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Thousands Flee Coast As Betsy Changes Path

Warning Issued To New Orleans

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — Eratic Hurricane Betsy made a dramatic mid-afternoon turn to the northwest Thursday, posing a threat to populous New Orleans and the Alabama and Mississippi Gulf of Mexico coasts.

Hurricane-warning flags were flying from Mobile westward to Galveston, Tex. Gale warnings were displayed elsewhere along the coast from Panama City, Fla., to Matagorda Bay, Tex. The fierce but fickle storm, after raining death and destruction on southern Florida, swept into the Gulf of Mexico early Wednesday.

The New Orleans weather bureau said the massive storm had changed to a northwesterly course and would move still further to the north Thursday night.

The centre of the giant storm then was located about 225 miles south of Mobile. It was moving about 18 miles an hour.

"Highest winds are estimated 120 to 140 miles per hour near the centre," the weather bureau said. "Hurricane force winds extend outward 30 miles from the centre and gales extend outward 250 miles in all directions."

Thousands of persons were streaming out of lowlying areas along Louisiana's western coast. Until the storm shifted course in mid-afternoon, forecasters had predicted it would hit that region.

As the northern Gulf coast area braced for Betsy, south Florida counted its loss from the giant storm. Betsy left four dead and more than \$100,000,000 in damages. To the south, sea-level New Orleans, which fears water as much as winds, began taking precautions as Betsy veered courses.

"Dangerous Hurricane Betsy now poses a much greater threat to the New Orleans area," the weather bureau said. "All precautionary measures against high winds and high tides should be rushed to completion."

USED TO STORMS
Residents of the coastal areas, wise to the ways of storms, loaded their cars and trailers and headed for inland refuge centres.

These persons are faced with hurricane threats every year—and especially since hurricanes (Continued on page 5 Col. 7)

Tank Battles Are Reported In India-Pakistani War

By CONRAD FINK
NEW DELHI (AP) — Both sides reported tank battles Thursday and India said there was very heavy fighting between Indian and Pakistani armies as United Nations Secretary-General U Thant arrived in Pakistan on his peace mission in this tormented sub-continent.

Forces of the two countries were reported battling on the dusty northern plains of India and Pakistan along routes conquerors have used for centuries. India claimed it had destroyed 75 U.S.-made Pakistani tanks in the last 24 hours and now has knocked out a total of 114.

Pakistan claimed all Indian drives into Pakistani territory had been stopped and 10 Indian tanks destroyed.

Both sides reported throwing in more tanks and jet fighters. Under these conditions there was widespread doubt in New Delhi that Thant could arrange a quick ceasefire. There appeared to be few in the Indian capital who wanted one.

INDIANS WORRY
Worried Indian officials, meanwhile, tried to assess the meaning behind China's repeated vows of support for Pakistan and its condemnation of India as an aggressor. Chinese attempts to butt into the Indian-Pakistani quarrel were expected by many in New

Delhi. Some thought China would initiate minor clashes along the vast India-Tibetan frontier in the hope of drawing troops away from Pakistan.

Officials in Washington and London expressed similar fears of China's intentions.

In the latest broadcast, Chinese Premier Chou En-lai told a reception at the North Korean embassy in Peking that India is guilty of "crimes of aggression" against Pakistan with U.S. consent. He stopped short of saying China would lend military aid to Pakistan.

Indian troops lashed across the frontier near Lahore in

northern Pakistan Monday and by Tuesday claimed they were threatening the city.

LAUNCH ATTACKS

India followed up this drive Wednesday by launching twin attacks on a front near Pakistan's city of Sialkot, 60 miles north of Lahore, and in the Gadr area 600 miles to the south. The Indians claimed the latter drive penetrated six miles and captured the town of Gadr. Now the main battle appeared to be on the Lahore front near the Pakistani city of Kasur and the Indian city of Ferozapore, where Pakistan claims to have made a penetration of Punjab. Kasur is 30 miles south of Lahore. Ferozapore is 10 miles inside India and 40 miles south of Lahore.

The developing battle there was viewed in New Delhi as highly important because it was a test of the main portions of both armies' armored units and the air forces' ground-support fighters.

A Pakistani spokesman in Rawalpindi said India's offensive in this sector into Pakistani territory had been thrown back across the international border and many Indians were captured.

He claimed Pakistani units also had stopped the two Indian attacks across the international frontier in the Sialkot and Gadr sectors.



QUITS POLITICS

New Democratic Party house leader, Douglas Fisher has announced he will not be a candidate in the Nov. 8 federal election. Mr. Fisher said he is withdrawing from politics to be closer to his family. In the last house he represented the riding of Port Arthur. (CP Wirephoto)

DeGaulle Lashes At NATO Plan

By PETER HUCKLEY

PARIS (CP) — President Charles de Gaulle reaffirmed in unmistakable terms Thursday his determination to assert France's autonomy, giving a hearty shake to one of the pillars of mutual Western defence and laying down his own terms for future European co-operation.

