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Wake Isle

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Wake Island is the victim of one of the worst typhoons ever ~~remembered~~ recorded. Winds traveling at one hundred and sixty one miles per hour whipped across the tiny Pacific outpost, destroying everything but a few war-time concrete shelters. Miraculously, only two persons were reported injured in the catastrophe which struck without warning. Most of the seven hundred and fifty inhabitants were evacuated by air but essential personnel remained on the island despite a limited food and water supply and wrecked living quarters.

This was the Island chapel -part of the ten million dollar damage. All operations are suspended at this vital military and civilian air stop on the main route to Japan and Korea.