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## Looters Will Be Shot Down

## Law Abiding People Of Topeka Will Protect Themselves And Property Against Soulless Thugs and Robbers.

Business In Kansas City Will Soon Resume Usual Conditions--Present Rise In Kaw River Merely Due To An Overflow From Missouri.

Damage To Property Will Reach Far Into The Millions And Loss Of Life May Never Be Correctly Estimated--Great Crisis Is Now Safely Passed.

Topeka, June 2.—The flood situation in Topeka can be briefly summarized thus: Known dead, 48. The river has fallen three feet and is now receding at the rate of two inches an hour. Dis-tress among refugees will be great.

Governor Bailey has issued a proclamation calling for help for the flood sufferers in the state. Fifty deputy sheriffs, armed with Winchesters, will go to North Topeka to protect property with orders to shoot looters whenever they are caught stealing. There will be an appeal made to the fraternal organizations and other appeals through various sources.

Meetings of the representative people of North Topeka, who are on the south side, was held today to arrange for systematic protection of their property in North Topeka. Immediately after the meeting a large number of armed men left in boats for the north side where they will guard property, and their orders are to shoot. The river is three feet below high water mark. The water has receded on Kansas avenue to the platform of the Rock Island depot, a distance of 250 feet. The situation in the flood stricken districts is better than it has yet been, for the reason that fewer people are marooned in houses, in trees and on islands. There is no way of getting at the amount of damage done by flood in Topeka and vicinity. The damage may reach \$2,000,000. Crops in the Kansas bottoms are destroyed. This makes an enormous loss to the farmers. Governor Bailey tonight will communicate with the federal authorities and hopes he will have no trouble in securing the use of whatever tents are needed.

Kansas City, June 2.—Blue sky was visible above Kansas City this afternoon at 4 p.m. The rains have ended, the sun was visible for the first time in a week, and for this and other

reasons it is thought that the great danger of floods are past. The waters of Kaw river have fallen eight inches today, and tonight are steadily decreasing at the rate of about half an inch per hour.

In Missouri the high stage of 35 feet is still maintained but this is due to the rise which has been coming down Missouri proper, and has been able to offset the fall in the Kaw. It is the water of the latter stream, however, that has caused all the destruction in this city, and in Kansas City, Kan., and with it at a normal stage, business in Kansas City will shortly resume usual conditions.

This city has, by a narrow margin, escaped a serious shortage in food; has faced the peril of fire, being utterly helpless to avert its consequence, and has suffered millions of dollars of damage to property and sustained a loss in life that in all probability never will be accurately measured. Now, however, there is a promise of better things.

Tonight the situation shows an improvement on almost every side, and the waters are falling. The day brought to light no fact on which to base even an approximation of deaths by the flood. Possibly ten bodies have been seen floating since Sunday, but estimates from this are valueless as the bodies may have floated down the Kaw from Topeka, or the bodies, changing with the ever changing eddies of the flood, may have been mistaken for others.

### LESTER REIFF WILL RIDE

Chicago, June 2.—Lester Reiff will ride one of John A. Drake's horses in the American Derby. He was granted a jockey's license today by the Western Jockey Club and will begin at once to prepare for his effort on Derby day.

## MISSISSIPPI IS RISING

St. Louis Threatened With Heavy Loss By An Overflow Of The Father Of Waters.

### GREAT AREA IS SUBMERGED

Water Governs Many Farms Causing People To Flee From Their Homes.

St. Louis, June 2.—The Mississippi river has risen to 30 feet, the danger line, at St. Louis, and continues to rise more than two feet a day. Indications are that the 34-foot stage at St. Louis, predicted by the signal service bureau, Thursday or Friday morning, will be exceeded. A 34-foot stage at St. Louis means immense loss. Already thousands of acres of land, the most productive in the Middle West, on the Missouri and Illinois sides, are under water.

Hundreds of thousands have been lost to Illinois and Missouri farmers through ruined crops. In a half-dozen places between Alton and St. Louis the river, with its lagoons and bayous, is from five to seven miles wide. At St. Charles, Mo., the water has spread out over three miles of country, covering farms and driving families from their homes.

### CRUISER TACOMA LAUNCHED

San Francisco, Cal., June 2.—The cruiser Tacoma was launched at the ship yard of the Union Iron Works at 5:52 o'clock this evening in the presence of several thousand people, including a delegation from Washington state.

### MR. BAER HEARD FROM

Philadelphia, June 2.—President Baer of the Reading company has issued orders that miners who will not cut enough coal to keep the breakers in operation nine hours a day are to be discharged. He says if the present system is kept up the company will be at least 1,500,000 tons behind its output at the end of the year beginning with April.

### LARGE AREA SUBMERGED

Keokuk, Iowa, June 2.—The Egyptian levee below here is broken in 20 different places and the water is running through the streets of Alexandria. A territory 10 by 20 miles in the Clark county, Missouri bottoms is submerged. Inhabitants are on the roofs of the houses firing guns for help. A government boat and men have been sent to the scene from here. No life loss has been reported.

## WILL GET THERE SAFELY IN THE LONG RUN

President Roosevelt Is Grieved By The Appalling Flood Conditions And Voices His Sentiments To A Multitude In Iowa.

Pestilence, Floods, And Tornadoes May For A Time Overwhelm But The American Spirit Will Assert Itself And In The End Will Overcome All Calamities.

foolishly in matters of legislation, we shall pay the penalty. If the business world loses its head it has lost what no law can supply, but in spite of that we shall go forward.

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### Base Ball Scores.

#### PACIFIC NATIONAL.

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#### PACIFIC COAST.

At Portland—Portland 6; Seattle 2.

At Oakland—Oakland 5; Los Angeles 4.

At Sacramento—Sacramento 5; San Francisco 2.

#### NATIONAL.

At Cincinnati—Cincinnati 4; Boston 1.

At St. Louis—St. Louis 1; Philadelphia 9.

At Pittsburg—Pittsburg 7; New York 0.

At Chicago—Chicago 4; Brooklyn 2.

#### AMERICAN.

At Detroit—St. Louis 11; Detroit 3.

At Chicago—Chicago 3; Cleveland 2.

At Washington—Philadelphia 12; Washington 3.

At New York—Boston 5; New York 8.

#### BATTLED WITH THE FRENCH.

Saida, Algeria, June 2.—It is officially stated that the Moorish tribesmen had 56 killed and 20 wounded in their attack on M. Jonnart, governor-general of Algeria, near Fluegel, Saturday. The condition of the 17 French sharpshooters who were wounded in the fighting is satisfactory. A detachment of French cavalry left Anti-Hefra for Benouf. Governor-General Jonnart has arrived here. He received assurances of loyalty and devotion to France from numerous native chiefs during the journey.

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