



FIVE-MINUTE GALE KILLS AND MAIMS

Ohio Lakefront Swept by Tornado.

SIX KILLED; MANY ARE INJURED

Twelve Schoolhouses Injured but Children Escape.

LAKE VESSELS NOT HURT

Hurricane Blows In From Lake Erie, Spreading Death and Ruin in Its Path—Loss Will Be Over \$1,000,000.

CLEVELAND, April 21.—Three persons were killed, six perhaps fatally hurt, at least 50 less seriously injured and \$1,000,000 worth of property destroyed in a tornado that swept through Cleveland and Northern Ohio today.

Jasper Cromwell, killed by being blown from a crane at the Cleveland Furnace Company plant.

Mrs. Olive Mahan, a nurse at the State Hospital, killed by a stone blown from the top of a building.

Unidentified woman, blown into a pond at Wade Park and drowned.

Fred Grugel committed suicide during the height of the storm because he was afraid he was about to be killed. He rushed into a barn out of the rain and drank carbolic acid.

The injured: Miss Gladys May, injured by falling from a building.

Three men and a sister, a teacher, are reported injured in the ruins of St. Stanislaus Church.

Fifteen men are reported hurt at the plant of the Wellman, Seaver, Morgan Engineering Company.

Four men were injured by the falling of a roof at the plant of the Standard Tool Company.

Storm Very Brief.

The storm arose suddenly and lasted just five minutes. At 12:30 the sun was shining brightly. At 12:35 the city was dark.

From the northeast the lake came a 55-mile gale and heavy rain. People were blown off their feet and hurled against buildings in many places, to be struck down by bricks and timbers that filled the air.

Roofs were lifted off houses, walls hurled down, strongly scented smokestacks picked up and chimneys demolished.

Twelve school buildings were damaged. Many pupils had remarkable escapes, but none was seriously hurt. Firemen and policemen turned out to assist the people whose homes had been wrecked. So seriously was the telephone service crippled that it was impossible to get connection with either the police or fire headquarters.

Lake Boats Escape.

No damage was done to boats on the lake.

St. Stanislaus Church was demolished, at a loss of \$125,000.

The roof of the City Tuberculosis Sanatorium and the framework of the new Exposition building were carried away.

Hall accompanied the high wind, which lasted only five minutes. Immediately after the rain, a score of fires were reported as a result of lightning.

Many Roofs Torn Off.

At Wellington, south of here, the wind unroofed the plant of the American Machine Company, partly unroofed the Big Four freight station, knocked chimneys down and otherwise damaged about 50 houses. The storm was local in its character, extending not more than 100 miles. East of here great damage was reported, both to telegraph wires and buildings.

SNOW ON WESTERN PRAIRIES

Fruit and Other Crops Jeopardized by Late Falls.

DENVER, April 21.—Nearly two inches of snow fell in Denver last night and more is predicted for tonight and tomorrow. This is the eighth day in April on which snow has fallen. Snow is also reported south and west in the state and fruitgrowers are building smudges to protect the fruit trees from damage by frost.

TWO KILLED IN TEXAS GALE

Tornado Sweeps Lone Star State With Disastrous Result.

DALLAS, Tex., April 21.—A dispatch from Cleburne, Tex., states that one person was killed, three others were injured and property damaged to the extent of \$30,000 by a tornado which swept through that town late tonight.

At Davenport a number of small buildings were demolished and a negro killed and several injured.

ONE IS KILLED AT ASHTABULA

Storm Lasting Ten Minutes Does Great Damage.

ASHTABULA, O., April 21.—One man was killed, a dozen persons injured and much property damaged in a 10-minute tornado that struck Ashtabula and vicinity today.

OLD MAN SPURNS VALUABLE ESTATE

INMATE FOR HOME FOR AGED DECLINES \$84,000.

John Copeland, Who Left Home in Youth Because Parents Broke Up Romance, Embittered.

