

Hundreds Perish in Turkey Flood Diard Ap Officer Seized

ISTANBUL, Turkey, Feb. 21. (AP) Flood waters inundating south central Turkey were reported today to have drowned hundreds of persons. Press dispatches said several villages had disappeared beneath the waters, released when the Seyhan and Ceyhan Rivers burst their dikes Tuesday.

Government sources at Ankara said crippled communications prevented an accurate casualty count. In Tarsus survivors told newsman 400 persons in the hamlet of Orozerli had vanished.

A 60-mile valley extending from the Mediterranean to Kozan has been inundated.

Reuther Called for Testimony

DETROIT, Feb. 21. (AP) C. I. O. United Auto Workers President Walter P. Reuther will be called by General Motors to testify Monday when the National Labor Relations Board resumes its hearing on "unfair" labor charges against the corporation.

G. M. Counsel Harry S. Benjamin said he also intended to subpoena T. A. Johnstone, Reuther's assistant.

Both appeared earlier as government witnesses on a U. S. A. W. complaint that G. M. refused to bargain collectively on a group insurance plan.

Firemen Collapse Saving Boy's Pet

DES MOINES, Feb. 21. (AP) Because of a small boy's fears, two firemen went into flames today to save his cocker puppy.

"Please get Chris out of there," 4-year-old Albert Johnson Jr. sobbed as firemen arrived.

Firemen Lee Williams and Phil Plarski put on masks and entered the burning bungalow.

They found the five-month-old dog unconscious under a bed.

They broke out a window and passed "Chris" to Albert's chum Robert Jackson, 11. The firemen followed, but collapsed when they reached the out-of-doors.

Dog and firemen revived.

RADIO PROGRAMS

Table listing radio programs for today and tonight, including stations like KABC, KFI, KTLA, and KFI-TV.

RUSS WRONG

Alabama Frowns on Wife-beating

MONTGOMERY, Ala., Feb. 21. (AP) No matter who says so, it is still illegal for a man to beat his wife with a stick in Alabama, Attorney General A. A. Carmichael said yesterday.

If he does, said the attorney general, he subjects himself to prosecution under the law and also gives grounds for divorce.

Carmichael's statement came in reply to an assertion made by a substitute Soviet delegate before the United Nations Economic and Social Council, A. P. Borisov.

Borisov told the social committee of the council that in Alabama it is legal for a husband to beat his wife with a stick—if the stick is less than two inches thick.

Snorted Carmichael, "Entirely atrocious and false."

Police Pay Off in Damage Suit

CHICAGO, Feb. 21. (AP) Two damage suits of \$125,000 against 17 policemen charging false arrest and brutality in connection with the investigation of the Suzanne Degnan murder two years ago, has been settled for \$20,000 by Hector Verburgh, 65, a janitor, and his wife.

The defendants included Police Commissioner John C. Prendergast, chief of Detectives Walter Stegman and Capt. Raymond Crane, chief of uniformed police.

Verburgh had charged he was treated brutally by policemen while being questioned about the abduction and dismemberment of the 6-year-old Degnan girl who had been kidnaped from her home. Her body was dismembered in a basement of an apartment building at which Verburgh was janitor.

The crime later was confessed by William G. Holrens, a University of Chicago student, who now is serving a series of life sentences for the Degnan slaying and two others.

Water Supply Safeguard Urged

SACRAMENTO, Feb. 21. (AP) The California Legislature should consider an emergency law when it convenes March 1 to protect the state's underground water supply, Gov. Earl Warren said today.

Warren said this year's budget session would require the bill to be introduced as an urgency measure with a two-thirds vote needed for approval.

Warren told a press conference yesterday that he had not heard reports that Assemblyman Randal F. Dickey, (R-Alameda), will sponsor an emergency bill to prevent pollution and safeguard state rights to subsurface water.

Romania Gets D. D. T. to Battle Typhus

PARIS, Feb. 21. (AP) A United Nations spokesman estimated today there are 40,000 cases of typhus in Romania.

The spokesman, representing the U. N. international children's emergency fund, said there were 25,000 typhus cases in Romania at the end of December. He added that an average of 2500 new cases were breaking out weekly.

The informant said 20,000 kilograms of DDT (about 44,000 pounds) had been shipped from France to help wipe out disease-bearing insects.

Romania had asked the U. N. agency for help in fighting the epidemic.

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