

TERRIBLE TORRENTS SWEEP DEATH AND DESTRUCTION

Floods in the Valley of the Mississippi More Appalling Than Can Be Told—Thousands of Families Rendered Homeless --Women and Children Suffer.

(Journal Special Service.) KANSAS CITY, May 30.—The Missouri River is above the danger line this morning and full rising. More than 2,000 people are homeless today and are trying to find refuge. The police stations and public buildings are thrown open for their benefit.

KANSAS CITY, Kan., May 30.—This city is entirely cut off by car communication. The Santa Fe shops and yards are under water. Scores of engine-houses, hundreds of cars, two water pumping stations, smelter yards and the great manufacturing district is wholly or partly submerged. The big packing plants are either partly submerged or surrounded by the flood. Harlem, across the river, is completely abandoned. It is feared the river will change its course by cutting a channel where the town now stands.

Eight men who were unable to emerge from the doors of their dwellings dove through the windows in their night clothing. A dredger manned by a crew surrounded by barges on which were 100 children was compelled to fight a fire which had caught on a new pier. The blaze was extinguished after a stubborn fight. The damage was comparatively small.

Great Suffering. Never in the history of this section of the Mississippi Valley has so much suffering been occasioned by floods. The damage done is incalculable and the loss of life that has been the result can not be ascertained until the raging waters subside. Particularly severe for the suffering of little children and women. Many of these have escaped from their submerged homes with the most scanty apparel. In more than a score of cases women have been seen upon the streets in their night clothing, carrying babies and dragging other large

children by the hands. A relief committee has been established, but the wants of the refugees are so many that the committee has not as yet been able to cope with the situation.

Rescue of Whole Families. It is a common occurrence to rescue a whole family from a house top and today a large frame house was seen floating down the raging flood on the roof were four persons clinging. Whether they have been rescued can not be told.

DES MOINES, May 30.—The Des Moines River is now 32 feet above low water mark and 1,500 families are homeless and the suffering is intense. Many breaks in levees have surrounded 800 homes and the rescue of the imprisoned people is now in progress. It is impossible to determine the loss of life that must have occurred. In this city the damage from the flood will reach nearly \$1,000,000, and the end is not yet.

ABILENE, Kan., May 30.—Mud Creek is a raging torrent at this place and the streets of the city are flooded to the depth of eight feet. People are homeless and two cases of drowning have so far been reported.

COUNCIL GROVE, Kan., May 30.—The terrible floods in this vicinity will result in the damage of \$1,000,000. Added to the four people who were drowned Thursday night there is a report that three others have lost their lives. Two were little girls who had escaped to the wood and were there surrounded by the fast rising waters and were unable to save themselves.

Screaming for Help. TOPEKA, Kan., May 30.—The terror

of the waters still increases. The river is 22 feet above low water mark. Two unknown men were drowned this morning in sight of those unable to assist. The water and electric plants are now submerged. North Topeka and Oakland are entirely submerged and the people are shouting and screaming for help. There rescue work is under the direction of the police.

Bryan Losses Library. LINCOLN, May 30.—Practically every stream in Eastern Nebraska is now a raging torrent. Scores of towns are flooded and the crop damage will be appalling. Beatrice is the worst sufferer. The electric light and water plants were first flooded. Several hundred families are shelterless. Several hundred Russians living west of this city were driven to the hills and escaped drowning. All railroad communication is shut off. The basement of William J. Bryan's house was flooded last night, destroying his valuable library, which was temporarily stored there.

CHICAGO, May 30.—But few reports from Kansas have been received today. Beginning as far west as Salina all railway and wire communication is cut off. The district includes Topeka and Lawrence. The union depot district in these cities is thought to be submerged today. All railway service westward has been abandoned.

LAWRENCE, Kan., May 30.—All the northern portion of this city is submerged and no electric light or water plants are running.

EMPORIA, May 30.—Thousands of acres are flooded here and the work of rescuing the farmers in boats continues. There is no railway communication with this city.

BOYCOTT ON THE HOME OF DEAD

San Francisco Labor Council Puts the Brand of Disapproval on Cypress Lawn Cemetery.

Grave Diggers Quit Work Because Fellow Laborers Are Discharged—No Bodies Can Be Interred Till Settled.

(Journal Special Service.)

SAN FRANCISCO, May 30.—A boycott has been declared against the Cypress Lawn Cemetery by the Labor Council, and as a result no interments can take place.

