

13 Killed, 37 Hurt In South Tornado

Shreveport, La., Hit First; Then Winds Move Into Texas

SHREVEPORT, La., March 13 (AP).—Thirteen persons were killed, at least 37 injured and hundreds made homeless by tornado winds which struck hardest in Shreveport late yesterday and then moved across the border into Texas.

Fire Chief Sloan J. Flores estimated that damage in Shreveport alone was more than \$1,000,000. Libby-Owens-Ford glass plant officials quoted their loss at \$200,000. The State fair grounds damage was estimated at \$100,000. Bankers Field, one of the nation's major army air posts, suffered only slightly.

The storm, accompanied by hail and rain, caused most damage in a Shreveport residential section before striking across the border in the area between Elysian Fields and Bethany. Five hundred Shreveport homes were damaged.

Among the dead was T. K. Giddens, I, Shreveport capitalist and property owner, who was visiting a Negro tenant house when the storm broke. A tree crushed him fatally as he sought to enter his automobile.

Nine other persons killed in Shreveport were: John M. Bauguss, about 35; Mrs. John M. Bauguss; Mrs. Bettie Armstrong, 43; E. G. Woodard, 62; the wife, two stepchildren and grandchild of Pat McKinney, 36; Negro; and an unidentified Negro.

Work Is Rushed On War Garments

produced 573, and some 400 more are in the course of production. A total of \$1,250 has been spent. This was provided by a few special donations and roll call funds.

Miss Virginia Turford is general chairman of the war relief committee. Others on the committee include Mrs. Thomas L. Kerney, Mrs. Robert Suterlin, Trinity Cathedral; Dean Frederic M. Adams, Mrs. Herbert Hunt, Mrs. Robert T. Bowman, Mrs. Joseph Tobin, Mrs. D. Lane Powers and Mrs. Henry Collin Minton. Miss Jane Sayen and Miss Peggy Tobin. In addition, those in charge of group projects are: Mrs. Arthur W. Belling and Mrs. Robert Suterlin, Trinity Cathedral; Mrs. Constance Borowski, Mrs. Victoria Marut, and Mrs. V. Odozzyk, Holy Cross Church; Mrs. Abraham Holtzberg and Mrs. Phillip B. Papler, H. S. Sinai Temple; Mrs. Arthur Moon, First Presbyterian Church; Mrs. Clyde Hall, Prospect Street Presbyterian Church; Mrs. Edna Miller, Lutheran Church of the Saviour; Mrs. Celia Cieski, St. Hedwig's Church; Mrs. Harvey Whitehead, First Presbyterian Church; Mrs. F. Francis Grzywana, Polish National Church; and Mrs. R. B. Dayton, chairman of the Ewing Township branch of the Red Cross.

In answer to some expressions of doubt in this country as to whether the Germans might be depriving needy Polish civilians of garments shipped to that country, the Red Cross made a careful survey on the other side and found that the Germans are living up to an agreement made with the American Red Cross and the German government. The latter has even provided transportation facilities and lifted customs regulations for such shipments.

Finnish Relief Fund Boosted in Princeton

PRINCETON, March 13.—Princeton's contributions to the Finnish Relief Fund stood at \$4,168.03 when the books were closed yesterday, it was announced here by Mrs. H. McKim Steele.

A concert in the University chapel, bake sales held by Scandinavian residents of Princeton and direct contributions were all used as means of raising money for the "Finn" Mrs. Bernard Peyton, chairman of the committee in charge, has announced that all further donations should be sent direct to 420 Lexington Avenue, New York City.

The other campaign to aid the besieged country, Fighting Funds for Finland, reports a total of \$7,166.10 to date from all over New Jersey.

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Dies Inquiry Witness Is Indicted in Murder

NEW ORLEANS, March 13 (AP).—An indictment charging murder was filed today against William C. McCuiston, Dies committee witness and former National Maritime Union (CIO) official. McCuiston has not been arrested.

