

20 DIE FROM HEAT IN EAST

Mad Dogs Add Terror to Chicago Weather.

Many Prostrations—Horses Fall in Streets—Hot Wave Helps Crops in Country.

Chicago, July 8.—Twenty deaths in the two days of torridity Chicago has experienced was the record tonight when the statistics were footed up. In addition there were half a hundred serious prostrations and 18 persons were bitten by rabid dogs.

Meanwhile the heat wave has "flattened out," to use a technical expression of the weather forecasters. Over the grain fields of the West and Southwest the blazing sunshine was making millions in agricultural wealth. The suffering in the cities meant the fortunes of the farmers.

The temperature today did not reach yesterday's extreme height and the humidity was 71, or four degrees below that of yesterday, but men and horses continued to drop in the streets, which were like hot tunnels.

Some relief came in the afternoon, when shifting winds brought a light breeze off the lake. It was confined to that portion of the city within a half mile of the lake front, however, as the breeze was so light it lost its coolness after traveling over belching chimneys.

By way of comparison, it may be noted that San Francisco, with a maximum of 60 and a minimum of 50, was the coolest spot in the country. Portland had 62 and 52, Los Angeles was next, with 78 and 58, more than 20 degrees cooler than Montreal and Toronto. Phoenix, Ariz., claims the heat record, with 104. Boston reported 90, New York 82 and Washington 90. Various Texas points had an average of 96, Cincinnati was comparatively cool at 80, or eight degrees cooler than St. Louis, which had precisely the same temperature as St. Paul, 88, and was four degrees cooler than Madison, Wis. Sault Ste. Marie, usually the abiding place of the chilly wave, sweltered at 92, 10 degrees hotter than Memphis; Tenn. Green Bay, Wis., also one of the "cold spots" on the tourist circulars, reported 94, or 10 degrees warmer than Denver.

In addition to 20 deaths in Chicago, five deaths were reported from Philadelphia, one from La Crosse, Wis. and five others from various points.

AMERICANS WIN HONORS.

Two World's Records Broken at Swedish Olympiad.

Stockholm, Sweden.—The glory of the opening of the Olympic games of 1912 should be divided between Sweden and the United States. Sweden gets the lion's share, for the impressive stage setting she provided for the contests, which, with the natural beauties of Stockholm—its parks and palaces and lakes—and the moving ceremonial with which the king inaugurated the meeting, makes it by far the most memorable international festival ever held.

America's share of the honor is due to the remarkable fashion in which her brawny young men set to work on the cinder path. They ran away with heat after heat in the first rounds of the 100 meters and 800 meters; they outdid the expectations of their trainers and completely upset the calculations the public had made. They left their old-time British rivals far behind.

The smashing of the Olympic record by D. E. Lippincott, University of Pennsylvania, in the 16th heat of the 100 meters event, puts that runner in the hero class.

The world's record with the javelin, made by E. Lemming, the Swedish champion, was not unexpected, but the Hawaiian swimmer "Duke" Kahanamoku, covered himself with glory by winning the United States the second world's record of the meeting.

Champion Roper Roped.

Baker, Or.—John Spain, of Union, reputed to be the champion roper of the world, may never rope again as the result of an accident at an exhibition at Halfway. While lassoing a horse the rope caught around his arm, his horse stopped suddenly and the taut rope cut his arm to the bone, severing the veins. The arm may have to be amputated. Spain was brought to the St. Elizabeth hospital here. Spain appeared at the Pendleton Roundup and the Union Stock Show.

Work to Come to Coast.

Washington, D. C.—Senator Jones has secured an amendment to the naval appropriation bill providing that four of the eight submarines authorized, to cost in the aggregate \$4,440,000, shall be built on the Pacific Coast; also an amendment authorizing the erection of a large wireless station on the coast of Washington and one in Alaska. Senator Heyburn secured an amendment appropriating \$75,000 for developing and mining Alaskan coal.

West Virginia Governor Signs.

Charlestown, W. Va.—Ex-Governor Dawson announced that he had signed the call for the national convention of the Progressive party, to be held in Chicago August 10. Dawson was chairman of the Roosevelt state committee in the primary campaign in West Virginia.