Mainly, he posed a threat to pull France out of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization unless its integrated military command structure is abolished by 1969 at the latest.

And he repeatedly emphasized the theme of national independence, and lashed out at the "subordination" which he professed to find in NATO and in the European Common Market.

NDP Chest Said Fuller

VANCOUVER (CP) — For the first time, the New Democratic Party hopes to have \$1,000,000 to spend on its federal election campaign, National Leader T. C. Douglas said Thursday.

He said in an interview he had asked at the recent NDP national convention for \$1,000,000 and he would guess the amount will be collected.

He said in the 1963 general election the party spent between \$400,000 and \$500,000 and ended \$32,000 in the red.

KINGS PLOWING CHAMPION CONGRATULATED

Edwin Mills, Bay Fortune, yesterday after he won the Queen Kings County plowing championship yesterday for what was believed the fifth time.

William MacInnis of St. Peters was runner-up. Mr. Mills has represented the Island four times in Canadian competition. (See story on page 5)

China's Admission To UN Urged By Secretary-Gen.

By WILLIAM NEVILLE
OTTAWA (CP) — Participation in international peacekeeping operations gives Canada and other smaller powers the right to a voice in policy decisions on major world problems. External Affairs Minister Martin said Thursday.

He told the 54th Inter-Parliamentary Conference Canada believes that through United Nations membership, small and middle countries have "rights and obligations with respect to the search for security."

"If the leading powers are unable to find solutions to some problems, other nations must take whatever action is open to them in furtherance of the aims of the UN charter," he said. "The participation of many middle and smaller powers in peacekeeping operations has given those nations the right to contribute to the formulation of policy on matters of major concern."

WOULD ADMIT CHINA
Mr. Martin addressed the 600-odd delegates from 51 national parliaments after UN Secretary-General U Thant, speaking in his absence, called for Communist

Chinese participation in a proposed UN-sponsored world disarmament conference and Peking's admission "as soon as possible" to the world organization.

In a speech prepared by him but delivered in his absence in Asia by an aide, Thant said the prime aim of the UN must be to build a world community "consisting of all nations, regardless of ideology, regardless of state."

"If this should be our goal, it is obvious that we should strive to bring about, as soon as possible, universality of membership of the United Nations."

"Progress in disarmament, whether general or nuclear, can hardly be made while one of the major military powers of the world in terms of conventional weapons, which has recently become a nuclear power in its own right, does not participate in the deliberations."

24-Hour Guard Put On Rivard
LAREDO, Tex. (AP) — Police disclosed Thursday that Lucien Rivard, 36, of Montreal, accused of heading an international narcotic smuggling ring, has been placed in the Webb County jail, with three federal officers working in eight-hour relays to maintain a 24-hour guard.

Rivard goes on trial Monday in federal court on smuggling charges arising from the arrest in October, 1963, of two Canadians, from whom authorities seized 76 pounds of heroin.

Rivard was moved here last week from an undisclosed jail.

Cooper Made Decision To Drop Rendezvous

HOUSTON, Tex. (AP) — Astronaut Gordon Cooper disclosed Thursday that he made the decision to abandon an attempt to rendezvous with another satellite during the record-shattering Gemini 5 space flight.

Cooper said he made the decision in order to conserve power so the Gemini 5 astronauts and ground controllers could study a problem in the fuel cell power-producing system.

The problem cropped up during the second orbit Aug. 21 shortly after Cooper and astronaut Charles Conrad blasted off from Cape Kennedy. The mission control centre here seriously considered terminating the flight during the sixth orbit because of a drop in pressure in the fuel cell oxygen system.

public disclosure of his role in this critical decision.

EJECTS SATELLITE
He said the satellite-called REP for Rendezvous Evaluation Pod—was successfully ejected from the base of the Gemini 5 spacecraft and that he and Conrad were preparing to chase it across the sky when the problem in the fuel cell cryogenic system arose.

Cooper said that before abandoning the rendezvous, he and Conrad had made excellent radar contact with the REP. This was an encouraging development for the Gemini 6 flight scheduled Oct. 25. On that trip, astronauts Walter M. Schirra and Thomas P. Stafford will use an identical radar system actually to link up with another satellite in space.

Conrad reported that despite several technical and mechanical problems, the Gemini 5 pilots were able to complete many of the assigned 17 scientific, photographic and technological experiments.

For the last 11 days Cooper, a U.S. Air Force lieutenant-colonel, and Conrad, a navy lieutenant-commander, have been in virtual isolation, telling their experiences to doctors, scientists and engineers.

CBC Committee Recommends All-Powerful Central Authority

By BEN WARD
OTTAWA (CP) — Creation of an all-powerful central authority to control Canadian radio and television was recommended to the government Thursday in a report sizzling with criticisms of CBC management and private broadcasting.

The 140,000-word report by the Fowler committee on broadcasting urged that the present Board of Broadcast Governors and the CBC board of directors be scrapped and replaced by a 15-member Canadian Broadcasting Authority.

It said the new authority should have as its prime concern the improvement of radio and TV programs.

