

NEWS OF THE WEEK

In a Condensed Form for Our Busy Readers.

A Resume of the Less Important but Not Less Interesting Events of the Past Week.

Cortelyou is mentioned as running mate for Taft.

Henry Watterson says Bryan will be nominated.

A daughter of Governor Cutler, of Utah, has eloped with a teamster.

The new Union Pacific bonds are being sold in London at a premium.

Governor Johnson, of Minnesota, says he is not seeking another term.

A high wind storm near Guthrie, Okla., resulted in the death of one person.

Floods have reached their height in Kansas City. Nearly all railroads are blocked.

Many persons were injured in Chicago by the collision of two heavily loaded street cars.

Republicans of the Thirteenth Indiana district have nominated Charles W. Miller for congress.

There were fewer deaths proportionately in New York last week than in any week of the city's history.

China has apologized for the recent killing of French soldiers on the Chinese frontier. France also demands the removal of the viceroy.

Senator Kittredge has probably been defeated in the primary for governor from South Dakota. Governor Crawford is in the lead.

The recount on the mayoralty vote in New York is not one-fourth completed. Hearst has made a net gain of 135 votes.

Montana floods still tie up all railroads except one.

Women's objection to bonnets may split the Dunkard church.

A tornado did much damage in the vicinity of Mount Vernon, Iowa.

Great Britain is taking stern measures to choke out sedition in India.

Floods in Missouri and Kaw rivers are causing a stampede to higher ground.

Women suffragists will appeal to both the Republican and Democratic conventions.

Chicago packers are not worrying over the beef shortage as they believe it will not last long.

Many small breweries throughout the country will have to close as a result of recent closing of saloons.

A British steamer struck a rock off the Chinese coast and 80 natives were drowned. All European passengers and officers were saved.

Turkey has sent troops onto Persian soil and annexed a large section of the country. A government has been organized by the invaders.

A federal grand jury, in session at Portland, has indicted a number of prominent Eastern Oregon men for land fraud. Seven true bills have been returned and the jury is still in session.

Great scarcity of beef in Chicago causes high prices to prevail.

Seventeen of the finest paintings in Paris have been seriously injured by vandals.

A life-size bronze statue of President McKinley has been unveiled at Philadelphia.

The Russian douma has refused to make the necessary appropriation for a new navy.

The death roll from the explosion on the cruiser Tennessee has now reached six.

A Norwood, Mass., boy of 14 years has confessed to the killing of three smaller children.

Gas in a mine at Gladstone, Colorado, killed twenty rescuers of imprisoned miners.

O. H. P. Belmont is some better, although his physicians hold out small hope of his recovery.

A New York actress has secured damages for the sale of her photographs without her consent.

A new record for motor bicycles has been established at Buffalo, N. Y. On a race track ten miles were made in 9:40-3-5.

John Brandt Walker, leader of a great bear campaign in the New York stock market, has failed. At one time he had a fortune of \$3,000,000.

Brewers from all parts of the country are to meet at Chicago to plan a defense against the ever increasing wave of prohibition now sweeping the United States.

Because of washouts in Montana the Burlington road has canceled all Pacific Coast trains running in connection with the Northern Pacific until further announcement.

Announced in Connection With King Edward's Visit to Russia. London, June 10.—Foreign Secretary Grey's announcement in the house of commons that no negotiations for new treaties would be initiated during the king's visit put an end to talk of a probable triple alliance between France, Russia and Great Britain, but it did not affect the hopes of those Englishmen who are desirous for closer relations between these three powers that important diplomatic consequences will result from the meeting in Russia yesterday of King Edward and Emperor Nicholas and their respective foreign advisers.

No secret is made of the fact that the presence of Sir Charles Hardinge and M. Osowsky at Reval is for the purpose of discussing questions that have arisen out of the convention which put an end to the recriminations between Russia and Great Britain over Persia and Tibet and Afghanistan, more particularly the present unsatisfactory state of affairs in Persia.