The indictment, returned yesterday by the Orleans parish grand jury, charges him with the killing of Philip Carey, union official, shot to death as he sat in his automobile last September 17.

Try Trentonians In Theft of Bags

Dudich, Gawron, Hess Tried After Consorting Conviction

Three Trenton men, who are awaiting trial in City Police Court on convictions under the consorting act, went on trial in Mercer County today on a separate indictment charging them with larceny and receiving.

The defendants are: George Dudich, alias "Pucky," 25, of Ashbury Place; Stephen "Buck Jones" Gawron, 28, of Second Street; and Anthony "Cabby" Hess, 22, of Lexington Street.

They are accused of stealing two new fitted traveling bags from the car of a woman patron parked outside the tavern of William "Muggsy" Cassidy, a Route 33, Robbinsville, Washington Township, the night of December 23, last. The bags, in the car of Miss Dorothy M. Erven, of Plainfield, had been purchased by her for Christmas gifts.

The defendants are alleged to have been in the Cassidy tavern the night of the theft, and to have later arranged, allegedly through Gawron, to have the bags returned by Cassidy "kicked in" with \$12. The \$12 is alleged by the State to have been paid by Cassidy and the bags returned to Miss Erven. The defendants then purportedly fearing a "shake down" charge against them by Cassidy, returned his money, it is alleged.

Roebbling May Get Race Board Post

whether Amory L. Haskell, Monmouth County millionaire sportsman, would accept an appointment to the State race board, is thought, however, he would, but in the probable event it isn't, he is represented as just as well satisfied to take over the role of a promoter.

A boom is in progress to give Lewis E. Waring, secretary-treasurer of the United Hunts, as racing steward, an important position if racing is to be kept on a high plane.

Meanwhile, plans are going forward for several tracks. The bill permits a maximum of four in the State. At the most, not more than three are expected.

Finn War Casualties Placed at 565,000

COPENHAGEN, March 13 (AP).—Foreign military observers today estimated the Finnish-Russian war had cost at least 565,000 casualties, half of them dead.

These sources divided the losses this way: Russia—Approximately 250,000 dead and 250,000 wounded. Finland—30,000 dead and 35,000 wounded.

The abnormally high percentage of war dead was attributed to the bitter cold weather in which most of the war was fought. Many deaths were from freezing after wounds which otherwise would not have been fatal.

The Danish newspaper correspondent today reported Finnish casualties on the Karelian Isthmus front alone were 30,000, including 2,000 young Finnish officers.

Congress Stages Warplane Dispute

LaFollette Asks Probe Of Situation — Costs Held On Rise

WASHINGTON, March 13 (AP).—Controversy over United States airplane policy and sales to the Allies powers boiled up in Congress today when Senator Robert M. LaFollette, Progressive, Wisconsin, introduced a Senate resolution for a formal inquiry into the situation.

Dispute centered on whether: 1—United States defense plane costs have been boosted by large foreign aircraft orders. 2—United States plane orders have been delayed by the Allied purchases. 3—United States secret late-model aircraft are being released for purchase by the Allies.

A house military affairs subcommittee headed by Representative Dow Hart, Democrat, Ohio, met to study the situation and announced that Secretary of War Harry Woodring would testify on Wednesday. The senate may also hold a hearing. Mr. Hart said that costs have not been raised by Allied plane orders, noting that the U. S. plane orders were placed before the foreign purchasing started.

New Hampshire Voted 3d Term

Murphy, 24,238 votes to 23,674, for the fourth place.

Interest in the elimination contest was enhanced by preliminary reports that the Granite State Chief Executive would seek second place on the Republican ticket in the event Bridges' quest for the presidential nomination failed to materialize.

The battle of personalities on the Republican side drew out a substantially larger vote than that cast in the Democratic balloting. Both Democratic and Republican delegations to the national conventions will have eight votes.

