



WISCONSIN SWEEP BY TORNADO

GREAT DAMAGE CAUSED BY THE TERRIBLE STORM

Hurricane Levels Buildings in It's Path and Many Lives Are Thought to Have Been Lost--Loss to Property Is Very Great.

LA CROSSE, Wis., June 6.—One was fatally injured, five seriously injured, and several hurt and 10 buildings leveled by the tornado near Stoddard, Wis., tonight. The rains swept over La Crosse. The hurricane centered apparently a mile and a half east of Stoddard. It passed up Coon Valley and Morgan Coulee striking Stoddard and Brinkham most heavily. Telephone communication is crippled and telegraph wires are down. In La Crosse much damage occurred though none were injured. Washouts are reported on the railroads entering this city. Leon, Wis., was also damaged. The bridge on the C. B. and Q. near Stoddard was carried out and a train carrying 200 passengers flagged at the Brink of the gap by a farmer named Miller. Many farms are reported devastated.

men who were in the direct path of the storm took refuge under a bridge crossing a small stream, where the water was three feet deep. The wind took the bridge from over their heads, and sucked all the water out of the stream, leaving the bed perfectly dry. All four men were hurt, but none fatally.

Inflicts Heavy Damage.

The storm seems to have formed near the Lindstrom mine and swept in a northeasterly direction cutting a path about 500 yards wide for a distance of fifteen miles. Everything in its pathway was laid bare, even the grass being cut as though mowed with a scythe. Four

ST. PAUL, June 6.—A special to the Pioneer Press from North Branch, Minn., says the tornado passed about half a mile east of there late this afternoon doing heavy damage and killed on man and injured many others in the vicinity of Wyoming and North Branch. It is feared some lives are lost. The storm is known to have destroyed at least three farm houses near there seriously wounding two persons. The village of Wyoming was also in the path of the storm. One house was completely destroyed and several hurt. At Stacy, eight miles south of North Branch, a woman and a child were severely injured and several buildings destroyed.

A BARREL FOR ALL.

INDIANAPOLIS, June 6.—The 43d National Convention of the United Brewers' Association met today at the Claypool Hotel. Over 200 delegates are present, representing nearly every state in the Union and an estimated capital of \$500,000,000. Albert Lieber, on behalf of the Indianapolis brewers, welcomed the delegates. He said: "The production of beer in the United States has grown from a little over 6,000,000 barrels in 1870 to probably more than 50,000,000 in the present year. It has grown nearly four times as fast as the population. If we were not furnishing the people a good, pure and healthy product, this remarkable increase would have been impossible."

TRIAL IS POSTPONED.

WASHINGTON, June 6.—Justice Gould today granted the motion of District Attorney Baker to postpone the trial of Congressman Binger Hermann of Oregon, indicted for destroying public records while Commissioner of the General Land Office, set for June 18, until after the trial of the Hyde, Dimond and Benson cases. Mr. Worthington, counsel for the defense, agreed to the postponement. This practically means that the case will go over until Fall.

LINCOLN'S LOG CABIN IS MOVED.

NEW YORK, June 6.—The Lincoln log cabin, acquired by the Lincoln Farm Association for restoration to its original site, starts today on its journey to Hodgenville, Ky., on a special train over the Pennsylvania Railroad. The cabin, which has been taken apart, will be committed to the care of Captain N. S. Bullitt, and a file of five soldiers of the first Kentucky infantry. The guard will accompany the cabin throughout the journey.

TROOPS UNTRUSTWORTHY.

ST. PETERSBURG, June 6.—A new cloud looming in the government's horizon, is the serious unrest among the troops, the only stay of the administration in case of an open rupture with parliament, evidence of which unrest is being received from many quarters. In addition to the Kursk troubles which are known to have been fomented by revolutionists, there is an open foment in the Odessa garrison, while Cossacks at Rostoff-on-the-Don and elsewhere are muttering because of the long time they have been absent from their homes. In addition, it is learned new recruits instead of revivifying the loyalty of the army, have infected the ranks still further with the revolutionary spirit which is so widespread among the peasantry. Undoubtedly it is right to say the army cannot be depended on.

MURDER CHARGE.

JACKSON, Ky., June 6.—The Breathitt grand jury returned a verdict today against Judge James Hargis, a former county judge, charging him with the murder of Dr. B. D. Cox, who was assassinated here three years ago.

FATALLY STABBED.

CHICAGO, June 6.—Dick Dorsey, formerly one of the best known jockeys in the west was fatally stabbed today while attempting to stop three robbers who entered the home of Mrs. Elinor Neff, and attempted to rob her.

CHARGED WITH MURDER.

