

Missing Belmont Sailor Turns Up Alive



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WORLD NEWS

3 Bodies Found

PORT CLINTON, Ohio (AP)—The bodies of Mrs. Margaret Gebhardt, 31, and her two young daughters, were found today in the family automobile parked in the garage at their home in near-by Gypsum. The motor of the car was still running.

2 Drown On Bus

INDIANAPOLIS (AP)—A flash flood swept a commuter bus into a creek at Zionsville, Ind., today, drowning two women and trapping several other passengers, as hurricane-spawned cloud-bursts swept across Indiana.

Air Force Rapped

HUNTSVILLE, Ala. (AP)—Army Col. John C. Nickerson Jr. implied again today he believed the Air Force would accept an inferior ballistic missile before it would buy the Army's.

China Denounced

SAN FRANCISCO (AP)—Secretary of State John Foster Dulles denounced Communist China today as an uncivilized, retrograde and unevolved regime and said "it would be folly" to establish relations "which would enhance" the Reds' ability to hurt this country and its friends.

FBI Files Protected

WASHINGTON (AP)—A Senate judiciary subcommittee, acting with a flash of rare speed to meet a "grave emergency in law enforcement," today approved legislation to open only "relevant" FBI information to inspection in criminal trials.

No Blanket Promise

BOONN, Germany (AP)—West Germany can "use the news of her husband's good fortune today."

China War Slackens

TAIPEI, Formosa (AP)—The flareup in the vest pocket war between the Chinese Communists and the Chinese Nationalists tapered off further today. The Communists on the mainland lobbed only 56 shells overnight at the Nationalist islands just offshore. The Nationalists fired back.

Cites Reds' Aims

ROME (AP)—Adm Arleigh Burke, chief of U.S. Naval Operations, declared today that Russia had built the world's second largest navy with the aim of preventing Western use of European and Asian waters.

WEATHER

Partly cloudy, warm and humid with scattered afternoon and evening thunder showers today and Saturday.
Low this morning 71
Low tomorrow morning 70
High today 90
High yesterday 89
High tomorrow 90
Sunrise today 5:10 a.m.; sunset today 7:42 p.m.

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THOUSANDS FEARED LOST AS FATAL WAVES FOLLOW AUDREY

Stowe Says He Wasn't On Vessel

PENSACOLA, Fla. (AP)—A man listed as missing and presumed dead in a gulf fishing boat tragedy walked into the office of the operating company today. A second man who had been listed with the crew also was located.

Gilbert Leroy Stowe, Belmont N. C. informed officials of Warren Fish Co., Pensacola, that he had not made the ill-fated voyage of the Keturah. The 80-foot boat went down in hurricane-lashed water off Galveston, Tex. Wednesday night. It had left Pensacola June 11.

Francis Taylor, company president, also said J. W. Graham Jr., Hattiesburg, Miss., was located in Pensacola. He likewise had been listed by the company as one of the crewmen.

Taylor explained that the captain of a fishing boat usually signs on a crew just before departure and the company normally does not receive the list until the vessel returns.

NINE ABOARD

Company officials said they believe nine men were aboard the vessel.

The Keturah had encountered engine trouble Wednesday morning and was taken in tow by a Coast Guard cutter. The tow line parted as the seas built up in advance of hurricane Audrey. The cutter reported the fishing boat hoisted auxiliary sails and proceeded on toward Galveston in lulls and winds. It struck an oil drilling platform just 11 miles out from Galveston and sank.

The coast guard was unable to find any of the crewmen.

Wife 'Prepared For The Worst'

Mrs. Alberta Fuller Stowe of Belmont said she was "prepared for the worst" until she heard the news of her husband's good fortune today.

An official of the firm for whom he works called Mrs. Stowe's brother-in-law and passed the word that Stowe was safe.

"We didn't have much hope," she said, "of course, we hoped (for the best) We had a little hope, but it sounded like there was no use."

