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TODAY'S HIGH 84°

Harvey heads our way

- Tropical storm expected to bring 60mph winds
- Ferry and bus schedules hit but Causeway to remain open

By Tricia Walters and Stacey Smith

As Tropical Storm Harvey barrels down on Bermuda, Government has temporarily cancelled the ferry service and restricted the bus service to certain parts of the Island.

Last night the Bermuda Weather Service said that Harvey was expected to pass within about 15 miles of the Island at 10 a.m. today, packing winds of nearly 60 miles per hour with gusts of 70 miles per hour.

The Emergency Measures Organisation, headed by Labour Home Affairs and Public Safety Minister Randolph Horton, announced last night that there were no plans to close the Causeway, but the Bermuda Police Service and a detachment from the Ministry of Works and Engineering will conduct regular assessments to ensure the Causeway remains safe for vehicular crossings.

Mr Horton said bus routes 10, 11, 1 and 3 are curtailed with service terminating at Grotto Bay.

Bus services originating in the East end of the Island will not commence until a full assessment of the Causeway has been done.

Should the winds increase, a determination will be made and the public will be asked to stay tuned to local radio stations for updates.

All other bus routes, including route 6, will operate on their normal schedule.

"I want to reassure the public that the Government is keeping a close eye on this weather system. However it is important that people pay close attention to the advisories in the Press and use common sense at all times," Mr. Horton said.

The Minister advised travellers who



Photo by Glenn Tucker

Dark and stormy

Cruise ship passengers run for cover during one of yesterday's heavy downpours in Hamilton. Harvey is expected to drench the Island when it hits this morning.

planned to leave the Island today to check with their airlines prior to setting out for the airport.

Services at the airport have been disrupted in that two Delta flights due in today - from Boston and Atlanta - have been cancelled.

Four of yesterday's arrivals from the US and Canada were also cancelled. Air Canada 942 from Toronto, both Continental flights from Newark, New York, and the US Airways flight from LaGuardia, New York were all cancelled.

Air Operations Manager Michael O'Brien said that no word had been received by 5 p.m. last night of any other cancellations - either arriving or leaving Bermuda.

The British Airways flight this evening is still on schedule, but travellers have been advised to contact the airport before the time to confirm.

Meanwhile in Hamilton yesterday three cruise ships remained berthed at the harbour along Front Street.

The Zenith, which was supposed to make her way to St. George's, tied down

at Shed Number Seven and is scheduled to leave at lunchtime today.

By 6.30 p.m. last night, no word had been received as to whether or not cruise ships would be leaving.

Meanwhile the Horizon, also in Hamilton is scheduled to depart at 12.30 p.m.

The Norwegian Crown is berthed at Shed Number One and the Captain was to decide today whether or not to move to Dockyard.

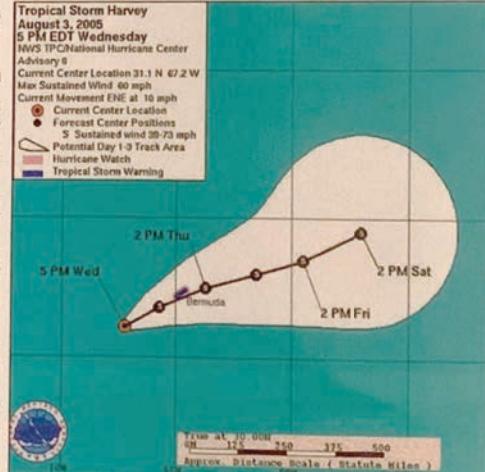
The Grandeur of the Seas left Dockyard early yesterday morning as opposed to late yesterday to stay ahead of the storm.

Harbour Radio reported last night that cruise ships were still on schedule to leave Bermuda at their given times.

If you made your way to Gorham's yesterday to stock up on emergency supplies, you would have left almost empty-handed.

Following the power outage on July 15, Gorham's in particular, was left with empty shelves and has been unable to restock in time.

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Prisons chief: Inmates use Westgate as a hotel

"They get three square meals, a roof over their head and they don't have to work"

By Matthew Taylor

right when they say it is like the Westgate Hotel.

"They get three square meals, a roof over their head and they don't have to work. Basically what they are doing is what they were doing when they were sitting on the wall."

He said some prisoners were set on returning to a lucrative life of crime.

"Some of them make more money in a week than the rest of us make in a year through selling drugs. I can only speculate, so they don't bother taking classes. They are just not interested."

"We need to put stiffer penalties in place, we need to be able to make some things mandatory. If things are mandatory we have that one third of their sentence to play with."

He is concerned sex offenders could ignore all their programmes and come out unchanged and unsupervised on release.

