

### DEATH ROLL OF MISSOURI STORM PLACED AT SEVEN

ST. LOUIS, Mo., July 8.—Reports early today from eastern Missouri, which was swept by a tornado late yesterday, show that seven persons were killed and several score injured. The damage to buildings and crops is estimated at between \$500,000 and \$1,000,000.

One of the remarkable features of the tornado was the small number of deaths considering the nature of the property damage. Thus in the city of St. Charles, 162 square blocks were partially demolished, but not one life was lost there. Forty of the sixty buildings which formed the town of St. Peter were blown to fragments, but only slight injuries were reported from that place. Gilmore, Mo., was wiped out almost completely, yet only one man was found dead there. Between Gilmore and Wentzville, a Wabash passenger train, known as the Colorado Limited, crossed the path of the storm and the first four coaches in the train were neatly picked up by the wind and laid to one side of the right of way. Not a person was injured seriously in this accident. Those in the ditched cars ran back to the five passenger coaches left standing on the tracks. These were coupled to the tender and the train proceeded on its journey.

Two miles west of G'Fallon the wind lifted a buggy off the road, carried it with the horse and three occupants through the air for 200 yards and then hurled it to the ground. Dan Mino, the driver, escaped with a few bruises, but his wife and their one child were killed.

At Dardenne, Mo., the home of Thomas Flaherty was demolished and in it died Mrs. Flaherty and their two children, while her husband escaped with a few cuts. Fifty other homes in this town were reduced to splinters and brick piles.

### REPAIR FISHWAY AT AMENT DAM

J. H. Driscoll, deputy district game warden, successor to Sam Sandry, is in the city today on official business. Steps towards suppressing fish poachers are under way, the violators along the lower river resorting to most any means to catch fish. Repairs are being made to the fishway at Ament dam, so that a large flow will be available during the low water period. The repairs are being made on the north side, and will be completed today and the fishway then reopened. Mr. Driscoll is making his headquarters at Ashland for the present.

### ROCKEFELLER CELEBRATES SEVENTY-SIXTH BIRTHDAY

NEW YORK, July 8.—John D. Rockefeller celebrated the 76th anniversary of his birth today on his estate at Pocantico Hills, Tarrytown, N. Y. Mr. Rockefeller planned to play a round of golf on his own links, dine with his children and grandchildren and spend a quiet day with his family and friends.

### WIND AND RAIN CAUSE THREE DEATHS IN INDIANA CITIES

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., July 8.—The wind and rain storm which swept central and southern Indiana last night caused three fatalities, many injuries and much property and crop damage.

Indianapolis, Brazil, Bicknell, Martinsville, Terre Haute, Greencastle, Vincennes and Muncie felt the storm most. In all these cities an unprecedented rainfall was reported, accompanied by high winds. Streets were flooded, telephone poles blown down and in many instances houses wrecked.

At Vincennes a brewery and a furniture factory collapsed under the gale and near Vincennes, the farm home of Tom Riley, was blown down and Riley's daughter killed. Silas Melton, night engineer, was caught beneath the falling walls of the brewery and fatally injured.

At Greencastle, a prisoner in the state penal farm was struck by lightning while walking in a field and killed. Two companions were stunned, but were revived.

At Martinsville, Floyd Oakes, an electrician, was electrocuted while repairing a broken wire. The storm knocked out the lighting system and left the city in darkness.

Bicknell, Ind., reported that houses were unroofed and trees were uprooted there.

Terre Haute and Muncie reported no loss of life, but much property damage. The village of Toad Hop, near Terre Haute, was under five feet of water, but all the residents were removed.

At Lafayette the Monon railroad reported a 1000-foot landslide over its tracks near Lozan.

Rural sections detail damages to the corn crop and to wheat in the shock.

### KANSAS CITY GREET'S OLD LIBERTY BELL

KANSAS CITY, July 8.—The Liberty Bell arrived here today, its coming being announced by the blowing of whistles all over the city. The car upon which the relic is making its cross country trip was drawn into the business section on a siding where ceremonies in its honor were held. Governor Major of Missouri and Major Jost of Kansas City participated in the exercises with many others, prominent among whom were descendants of signers of the Declaration of Independence.

Al Reich Bests Tom Savage  
NEW YORK, July 8.—Al Reich, the local heavyweight, by a remarkable finish in the last round, out-pointed Jim Savage of Orange, N. J., in their ten round bout here last night. Reich weighed 209 and Savage 193 pounds.

NOTICE  
Passenger and messenger service by auto Medford to Eagle Point and return, leaving Nash hotel 8:30 a. m. and 6:00 p. m. Return from Eagle Point at convenience of passengers. Trip via Central Point if requested. Charges reasonable. W. I. Mapes, registered chauffeur. 94

### HANGING DAY; PUBLIC PICNIC TO SEE FIVE MEN DIE

Mississippi Gallows to Be Worked Overtime While Girls and Boys, Mothers With Babies in Their Arms Stand by to Watch Death Writings of Hangman's Victims.

BY FREDERICK E. HAMLIN.  
NEW ORLEANS, La., July 8.—A storm of protest is going up all over Mississippi and other parts of the country over "hanging day," August 6, in this state.

On that day five murderers will pay the death penalty, two of them are white men, the others are negroes. On August 5 another negro will be hanged.

Six hangings in two days in Mississippi and every one will be a holiday event.

