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ARKANSAS HURT BY TORNADO

THREE KILLED AND MANY ARE INJURED DURING NIGHT OF CYCLONES.

TRAIN TUMBLES INTO CREEK

Heaviest Rainstorm in a Decade Causes Rivers to Rise Rapidly and Floods are Feared—Little Rock, Smith and Other Cities in the Worst Section of the Rain and Wind Storm.

Pine Bluff, Arkansas, June 10.—Three are dead and many injured as the result of a tornado which swept Eastern Arkansas last night. Many buildings were unroofed and the cotton crop damaged to the extent of a million dollars.

The Arkansas river is rising and a flood is feared. The cities of Fort Smith, Van Buren and Little Rock were damaged by the heaviest rain fall in decades. Basements are flooded and the streets are ankle deep in water. The farmers lost heavily.

The tornado struck Flat Rock creek bridge structure which collapsed, dropping a Frisco line freight train into the channel. None were killed, though injuries were many.

Clark Companies Meet

Spokane, Wash., June 10.—The annual meeting of three prominent corporations in which Senator William A. Clark, of Montana, is interested takes place here today.

The Clark Montana-Realty company will take up the question of selling a part of its property at Bonner, Mont., including its dam, power house, and water rights. The Missoula Light and Water company will submit to its stockholders the question of authorizing an issue of bonds for \$700,000 and increasing its capital stock from \$400,000 to \$700,000. The Missoula Street Railway company will submit the question of authorizing the issue of \$300,000 in bonds and of increasing the capital stock from \$100,000 to \$300,000.

EMANUEL IN TROUBLE.

King Said to Be Ready to Abdicate Following Mutiny in Army.

Badajoz, Spain, June 10.—Mutiny in the Portuguese army involving nearly every army corps, is reported in secret dispatches today from Lisbon. Strict censorship is enforced. According to the dispatches, there are hardly enough troops left to guard the place. It is also reported that King Victor Emanuel is preparing to abdicate, and flee to Spain for refuge.

GOVERNMENT SURVEYOR DEAD.

Loses His Life in Mountains While Trying to Reach Yakima.

North Yakima, June 10.—The body of George Wilson, United States geological surveyor, was found yesterday in the mountains and brought here today. Searching parties are out but have been recalled. Wilson lost his way on May 3 when he attempted to return to this city.

Fireworks Men Protest.

New York, June 10.—Fifteen hundred retail dealers in fireworks are affected by Mayor Gaynor's safe and sane Fourth of July order, which prohibits the retail sale of dangerous explosives in New York City during the month beginning today. The manufacturers and jobbers, as well as the retailers, are up in arms against the order, which they declare will ruin their business. The courts will probably be called upon to decide the question.

NEGRO WILL TAKE SENTENCE

Seattle Trooper Will Get Penitentiary Term For Recent Assault.

Seattle, June 10.—Nathaniel Bledger, a negro trooper, confessed to attacking Mrs. Redding Saturday night, was arraigned today to plead. He asked that martial sentence be inflicted. This is from five to ten years in the penitentiary.

The inter-bay section is calmed today but the people won't be pacified until the colored soldiers are removed. A special detail of twenty-five police are guarding the vicinity but there is no great necessity for their presence.

Will Kill Seal Looters.

Victoria, June 10.—A warm reception is being planned for the Japanese seal looters of Priblof island this year. The government is maintaining a machine gun at Rookeries and guards will be ordered to shoot to kill. Japanese previously raided the Rookeries successfully.

NEW CLUB NOW IN CONGRESS

"UNWELCOME GUEST CLUB" IS LATEST ORGANIZATION

Taft Turns Cold Shoulder on Those Who Oppose Him With Interviews.

Washington, June 10.—The "Unwelcome Guest Club" with Congressman Harrison of New York as the first member, is thriving today. Harrison, a Democrat, was denied an audience with President Taft yesterday when he escorted a party of Jewish rabbis to the White House to appeal to the president to assist in relieving the oppression of the Jews in Russia.

Secretary Norton admitted today that Harrison is in bad grace with Taft, because he gave out an interview which accused Taft and Wickersham of misleading congress by antedating Wickersham's Glavis report.

Congressmen are today reviewing recent utterances to determine whether they belong unofficial to the new club.

Structural Workers Out.

Los Angeles, June 10.—Fifty structural steel workers joined the striking metals trades unionists today. They walked out in compliance with an order issued by the structural iron workers union. It is predicted by the unionists that 250 more will join before the end of the week.

Mother's Congress in Session.

Denver, June 10.—The National Mother's Congress convened here today in its 14th annual session. Portland, Oregon, is trying to get the 1912 congress.

Train Plunges Into Lake.

Winnipeg, June 10.—A Canadian Pacific freight crashed into a boulder on the main line near Port Coldwell early today. The train plunged into Lake Superior, carrying the freight and crew. Engineer Wheatly, Fireman Clark and Brakeman McMillan, all of Superior were killed.

