

RAIN STORMS IN KANSAS ARE OVER

Fear That Flood of 1903 Would Be Equaled Is Not Realized.

WATER FOUR FEET LOWER

Much Damage Done in Kansas City, Topeka and Towns Along Kaw Valley—All Business Practically at Standstill.

KANSAS CITY, June 12.—Cessation of rain this afternoon in the watershed of the Kaw put an end to the fear that the rising flood would exceed that of 1903, which caused loss of millions of dollars and 25 lives. Clear weather prevails now and is predicted in the country west and north of this city. The flood now at hand will be very serious, and the water is only four feet lower than in 1903. All the bottoms along the Kaw and Missouri rivers will be covered.

The Union Station will have three feet of water on its floors, most of the railroads will be put out of business for a time and the packing-houses and practically all business in the towns will be suspended. Ample water has been given, however, and all perishable property has been removed.

At 6 o'clock the Missouri was 28.5 a rise of about one-fourth of an inch. The Kaw is rising three-quarters of an inch an hour. At Topeka and other cities along the Kaw the water is higher than last Tuesday and at Topeka is cutting a new channel through the north part of the town.

The Weather Bureau calculates that the flood will reach its crest at 31 feet in the Missouri on Monday afternoon. The bureau is able to assume that the rains are over.

At Kansas City 2.15 inches of rain fell last night, and the rain continues. Three inches fell at Lawrence and a heavy fall was reported in the valley east of Topeka. The Missouri, which receded six-tenths of a foot yesterday, began to rise at 7 o'clock last night and rose three-tenths of a foot during the night. Reports from Missouri River points to the north are to the effect that very heavy rains have fallen during the night and that the downpour continues. The rise in the Missouri, which had receded only a few inches, aggravates the situation here, as the flood situation is relieved only when the Missouri rapidly carries off the excess water of the Kaw.

NORTH TOPEKA IS DESERTED

Kaw River Again Races Through Streets of City.

TOPEKA, Kan., June 12.—North Topeka is deserted again tonight for the second time this week with the Kaw river flooding through the streets. The river tonight is a fraction less than 25 feet above the low water mark. It will possibly go six inches higher by tomorrow afternoon.

Tram service is again badly demoralized. The Rock Island has annulled all its trains, the Union Pacific has no tracks open out of here and the only open line on the Santa Fe is the Emporia. Three flood refugees were cared for at the City Auditorium today.

It is the worst flood the city has experienced in years. Houses are inundated for nearly two blocks along its course. In some of the houses the water is six feet deep. Lower Kansas avenue is covered and streetcar service is abandoned below Seventeenth street. The Fair Grounds, where a street fair is in progress, is suffering, and the water is around the Santa Fe Depot. The rises came so suddenly people were unable to remove their household effects.

The conditions in North Topeka are worse than in the earlier portion of the week. Not only is the water pouring in from the Kaw River in the old break to the west, but Soldier Creek, on the north and east, is overflowing the town and forming a swift current that is washing away property that was only in dead water before. Houses are being flooded that the citizens had scarcely gotten cleaned and the carpets down.

A steady stream is flowing across Gordon street, around the fire station, and many conservative citizens fear worse conditions than in 1902.

Telephone reports from up the Kaw Valley indicate that a general rain during Friday night was in fact west of Salina.

A heavy rain is still falling here, with every appearance of a continuance throughout the day.

Neosho Valley Flooded.

EMPORIA, Kan., June 12.—The Neosho valley, from Emporia to the state line, it is believed, will experience the greatest flood since the early days of the state. Cottonwood River, a tributary of the Neosho, lacks but seven feet of the 1903 high-water mark and is rising at the rate of one foot an hour. The Santa Fe continues to operate trains, but by tonight its outlet to the west will be shut off.

One Dead in Tornado.

GUTHRIE, Okla., June 12.—A wind of great severity, accompanied by heavy rain, swept over Logan County this morning, doing damage to the extent of several thousands dollars in Guthrie and working havoc in the surrounding country. Mrs. Charles Smith, of Creston, 12 miles northwest, was killed in the collapse of her cottage, to which she had returned from a cyclone cave during a lull in the storm.

Water Rises at St. Louis.

ST. LOUIS, June 12.—The flood of the Mississippi River measured 21.5 a rise of half a foot since yesterday morning. The high water has not entered St. Louis, although seeping water has filled several small low areas in the city. Rumors that have become current to the effect that the National Stockyards have been flooded are incorrect.

Admires Statement No. 1.

HOT LAKE, Or., June 12.—(To the Editor)—The writer has now been a citizen of Oregon about nine months. Oregon is a great state, with some of the best laws ever written upon the statute book of any state in the Union. It seems strange that in a state overwhelmingly Republican, a Democrat should sit in the highest seat in the state for eight years. It seems strange that in the late election this same Democrat should have been nominated for that is what it really is—

for the exalted position of United States Senator. But, strangest of all is, that anyone should find fault with law because the majority of the people happen to want a Democrat to represent them in the Senate of the United States. This is not the fault of the law, but the fault—if a fault at all—of the people. And if a plurality of the people want this Democrat to represent them in the Senate, he is the proper person to represent them in the Senate.