The good effects of this agreement already have been shown in the speedy ending of the threatening frontier war on the Indian border, a situation which in the old days of suspicion and enmity between Great Britain and Russia might have led to an Afghan war.

Following so soon upon the visit to England of President Fallieres of France it is hard to disabuse the public mind of the feeling that King Edward's trip to Reval has also some relation to European affairs and as an actual alliance is considered impossible at present, serious thought is being given the suggestion that this exchange of visits signifies that Great Britain's policy in Europe in the future will follow closely that of the dual alliance between France and Russia. The foreign office says that too much significance must not be attached to this visit, but this is the usual official policy during such negotiations.

ST. PAUL NOT BADLY HURT.

Little Damage Done to Roadbed by Montana Floods. Butte, Mont., June 10.—R. A. Harlow, vice-president in Montana of the St. Paul, said little damage was done to the Montana roadbed, but that he believed considerable damage was done east of Saratof and that it will be four days before traffic is resumed. Northern Pacific officials have no idea when they will resume service westward and there is no change in the Great Northern.

The Northern Pacific tracks east of Butte are being repaired. The Broad company is still having considerable trouble with rock slides in the mountains near the continental divide. A number of stalled trains of the east arrived yesterday and departed south over the Oregon Short Line bound for the coast via the Oregon Railway & Navigation Line.

General Manager Gillie of the Amalgamated Copper Company said yesterday that the damage to the Boston Montana smelters at Great Falls is not so heavy as was first thought; that so soon as ore can be shipped the Boston and Montana mines here will resume.

COREANS BUTCHERED.

Japanese Troops Kill 113 Insurgents Within Four Days. Tokio, June 10.—A dispatch from Seoul dated yesterday (June 9) received at army headquarters reports that from June 3 to June 7 the government troops had twenty-six engagements with the insurgents. In these engagements 113 insurgents were killed and twenty-five taken prisoners.

The recent transfers of Korean cabinet ministers were due to the fact that during a conference of provincial governors' number of cases of negligence of the governors to present the actual facts concerning the attitude of the Korean government towards the insurgents were overlooked, also neglect in failing to correct false and malicious reports concerning Japanese policy, thus tacitly encouraging the insurrection. In consequence the minister of agriculture was transferred to the home department, and the minister of the interior announced the removal of seven provincial governors, showing a determination to effect many sweeping changes in local officials.

May Reveal Big Deals.

New York, June 10.—The extent to which the great European banking house of Rothschilds was interested in the merger of the transportation industry in New York City will be disclosed in the municipal court, probably June 19. Walter Lutzten, confidential adviser to August Belmont, who was called as a witness yesterday in the suit in connection with a deal in street railway stock, was ordered to appear again on June 19 and produce all the correspondence the Belmont firm had exchanged with the Rothschilds bearing upon the merger.

Flood Wrecks Levee.

Shreveport, La., June 10.—Twenty-five thousand acres of fine plantation lands are submerged and thousands of dollars' damage has been done as a result of the breaking of the levee at Westdale plantation, twenty-seven miles south of here yesterday morning. When the levee broke under the enormous pressure of the flood waters of the Red river a wall of water swept over Westdale plantation, demolishing buildings and ruining crops. It was only by a good fortune that no lives were lost in the flood.

Burglars Get Poll Books.

Des Moines, June 10.—A sensational burglary was made yesterday in the congressional contest in the Seventh Iowa district between S. F. Prouty and J. A. T. Hull when it was discovered that the vaults in the county auditor's office containing the poll books had been entered and the books tampered with. According to the unofficial figures both candidates claimed the nomination by very narrow margins.

Death Question of Hours.

New York, June 10.—At 12:30 this morning the watchers at the bedside of Oliver H. P. Belmont were waiting for the end. Since early yesterday afternoon Mr. Belmont has been unconscious and all hope of his recovery has been abandoned. His death, his physicians think, is now only a question of hours.

Monmouth Wants Freight Depot.

