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N. C. Toll Rises To 15

More Bodies Discovered In Storm Path

Carolinas Begin Big Salvage Task

WILMINGTON (AP) — At least 15 persons were killed in North Carolina by Hazel, the year's most destructive hurricane.

The toll was boosted to 15 with the report of five unidentified dead in Charlotte today by the State Highway Patrol. Associated Press correspondent Reese Hart related the report via a "ham" radio operator from Wilmington, which was isolated by knocked out telephone and telegraph wires.

Hart said damages in the North Carolina coastal area will run into fantastic figures.

TOLL MAY RISE

It was feared the death and injured figures might go even higher when salvage operations and restored communications allow fuller assessment.

The hurricane yesterday ended a drought and water shortage in North Carolina.

Scores were injured and property damage ran into the high millions as the storm with winds up to 135 miles an hour shrieked up the Carolinas coast and whipped inland through Virginia.

The bodies of three High Point residents were found at Ocean Island. They were identified as Mr. and Mrs. W. Frank Armfield Jr., and J. Elwood Cox. Mrs. Cox was missing.

The Armfields and the Coxes were reported to have had cottages at Holden Beach near Ocean Island.

The debris was being cleared from the waterfront at Myrtle Beach.

At Raleigh, Ed Rankin, secretary to Gov. William B. Umstead, said seven National Guard units were ordered into action in southeastern North Carolina to prevent looting. Gen. John Hall Manning, guard commander, flew over the area today, and was to try to land at Wilmington.

Rankin reported the mayor of Kure Beach asked the governor's office for all possible aid. The office was checking to see what aid was needed in Kure Beach and elsewhere.

Besides the new deaths, the previously known dead included:

Josie Ann Bullard of near Parkton in Robeson County, who was crushed to death when a tree fell on the family's home.

O. L. Jordan of Garner, killed near Moncreur, while driving a truck.

Luther Dudley Walters, 54, killed near Pinetop, when an oak tree blew across a tobacco pack house in which he was working, crushing him.

William Taylor of Warsaw, crushed to death when the tobacco warehouse in which he was working blew down.

Two unidentified persons at Ocean Island and Holden Beach were reported dead by Col. James B. Smith, commander of the North Carolina Highway Patrol.

Smith said eight or nine persons were missing on Ocean Island.

CENTER ABOVE MYRTLE

The center of the hurricane struck north of Myrtle Beach, moved up the coast to Wilmington, then turned inland. Hazel lashed across the central and eastern part of North Carolina. Fayetteville, Lumberton, Raleigh, Durham, Rocky Mount, Wilson and Roanoke Rapids were only a few of the cities in the hurricane's path. Wilson city officials reported property damage at five million dollars.

From early reports, the coastal resort areas of Ocean Drive, Crescent Beach, Surfside and Garden City, S.C., received the full force

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OUR WEATHER

Fair today, tonight and tomorrow. Some light frost tomorrow morning.

High temperature yesterday 70 degrees.

High temperature expected today 68 degrees.

High temperature expected tomorrow 73 degrees.

Low temperature this morning, 33 degrees.

Low temperature expected tonight 27 degrees.

Sunrise 6:30 a.m.; sunset 5:47 p.m.

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Severe Damage At Myrtle Beach Is Shown In This Beach Front Picture. (AP Wirephoto)



Several Light Planes Were Blown Onto Highway 15-A As Hazel Hit Raleigh Municipal Airport. (AP Wirephoto)



Hotel At Windy Hill Beach Washed From Foundations. (AP Wirephoto)



Police Looks At Damage Done By Hurricane On Grounds of National Capitol In Washington. (AP Wirephoto)

Hazel Cuts Swath In U. S., Canada

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

A mounting toll of destruction, with at least 77 persons dead and millions of dollars worth of property in ruins, today marked the path of Hurricane Hazel as the storm whirled into northern Canada.

Turbulent weather still boiled over parts of the eastern United States, and in Pennsylvania, swollen rivers rose to flood stage, driving thousands from their homes.

Uncounted numbers in other regions were left homeless. As the hurricane hurled its waning strength against Canada, beaten and battered countrymen across eight states and the District of Columbia fought to restore life to normal.

Many still were without power, and communications were disrupted. Hundreds of homes and other structures were destroyed or damaged.

PITTSBURGH THREATENED

Rising waters still threatened parts of the industrial city of Pittsburgh, where the big Allegheny and Monongahela Rivers converge to form the Ohio. A crest was expected in late afternoon that would flood parts of the city, already hurt by the winds.

Dozens of homes in Pennsylvania cities reeled from effects of wind and rising floods. The eastern part of Butler, a town of 24,000, was under five to eight feet of water. Rowboats were used to rescue marooned families.

Civil defense workers, firemen and police, wearing hip boots, helped 150 families from their homes in flooded Derry, just north of Pittsburgh.

Termed one of the worst continental storms of the century, the Maryland floods in western Maryland were killed when high winds swept her into the path of sea 11 days ago, then bazzily homesless. Everywhere Hazel went, down last Tuesday, killing more than 100, vent trees and power and light

It smashed into the U.S. mainland in South Carolina early yesterday, then ripped across North Carolina, Virginia, Delaware, and into Pennsylvania. It spread its U.S. Naval Academy training ship, the Reina Mercedes, and dragged New York and New England, then it out in the Severn River with charged on Canada, wreaking new more than 50 aboard.

In the nation's capital, a 74-year-old woman was killed when high winds swept her into the path of a truck as she crossed a street, and a mother died of a heart attack worrying about her young son being caught in the storm.

In New Jersey, Hazel's major impact was felt in the inland areas while the shore passed the critical high tide period without serious trouble. It was too early, as in every other community along the storm's path, to count the actual cost in property damage, but New Jersey officials said—in terms of destruction.

There was heavy wind damage reported throughout the province of Ontario, as the blow headed toward Hudson Bay.

Although her outer winds merely "brushed" the New England area, Hazel's sprawling might still was making itself felt early today, with the coastal regions griding against the threat of abnormally high tides.

As a result of the storm-fomented driving rains at Springfield, Mass., man was injured fatally when struck by an auto driver blinded by the downpour.

At an early hour, storm warnings still were being blown from Block Island, off Rhode Island to Eastport, Me.

The big blow grazed the New York metropolitan area, but still managed to whip up wind gusts of more than 100 m.p.h.

Hazel's 130 m. p. h. center smashed into the mainland near Myrtle Beach, a resort community half way up the South Carolina coast. Thousands of beach homes were torn to splinters and many homes were washed away.

Leaving the debris-choked Carolina, the hurricane hurled inland through the central part of the state, doing damage in the millions and causing injuries by the score.

At Norfolk, the tug Indian towing five barges sank in the rough water of the James River. One crewman died and three were missing.

The hurricane blacked out power service along the eastern shore from the Virginia Capes to south-ern Delaware, and for scattered sections around Baltimore and cen-

At about midnight last night a man was caught trying to cart away a cash register at Myrtle Beach. Public utilities were partially restored in Myrtle Beach today but telephone service was still out this afternoon.

Clearing of debris from the water front was under way.

EVENING PRAYER

O Lord, we are thankful for the privilege of Christian discipleship. Help us so to live that our daily walk will reveal to others Thy presence. Fill us with love for Jesus Christ our Lord, and for scattered in His precious name we pray, Amen.

WHAT'S INSIDE

BECAUSE PARENTS ARE not always blessed with their own natural born children, the institution of adoption has become a means of creating the family unit in its most desirable form. A careful look is given North Carolina's adoption procedure on today's editorial page. Turn to Page 10-A.

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