Witness Killed.

Princeton, June 10.—Judge Sobason, an important witness in the night rider case, was shot and killed from ambush today. He had been warned to leave but refused to do so.

GRAIN BAGS LOW THIS YEAR.

Prices Are Cheaper Than They Have Been For Years.

The price of grain bags, which is one of the main items with the farmers of this county, are lower this season than they have been for many years and are only about half the price that they were three years ago, when their price caused so much discontent all over the west.

FORTY-THREE INDICTMENTS RETURNED BY GRAND JURY

NATURE OF CRIME UNKNOWN AND SPECULATION IS RIFE—WARRANTS TO BE SERVED THIS AFTERNOON BY OFFICIALS

Forty-three indictments—all secret—were returned this morning at 10 o'clock, and circuit court lobbies are fairly humming with interest and curiosity to know what is up. The inquisitors have not returned any bills of any sort for two days and it was rather expected that the men were cleaning up the slate preparatory to asking for dismissal for the term, but supposition was all wrong, for no sooner was the enormous batch reported than the jury immediately commenced to deliberate further. No clues as to the identity of the indictments is procurable, and until arrangements take place, the public will have to live in suspense.

Late this afternoon the warrants are being served and issued. It is

believed the morning will show some developments in what line the charges run.

Standley Case to Jury Today.

The Standley case did not go to the jury last evening as expected, hanging over until today noon before the case was given to the twelve men.

Elgin Case Up.

The Standley case out of the way, the court's attention was turned this afternoon to the case of S. J. Clark against S. J. Marshall, both of Elgin. The two parties participated in a fist fight at Elgin recently and Clark alleges that he was injured to such an extent that personal injuries were serious. He is suing to recover \$1500 in damage money.

TEAMSTERS WILL JOIN IN STRIKE

Portland, Ore., June 10.—Five non-union teamsters joined the strikers today. The strike leaders declare that they have got the strike won. This is probably problemical, however, as

the Draymen's association is planning to import strike breakers and put a few at a time on the wagons, thus not creating trouble as the introduction of a large band of strike breakers would do.

UNION COMMERCIAL CLUB SINGS PRAISE FOR LA GRANDE PEOPLE

La Grande and La Grande business men are given much praise in a letter received from the Union Commercial club as the aftermath of the recent county tour and the stock show at Union. The Union business men speak in glowing terms of the treatment received here and of the appreciation for the unusually large crowd which attended the stock show. The letter received by President Collier of the Commercial club, follows.

John Collier, president La Grande Commercial Club, La Grande, Oregon: My Dear Mr. Collier:—We as members of the Union Commercial club

wish to express our sincere appreciation for the most cordial treatment received from the business men of La Grande during our recent visit to your city. We feel greatly indebted to our La Grande friends for the very loyal support given to our second annual stock show.

Your many friends in Union will endeavor to reciprocate the favor by attending your county fair and chautauqua.

Again thanking you for your hospitality, we beg to remain

Very truly yours,
WILL H. VOGEL, President.
ROBERT WITTHCOMBE, Sec.

CUSTOMS SHOW BIG INCREASE

Washington, June 10.—Customs receipts for the first time in nine months under the new tariff law, are greater than ever before for a like period, according to a statement filed today by the bureau of statistics in the department of commerce and labor. Receipts amount to \$250,112,000 and merchandise valued at \$2,601,530,000 was admitted. This is also the greatest amount admitted to this country in nine months.

American Escapes From Prison.

Nogales, Arizona, June 10.—Louis Fleischer, an American clothing merchant is safe on this side of the border today after a sensational midnight escape from the Mexico jail where he eluded a guard of twenty-five rurales, who pursued him. He was arrested last February charged with contrabanding but was not brought to trial. An appeal will probably be made to ask the United States to return the captured man.

BRIEF FOR FINAL DECISION READY

Washington June 10.—Briefs in the Ballinger-Pinchot controversy will be submitted to special investigation committee next Monday by attorneys representing Glavis, Pinchot and Ballinger. The committee will then start its preparation for a final decision in the matter. It is generally believed that a majority and minority report will be filed. The committee will hold a short session tomorrow.

Lehigh Commencement.

South Bethlehem, Pa., June 10.—Commencement week at Lehigh University began today with the ceremony of calculus cremation. Tomorrow will be alumni day, when the John Fritz Engineering Laboratory and the Eckley B. Coxe Mining Laboratory will be formally opened. Charles J. Bonaparte, former attorney-general in Roosevelt's cabinet, will deliver the Phi Beta Kappa address. On Monday the Mustard and Cheese Dramatic Association will present that sterling drama, "King Popocatepillar VII". Tuesday will be university day, when the commencement exercises will be held.

LONDON FORGETS ANGER.

No Animosity Against Roosevelt Expressed in London Papers.

London, June 10.—Rancor was forgotten over the criticism by Roosevelt against the English recently when the Telegraph said today: "Roosevelt's stay was liberal in education, and in demonstration of courage in modern politics."

