the 841 organizations that compose the American Automobile Association. Last September the club ranked fifteenth.

The club was founded September 22, 1922. Previous to the record breaking month, the largest number of new members secured was one hundred and 524. This was in June, 1925. The average monthly membership is 451. No "high pressure" methods are permitted in membership solicitation and the growth of the club has been steady and consistent as its services have expanded and the motoring public has secured an idea of the scope of its activities.

In line with the expansion of club activities and services, the personnel has been increased and early in the spring it was necessary to move into larger quarters. Headquarters are now maintained at the large colonial residence at 219 East Market street, Greensboro.

SAY CHAUFANK IS IN CONTROL OF NANCHANG

Chinese War Lord Has Success in Latest Campaign For More Provinces. Hankow, Oct. 4.—(AP)—Telegrams from authentic sources in Nanchang dated September 20th says that Sun Chau-fank, avowed of five eastern provinces, and ruler of Kiangsi, who is fighting the Cantonese, is completely in control of the city of Nanchang, and that his soldiers are murdering and pillaging with casualties running into the thousands.

Supplementary messages carry an appeal of the Methodist mission in Nanchang for volunteers to assist in caring for the wounded foreigners, including Americans. Among the wounded foreigners are John S. Littell, Edward M. Littell, the Rev. Lloyd Creighton, his wife and child, all of the American church mission, the Rev. W. R. Johnson and Mrs. Johnson and Dr. W. E. Libby, of the Methodist mission.

Friendship is one of the world's greatest ideas, and certainly the greatest men and women to the greatest actions.

Star Theatre

Program For Week of OCTOBER 4 TO 9 OPENING WITH Pola Negri

"Good and Naughty" Her Latest Picture It's a Paramount.

WEDNESDAY-THURSDAY RAYMOND GRIFFITH

"Wet Paint" Big Comedy Drama—It's a Paramount

FRIDAY-SATURDAY Will Be a BUCK JONES PICTURE

Also a Good comedy Our Show House is Not Complete

owing to the fact that it was impossible to get our covers for seats and wall paper which we hope to have in a few days.

THINKS RED CROSS SHOULD ALWAYS BE SET FOR DISASTER

Chairman John Barton Payne Says the Florida Disaster Shows Need for Peace Time Strength. FIESER TALKS OF WORK IN FLORIDA

Says People There Now Realize That Red Cross Must Aid With Funds Donated by People.

Washington, Oct. 4.—(AP)—The dreadful disaster to the people of Florida shows the imperative need of maintaining peace time strength of the national Red Cross, Chairman John Barton Payne declared today in a speech prepared for the opening session of the sixth annual convention of the organization.

Deep concern over misunderstanding as to the extent of the need for relief work in Florida was expressed by James L. Fieser, vice chairman of the Red Cross, who has been in charge of operations in the disaster area for the past two weeks. Florida state officials, he added, believe no longer that the hurricane sufferers can be taken care of without outside aid.

To local pride on part of State officials he attributed the dissemination of early reports that southern Florida was not suffering as gravely as had been pictured, reports which drew from Chairman Payne the statement that Florida officials and real estate operators practically nullified his statements.

The differences, Fieser said, had confused the people of the United States as to the aid that was required. Without this misunderstanding "the first time in the history of the Red Cross that confusion has blocked prompt contribution of the all amount asked," he expressed confidence that \$5,000,000 and more would have been subscribed a week ago.

With the \$3,000,000 already collected the Red Cross can help a certain number of the 18,000 families rendered homeless, he continued, while other officials of the organization expressed hope that the remaining \$2,000,000 desired would be raised before the end of this week.

Fieser said that he did not believe that Governor Martin believes there is no need, but if he wants to say that, that it is up to him," adding that he had observed no friction in relief work on the ground, but that "everyone had their sleeves rolled up and were co-operating in a fine spirit."

Seats of Army-Navy Game Sell For Over \$1,000 Each. Chicago, Oct. 1.—Hundreds of Chicagoans demonstrated their enthusiasm over football a day early today by bidding up box seat prices for the Army-Navy game, November 27, to \$2,500 in three hour auction in a downtown hotel which added more than \$175,000 to the city's fund for financing the great service classic.

