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Multi-Million Dollar Storm Leaves Destruction, 76 Dead

Nov. 27—(AP)—Life for most of the Eastern Seaboard's millions was getting back to normal today, 48 hours after the great Appalachian storm spread death and destruction from South Carolina to Maine.

The death list in the Coastal states and New England stood at 76, threatened to grow as delayed reports came in from isolated areas.

Some estimates put property loss at \$100,000,000 in the north-east alone.

Most power, traffic and telephone service torn up by the storm was restored yesterday, but many areas still were cut off—mostly suffering from power failure.

No Heat, Light

Thousands still shivered from lack of heat and met the darkness with candles—if they were lucky enough to have them.

The storm itself moved away from the coastal region Saturday night, leaving behind a cold wave that hovered just under freezing.

Contrary to all normal weather movements in the Northern Hemisphere, the storm's center turned northwest instead of continuing northeast. It left New York only to swing over Lake Erie, then down on Northern Ohio, and then north-west again over Lake Huron, where the weather bureau said it was blowing itself out today.

This was the storm center only. Around it on all sides raging snow-laden winds whirling out nearly 600 miles in every direction and hitting from Maine to the Mississippi River at their wildest span.

On the storm's earlier northeast passage, the shore areas were ripped by winds with gusts up to 108 miles per hour, and drenched with rain.

The deluge in the New York City watershed area alone was enough to pour 25-billion gallons into the city's reservoirs—a 25-day supply of water that was one of the storm's few bright spots.

Dam Breaks

The heavy runoff, however, was too much for the dam that backed up a hotel's private lake at Pine Hill, 35 miles north of New York City.

It tore out last night, sweeping away eight highway bridges, flooding an area 25 miles square, and isolating Pine Hill and affecting Phoenicia, Shandake, Mt. Tremper and Fleischmann.

Upstate New York, the rain turned to snow and perilled at least 100 hunters in the Lake Placid-Saranac Lake region.

Faculty Member's Article Published

Welcome E. Wright, assistant professor in the Industrial Education Department is the author of a magazine article in the December issue of Industrial Arts and Vocational Education.

The story "Application of Copper Foil to Furniture" discusses revitalizing and enriching the surfaces of projects made of wood through the use of toolled copper foil.

Wright illustrated the subject with working drawings and photographs to show how wall decorations, lamps, and chests of drawers may be improved through this medium.

The article is supplemented with detailed instructions for an amateur, student, or teacher.

Higgins to Head Science Group

J. E. Higgins, senior wildlife major from Hereford, was elected president of the A&M Chapter of the Texas Collegiate Academy of Science at its last meeting.

Other officers elected were Tony Margotta, junior business major from Reagan, secretary-treasurer; W. B. Kucera, wildlife major from Ennis, vice-president; Carl Stephens, junior biology major from Devine, and Marvin Atkins, junior physics major from Bryan, reporters; and Freddie Nye, senior wildlife major from Brownsville, parliamentarian.

\$4600 Grant Made Experiment Station

A \$4,600 check has been received by the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station from J. W. Barker, president, Research Foundation, Williams-Waterman Fund of New York.

Professors J. R. Couch and L. L. Gee will use the money for research in connection with "The Effect of Feeding Antibiotics on the Growth, Reproduction and Intestinal Microflora of the Domestic Poultry." R. D. Lewis, director of the TAES, said today.

Storm deaths came from many causes. Many were electrocutions from fallen power lines. One man was killed by a falling cornice in New York City. Others drowned, died under falling trees, from exposure, in storm-caused traffic accidents, or from heart attacks brought on by exhaustion and strain.

Pennsylvania, hit hardest by the storm's western onslaught, had its own death toll to add to those in Ohio and Indiana.

The Weather Bureau said the storm was nearly a "land hurricane" and rated it the worst ever recorded in the Northeastern United States.