Leaving home when a mere boy because of differences with his family, serving through the Civil War and later moving west to California, recently becoming an inmate of the Home for the Aged in this city, John Copeland, aged 86, has just been informed that he has fallen heir to property in New York City formerly owned by his family that is valued at \$84,000.

Strangely enough, the old man is still animated by resentment against his family and shows no inclination to secure the property. He is contented at the institution for old people, conducted by the Catholic Church at East Thirtieth and East Stark streets, and will undoubtedly remain there for the rest of his life.

When a young man, Mr. Copeland fell in love with a girl of another religious faith and planned to marry her. He received the consent of the girl and of her parents, when his own family objected to the match because of religious differences.

This embittered the young man and he left home and never had any further communication with his people. He enlisted in the Union Army when the war broke out and served until the war was ended. He went to the Pacific Coast and lived for a long time in California, coming to Portland later, and when he became too old to work, entered the Home for the Aged here. The property he has just fallen heir to is located on Fourteenth street, New York City. He declines to have anything to do with the fortune he could now claim, and still resents the wrecking of his youthful romance by his parents.

MERGER SUIT IN COURT

Action Started in Name of President Against Harriman Roads.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 21.—Suit against the Union Pacific and the Southern Pacific companies has been entered in the United States Circuit Court for the Northern District of California for the purpose of dissolving the financial relations of the two railroads.

The suit is brought in the name of the President of the United States and nearly 100 witnesses have been subpoenaed. The suit was brought originally in Utah, where the lines of the two roads form a junction, and hearings have been held in nearly every large city of the United States where the two roads own physical property, have headquarters or freight agencies.

The action is one of the numerous ones brought against the Harriman lines during the Roosevelt Administration, but it is the first called since President Taft was inaugurated.

PROBE CHRISTMAS KISS

Naval Inquiry Board to Investigate Osborn-Evans Scandal.

VALLEJO, Cal., April 21.—Orders for a Board of Inquiry to convene at the Navy-Yard next Tuesday to investigate the case of Lieutenant F. W. Osborn, of the monitor Cheyenne, on charges of "conduct unbecoming an officer and gentleman," preferred by Naval Constructor H. A. Evans, were received at Mare Island today from the Secretary of the Navy.

Naval Constructor Evans requested that Osborn be court-martialed as a result of an incident in his home the day after last Christmas, when, it is alleged, he saw Osborn kissing Mrs. Evans.

The Board of Inquiry will not try Lieutenant Osborn upon any charges, but merely investigate the matter and forward recommendations to the Navy Department regarding the advisability of trial by court-martial.

SEIZE WARDROBE FOR DEBT

A. Hart McKee in Trouble in Paris Over Auto Insurance.

PARIS, April 21.—(Special.)—Personal effects of A. Hart McKee, of Pittsburgh, were seized today at a local hotel to satisfy an overdue insurance premium on his automobile. McKee and his wife, formerly Mrs. Hugh Tevis, were separated by divorce in this city last May, the court finding both husband and wife contributed to the unhappiness of the household. McKee said today the matter and forward recommendations to the Navy Department regarding the advisability of trial by court-martial.

KILL TWO HUNDRED SHEEP

Herder Also Missing and Cattlemen Thought Back of Crime.

MILES CITY, Mont., April 21.—Word was received here today that 200 sheep belonging to Peter Sorenson, of this city, which were being run in the Otter Creek country, were killed a few days ago, being either shot or struck over the heads with clubs, and the herder, a man named Russ, is missing and is believed to have been murdered. His blankets were found, and search is being made for his body. Several years ago 200 sheep were slain in the Otter Creek country as the result of a bitter feud between cattle and sheepmen.

PLOTTERS TRY TO NULLIFY PETITION

Conspiracy to Defeat Excise Law Found.

SIGNATURES BOLDLY CHANGED

M. Reinstein, Brewer, and His Bookkeeper Arrested.

SAM LOTAN IS SUSPECTED

Deputy City Auditor Accused of Concocting in Mutinizing Document, and Suspended by Chief. Validity Not Affected.

