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DISASTROUS FIRE AT STERNS LAUNDRY

Cloudburst Takes Toll Of 10 Lives In San Antonio

(By The Associated Press)

SAN ANTONIO, Sept. 27—A flash flood caused by a cloudburst followed by pounding rains, inundated much of picturesque San Antonio today, causing 10 known deaths and scores of injuries. Rescue workers feared others may have lost their lives.

Property damage was estimated at millions of dollars.

Hundreds were reported missing earlier today by city police. Most of them have been accounted for after being rescued from trees, rooftops, and isolated homes, but the fate of many is still in doubt.

Among the dead were four unidentified military policemen.

At the height of the storm, water swirled inches-deep about the famous Alamo but did not get inside.

Many persons still are marooned and a fleet of boats is being sent to San Antonio from Austin to aid in rescue work. The Red Cross sent relief workers from St. Louis to augment the San Antonio staff. Residents on the San Antonio River below the city were warned to evacuate as the flood swirled southward.

The danger to San Antonio itself has not fully abated, although flood waters are draining from its streets, some six feet under water during the storm.

Olmos Dam on the northern edge of the city is standing its severest test. Water is backed 35 feet deep behind it, 10 feet above what had been previously designated as the danger-line. Fire Captain Fred M. Garzia said the dam "saved the city."

Highways leading to San Antonio are covered and many are closed, the State Highway Department said. Railroad service was halted. Airline schedules were disrupted.

The flood, which followed a heavy rain Wednesday night, a cloudburst yesterday and continuing rain today, was the worst since 1921 when 49 persons were killed, 14 missing, and property damage estimated at $7,500,000. More than 10 inches of rain fell in less than a 48-hour period.

Coming Events

**Talkies Morell Tuesday.

**Talkies Malpeque Wednesday.

**Open Air Dance at Cavendish Restaurant tonight.

**Dance Emerald Hall Monday night, Sept. 30th. Good music.

**Poultry buying daily live and dressed poultry, paying top market price. Davis & Fraser, Ltd.

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**We have a market for a quantity of good quality heavy Cows and Heifers for beef purposes. Highest prices paid, also Carrots and Beets wanted. Write or phone Willard Prowse, Brackley.

**Buying Live and Dressed Poultry at Albany, Tuesday each week, starting October 1st. Contact D. H. Crossman for full particulars.

**Loading Hogs at Peakes Station each Thursday for Davis & Fraser Ltd. Merlin Devine. 1-2-5-ths-sat tf.

**Dance, Mount Stewart Hall Monday, September 30th. Rollie MacKinnon's Orchestra.

**Loading Hogs at Montague Stationeach Thursday for Davis & Fraser Ltd. S. C. McLean. Phone 17. 1-2-5-ths-sat t.

**Loading Hogs at Cardigan Station each Thursday for Davis & Fraser Ltd. Norman McKenzie, Cardigan. 1-2-thus-sat tf.

**Loading hogs at St. Peters for Davis & Fraser Ltd. each Tuesday. For truck pickup service from farm to car, phone Roddie Pratt. 2-15-16-17-mt-s-tf

**Collecting Hogs for Davis and Fraser Ltd., every Tuesday. Write or phone collect. R N. Dawson.

**Loading Hogs for Davis and Fraser Ltd., Tuesday until further notice. Dingwell and Rossiter, Morell. Stf.

**Buying thirty lb. pigs, Square every Tuesday and Friday morning Paying $15.00 pair for good ones Wheatley.

**No more grain grinding until further notice. R. L. Coles, Milton Mills.

**Chicken Supper, Bingo and other games, refreshments, sale of fruit cakes, etc. South Rustico Hall Tuesday and Wednesday, October 1st and 2nd.

**Arriving September 21st, two carloads Feed—Hog Starter—Grower—Finisher—Wheat, Oats, Bran, Shorts—Dairy Ration Lay Mash—Chicken Fattener. Stewart & Beck, Montague.