Such a rare thing as has happened in Oregon this year, will be like five Sundays in February—will occur about once in 250 years. And when Republicans, elected under Statement No. 1, declare that they will obey the will of the people and vote for a Democrat for this exalted office, it must raise them to the highest pinnacle of moral grandeur in the estimation of every law-abiding citizen in the state. But they could not do less and retain their own self-respect and the respect of their fellow-citizens.

Long live Oregon with her initiative and referendum and Statement No. 1. Long live her splendid citizenship. Long live her great Oregonian, that is always honest, and nearly always right. L. N. R. ANDERSON.

FIND CONVERT IN JEROME

WOMAN SUFFRAGISTS GET ADVICE FROM HUMORIST.

Warns Them That in Making Nuisances of Themselves They Are Injuring Their Cause.

LONDON, June 12.—(Special.)—Jerome K. Jerome, the world famous writer and author of "Three Men in a Boat," has come out in favor of woman's suffrage at a suffragette meeting the other day but in so doing he told the women some very plain truths.

"In making yourselves a nuisance," he said, "you believe you will reach the goal of your ambition, but if that is so you must go on making yourselves a nuisance. The only point that troubles me is that the world has a habit of very quickly getting used to nuisances, to solo cornet players in theater orchestras, to the smell of automobiles. My fear is that there will come a time when you will no longer be regarded as a nuisance. You will be welcomed as the 'comic relief.' No election will be complete without you.

"A certain number of people—my friend Zangwill for one, Bernard Shaw for another—are enthusiastic in their desires that you should go on being elected from public meetings with more or less violence, rolled in the mud and incarcerated for periods of ever lengthening duration in Holloway jail. The boogian element in politics cheers Mrs. Pankhurst and Mr. Hinneba with like impartial anticipation and would accord precisely the same welcome to the appearance upon the political platform of Rainsu's warriors or 'Little Tich.'

"I am an average male voter. I cannot help it. Here I am and you have to reckon with me. I have always been in favor of votes for women. I still am. But if your present methods are to continue, if the introduction of women into politics is to mean the argument of the muffled bell, interference with right of public meeting, saturating of politics generally with still further doses of unreasonable, childish impatience, violence and hysteria, then I should vote against any candidate who puts 'Votes for women' in his speeches.

LIGHTNING KILLS TWO

Storm Interferes With Motor Boat Race at Peoria.

PEORIA, Ill., June 12.—The second annual motor endurance race under the auspices of the Illinois Yacht Club was run today, the first "limit boat" starting shortly before 9:30 o'clock, six hours before the "scratch." Fifty-five entries have been made and each boat has been handicapped so that its running time and allowance will find all the boats finishing at the same moment.

At 1 o'clock a heavy wind and rain storm struck the vicinity, and it was feared some of the motorboats had met with accidents.

Roy Diamond, a fisherman, was struck by lightning and killed, while Joe Mohr, a companion, was rendered unconscious. They were about two miles above the city.

LARRY SULLIVAN WINS

His Demurrer Sustained in Suit Charging Him With Fraud.

NEW YORK, June 12.—The demurrer interposed by counsel for the L. M. Sullivan Trust Company, of Nevada, to the complaint in the action for the recovery of \$20,000, brought against that corporation by Frank S. Cotton, was sustained today by Judge O'Gorman in the Supreme Court. An appeal will be made.

The suit was based on the claim that he had bought from the Sullivan stock in a mining company amounting to \$300,000, relying upon Sullivan's representation that the stock was worth that amount. He now alleges that the representation was false and that the stock was worth \$102,700 less than he paid.

CONVICTS BOY MURDERER

West Virginia Jury Finds Charles Cooke Guilty.

WHEELING, W. Va., June 12.—Charles Cooke, 17 years old and married, charged with the murder of Charles Bennett, 15 years old of New Kensington, Pa., was found guilty today of first degree murder with a recommendation for mercy, which makes his imprisonment obligatory. His wife, Lila Zane Cooke, is the mother of one of West Virginia's prominent families, and Joseph Withie, accused of complicity in the crime, will be tried later.

Cooke, his wife and Withie are alleged to have lured young Bennett to the Fair Grounds, beating and robbing him and then throwing his lifeless body into the Ohio River.

DID NOT LIKE HIS NOSE

Impulsive French Artist Shoots Citizen With Repulsive "Bagle."

PARIS, June 12.—(Special.)—Because nature had bestowed upon him a nose of Cyrano de Bergerac dimensions Charles Bertrand, a young mechanic of 25, is now in a Paris hospital after having lost an eye. Bertrand was walking along the Rue Croix Nivert when a man approached him and, walking by his side, continued to take an offensive interest in his facial appearance. Bertrand is used to annoyance of this sort, but in this case it was so pronounced that he turned into a café to escape it.

