

Swollen Rivers Flood Tampico In Low Areas

Mexico City, Aug. 28.—(AP)—Rivers swollen by hurricane rains started flooding low-lying parts of Tampico Monday as Mexico counted its dead and damage from last week's storm.

With thousands of acres flooded inland, rescuers feared the death toll in Mexico from last Wednesday's hurricane and its aftermath may go above the 54 persons reported thus far. The injured were numbered at 382.

Damage to storm-battered Tampico and crops over hundreds of square miles along the Gulf Coast is unofficially estimated at \$6,000,000.

The hurricane took 156 lives on the British Island of Jamaica, one each in Tampico and Tuxpan, 42 from the flood of a burst dam at Cardenas. Ten persons were reported drowned in the floods around El Mante, on the Pan American Highway from Laredo, Tex., to Mexico City.

The Panuco River started to overflow Centenario Avenue, in lower Tampico, and the Morelos District on Chairel Lagoon Monday. It also covered evacuated Pithaya Island, in the lagoon. The river was six feet above normal, having risen seven inches between midnight and 8 a. m. (CST). Inhabitants of the flooded areas escaped in boats.

A four-day old tropical storm in the Pacific had veered away from Mexico's West Coast. The Los Angeles, Calif., weather bureau reported it centered 350 miles West-Northwest of Le Paz, at the tip of lower California, at 2 p. m. (CST). The winds of 60 miles an hour velocity, accompanied by rough sea, heavy rain and squalls as far as 200 miles, apparently was moving north-westward out into the ocean.

Trucks and trains pushed through receding flood waters in the Tampico zone to carry food, doctors and medicines to thousands of refugees. Government planes flew mercy missions to towns whose land communications were washed out by the rains.

Road communications to Tampico, oil port of 100,000 inhabitants which took the brunt of the storm, were open Monday. But many small towns, some of them without airports, were still cut off. Army planes dropped them supplies.

Newlywed



Miss Josephine Watts, daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. Thomas Gordon Watts, 500 E. 25th St., Bryan, and Roland E. Bing, son of Dr. and Mrs. R. E. Bing of Katy, were married Monday evening at St. Andrews Episcopal church in Bryan. After a short wedding trip, the couple will be at home at 1104 Milner E., College Station.

At St. Andrews Episcopal Church

Miss Watts, Roland Bing Wed in Twilight Ceremony

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In a candle light service at St. Andrews Episcopal Church of Bryan, Miss Josephine Watts exchanged wedding vows with Roland Bing Monday at 6:30 p. m.

The bride is the daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. Thomas Gordon Watts, 500 E. 25th St., Bryan. Dr. and Mrs. R. E. Bing of Katy are parents of the bridegroom, who is manager of student publications at A&M College. The bride's father was officiating minister, assisted by H. E. Dyal.

Best Man Is Brother

Arlis W. Bing, student at Baylor Medical School of Dallas, served his brother as best man.

Mrs. James L. Price Jr. of Memphis, Tennessee, was the matron of honor. Mrs. Price is a sister of the bride. Her pale pink gown was identical to that of the bride, and she wore a feudal peak tiara. The honor attendant carried a bouquet of dark red roses.

Ushers were William and John Lancaster, students at A&M; Lt. Arch C. Baker, Jr., Fort Hood, former Battalion editor Lt. Charles

E. Murray, Camp Bullis; and brother of the groom Dr. Lyndon W. Bing, Baylor Medical graduate who has recently completed his residence work in Ohio.

Completing the wedding party were little Miss Grace Dyal as flowergirl and Master James L. Price III, as ring bearer.

Pews Decorated

Church Pews were decorated with white ribbons, candles and flowers. Opening music by Bach was rendered on the organ by Charles H. Moore, Soloist was Arch C. Baker Sr., of College Station.

Palms furnished the background for candelabra filled with white tapers. Large wicker baskets held chrysanthemums and roses, and vines twined the altar rail where the bridal party assembled. The Rev. Watts gave his daughter in marriage.

Bride Wore Satin

The bride wore a white satin gown fashioned with a round neckline accentuated with nylon tulle double ruching, short sleeves with pointed cuffs, and the basque cut to a point in front. She wore a

tiarra of seed pearls with a two-tiered, fingertip length veil. Short white doekin gloves completed her costume. A white orchid was nestled in a cluster of white roses and bouvardias in the bridal bouquet, which was tied with white satin streamers caught in lover's knots.

Mrs. Watts and Mrs. Bing, mothers of the bridal pair, were attired in formal crepe gowns.

Reception Held

Following the ceremony, a small reception was held at the Watts home. A three-tiered wedding cake decorated by a miniature bride and groom was served by Mrs. S. R. Gammon from a table covered with an English linen tea cloth. White tapers in silver holders illuminated the table, which was further enhanced by arrangements of white chrysanthemums and roses. Lime punch was served by Mrs. R. R. Lancaster, and Mrs. Arlys Bing presided at the registry.