Former Nashua Police Commissioner J. Howard Gile, long Republican, had pledged, finished far out of the running. He was committed to Thomas E. Dewey's candidacy, and refused to withdraw at the New York district attorney's request that the New Hampshire field be left clear for Bridges.

Washington, March 13 (AP).—President Roosevelt's effortless victory in the New Hampshire primary starts toward the Democratic national convention a trickle of third-term delegates which may swell into a virtually irresistible flood.

For advocates of a 12-year New Deal are not staking their ambitions solely on the argument that the national situation demands continuation of Mr. Roosevelt's seasoned leadership. The war abroad is perhaps the pre-eminent factor, but it is, after all, in foreign rather than American political hands.

Finn Troops Prepare To Quit Ceded Area

BERLIN, March 13 (AP).—A D. N. B. German news agency, dispatched from Moscow today reported that a neutral zone one kilometer wide (five-eighths of a mile) was established between the Russian and Finnish front lines immediately after the cessation of hostilities.

The retreat of Finnish troops to the regions within their new frontiers fixed by the treaty, D. N. B. reported, will begin Friday at 10 A. M. along the entire line between the Gulf of Finland and Luksa, on the main southern-eastern front.

North of Luksa the Finns will start abandoning all ceded territory at 10 A. M. Saturday.

James A. Ross, president of Ross-Young-Dilts Corporation, was reported this afternoon to be critically ill. He is a patient in St. Francis Hospital, where he has been under the care of a physician several days.

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The black portions of this map shows what the Reds got from the Finns. Finland will give up the entire Karelian Isthmus, including Viipuri. Reds will lease the Island of Hanko. Petsamo in the north will be a duty free port for the Reds and Ribni and Sretni will belong to Soviet Russia.

\$100,000 Yellowbacks Cashed, Death Valley Scotty Reveals

DEATH VALLEY, Cal., March 13.—There's \$100,000 in gold certificates buried in the mountains, Death Valley Scotty has told the Federal Government.

A visit of a couple of United States Internal revenue officers to the Death Valley Castle a few weeks ago set the old mystery promoter to thinking. He had satisfied the income tax investigators, who had been on his trail for years, with a signed statement in January that he had no income for 30 years or so, and had been getting all of his funds on loans from his partner, A. M. Johnson.

"I got to thinking about my yellowbacks that I planted more'n 20 years before Uncle Sam started digging his hole to bury gold in down at Fort Knox, Kentucky," said Scotty. "So I just sat down and wrote a letter to the old gentleman with the beard."

There were 10 yellowbacks of \$100 each, says Scotty. "I made it easy, they ain't gonna be no stamped, it's the famous old prospector in revealing for the second time this year that he had rich deposits hidden in the mountains. His January report to the income tax collector said that 30 years ago he found some rich ore and cased it." (Signed) WALTER SCOTT, Death Valley Scotty.

Moscow Jubilant Over Surrender

and Education already had resigned.) Under the treaty, Finland would yield to Russia: The entire Karelian isthmus, including the bitterly-contested Mannerheim defense line, strewn with Russian and Finnish corpses. The wrecked but uncapitulated city of Viipuri, along with Viipuri Bay and its islands; All the shores of Lake Ladoga and some territory northeast of the lake. (Where the Finns have reported the slaying of thousands of Russian troops); A 30-year Russian lease on the Peninsula of Hanko, Finnish "Gibyllar" at the mouth of the Gulf of Finland, which Russia intends to convert into a military and naval base; Various islands in the Gulf of Finland; A broad swath of Eastern Finland in the region of the Arctic Circle; Part of the Sredni and Rybach Peninsula on the Arctic Ocean; A railroad to be built this year to link Russia's White Sea ports with the Gulf of Bothnia; Operation of a Russian airline across the Petsamo district between Russia and Norway and no restriction on passage of Russian citizens or commerce across this area; A promise that no Finnish warplanes, warships or submarines, except few small coast-line boats, will operate in the Arctic Ocean.