There are a number of men employed around the grave yard as laborers, florists and grave diggers. They have organized a union, and when Superintendent Noble discharged one of the members a few days ago, the union demanded his reinstatement. Mr. Noble refused to comply with the demand and a strike was declared.

The refusal of the grave diggers to work unless their fellow workmen were given employment brought matters to a crisis. Mr. Noble has declared himself as being opposed to such interference, hence the action of the Labor Council.

Undertakers, hack drivers and street car men are in sympathy with the order for the boycott and will see that it is carried out.

For the present all bodies brought to the cemetery for interment in private conveyances are placed in the vaults to await the dignified disposal of the present condition will last only a few days, hence people who have the shadow of death hovering over their homes are making arrangements to bury their loved one away in some other cemetery.

END OF A VERY PRETTY ROMANCE

(Journal Special Service.)

NEW YORK, May 30.—A happy ending to a pretty romance has just been announced at the residence of Mrs. Van Ness. She and her husband, Mr. Van Ness, several months ago journeyed West and took up their residence in Los Angeles. While there Burrill Merrill, a prosperous builder, made his home with them and before long became as one of the family.

He was often seen to look with great interest at a picture of Jennie Freeman, Mrs. Van Ness' younger sister. He frankly admitted that he had fallen in love with it. Mrs. Van Ness promised a correspondence between the two, with the result that Miss Jennie started for Los Angeles last week. On her arrival she was met by Mr. Merrill and without further delay they were married.

GIVEN DIPLOMAS

Salem Law School Held Exercises In Presbyterian Church Last Evening.

SALEM, May 30.—The Oregon Law School, Honorable S. T. Richardson, dean, held its annual graduating exercises at the First Presbyterian church last night, when four students of the school, who Thursday were admitted to the bar by the Supreme Court, received their diplomas at the hands of President P. H. D'Arcy, who delivered the charge to the class. The graduates are: John R. Dimick, George M. Parman, David R. Parker and James E. Godfrey. The program at the church was as follows: Piano duet, selected, Bernice Sauter and teacher; invocation, Rev. H. A. Ketchum; solo, "The Holy City," Oscar J. Norton; address, Hon. E. Hofer, vocal solo, selected, Nina Johnson; charge to class, President P. H. D'Arcy; piano solo, "Tintinna," (Wely) Miss Isabelle Ackerman; introduction of class, Dean S. T. Richardson; presentation of diplomas, President P. H. D'Arcy; Stalwart Quartet, Messrs. E. H. Snyder, Wegner and Baker; benediction.

HERMANN MEN GROW ANXIOUS OVER RESULT

Will the People Allow a Trust Candidate to Go to Congress to Represent Them? Now Is the Time to Set Politics Aside.

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land being secured by the man who now asks the people to send him back to Congress, for there is not a claim of 150 acres in the tract that will not be valuable for agricultural purposes when the timber has been removed.

It has been common advice to parties looking for homesteads along Upper Rogue River or in the Butte Creek country to "look out you don't select any of Binger Hermann's land." When the Republican campaign opened here May 12, Binger Hermann had a following among the rank and file of his party with only a few of the active leaders appearing lukewarm. His meeting at the opera house was fairly well attended by Democrats. Party politics cuts little figure with the people of this locality where community interests are at stake. Medford has worked hard to be selected as the point of departure for Crater Lake tourists. Hermann knew this. Warm words of praise were wanted to the city. "It was through my efforts that the Crater Lake reserve was set aside. We must preserve our water sheds and protect our forests. I had worked faithfully

to do this and believe that we should set aside every available locality with that end in view." Later he wrote during these words. At Eagle Point in the afternoon he gave the people the same spell. Eagle Point is desirous of becoming the dinner station of the tourists. Binger's self praise touched a tender spot in the hearts of his hearers.

Now comes his statement that he is opposed to setting aside the reserve in Coos, Josephine and Douglas. That section has lost him all the votes he made on May 12. The people of Jackson County love the truth. They hate a shifter and while they were laboring under the impression that Binger would do wonders in the way of sending people to Crater Lake via Medford and Eagle Point, they would have cast their votes for him. But now things are different. His Dr. Jewell and Mr. Hyde policy is not acceptable to the farmer, miner or business man and when the returns come in from the "brush districts," Binger Hermann will discover the fact that he cannot play double with the man who is trying to carve out a homestead while an ex-government official holds the best land in the state and tells his stories to suit the locality.

"Evan" Reames will carry Jackson County by 800 majority.