The executions will be in broad daylight, there will be no limit on the number of persons to attend and anyone can witness the gruesome events.

Scratch of Pen Will Save These Men  
The scratch of a pen in the hands of Governor Earl Brewer of Jackson, Miss., can save all these men.

Strong appeals are being prepared by friends and relatives of the condemned men to have him commute the sentences to life imprisonment, their main argument being that the wholesale executions will be as much of a stain on the history of Mississippi as the hanging of Leo M. Frank would have been on Georgia.

The two white men scheduled to die on the gallows are S. L. Johnson, convicted of the murder of a man named A. E. Brewer in July, 1913, and J. Tabor, civil war veteran, convicted of murdering his daughter-in-law. The negroes are: Bunyan Walker, convicted slayer of Tom Seales in Jefferson county, September, 1914; Peter Bolen and H. Sealed, slayers of Will Taylor in Oktibeha county, October, 1914.

The man who will hang August 5 is Will Pellmore, negro, who was convicted of killing his cousin, Elsie Pellmore, and wounding two other relatives. The execution will be staged in Port Gibson, Miss.

So barbarous have been many of the recent lynchings and so strongly has mob spirit ruled at public executions that a wave of sentiment against "hanging" already is being felt in this part of the country.

Take the public executions at Bay Springs, Miss., and Aberdeen, Miss.

Excursions to See Men Hanged  
You would have thought the towns were holding a county fair or street carnival instead of hangings. People came from every direction. From Laurel, Miss., a dozen miles or so from Bay Springs, an excursion train was run. It carried nearly 1000 persons.

The negro in the case was Mose Johnson. He had held up and robbed a lumber company pay car, shot and killed the paymaster and wounded two other white men. Posses searched and searched. A deputy sheriff stumbled over him in the woods near the scene of the crime. He had buried \$2000 and was digging up some of it "fo' gun."

That night in the Bay Springs jail Sheriff C. Jones and twenty deputies stood guard.

At midnight a mob came from Laurel and demanded that the negro be surrendered.

The sheriff told the mob to "come and get him."



Where five men will be hanged! Scene at a public execution at Bay Springs, Miss. The crowd was as jovial as if at a picnic. Note the woman with a baby in her arms standing in the foreground.

messenger with a note that read like this:

"Say, I'm getting tired of waiting. I want to go to bed, and if you fellows are going to get Mose you'd better hurry up."

The sheriff bluffed 'em out. A week later, after a fair trial, the negro was condemned to death.

A scaffold was erected in the court house yard and the board of supervisors of the county ordered a public execution.

#### Seven Thousand See Hanging

Seven thousand men, women and children, some babies, were witnesses.

Just a week after the Bay Springs case the morbid got another "treat" at Aberdeen, Miss. A negro murderer, condemned to death, fell in a faint two days before the day of his execution.

Braes were built on the scaffold to hold his unconscious form while the trap was set and sprung.

More than 5000 persons saw that horror. Some of the recent lynchings and even executions in Louisiana and Mississippi have been revolting.

There is one in particular. It occurred at St. James, La., across the river from Gramercy, La., on May 8, 1914, and the revolting details have never before been published.

The negro in the case, Sylvester Washington, shot and killed a deputy sheriff at Gramercy and escaped to the woods across the river.

The next afternoon a mob cornered the fugitive hiding under a corn-crib on a plantation.

A pitched battle followed. When the fugitive's ammunition gave out, someone in the mob crawled to the crib and set it afire.

#### Crowd Has No Mercy for Condemned

The negro came from his hiding place and everyone took a shot for luck!

The body was buried and the mob dispersed. That evening several

Gramercy men and boys in an automobile went to St. James, exhumed the bullet-riddled body. A rope was tied around the feet and the other end to the rear of the auto.

Through St. James, onto the ferry and through the streets of Gramercy, a town of 8000, the gruesome procession went at high speed.

Torn to shreds, the corpse finally was buried on the river bank.

The Gramercy horror was almost

Floornoy and J. M. Mays, a police juror of Greenwood, and two deputy sheriffs were in the mobs.

It was also brought out that Miss Bee Alexander, a manicurist, rode in the "murder auto" that took one of the victims from the Shreveport jail.

On the witness stand she said she saw preparations for burning the negro at the stake, but, sickening, turned away as the flames flared up.

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### TENNIS CONTEST FOR CHAMPIONSHIP SOUTHERN OREGON

The Medford Golf and Country club announces that the annual open tennis tournament for the championship of southern Oregon will be held on their court on July 24 and following days. This tournament is held under the auspices of the National Lawn Tennis association, of which the club is a member, and will be open to all players, whether residents of Oregon or not.

The events will be men's open singles, men's open doubles, men's singles consolation, men's double consolation. Suitable prizes will be given in all of the events, and the winner of the men's open singles, in addition to receiving a handsome trophy, will have his name inscribed on the challenge trophy. This trophy will become the property of any player winning it three times, not necessarily in succession. The present holder is Ernest Adams.

All the tennis players in the Rogue River valley are cordially invited to participate in this tournament and any persons desiring to watch the play during tournament week will be welcome. Entries will be \$1.50 for men's open singles and \$2.50 per team for men's open doubles. No fees for consolation events.

Entries close at 6 p. m., Wednesday, July 21. Entries and all requests for further information should be addressed to Boudinot Corner, room 203, First National Bank building, Medford. Telephone Medford 3.

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