Salem.—The Oregon railroad commission has ordered that a hearing be had at Monmouth, June 15, at 1:30 P. M. on the question of a Southern Pacific freight depot.

OREGON STATE ITEMS OF INTEREST

TO PURIFY CAMPAIGN. DIP ALL MANGY CAYUSES.

Corrupt Practices Act Restricts Candidates' Acts. Salem.—The adoption of the corrupt practices act by the people at the election June 1 will make the next political campaign a vastly different one from those which have been seen in Oregon in the last few years.

For one thing, the advertising plan of making a campaign, which Senator Bourne made popular in Oregon, will be less extensively used in the future. Two features of the corrupt practices act will tend to accomplish this plan: limitation on expenditures, and the other a requirement that paid advertising be so marked. Undoubtedly the measure will have a salutary effect in purifying elections, though some of its provisions seem unnecessarily severe.

Publicity in the matter of campaign expenditures is one of the most important requirements of the law, and hereafter it will be necessary for candidates and party managers to keep an account of all expenses which they incur 15 days after the primary or general election, showing contributions to campaign funds and the purposes for which all money was spent. Candidates are permitted to use one page of a pamphlet to be issued by the state for the purpose of giving the voters information concerning them, each candidate to pay for the space occupied, and in excess of that each candidate may spend in a primary campaign 15 per cent of one year's salary, and in a general campaign 10 per cent of one year's salary, though any candidate may spend as much as \$100 if the percentage should be less than that. A candidate for governor will hereafter be limited to an expenditure of \$750 in a primary campaign and \$500 in a general campaign.

Lower Prices for Wool. Pendleton.—The second and last wool sales were as follows: William Slusher's clip, 150,000 pounds, sold to DeFour for 104c; D. Gooden's clip, 26,136 pounds, to C. H. Green for 91c; A. P. Warner, 12,121 pounds, to Kuhn, 104c; G. W. Ellis, 1,047 pounds, to Green, 124c; D. W. Chapman, 26,136 pounds, to Green, 91c; M. P. Pomeroi, 80,320 pounds, to Green, 108c; Lahr & Sons, 1,401 pounds, to Green, 106c; J. W. Groom, 9,997 pounds, to Green, 111c; Henderson & Son, 12,139 pounds, to Kuhn, 111c; Sam Warner, 9,850 pounds, to Green, 124c; J. M. Pempell, to Judd, 108c. There will be no sale of wool after this sale. Prices are lower owing to the fact that this wool from the west end of Umatilla county is heavier than that sold May 25.

Pack Fruit in Brewery. La Grande.—The Roesch brewery of this city, the largest of its kind in Eastern Oregon, will be closed July 1 as a result of the prohibition vote at the recent election. Plans are already on foot to convert the brewery into a fruit packing and storage warehouse. It is located conveniently to the O. R. & N. depot and is a large and well arranged building and is well adapted to the purpose. Julius Roesch, proprietor of the brewery, is one of the pioneer brewers of the state and has accumulated a fortune here in the business. However, the increasing fruit culture in this vicinity will not allow his building to remain idle long after the prohibition law goes into effect.

Lake Homesteads in Demand. Lakeview.—Many land filings are being received at the land office, most of them homesteads. Every piece of land that can be cultivated is being taken under the laws governing this form of entry. Few timber filings are now being received as land in this district. Occasionally someone finds a quarter section or an 80-acre tract that has been overlooked in the rush, but most of the filings that are being made under this act are on lands that were at first taken under the homestead act.

Four Graduate at Woodburn. Woodburn.—The commencement exercises of the Woodburn high school graduating class were held in the Methodist Episcopal church, of this city, last week. The church, beautifully decorated, was filled with friends of education. The address to the class was made by Charles V. Galloway, of Salem. The diplomas were presented by Colonel J. M. Poorman, of the board of directors. It is the first high school graduating class in Woodburn.