All along the coast today were the signs of its passage—smashed beach houses, flooded flatlands, washed-out bridges, broken trees, windows and a perfect harvest of television aerials. Boatowners took extra heavy losses—greatest since the 1938 hurricane.

Even Manhattan's stone and steel yielded to the winds. Some whole blocks were still roped off where cornices and parts of building roofs and windows had ripped away or seemed about to give.

Security Measures . . .

Army Restrictions Plague Reporters

On the Chongchon River Line, Korea, Nov. 27—(AP)—Indirect censorship has settled like a fog over this heretofore freely reported war.

It is hard to say who ordered it, but any public information officer—the connecting link between the free press and the Army—will shrug and explain that the generals want tighter security.

The Army insists there is no censorship. There isn't so far as editing dispatches are concerned. The Army can and apparently is accomplishing the same result by withholding information at the operational command level.

The heat was greatest about two days ago. At one corps headquarters correspondents reported that for one day the press telephone was disconnected and then for a short time their calls were monitored.

One PIO who asked that his name be withheld said: "You can expect to find it that

way all along the line from regimental commander on up the line to corps. They have been told to screen the news."

Corps commanders still are willing to talk to newsmen and will assure them there is no censorship but that they want withheld only matters involving security.

But under the new and unannounced setup tactical news is not always complete.

As an example, briefing officers reported one advance up to a town Friday night. Actually, troops had advanced through the town and moved several miles north of it.

Until now the biggest headache for correspondents has been communications. It was simple to get a story, but to get it out of Korea while it was still fresh news was a problem.

As the Army says, there is no direct censorship, but indirect censorship is here at the moment. It is accomplishing the same end—withholding part of the news until the Army wants it released.

Bonfire 'Hatchetman'



More than a few axes swung like this one over the weekend to provide enough wood to put this year's bonfire in competition with those of the past two years. Scheduled to be lighted Tuesday night, the 1950 bonfire will get its finishing touches this afternoon and tomorrow.

Photo by Battalion Chief Photographer Sam Molinary

Traffic Death Total Hits Holiday Low

Nine Texans died in traffic accidents over the first of two consecutive holiday periods. The nation placed its Thanksgiving traffic death toll at 195.

The Texas figure was extremely low as compared with 41 traffic deaths over the four-day Thanksgiving holiday period last year. The coming week-end remains, however, before this year's total is computed.

The nation at large owed its light traffic toll both to the double Thanksgiving and to the record-breaking storm that made travel virtually impossible over a large area. Tragically enough, the freak blizzard made up the deficit with a 205-person death toll of its town.

Two Pedestrians

Of the nine Texans, two were pedestrians. One of these met death because of a fist fight.

Harry F. Arthur, 43, fell or was knocked into the path of a car during a corner fist fight at Orange Saturday. The car ran over and killed him. It didn't stop. The death was Orange's first traffic fatality in two years.

Clifford B. Allison, 44, of Dallas, was killed Friday night to become the ninetieth traffic victim in Dallas for the year. He stepped into the path of an oncoming car on South Industrial.

Two men, trapped in their overturned automobile, burned to death near Bowie Sunday. A third man, Laurence Coker, 35, of Altus, Okla., was pulled from the wreckage seriously injured and identified the dead as William Nowell, 29, of Mangum, Okla., and Arthur Thomas Lindsay, 35, of Altus, Okla.

J. W. Kaufman, 32, and Mrs. James Van Holloman, 24, both of Taylor, were killed Sunday when the car in which they were riding overturned five miles east of Round Rock.

Ronnie Carl Hodge, 9, died at Kermit Sunday of injuries suffered in a head-on automobile collision Saturday. His mother, Mrs. Carl Hodge of Tatum, N.M., and Joe Bill Sample, 22, were killed in the wreck.

Based on AP Reports

Demo Excess Profits Rift Seen in Lame-Duck Session

By JACK BELL

Washington, Nov. 27—(AP)—A rift over proposed excess profits taxes split Democratic ranks today as lawmakers streamed in for the opening of the "lame duck" Congress session tomorrow.

