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DEATHS MAY REACH 800

Stories of Suffering, Grief, Damage and Desolation Come from Stricken Region-Property Loss Estimated at Thirty Millions.

WEST PALM BEACH, Florida, Sept. 21—With the details from last Sunday's hurricane still not definitely determined but estimated by relief workers at between 700 and 800 persons, rescue squads toiled through the stricken Lake Okeechobee area today.

Howard W. Selby, chairman of the Palm Beach County Red Cross, announced that 500 persons were known by his workers to be dead. He estimated the count will reach 800 when final figures are available.

Property losses to Palm Beach County alone he said, will reach nearer $30,000,000 than his previous estimate of $20,000,000. Fifteen thousand persons are homeless in the county, he declared, and 8,000 persons in the lake region are desperately in need of medical aid, food and clothing.

Sixty-two bodies had been brought here and buried up to noon today, a check with officials and undertakers showed. Twenty-one of these were white persons and have been identified. They were residents of Belle Glade, Pahokee and vicinity. The remainder of the bodies were those of negroes, many of whom have not been identified.

Stories of Suffering and Grief

WEST PALM BEACH, Florida, Sept. 21.—Out of the saw grass regions of Lake Okeechobee where the hurricane struck several communities and brought death or injury to an estimated several hundred, came stories today of suffering, grief, damage and desolation, the greatest ever experienced in the section.

The hurricane Sunday night whipped across towns and settlements on the southeastern end of the 40 mile long lake Okeechobee and relief workers who battled their way into West Palm Beach today over water-covered roads, gave graphic accounts of the storm's fury.

Thumped by the 125-mile wind, a dyke near Pahokee crumbled and citizens of that area had to battle against flood waters as well as flying timbers from their wrecked homes and debris which littered a large section.

Today Dr. R. H. Gillespie a dentist here returned with a relief crew from Pahokee and said he counted the bodies of forty negroes stacked in one place at Pahokee awaiting removal to a burial ground.

National guard officers who were on patrol duty there told him they had located 200 additional bodies but had not yet removed them. He said conditions there were so "horrible" as to be beyond description.

LADY BYNG LEFT 750,000 POUNDS

LONDON, Sept. 21.—Lady Byng, wife of the hero of Vimy Ridge, is left £750,000 in the will of Pandeli Ralli a wealthy Greek merchant, who was a relative of hers, says The Evening Standard. Ralli was a romantic figure in English society. He was a friend of Edward VII, and of Lord Kitchener. He died at Brighton last August at the age of 83.

Sir Henry Has Audience With Crown Prince

(Special to The Guardian)

OSLO, Sweden, Sept. 21.—Sir Henry Thornton, Chairman and President of the Canadian National Railways had a half hour audience yesterday with Crown Prince Gustaf Adolf at the latter's residence near Stockholm. The Crown Prince is interested in Canada and made many inquiries regarding the opportunities within its borders.

Postal Clerks Ridicule Terms Mail Carriers

OTTAWA, Sept. 21.—Demands for a boost in maximum salaries from $1,500 a year to $2,100, a seven hour day and a five day week, made by Canadian letter carriers at the Windsor, Ont., convention of the Federated Association of Letter Carriers, at the Wetaoinetaoinshrdluetaoishr were called "ridiculous" by members of the executive of the Dominion Postal Clerks' Association meeting here today.

Officials of the Postal Clerks' Association said no action would be taken regarding such demands as formulated yesterday, and the stand of the letter carriers in Windsor would have no bearing whatever on the salary revision to be discussed at the meeting here.

TORONTO, Sept., 21.— Maritime fresh southwesterly winds, partly cloudy and moderately warm with a few light scattered showers.

Toronto, fair	60-56
Montreal, cloudy	70-60
Quebec, cloudy	60-54
Charlottetown, fair	68-56
Halifax, rain	60-56
St. John, fog	62-56
Boston, fair	80-64
New York, fair	74-60

High tide this afternoon at 4.52 and tomorrow morning at 3.26.

Sun sets this afternoon at 5.58 and rises tomorrow morning at 5.48.

**Crosby's Mill, Bonshaw, will be closed Sept. 24th, 25th, 26th. 7959-9-22-21

Announcements, Coming Events, Meetings, Etc.