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Police arrest two over murder

LONDON - Two men wanted by Merseyside police over the racist killing of black teenager Anthony Walker have been arrested on suspicion of murder at Liverpool airport, police said yesterday

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Scientists create cloned dog

SEOUL - Man can now reproduce his best friend South Korean scientists announced yesterday they had created the world's first cloned dog.

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Mauritania army seizes power

NOUAKCHOTT - Mauritania's army said it had seized power to end the "totalitarian" regime of President Maouya Ould Sid Ahmed Taya, and planned to rule for up to two years. Hundreds of people took to the streets to shout and honk car horns in celebration at the coup against Taya, in power for more than two decades.

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Trimingham's to be turned into office and retail banking space

• Bank promises to retain historic store's landmark facade

By Lilla Zulli



The Bank of Bermuda will redevelop the former site of department store Trimingham Brothers Ltd. into a retail banking and office space, chief executive Philip Butterfield has announced.

The bank had been tight-lipped on plans for the tight-space it snapped up the prime piece of real estate in February as Trimingham's, the Island's oldest retailer, announced it was closing after 146 years in business.

The bank broke its silence in the wake of Trimingham's closing its doors for good last week.

Final development plans for the site are still to be decided, Mr. Butterfield said, while revealing bank officials are awaiting proposals from local architectural firms. Permission from building authorities must also be sought, Mr. Butterfield said, but the space will be used as a banking premises.

"We would expect, given the nature of what we are intending to do, the architect will probably partner with some overseas players," he said, in an interview with *The Royal Gazette* yesterday.

Mr. Butterfield said the bank will retain the well-known Front Street facade that through the years became a recognisable Trimingham's trademark, because of its "tradition and history". Current planning regulations require the veranda-fronted facade to be kept.

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Island gets ready as Harvey homes in

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Sales floor manager Gregory Nisbett said yesterday that the store was one of the few companies to have power during the blackout, which meant that by 7 a.m. that Friday, people were lined up outside the store to stock up on batteries, gas and other emergency supplies.

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Mr. Scraders and his two sons have been camping at Chaplin Bay every summer for the last 25 years. But this time, they're attempting a record 13 week stay, having set up camp on May 20.

"We do this every year and yes, we've been through a storm or two," he said.

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Former transport director dies

By Tricia Walters

One of Bermuda's first bus drivers and former Assistant Director of Public Transportation Board, died at his home in Shelly Bay last week at the age of 84.

Albert Edward Fray Sr. had spent his entire life serving Bermuda - first as a sergeant in the Bermuda Militia Artillery during the Second World War and then when he joined the Public Transport Board in 1946, first as a driver, dispatcher and eventually Assistant Director.

His youngest daughter, Patricia Fray, spoke of her father yesterday, who never quite stopped working, even after he retired in 1982 after 36 years at PTB.

"He loved his job and the army and right up until he passed he talked about it - about the way it used to be and then he'd say how different it was now

and how it had changed," she said.

Ms Fray said her father was a caring, loving and giving man who was above all else, a great disciplinarian.

"I think that came from his military days," she said, adding that it might have something to do with the fact that he had seven sons and three daughters.

"He was a strong person - he took me to work on the Wednesday and passed on Friday," she said.

She said just four months after joining PTB, he was promoted to dispatcher and in 1968 was appointed operations manager.

Ms Fray added that her father rose to the position of assistant director, a position he held until he retired in 1982.

Unfortunately less than two

months after he retired, his wife Madeline died and he moved to Shelly Bay to be near his daughter.

"He said he was busier caring for all of us than he was when he worked."

Adding that there was never a job too big, or too small for her dad to do and he was always "on call" for his family 24/7.

"He was a strong person - he took me to work on the Wednesday and passed on Friday," she said.

She said her father helped raise her nephew Kamal Sheehan, now 22-years-old, when he moved in with them.

Ms Fray said her father would be missed by everyone who knew him and the hall at Christ Church in Devonshire was sure to be "packed" for his service later today.

Last night Transport Minister

Ewart Brown paid tribute to a man he described as "well respected."

"On behalf of the Ministry of Tourism and Transport I would like to extend sincere condolences to the family of Edward Albert Fray on his passing," Dr. Brown said.

Mr Fray was a well-respected employee of the Public Transportation Board for several decades, rising through the ranks to become Deputy Director.

"Up until his retirement in the late 1980s, he served the PTB with pride, setting a standard of excellence. As such, we are grateful for his service and dedication to the Government, and our thoughts are with his family during this time."

Mr. Fray is survived by ten children, 36 grandchildren and 33 great-grandchildren.

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