Call 'Em Christians, Says Church Of Christ

CLEVELAND (AP)—Most Christians are referred to by their denominational names — such as Baptist or Presbyterian — but what do you call a member of the new United Church of Christ? Its president Dr. James E. Wagner, offers this answer:

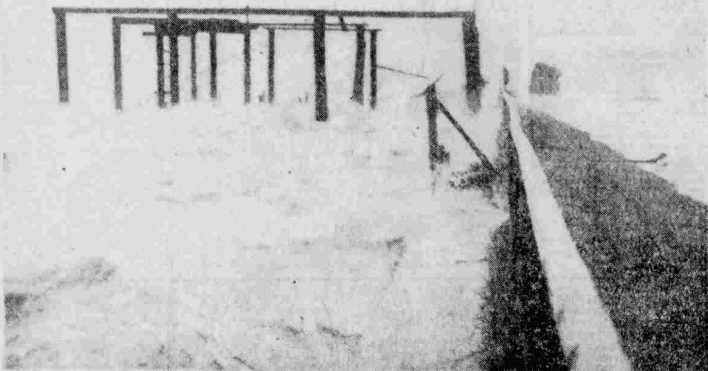
"Because of the cumbersome nature of any other name, members of the United Church of Christ, through Heavens-sent circumstances, at long last may be compelled to refer to themselves simply as Christians."

ATOMIC TEST SITE, Nev.—

An atomic test weapon failed to explode today — and the darkness and silence were more stunning than the expected flash and roar.
It was the third misfire in this history of nuclear tests at this Southern Nevada site.
The failure sent a team of scientists into the area to undertake the tricky job of disarming the powerful device.
The Atomic Energy Commission said a power failure was responsible.
Nearly 2,000 Marines crouched in trenches 4,500 yards from the detonating tower and about 150 newsmen and official observers swarmed over News Nob as 4:45 a.m. EDT.

COUNT BEGINS

Ten seconds before blast time the ominous count down began



Lake Sabine At Port Arthur, Texas, Rages In Fury After Hurricane Winds Caused A Six-Foot Rise In Water Level

Vacation Loss Draws Ire Of City Detectives

By DICK BAYER
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Halls and offices in city police and fire headquarters today were filled with reverberations from last night's budget session of the City Council.

The council action was also a prime topic of conversation in other city departments.
The council tentatively passed a \$15 monthly raise for police patrolmen and sergeants and fire department privates and drivers. The pay increases did not extend to any other city employees.

VACATIONS CUT

But in an economy move voted Council voted to cut the vacations of employees with 15 years service or over back to two weeks. The three-week vacation was passed by the last Council late last November.

Early this morning Councilman Steve Dellinger caught a barrage of criticism from members of the police Detective Bureau, most of whom are long time lawmen.

One detective asked, "Where is the incentive to stay in this profession? Most of us are too old now to start something else and we just can't afford to back things like this."
Another detective questioned the councilman on the three-week vacation. "Why did you give it to us, then take it right away?"

TO LOSE WEEK

According to Police Department records there are 50 men with 15 years service or more who stand to lose a week of vacation.

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A FAMILY rests in the back of an Army truck after drifting about Lake Charles, La., on a rooftop for six hours when Hurricane Audrey struck the city.

—'EXACTLY LIKE MOTHER'— Dad Was Right, Baby Wasn't

DALLAS (AP)—A flustered young father won an argument with a maternity ward nurse last night — and unraveled a baby mixup that had left two mothers with the wrong infants.

Royce D. Dickson, 23, said he went to the hospital to take home his wife, Zerna, 18, and their two-day old daughter, Charlett Laraine Nervously, he watched a nurse swaddle a sleeping infant and hand over the blanketed bundle.
"That's not my baby," he said he protested.

"Don't be ridiculous, he quoted the nurse as saying. He said she held the baby beside his wife's face and chided: "She looks exactly like her mother." The Dicksons left.

Ten minutes and one mile away they made a startling discovery. A name-tag on the sleeping lot's wrist bore another family's name. Ang back at the hospital, things were popping.
"That other mother had looked at her baby when they brought her to her room and decided it was not hers," Dickson said.