With President Truman urging quick action on an excess profits levy, Senator Edwin C. Johnson (D-Colo.) told a reporter he will work, instead, for an increase in the present corporation taxes to provide the \$40,000,000,000 in new revenue the President wants.

Business generally has urged an increase in present rates be substituted for the excess profits proposal now before the House Ways and Means Committee.

Johnson, who holds a key—and sometimes deciding—vote on the Senate finance committee, said he thinks all of the excess profits levies thus far offered are "extremely inequitable" and are likely to promote, instead of retard, inflation.

The tax question was on top of the agenda as President Truman called democratic congressional leaders to a Monday White House conference.

The leaders expected to learn also just how much additional money the President thinks is needed to finance the fighting in Korea and build up military forces at home and abroad.

Estimates on this amount run around \$10,000,000,000, including a sizeable chunk for atomic energy developments. The President also has indicated he will ask for about \$85,000,000 for economic aid to drought-stricken Yugoslavia.

The Yugoslavian request may well become a vehicle for expression of new Republican demands for a "re-examination" of administration foreign policies, an issue certain to play an important part in debates in the final session of this 81st Congress.

As the President already has outlined his program, the lame

duck sessions also will be asked to extend the expiring rent control law for 90 days, to revise the McCarran anti-subversives act, and to push to final Senate passage House-approved bills granting statehood to Hawaii and Alaska.

But with 10 lame duck senators and 64 House members in the ranks of the 81st Congress which expires on Jan. 3—they are members who were defeated or didn't run again—the inclination of Republicans will be to delay action on many issues until the new Congress convenes in January. That new Congress will have increased Republican strength in both Houses.

No Chance

Partly because of this and partly because of Southern Democratic opposition, the statehood bills are given almost no chance of passage.

Senator Taft (R-Ohio) said Republican leaders will go over the prospective program at a party policy meeting either later in the day Monday or on Tuesday.

With the House Ways and Means Committee continuing to hear experts behind closed doors, the tax issue remained up in the air. Administration leaders said they had the strength to get House approval of a "moderate" excess profits bill. But Senate action remained doubtful.

Senator Johnson said he is dubious about getting any bill through before an expected pre-Christmas adjournment.

Important Matter

"This is too important a matter to act hastily on it," he said. "If we can't get a bill passed in this session, however, I think we could act in January. When we do, any new taxes we impose ought to be made retroactive from last July 1."

Chairman George (D-Ga.) has not officially called the Senate Finance Committee together to consider the tax proposal. However, Senator Millikin (R-Colo.), the group's top Republican, said he will make a "good faith" effort to get an excess profits levy put on the books.

Meat Plant Class Takes Field Trip

Locker plants in a number of East Texas cities were visited recently by members of the meat plant operation class. 431.

The class visited in Franklin, Buffalo, Palestine, Crockett, Huntsville, and Conroe.

Special attention was given to killing floors, locker box rooms, smoke houses, curing rooms, and cutting rooms.

Red Strength Stops War-Ending Offensive

Tokyo, Nov. 27—(AP)—Bugle-blasting Chinese Red attacks today threatened complete collapse of the big United Nations end-the-war offensive.

Elements of two Chinese Communist armies—more than 100,000 men—rolled back the Allies' entire northwest Korean front. The characteristic bugle calls of the Chinese Reds pierced the frozen night air as enemy troops swarmed to the attack.

AP correspondent Don Whitehead, with the U. S. 25th Division,

sized up the situation this way:

"The big United Nations offensive to bring an early end to the Korean war was threatened with complete collapse today. This was the stark reality of the situation after 48 hours of savage fighting.

"Chinese and North Korean Red troops have dealt a stunning blow to United Nations forces. The offensive that rolled forward for two days has been stopped cold. U. N. troops are on the defensive after giving up most of their gains."