DETAIN AMERICAN CONSUL.

Armed Rebel Guard Posted at Conference in Juarez.

Juarez—Twenty-five Americans, including American Consul Edwards, were held in the office of the Mexican Northwestern railway here for nearly two hours while an armed guard of rebels prevented them from leaving the building.

Rebel officials had become angered at the officers of the Mexican Northwestern over a \$5000 check payable to the rebels as export duty on a consignment of gold ore by the American Smelting & Refining company in Chihuahua. The shipment had arrived in El Paso, but when the rebels attempted to cash the \$5000 check, the banks in El Paso refused payment. After the check was given, the Federalists had entered Chihuahua City and it is believed that the American Smelting & Refining company stopped payment on it, knowing that the rebels, because of their retreat, would be unable to trouble them further.

Consul Edwards went to the Northwestern offices to confer with H. C. Ferris, general manager of the road, Thomas Ryan, traffic manager, and C. T. Carson, general auditor. The officials were in conference at 5 o'clock when they suddenly found the doors of the building surrounded by armed men.

Consul Edwards telephoned for Colonel Pascual Orozco, Sr., head of the garrison, who arrived in a few minutes and ordered the guards to release all minor employees. The officers of the road were held. After a brief conference the American consul left, but the railroad officials were closeted with Orozco until 7 o'clock, when they were released and crossed to the American side. It was said they had agreed to make the check good.

ELKS HAVE GRAND PARADE.

Illuminated Floats, Autos and Bands Cover Five-Mile Course.

Portland—Pronounced by 250,000 people, the great majority of whom were visitors, as the most imposing and elaborate electrical pageant they had ever witnessed, the Elks' electrical parade Tuesday night moved over its five-mile course accompanied by the unstinted applause of an enraptured multitude.

The streets covered in the parade were congested for their entire length with a solid mass of bustling, good-natured humanity that entered fully into the festive spirit of the occasion. It was an occasion on which Portland people in their role of hosts made way for their guests who, being unable to secure seats in any of the spacious grandstands, were permitted to occupy all of the desirable vantage points from which to enjoy the magnificence of the pageant which was designed exclusively for their entertainment.

Included in the parade, which was headed by Police Captain Moore and a squad of mounted patrolmen, were 18 gorgeously decorated floats and nine bands, automobiles carrying the grand lodge officers and the commissioners of Portland Lodge No. 142. The parade moved shortly before 9 o'clock and completed its second circuit of Fifth and Washington to Morrison streets an hour and a half later.

OUTRAGES PROBED.

United States Sends Investigators Into Rubber Country.

Washington, D. C.—A repetition of the horrors of the Congo rubber industry among the native rubber gatherers of Peru is the cause of a dangerous mission which the State department sent up the Amazon river in the interest of humanity.

Acting Secretary Wilson has received information that Captain Stuart Fuller, one of the department's most trusted agents, had arrived at Iquitos, 2000 miles up the Amazon, on his way to the wild stretch of country to learn the facts.

Reports indicate the existence of conditions below the equator that parallel the outrages in the Congo country, where natives were forced to tortures and mutilations to collect certain quantities of rubber for Belgian and other concessions.

The concessionaire in Peru is asserted to be a British corporation. British representatives and the British government disclosed the charges against this corporation. The State department, although no American citizens are involved, consulted with British officials and others interested in the welfare of those natives, and made strong representations to the Peruvian government, securing pledges that the obnoxious conditions would be terminated.

Postal Bonds in Demand.

Washington, D. C.—Information made public by Postmaster General Hitchcock shows that postal savings depositors in Oregon applied on July 1 for \$5460 of the third issue of postal savings bonds. More than \$3000 of the total amount applied for are registered, indicating that they are being purchased as permanent investments. With respect to the amount of the bonds applied for Portland leads other cities of the state with \$4560, and following in order are Astoria, \$990, and Roseburg and Sumpter \$500 each.

Warship Repairs Cost \$15,000.