NEW BRICK GOING UP.

Addition to Lewis Building Commenced This Morning.

Construction of a brick structure 50x100 feet in the rear of the Bird F. Lewis building on Depot street, was commenced this morning when preparations for the foundation were made. The building is to be of brick, probably one story, though possibly two, and while the matter of renters is yet uncertain, it is said that one details as who is to occupy the place when completed, will be finished tomorrow. A garage of some sort will be installed when completed.

DALZELL AFTER BLACK'S SUIT

CHARGES FRAUD IN ELECTION IN WHICH HE WON.

Considerable Mystery Attached to Action of Winning Candidate.

Pittsburg, June 10.—Representative Dalzell today presented a petition to the county commissioners charging fraud and irregularities in twenty-five precincts during the recent primaries. It is believed that the commissioners will order a recount in ninety counties and election districts.

The action of Dalzell was a surprise. After a hot contest, he defeated Black, and Black came back with a charge of fraud and voting out of precincts. The congressional nomination was in doubt as the final returns were close and any evidence of irregularities might defeat Dalzell. His own action in bringing a recount about is deemed a mystery that few are attempting to solve.

Harrison says he will rise to question the personal privilege in the House and reply to Taft. "Of course if the White House does anything further against me I will defend myself."

Expects Haircut in 1912.

Macon, Mo., June 10.—Thomas B. Robertson, of this town, expects to get a haircut and a shave in 1912. He hasn't visited the barber since 1896, when he made a solemn and public vow never to permit shears or razor to touch his head until a Democrat was elected President of the United States. Robertson was one of the original Bryan men, but he has almost abandoned hope of seeing his hero in the White House.

"Billy Bryan of Nebraska is the smartest man who ever ran for the presidency," said Mr. Robertson, "but I don't believe we can elect him, not this time, and me must put up a man we can elect. In 1896 when I took the oath I was sure Bryan would be elected, just as I have every time since, but now I got another guess coming, and it seems it must be somebody else. Oh, yes, I'll give the barber a job, whether it's Bryan or not. If we elect any man that lets me out, but I wish it could be Billy Bryan."

Mr. Robertson is 70 years old, and he says he expects to live to vote at several more presidential elections. When his hair is combed out it extends far down his back like a silvery sheen.

Mrs. Chas. Thompson of Grants Pass is at the Savoy. He is here with a view of purchasing timber. He and Mr. Brischoux, the cruiser, will leave for Ukiah tomorrow morning.

PROSPERITY IS DEMONSTRATED

DRUMMERS CLAIM TO BE INDICATORS OF NATIONAL PULSE RELATIVE TO MONEY

KNOTTY PROBLEMS HURT

Great Gathering of Traveling Men Tomorrow in New York to Prove That Prosperity is Rife Throughout the Country—National Problems That Have Taxed Administration Minds, No Hamper to Trade.

New York, June 10.—To show by their enthusiasm that the panic days are past and to doom business to greater proportions, thousands of members of the United Commercial Travelers' Association are gathering today at Manhattan Beach for a prosperity parade and celebration. Herman A. Metz, former controller of New York, is at the head of the prosperity movement, which has extended to the trade drummers all over the East.

The chief feature of the celebration will be a grand parade through Broadway, tomorrow, when fifteen hundred men will march from the Battery north through the financial and commercial districts of the borough. This evening, there will be a banquet in the Manhattan Beach Hotel, where the seamen will be addressed by men of national importance.

The flower of the profession of salesmanship will attend the congress," said Mr. Metz in discussing the affair "and I guess we will show the town that business conditions in this country are good enough for any one, for the traveling salesman is the backbone of commerce in this country, and if he is satisfied there's no room for any one else to kick. Remember that during the last panic the power of the salesman was felt through the nation as the result of the organized effort of the men to restore confidence among the great and small business interests of the nation.

"I was in public life at that time, and was in a position to understand the benefit of this quiet crusade. This year we intend to show that the national questions that have stirred the minds of the people for the last year or more have had no direct depressing effect on the commerce of the country, and that there is no real reason why business should not be better than ever, if the various elements of the national will only look on the situation fairly."

In the beginning of the preparations the entire Manhattan Beach Hotel was reserved for visiting members of the organization, but the demand for accommodations has been so large that the other hotels of the resort have to be called on to house the visitors.

WATER RISES 200 FEET.

Beautiful Spectacle When Slight Crack in Pipe Line Occurs.

Water seeking its own level today created a spectacular vision near the Mill creek power plant when a coupling on the main from Morgan lake to the plant split when struck by a rock falling on it. For a brief period this forenoon, a spray that from down town appeared to be as big as all Morgan lake itself rose over 200 feet in the air, making a beautiful spectacle in the sunlight. The crevice from which the spray was gushing was less than an inch wide and about six inches long. From down town, however, the volume of water was misleading and many believed that the entire contents of the pipe was gushing out.