Reserves See Action

Reserve units of Americans, British and Turks were rushed up to bolster a sagging 30-mile eastern section of the winding 80-mile front stretching inland from the Yellow Sea. The front runs from 40 to 60 miles south of the Manchurian border.

An estimated 130,000 Reds—most of them Chinese in quilted winter uniforms—began the counter-assault late Saturday night.

Republic of Korea (ROK) troops and the U. S. Second and 25th Di-

visions bore the brunt of the attacks, which continued with increasing fury Sunday night.

Correspondent Leif Erickson said the American divisions stopped the second night attacks in the center of the line after earlier withdrawals of several miles.

The situation on the eastern flank, manned by the ROK Seventh, Eighth and Sixth Divisions, was not clear. Fighting withdrawals of four to 11 miles in the ROK sector were reported Sunday.

Heavy Casualties

Field dispatches indicated heavy Allied casualties. An indirect censorship settled over operations as a security measure.

In Tokyo, General MacArthur's spokesman said the Chinese counterblows were expected. He asserted that the U. N. offensive, which MacArthur hoped would end the war by Christmas, was halted "temporarily" but "is continuing."

The spokesman described Sunday's withdrawals as limited and added that, in any general advance, the foremost spearheads can be expected to be pushed back. That's what is happening now, he said.

But he declined to elaborate on what was meant by limited withdrawals.

Correspondent Whitehead said the "reversal in battle fortunes came with startling suddenness and the Eight Army is battling to hold the southward surge of Red troops."

"There is no chance of offensive action on this front until the Red attack has been halted and a firm new line established," he added.

Only in the northeast were Allied advances reported. But Red resistance in some sectors there was stiffening.

Artillery Camp Named After General Moore

The Yokohama, Japan site of the 40th Anti Aircraft Artillery Brigade has been named Camp Moore in honor of the late Major General George F. Moore for 40 years of service in the U. S. Army and for his heroic defense of Corregidor.

General Moore, '08, was commanding here from 1938 to 1940.

Newly designated by a General Order from General Headquarters, FEC, the camp was formerly occupied by the Eighth Army signal school, but now is comprised mainly of the Antiaircraft Training Center.

The Tokyo-Yokohama edition of the Pacific Stars and Stripes reported that General Moore's name was selected from a group of artillery officers because of his outstanding service during more than two decades of active duty.

As commander of harbor defenses on Manila and Subic Bays with headquarters on Corregidor, General Moore was forced to surrender May 6, 1942. After the five months of bitter fighting, the former commandant spent more than three years as a Japanese prisoner before being released.

For his extraordinary heroism at Corregidor he received the Distinguished Service Cross.

Prior to his retirement, he served as deputy commanding general of the armed forces headquarters for unification of facilities and services.

Tanamachi Is First In Judging Contest

Walter Tanamachi, senior agronomy major from San Benito, Saturday placed first in commercial judging at the annual crop judging contest at the International Livestock Exposition in Chicago.

The Oklahoma A&M team won the contest by scoring a total of 5,218 points to defeat Texas Tech who scored 5,161. The University of Nebraska was third with 5,123.

Kenneth W. Fitzgerald of Oklahoma was the individual high scorer in all classes with 1,768 points. Second high individual scorer was Victor Herring of Texas Tech with 1,742.

Holiday Spirit Plus . . .

New Features Introduced In November Agriculturist

By SID ABERNATHY

From the catacombs of student publications - dominated second floor of Goodwin Hall comes the awaited November issue of the Agriculturist.

Hitting the stands at a time which closely coincides with the approaching holidays, the magazine's placid maroon cover aptly portrays the symbolic Thanksgiving turkey.

New Features

A new feature was begun in this issue of the bi-monthly publication. Short Rows, a column of short articles dealing with happenings in the School of Agriculture, was introduced by the editors in an endeavor to cover those items which ordinarily would not be published.