**Graham's Road Hall, Monday night, 8 P. M. Evangelistic meetings. Special singing by young people. Bring the sick and they will be prayed for. J. C. Kleinsteuber, Pastor, Your Radio Preacher.

**North River Hall, Tuesday night, 8 P. M. The children's choir of the air will provide special singing at the Evangelistic service. Don't miss this meeting. J. C. Kleinsteuber, Speaker.

**Collecting Hogs each Tuesday for Davis & Fraser Ltd., for trucking service through Earnscliffe Cherry Valley, Vernon, Orwell and Newtown. phone Walter Crane. 11-12. 8-31-1-s-tf

**Buying Pigs Monday at Fredericton. Tuesday, 10 A. M. Brookfield, 1 P. M. York. 2. Bedford. 3. Mt. Stewart. 4. Watervale. 5. Vernon River. 6.30 Pownal. Wednesday, 9 A. M. New Glasgow. 10. Wheatley River 11. Holmes Corner. 1 P. M. New Haven. 2. Bonshaw. 3. Kelly's Cross. 4. Bradalbane. 5. Clifton. 5.30. Kensington. Paying $15.00 a pair for good Pigs over 30 lbs. each. Will buy any size. Knud Jorgenson.

UTRECHT, Holland, Sept. 27—(Reuters)—The death was announced here today of Prof. J. I. M. Schmutzer, 62, who was Netherlands Minister of Colonies under the premiership of Dr. P. U. Gerest in Commonwealth history — tuesday.

Due Here Tonight

Hon. Lionel Chevrier, Minister of Transport, Ottawa, who is due in Charlottetown this evening. Originally Mr. Chevrier planned leaving on Sunday, but he has agreed to remain until Monday when he will address the Rotary Club at their weekly luncheon.

Test Pilot Feared Lost In Explosion

LONDON, Sept. 27 — (CP) — Geoffrey De Havilland, Britain's ace test pilot, was feared lost tonight in an explosion of an experimental jet plane.

Capt. De Havilland, 36-year-old son of Sir Geoffrey De Havilland, British plane manufacturer, was reported overdue on a final "check-up" flight in a De Havilland, 108 Swallow, tailless jet propelled plane in which he planned to seek an air speed record higher than the 616-M.P.H. mark set by the R. A. F. last November.

Wreckage, of a similar color to the grey-blue craft De Havilland was flying, was sighted by R. A. F. Mosquitoes in the Thames Estuary after a jet plane was seen to explode in flight.

Searching planes were sent out immediately.

It was one of two aviation accidents of the day in Britain. Seven persons were killed when a civil aircraft crashed into a hilltop north of Glasgow in the first fatal accident in the history of Scottish Airways. The dead included two members of the plane crew and there were no survivors. The crash occurred while the plane was flying through a heavy mist on a flight from the island of Islay to Glasgow.

Capt. De Havilland was on a last check-up flight before going to Britain's high-speed course at Tangmere, Sussex, on the south coast to attack the air speed record.

A company statement said it was still hoped that Capt. De Havilland managed to parachute to safety, but eye-witnesses saw no parachute.

De Havilland experts believe that the Swallow's design "had the record in the bag. The Swallow was designed to explore the problem of controlling high-speed planes with back-swept wings which delay the onset of "compressibility" and thus permit higher speeds without loss of control.

Final Shipment Of Grain Leaves

OTTAWA, Sept. 27—(CP)—The last two grain ships of the year left Churchill this week and no more grain traffic will pass through Canada's northern port this year, a National Harbors Board spokesman said today.

The Transport Department reported the Government icebreaker N. B. McLean accompanied the Hill Crest Park, the last freighter to leave Churchill, as it proceeded eastward from Southampton Island and would see it safely through Hudson Strait.

Though some small ships still might enter Churchill for some time, depending on the weather, insurance companies require that larger freighters must leave Churchill by Oct. 10. The date may be extended to Oct. 15 with extra payment. The Transport Department reported no further export traffic in sight this year.