G. Frank Croissant, real estate operator, got the first box, immediately behind the resident's section on the Army side for \$2,500 and two hours later head news dispatches from Washington advising that the chief executive could not attend the game because of the prospective pressure of official business.

The first box on the Navy side went to Roy Tammes another real estate operator for \$1,800.

House Damaged by Fire. The house on Academy street occupied by Luke Ritchie and family was badly damaged by fire this morning about 11 o'clock.

The fire was on the roof and had caused most of its damage before the firemen arrived. With two streams of water the firemen quickly extinguished the blaze.

Most of the roof on the rear of the house was burned off.

MORE MINERS ARE REPORTED TRAPPED FAR UNDER GROUND

65 Men Believed to Be Entombed at Roane Iron Company's Coal Mine at Rockwood, Tenn.

MINE OFFICIALS HURRY TO SCENE

Miners Were at Work Five Miles Beneath Surface at Time of the Reported Explosion.

Rockwood, Tenn., Oct. 4.—(AP)—A mine explosion three miles underground at the Rogers entry of the Roane Iron Company's coal mine was reported to have occurred this morning. Sixty-five miners are known to have been working at that point, and no word had been received from them by noon today. A rescue party has been organized.

Eugene Toddlar, a miner, first reported the explosion. He was about two miles from the Rogers entry and stated that he had felt the force of the blast and smelled gases from the explosion.

Deputy state mine inspector A. J. Holden was in Rockwood at the time and accompanied the mine rescue party which will make an investigation.

Selecting Seed Corn in Stanly. Albemarle, Oct. 4.—(AP)—Twenty farmers in Stanly county will select their seed corn in the field this year, according to County Agent O. H. Phillips. These men attended a meeting last week and heard James C. Murray, one of their neighbors, tell about the difference in yield which he obtained in favor of field selected seeds as compared with that picked from the crib. Mr. Murray was very enthusiastic. Mr. Phillips said, and was of the opinion that the field selected seed is worth at least \$5 a bushel, if not more.

Dairy Farming in Union County. Monroe, Oct. 4.—(AP)—Dairy farmers in Union county are going in for more and better livestock, and are feeding according to recommendations of the dairy extension specialists, states County Agent T. J. W. Broom. M. I. Rollins has recently built a large silo and will feed eighteen milk cows this winter on the stored roughage. According to Mr. Broom, all the feed is home grown and not a pound of grain has been bought for either cattle or hogs.

The Soviet Government in Russia employs an official commissioner to tour the country lecturing on the evils of excessive tea drinking.

NO WORLD SERIES GAME SCHEDULED FOR FANS TODAY

The Yankees and Cardinals, fighting for premier baseball honors for the year, are idle this afternoon. Due to the long jump from New York to St. Louis the teams were given a day of rest. The third game will be played in St. Louis tomorrow, starting at 1:30 P. M. St. Louis time and 2:30 Concord time.

The Yankees won Saturday 2 to 1 due to Penock's fine pitching and the Cardinals won yesterday 6 to 2 behind Alexander's masterful pitching.

THE COTTON MARKET

Opened Steady Today at an Advance of Six Points To a Decline of One Point. New York, Oct. 4.—(AP)—The cotton market opened steady today at an advance of 6 points to a decline of one point.

Over-Sunday selling orders from the South were in smaller volume than reported while there appeared to be considerable trade buying as well as covering and buying for a reaction. This was reflected in a firmer tone as soon as early offerings had been absorbed, the market selling up to 13.43 for December and 13.70 for March by the end of the first hour, or about 12 to 19 points net higher.

Reports of rains at some points in the western belt and of a tropical storm formation in the Yucatan Channel probably contributed to the advance, while the smaller Southern selling here led to talk of an increased holding movement in the belt.

Private crop reports estimated the condition at 57.4 and the indicated yield at 15,350,000 bales.

Cotton futures opened steady. Oct. 13.40; Dec. 13.25; March 13.55; May 13.80.

MRS. MARGARET PAGE DIES WHILE AT CHURCH

Is Stricken While Receiving Reunion At First Baptist—Her Desire Is Fulfilled. Salisbury, Oct. 3.—Miss Margaret Page, widow of John W. Page, died this morning while attending services at the First Baptist church. Mrs. Page was 67 years old and a native of Rowan county. Her husband died 12 years ago.