Washington, D. C.—Naval Constructor Baxter, who went from Boston navy yard to Newport to investigate the accident to the battleship New Hampshire, which collided with the liner Commonwealth, reported that temporary repairs on the warship would put her in condition to proceed under her own steam to the New York navy yard, where permanent repairs can be made at an estimated cost of \$15,000 in about two weeks.

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MILL WASTE TO BE USED.

Coos Bay Wood Pulp Plant Will Be Completed Within Year.

Portland—Robert Nerdum and Hyalte Nerdum, young Norwegians who are interested in the Coos Bay Pulp & Paper company, of Marshfield, have been at the Multnomah hotel for several days awaiting the arrival of their wives from Norway.

Hyalte Nerdum, in speaking of this new industry at Coos Bay, said: "It will be a year before we begin the manufacture of wood pulp, as it takes that long to complete the buildings of reinforced concrete, and install the machinery. The machinery will largely be manufactured in this country but some parts will come from Europe."

"The process of separating the wood fiber in this country is known as the soda process, while we are to use the sulphate of soda process."

"We are jointly interested in the enterprise with the C. A. Smith Lumber company and our raw material will consist of the refuse from the mill of that company, which is now destroyed."

"Our ultimate plan is to operate a paper mill at Coos Bay, but this will not be attempted at present."

NEW CHERRY GROWN.

Max Pracht, Jackson County, Develops Luscious Variety.

Ashland—Since retiring from the government service at Washington, Max Pracht, has developed into a practical horticulturist. He resides near Ashland, Jackson county, where he first came into prominence as a successful peach culturist. More recently he has produced a new variety of cherry, which is pronounced by experts to be one of the best commercial varieties that is grown in the Pacific Northwest. This cherry in many respects resembles the Bing, being large, firm and of exceptional flavor.

Mr. Pracht sent a sample box of the fruit, which he has christened the Pracht Imperial, to his friend, Phil Metschan, proprietor of the Imperial hotel at Portland. The demand for "just a taste" of the cherries was so great that the supply proved insufficient to go the rounds.

MILL AIDS EMPLOYES.

Willamette Pulp & Paper Company to Build Model City.

Oregon City—In order to aid its employees and make them better satisfied with conditions the Willamette Pulp & Paper company will found a little city for them on the West Side near the schoolhouse. The concern has about 750 employees, and at least half of them will be benefitted within a year. A tract of 56 acres has been purchased which will be cleared immediately and platted this summer. It is the company's plan as outlined by Mr. McBain, mill manager, to divide the land into quarter-acre tracts, lots 100 by 100 feet or 50 by 200 feet, as desired, and to reserve one block for park purposes.

Modern dwellings will be erected by the company for the employees, to be paid for on monthly installments equal to rent. No interest will be charged. This method of home-building and buying, Mr. McBain declares, will make it possible for every employee to own his own home within a few years.

Hood River Has Record Hay Yield.

Hood River—The Hood River valley will have one of the largest hay crops this year in its history. The acreage is unusually large and the continuous rains have produced heavier crops than in former years. The first power baler ever used in the valley was delivered here last week. In Odell district, where a great deal of hay is raised, nearly every rancher will have quantities of feedstuffs to sell, whereas in former years nearly every one is a purchaser of the product to tide over the winter months.

Jews Take to Agriculture.

The Hebrew Agricultural association of Oregon came into corporate existence recently in the vestry rooms of the Hall street Synagogue, Portland, with the appointment of a committee on constitution and by-laws, the securing of a charter from the State of Oregon and the election of officers. The object of this organization is to encourage agriculture among the Jews. This organization will lend money without interest and otherwise assist Jewish farmers in their vocation.

Road Builders at Ontario.

Ontario—Forty-nine cars loaded with railroad construction material have arrived here. In the lot were 17 cars of steel. Nearly every train arriving brings laborers contracted for the grade work. Bridge carpenters also have arrived. A track foreman, who has been laying track on the Idaho Northern branch, is here and it is understood the construction train will follow in a few days when the work of laying the steel will begin.

Tillamook Factory Site Sought.

Tillamook—A site is being selected here for the location of a factory to manufacture milk products, including condensed whipped cream, cream of rice, ready-prepared cocoa and chocolate and other products requiring the use of large quantities of milk. It is proposed to expend \$100,000 on a plant, which will be opened some time in the fall.