Maurice Reinstein and Samuel Breslauer, president and bookkeeper, respectively, of the Portland Brewing Company, are under \$300 bonds each on a charge of forgery, and W. Sam Lotan, Deputy City Auditor, has been suspended as a result of the discovery of mutilations in the McKenna excise board petition in the office of the City Auditor.

Some time during Monday night erasures and alterations affecting approximately 100 names on the petition were made in an apparent effort to invalidate the document. Circumstances point to the guilt of Reinstein and Breslauer, and at least to gross indiscretion on the part of Lotan.

Lotan Admits Conspirators.

Monday a force of clerks worked on the petition checking over the names and addresses until late in the evening, and discovered no evidence of the document having been tampered with. About 9 o'clock that evening Deputy Lotan admitted Reinstein and Breslauer to the Auditor's office, gave them access to the petition and permitted them to retain it in their possession in an inner room until 11:15 P. M. The next morning the erasures and alterations were discovered, and as check marks placed on the petition Monday were erased the evidence is conclusive that the vandals were committed after the clerical force ceased its labors Monday.

Reinstein admits that he was in the Auditor's office Monday night and that he and his bookkeeper were checking over the petition, but denies that they tampered with the signatures. Lotan admits that he gave the two men access to the petition late Monday evening, but disclaims knowledge of any alterations or erasures having been made by them.

Forgery Is the Charge.

Reinstein and Breslauer are charged with forgery by alteration of public documents, and the penalty on conviction under such charge is imprisonment for from two to 30 years. Neither of the two waited for the serving of the warrants, but learning that the charge had been filed they went voluntarily to the jail.

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HAYWOOD HUMBLY RECALLS INSULT

AGITATOR AND PRESS AGENT EAT WORDS OF TREASON.

Extolling Red Flag Above National Emblem, They Retract at Soldier's Demand.

SACRAMENTO, Cal., April 21.—(Special.)—William D. Haywood, president of the Western Federation of Miners, and his press agent, A. Meyer, were made to apologize by Captain E. J. Cox, an officer in the United States Army during the Spanish-American War, for an insult to the American flag. The incident occurred in the lobby of the State House Hotel late Monday night, after Haywood had lectured.

Meyer wore a red flag in a buttonhole and remarked he hoped to live to see that emblem wave above the Stars and Stripes. Captain Cox heard the words and sprang upon Meyer, demanding to know if the remark was meant. Meyer asserted he would willingly trample upon the American flag, Cox started to thrash Meyer, when the latter apologized.

Haywood appeared at this juncture and notified Captain Cox of his identity, but the Captain replied:

"So you are Bill Haywood, eh? Well, you one-eyed assassin, you and your friend will eat your words or I will break your faces."

Haywood apologized and left the hotel with Meyer.

Cox is the son of Major Raleigh Cox, of the United States Army.

DOG SAVES WOMAN'S LIFE

Pup Chews Gas Tube, Then Barks and Attracts Neighbors.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 21.—(Special.)—Mrs. Catherine Warquardt, a widow, was saved from asphyxiation by gas this morning under peculiar circumstances by G. H. Near, a lodger in the same house.

Near, hearing the faint yelping of a puppy, the woman's pet, and detecting the odor of gas, smashed in the door of Mrs. Warquardt's room and succeeded in carrying out the unconscious occupant, followed by the tottering puppy.

A rubber hose leading from a gas jet in the room was half chewed through by the dog, and this apparently was the cause of the accident. The dog, although nearly dead, seemed to realize that something was wrong, when he made the racket that attracted Near's attention. The woman will recover.

IDENTIFIED CORPSE; ALIVE

Man Thought Dead Writes Letter Disclaiming Translation.

BELLINGHAM, Wash., April 21.—(Special.)—A letter from a Mondovi, Wash., resident, thought to be dead, resulted in the identification today of a body as that of George Lockwood, a local man. The remains were found floating recently in Bellingham Bay. They were identified by several persons as those of Jesse Talent, of Mondovi.

