



Famed Avenue Flooded

A mighty tide, pushed by high winds of Hurricane Betsy, left this watery scene along famed Collins Avenue, Miami Beach, Wednesday. Many hotel lobbies were flooded.

Betsy Shatters So. Florida; 3 Die, \$100 Million Damage

MIAMI, Fla. (AP) — Hurricane Betsy hurled its mighty winds and a destructive wall of water across the populous winter playground of southern Florida on Wednesday, then churned ferociously on into the Gulf of Mexico. Leaving dozens of big, rich cities and small towns flooded and battered behind it, the breeze began a slow turn toward the northwest in the warm Gulf waters and headed for a new unknown target. Encompassed by land in the Gulf, the furious storm was a dead clinch to his another coast. Where and when were the only questions, but weathermen weren't prepared to answer them. As Betsy swept farther away from Florida, red and black hurricane warning flags were pulled down throughout the peninsula — 2 1/2 days after they were posted. The latest left large sections of Miami, Miami Beach and Fort Lauderdale—as well as many smaller communities in the Florida Keys—flooded by the highest tide since the disastrous hurricane of 1926. Abandoned automobiles tumbled crazily in a crashing surf that reached far beyond Miami Beach's normally sunny, sandy shore. Water surged three feet deep in Miami's palm-lined Biscayne Boulevard. Fort Lauderdale's canal was over their banks. The gigantic storm was 600 miles from edge to edge. Its highest winds of 145 miles an hour hit the Keys, the chain of small islands curving away from the Florida coast. Not in 30 years—since a storm broke the boom of the great Florida land boom—had a hurricane driven so much seawater shore. Damage was tremendous, but it will be days before those in Betsy's path took up the cost of her visit. Early estimates ranged up to more than \$100 million. The Small Business Administration in Washington designated all sections of Florida hit by Betsy as disaster areas, clearing the way for low-interest rehabilitation loans to homeowners, businesses and churches. Gov. Haydon Burns was expected to ask President Johnson to declare southern Florida a disaster area eligible for funds for reconstruction of roads and public facilities. Three deaths were attributed to Betsy. A woman was electrocuted by a falling power line in Miami. Another was found dead in the driveway of her West Palm Beach home, near the furiously banging doors of her garage. The third victim died of an apparent heart attack at Homestead, south of Miami. Betsy—which sent gusty winds racing all the way north to Jacksonville near the Georgia coast—hit Miami with peak winds of 105 miles, lower than expected. There were no reports of major structural damage in the metropolitan areas, which selected stiff building codes years ago to guard against just such a threat as Betsy. But utility poles, billboards, power lines, street lights and trees were downed, hundreds of unprotected windows smashed, roofs damaged, patio screens tipped to ribbons, and houses overturned. About 80 per cent of Miami and Fort Lauderdale was without electricity. An estimated 25,000 telephones were out of service in Miami alone. First reports from the Keys were fragmentary, but there was no doubt that the smaller island communities ever, which the massive storm passed had been badly beaten. At Key West, the Weather Bureau said "water damage about ran very high—into the millions" along the Keys. Some large strump boats were sunk in Key West harbor. Smaller boats were swept down into the flooded streets. At Key West, the Weather Bureau said "water damage about ran very high—into the millions" along the Keys. Some large strump boats were sunk in Key West harbor. Smaller boats were swept down into the flooded streets. At Key West, the Weather Bureau said "water damage about ran very high—into the millions" along the Keys. Some large strump boats were sunk in Key West harbor. Smaller boats were swept down into the flooded streets.

Indian Troops Open Two New Fronts In W. Pakistan

NEW DELHI, India (AP) — Indian assault units smashed into West Pakistan on two new fronts Wednesday and posed threats to Rawalpindi, the capital, and the major naval base at Karachi. The Indian high command followed up with a night drop of paratroopers around Karachi, Pakistani authorities said. The Karachi radio appealed to the people to seize the Indian raiders and hand them over to police. Heavy anti-aircraft batteries opened fire in Karachi, a former national capital, with a metropolitan population of more than two million. A blackout in Karachi delayed U.N. Secretary-General U Thant in Tehran early Thursday on his peace mission to the warring countries of the Indian subcontinent. His flight was rerecheduled so he could land in Karachi after dawn. Indian paratroopers also dropped Wednesday night in the Karachi area, 170 miles south of Rawalpindi and many were captured, a Pakistani spokesman said. Without mentioning the new invasions, the spokesman said the Pakistani army had "completely established its positions and made tactical gains on the Lahore front," 190 miles south-

New Economic Aid To India, Pakistan To Be Held Up By U.S.

