



"GET WELL" mail for President Eisenhower deluges the White House and keeps Carolina's Linking Western Union man at the President's home, busy handling messages. (AP Wirephoto)

Recovery Continues

President Passes Another Good Night

DENVER (P)—A bedside bulletin reported today that President Eisenhower had "a very good night" last night.

A 7 a.m. Denver time report from two of the chief executive's physicians said that:

"The President had a very good night. He slept almost continuously under the oxygen tent from 9 p.m. to 6:15 a.m."

This was from Maj. Gen. Howard M. Snyder, the President's personal doctor, and Col. Byron E. Pollock, chief heart specialist at Fitzsimons Army Hospital, where Eisenhower has been recuperating since his heart attack last Saturday.

RIST ESSENTIAL
The doctors here are saying that rest and sleep are essential to repairing the chief executive's damaged heart and putting him on the road to recovery.

Thus the some nine hours of sleep last night appeared to be an encouraging sign.

On the basis of a procession of similar bulletins over the past few days, an atmosphere of increasing but still restrained optimism has developed here about his condition.

There still is an inclination here to say that the President probably will cut himself loose from politics and turn down any attempt to induce him to try for a second term.

CAN RUN AGAIN?
But in Washington, where practical political aspirations may outweigh actual medical considerations, there was a surge of hope today that the President still might head the GOP ticket in 1956.

These hopes were pegged in part reports that a Cabinet member had told a group of party money raisers there is no definite reason

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JANET TOLL NOW PLACED AT 350 DEAD

Hurricane Slated To Strike Coast Of Mexico Again

By JACK RUTLEDGE

MEXICO CITY (P)—Hurricane Janet, most vicious killer of the 1955 storm season with an early toll of about 350 victims, drove relentlessly toward the Mexican Gulf coast today.

The year's 18th hurricane was predicted to hit between Veracruz and Tuxtepec—probably at Nantula, a tropical squall of 7,000 people, 100 miles north of Veracruz.

Cities and towns along a 400-mile strip of Mexico's eastern coast were battered down. Unusual precautions were taken, particularly at Veracruz, a major port of 120,000 which handles much of Mexico's shipping.

WIDE STORM
But the storm was so wide-spread the Mexican Weather Bureau said it would be felt from north of Tampico, in Mexico's northernmost state, to the Guatemalan border.

Tampico, struggling out of the disaster and debris of two previous hurricanes and a record flood, braced for new blows. The water-logged oil port of 110,000 reported an outbreak of typhoid yesterday. Earlier dysentery had developed but was partially controlled.

Janet is Mexico's third major disaster in 10 days. Hurricane Gladys killed an estimated 250 persons. A train explosion near Torreon killed about 30 and cut western railroad traffic.

200 IN CARIBBEAN
Janet already had taken an estimated 200 lives in the Caribbean area, and probably 150 or more in the Yucatan peninsula which it slashed with 11-mile winds yesterday, leveling three towns.

First reports said 200 were killed in the peninsula. Later the government revised its figures downward but added it was impossible to obtain complete reports because of the communications breakdown. All sources said deaths were still being tabulated, bodies being found and the fate of several small towns still a mystery.

On the Yucatan peninsula, Chetumal, a town of 20,000, Xcucal, home of 1,600, and other towns of 650, were leveled as if by a giant bulldozer. With communications down, an accurate count of the dead was impossible but 150 was considered a conservative estimate.

SUPPLIES NEEDED
Food, medicine and clothing were needed urgently in the devastated area, but there were serious transport problems. Chetumal's airport was destroyed. Xcucal and Bacalar had no landing fields. Supplies were being flown to nearby Merida, then sent overland.

One survivor reported Chetumal was "swamped from the map." The other said 80 per cent of the buildings there were destroyed. Only one house was said to be left standing.

Crops in the area were destroyed. Yucatan is a major producer of sugar, hemp, Long of the crop would put an added strain on the national economy, already hit by the depredations of Hurricane Gladys.