Mrs. Page had expressed the hope that she might die while attending services at her church, which she loved so well. She had not been in good health recently but felt able to go to service this morning. Her death occurred while she was in the act of receiving communion. No arrangements have been made about the funeral.

J. E. Reinhardt is Dead. Lincolnton, Oct. 3.—Joseph Edgar Reinhardt, 76, prominent farmer and cotton manufacturer of near Lincolnton, died here tonight after an extended illness resulting from a stroke of paralysis sustained eight years ago.

ANNOUNCEMENT

The 58th Series in this old reliable Building and Loan Association will open on October 2nd, 1926.

RUNNING SHARES COST 25 CENTS PER SHARE PER WEEK. PREPAID SHARES COST \$72.25 PER SHARE.

ALL STOCK IS NON-TAXABLE. STOCK HAS BEEN MATURING IN 328 WEEKS.

THE BOOKS ARE NOW OPEN FOR SUBSCRIPTIONS FOR SHARES IN SERIES NO. 58.

START SAYING FOR A RAINY DAY—SAVE TO OWN YOUR OWN HOME. BEGIN NOW. CABARRUS COUNTY BUILDING LOAN AND SAVINGS ASSOCIATION. Office in the Concord National Bank

5-DAY WEEK GETS APPROVAL OF THE LABOR FEDERATION

Delegates to Convention Having Adopted This Plan Now Give Attention to Other Things.

NO BITTER FIGHT NOW IN PROSPECT

Relations With Mexican Federation Not Expected to Cause Any Differences at Convention.

Detroit, Oct. 4.—(AP)—Committed to the five-day week as the next major forward step for "the highest paid workers in the world," executive officers of the American Federation of Labor turned today in the opening session of the Federation's 46th annual convention to a multitude of problems centered on the welfare of American labor.

Eleventh hour agreements between groups widely separated on several vexatious questions opened a fair prospect for the two weeks' assembly, bringing forth prediction of prominent leaders that the entire time probably would be devoted to deliberations upon constructive policies being directly upon the immediate program of the organization.

Foreboding division of sentiment in the preliminary gatherings last week on the question of relations with the Mexican Federation of Labor were bridged by an informal agreement between representatives of a majority of the convention voting strength to accept without debate the recommendation of the executive council.

The executive council's report was the first order of business at the afternoon session.

The five-day week of forty hours was defined as a cardinal point in the Federation's policy of constructive progress," by President Wm. Green after the final pre-convention gathering of the executive council yesterday.

APPEALS FOR FUNDS FOR FLORIDA SUFFERERS

Governor McLean Asks for More Liberal Contribution for Their Relief. Raleigh, Oct. 4.—An appeal for more liberal contributions for the relief of the many thousands of people in Florida who are homeless and penniless as the result of the recent hurricane was issued today by Governor A. W. McLean, who calls attention to the fact that North Carolina as a whole has not "measured up" to the general reputation which it has made in the past of contributing promptly and liberally.

The statement issued by the governor follows: "To the people of North Carolina: "Relying upon reports from the Hon. Judge Barton Payne, head of the American Red Cross, I urge the people of the state to make more liberal contributions for the relief of the storm sufferers in the state of Florida. While some communities have made contributions, I do not feel that our state has measured up to the general reputation which it has made in the past of contributing promptly and liberally to the alleviation of those in distress."

"Contributions should be made through the American Red Cross, which is a most reliable organization and which is now in charge of the relief of the many thousands of people in Florida. I urge particularly the local chapters of the Red Cross and all other civic bodies and charitable organizations in the state to make an earnest effort, within the next week or ten days, to increase the aggregate of contributions from North Carolina."

"ANGUS W. McLEAN, Governor."

RECEIVERS REPORT

First Report Made by Receivers for Tobacco Growers Co-operative Association. Richmond, Oct. 4.—(AP)—The first general report of the receivership of the Tobacco Growers Co-operative Association was filed today in Virginia, North Carolina and South Carolina United States district courts by James H. Post, Hiet S. Ward and Merton L. Corey, receivers.

The report is supplemented by a complete statement of the assets and liabilities as at June 10, 1926, together with a statement to date of the receipts and disbursements of the receivers in liquidating the association.

The report shows that at the time of the receivership the association owned about 70,000,000 pounds of tobacco, practically all of which was pledged to secure loans from the banks in the sum of \$8,703,200. This indebtedness has been reduced to \$5,355,523.33, the report shows.