The opening sentence of the report reads: "The only thing that really matters in broadcasting is program content; all the rest is housekeeping."

To carry out this role effectively, the proposed authority should be given full powers to set the general broadcasting policy of the publicly-owned CBC and be armed with life-or-death control over the activities of private stations.

Among a host of other major recommendations, the committee proposed a complete ban on morning TV programming and its replacement by school broadcasts.

PRIVATE TV HIT
It blistered private TV stations for not living up to the "glowing promises" they made in their original applications for licences; criticized as a "disgrace" the amounts spent on Canadian talent by private radio and TV and said the six-year-old BGG failed to make full use of the powers given to it.

The bright and sometimes breezy report was written by Robert M. Fowler, 58, of Montreal, president of the Canadian Pulp and Paper Association; Marc Lalonde, 35, Montreal lawyer, and Ernest Steele, 45, undersecretary to State Secretary Lamontagne.

They were assigned by the government 16 months ago to carry out an extensive study of Canadian broadcasting and recommend a new structure for it.

Mr. Fowler, who headed the 1955-57 royal commission on broadcasting, was chairman of the committee and wrote much of the report personally. All of

its decisions and recommendations, however, were jointly agreed upon by the three members.

CRITICAL OF TRIVIA
They found that TV programming in Canada is "seriously imbalanced" with trivial entertainment shows from the United States dominating prime viewing time. The new authority should seek more balance and variety in broadcasting.

The report said more Canadian content is needed on TV and proposed that the present rule calling for 55-per-cent Canadian content be an absolute minimum.

The CBC's programming drew high praise but its management structure came under fire, receiving full blame for the impression gained by the committee "that the CBC lacks cohesion, unity and esprit de corps."

It called for abolition of the 16-member CBC board of directors, 14 of whom are part-time members, and their replacement by two senior officials—a director-general and a general manager.

Report Highlights

OTTAWA (CP) — Highlights of the Fowler committee report on broadcasting:

Responsibility for the direction, supervision and control of the whole broadcasting system should be assigned to independent agency to be called the Canadian Broadcasting Authority—in French, La Regie Canadienne des Ondes (literally, Canadian Administration of Broadcasting).

Broadcasting licences should be issued by the new authority, not the federal cabinet.

Canadian broadcasting as a whole is being increasingly dominated by the worst of American programming.

Highest priority should be given to providing improved service basically Canadian in content and character.

no significant contribution to public-service programming.

CBC and private broadcasters have failed to interpret the two national cultures to each other.

Improvements in programming, extension of TV to areas lacking this service and modernization of CBC should take precedence over color TV.

Detailed inquiry into community-antenna TV should be undertaken as soon as possible.

The new authority should determine policy of CBC and ensure that CBC is well staffed and administered.

New authority should regulate activities of private broadcasters with enforceable undertakings in each licence regarding quality and variety of programming, Canadian content, use of Canadian talent and public service obligations.

New authority should have (Continued on page 5 Col. 5)

Hassle Foreseen On Student Vote

By STEWART MacLEOD
OTTAWA (CP) — Thousands of university students eligible to vote in the Nov. 8 general election may be unable to do so.

One official predicted a "king-sized hassle" over a section of the Canada Elections Act which says university students, voting away from home, must be in school when the election writs are issued.

This was Wednesday, and most universities have not begun their fall term.

This particular situation has not arisen since the section was inserted in the act in the mid-1930s because no subsequent elections were held this late in the year. Spring and summer elections provided ample opportunity for the students to get on the voters' list at their university residence.

The section of the act says: "For the purpose of a general election, and notwithstanding anything in this act, a person who, on the date of the issue of the writs therefor, is duly registered and in attendance at a recognized educational institution, and for such purposes resides in a polling division other than that in which he ordinarily resides and if he is otherwise qualified as an elector, is entitled to have his name entered on the list of electors for the polling division in which he ordinarily resides"

and on the list of electors for the polling division in which he resides on the date of the issue of the said writ, and to vote in either one of such polling divisions as he may elect."

WON'T VOTE
This means for the Nov. 8 election such students may get on the list in their home towns, but not where they attend university. If they are more than a few miles from home, says one official, it means in effect that they won't vote.

The section can be changed only by Parliament, and since dissolution of Parliament does not exist.

Under normal circumstances, the section provides students with the opportunity to vote either at home or in their university town, and with the exception of November elections, no problems would arise.

For a December election, the students would be settled in school well before the writs were issued, and for summer elections they could vote at home even if they were in residence when the writs were issued.

The situation would be even more serious this time if the Commons had acted on the unanimous recommendation of its elections committee to lower the voting age to 18. On Nov. 8, only students 21 or over will be affected.



REFUGEES CROWD LOUISIANA ROADS

Cattle, household goods, industrial equipment and people are jamming the highways in

Cameron Parish, in southwest Louisiana as they evacuate

Betsy. This is the fourth time within the last two years residents of the area have evacuated.

In 1957 hurricane Audrey took over 500 lives and millions of dollars in damage to this area. (AP Wirephoto)