Will Show Canby Berries. Oregon City.—The Canby Strawberry Growers' association has chosen the following officers for the ensuing year: R. S. Coe, president; Charles Roth, vice-president; C. N. Wait, secretary; S. B. Reese, treasurer. The association expects to distribute 10,000 pieces of advertising matter the coming rose show in Oregon City, June 12 and 13, and on the last day of the rose show the berries that are on exhibition will be given to the Rose Society to be sold. Many exhibitors by Canby growers are promised.

Albany Will Retaliate. Albany.—Because they believe the Southern Pacific railroad is seeking to retaliate in erecting a small and inexpensive depot to replace the present structure, following the action of the city council in securing an order from the state railroad commission for a new depot here, the merchants and heavy shippers have decided to combine and ship all their eastern freight orders over the Northern Pacific, or some other line not owned by the Harriman system.

Lake County Fruit Outlook. Lakeview.—Despite the cold weather in this section there will be a good fruit crop this year. The fruit in question is just made a trip over the entire county and is of the opinion that there will be a good yield of apples, cherries and pears, and that berries of all kinds will do well. All the orchards are free from pests and the indications are that the quality will be the best.

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READY TO TRY AGAIN.

Peary is Anxious to Start for North Pole by July 1.

New York, June 9.—Confident of his ability to carry the stars and stripes to the north pole, Commander Robert E. Peary, who has planted the American flag nearer the coveted northern goal than any other living man, is in New York making active preparations for another Arctic dash in the hope of solving the mystery of the north, which for centuries has been the aim of daring explorers. The stanch steamer Roosevelt, which the Peary Arctic Club built for Commander Peary, and which carried him and his little party on his last northward journey, has been overhauled and put in better condition than ever for her expected battles with the ice barriers of the frozen north. The ship is tugging at her hawsers in the harbor of New York, ready to start when her commander gives the word. Peary's present plans contemplate his departure from New York about July 1, but lack of sufficient funds to finance the expedition may prevent the start. In fact, unless \$25,000 is forthcoming by July the project will have to be abandoned. An auxiliary ship or collier will accompany the Roosevelt as far north as Etah, where Peary's coal depot in the last expedition was located. Etah was the winter quarters of Dr. Hayes' last expedition and is located about 79 degrees north latitude. A small party of sportsmen and scientists may go north as far as Etah on the auxiliary ship, returning with her about September 1.

Commander Peary has devoted nearly 20 years to efforts to solve the great problems of the north and already has put into the work all of his personal means, amounting to \$50,000.

INCREASE PENDLETON PLANT.

Wisconsin Company Negotiating for Woolen Mills. Pendleton.—Agents of the Racine woolen mills, of Racine, Wisconsin, are here looking over the Pendleton woolen mill with a view of purchasing them and making them a part of the great Racine industry. It is proposed to employ at least 200 men and women in the plant and to increase the capacity by more than three times the present output. The mill is situated on a main line of transportation and in the heart of the sheep district, has been selected as the most favorable location for the branch of the Racine industry.

If purchased the mill will be devoted exclusively to the manufacture of high grade Indian robes, blankets and similar lines of goods.

Klamath Should Yield Oil.

Klamath Falls.—A. L. Darrow, chief of the U. S. National bank of Sacramento, who is heavily interested in Klamath realty, has returned from a 200-mile drive over the Klamath basin and states that indications point strongly to sections of the Langley valleys being great oil producing districts. Mr. Darrow has been in past years connected with the Standard Oil company and speaks from experience. The Klamath Oil company will sink experimental wells this spring.

Begin New Construction.

Huntington.—The Northwestern railroad is about to begin laying steel. A carload of mules for the Utah Construction company has arrived. Men and teams are busily engaged hauling material and establishing camps along the route. Twenty-five miles of steel will be laid as fast as possible. Grading will commence at the same time on the surveyed grade at the end of Blake's spur. No grading was done at this point last year because the work ceased, the old grade was used for a temporary track.

The Governor's View.

