

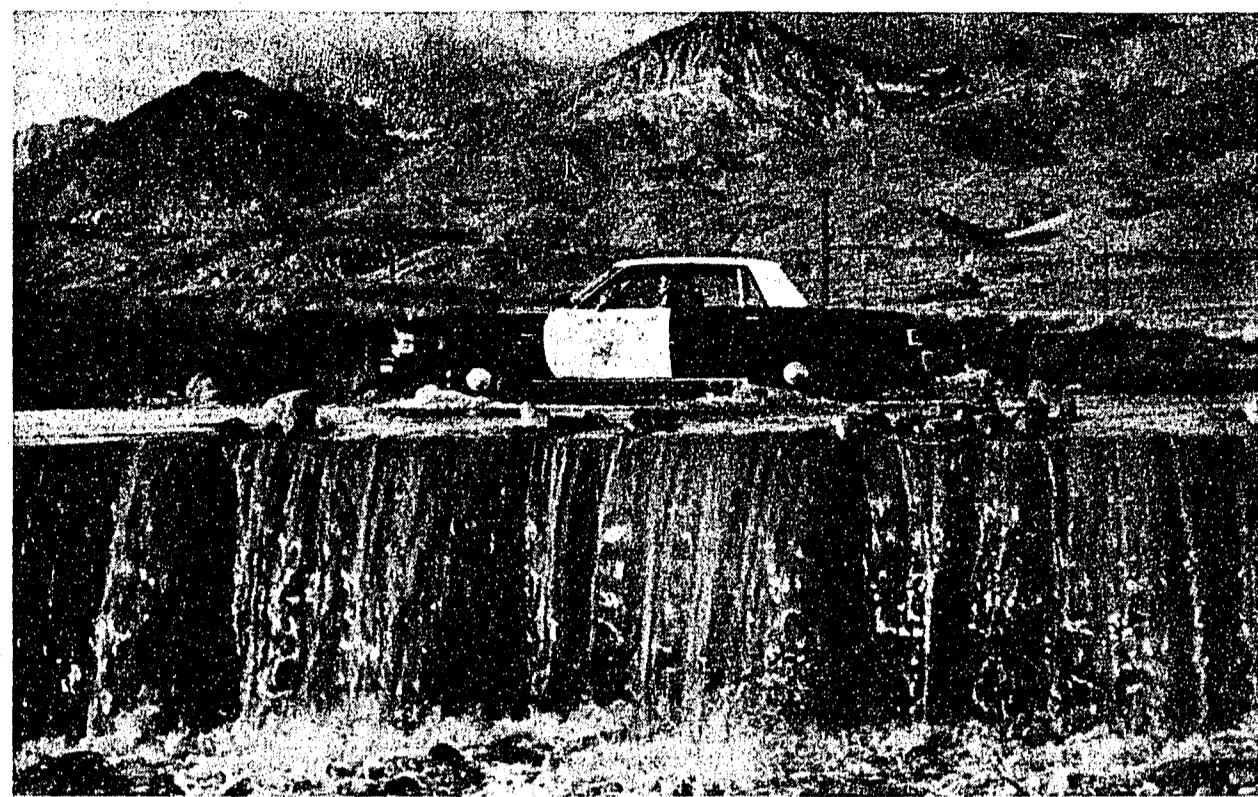
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Torrential rains ruin crops
Raisin growers lose more than two scoops

By JOHN RICE
Associated Press Writer

SAN FRANCISCO — Torrential rains brought to California by tropical storm Olivia wiped out much of the new U.S. raisin crop and struck hard at canning tomatoes, according to industry figures quoted yesterday.
'It is a disaster. We are approaching a point now that we can expect total losses for a lot of individual growers,' Fresno County farm adviser Peter Christensen said.
'There are going to be some huge losses.'

California estimated the raisin losses at \$200 million.
'We're talking hundreds of millions of dollars here, but I don't think anywhere near a billion' in overall farm losses, California Farm Bureau spokesman Clark Biggs said.
Members of the Raisin Bargaining Association met Monday and withdrew its offer price of \$1,195 a ton. Kister said the group would meet again Oct. 5 and might set a new price then.
The sun and breezes needed to dry the crops came out Sunday and stayed yesterday, but the National Weather Service reported that raisin drying conditions in the Fresno area would be slow.
The rains also threatened the canning tomatoes with rot and mold. California produces most of the nation's crop and about 20 percent of that was in the fields when the rains came.
'We're going to lose a significant amount of that 20 percent,' Biggs said, and the loss "is going to mean the prices at least stay up where they are."



A California Highway Patrolman attempts to cross flooding waters after opening one lane of highway 995 outside of Big Pine, Calif. But the flood scene in Fresno was one of extensive crop damage.

Funeral services held for 7 of 13 slain

By BOB DVORCHAK
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WILKES-BARRE — Seven of the 13 victims allegedly slain by prison guard George Banks were buried at two private services yesterday, as state officials revealed that Banks threatened to kill himself three weeks ago while on the job.
"On Sept. 6, George Banks did say he would commit suicide," said Ken Robinson, spokesman for the state Bureau of Corrections during a news conference in Harrisburg.
"He was immediately relieved of duty and taken to Holy Spirit Hospital for review," Robinson said.
Early Saturday morning, police say, Banks shot and killed 13 people and critically injured another while on a bloody rampage that took him to two residences and ended in a standoff with police at a vacant house. The victims included five of Banks' own children and the four

women who gave birth to them.
Robinson had said Saturday that Banks had a good work record and had no history of trouble on the job. Banks served prison time for attempted robbery and escape, but was hired as a guard in 1980 at the state prison at Camp Hill and was assigned to tower duty.
One person after another interviewed over the weekend made references to personal problems, including a child custody battle, that Banks said he could no longer handle.
A close friend, Robert Brunson, who helped police negotiate Banks' surrender, had said the guard sought help at one point, but couldn't get it.
Robinson said Banks was released from Holy Spirit Hospital and was told to set up an appointment at a mental health center in Wilkes-Barre, where he lived. Banks made an appointment and

called the prison Wednesday asking if he could return to work.
"He was told he couldn't until he met the staff psychiatrist," Robinson said. "That meeting was scheduled for this (Monday) morning."