The "gentleman," however, followed him, and taking hold of him demanded what he meant by going around with such a monument on his face. Bertrand sadly replied that no one could be more sorry than he, but the man declared that he was an artist and simply could not stand thinking of a man being allowed to live in such a state of ugliness.

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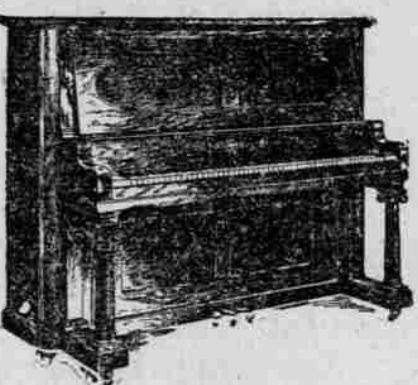
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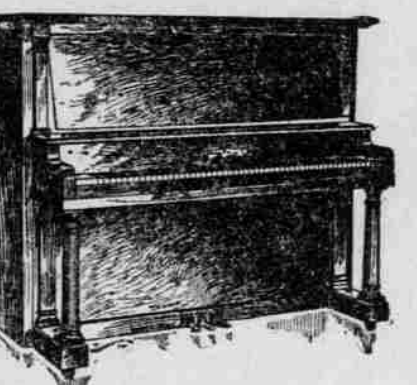
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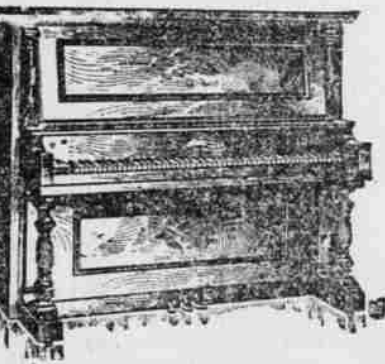
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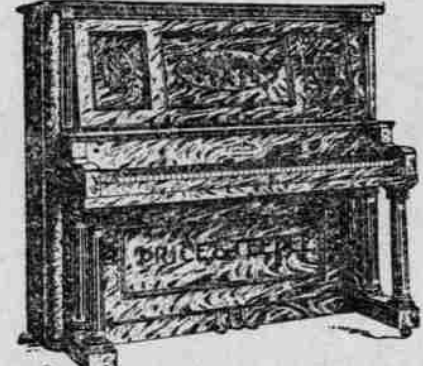


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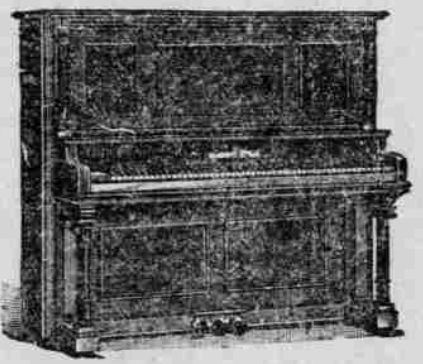
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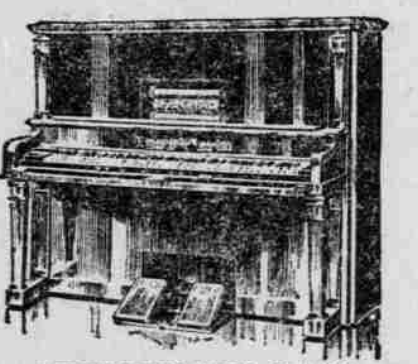
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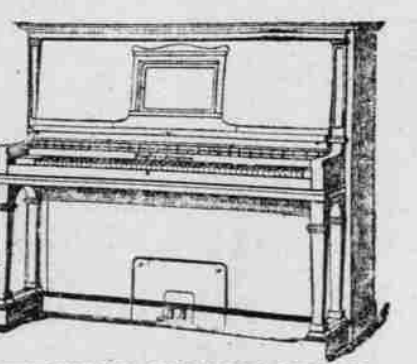
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ARAB ADVICE ON WIVES

Five Kinds of Mates to Be Avoided, Says the Sage.

PORTLAND, June 12.—(To the Editor.)—John Khadon, who was the greatest Arabian philosopher in his day, said there are five sorts of wives to be avoided: Yearners, favorers, deplorers, backbiters and toadstools.

MORE RAIN IN ILLINOIS THAN HERE.

DUBUQUE, Ia., June 9.—(To the Editor.)—I see by The Oregonian of June 2 that some Portland people are "kicking" because of the unusual weather and unusual amount of rain.

FIRE ROBS 500 MEN OF WORK.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., June 12.—The engine and entire plant of the American & British Manufacturing Company, in this city, was burned today. Loss, \$150,000. The fire throws out of employment more than 500 persons.