4,500,000 Australian Voters At Polls Today

By WILLIAM STEWART
(Canadian Press Staff Writer)

SYDNEY, Australia, Sept. 28 — (Saturday) — (CP) — Today is election day in Australia—and a predicted 4,500,000 voters are balloting to decide whether Prime Minister Joseph Benedict Chifley and his wartime Labor government will remain in office.

In addition to filling all 75 seats in the House of Representatives — where Labor held 49 seats at Parliament's dissolution — Australian electors must fill 9 vacancies in the 36-seat, elective Senate and answer a referendum concerning extension of the prerogatives of the Federal Government.

Leading the opposition to Mr. Chiefley are Robert G. Menzies, head of the Liberal Party which held 15 seats in the 1943-elected House, and Arthur Fadden, Country Party leader with 10 members in the old House. The 75th seat was occupied by A. McA. Blain, an Independent.

When the campaign opened after dissolution Aug. 9, odds were heavy on a Labor victory but they have shortened somewhat since then. A newspaper poll yesterday, however, showed a probable 54 per cent of the popular vote supporting the Chifley administration.

The campaign—one of the quietest in Australian history — has been contested for the most part on domestic issues Claiming credit for preventing unemployment in Australia, despite discharge of some 500,000 service personnel, Labor's ranks seek a return to power on their record, with a promise of further advances in social legislation if re-elected.

The Liberal and Country parties have contended—despite a recent government slash in taxes — that taxes can be further reduced and thus production stimulated by a greater profit motive. The opposition has sought to lay the blame for some post-war shortages to government mismanagement.

The Liberals and Country Party —with 60 and 23 House nominees respectively—are running in harness with a likelihood of forming a coalition government if Labor is ousted and the Liberals lack a working majority in the new House.

In the Senate Labor holds the 17 seats which are not on the election block this year and seems assured of a majority here. Of the 19 contested seats, Labor held four at dissolution, Liberals 11, Country Party three and Independents one.

The polls open today at 8 A.M. (5 P.M. Friday E.D.T. — 6 P.M. A.D.T.) and will remain open for 12 hours.

Potato Floor Price Discussed By Growers

Resolutions calling for a floor price on this year's potato crop were discussed at a well attended meeting of potato growers of the Province called last night by the Department of Agriculture in Prince of Wales College hall. The resolutions, two in number, were tabled for the guidance of a provincial delegation to meet with other representatives from the five Eastern Provinces to be held at Ottawa on Oct. 1, for the purpose of considering a floor price.

Hon. W. F. A. Stewart, Minister of Agriculture, presided. Mr. Stewart, accompanied by Mr. J.W. Boulter, manager of the P. E. I. Potato Growers Association, leaves on Sunday to attend the Ottawa meeting.

The first resolution, presented by Mr. Boulter, and moved and seconded by Col. G. E. Full and Frank Clarke, favored requesting the Dominion Government to guarantee the farmer a price of not less than 80 cents a bushel on board cars for all Canada No. 1 potatoes marketed on and after May 1, 1947 of this year's crop.

Hon. Horace Wright, Bedeque, and other speakers advocated an earlier date for application of the floor. Mr. Wright moved the following resolution, which leaves the date and price indefinite:

"Whereas there is a very heavy crop of potatoes in Prince Edward Island to be handled at the present time and whereas the price obtained per bushel will determine the prosperity or otherwise of the great majority of the farmers of this Province; and whereas the price of potatoes has already fallen below the cost of production, and whereas the Parliament of the Dominion of Canada has enacted the Agricultural Prices Support Act in order that the farmers of Canada may be assured a fair and reasonable profit on the food which they produce, and whereas the farmers of Canada throughout the war years submitted uncomplainingly to a ceiling price, which in many cases curtailed their possible profits; and whereas it is now evident that, unless some action is taken, farmers will suffer heavy losses in the marketing of their potato crop during the present year; therefore resolved at this general meeting of potato growers called by the Department of Agriculture of the Province that

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Rural Beautification Contest Prize Winners

Cyril Toombs of Rustico won the Lieutenant Governor's Trophy for contestant standing highest in the province in the Rural Beautification Contest completed recently, it was learned last night.

