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TRIGGERS PULLED... as shots zoom down the first fairway at Myers Park for

Seattle Girl Scrambles For Early Margin

Jane Nelson Fades
Following Good Start

By RONALD GREEN
Making her putter pay off when it counted most, Pat Lesser of Seattle, Wash., took a 3-up lead over Jane Nelson of Indianapolis, Ind., after 15 holes in the final of the U.S.A. Women's golf championship at Myers Park Country Club here this morning.

After both women had played excellent golf in the early stages, Jane Nelson, three down through 15, dropped two more holes by three-putting the 17th and knocking her second shot into the creek on No. 18. As the two stopped briefly for lunch, Miss Lesser was 5-up and an odds-on favorite to make short work of the match on the next round.

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RELIEF FOR RESIDENTS of flood-hit Waterbury, Conn., is provided by clothing distributed by nuns at St. Joseph's school (AP Wirephoto)

Cigar - Smoking Politicians Not Just Sitting Around

By JAMES DEVLIN
TORRINGTON, Conn. (P)—The flood disasters have dealt a blow to any idea that politicians have little to do except smoke big cigars and lead lives of ease.

The new look applies from the top officials down to the lowliest sewer commissioner in the smallest communities.

They really have been putting out since the floods struck the Northeast a week ago. Many have slept scarcely a wink since then.

Ordinarily you scarcely give a thought to your water commissioner. The water usually runs all right, so what has he got to do? But, came the disaster, then the people of the stricken communities learned that the local water and sewer commissioners actually were acquainted with the whole piping attack.

He said the machinery of "every kind imaginable" was available to Connecticut on a need basis for cleanup or other work.

"We want to get the plants back in operation and we'll worry about lesser later," said Weeks.

Weeks also said the Commerce department will act as a clearinghouse to help businessmen obtain all sorts of federal aid to rebuild.

ON THE JOB
In the smallest communities, on long local officials were on the job to get services back to normal if they didn't look like officials. They were khaki slacks and blue denim shirts as they climbed over rubble to locate sources of trouble.

Here in Torrington, Mayor William Carroll testifies the hard-working official of the disaster communities.

It is no time for pomp, Carroll, a former lieutenant governor, works at his desk in his shirt sleeves. His desk is so covered with reports on the flood and rebuilding situation that he keeps his telephone on the floor. It rings incessantly.

He answers pleasantly, no matter how tired he is or how unimportant the call.

Carroll hasn't estimated the damage to his city. His first job, he says, is to care for the people and to get services restored.

"We got the electric lights on again," he said. "It was such a relief we all just went out and stood looking at them."

With that, the 5 p.m. curfew was removed.

Moroccan Talks In Danger; Return Of Sultan Demanded

WASHINGTON (P)—The Eisenhower Administration today pinned high hopes on a dramatic American offer to guarantee the boundaries of Israel and rival Arab states if they can work out a permanent peace settlement.

The offer was made by Secretary of State Dulles yesterday in a speech before the Council on Foreign Relations in New York. Stressing that the United States was acting as a "friend of both Israel and Arabs," Dulles said he made the proposals "with the authority of President Eisenhower."

The move constituted an unprecedented American bid to settle the long-standing Israel-Arab conflict once and for all. It was backed by other offers of U.S. help which could run into many millions of dollars.

PLANNING TOLD
The proposals, it was learned, were worked out in the State Department, passed on by the National Security Council, and perfected in conferences with Eisenhower when the President was in Washington briefly this week.

The timing of the announcement apparently was influenced by reports over several months that Russia is trying to extend its influence in the strategic, oil-rich Middle East with offers of economic assistance and military equipment.

The Soviet policy appears to be aimed at trying to develop some kind of neutral bloc in the region. The aim of the United States, Britain and France has been to create a Middle East defensive system allied with the West.

The great difficulty standing in the way of the Western goal has been continuing hostility between Israel and the Arab states.

END TO WAR
A 1949 armistice brought their fullscale war to an end. But there have been numerous border skirmishes and raids since. Just yesterday an Egyptian military spokesman in Cairo reported that 13 Israeli soldiers had been killed in two of three clashes this week near the Egyptian-held Gaza strip.

The voice of American peace was a special broadcast of Dulles' speech to the Middle East and followed this with Arabic and Hebrew translations.

There was no immediate reaction from any of the Arab governments. But Middle Eastern diplomats here approached the plan cautiously. The eight Arab League members were expected to confer among themselves to prepare a joint formal reply.

In the U.S., Secretary General Dag Hammarskjöld welcomed Dulles' proposals, praising their "generous and constructive spirit."

The key portion of Dulles' speech
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Our Weather
Fair and rather cool again tonight. Sunday fair and warm. High yesterday — 87. High today — 89. Low tomorrow — 80. Low this morning — 63. Low tonight — 64. Sunrise, 5:32 a.m.; sunset, 6:37 p.m.
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BULLETIN

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Winds Show Increase Refreshed Edith Acting Up Again

MIAMI, Fla. (P)—Hurricane Edith began to shake off her lethargy today and whip the open Atlantic with winds up to 100 miles an hour.