Another new-feature introduced in this issue of the magazine, and one which the editor says will be included regularly hereafter, is a biographical sketch of a faculty member in the School of Agriculture who has gained state-wide recognition as an outstanding leader in this field.

Dr. Dan R. Russell, head of the Rural Sociology Department, was selected for the first sketch.

Agricultural Facts and Forecasts in this issue gives the current trends in the marketing field and prognostications as to how commodities will fare in the future.

Following the previously mentioned Short Rows comes a feature on Dual Purpose Cattle for East Texas, a story telling how East Texas Farmers can profitably use dual-purpose bovines for beef and milk in their diversified farming program.

Destroying the long standing but ill-founded belief that all hawks and owls are harmful, the article, Hawks and Owls Work For the Farmer, gives facts and figures to back up the contention that most hawks and owls actually are beneficial to the farmer.

The advantages and restrictions to be considered in the feeding of urea to cattle are discussed in the article, Feeding Cattle Urea. It explains how urea today meets the requirements as one of the best protein supplements in feeding beef cattle.

A success article, Future Leader in Texas Agriculture, is the story of a lad who did not appear different from several hundred other boys who entered A&M this fall. "But a look into his past reveals that he was quite a wheel in Texas 4-H work before coming to A&M to assume the role of 'Fish' Landers for a year," the author writes.

Alpha Zeta History

The history of Alpha Zeta, national honorary fraternity for agricultural students, and how it came to A&M is told in the article, Alpha Zeta Comes to A&M.

Who's Master . . . Man or Insect? is the story of a small group of men at Kerrville who are waging a very successful campaign against insects affecting livestock.

The new Aggie Rodeo Arena gets another plug in this issue of the Agriculturist.

Appropriately labeled Borrowed Bull, the last page of this issue contains the prize humor lifted from other magazines throughout the country.

Propaganda Birds

Berlin—(AP)—"Little Peace Dove Fly Over the Roof," is the latest Communist song for kindergarten children in Soviet-occupied Eastern Germany.

At a recent student festival at Magdeburg, the children sang the new tune while 30 live doves were turned loose. "They flew eastward," reported the Communist newspaper, "Volksstimme." "to where the bulwark of peace, the great and mighty Soviet Union, lies."

Budget Bureau Plans Security Statistics Ban

Washington, Nov. 27—(AP)—The budget bureau yesterday took preliminary steps toward restricting release of governmental statistical information where it "might endanger the national security."

Director Frederick J. Lawton, under directions from President Truman, asked all federal agencies to submit for budget bureau approval "any proposals for the publication" of statistics "which may involve questions of national security."

Aides said the bureau is as much interested in seeing that agencies do not withhold data unnecessarily as in seeing that they do not release matter which might "endanger national security."

All agencies already are required to clear statistical forms and questionnaires with the bureau so as to keep the number and expense of them at a minimum.

The budget director observed that "statistical series published by different agencies, each of which might be harmless in itself, might be combined to produce information harmful to national security."

During World War II, a presidential order stopped release of data on production schedules and progress reports on aircraft and part, ordinance, shipbuilding, and supplies of critical materials, among other things.

Budget bureau officials said no sweeping restriction of statistics is contemplated now, and that the bureau is chiefly interested in getting up a "preparedness" plan for restriction if and when necessary.

Barlow to Head Land Grant Council

Dean H. W. Barlow of the School of Engineering has been elected to the Senate of the Association of Land Grant Colleges and Universities to represent the Council of Instruction of the ALGCU.

He has also been elected secretary of the Resident Instruction Section of the Engineering Division of the ALGCU for the ensuing year.

The annual meeting of the Association was held last week in Washington, D. C. The 1951 meeting will be held in Houston.

'Elephant Walk' Scheduled Tomorrow

The annual "Elephant Walk" will begin at 11:55 tomorrow on the flagpole in front of the Academic Building. Don Joseph, head yell leader, announced this morning.