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Secretary of State Dean Rusk announced Wednesday the United States has ceased arms shipments to India and Pakistan and will not grant any more economic aid without consulting key congressmen. The State Department announced meanwhile that "preparations are afoot" for possible evacuation of American citizens from the combat zones of Lahore and East Pakistan. Other officials said plans definitely have been made for an airlift of U.S. nationals within the next 24 hours unless there is a sudden change in the military situation. The State Department said early Wednesday evening as far as it knew no orders for U.S. evacuation of Americans from either India or Pakistan had been issued. Such orders would be issued by the U.S. ambassadors in the two countries at their discretion. Pakistan late Wednesday told the United States, as well as other foreign embassies that it has advised foreign nationals visiting the country to leave. The State Department also declared that no foreign visitors would be allowed into the country except by special permission. U.S. diplomatic personnel would be allowed to stay within the municipal limits of the Pakistani cities in which they are stationed. The State Department said Pakistan advised "visiting foreigners" to leave at the earliest time in view of the state of emergency and in the "interest of security of the state." It was not clear to U.S. officials whether the order was meant to apply only to transients or to all private American citizens resident in Pakistan. The State Department estimated there were 6,000 Americans in the country. President Johnson, who was remaining in close touch with developments, was reported "very much disturbed and worried" about the raging war between India and Pakistan. Senate Democratic Leader Mike Mansfield said Johnson "is placing a great deal of hope and trust in the United Nations." Rusk's statement on U.S. aid was read in the House by Rep. George Mahon, D-Tex., chairman of the Appropriations Committee. The administration's \$2.2 billion foreign aid appropriation bill was up for debate in the chamber Wednesday, and Republicans were proposing to cut out assistance earmarked for India and Pakistan. Mahon, after reading the secretary's statement, argued against such a move. "Given all the possibilities, it is plain that the alternative lines of action open to the United States should not be foreclosed by legislative action," he said. The Democratic-controlled House headed the plan and approved the foreign aid appropriation after shooting down a GOP attempt to deny "through legislation—further assistance to the two countries." Rusk made a similar plea that the administration's hands not be tied tightly on the question of further aid to the battling nations in a long session with the Senate Appropriations Committee in the aid bill. He told newsmen afterward the United States has informed the two nations of the hold-back in continued aid. He also said "We hope the Soviet Union will continue to throw its full weight behind the U.N. Security Council," and urge "caution, mediation and restraint" on both India and Pakistan. In his statement, Rusk did not specifically say current economic assistance to India and Pakistan was being terminated. He said instead that no new loans or grants had been made since July 1, and that appropriate members of Congress will be consulted before new commitments are made. However, he did say flatly: "The United States has suspended military aid shipments to both India and Pakistan." He said the executive branch will "consult fully" with Congress about conditions "under which military aid might be resumed."

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Johnson Pledges To Try To Banish Crime In U.S.

WASHINGTON (UPI)—President Johnson pledged Wednesday to try to banish crime from the face of America. He told his new National Crime Commission, headed by Atty. Gen. Nicholas Katzenbach, it should be "daring and creative and revolutionary" in its recommendations on how to fight America's rapidly rising crime rate. The 18-member commission was created by Johnson on July 26. Its purpose is to investigate crime and make recommendations for federal, state and local action to fight it. The President wants a final report by early 1967. In his first meeting with the group Wednesday, the President said: "Crime is a sore on the face of America. We must bring it under control and then we must root out the cause. Let the nation live within walking distance of the school — another 100 — come for the afternoon session. Opening day meant name tags, a look at reading books, and the first lesson on how to pledge allegiance to the flag. Many knew the pledge they had heard it daily on a television show, but few knew the difference from their right and left hands. Several five-year-olds also got their first taste of scolding from someone other than parents. Several were ordered off the fire escape, and some boys were told that stamping their hard leather shoes on the floor was taboo. Just about every kid had on one of those Rod & Saverio dresses and jackets were more evident than any other color. HOW DID THEY LIKE their first day of school? Martha Prentiss, Loudon Road, said, "Just fine but I would rather be at home." Wanda Prokey said, "I think we will have fun."

215 Five-Year-Olds Take First Day Of School In Stride At Saco

By CHARLES C. SUTTON Education Reporter
SACO — The first day of school Wednesday wasn't anything to shed tears about as far as most of the 215 five-year-olds at Locke School here were concerned. There weren't any big kids and, except for four teachers, they had the entire red-brick schoolhouse to themselves. Actually, the first day of school was more of a trauma for a band of mothers who raced the buses to the school so they could be on hand in case of trouble. Except for a few children who started to go home after an hour in such strange surroundings, the day passed smoothly. The Saco youngsters didn't have the benefit of a Head Start program this summer, but they are lucky in other ways. STARTING NEXT WEEK, Mrs. Evelyn Lemieux, a teaching principal, will interview each child and give him special maturity tests developed by the Gesell Institute of Child Development of New Haven, Conn. As a result of the tests, the five-year-olds who are "older" for their age will be placed in advanced classes where they can start learning the 3 R's. Children who are "younger" for their age will be grouped in classes that are more typical of the traditional kindergarten program — social adjustment and play oriented activities. About 30,000 children come of age for school in Maine each year, but 4,000 five-year-olds don't start because there is no program in their communities. In some cases, parents and the school agree another year to see if at home would be a good thing. For instance, Locke School

found last year that about one out of every eight pupils was really too young for school. (It will repeat the grade this year.) MRS. LEMIEUX NOTED that one of the repeaters hardly said a word during all of last year, but now he is one of the most talkative. All kindergarten pupils were moved into the Locke School last Christmas because of overcrowding in other schools. This year three buses bring five-year-olds of 120 and take them home at noon. Those Prayer For Today Dear God, enlarge my capacity to understand other persons so that I may become eager to forgive their mistakes. Through awareness that I am not perfect make possible the growth of Thy divine love in me so that I may accept others and love them in spite of their mistakes; in Jesus' name. Amen. Richard L. Jones, Jacksonville, Fla., minister, Riverside Avenue Christian Church.

And Kenneth Poeg, 214 Perry Road, noted that school meant his own lunch box and pencil case. In addition to Mrs. Lemieux, other teachers are Mrs. Sue Anne Bellavance, Mrs. Julia Boothby and Mrs. Marcey Shuster. Mrs. Boothby said her biggest problem would be telling twin girls apart. She also had one boy who refused to answer because she didn't pronounce his name correctly. "Well, how would you like to have five Deborahs in your room?" asked Mrs. Shuster. Today's Chuckle A patient rang his dentist for an appointment. "So sorry," said the dentist, "not today. I have eighteen cavities to fill." Whereupon he hung up the phone, picked up his golf bag, and departed.



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