Salem.—"There seems to be no question of my election," said Governor Chamberlain, "and I am deeply grateful to the people for the high tribute which has been paid me. I believe that the election to the State is a Republican one, and I am confident that the people will support me." The Governor's view is that the election is a Republican one, and he is confident that the people will support him.

Open Bids for Building Sites.

Washington.—The supervising architect has announced that bids will be opened July 16 for public building sites 130x135 feet at Albany, La Grande and 140x140 feet at Pendleton.

PORTLAND MARKETS.

Wheat—Club, 88@90c per bushel; red Russian, 86@87c; bluestem, 91@92c; valley, 88@90c. Barley—Feed, 22.50 per ton; rolled, 22.50@28.50; brewing, 22.50. Oats—No. 1 white, 22.50 per ton; gray, 22.50. Timothy, Willamette Valley, \$17 per ton; Willamette Valley, ordinary, \$15; Eastern Oregon, \$15.50; mixed, \$16; clover, \$14; alfalfa, \$12; alfalfa meal, \$20. Butter—Extras, 25c per pound; fancy, 24c; choice, 23c. Eggs—Oregon, 18@19c per dozen. Poultry—Mixed chickens, 12@12 1/2c per pound; fancy hens, 12c; roosters, 8c; fryers, 20c; broilers, 22c; ducks, old, 17@18c; spring, 20@22c; geese, 8c. Rabbits, white, 16@18c; for hens, 14@16c; for bucks, 12@14c. Apples—Select, 2.50 per box; fancy, 2c; choice, 1.50; ordinary, 1.25. Potatoes—Old Oregon, \$1@1.10 per hundred. Fresh Fruits—Strawberries, 22@2.75 per crate; cherries, \$1@1.40 per box; gooseberries, 6@7c per pound; apricots, \$1@1.50 per crate; blackberries, \$1@1.25 per crate. Vegetables—Turnips, 1.50 per sack; carrots, \$1.00@1.25; beans, 1.75@2.00 per cwt.; beans, 11@12c per pound; head lettuce, 12@15c per dozen; asparagus, 1.50 box; eggplant, 20c per pound; parsley, 25c per dozen; peas, 5@7c per pound; peppers, 20c per pound; radishes, 15c per dozen; rhubarb, 2@3c per pound; spinach, 3c per pound; cauliflower, 2.50 per crate. Hops—1907, prime and choice, 5@6c per pound; olds, 2@3c per pound. Wool—Eastern Oregon, average best, 11@15c per pound, according to shrinkage; Valley, 10@12c. Mohair—Choice, 18@18 1/2c per pound. Casaca Bark—\$1@1 1/2c per pound. Hogs—24c, choice, 25c, medium, 23.50@24.75; feeders, no demand. Cattle—Best steers, \$5; medium, \$4.50@4.75; common, \$3.50@3.75; cows, best, \$4; common, \$3.50@3.75; calves, \$4.50@5.00. Sheep—Best shorn wethers, \$4; mixed, \$3.50@3.75; spring lambs, \$5.

KANSAS CITY FLOOD

Entire Lower Section of City is Under Water.

Convention Hall Now Shelters 15,000 Homeless People—Worst Believed to be Over. Kansas City, June 11.—All calculations of the weather bureau and river experts as to the duration and extent of the flood at the junction of the Kaw and Missouri rivers were upset yesterday by the continued rise of the Missouri river, due to heavy rains in Dakota and Nebraska. At 5 P. M. the Missouri river was 27.2 feet above low water, a rise since noon. The Kaw has overflowed most of the railroad yards, the stockyards and the residence and manufacturing district of Armourdale. Ten feet of water is running through Kansas avenue, the main street of Armourdale. The flood is the highest since that of 1903, but the water is more than seven feet lower than in that year. Eight lines out of Kansas City are now tied up. Convention Hall has been opened to shelter refugees. At least 15,000 persons have been driven from their homes. The overflow is bound to cause trouble east of here as far as St. Louis, it is predicted, as it reaches into the Mississippi and north along the banks of the Missouri as far as Omaha.

Mines and Smelter Closed.