"She checked the baby's wrist and saw our name spelled out on those little blue beads."

Hospital attendants phoned police. A squad of officers sped to halt the Dicksons.
But the busy, red-haired Ford plant assembly man appeared seconds late grinning at the Chester Clinic and Hospital door.
The next minute both babies were back with their mothers. Hospital attendants declined to name the nurse or the other mother.

High Waters Cover Louisiana Marshes

LAKE CHARLES, La. (AP)—Disaster officials working with thousands of refugees left homeless in the wake of hurricane Audrey last support today to reports the death toll along Louisiana's coast could reach into the thousands.

While there was not official estimate of casualties, Red Cross officials here said they knew of at least 1,000 people in the Cameron area who did not evacuate as the ravaging hurricane moved inland early yesterday.

Deputy Sheriff D. P. Vincent of Cameron Parish (county) told newsmen when he arrived on a Coast Guard boat early today he believed "25,000 to 4,000 drowned" as fatal waves swept over the marshlands.

Of the thousand refugees pouring into Red Cross shelters, few were from the Cameron area which bore the brunt of the storm.

UNOFFICIAL TOLL AT 48

Unofficial death toll grew to 48 as the Red Cross said another 30 were believed lost at Cameron, in addition to the 18 deaths reported earlier.

Vincent came in with other lattered survivors on the Coast Guard vessel Blue Bonnet. When told of Vincent's estimate, Chief Boatswain's Mate E. L. Begler said:

"It's hard to tell how many died. So many people talk of losing families of six or nine."

Another survivor on the Blue Bonnet, an old woman counting her fingers, said, "I lost all my six children."

The Red Cross disaster headquarters released a 12-name casualty list, five of which were from the Cameron hurricane. Abel LaBlanc, a Negro whose two children are missing, said a 15-foot tidal wave hit his big home.

NO REPORT

There was still no report on the fate of 150 people believed to have ridden out the storm in Pecan Island, about 50 miles east of Cameron. One Pecan Island evacuee said earlier "everything was washed away and just floating around."

The Cameron Parish area lies in the marshlands that form Louisiana's front door to the oil-rich shallow waters of the Gulf of Mexico.

Cameron is in the heart of the state's normally uninhabited area. But the marshes offer rich bounties to fishermen and trappers who constitute most of the ever-changing population.

FEW TOWNS

The parish is located some 40 miles south of Lake Charles and about 250 miles southwest of New Orleans. It is sparsely dotted with towns bearing such picturesque French names of Grand Cheniere and Creole.

Calcasieu Lake covers most the distance between the county seat of Cameron and Lake Charles. The waterway grassland also embraces the Sabine Migratory Water Fowl Refuge.

Hurricanes are nothing new to Cameron, buffeted yearly by the rampaging storms spawned in the central Gulf of Mexico.

The latest population figure on See TIDAL on page 3-A

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Carolinas Miss Audrey's Punch

Hurricane Audrey, now moving up the Mississippi River Valley, shouldn't be left here.

The Weather Bureau predicted scattered afternoon and evening thunderstorms, but said they have no connection with the hurricane.

At noon today the storm was reported in the Memphis area, moving northward. The winds were blowing at a rate of only 17 miles per hour at the time.

Thus if the hurricane continues its present course, it should pass a point several hundred miles northwest of this city sometime tonight.

The weather man sounded an all clear for weekend vacationers predicting ideal conditions for bathing at the beach.

A high of 90 is forecast both this and tomorrow afternoon by the Weather Bureau, and Sunday looks about the same. Low here today was 71 and a slightly cooler 76 is forecast for tomorrow.

Evening Prayer

O God, when we become absorbed in the tensions of our times, grant us that insight into ourselves that shall cause us to find release from anxiety. In quiet communion with Thee and by casting all our cares upon Thee may we find that peace which passeth human understanding in Jesus' name. Amen.