SHOWS BIG FARM.

Moro Experiment Station Host to Visiting Boosters.

Moro—Moro state and Federal experiment farm was host to visitors from all parts of Sherman county, from Portland, and from neighboring counties. The O.-W. R. & N. reduced fares for farmers' day, and this helped swell the attendance.

The day's program opened with the arrival of a passenger train from the southern part of the county. Visitors were conducted over the experiment farm by Superintendent Stephens and were divided into groups, each in charge of an assistant. In the afternoon a meeting was held in the opera house.

The experiment farm now has 500 varieties of growing crops, and the same amount of land under preparation for experiments next year. It has 34 varieties of wheat, the seed being imported from foreign countries, including Germany, France, Austria and Algeria. Eleven varieties of alfalfa, growing without irrigation, were shown. The experiment farm today has 97 varieties of domestic wheat, besides the foreign varieties; 16 of oats, 47 of barley, 10 of corn, 14 of field peas, 12 of grain sorghum, 4 of emmer, 15 of alfalfa, 6 of grass, 2 each of kale and rape, and 22 varieties of potatoes. There are 160 plots devoted to tillage and crop rotation, demonstrating the benefits of good, bad and indifferent farming.

ROGUE RIVER SEES RECORD.

Fruit and Grain Crops Are Unusual and Danger is Past.

Gold Hill—So assured are fruit-growers of a record crop in the Rogue River Valley this year that the cry of the growers for more thinners is frequent. Old-timers declare the trees never have been more heavily laden, and now that the danger of frost is practically past, it seems almost certain that a bumper crop will be harvested.

The growth, both of old and young trees, has been phenomenal, every eccentricity of an unusual season apparently being beneficial. This is true not only of fruit trees, but of all growing things. An unusually heavy first crop of alfalfa is harvested, with the second crop coming rapidly. Hay, oats and barley will yield better than in years, but so rank has been the growth that scarcely a field is seen which is not lodged to some extent.

COOS BAY WORK PLANNED.

Porter Brothers Make Arrangements Preliminary to Construction.

Marshfield—R. B. Porter and Grant Smith, of the firm of Porter Brothers, railroad contractors, arrived in the city to make arrangements in this locality preliminary to the starting of construction on the Eugene-Coos Bay line of the Southern Pacific. Porter Brothers hold the contract for building 80 miles of the line extending from the end of the 23 miles now being built by Twoby Brothers out of Eugene, to a point this side of Gardiner.

Work on the big tunnel on this side of Gardiner will be carried on during the winter. The Siuslaw country may be the headquarters for the firm during the railroad construction.

Power at Cascade Locks.

Hood River—"Our company will develop 1500 horsepower by the completion of the big new flume that has been begun from the rapids of Hermann creek," says G. A. Young, president of the Columbia River Power & Light company, who was here on business. "We have been serving the citizens of Cascade Locks, near which our plant is located, with electric lights since last Thanksgiving by means of a temporary system we constructed."

"It is probable that within a short time some business enterprise will come to Cascade Locks and make use of the surplus power we are developing. Several companies are now considering our offers."

Storage Company Host.

Brownsville—An entertainment was given recently by the Brownsville Warehouse company, under the management of Charles Stirling, to the farmers and business men of the surrounding country and their families, as a mark of appreciation of the growing patronage the company is enjoying. The social was held in one of the company's large warehouses, converted into a dining room for the occasion. The program consisted of vocal and instrumental music, readings and addresses.

Lumber Plant is Busy.

Falls City—The Falls City Lumber company is operating its planing mill and sawmill full time and two hours overtime daily. The logging railroad will be extended soon into new territory preparatory to a year's steady logging. By the end of that time the outcome of the Siletz railroad project will be determined.

Roseburg Electric Line Hinted, Salem—In a complaint filed by the Oregon Electric in condemnation proceedings against E. M. Croisan and wife, plaintiff states that it intends to construct its line from Salem to Roseburg, which indicates that the Eugene extension will be by no means the final southern invasion of that road.

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