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Hodges Says Blast Got Relief Action For .C.



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Storm-Hit Farmers Getting Aid

RALEIGH (P)—Gov. Hodges told newsmen today his prodding of federal officials for help against hurricane-stricken farmers has brought results.

Hodges, who told federal officials Saturday he was "sick and tired" of delays, said he had been assured the needs of livestock farmers for emergency feeds is being investigated and that the Farm Service Administration is relaxing its credit requirements somewhat.

The governor said he felt it "only fair to point out" that the U.S. Agriculture Department "is trying to cooperate," and "it's when you get down the line you find people dragging their feet" because of technicalities.

SAYS SEGREGATION WORKING
At his weekly news conference, the governor reiterated in answer to questions he believes his voluntary school segregation program has worked.

"I don't believe we ought to be stirring this thing up too much," he said.

The school segregation question arose when reporter Arthur Johnson of the Greensboro Daily News said he understood the Wake County delegation plans to offer a resolution to study the question of submitting the question of public or private schools to a statewide vote.

Johnson asked if the governor had any comment.

AVOIDS COMMENT
Hodges said he "would not want to comment on what the YDC should do about it." He added, "I don't think we ought to be stirring this thing up too much." He said he was following a "plan" is working very well.

Hodges pointed out that the General Assembly has adopted a resolution opposing integration in the schools. He added that in the future it became evident the voluntary plan was not working it might call for action by the Legislature or a vote by the people.

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TWO ARRESTED
He also told the newsmen an SBI probe of reported paint thefts had resulted in the arrest of two Highway Commission employees.

The governor said he had asked the SBI to probe the alleged paint thefts in the Highway Department after receiving a letter from a citizen.

As a result of the probe, he said, Johnny T. Ferrell, a truck driver, and J. B. Connor, a district superintendent in the commission's sign department had been arrested in the Kenly area.

Hodges said the SBI believed paint thefts had been going on for some time and it estimated that upwards of 1,000 gallons of paint had been taken out and sold.

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Stafford Slated To Head New Methodist District

The Rev. Garland Stafford of Leaville is slated to be appointed superintendent of a new North Wilkesboro district created yesterday by the Western N. C. Methodist Conference. The conference is holding its annual six-day meeting at Dilworth Church here.

A reliable source also told The News that Charles P. Bowles of Follisville, Ala., will become the district pastor at West Mark Street Church in Greensboro.

The Rev. Harland Grech of First Methodist Church in Lenoir is expected to be new pastor of the Dilworth Church here.

Dr. Eugene C. Few of West Mark Street Church will become the district superintendent at Greensboro.

The Rev. W. J. Hancutt, superintendent of the Waynesville district, will come to Hawthorne Lane Church here to replace Dr. Joseph Owen, who is leaving the conference.

The Rev. Frank Smathers of Grace Church in Greensboro is expected to fill Mr. Hancutt's post. When appointments are read officially Sunday by presiding Bishop Caster J. Harrell, it is believed that the Rev. James G. Huggins will be re-appointed to his church in Shelby.

Yesterday's opening session of 42 candidates were received and admitted on trial to the conference. Thirteen were voted for general and jurisdictional delegates began today and will continue until the roster is filled.

Charlotteans being discussed as likely delegates are Dr. Bowles, Dr. Tuttle of First Church, the Rev. Frank Jordan, district superintendent, and Laymen Paul R. Ervin, Edwin L. Jones and S. J. Brookshire. All have been former delegates.

A proposal for changing the annual conference meeting date from September to June is expected to be discussed today.

Scheduled this afternoon was a report from the board of temperance asking Methodists to observe a commitment Day Dec. 4 by signing pledges of total abstinence.

The six-fold recommendation of the board of social and economic relations was to follow the temperance program.

Included in the board's recommendation are clauses calling for the erection of new churches in industrial areas, the achievement of a Christian attitude in race relations, the board was scheduled to recommend deferment of action on a resolution concerning compulsory punishment.