Butte, Mont., June 11.—A dispatch to the Miner from Great Falls states that the electrolytic smelter of the Boston & Montana, one of the Amalgamated Copper Company's mines, will be closed down for two months, during which time the Boston & Montana mines in Butte will remain closed unless arrangements can be made to handle the ore of the company at Anaconda. Five thousand men are affected by the shut-down. The road between Great Falls and Helena, it is said, will not be repaired within two months. The only method of travel out of Great Falls at the present time is by stage.

Great Northern is Clear.

Spokane, Wash., June 11.—Great Northern officials announced yesterday that the electric main line is clear and ready for traffic between St. Paul and Seattle. The Montana Central branch is still tied up. Further washouts have occurred on the Northern Pacific west of Missoula, and that city cannot be reached from the west before tomorrow at best.

GOVERNMENT AFTER REBATERS

Southern Pacific May be Indicted for Violation of Law. San Francisco, June 11.—The federal officers are instituting the greatest secrecy concerning a hearing that was begun Tuesday afternoon by the federal grand jury that may lead to the indictment of the Southern Pacific railway on 250 counts for rebating.

HEARST'S GAIN NOW 123.

Counting of 77 Ballot Boxes Completed in New York. New York, June 4.—The recount of the ballots in the disputed mayoralty election of 1905 proceeded with expedition today before Justice Lambert in the supreme court, and 77 ballot boxes were opened, which show a gain of 16 votes for William Randolph Hearst. Seventy-seven boxes have been counted since the recount began, and the total gain for Hearst is 123. Early today Hearst made large gains, which were materially reduced by the recount late in the day.

Battleships Start Home.

San Francisco, June 9.—Leaving the other warships of the Atlantic fleet to follow a month later, the battleships Maine and Alabama, designated as a special service squadron, sailed from this port yesterday morning for Hampton Roads by way of Honolulu, Manila, Aden and the Suez Canal. Captain Giles B. Harber, of the Maine, will be in command of the special squadron, and on the first leg of the long cruise home will have a member of the President's cabinet, Secretary of the Interior James T. Garfield, as a guest.

Swindlers Begged for Bogus Homes.

Chicago, June 11.—Following an investigation which has been made by the police department of numerous complaints from persons who were induced to subscribe to a fund for building "houses of hope" for enfeebled old men, it became known yesterday that a gigantic swindle had been operated from this city by which hundreds of thousands of dollars have been secured for fictitious homes. It is believed that the syndicate has been receiving funds at the rate of \$1,200 a day, and that its operations have been going on for the past six years.

Big Mail Robbery.

Kansas City, Mo., June 11.—A report has just been made that a mail pouch containing \$50,000 and en route from Los Angeles to New York has mysteriously disappeared and it is thought that it was opened at Kansas City. While the postal authorities admit that a very valuable pouch is missing, they have not formally announced that the amount involved is \$50,000. One report is that the bag contained an amount higher than that.

Hearst Continues to Gain.

New York, June 11.—William R. Hearst made good gains yesterday in the recount of the ballots in the disputed mayoralty election of 1905. The examination of the contents of 99 boxes during the day gave him a net gain of 53 votes. The ballots in 799 boxes have been examined and Hearst has gained 188 votes.

TWENTY-ONE DEAD.

Tornado Sweeps Path Along Kansas-Nebraska Line.

