

Hundreds Flee As Debbie Drives Toward Gulf Coast

PENSACOLA, Fla. (AP) — Tropical storm Debbie blustered through the Gulf of Mexico Tuesday night, aiming its torrential rains, gales and tides at northwest Florida's speaking beaches and cities.

Hundreds of persons evacuated islands and low coastal regions all the way from Louisiana eastward to Panama City, Fla. as Debbie tormented the sea into towering waves.

While still well out in the Gulf, Debbie buried heavy rain at Florida's panhandle, southeastern Alabama and southern Georgia and sent showers spreading all the way to the Carolinas.

The center of the ill-defined storm was expected to strike shore sometime after midnight, pushing a tide predicted at up to six feet before it.

The Red Cross activated emergency offices in Mobile, Ala.; Pensacola, Panama City, Tallahassee, Tampa and Perry, Fla., and the U. S. Department of Agriculture said it was making a million pounds of emergency food available for use along the coast.

Debbie's top winds were estimated at 60 miles an hour, far below the 150 m.p.h. blasts of hurricane Betsy that smashed Louisiana 20 days ago.

But Debbie kicked up surging, 15-foot waves that played havoc with shipping and sank a tugboat in the Gulf without loss of life Tuesday morning.

Rains forecast up to 10 inches were expected to send many streams over their banks into farms, homes and towns in vast inland areas Wednesday.

Debbie was spawned Sept. 24 in the extreme western Caribbean near the spot where Hurricane Carla was born four years ago this month. Carla spread death and destruction on Galveston, Tex.

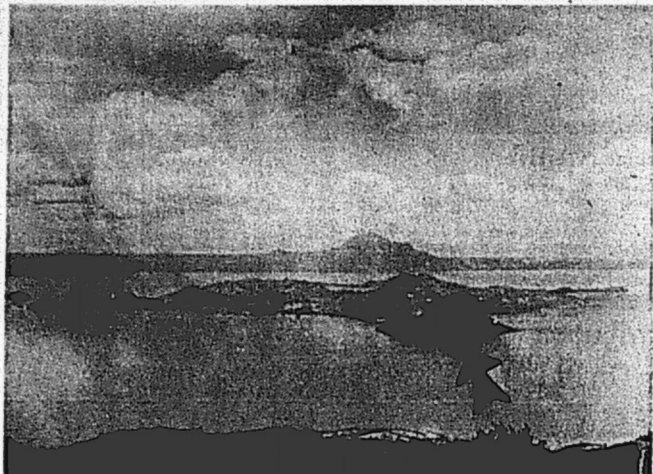
Debbie moved into the Gulf, classified by the Weather Bureau as a tropical depression. Forecasters said a ridge from the north could destroy her but Debbie instead picked up strength and was upgraded to a tropical storm.

The storm headed south toward hurricane-battered New Orleans, then veered toward the Florida panhandle.

Surging, 20-foot waves sank the tugboat "New Hope" in the Gulf before dawn Tuesday. The seven-man crew took to a life raft, from which they were rescued by two Coast Guard helicopters.

Louisiana's vast offshore oil and gas operations—hard hit by two hurricanes in less than a year—began shutting down. Many crews were evacuated.

Meanwhile, Hurricane Carol remained far out in the Atlantic, about 450 miles west-southwest of the Azores.



Where Volcano Erupted

Arrow locates Taal Volcano within Lake Taal at the southern tip of Luzon Island in the Philippines. The adjoining land behind the volcano was farmed by 2,000 who raised rice, coconuts and livestock on and around the volcano's gentle slopes.

This picture is from the collection of Richard A. Kelley of 174 Taft Ave., who was stationed in the Philippines in the U.S. Army from 1935 until the Japanese overran the island.

184 And Possibly Many More Die In Eruption Of Philippine Volcano

TAGAYTAY, Philippines (AP) — The Red Cross said Wednesday 184 bodies have been recovered from still-smoldering Taal volcano, which erupted just before dawn Tuesday.

There were no reports of new eruptions as rescue workers toiled through the ashes on the tiny island in Lake Taal where the volcano lies. They feared they would find evidence that most of the island's 2,000 inhabitants had perished.

Some of the islanders—weakened by the yammering of dogs, cats and cattle—fled by boat before the initial explosion at 2:30 a.m.

How many got away remained to be determined by a check at refugee camps hastily organized by Luzon officials and a survey of the stricken island by rescue and relief teams.

The disaster followed the 50th birthday of President Diosdado Macapagal. He flew in from Manila for a tour of inspection.

Hot lava, ash and steam rose from the 984-foot peak in the early morning darkness.



about two hours, then rased off to measured bursts of smoke and steam.

The eruption was Taal's 19th in recorded history. The 18th scared the island in 1911.

Lightning formed an awesome sideshow in the new disturbance. One bolt killed a farmer three miles from the peak.