The receivers point out that liquidation of the association was inevitable, that during the period of May 19 to June 19 the last month preceding the receivership the association had been compelled to receive loans from the Federal Intermediate Credit Bank of Baltimore in the sum of \$3,399,400, and to call upon that bank to furnish funds for operating expenses amounting to \$150,000.

Cocoa beans, from which chocolate is made, were used as currency by the early people of Central America.

POLITICAL BLASTS FROM THREE MAJOR CENTERS OFFERED

Leaders of Democratic, Republican and Prohibition Parties Make Statements During the Day.

PRESIDENT IS VAGUE, CHARGED

This Charge Made by Democrats While Republicans Say Democrats Not Able to Find An Issue.

Washington, Oct. 4.—(AP)—Political blasts from three major centers—Republican, democratic and prohibition—were added today to those already discharged by party spokesmen who have their gaze upon the November elections which will decide control of the 70th Congress.

"President Coolidge's professed fears of a contemplated raid on the federal treasury in the December session," said Representative Oldfield, Ark., said, chairman of the democratic congressional committee, "are too vague and mysterious to be taken seriously by the country"; while Representative Wood, Indiana, chairman of the republican congressional committee, said the congress party "in futile efforts to find even one issue in which the public response to its' contentions would amount to more than a hollow echo of its own faint murmurings, has shown bull-frog like agility in jumping from any one subject to another, but in no instance has it found a place in which even temporarily to sun itself."

Wayne B. Wheeler, general counsel of the Anti-Saloon League, entered the controversy with a statement that "Oregon will be the center of several state-wide wet and dry fights," the others being in Missouri, Montana, Colorado and California while he contended that prohibition referendum elections in New York, Nevada, Wisconsin and Illinois would be without "any legal effect."

If the President and Secretary McLean would join the democratic at the December session of Congress Representative Oldfield asserted, "the large surplus now being piled up in the treasury would be restored to the people by means of another cut-in their taxes, and there will then be nothing to fear from the mysterious raiders now giving the President so much concern."

While Representative Wood declared that "there is not a vulnerable spot in the republican record" on the tariff, national prosperity, governmental economy, taxation and farm relief. "The real issue of this campaign," he added, "is found by combining all of these subjects."

Prohibition, Mr. Wheeler contended, has decreased deaths from alcoholism, arrests for drunkenness, alcoholism, insanity, consumption of alcohol, juvenile cases requiring court action, crimes against chastity, and a tremendous decline in the number of first offenders for drunkenness and many other offenses connected with the use of liquor.

These results, he continued, "added to the economic gains, will withstand the Rock of Gibraltar against any wet wave or beer attack on the 18th amendment."

Report New Treatment on Lung Tuberculosis.

Washington, Oct. 4.—(AP)—The newer adaptation of lung collapse therapy is the most significant and at present most helpful advance in the treatment of tuberculosis, asserted Dr. Charles H. Best, director of the Laennec Hospital and Dispensary in Paris, in an address today before the National Tuberculosis Association convention.

"Artificial pneumothorax, by means of which a diseased lung may be collapsed to superinduce artificial rest, is a real condition of the organ," said Dr. Best, "is the most helpful advance made in the treatment of lung tuberculosis."

"Even in those cases where both lungs were effected, the collapse of both lungs by surgical methods, with only twenty per cent of the normal vitality capacity left in them, has proved a successful Thoracoplasty, a modern surgical adaptation of the older method of puncturing the chest wall to collapse the lung, has resulted in the improvement of an additional number of cases where adhesions formerly prevented the obtaining of relief."

Babylonians Bobbed Avers Archaeologists.

Berkeley, Cal., Oct. 4.—(AP)—Tombs definitely assigned to the neolithic period, marking the transition from the stone to the early bronze age, have been discovered in recent archaeological investigations in Palestine, by Prof. William F. Bade, of the Peabody School of Religion.

Seven crania and one skeleton encased in paraffine are enroute here for scientific study.

Dr. Bade also uncovered a well modeled head of an Astarte or Babylonian Venus whose coiffure strikingly resembles the modern feminine hair cut.

THE WEATHER

Fair tonight, warmer in extreme west; Tuesday partly cloudy, possibly showers in extreme west. Generally variable winds, becoming moderate south.