Omaha, Neb., June 8.—The tornado which passed over Southern Nebraska and portions of Northern Kansas Friday evening was the most destructive and covered the most territory of any similar storm which has visited the state in many years. At least twenty-one persons are known to be dead, others more or less seriously hurt, some of them dangerously. Additional reports received state that several persons were killed at the towns of Byron, Neb., and Courtland, Kan., which towns have been cut off from communication with the outside world. At Fairfield more than forty buildings were more or less wrecked and some of them, including three churches, were demolished. The loss will exceed \$1,000,000. In the vicinity of Hickley farm houses stood the brunt of the storm and one or more fatalities are reported, with a number receiving injuries, some of which will prove fatal. Serious damage was reported from Byron, ten miles west of Chester, attended by considerable fatalities, but no details can be learned. All the bridges are out and communication by telegraph and telephone is entirely cut off. A telephone message from Hardy, Neb., says the town of Courtland, Kan., just across the Nebraska line, was struck by the storm and that several casualties occurred, but lack of communication makes the information impossible to verify. In all directions are abandoned because of washouts and destroyed roadbeds. At Geneva the storm wrought great destruction. The storm has covered such a wide area and been so destructive wherever it touched the earth that it has almost caused a panic among the inhabitants. Hundreds of farmers drove into town seeking shelter, many of them being homeless.

END 33 DAYS' RAIN STORM.

Rivers Begin to Fall, but Communication is Stopped. Missoula, Mont., June 8.—Saturday night at 6 o'clock the sun broke through the clouds after 33 days of rain and the rainfall, which had been lessening since morning, ceased. The river shows a lower mark than they did 24 hours ago and there is hope that the worst is over. But there has been great damage and it may be days or weeks before railroad traffic is resumed to the eastward. All day Saturday Missoula was cut off from the outside world, until night had there been wire communication and it consisted of a single line to the west and none to the east. Saturday night and Sunday morning the high water reached its maximum, registering the highest mark ever known in this country. All of the city and county bridges are out and Missoula is divided into three districts, each of which is without communication with the outside. Three large residences in the city went down the river. Their occupants had been warned and were out before the flood struck. The big log-jam of the Blackfoot Company has been held in place and the great power dam owned by W. A. Clark is intact.

MISSOURI ON RAMPAGE.

Continued Rains in Montana Cost 8 Lives and Much Property. Great Falls, Mont., June 8.—Never before in the history of Montana has there been such a flood as has been sweeping down the Missouri River and its tributaries. Five lives have already been lost in the waters in this vicinity, and the damage to farms, railroads and industrial and commercial institutions will run into the millions. The river is at the highest point ever known in its first settlement of Montana and it is still rising. Some of the smaller outside towns are in even worse condition than is Great Falls. At last reports Choteau was completely surrounded by water and all bridges were gone. A large part of Belt was partially under water and the people had taken to the high ground.

Canadian Bridges Go Out.

McLeod, Alberta, June 8.—The Canadian Pacific bridge at West McLeod was swept away Friday night. St. Mary's bridge, between here and Lethbridge, is a total wreck and the Canadian Pacific pumping station has been swept into the river. The bridge at Brocket on the Crow's Nest line is expected to go at any time, and mail and freight and passenger traffic is at a standstill. Rains continue to fall in torrents. Farms for many miles around are inundated and houses have floated away, and the loss will be enormous.

Oklahoma Fears Race War.

Oklahoma City, Okla., June 8.—Fears of a race war over the killing of Sheriff G. W. Garrison by a negro desperado led Governor Taskell to order out Company M, Oklahoma National Guard Saturday night. The body of Sheriff Garrison was brought here on a special train at 3:30 o'clock Sunday morning. Rumor that the negroes are arming themselves have been rife all evening. Adjutant-General Carrion arrived from Guthrie at 2 o'clock yesterday morning to take command of the militia.

Machine Shops Burn.

Victoria, B. C., June 8.—The three machine shops of the Victoria Machinery Depot Company, Limited, were destroyed by fire Saturday evening, which broke out at 8 o'clock doing \$180,000 damage and throwing 150 men out of work. The insurance amounted to \$200,000. The fire was caused, it is thought, by the fire from the moulding room. Usually it is the custom to send out men to watch the sparks from this source, but on Saturday night the precaution was omitted.

Twister Strikes Oklahoma.

Durant, Okla., June 8.—A tornado which swept over a territory 12 miles west of Durant Saturday night destroyed a dozen farm houses and with a heavy storm of hail, which accompanied it, did damage estimated at \$150,000. A number of persons are reported injured, none fatally.