POSTAL FRAUDS NEAR BAKER CITY

Valuable Mail Matter Missing—Perceptions Reported to Have Been Going On For Some Time Successfully.

BAKER CITY, May 30.—Perceptions in the postal service in this vicinity continue to come to light. For some time there have been mysterious disappearances of moneys from the mails in this section, and attention of the secret service department of the postal service has been drawn this way. A few days ago a registered letter from the First Bank addressed to Brown & Pearce, Cornucopia, Oregon, containing \$300.00 in currency was stolen. At the same time another registered letter to a small postoffice on Snake river was lost and a public document which traveled as registered matter was missed. Inspector Thomas Shook, of Walla Walla, and Postal Agent H. E. Whitney, of Portland, are working on the problem. They have searched the postoffice attaches at this place.

FARMERS DISSATISFIED.

THE DALLES, Or., May 30.—It would seem that all Kikikat farmers who are near the new C. R. & N. R. R. are not pleased with the freight rate on wheat from the Kikikat Valley to market, as many are now sending their grain to The Dalles by wagon, which makes a difference of ten cents a bushel in favor of the farmer. In an interview with Eric Johnson, a large wheat grower whose farm is three miles south of Goldendale, he says: "Unless there is a decided change in the rates most of the farmers from Kikikat will be hauling their grain to The Dalles this fall, the same as they have been for years. This high rate means a great deal to Kikikat farmers, who have stored their grain, waiting for the completion of the road, and then at last have to haul to The Dalles." Mr. Johnson also stated that one of the Goldendale millers was negotiating with him to haul his flour to The Dalles.

POWERFUL MACHINE FOR THE WIRELESS

Largest Induction Coil Ever Used For Purpose Ready to be Installed at Once by the Pacific Company.

(Journal Special Service.) LOS ANGELES, May 30.—The largest induction coil the Pacific Wireless Telegraph Company has yet built has just been turned out by a San Francisco firm, and a representative has gone up to bring it to White's Point, where it will be connected with the wireless apparatus and given a practical test. The coil is expected to throw a spark three feet long, conveying messages through the air for 2,000 miles. It is designed for use between Cape Flattery and Dutch Harbor in Alaska, where the company has located stations, 1,500 miles apart. The new coil is ten times as powerful as any now in use, is 35 inches in length and weighs, exclusive of the condenser, 550 pounds. The condenser weighs 110 pounds.

WANT OREGON LUMBER

California Capitalist Writes That More Vessels Needed on Coastwise Trade to Carry Boards. R. W. Seger, a capitalist of Santa Monica, California, has written to the secretary of the Portland Chamber of Commerce, asking that the lumber men of this city take some action towards sending a ship load of lumber to that port. The man from California writes that he is planning to erect a number of cottages on Van Hook at Ocean Park and he wishes to build them of Oregon lumber. He states that over a hundred houses are now being built at this beach, and that the demand for more dwellings has not abated. "A lumber schooner making regular sailings between this point and Portland would do a good business," writes Mr. Seger. "I am sure there would not be the least bit of trouble in selling all the finished lumber that one vessel could carry."

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HONOR NATION'S HEROES

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of the family of the late D. P. Thompson provided 19 cartridges, which were found at the scene of the shooting. Many to visit the cemetery who would otherwise have been compelled to remain away.

In the parade were to be seen veterans of many wars. Youngest of them all, more children in comparison with the hoary-headed old warriors who had followed Zachary Taylor and Winfield Scott into Mexico, were the Second Oregon Volunteers, who fought the Spanish and the Filipino in far Luzon. Few of the volunteers were in line, but the full membership was present at the monument dedication, citizens' clothing being worn. Civil War heroes and men who had participated in half a dozen Indian campaigns were also in the ranks.

The Honored Dead. The roll of honored dead numbers 443 taken from the ranks of the following: George Wright Post, G. A. R., had buried 68 members. Lincoln-Grantfield Post 34, Sumner Post 52, Ellsworth 1 and B. B. Butler Post 4, making a total of 159 members of that organization. Of veterans of the Civil War who were not members of the Grand Army there are buried in St. Mary's Cemetery 16, Grand Army Cemetery 45. Riverview 7, Jones 105, Mount Calvary 6, West Portland 3, Peninsula 1, Multnomah 6, Columbia Slough 1, Brainerd 2, making a total of 184. This makes the total number of Civil War veterans buried in Portland and vicinity 248. Portland has also buried 11 veterans of the Mexican War and 30 of the two Indian wars. The Second Oregon Volunteer Regiment has lost 64 members since it went to the Philippines, most of them having been killed and died in the islands and been brought back to be buried in Riverview Cemetery.