In return, the Finns get peace and a yearly rental of 8,000,000 Finnish markka (about \$120,000) for Hanko. They must negotiate a trade treaty and make a non-aggression alliance with Russia. (Russia denounced the previous non-aggression pact just before invading Finland November 30.) Original Terms Easier Russia's original demands, which the Finns had refused, were much less severe. They offered Finland part of Soviet Karelia, on Finland's long eastern border, in return for a small strip of the Karelian isthmus northwest of Leningrad, a lease on Hanko, part of the Sredni and Rybach Peninsula, and exchange of some islands in the Gulf of Finland. The new, drastically-revised frontiers are outlined in a map appended to the treaty, but detailed determination is provided by a mixed commission to be formed within 10 days. Listed specifically in the treaty as concessions to Russia are the towns of Sorvala, Suolaari and Kakkisalmi north and west of Lake Ladoga; the territory east of Markkari near the Arctic Circle; and the town of Kuolajarvi on the Salla front.

(These localities have figured in the war news in connection with reports of smashing Finnish victories over the invading Red army.) The lease on Hanko also would include a number of nearby islands and the adjacent waters. The Finns to withdraw within 10 days. The Arctic Petsamo area, occupied now by Russian troops, is to be relinquished to Finland with the provision that Finland will establish no military or naval bases in the Arctic and that Finnish warships there must not exceed 15 of 400 tons each and any number of 20 tons or less.

Sanitary Group Meets

Discussions relative to policies and plans of the organization are featuring this afternoon's session of the executive committee of the New Jersey Health and Sanitary Association, in the Stacy-Trent L. VanD. Chandler, of Hackensack, vice president is presiding.

House Will Sift Labor Act Change

Committee Terminates Hearing to Consider Amendments

WASHINGTON, March 13 (AP).—The House Labor Committee today voted 17 to 1 to close its year-long hearings on changes in labor act amendments and begin consideration of labor act changes next Tuesday. The committee will meet then at 10 A. M., Chairman Mary T. Norton, Democrat, New Jersey, said, "and we hope to meet every day until we reach a decision on a bill."

She said that the 17 drastic amendments proposed by the Smith committee will be considered with nearly a dozen other bills. The Smith amendments were discussed today, Mrs. Norton said, and by and large, I would say a majority of the committee seemed to feel that they have gone too far.

WASHINGTON March 13 (AP).—Although reported opposed to the Smith committee's suggested revision of the Wagner Act, President Roosevelt was described authoritatively today as willing to accept amendments designed to improve the law's administration without impairing collective bargaining.

The CIO lost no time in announcing its opposition to the Smith committee proposals, which it declared in a letter to the labor committee were "directed toward the destruction of the rights of labor guaranteed" by the Wagner act. While the battle over the Wagner act went on backstage, there were other developments in Congress: 1. The House passed late yesterday, 303 to 37, a \$655,000,000 bill authorizing the navy to add 21 fighting ships, 22 auxiliaries and 1,011 warplanes. It now goes to the Senate.

2. Administration forces in the Senate were making a final attempt to block the Tooley resolution designed to strike personal income questions from the census. It was approved yesterday by the commerce committee. 3. Senate debate over expanding the Hatch "anti-politics" act continued, with its supporters declaring that approval was only a question of time. Opponents, although conceding privately that it would pass, said "there isn't going to be any rush about voting."

Yesterday's debate included sharp reminders of President Roosevelt's attempts to defeat three anti-administration Senators in 1938. Senator Smith, Democrat, South Carolina, one of the targets of that campaign, demanded that the President and his Cabinet be brought under the ban against political activity by Federal workers.

Belisha in Bitter Finn Policy Blast

and isn't it a pity, in relation to the magnitude of these events, that their far-reaching character, to their advantage for inaction a pure technicality?" Fore-Belisha obviously referred to the refusal of Sweden and Norway to agree to passage of Allied troops through their territory as a "technicality."