The bride was graduated from Stephen F. Austin High School of Bryan. She was a member of the National Honor Society. In 1942 she received her BA degree from the University of Texas. At the University she was a member of the Classical Club and the Cap and Gown society. A history and government major, she sang in the Presbyterian Church choir. Receiving her MA degree in English from Tulane in 1945, Miss Watts was a member of the Spectator Literary Club and the secretary of her graduating class. In 1948 and 1949 she was an assistant professor at Austin College.

Bing Graduate of A&M

Bing, A&M graduate of 1942, was editor of The Agriculturist, a Distinguished Student, 2nd Lt. of B Infantry, president of the FFA, a member of the Scholarship Honor Society, the Y Cabinet, Press Club, and Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities. He has been head of student publications at A&M since 1945.

The bride's "going away" costume was a light blue silk shantung cape suit with white waffle pique collar and cuffs. Her accessories were a blue velvet helmet hat, and blue velvet shoes and bag. She wore a white orchid corsage.

After a brief wedding trip the couple will be at home at 1104 Milner E., College Hills.



Mrs. Martha W. Bennett of Palestine, Tex., whose rare skill in needlework has been developed during an unusually long life, celebrated her one-hundredth birthday recently. Friends of the chipper old lady came from as far away as her native Mississippi for the occasion.

Newsmen Cited In Court Charge

Lake Charles, La., Aug. 28.—(AP)—Four officials and a reporter of the Lake Charles American Press were indicted yesterday on charges of defaming a number of public officials and three admitted gamblers.

The indictments were handed down by the Calcasieu Parish (county) grand jury after a two week special session called to investigate newspaper reports of public bribery, defamation of public officials, gambling and narcotics law violations.

The grand jury refused to indict Sheriff Henry A. Reid on two charges of malfeasance of office.

Newsmen Named

Named in the indictments were Thomas B. Shearman, publisher of the American Press; his son, William Hugh Shearman, co-publisher; Kenneth L. Dixon, managing editor; James W. Norton, city editor; and Carter George, police and court reporter of the American Press.

The grand jury also ordered the secretary of the Calcasieu Parish peoples action group to turn over to it a list of all its members—a list which had been kept secret by the group in its private investigation of gambling in the parish.

The grand jury charged the newspapermen defamed district attorney Griffin P. Hawkins; assistant district Attorney Melvin H.

Wetherhill; the 13 members of the Calcasieu Parish police jury, the parish governing body; Sheriff A. Reid; Claude Williams, admitted gambler and night club operator; Sam Smith, another admitted gambler and night club operator; and E. J. Miller, another night club operator and admitted gambler.

Williams, Smith and Miller recently pleaded guilty to gambling charges in district court here and were fined and given suspended jail sentences.

Bond Posted

Each of the indicted men was freed after posting bond of \$250 on each count in which he was named. There were five indictments in all totaling 14 counts.

The charge is a misdemeanor punishable on each count with a maximum of one year in jail and a \$3,000 fine.

Thomas B. Sherman, William Hugh Shearman and Carter George were each indicted on charges of defaming Smith, Miller and Williams.

Dixon was indicted on charges of defaming Smith, Miller, Williams, the police jury, the district attorney and the assistant district attorney. The grand jury returned a no true bill on charges he defamed District Judge Mark C. Pickrel.

Norton was charged with defaming only Sheriff Henry A. Reid.

Price Clinic Set In Bryan Wednesday

Another in a regularly-scheduled August series of price clinics will be held in Bryan, Wednesday. The meeting will be conducted at the Chamber of Commerce, 603 Varisco, from 9 a.m. until noon.

All businessmen of Bryan and Brazos County have been urged to attend the meeting. Price specialists from the Houston District OPS will be present to answer questions of businessmen regarding OPS regulations.

Operators of consumer services establishments in the area also have been urged to attend the clinic

where the specialists will offer their assistance to them in complying with price regulations.

OPS representatives who will conduct the price clinic are Peyton Campbell and Edwin Phillips.

Milk Industry Sets Leadership Awards

The new Milk Industry Foundation Collegiate Leadership Awards, which have created widespread interest in college dairy departments, will be presented for the first time at the Detroit convention October 24-25. Dr. A. V. Moore, of the Dairy Husbandry Department, said today.

The purpose of the award, Dr. Moore says, "is to recognize outstanding senior dairy students in U. S. and Canadian agricultural colleges and universities on a regional basis by certificates of award and a trip to the annual convention for the outstanding student in each region."

Willard "The Knuck" Ramsdell of the Cincinnati Reds was taught the art of pitching by his father, an ex-semi-pro ball player.

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