Today a letter arrived in which Talent declared emphatically he still was in the land of the living, and the resulting investigation disclosed that the dead man was Lockwood, who disappeared six weeks ago. The remains were first thought to be Talent's because of a note-book bearing the latter's name found in the pocket.

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SULTAN STRIVES TO SAVE THRONE

Has Already Provoked Division in Ranks.

LIBERTY AND RELIGION AT WAR

May Cause Bloody Conflict in Turkish Empire.

RADICALS FOR DEPOSITION

Would Trust Abdul No More, but Conservatives Fear Mutiny of Fanatic Soldiers—Many Agitators Shot in Camp.

PARIS, April 21.—A dispatch to the Mail from Sofia says that Hassan Riza Pasha, a prominent Young Turk on his way to Adrianople to take command of a division, formed a diplomat that the Young Turks have made the following decision:

To dethrone Abdul Hamid, shoot the organizers of the revolution, hang Ulemas suspected of being instigators of the counter-revolution and make an entire change in the government at Constantinople.

CONSTANTINOPLE, April 21.—The conflict between Mussulman piety and the political ideas of the West has brought the Turkish people to the verge of civil war. Zeal for the faith has been unloosed, and the adjustment of the Sultan's relations to the Committee of Union and Progress will probably only postpone the armed struggle between the deliverers of the ancient teachings of the prophets and those urging the teachings of Western Europe.

The Sultan's primary demand is to remain the constitutional sovereign, with all the spiritual powers of the Caliphate, and liberal allowances for his household. He also asks for various minor guarantees, which it would not be difficult to grant.

Demands Unconditional Submission.

The demand of the committee is that the Sultan offer no resistance whatever, and submit unconditionally.

The Salonic Committee, which is the backbone of the whole progressive movement, is largely military, and its most important civilian members are with the army. Some of the Cabinet members, including Rifaat Pasha, the Foreign Minister, are active Constitutionalists. Tewfik Pasha, the Grand Vizier, who personally is most agreeable to the Sultan and to military men, and who is looked upon as both benevolent and honest, has undertaken negotiations.

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NEW STEAMERS ON HARRIMAN LINE

CONTRACT LET FOR TWO TO RUN FROM PORTLAND.

Vessels 400 Feet Long and of 17 Miles Speed Will Run to San Francisco.

NEWPORT NEWS, Va., April 21.—(Special.)—Contracts for construction of two large freight and passenger steamships to cost \$1,500,000 were today given the Newport News Shipbuilding & Drydock Company. The vessels are for the San Francisco & Portland Steamship Company, operating the line between Portland and San Francisco, and are to be used in conjunction with the steamship Kansas City, purchased some weeks ago. The new vessels will be 400 feet in length, equipped with all the latest auxiliaries and with a guaranteed speed of more than 17 miles per hour.

FALLS FIVE STORIES; LIVES

Workman Slips From Roof of Oregon Annex.

John Billingslaw, 25 years old, a workman, living at 104 Front street, employed by the Thompson-Starrett Company, building contractors, who erected the Hotel Oregon annex, is in St. Vincent's Hospital with a broken ankle, after having had a miraculous escape from death by falling five stories yesterday afternoon.

Billingslaw was working about the hotel annex when he slipped and fell from the roof. He struck on the roof of an adjoining building, landing on his back. By some unaccountable freak of fortune, Billingslaw suffered no serious injury, although he struck squarely, and the full force of the impact was received by his back and shoulders. His clothing was split down the back where he struck the roof and was severed as evenly as though it had been cut with a knife.

LEAVE COURTS TO SETTLE

Harriman and Hill Have Not Agreed on Through Tickets.

ST. PAUL, April 21.—No agreement regarding the Portland gateway question, which involves the routing of passengers from Chicago and Eastern cities to Seattle and Tacoma via Portland on through tickets and a joint rate, was reached at the conference which took place recently on the Pacific Coast between E. H. Harriman and President L. W. Hill, of the Great Northern, and the matter has been left to be settled in the courts. Mr. Hill himself is authority for the statement.