**Robin Hood Flour now procurable in Gingham or Cotton bags. All grocers. 7-14-tf.

**Zion Church Mission Band Pastry Sale Patons Store, Saturday afternoon. 7926-9-21-21

**Buying hogs, sheep and lambs at Emerald Tuesday forenoon, Sept. 25th. Everett Haslam. 905-9-21-31

**Reserve Thursday, Dec. 13th, for Zion Church, annual tea and Bazaar. 7829-9-21-21

**Reserve Nov. 29th for tea and bazaar at Trinity United Church. 7921-9-21-21

**Club loading hogs and lambs at Murray River, October 2nd. Meeting same evening. John W. McLean. 7910-9-21-22-24

**Buying hogs, sheep, and lambs, at Kensington Tuesday forenoon of each week. Alden Moase. 7937-9-22-24-tf

**Wiltshire Club, loading hogs lambs and calves, Thursday 27th till 10.30 a. m. List before Wednesday. E. N. Easter, Sec'y. 7934-9-22-21

**Hunter River Club loading hogs and lambs Thursday, Sept. 27th. All stock must be listed before Tuesday. Adam Brown, Secy. 7900-9-21-21

**Buying live hogs, fat sheep and lambs, and veal calves Tuesday, Sept. 25th, at Hunter River. James E. Andrew. 7930-9-22-21

**Elliott's Flour Mills not grinding wheat until further notice. Crushing grain done promptly. Percy Howatt. 7926-9-22-21

**Montague and Cardigan Clubs loading hogs lambs and calves Wednesday forenoon Sept. 26th. List at once. Above clubs booking fat cattle for October 1st list by Sept. 28th. Mont Annear, 7951-9-22-31

ISLAND OF PORTO RICO HIT BY HURRICANE

A hurricane raging at 132 miles an hour has devastated the Island of Porto Rico, taking toll of 1,000 or more lives, according to present estimates, and doing $100,000,000 damage to property. The gale also struck the east coast of Florida, isolating several cities, and doing considerable damage. Picture No. 1 shows the famous bronze statue "Victory" constructed by Bonnie Macleary, which stood on the capitol building at San Juan, Porto Rico, and which was wrecked by the storm. No. 2 shows the San Juan waterfront where damage estimated at $2,000,000 was done. No. 3 shows three native Porto Ricans, engaged in hat weaving. No. 4 is the Presbyterian hospital in San Juan, reported unroofed and badly damaged. No. 6 is a map of the hurricane zone, from Porto Rico northwesterly to Florida.

NEW RECORD FOR MINERAL PRODUCTION

Total Output From All the Mining Industries Reached a Value of $247,356,695 in 1927 According to Report Just Issued.

OTTAWA, Sept. 21.—Following the establishment of a new high record for mineral production of Canada in 1927 when the total output from all the mining industries reached a value of $247,356,695, says a report issued today by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics, the fact that many of the principal commodities reached higher totals in the first half of 1928 than were recorded in the first half of 1927, points to a continuance of prosperity in the mining industry and forecasts the possibility of new records being established when the totals for the present calendar year are compiled.

For the first half of the current year metals and non-metals produced from Canadian ores reached a value of $105,632,571 as compared with $99,037,814 for the six months ending June 30, 1927.

Production of all metals with the exception of silver, arsenic and platinum was greater this year than last.

Coal production in the non-metal field, amounted to 8,248,500 short tons having a value of $28,943,945 as compared with 8,424,631 tons, worth $29,695,818 in the first six months of last year. Less coal was mined in Nova Scotia and New Brunswick this year than last, but increased outputs were reported from Saskatchewan, Alberta and British Columbia.

MCCOMB, Miss., Sept., 21. — Three volunteer firemen were killed here today during a fire that destroyed the McComb wholesale grocery Company with property loss estimated at more than $100,000.

EMPIRE STATESMEN ON SUNDAY VISIT

Itinerary of Empire Parliamentary Association Cuts Island Visit to Sunday Only, Making Official Reception Impossible.

The Guardian regrets to report that the tour of the Empire Parliamentary Association has been so arranged that the visit of the distinguished overseas delegates to this Province will fall on Sunday, Sept. 30th. They will arrive here by special tran at 4 o'clock Sunday morning and will leave at midnight for the mainland.

Naturally it is impossible for the Provincial Government officially to receive and entertain the visitors on Sunday. Premier Saunders informs the Guardian that he wrote to the chairman of the party, intimating that the Government would be delighted to have the members of the Association remain over for another day, when a public reception, followed by a luncheon and a carefully arranged programme could be prepared so as to give the visitors every opportunity of seeing Prince Edward Island, its agricultural and industrial activities, and the advantages which this Province has to offer to prospective settlers. A reply was received, expressing regret that their itinerary did not permit of accepting this offer. In the circumstances, the Premier states, the Government can take no official notice of the visit.

Consequently the entertainment of the visiting delegates will depend upon the initiative of our citizens.

It has been suggested that a motor car trip in the morning, followed by an informal luncheon, with a sail on the Hillsboro River Sunday afternoon, might yet be arranged.

Was Not Consulted

It is regrettable also that the Publicity Association, whose executive and members have ever been ready to undertake matters of this kind in the interest of the Province, have received no official intimation

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MAURITANIA SETS NEW SPEED RECORD

NEW YORK, Sept. 21.—The Cundard liner Mauretania, which docked tonight, claimed to have clipped 43 minutes from her own world's record for the Atlantic crossing from Cherbourg to New York. She completed the voyage to Ambrose Channel light in five days, two hours and 34 minutes, Captain McNeil, master of the ship, said. The previous record was five days, three hours, 17 minutes.