MONROVIA, Cal., June 6.—Mrs. Albert Storris, who was charged with the murder of her husband, Roland Storris, was discharged yesterday. Judge Northrup held that the evidence did not warrant holding her on the charge.

HOT WAVE IN CHICAGO.

CHICAGO, June 6.—This was the hottest day of the season, the mercury reaching 90 degrees. There were three deaths and many prostrations.

EMPLOYERS DECLARE LOCKOUT AGAINST CARPENTERS

NEW YORK, June 6.—The four trade associations of employers in the Building Trades Employers' Association, who employ carpenters, met yesterday and passed a resolution, declaring a lockout of the Brotherhood of Carpenters, to go into effect today. The lockout will affect 12,000 carpenters in the Metropolitan district and throw into idleness thousands in other trades. The associations, which took this action are the Master Carpenters' Association, the Metal Door and Window Frame Association, the Parquet Floor Association of Employers, and the Interior Decorators' and Cabinet Makers' Association, all of which are very strong. It is said the lockout is to continue until the striking carpenters in Brooklyn return to work in accordance with the arbitration decision of Justice Gaynor. This decision has been submitted to the local unions for a referendum vote of approval. The voting will occupy some ten days.

PACKERS WILL LOSE ENORMOUSLY ACCEPTED GIFTS FROM COAL COMPANIES

President's Crusade Against Canned Meats Will Cause Packers of the Country to Lose Over \$150,000,000.

KANSAS CITY, June 6.—The Journal will say it is estimated the business done by the packing houses here will suffer to the extent of \$10,000,000 as a result of the agitation in connection with the President's crusade against canned meats. Representatives from the various plants seem agreed that in accordance with the estimates in the telegraphic dispatches that the business of the whole country will show a loss of at least \$150,000,000.

Will Investigate.

INDIANAPOLIS, June 6.—Every slaughter house and meat packing plant in Indiana will be investigated immediately by the state board of health.

PANAMA POLITICS.

WASHINGTON, June 6.—Secretary Taft discussed political conditions on the Isthmus today with representatives of the Liberal party of Panama. The delegates insisted there was no danger of a revolution, but insisted the United States should see fair play.

ROYALTY LEAVES.

MADRID, June 6.—The prince and Princess of Wales, the Duke of Sparta, the Crown Prince of Greece and the Prince Albert of Prussia who came here to attend the royal wedding, left Madrid tonight. King Alfonso and the members of the royal household bid the party farewell at the station.

STRIKE IMMINENT

CHICAGO, June 6.—The general managers of twenty-three railroads entering Chicago decided not to grant an increase in wages to the freight handlers and a strike of 40,000 is imminent. The men demand an increase from \$1.75 to \$2.00 per day.

WOMAN THROWS LAMP AT SISTER AND IS BURNED

VANCOUVER, Wash., June 6.—As the result of what is said to have been a quarrel last night, Mrs. Alice Myers, who lives in Washington, D. C., lies dead and her sister, Miss Clara Lavoie is seriously burned. As near as could be learned by the sheriff Mrs. Myers became enraged at her sister and threw a lighted lamp at her. In so doing, the

PHILADELPHIA, June 6.—That he accepted gifts of stock amounting to \$11,000 and money aggregating more than \$40,000 from coal mining companies during a period of about three years, was admitted today by Joseph Boyer, chief clerk in the office of A. W. Gibbs, superintendent of motive power on the Pennsylvania Railroad, at today's hearing of the inter-state commerce commission. Boyer purchased the fuel coal used in the locomotives and the donors of the gifts were the coal companies which furnished fuel to the railroad. Boyer named five companies which allowed him five cents on each ton sold to the railroad company. He declared he never asked for the allowance, but it was accepted because he believed he was following the custom of the department. Boyer denied he divided the money with any other official or employe of the railroad. He said he kept it all. A. W. Gibbs, Boyer's superintendent was on the stand and stated he was unaware that such conditions existed. A number of employes of the Baltimore and Ohio railroad were examined and an effort made by the Commissioner to learn through J. E. Muhlheld, general superintendent of motive power, something regarding the arrangement between the railroad and H. C. Frick of the coal company, concerning the repairing of cars. Muhlheld ad-

HOUSE FILIBUSTER.

WASHINGTON, June 6.—The members of the minority of the house believing the majority had taken undue advantage of them in limiting the general debate on the sundry civil bill to one hour, today started another filibuster and for two hours roll calls and points of order kept the house in a turmoil. Later the bill was taken up under the five minute rule. But few pages had been completed when the house adjourned, much time being given over to the annual discussion of the sale of the custom house in New York and the payment of the rental to the National City Bank. The usual charges and denials were made.