"Mr. Harriman and myself discussed the Portland terminal question, and in 30 minutes we had settled it satisfactorily, but we did not bother with the question of the sale of through tickets to Seattle via Portland. That is a matter which the court will settle," said Mr. Hill.

FALLS ON PICKET FENCE

Contractor Is Impaled, Falling From Roof of House.

Just as he was putting the finishing touches to a house he had built, W. B. Wester, a contractor, slipped from the roof of the building at Gray's Crossing, near Lents, yesterday afternoon and was impaled on a sharp picket fence. One of the pickets pierced his thigh, tearing through the nerves and pushing them through the wound where the picket protruded from the flesh. How he managed to extricate himself from his painful position Mr. Wester was unable to explain.

Friends found him and conveyed him to his residence, which is near, and sent for the Red Cross ambulance, in which he was conveyed to St. Vincent's Hospital. It is said an operation will be necessary to prevent him becoming a cripple.

POPE AGAINST SUFFRAGE

Tells Women They Should Accept Man's Authority.

ROME, April 21.—The Pope, addressing the Union of Italian Catholic Women today, strongly opposed some of their ambitions.

"Those who wish to make woman the equal of man in all things," said the Pope, "and give her the same rights, are assuredly in error. Women mixed up in the agitations of public would be the ruin of the family and society. Woman should be the companion of man, at the same time accepting his authority; an authority mitigated by love and nothing more."

IDENTITY OF KIDNAPER OUT

"Mrs. Boyle" Is Helen McDermott, Formerly of Chicago.

MERCER, Pa., April 21.—Mrs. Boyle, the supposed wife of James H. Boyle, alleged abductor of Willie Whittle, is a mystery no longer.

Tonight it developed that she is Helen McDermott, of Chicago.

ASSASSIN USES DYNAMITE

Man Blown to Death While Sleeping. Wife Beside Him Not Hurt.

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., April 21.—Rudolph Buol, aged 55, was assassinated at a late hour tonight while asleep. The murderer opened Buol's bedroom window and placed a stick of dynamite on his bed, exploding it with a fuse. Buol was killed instantly. His wife, who was asleep at his side, escaped injury.

NIAGARA GORGE THREATENS RUIN

Mountains of Ice May Tear Away Towns.

FAMOUS BRIDGE IS IN DANGER

River May Cut New Channel and Change Falls.

EVEN WHIRLPOOL FROZEN

Great River Carries Torrents of Ice From Lake Erie and Piles It in Huge Ridges—Government Is Entirely Powerless.

NIAGARA FALLS, April 21.—(Special.)—Vast areas of angry water and mountains of ice, backed up by the gorge in Niagara River, threaten tonight to cut a new channel and destroy one side, at least, of the famous falls, one of the chief wonders of the world. The famous slender suspension bridge, once the highest and longest in the world, and admittedly one of the most famous engineering projects, is in imminent danger of destruction.

At Niagara-on-the-Lake the river is 18 feet above the normal level, and is still rising.

The gorge road which skirts the America shore is almost obliterated, not more than a mile of track being out of the grip of the ice and the water.

Whirlpool Covered With Ice.

The great whirlpool, which has never in the memory of the white man submitted to the will of ice, is to view under the pack, which at that point spans the stream, and every minute the covering of ice is becoming thicker.

The pressure of the on-rush from Lake Erie has piled the far stretches in great concentric ridges, some of them rising to a height of 50 feet. It is possible with the aid of a plank to cross the pool from shore to shore.

Ice-Bridge Threatens Ruin.

The ice bridge extending from the cataraict to the lower steel arch bridge, one of the largest of which there is any record, still holds fast, so sparing the down river villages, but there is no telling when it will give way under the incessant grinding of the lake run. From present appearance it would seem that the fate of the country-side would be determined within the next 24 hours.

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