The line of march followed by the procession was north on First street to Morrison, Morrison to Sixth, Sixth to Washington, Washington to Third, Third to Burnside, Burnside to East Third. At this point the main procession was joined by East Side organizations. The route was thence along Burnside to Grand avenue, Grand avenue to East Stark, East Stark to Long Fir Cemetery.

Exercises at Schools. At the Williams avenue public school yesterday afternoon Sergt. W. C. North presented the first American flag that floated over the headquarters

of the Eighth Army Corps in Manila during the Spanish-American War. Sergt. North did not make the presentation in person, a friend representing him. Appropriate exercises were observed. In other schools of the city programs were yesterday afternoon carried out in honor of the nation's dead. In Memory of C. K. Davis. WASHINGTON, D. C., May 30.—In the national capital today business was suspended, while thousands of citizens, veterans of three wars and their descendants paid tribute to the nation's heroic dead. Washington is encircled by cemeteries, each the resting place of departed soldiers—Glenwood, Oak Hill, Holy Hood, Brightwood, Soldiers' Home, the Congressional Cemetery, with its acres of soldiers' graves, and Arlington, where thousands upon thousands have their resting place marked with imperishable granite and where still other thousands are groped about the single imposing monument with its sad inscription, "To the Unknown Dead."

In such of these cemeteries today memorial services were held, and orations delivered by some of the most able orators of the country. As usual the chief ceremonies were at Arlington. A prominent feature of the exercises there was the unveiling of a handsome bronze bust of the late Senator Cushman K. Davis of Minnesota. The bust is life size and was modeled by Signor Trentanove. It rests upon a polished base of Italian granite, upon the four sides of which are the words, "Soldier," "Scholar," "Statesman," "Friend."

Tomb of McKinley Decorated. CANTON, O., May 30.—Veterans of the Grand Army, the Spanish War and the citizens of Canton generally united today in paying tribute to the memory of President McKinley. Many beautiful floral offerings to be placed on the tomb of the late President were received here last night and today, including wreaths from Washington, Chicago, Cleveland, Pittsburgh and Eastern points. Mrs. McKinley took the flowers to Westview and had them arranged about the tomb. Memorial services were held at the cemetery this afternoon under the auspices of the veterans' organizations.

At Lincoln's Tomb. SPRINGFIELD, Ill., May 30.—A general observance of Decoration Day was held in Springfield today. The ceremonies at the tomb of Lincoln in Oak Ridge Cemetery were more than usually impressive. In the forenoon the graves of the soldiers were strewn with flowers, and on the surface of

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Sherman Statue Unveiled. NEW YORK, May 30.—One of the chief features of today's observance of Memorial Day in the metropolis was the unveiling of St. Gaudens' statue of Gen. Sherman at the Plaza entrance to Central Park. Secretary of War Root delivered the oration and Grand Army veterans, regulars from Governor's Island and detachments of militia took part.

Memorial Day in Chicago. CHICAGO, Ill., May 30.—Memorial Day was generally observed in Chicago today. In the forenoon the veterans visited the various cemeteries, where memorial exercises were held and the graves of departed comrades decorated with flags and flowers. This afternoon there was a monster parade with 10,000 veterans in line. A pretty ceremony was held for the first time in Chicago under the direction of the Illinois Association of Naval Veterans. From an auxiliary cruiser slowly steaming about the harbor the veterans cast roses out upon the water in remembrance of the naval heroes who rest in unknown graves.

Decoration Day in Manila. MANILA, May 30.—Decoration Day was observed in the Philippine capital by both the military forces and the citizens. In the American cemetery,

where the bodies of a considerable number of soldiers have been buried during the past year, there were impressive services held under the auspices of the officials and of the American Club of Manila.

William Jennings Will Not Accept Great Democratic Leader Will Not Be Chairman of the National Convention. LINCOLN, May 30.—Personal friends of William J. Bryan today say he will not accept the chairmanship of the Democratic national committee after Jones resigns even if it is offered to him. Mr. Bryan refuses to discuss the subject and says it would be bad taste at this time for him to do so.

25 Cents Round Trip Tomorrow. To Oregon City, Willamette Falls and Canemah Park. Cars every 30 minutes. Music at the new pavilion. Refreshments on the ground. Cars every 20 minutes to Mt. Scott, and at 7:30 a. m., 1:30 and 4 p. m. to Gresham and Boring. Cars leave First and Alder streets.