LONDON, March 13 (AP).—Great Britain and France, weighing the effects of a Russian-Finnish peace, prepared themselves for an intensification of their own war and for a possible combined Nazi-Soviet diplomatic offensive against Allied interests in the Balkans. Moscow's announcement of a treaty with Finland, ostensibly forcing Russia's resources to support the war, may mean a Nazi offensive in the west.

LONDON and Paris received reports from Bucharest that Germany and Russia were planning to offer Rumania territorial guarantees in exchange for trade concessions. British and French officials declined to comment, pending action of the Finnish Diet (Parliament) on the reported peace treaty but the settlements, coming on the heels of the Allied reported willingness to intervene in Finland, had its effect in both capitals.

Some observers tried to portray Scandinavia as "the villain of the piece" through refusal to allow Allied reinforcements to cross their territories into Finland. This refusal weakened the Allied promise of aid, it was contended. The authoritative British Press Association, however, quoted most English papers as agreeing that the offer to aid Finland was made too late.

Red Finnish Premier Executed at Kremlin

COPENHAGEN, March 13 (AP)—Otto Kuusinen, Finnish Communist leader who served briefly as Prime Minister of a puppet Soviet established at Terijoki, Finland, has been executed at the Kremlin with his entire cabinet, it was reported from Stockholm today.

The entire Finnish section of the Communist International likewise has disappeared, these reports stated. Unverified dispatches received here said that during the negotiations at the Kremlin, the Soviets threatened a war of "total extinction" against Finland if the peace terms were not accepted.

Guns Roar in West

PARIS, March 13 (AP).—Artillery fire broke out on various sectors of the western front today, French military quarters reported, accompanied by the usual scouting activity. Nevertheless, the regular morning communique of the French high command said merely: "Nothing to report."

Shun European Tangles, Senator Barbour Urges

WASHINGTON, March 13 (AP).—Hope that Americans would increase their determination not to be drawn into the European conflict under any circumstances was expressed today by Senator W. Warren Barbour, Republican, New Jersey.

News from abroad is not encouraging, the senator said in his weekly news column. "It is perfectly all right and quite natural to want to help our friends in a fight," he added, "but it's their fight, after all. 'No-body ever came' to our rescue in a war. And we certainly gained nothing from our first excursion to Europe, and there is no reason in the world why we should embark on another."

War Ends, Finns Yield to Soviet

He highly praised the conduct of Finland's stubborn defenders, saying their feats were "astounding and beyond expectations," but reinforcements were lacking. The public—which reacted to the peace with numb bewilderment—also was lauded by Tanner. "The home front acted beautifully and the people's morale was praiseworthy," he said, under almost daily bombing attacks and other hardships of war. The response of this public to the peace was uncertain as yet, but foreign observers took it for granted that a change in the Government was imminent.

Defensively, Tanner asserted: "The surrender is not our fault—it is the fault of our being forsaken by our fellow democracies." Despite loss through the treaty of all the Karelian isthmus, Viipuri, all the shores of Lake Ladoga, the strategic peninsula of Hanko on which Russia will put a naval base, and great chunks of land in the Arctic, Tanner said it was wisest to make peace while Finland's defenses remained "unbroken."

"What kind of peace?" Tanner asked. "A severely wounded nation is surrendering important industrial and agricultural territories." This, said the foreign minister, creates new responsibilities and makes a new building program necessary. He called for a united nation to carry out the reconstruction.

"We have risen from ruin before," he declared. "We have plenty of land left." The united front is needed just as surely during peace as war. "There is the foundation for a new dawn for our nation in the future." (Reuters, British news agency, quoted a dispatch from Helsinki to the French news agency, Havas, as saying that "in some Finnish circles there are fears that today may not see ratification of the treaty but a coup overthrowing the government.") (The Havas dispatch said War Minister Juho Niipkkanen and Education Minister K. Hannula have resigned.)