A cup donated by Chief Justice Thane A. Campbell for the contestant standing highest in Prince County was captured by John R. Brooks, Summerside; the Lt.-Col. E.W. Johnstone Trophy for the highest standing contestant in Queens County went to Cyril Toombs of Rustico with Miss Mary E. Rourke, Montague North, leading the contestants in King's County.

Lt.-Col. E.W. Johnstone, promoter of the event, informed The Guardian that the results far exceeded expectations. About 280 from all parts of the Province entered the contest, which was conducted with the aid of the Provincial Department of Agriculture. There was very keen competition in many districts.

The contest was open to anyone living outside of city or town limits, and was based on 100 scoring points, as follows: painting, whitewashing and repairs made to buildings, 20; planting of trees, hedges, shrubs, etc., 20; removal of irreparable buildings, dead trees, rubbish and weeds, 10; tidiness, 15; lawns, 5; fences around buildings, 10; general improvement in appearance, 15. The points were all awarded on improvements made during the contest period, and the result has been a general improvement in the appearance of the whole countryside in many places. Judges in the contest were: for Queen's, Murray Creed, Department of Agriculture, Charlottetown; for Prince, Mr. W.J. Reid, B.S.A., O'Leary; for King's, Mr. Lawrence Yeo, Department of Agriculture; Charlottetown; judge of County winners to determine Lieut. Governor's Cup winner, Mr. G.C. Warren, B.S.A., Experimental Station, Charlottetown.

The prize list follows:

TROPHIES

Cup donated by Lieutenant Governor J.A. Bernard —for contestant standing highest in the Province—awarded to Cyril Toombs, Rustico.

Cup donated by Chief Justice Thane A. Campbell—for contestant standing highest in Prince County — awarded to John R. Brooks, Summerside R.R. 1.

Cup donated by Lieutenant-Colonel E.W. Johnstone—for contestant standing highest in Queens County—awarded to Cyril Toombs, Rustico.

Cup donated by Senator J.A.

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Bevin Agrees With Stalin Statement

LONDON, Sept. 27 — (CP) — Foreign Secretary Bevin said tonight he agreed with Premier Stalin that no "further war is likely at present."

"We have recently had a statement from Russia that they do not anticipate a further war is likely at present," Mr. Bevin said in a speech "I do not think so either and I do not know anybody who is asking for war."

Mr. Bevin added however, that "there is one kind of war that must stop if we are to get peace—that is the war of nerves that has left some unfortunate countries in a state of disturbance."

The Foreign Secretary, who returned yesterday from the Paris peace conference, declared pointedly that "the acid test is not in speeches made by statesmen but it is the approach in the conference room to the actual problems we are discussing."

Convicted Of Murdering Daughter

SAINT JOHN, N. B., Sept. 27—John Stewart Simpkins, 24, was convicted in the Saint John Circuit Court today on a charge of murdering his three-weeks-old daughter, who was drowned in Saint John harbor early this month. The jury recommended mercy.

He was remanded for sentence until completion of the trial of Beatrice Margaret Gaudet, Sydney, N.S., mother of the child. Her trial on the same charge is scheduled to start Tuesday.

Simpkins showed no emotion when the verdict was read after the jury deliberated two hours.

One witness today was the accused's wife, of Merigomish, N.S., who said they were married in June, 1944.

The prosecution contended that the motive was disposal of an unwanted child, and pointed out that Simpkins had signed a statement declaring "I done it."

The Quality Tea

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ORANGE PEKOE

HEAR { The Frank Parker Show Sunday @ Thursday, 6.30 p.m. } CFCY

Inquest Held Into Death Of George Doyle

A Coroner's jury last night found that George Doyle came to his death at 6:24 standard time on the evening of Sept. 26 opposite the Imperial Oil tanks near Charlottetown by being struck by the Borden-Charlottetown train.