Flames that tried to approach the volcano early in the day had to turn back when volcanic mud coated their windows.

Hours later, Mayor Antonio Villegas of Manila cruised over the island in a light plane and said he saw "no sign of human life."

The whole western side of the island is black with ash. The eastern side is still green and the people there probably got off safely.

But even on the eastern side there was nothing moving.

The mayor said the casualty toll may have been increased because there was a village fiesta on the island Monday night that attracted a number of outsiders.

Among the missing, he said, were geologists and government volcano experts whose station was at the edge of the crater.

Lake Taal and the volcano are rimmed in one area by Tagaytay Ridge, a range rising to 2,467 feet.

From the ridge can be seen the South China Sea to the west. Continued On Page 14; 3rd Col.

Heavy Cong Forces Open Five Attacks Near Saigon

SAIGON (UPI) — Several thousand Viet Cong guerrillas have launched five separate attacks within 25 miles of Saigon in the heaviest outbreak of Communist action in weeks in South Viet Nam, military spokesmen reported Tuesday.

Three American civilians and one Communist were killed during one of the assaults when their private plane was shot down northwest of Saigon.

The Communists struck in at least three other scattered actions in South Viet Nam in a flareup that came as Saigon officials claimed that 1,866 Viet Cong had been killed last week—a record seventh-day toll.

A Vietnamese government spokesman said that in the same week ending Sept. 25, South Vietnamese forces lost only 173 soldiers killed.

The spokesman said Vietnamese government troops took 238 Viet Cong captives captured to 110 South Vietnamese reported missing.

In the central highlands, the "Screaming Eagles" of the 101st Airborne Brigade returned Monday to the scene of their bloodiest battle, sweeping back into the Con River valley some 20 miles northeast of An Khe.

A second airborne company making up the right pincer of the movement to encircle Vinh Thanh village came under Viet Cong fire when it attempted to cross the Con River. The airborne suffered light casualties in the operation supported by U.S. Army helicopters, Air Force fighter-bombers, Marine tanks and airborne artillery.

The five sharp Communist attacks near the capital began late Monday night, with the downing of a twin-engine Air America Corp. plane, 200 yards short of the runway at Bau Tri, less than 25 miles northwest of Saigon.

Two American civilian pilots for the line were killed along with U.S. air official Jack Wells of College Park, Ga.

An American military spokesman said another Viet Cong force, of perhaps 1,000 men, was battling government forces 270 miles north of Saigon. Continued On Page 15; 4th Col.

Manfield, speaking to newsmen after conferring with fellow Democratic senators, said he expects a test of strength on the bill to come in a week or 10 days after debate gets underway.

The bill, to repeal section 14b of the Taft-Hartley Act, is the chief stumbling block to adjournment. And Manfield would hold out no hope that Republican talk in the House of Congress going home by Oct. 15 would be achieved.

Manfield said the test on 14b could come either on a motion by opponents to table, and thus kill, the bill or on a leadership move to cut off a threat. Continued On Page 15; 4th Col.

2nd Belfast Jail Escapee Surrenders in Gardiner

GARDINER (AP) — The second of two jail escapees surrendered peacefully Tuesday night.

Det. Gordon Glendon said Daniel A. Trask, 27, of Belfast, walked into the fire station here and asked for a phone to call the police.

Glendon quoted Trask as saying he was "tired and hungry and wanted to turn himself in because he was worried about his family." He said he had been spending his time outside and eating apples to survive.

His companion, 22-year-old William Harvey was picked up in Richmond Sunday night.

The pair broke out of the Waldo County Jail last Saturday. Officials said they apparently broke a lock on a door to gain freedom.

Trask was being held in \$10,000 bail on a charge of robbing a grocery store.

Harvey was awaiting a disorderly conduct charge, and was returned to the jail—in Belfast. Police added that Trask would be returned to the same jail.



Daniel A. Trask

Reed 'Inclined' Toward Running Next Year

By DONALD C. HANSEN, State House Reporter

AVOUSTA — Republican Gov. John H. Reed inclined toward running for another four-year term.

Reed told a press conference that the manner he would be "inclined" toward running next year.

Reed's statement came as Democratic House Speaker Dana Childs said he would seek the party's gubernatorial nomination.

Reed, who will have been governor of Maine longer than any other man when his present term ends, said he's been "impressed" at the support for

his candidacy and said "I am inclined to feel that I would be a candidate."

THE GOVERNOR, who is expected to be opposed within the GOP for the gubernatorial nomination, said he would make a public decision "late this year or early next year."

And Reed said that if he ran he "would mount an all-out campaign" to hold the office.

Reed's statement came as the relative strengths of the potential Democrat candidates, who also include Secretary of State Kenneth M. Curtis and Senate President Carlton D. Keyserling, Jr. Woodworth. They are also expected to run.