Tomlin Dr. Walter G. Rich, Richmond district superintendent, will present the board of missions' address at 7:30 p.m. followed by an address by the Rev. J. B. Harrell.

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METHODIST DELEGATES AVID WATCHERS—OF WORLD SERIES
Few plays of the Yankees-Dodgers game were missed by ministers attending the Western N. C. Methodist Conference. Like a good host, Dilworth church brought in a TV set to the social room so clergy and lay delegates could watch the World Series.

The delegates prior to the official opening of the conference and the grounds and other buildings were strangely quiet and deserted.

The whereabouts of the delegates? Watching the ball game.

Methodists Voting For Conference Delegates
Complicated balloting for Methodist General and Jurisdictional Conference delegates was off to a lively start this morning.

Dilworth Methodist Church, site of the annual Western North Carolina Methodist conference, was overflowing with delegates and clergy delegates attending the six-day meeting.

First action taken was the reception of 40 men into the conference, raising the total of ministers to 620.

The action entitled the conference to one more General Conference delegate than it had previously.

The confederate used by the Methodists is a secret ballot by a majority vote. Laymen vote for lay delegates and ministers vote for clergy delegates.

The conference was voting today on nine clergy and nine lay delegates to the General Conference which will be held in Minneapolis in April 1956, and 12 clergy and 12 lay delegates to the Southern Jurisdictional Conference to be held in July 1956 at Lake Junaluska.

NO NOMINATIONS
There are no nominations or slate for the delegates to pick their nominees from but usually after the first ballot is taken and read, the most popular candidates are known.

Evening Prayer
Our Father, help us to realize the power of teaching, both by lives and words, and by lives worthy of imitation. Help us to be disciples of the master Teacher. Guide us in our teaching of those committed to our care. In our Master's name. Amen.

The state today opened its case against 25-year-old William Horace Buffin, charged with manslaughter following an automobile accident July 9 in which a 17-year-old girl was killed.

Buffin, represented by Attorney Ralph C. Cleet Jr., pleaded not guilty on the grounds that Valda Vee Flowers, and not he, was the driver of the car.

First witness called by the state was Patrolman W. R. Plummer, who investigated the accident with Patrolman E. J. Lotz.

He testified that Buffin, who lives at 2112 E. Kingston Ave., maintained through the investigation that Miss Flowers was driving and that he was studying the road map when the accident occurred on Park Rd.

According to the investigating officer, the car left the road before entering a curve and traveled in a side ditch before hitting an embankment and turning to the road.

A jury of six white men and six Negro men are hearing the case. Attorney Amos M. Butler is prosecuting with Solicitor Basil I. Whitener.

TRIO SENTENCED
Three members of the quartet which stole approximately \$1,300 from a property owner's parked automobile on Seale Ave., received three-to-five-year sentences from Judge Francis O. Clarkson today. The other member received a suspended sentence.

In addition to his sentence in State Prison, Phillip Archibald, 21, Piedmont Courts, had a four-to-seven-year suspended sentence put into effect. He will serve

the new sentence at the expiration of the first one.

Also put into effect was a six-month suspended sentence for Kenneth Marx, 18, Seale Ave., who received an additional three to five years on the roads.

The other member of the group to receive an active sentence was Billy Harmon, 22, Piedmont Courts.

A 12 to 18-month suspended sentence went to Harvey Shepard, 21, Seale Ave. The sentence was suspended on condition that he return to his home in Alabama.

The four boys were charged with stealing property, including clothing, a movie camera and tape recorder, from the car of E. L. Olson of Raleigh. He reported \$450 in cash stolen.

Our Weather

Mostly fair today and to night. Tomorrow, partly cloudy and warm with scattered showers likely.

High yesterday, 85.

High today, 85.

Low tomorrow, 62.

Low tonight, 62.

Sunrise, 6:16 a.m.; sunset, 6:19 p.m.

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