Will Fight Extradition

(Special to The Guardian)

VANCOUVER, B. C., Sept. 21.—Declaring that he had been "framed" and that he would fight extradition to the United States, Gordon Stuart Northcott charged with murdering several young boys on his father's farm at Riverside, California, was locked in a cell in Okalla prison here today.

Northcott was captured at Vernon, B. C. Wednesday and was brought to Vancouver last night shackled to a provincial policeman. He was met by a squad of twenty officers and whisked away in an automobile to Okalla jail.

Prison officials declared that if the youth carries out his threat to fight extradition it probably would be a month before he could be sent south if the California authorities were successful in the case. At the Okalla prison Northcott readily admitted his identity. He had $80 on his person when searched at the jail.

FREE SCHOOL BOOKS IN N.B.

New Policy Adopted By Baxter Government in the Interests of Education.

FREDERICTON, Sept. 21.—Free school books for all scholars attending the public schools of New Brunswick up to and including Grade VIII. was adopted as the policy of the Government of the Province at a Cabinet meeting held here tonight. The new policy will become effective immediately so as to involve refunds to parents of children who have made expenditures for text books for the current school year. The step taken by the Cabinet tonight is said to be the most important in connection with educational matters in New Brunswick since the free public school system was introduced many years ago, for it comes nearer to putting education for practical purposes of all families on a freer basis than anything else.

More than 30,000 children of New Brunswick will receive free school books as a result of the new order by the cabinet tonight, which is made operative from the commencement of the present school term, adequate means being provided for refund and the compensation of those who have already made expenditures.

LAST MINUTE NEWS FLASHES

(Canadian Press)

OTTAWA, Sept. 21.—The official investigation into the sinking of the steamer Manasoo in Georgian Bay during the storm last Saturday with the loss of fifteen members of the crew will be opened at Owen Sound on Oct. 3 by Captain L. A. Demers, Dominion wreck commissioner.

SANDIEGO, Calif., Sept., 21.- Word was awaited here today from fire fighters who were making a desperate attempt to rescue a woman and four men surrounded by a forest fire on Beauty Mountain which was reported "burning wild over 25,000 acres".

EDMONTON, Sept. 21.—Despite persistent attempts to get information the Royal Canadian Air Force seaplane piloted by Major A. K. Godfrey, who with three companions has been missing since Sunday last while enroute from Peace River to Port Smith, N.W.T., no news had been received up to noon today. The plane was making a return trip to Ottawa from the Pacific Coast.

LONDON, Sept., 21.— Spiritualists are actively organizing for participation in the next general election, but not as a party. Candidates for the House of Commons who promise their support to the spiritualists will be actively supported while those who fail to promise the spiritualists what they consider a full measure of freedom will be opposed.

OTTAWA Sept., 21.— Efforts to obtain Legislative sanction of the use of the degree of "Doctor" will be made by the Ontario and Quebec associations of osteopathic physicians, who will meet here in annual convention on Sept. 29.

DISCUSSES MARKETING PROBLEMS

Requirements of British Market and Methods of Danish Competitors Theme of Address by Hon. W. M. Lea.

"The Canadian producer must remember that when his goods are sent to Great Britain they will be sold in competition with products from all over the world," stated Hon. W. M. Lea, Minister of Agriculture, in an address last evening at Freetown Hall on the subject of his recent visit to Great Britain and Denmark. "They will be sold for exactly what they are worth on grade. The requirements are difficult, but we must bear in mind always that those who capture this market and supply it will be getting a premium on their goods for that very reason."

Mr. Lea explained the purpose of the trip, which was to enable an organized group of farmers and producers from the different parts of Canada, with representatives from the agricultural departments of each Provincial Government, to visit Great Britain and Denmark with a view to studying, first, the British market and the different methods of preparing the products best suited to that market, and, secondly, to investigate the production and marketing methods of our chief competitors, the Danes, who have secured such a foot-hold for their products in Great Britain.

The itinerary had been carefully planned by Mr. Whear, of the Canadian National Railways, who had been over the entire route several times. Hearty co-operation was received from the chief wholesale and retail business organizations in the places visited. Not only were the delegates shown over the various industrial plants but in every instance literature had been prepared to take along, outlining the business being done.

The British Market

Mr. Lea in his address described specifically the requirements of the British market and its trend at the present time. He stressed the folly of sending anything to that market but what is demanded by the British people themselves. The British market is the greatest market in the world to take care of our surplus products.

There are 40,000,000 consumers, and this vast market will absorb, on the day of its arrival, practically everything we can send over, paying cash prices. But we must be content to take their valuation, and there is no market in the world that has such extreme fluctuations. The Britishers will pay a very high price for what they want, but they will pay only poor prices for something which may be just as good from our standpoint, but which is not exactly according to their requirements.

As an instance Mr. Lea pointed out that whereas Canadian and Danish bacon retailed in the Haymarket stores at 36 cents a pound, the native British cured bacon, which is cured by a drying process and is suited to the particular

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