Dr. I. J. Yeo presided at the inquest.

Before calling Dr. Harold Shaw, the first witness, Dr. Yeo said he had communicated with Mr. R. G. McGrath, plant manager of Davis and Fraser Ltd., concerning the rumour that the late George Doyle had been dismissed from the Company's employ last Monday. Mr. McGrath, Dr. Yeo said, had informed him the late George Doyle had not been dismissed and that the Company had never contemplated any such action.

Dr. Harold Shaw, Provincial pathologist, said he had performed an autopsy on the body of the late George Doyle at 11 o'clock, Thursday evening, and that there was no evidence of alcohol in the system. Dr. Shaw said the right arm of the deceased was amputated two inches below the shoulder, and the left arm four inches below the shoulder. The head was almost removed from the body, and several ribs had been fractured. Death could have been caused by the deceased having been struck by some heavy object such as a train.

Albert Dalziel, train engineer, said he was driving the Borden-Charlottetown train which had left Borden at 4:35, standard time. As the train was approaching the Imperial oil tanks near Charlottetown he saw a man step out from between freight cars on a parallel track. The train was travelling about 15 miles an hour. When the engine was almost opposite the man, witness saw the man suddenly leap with outstretched hands across the rails on which the train was travelling. The witness felt no shock but he knew the train had struck the man. Witness stopped the train and went back along the track. At the second freight car witness saw a man lying with his body on the west side of the rails and with his head under one of the trucks. The man was dead.

Ralph Chappell said he worked with the deceased at Davis and Fraser's. Had known the deceased to take an occasional drink of liquor but had not seen him drinking during the past week.

The jury comprised: Merritt Forsythe, foreman; W. M. Flynn; Major J. A. McKenzie; George W. Berrigan; George W. McLeod; Harry Hardy; and Allison McLeod.

Potato Production Shows Increase

OTTAWA, Sept. 27 — (CP)— Potato production this year is estimated at 44,628,000 hundredweight compared with last year's narvest of 35,986,000 hundredweight the Dominion Bureau of Statistics reported today.

The estimate based on conditions during the fourth week of September, is 24 per cent greater than last year and nine per cent greater than the five-year average.

Substantially heavy yields per acre and heavier plantings are credited with the increase.

Visiting Foundrymen Delighted With Prov.

"The conference of the American Foundrymen's Association in Charlottetown has been a great success from every point of view," Mr. Henry Louette, chairman of the Conference, told a Guardian representative yesterday evening. "We are especially indebted to the thoughtfulness and kindly cooperation of Lt. Col. C. L. MacKay, managing director of Bruce Stewart, Ltd., and to the hospitality and service given us by Mr. W. G. Foster, manager of the Charlottetown Hotel. We had heard much of the scenic beauty of this Province," Mr. Louette added, "but we never dreamed it could be as beautiful as we have found it."

The two-day conference, which concludes today, opened yesterday morning with an informal luncheon at the Charlottetown Hotel. The delegates were welcomed by Col. MacKay who gave the conference some interesting details of the Island's history. He compared the scenery of the Province with that of England and particularly with that of Devonshire.

Col. MacKay was introduced to the delegates by Mr. Louette of Warden King Ltd., Montreal who, in his opening remarks, dealt with the history of the American Foundrymen's Association which is celebrating its 50th anniversary this year. Among the many advantages accruing to a member of the Association, Mr. Louette said, were the various publications issued by the national body, the fostering of a fraternal spirit, and the exchange of ideas — all of which were helpful in the overcoming of problems peculiar to the foundry industry.

Technical Sessions

The technical sessions were opened yesterday afternoon by one of its most prominent members, Mr. Harold J. Roast, vice-president of the Canadian Bronze Co., Ltd., and owner of the Roast Laboratories Ltd. Mr. Roast is a past national director of the American Foundrymen's Association and this year was made an honorary life member in recognition of his valuable services to the Association.

