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Third of Harvard Freshmen Unable to Reach Cambridge—Parents Have Difficulty Phoning Students in New England

Colleges and universities along the Eastern seaboard suffered considerable damage in Wednesday's storm, according to reports received here yesterday.

Institutions in New York City largely escaped serious injury, but in New England there were three dead, and almost every campus had lost old trees or reported dormitories or recitation halls without light.

In the metropolitan area schools and colleges in Westchester County apparently were the hardest hit. At Sarah Lawrence College in Bronxville four trees were uprooted during Wednesday's gale and for twelve hours the 281 girl students lighted their rooms with lamps and candles because of failure of a power house.

Parents in New York who attempted to telephone their children in New England colleges found long delays before telephonic communication could be established and in some instances failed to make connections.

The telephone company reported a two-hour delay in connections with Wellesley, an hour's delay in Williams calls and from an hour to two hours for telephone messages to Amherst, Smith and Brown.

Amherst, according to a message received from Carl M. Rieser, editor of the campus publication Touchstone, was particularly hard hit. Phi Gamma hill, he telegraphed, was "almost denuded," the Phi Gamma Delta fraternity house was damaged and floods still threatened yesterday. The college, he said, did not open.

College exercises, scheduled to begin yesterday, were postponed until Monday while many of the 850 students worked as volunteers in clearing up the campus.

Marymount School and College reported three trees uprooted and a 150-foot section of fence on the campus smashed. Damages from the storm were reported also at the College of New Rochelle, the College of Our Lady of Good Counsel in White Plains, Concordia College in White Plains, the Edgewood Park School in Briarcliff Manor, the Hackley School in Tarrytown, the Highland School in North

college officials will permit freshmen to register Saturday and Monday.

However, the freshman program of conferences and addresses by President Conant and members of the faculty continued according to schedule. Special arrangements will be made for late students.

Many of the students arrived in Cambridge with tales of narrow escapes from the hurricane and in the flooded areas. One group of freshmen traveling from New York were aboard a train three cars of which were swept away by the tidal wave at Stonington, Conn. They arrived in Cambridge early today in dungarees and engineers' caps.

Clothing shops did a rushing business in Harvard Square, as many of the freshmen and other undergraduates arrived without trunks and suitcases.

Radcliffe College's superintendent of buildings and grounds, Richard Kirk Henry, was killed in an accident in removing an old tree that fell on Fay House, the administration building, during the storm on Wednesday. A dormitory, Eliot, also was damaged.

Many trees were felled, among them a large elm in front of the library and two old locust trees, 200 years old, between Fay House and the Science Building. The yard of 69 Brattle Street, the new home of graduate students in personnel administration, was filled completely by a portion of an old horse chestnut tree that fell in the storm.

Dartmouth Opening Delayed

Special to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

BOSTON, Sept. 23.—Colleges and preparatory schools in New England surveyed today the storm damage on their campuses.

Opening of Dartmouth College at Hanover, N. H., was postponed yesterday until today after the storm had battered the campus, uprooting elms which cut down power lines as they fell and disrupted service in the town. The students, under the direction of members of the Dartmouth Outing Club, aided town officials in clearing up the debris. Communication lines were down.

Smith College ordered an "at sun-

five-year-old elm in the Vanderbilt courtyard.

On the Yale Divinity School grounds about ten large elms were torn down. The former William W. Farnam residence on Prospect Hill, willed to Yale for a museum, and containing rare trees on its plot, lost several large elms and oaks.

At Wesleyan University, Middletown, more than 200 of about 300 large elms and oaks on the campus were felled by the storm.

Power Plant's Chimney Falls

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NEW LONDON, Conn., Sept. 23.—The chimney of the power plant of Connecticut College fell during the storm here on Wednesday, cutting off water pressure and lighting for the 735 girl students. An emergency stack was set up, and college authorities reported today that water service had been restored and that many of the buildings again were lighted. Emergency repairs were being made to the damaged roofs of some buildings.

Damage at Brown \$25,000

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PROVIDENCE, R. I., Sept. 23.—Hurricane damage at Brown University was estimated unofficially at \$25,000. Buildings were battered and century-old elms were torn down.

A volunteer student corps has thrown its aid behind the police, firemen and National Guard since Wednesday helping to rescue those marooned in downtown buildings, clearing away fallen trees and directing traffic. Scores have worked all night.

The Brown Infirmary and Faunce House are first aid and refugee centers. Only one student was injured, a freshman cut by a slat hurled by the wind.

Part of the roof of the Colgate Hoyt swimming pool was ripped off and blown into botany greenhouses.

Windows in the John Jay Library, chapel and Faunce House Art Gallery were smashed, and books, furnishings and paintings damaged. A dozen elms were uprooted, including two which crushed the Alpha Delta Phi fraternity house. Another damaged the psychological laboratory.

Rutgers Equipment Salvaged

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NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J., Sept. 23.—A large group of Rutgers University students salvaged today more than \$6,000 of crew equipment from a partially submerged barge, the Akron, anchored near the municipal dock here.

The old freight barge had been washed over a towpath separating the Raritan River from the Delaware and Raritan Canal following a high tide which resulted from last Wednesday's storm. When the

storm on Wednesday and soft shoulders of some of the academy roads were washed out.

Slight Damage at Princeton

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PRINCETON, N. J., Sept. 23.—Despite the intensity of the rainfall Princeton and the surrounding area in the last few days, damage was slight and confined mostly to flooded cellar conditions, a check today revealed. Public services and utilities were maintained throughout the borough and township of Princeton. The damage from fewer than a half dozen fallen trees was negligible.

At an early hour this afternoon

the Lincoln Highway at Kingston, three miles to the east, still was impassable near the Millstone River crossing. Swollen by flood waters from Lake Carnegie, the Millstone overflowed its banks late on Wednesday, completely inundating the meadows through which the highway passes at the point.

Garden Damaged at Vassar

POUGHKEEPSIE, N. Y., Sept. 23.—Approximately ten trees on the campus of Vassar College were uprooted in the storm this week, and heavy rain did some damage to the Shakespeare Garden on the campus, where flowers and shrubs named in Shakespeare's plays are planted.