

BETSY L.T. - Buick, Fisher, Fri. Sept. 10 - '65

Hurricane Betsy - a killer no more. Not even
a hurricane, ^{now -} ~~but~~ simply a pounding tropical storm, ~~is~~
~~blowing~~ ^{blowing} herself out today - on a northward sweep across
Arkansas, Missouri and Tennessee.

Betsy, nevertheless - a name that will not soon be
forgotten. Southern Florida - still sweeping up the debris:
New Orleans, Baton Rouge and the neighboring Louisiana
countryside - ~~are~~ only just now emerging from a nightmare
of wind and rain.

The final toll from Betsy - ~~one~~ ¹⁶ dead - untold
millions ~~in~~ in property damage - and a quarter of a million
people - driven from their homes.

SHIRLEY FOLLOW BETSY

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Another storm - even worse - halfway round the world. Typhoon Shirley battering western Japan today - with winds up to a hundred and seventy-three miles an hour. The highest ever recorded in Japan.

First reports indicating more than forty dead - more than a score missing - and upwards of seven hundred injured. Eight of the dead - crewmen of a tanker that capsized in Shimotsu Harbor. Also a factory worker - struck by a wind-blown piece of steel - that ripped through his metal helmet like a piece of shrapnel.

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The storm headed at last report - for Japan's northernmost island of Hokkaido, ~~Although~~ its winds ~~now~~ ~~has~~ ~~been~~ ~~diminished~~ somewhat diminished.

TRAGEDY FOLLOW SHIRLEY

*Grim tragedy of a more personal nature -
reported today from Walla Walla, Washington.*

*A woman on leave from a mental institution -
rising before dawn, Finding a twenty-two rifle in the
dark - and walking from room to room, As she shot her
husband - six of their seven sons - and finally herself.*

*The woman - her husband - and four of the
boys - dead or dying by the time the police arrived.*

Another child - near death tonight.

KING

From Dr. Martin Luther King - the ~~noted~~ civil rights leader - a four-point plan for ending the war in Viet Nam, which he disclosed today - following an hour-long conference with Arthur Goldberg - U S Ambassador to the United Nations.

Salient feature of the King plan - admission of Red China to the U N because - said he - "Red China is the largest nation in the world - and must be a member if there is to be ~~peas~~ peace-making."

VIET NAM

In Viet Nam itself - "operation Piranha"
ground ~~to~~ into its fourth ~~today~~ ^{with a} A search-and destroy
mission - by U S Marines and Vietnamese Rangers - That
has now carried into virtually every nook and cranny -
of the Ba Lang An Peninsula.

More than two hundred and fifty Viet Cong -
killed or captured so far. (A like number of suspected
Communist sympathizers - also taken into custody. Although
the main body of guerrillas - ~~they~~ just vanished.)

Meanwhile, ^{while} another major strike - by those
Guam-based B-52s. The big planes dumping hundreds of
tons of bombs - on the hamlet of Phuong Xa Tay, where
the Communists were ~~supposed~~ supposed to be operating - a
major communications center.

But when ground troops later entered the village
- they found it deserted, As it apparently had been - all
the time.

KASHMIR

Fighting between Pakistan and India - ~~continued~~ ^{continued}

today along four fronts. In Kashmir - the chief bone of contention. In the desolate Sind Desert - five hundred miles to the south. In the Sialkot area - ^{near} North Pakistan's second city of Lahore. And near Lahore itself - in what is now shaping up as a major battle of that undeclared war.

Both sides committing increasing numbers of troops, tanks and planes - to the fighting near Lahore. India finally forced to admit - that its forces there have been hurled back. That the massive Pakistani counter attack - has now spilled over into the Indian state of Punjab. Pakistani officials, for their part - declaring that the tide of battle has turned - "in all sectors".

BOOM

The boom that has lasted four years in South Africa - suddenly at an end. According to a report today - from Johannesburg.

Exports said to be dropping rapidly - with foreign reserves dangerously low - and a credit squeeze in full sway. As a result - the man who wants to build a home or buy a car - now finds that no one will lend him the money. The situation compounded by a serious manpower shortage - blamed in part on apartheid.

South Africa the last four years - "a nation in too much of a hurry" - says Prime Minister Verwoerd. Adding that South Africans now must learn to spend less and save more - to build for a solid future. Good advice - ~~anywhere~~ anywhere.

CONGRESS

In Congress - another ~~major~~ triumph today for President Johnson. The Senate voting its overwhelming approval - of a new one price cotton system, Calling for payment of subsidies directly to cotton-growers, Rather than through the textile industry - as in the past. A key element - in the administration farm program.

HOOVER

Some straight-from-the-shoulder remarks today - from F B I director J. Edgar Hoover, On the subject of why - "the principles and morals of some of our youth" - have degenerated "to near animal level."

Perhaps the most damaging factor - said J. Edgar Hoover - a "false teaching that tends to blame society - for all the frustrations, woes, and inconveniences, real and imaginary," of our young people. Thus, in effect, condoning youthful rebellion ~~Against~~ authority, law and order - or anything that restricts their whims, wishes or desires."

(This "astonishing belief" - he went on - one that "has spread into the schoolroom, the living room, the courtroom - and now into the streets of our nation in the form of wild, drunken brawls.")

The solution = he concluded - stiffer ^{penalties} ~~penalties~~ for teen-aged criminals, including those involved in resort riot and street assaults - who up to now have been getting off virtually Scot-free.

DIVINE

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Father Divine - the head of a far-flung negro religious cult - dead today of a heart attack, At his plush Woodmont estate - in a suburb of Philadelphia.

Father Divine - the son of a negro slave - who early proclaimed himself "the Messiah," And was later accepted as such - by thousands of followers throughout the world.

Admission to his so-called "Heaven" - available only to those who turned over all their worldly possessions. A condition - that kept him in and out of court for years, Yet enabled him to amass a fortune - estimated at anywhere up to two hundred million dollars.

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Father Divine attended at death by the woman he called his white "spotless virgin bride" at their wedding in Nineteen Forty-Six, Also ^{by} eighteen "secretaries". ^{Harren}

~~Harren~~
His age - anywhere from eighty-five to a hundred.

Nobody knows for sure.

SCOTCH

What'll they think of next? ^{Why,} Here's the answer:

Kosher Scotch. Production of kosher scotch - proposed by an official of a Brooklyn firm - that makes Kosher wines.

This in a letter - to the Scottish Council for Development and Industry. The only stipulation - that it be made under the supervision of a Rabbi - and conform to the dietary laws of the orthodox Jewish faith.

Well, there's scotch toothpaste - scotch mouthwash - all kinds of scotch-flavored products. So why not - Kosher Scotch? Can't you just hear it:

"Man oh man - ^{Bronx} that highland dew."