The heaviest winds were in the northern semicircle, but the southern half of the storm also showed signs of wrapping a little tighter around the center. The eye was larger than in a well-developed hurricane and slightly open to the south, indicating the possibility of further development, said forecasters.

Gordon Dunn, chief storm forecaster in the Weather Bureau's hurricane center here, said forces presently steering the storm on a low, north-northwestward course would, "as far as we can see now, keep it clear of the South Atlantic and Middle Atlantic coasts."

While Edith gathered strength in the Atlantic, heavy rain squalls lounded the Mississippi and Louisiana coasts as a low pressure center moved inland over the Mississippi sound.

Top winds were 50 miles an hour as the center moved inland over the Mississippi sound.

Tides were two to three feet above normal from Biloxi, Miss., to Pensacola, Fla., and small craft along the northern Gulf Coast were advised to remain in port.

Edith was born Wednesday about 200 miles east-northeast of Puerto Rico and 1,600 miles east of Miami. She moved west-northward for two days, then slowed to a walk and weakened.

Yesterday Edith crossed the path where Diane, a "wet" hurricane that flooded many areas in the Northeastern United States, was plotted Aug. 12. Diane zigzagged northward, then turned and crossed the North Carolina coast, causing an estimated \$1,600,000,000 damage.

Hurricane Connie, which formed 2,200 miles southeast of Miami Aug. 2, followed a more northerly westerly course to move inland over North Carolina a week before Diane whirled ashore.

NEW DELHI, India (P)—The newspaper Indian Express reported today that 100 persons were killed and 200 injured when a swollen reservoir burst its bank and washed away the village of Kalu near Jodhpur 200 miles southwest of New Delhi.

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At Least Two Dead In Indiana

WHITING, Ind. (P)—A 26-story high-rise building cracking in installation blew to bits with terrific force today, killing at least two people, injuring 10 and smashing 4 property in a widespread area.

Raging fire followed the explosion in the Standard Oil Co. (Ind.) plant, following black, oily smoke miles into the air.

At least 50 houses close to the plant were badly damaged. Three collapsed completely.

Windows were shattered in Crown Point, 20 miles away.

The smoke plume was clearly visible from Chicago 16 miles northwest of the blast scene.

The gigantic blast shattered the world's largest hydroform—used to convert low octane gasolines into high octane fuel. The big "cracker" installation, capable of producing 50,000 barrels of 100-octane gasoline a day, had more than twice the capacity of the ordinary catalytic cracker.

TWO KILLED
The dead boy's brother, Ronald, was badly hurt, and their father, Frank, was cut on the leg.

Heard some 200 feet into the gloom above ruptured refinery tanks. Knots of curious onlookers stood fascinated by great sheets of 2-inch steel which had been hurled outside the refinery.

One piece about 50 feet long had hatched through the front of an unoccupied house and flattened an automobile some 400 yards from the blast. Another about 80 feet long lay 300 yards away from the shrouded hydroformer, blocking the road.

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Court Cleared For Evidence

NEWARK, N. J. (P)—The courtroom was cleared when strip-tease Lynn York started to describe her dance steps yesterday.

"In my good judgment, the testimony was such that the general public should be admitted," Magistrate A. Milton Jacobs explained after the hour 10 minute trial.

Miss York, a 29-year-old burlesque queen from Westwood, N.J., was charged with giving a lewd and indecent performance at the Empire Theater here Aug. 5. Yesterday was the second day of testimony before Jacobs.

Miss York said she demonstrated one of her steps during the secret trial and also exhibited her stage costume.

Before the doors closed to the public, she denied charges she was completely nude on the stage.

Two members of the chorus—Beverly Wenzel and Vickie Lane, both of Newark—testified they were in the wings of the theater, catching Miss York's clothing as she stripped. They said that when her act ended, Miss York was wearing a bra, panties and a g-string.

Freud Pilot Suffered Compound Skull Break

TOKYO (P)—It. Guy H. Bumpass was flown here from Seoul today, suffered when he was shot down by Red Korean gunners near the demilitarized zone Aug. 17.

Today's announcement was the first official U.S. confirmation of the Communist claim that Bumpass had a fractured skull. Since his return from the Reds last month, Bumpass has been in the U.S. Air Force, which has been unusually reticent about the pilot and his condition, would not confirm he had been shot down nearly three hours after he landed in Japan.

Bumpass was flying a B-26 trainer and spotting plane when he was shot down. His observer, Army Capt. Charles W. Shick, was killed. Louisville, Ky., was killed. Brown's body is now in Yokohama, en route home. A U.S. plane was turned over to U.S. authorities the same time Bumpass was released.