Saturday, Banks was listed as being on vacation by Robinson, who also said he did not know of an official who attended the service. Buried were Dorothy Lyons, her 11-year-old daughter by a previous husband, Nancy, and her 1-year-old son, Foraroude Banks.
Services for five other victims, who will be buried at county expense, will be held in private at an unknown time.
The funeral for Raymond Hall Jr., 24, will be held at 9:30 a.m. today.
Hall died of bullet wounds to the chest. A companion, James Olson, 22, remained in critical but stable condition yesterday after he also was shot in the chest.
Buried were Alice Mazzillo, 47;

Fiscal year to begin Friday

WASHINGTON (AP) — The nation's 12 million food stamp recipients will get an average 8.5 percent benefit increase — their first in two years — on Friday as the government begins a new fiscal year.
But the start of fiscal 1983 will also usher in cutbacks and economy measures in other welfare programs and Medicare, the health insurance program for 28 million elderly and disabled Americans.
Also at 2 p.m., three other victims were interred at St. Mary's Cemetery in Wilkes-Barre following Mass in the chapel, according to an official who attended the service. Buried were Dorothy Lyons, her 11-year-old daughter by a previous husband, Nancy, and her 1-year-old son, Foraroude Banks.
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Funding for two highways approved

HARRISBURG (AP) — The U.S. Department of Transportation has approved \$82 million in federal funding for two highway projects in Pennsylvania despite a judicial freeze, Gov. Dick Thornburgh announced yesterday.
The money is for completion of a three-mile stretch of Interstate 95 in Philadelphia and reconstruction of a 2 1/2-mile section of the Pennsylvania Parkway in Pittsburgh.
U.S. Dist. Judge Louis Bechtle froze the matching federal funds last January because the state Legislature refused to allocate money for a federally-mandated auto emissions inspection program. The program is designed to help both city areas meet federal pollution standards.
The federal fiscal year ends Thursday, and the funds would have reverted to the federal government for redistribution to other states.
But Department of Transportation spokesman James McCarron said the two projects are exempted from the judge's freeze.
McCarron says both state and federal transportation departments have determined that the I-95 project around Philadelphia International Airport will improve safety and reduce pollution.

Volkswagen plant back in operation

NEW STANTON (AP) — Volkswagen of America yesterday began recalling some 3,800 production workers back to its automobile assembly plant in Westmoreland County.
The factory in East Huntingdon Township was closed for eight weeks to prepare for a changeover to the 1983 models and parts retooling, VW spokesman Chet Bahn said.
The plant will produce 650 VW Rabbit and GTI models cars and pickup trucks daily when it reaches full production after a training period, Bahn said. It was making about 724 cars a day when it closed July 30.
The GTI Rabbit, a new car to be made at the plant, is a limited volume vehicle with higher horsepower than the conventional model, Bahn said.
So far this year, the plant has only operated 18 weeks and has been down eight weeks in a row. It was a model change and parts problem," Bahn said. "The other shutdowns were an effort to help the dealers reduce inventory."
The production force will eventually be reduced to correspond with the lower daily production, Bahn said.

Governor avoids meeting with Ertel

WILLIAMSPORT (AP) — Gov. Dick Thornburgh apparently went out of his way yesterday to avoid a chance meeting with his Democratic opponent Allen Ertel.
The governor was scheduled to stop for a visit at the newly opened Little League museum near here, but he abruptly changed his plans after learning that Ertel had showed up.
According to a reporter for the Williamsport Sun-Gazette, Ertel was present at a luncheon, a member of the governor's security detail radioed to Thornburgh's car that Ertel was present.
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Government may help busing critics

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Reagan administration said yesterday it is considering going to court to help critics of several court-ordered school busing plans seek changes in them.
William Bradford Reynolds, assistant attorney general in charge of the Civil Rights Division of the Justice Department, declined to identify the school districts.
"We have said all along that the Justice Department is opposed to relying on mandatory busing as a remedial technique to desegregate public schools," Bradford said.
"The remedy has failed to work in school district after school dis-

Senators may filibuster to block bill

WASHINGTON (AP) — Ten senators said yesterday they will attempt to block a pending appropriations bill unless a controversial amendment repealing automobile inspection and maintenance programs is removed.
Sen. Gary Hart, D-Colo., said the senators would filibuster if the necessary to block the measure unless the auto amendment is removed by a House-Senate conference committee.
The House voted 200-184 to tack the amendment onto a 1983 appropriations bill for the Environmental Protection Agency. The provision bars use of federal mon-

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Air France cancels Concorde flights

PARIS (AP) — Air France announced yesterday that its last round-trip Concorde flights between New York and Paris.
French Transportation Minister Charles Cressat had said last week that Air France's Washington and Mexico City flights on the supersonic passenger jets would be eliminated sometime before the end of the year. He said the cost-cutting move would save the government \$4.8 million in 1983.
Air France is expected to lose about \$25 million this year.

Three bombs explode in Frankfurt

FRANKFURT, West Germany (AP) — Three bombs exploded in Frankfurt early yesterday, causing serious injury to one person and damaging the offices of two Middle East airlines.
Police said the third blast, several hours after the first two, wrecked an office of Saudi Arabian Airlines and "very seriously hurt" one person, probably a passenger.

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