Parliament was in session last night and there were unverified reports that it already was debating the terms for peace but a foreign office statement that the signing of a treaty had not yet been confirmed seemed to rule out such a possibility. According to Moscow reports, the agreement provides for ratification within three days and an exchange of ratifications within 10 which would mean that the Finnish lawmakers must decide before Friday night.

(A Columbia Broadcasting System correspondent at Helsinki telephoned New York that Parliament would meet at noon (5 A. M. E. S. T.)) All signs pointed to a thorough examination of the treaty by Parliament. Eighty-five of the 200 seats are held by the social democratic party headed by Foreign Minister Vaino Tanner, a principal target of attack in Russian propaganda.

Tanner has headed the foreign affairs ministry in the coalition Government formed after the start of the war and his party has the largest Parliamentary representation. D. T. Lawrence, chairman of the Traffic Executives Association of the Eastern territory explained the roads adopted a "descending scale," with a 2-cent fare for the first 100-mile one-way distance, graduated downward to 15 cents for the longer distances. The new rates both one way and round trip become effective March 25.

Crossing Park Gets \$30,731 of WPA Cash

WASHINGTON, March 13 (AP).—The Works Progress Administration announced today President Roosevelt had approved a project for improving Washington Crossing State Park. The project includes constructing footpaths, drives, park seats, gates, fireplaces and picnic facilities at a cost of \$30,731.

Finn Loan Terms Seen Unchanged

Reconstruction Work Its Goal Now—British Ask Pacific Blockade

WASHINGTON, March 13 (AP).—The belief prevailed in the Capital today that Russo-Finnish peace would not affect the recent \$20,000,000 loan to Finland by the Export-Import Bank, but would enable the money to be used in reconstructing the war-torn country.

Formal comment on the Soviet announcement of a treaty ending the Baltic conflict was withheld by officials until the State Department could study complete dispatches. Government fiscal experts, however, have professed no concern about the money loaned to Finland. Several months ago the Export-Import Bank turned over \$10,000,000. Then Congress increased the bank's capital so that it could make another \$20,000,000 loan. The latter has been allocated but has not been used.

Officials took it for granted that the Finns would make purchases in the United States with the money. As one high official said yesterday: "Finland will need a lot of things whether the war goes on or not."

In regard to the diplomatic angles of the Russo-Finnish war, the State Department has shown a tendency to hold itself aloof. Similarly, a Senate foreign relations subcommittee voted recently to take no action on a proposal to apply the neutrality act to that conflict. Meanwhile an adviser to the British ministry of economics who is here on an official mission, disclosed that the Allies would like to extend their blockade into the Pacific zone to cut off American shipments of war supplies to Russia.

The British expert, Frank Ashton-Gwatkin, told reporters that the Allies believed a large portion of the war materials—especially tin, copper and gasoline—now being sent from Pacific ports to Vladivostok, Russia, were destined to be shipped over the trans-Siberian railway to Germany.

Mrs. Crooks Will Aid Opera Drive

sum he feels he is able to afford. The total thus collected will be turned over to the fund raised through the efforts of the Trenton Symphony Orchestra committee, full credit for the amount, however, being given to the Teacher College. Other groups desiring to follow the example of the Teachers College are urged to do so, since it is desirable that Trenton, which as a result of its Symphony Orchestra is becoming musically prominent, may be well represented among the communities responding to the call to preserve the Metropolitan.

Italy Will Obtain Nazi Coal by Rail

ROME, March 13 (AP).—Italy and Germany signed an agreement today under which German coal imported to Italy in the future will be transported exclusively by rail. The agreement was signed by Karl Cloewis, German economic expert, and Italian officials. Cloewis came to Rome during the week-end with German Foreign Minister Joachim Von Ribbentrop, who since has returned to Berlin.

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