STEVENS TAKES OATH AS SHERIFF OF MULTNOMAH

Official Count Gives Him Plurality of Five Over Word--Charges of Fraud Openly Made by Each of the Contestants.

PORTLAND, June 6.—A reduction of the plurality of Robert L. Stevens, the republican candidate over Tom Word, democrat, for the sheriff shrievalty, to five votes was made by an official canvass, and the issuance of a certificate of election and his taking the oath of office late today, are the events that transpired today, the most interesting feature of the local election.

any way as a repudiation of the administration of Sheriff Word, but rather as a tribute to his ability as a vote-getter and an expression of popular satisfaction with the record he has made as sheriff.

Charges and counter charges of fraud are made by the contestants. Sheriff Word declares he will contest the matter in the courts, and Sheriff-elect Stevens says if this is done it will further increase his lead.

Had there been anybody else on the democratic ticket than Tom Word, Stevens would have polled a normal majority, and had there been anybody else opposing Word than Stevens, Word would no doubt have won hand-omely.

The fact that out of a total vote of 18,494 for the two candidates, a mere handful of five votes would have changed the result is one of those incidents in the game of politics which make it ever interesting and ever certain.

As it is, the sheriff's office, the most important one in the county from the standpoint of patronage and power, has been snatched from the democratic grasp and added to general county landslide toward republicanism.

It was a struggle between the popularity of a man who had been weighed in the balance of official efficiency on the one hand and the political momentum of the standard-bearer of a party nominally thousands in the majority, on the other, and the result cannot be considered in

The total vote polled by the two candidates in the 90 precincts in the county according to unofficial returns, filed in the county clerk's office, was as follows: Stevens, 9254; Word, 9240; the last precinct, 39, being heard from at 8:30 o'clock this morning.

The total vote for Stevens in the 66 city precincts was 8070; for Word 7332, showing a majority for Stevens of 738. The total vote in the 24 county precincts outside of the city was, Stevens 1189, Word 1908, a majority of 719 for Word.

ALL ENDORSE BRYAN.

YANKTOWN, S. D., June 6.—The democratic convention today strongly endorsed Bryan for President in 1908 and every mention of his name brought forth a storm of applause. W. J. Elder of Lawrence and S. A. Ramsey of Sanborn, were nominated for congress. J. A. Stransky of Brule, was nominated for governor.

Wants Bryan.

HOT SPRINGS, June 6.—The democratic convention amid expressions of intense enthusiasm unanimously adopted resolutions endorsing W. J. Bryan to be the democratic standard-bearer in the Presidential campaign of 1908 and selected the nominee for the senatorial and state offices. For United States Senator, Jefferson Davis was nominated, and for Governor, J. S. Little.

Bryan Cheered.

INDIANAPOLIS, June 6.—The democratic state convention tonight was largely attended and the delegates were addressed by Representative Champ Clark of Missouri, who devoted considerable time to a discussion of tariff. His mention of W. J. Bryan's name was received by a great outburst of applause.

WILL STORE WOOL.

SALT LAKE, June 6.—The Idaho wool growers who have six million pounds of fleece on their hands have been unable to come to terms with the eastern buyers and have decided to ship the wool east and store it until satisfactory prices are secured. They hope to secure 25 cents.

COAST BASEBALL SCORES.

Northwest League Scores. At Butte—Butte 11, Tacoma 5. Coast League Scores. At Oakland—Oakland 6, San Francisco 12. At Seattle—Seattle 3, Fresno 5.

ACCUSED OF BRIBERY.

MADISON, Wis., June 6.—A warrant for the arrest of Secretary of State Walter E. Houser, charging attempted bribery, was issued today by Judge Donovan of the Municipal Court. The complaint is signed by State Insurance Commissioner Host. The trouble arose out of Insurance Commissioner Host's charge that Houser in 1903 offered to give \$2000 to the republican campaign fund if Host would render a decision favorable to the Equitable Life Assurance Society in the case involving the distribution of dividends.

TUCKER'S NECK NOT YET SAFE.

BOSTON, June 6.—Governor Guild yesterday gave a hearing to counsel for Charles L. Tucker, the condemned murderer of Mabel Page, on the application in behalf of the prisoner for a commutation of the death sentence to imprisonment for life. The application was made on the ground of newly discovered evidence. The governor reserved decision.

All the telegraphic and local news in the Morning Astorian.

INSURANCE RAISE UNNECESSARY.

BOSTON, June 6.—An advance in fire insurance rates on account of the San Francisco disaster is considered unnecessary, according to resolutions adopted at a special meeting of the Boston Chamber of Commerce yesterday protesting against the rates now being considered by the Boston Board of Fire Underwriters. The resolution calls upon the companies to show, before ordering increased rates, that premiums paid have been employed for the protection of property.