Reed said "whoever it will be the governor, who is making a worthy and formidable opponent" who could be expected to wage a stiff campaign.

REED SAID CHILD'S announcement would have no bearing on his own decision.

Within the Republican party, it's expected that Rep. James S. Erwin, R-York, will oppose Reed for the primary nomination.

Erwin, a former state senator, has made no public announcement, but has indicated widely that he will run.

Reed's statement came as the political popularity, continued to maintain Tuesday that he's Continued On Page 15; 7th Col.

Pakistan Asks U.N. Force For Kashmir

UNITED NATIONS, N.Y. (AP) — Pakistan demanded Tuesday that the United Nations compel India to accept a U.N. force in Kashmir while attempts are made to determine the future of that disputed state.

Z. A. Bhutto, Pakistan's foreign minister, proposed in an emotional policy speech to the 11-nation U.N. General Assembly that both India and Pakistan withdraw their forces in Kashmir, and that they be replaced by their forces to positions.

Asia, Africa and Latin America. The proposal came as the United Nations awaited anxiously the outcome the Security Council's latest demand that the two countries honor their agreement to a cease-fire and withdraw their forces from the area occupied before the outbreak of their undeclared war last month. Continued On Page 15; 4th Col.

Prayer For Today

Father, we come to Thee this day, not to escape life, but to find the resources by which we may face a victorious day. It is Thy will, we ask, not that Thou wouldst take us out of the world, but that Thou wouldst give us the strength to live in it. Come into our hearts and fill them with Thy love. Come into our minds and fill them with Thy wisdom. Come into our lives and fill them with Thy peace. Come into our bodies and fill them with Thy healing light. Come into our lives and fill them with Thy holy power, that we may come into Thy presence unashamed; in Jesus Christ, Amen.

—Luther E. Alban, Melrose, N.H. Editor, Calvary E-B Church



Speaker Childs

Dana Childs Enters Race For Governor

Maine House Speaker Dana Childs of Portland Tuesday night announced his candidacy for governor.

The 42-year-old lawyer, a Democrat, was the first of eight party members to announce for office in the 1966 election.

Childs foresaw in his brief statement "a hard-fought primary and a long and difficult campaign to the next general election."

Political observers throughout the state view two other Democrats as likely competitors for the gubernatorial nomination. They are Senate President Carlton D. Reed Jr. of Woolwich and Secretary of State Kenneth M. Curtis of Cape Elizabeth.

In Augusta, Tuesday night Curtis declined comment on his announcement, except to say "we have been expecting it."

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Gov. John H. Reed told newsmen Tuesday he is "inclined to feel that I will be a candidate" for re-election. But he said he would not soon make a formal announcement.

Childs said he will campaign on the record and on the issues. He declared he "welcomes the challenge" of a long, hard campaign and feels confident he "can meet it to the satisfaction of the people of Maine."

A former Republican, Childs has represented Portland in the House five terms.

He was majority floor leader under the GOP banner in 1953 and was assistant to that office as a Democrat in 1961. He also served in the legislatures of 1953 and 1957.

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ON THE OTHER SIDE of the political fence, Republican

Nappis Want Child Back In School, Officials At Odds On How To Do It

By WILLIAM H. WILLIAMS, City Hall Reporter

Both Mr. and Mrs. Toby D. Nappi and the Portland School system would like to get six-year-old Rosemarie Nappi back into school, but school officials appear confused as to how to do it.

School Committee Chairman Curtis B. Laughlin and Acting Superintendent Frank B. Tupper have different ideas about how Rosemarie can be enrolled in the Longfellow Elementary School, where the Nappis want her to go.

Tupper says the school panel must rule on the enrollment, since the school is out of Nappi's school district. But Laughlin has said that Tupper can't okay the enrollment administratively.

Laughlin said the school committee eventually would rule on the acting superintendent's decision, but that approval would be "automatic" if Tupper recommended it.

he said and that Rosemarie could start classes right away.

Tupper was out of town Tuesday. He has already suggested to the Nappis that Rosemarie be enrolled in the Longfellow School, also out of her district, but they refused.

That's because Mrs. Principal Clyde Bartlett is principal of the Reed School, where Rosemarie was supposed to attend this year.

Bartlett has refused to take the child out of the slow learning group at Reed School, and the Nappis took her out of school after a court case, in which Nappi was found guilty of disturbing a classroom.

Laughlin said he would be satisfied Rosemarie read from (Continued On Page 15; 3rd Col.)

if she were to return to the Reed School, even if Bartlett could be persuaded to take her out of the bottom group.

Laughlin has said he agrees with Nappi's plan to enroll Rosemarie would be better off at a different school.

Longfellow Principal Charles H. Loomis has said he'll place Rosemarie in the top group at the school if she appears to be working at the level Nappi has described to him.

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