Waves Add New Peril To Santa Cruz' Troubles

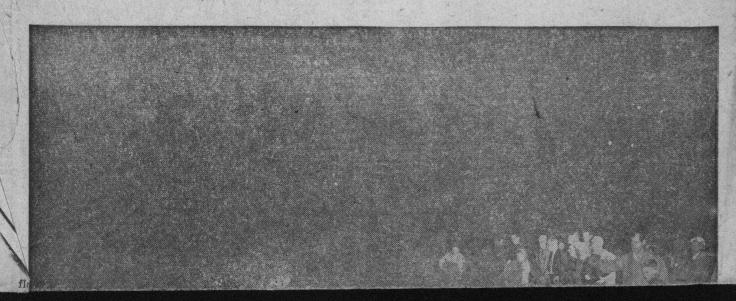


The Ideal Fish restaurant at the foot of municipal wharf almost became the home of living fish last night as heavy waves smashed at its moorings and splashed against windows. Two windows were later broken in the row showing in this picture while others were cracked along the Cowell's beach side of the restaurant, Standing by at right is Sentinel Managing Editor Gordon Sinclair.



Hundreds of people were down at the beach yesterday, not for the sun, but for driftwood. Trees of all sizes swept down

the San Lorenzo river Wednesday, were deposited on Twin Lakes beach, above, and on Seabright beach.

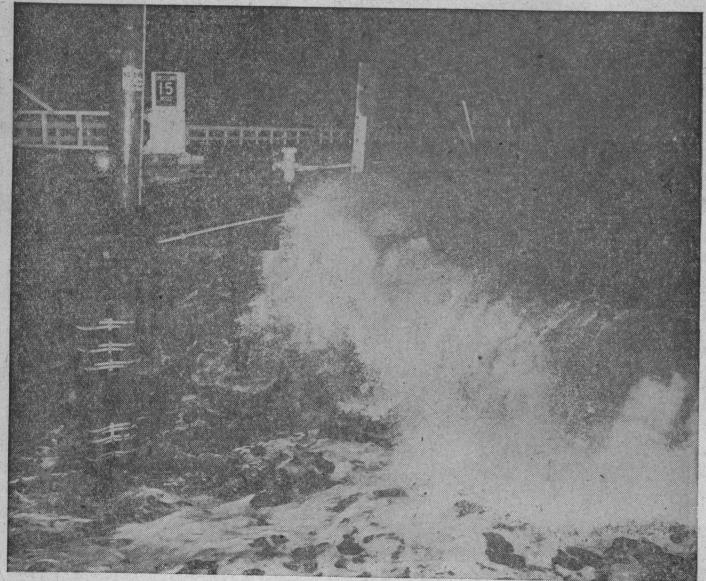






Spectators dash for safety as one of last night's huge breakers crashes over Cowell beach onto the street. Hundreds of

sightseers were on hand at the edge of the municipal wharf to watch the spectacular waves at work.



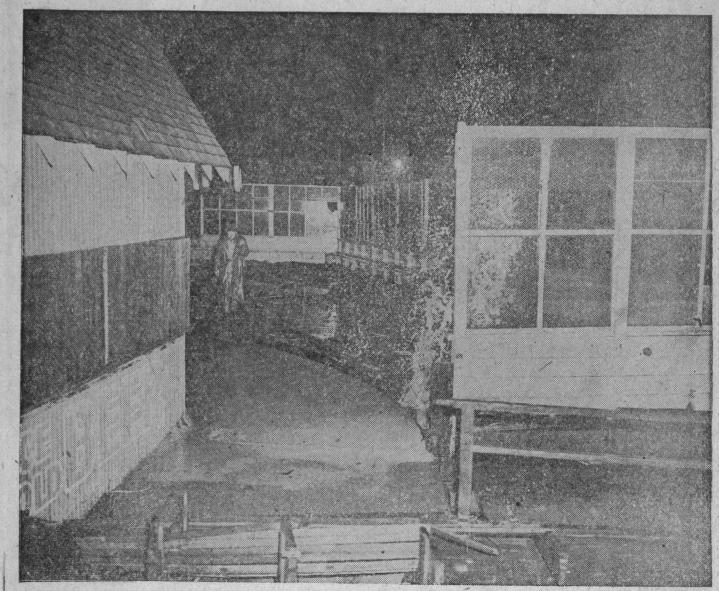
Photographer Ed Webber took this dramatic shot while leaning out a broken window at the Ideal Fish restaurant. The crest of the wave is clearly visible as it hit the top edge of the

municipal wharf just beyond the gate. Note the type of the wave to the right of the fire hydrant.



The sand on Twin Lakes beach was almost totally obscured yesterday as logs and driftwood and human wood seekers jammed the beach. The debris was carried down the San

Lorenzo river during Wednesday's flood and carried by the tides to Twin Lakes.



Spray crashed through the boardwalk behind the Esplanade at Capitola during some of last night's heavy tidal action. Capitola's amusement area suffered heavy damage, estimated

at \$25,000 in a preliminary survey. Windows were broken and floors severly damaged as the waves smashed below the buildings.