Mr. Roast spoke on "Brass and Bronze Foundry Practice" and gave a detailed exposition of the most efficient melting mixtures. He considered many of the problems of the practical foundryman and showed by his authoritative solutions for many of those problems that he is a master of his subject.

The discussion period was led by Mr. A. E. Cartwright, metallurgist with Canadian Foundry Supplies and Equipment Ltd. He was assisted by Mr. John Moore, foundry superintendent of Mont-

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Local Man Electrocuted While Aiding Firemen

Gordon Poole Killed By Grounded High Tension Wire—Laundry Building Burned To Ground.

One local man was dead and thousands of dollars damage was done early this morning as a spectacular fire levelled Sterns' Limited, Launderers and Dry Cleaners, corner of Kent and Hillsborough Streets.

Death struck when Gordon Poole of Charlottetown, former City Police Officer, while assisting firemen, stepped on a still live high tension wire and was electrocuted instantly. Hundreds of horrified spectators looked on helplessly.

EX-OFFICER GORDON POOLE

The fire broke out about 2 A.M. and within a matter of minutes the entire 3-storey wooden building was a mass of flames.

Firemen were quickly on the scene but the building was doomed and efforts were concentrated on saving the adjoining properties.

Flames shooting 30 and 40 feet high lit up the night sky like daylight and soon hundreds of citizens were on the scene.

Homes flanking both sides of the burning building on Kent and Hillsboro Streets were quickly emptied of tenants and furnishings as the flames threatened to spread their destruction.

The residence of W. E. Curtis, Kent Street, suffered heavy damage and firemen at 3 o'clock were still battling a stubborn fire which had spread to the roof and upper storey of the building.

On Hillsboro Street volunteer workers cleared the houses occupied by Mrs. J. D. Taylor, Miss Ethel Taylor and Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Murray and two children. Two other tenants in the building were quickly roused and guided to safety.

The fire is believed to have broken out in the boiler room.

The laundry was one of the largest institutions of its kind in the Maritimes, employing over 60 persons and equipped with the latest machinery.

Nothing was saved from the building, which went up like a match box.

Mr. P. R. McCormac, proprietor, is attending the Exhibition at Bridgewater, N. S.

Mr. Poole's death occurred while aiding firemen in front of the Curtis dwelling. Lacking the rubber boots with which the regular fire-fighters were equipped he was instantly killed when coming in contact with one of the grounded wires.

Mr. Poole was the son of Mr. and Mrs. George Poole, Souris, and is survived by a wife and family. He was formerly a member of the City Police Force.

Luckily no high wind was blowing to fan the blaze and carry flames and sparks to further destruction of nearby dwellings.

LONDON, Sept. 27—(CP)—C.P. Cable)—The London Gazette announced today that the King had approved of the appointment of Viscount Alexander, Governor-General of Canada, as Colonel of the Irish Guards effective Aug. 28, 1946. He succeeds the late Field Marshal, the Earl of Cavan, in the honorary post.

(By The Canadian Press)

HALIFAX, Sept. 28—(Saturday) —Weather synopsis and marine forecasts issued by the Dominion Weather Office at Halifax at 12.15 a.m. today:

Forecasts valid until midnight Sunday:

Prince Edward Island—Clear tonight and Saturday. Not much change in temperature. Light winds. Outlook for Sunday clear. High Saturday at Charlottetown 74.

Summary — Clear Saturday and Sunday.

High tide this afternoon at 1.26 and tonight at 1.57.

Sun sets this evening at 6.46 and rises tomorrow morning at 6.55.

First quarter moon October 3rd, 4.53 A. M.

Summerside tide eighteen minutes later than Charlottetown.

WOOD ISLANDS—CARIBOU

Daylight Saving

Leave Wood Islands, daily 7 A.M. 9 A.M., 11 A.M., 1 P.M., 3 P.M., and 5 P.M. and Caribou at same hours.