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Cyclone Cuts Path Six Blocks Wide in Omaha; Death and Destruction Follow in Wake of Storm

MARCHO DEFENSE STARTS; STEER OWNERSHIP UP

MOTION FOR DISMISSAL OF THE CASE IS DENIED

Attempt Will Probably Be Made to Show That There is a Conspiracy to "Railroad" the Defendant—Several Witnesses Are Called to Disprove Identification of Animal by State's Witnesses.

After a motion for dismissal had been denied by Judge Benson, the defense of the case of the state against W. H. Marcho, charged with the larceny of a steer was started in the circuit court this afternoon.

Attorney Fred Mills for the defense introduced testimony apparently with a view of showing that the steer in dispute actually was the property of Marcho, prior to his having sold it to Dalton & Hoesley of Merrill, and there was, throughout the examination of the witnesses for the defense, an indication that it would be attempted to show that there is a conspiracy to "rail-road" the defendant.

G. W. Offield was the first witness called to the stand this morning. He testified to the identity of the steer in question, but could not swear that he had actually bought the animal from Steve Griffith.

Following the testimony of E. E. Terwilliger, the state rested. Then a formal motion for dismissal was made by Fred Mills for the defense. During the argument of the motion the jury was excused from the court room.

Judge Benson, after taking under advisement the motion for dismissal, denied it, and the defense proceeded. The first witness called was Ray Merrill. He testified as to the brand on the steer in dispute.

Mrs. Myrtle Otis was next called. She was followed by Frank B. Kester.

Mrs. Francisco I. Madero and Sister-in-Law's Children



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Mrs. Francisco I. Madero, widow of the murdered president of Mexico, and three children of Senora Rafael Ziron, sister of the former ruler of Mexico, are the most interesting relatives of the slain president now in the United States. They fled north on the steamship Monterey. All the members of the party say that the president of Mexico was murdered, and that they have the proofs, which will be given publication in the future. They have no other arrangements at the present time than to remain in New York until they hear from more of their relatives yet in danger in Mexico.

Big Wind Starts in Florida and Passes North, Wiping Many Towns Off Map

TERRE HAUTE IS HIT BY STORM 'FRISCO SENDS OFFER OF HELP

TWENTY-FIVE PEOPLE ARE DEAD AND MANY INJURED. TWO VILLAGES COMPLETELY WIPED OFF MAP

United Press Service TERRE HAUTE, March 24.—Twenty bodies have been removed from the wreckage here. It is estimated that thirty people were killed here.

United Press Service TERRE HAUTE, March 24.—Twenty people were killed and 150 injured during a cyclone here last night. Three hundred houses were wrecked. The villages of Perth and Paperton were destroyed. The fatalities are not known.

MAYOR ROLPH WIRE TO MAYOR DAHLMAN OF OMAHA OFFERING TO DO ANYTHING POSSIBLE TO HELP

United Press Service SAN FRANCISCO, March 24.—Mayor Rolph today sent Mayor Dahlman of Omaha the following message: "Our citizens feel deeply your and misfortune. Can we help in any way? We are ready to respond on the hour of call. We are ever mindful of your generosity to us in our hour of trouble."

Mrs. Lottie Bailey, stenographer for county court, returned home Saturday evening after a two weeks' visit in Portland.

Wires Down and Death List is Not Yet Known

Property Loss Will Reach Into the Millions. Latest List of Known Dead is Over Two Hundred

WILSON OFFERS GOVERNMENT AID

PRESIDENT SENDS TELEGRAM TO MAYOR DAHLMAN OF OMAHA ASKING IN WHAT WAY HELP CAN BE GIVEN

United Press Service WASHINGTON, D. C., March 24.—President Wilson has offered government aid to Omaha. He sent the following telegram to Mayor Dahlman:

"I am deeply distressed at the news received from Nebraska. Can we help in any way?" WILSON.

At the request of Wilson's secretary, Tumulty, the United Press delivered to Mayor Dahlman President Wilson's message after efforts to reach Omaha by commercial wires had failed.

Dahlman replied as follows: "I deeply appreciate your offer of assistance, but our people are responding nobly. I believe that we can handle the situation. The people of Omaha desire to express their gratitude for your message of sympathy."

United Press Service OMAHA, Neb., March 24.—The known dead in Omaha as a result of the storm number 26. It is estimated that the dead in the cyclone region will reach 200.

The path of the storm laid in six blocks wide. The destruction in this area was complete.

Deaths were found 100 yards from where the wind struck. Wreckage piled on the streets after the storm sweeping and washing the houses and poles bearing out the bodies of victims.

United Press Service OMAHA, Neb., March 24.—At noon Mayor Dahlman stated that the death list will reach 200 in Omaha, alone, and exclusive of Nebraska and Council Bluffs.

Late reports from Council Bluffs are that four more bodies have been found.

The property loss here is now estimated at \$10,000,000.

One hundred thousand gratifications, hysterical people have scattered every corner of information for assurance of the safety of friends.

Omaha are keeping the people back by force. An entire regiment will be on the scene before night.

Reports from Ourling town tell of many fatalities.

Names are furnished for the following: (Continued on Page 1)

James H. Wheeler is in City as a Witness

Former Deputy Sheriff Returns From Canada to Appear in the Case of the State vs. Hunter Savidge

James H. Wheeler, one of the most important witnesses in the case of the state against Hunter Savidge, arrived in the city last night for the purpose of appearing in the circuit court at a witness. The case was to have been called up this morning, but this afternoon Judge Benson announced that it would be impossible to reach the case for several days.

Following the Marcho case, now on trial, the case of the state against Bellamy will be taken up. Then the court will hear the case of Obenshain against Claude Daggott, as county treasurer. The Savidge case will be next.

Mr. Wheeler left Klamath Falls soon after the indictment was returned against Hunter Savidge. He has been engaged in business in Hardisty, Alberta, but when he heard that his presence was desired here he immediately started for Klamath Falls.

Bellamy, who is next to appear as a defendant in the circuit court, is a negro. He is charged with shooting a white man. The case of Obenshain against Daggott is one of the most important to be taken up at this term of court. The building of the new court house is involved.

ALABAMA IS REPORTED TO HAVE BEEN SWEEPED BY CYCLONE, BUT NO DEFINITE NEWS IS NOW AVAILABLE

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., March 24.—The cyclone struck Bonifay, Fla. Three persons are known to have been killed, and there are 22 injured. Alabama was swept by the storm. The wires are down, and no definite news is available.

Knights Go to Church Local members of the Knights Templar attended Easter services at the Presbyterian church Sunday morning. The Knights left their hall in a body. Rev. Dr. Evans preached the sermon. In spite of the inclement weather there was a good attendance, and the sermon was appropriate to the occasion.

ARMY ENGINEERS HERE FOR BIDS

As an advance guard of the government forces to arrive here this summer to carry on the work of improvements in the Crater National Park, Lieutenant G. E. Goodwin, U. S. A., is in the city. He is securing from local saw mills prices on lumber which will be needed at the park this summer.

There is now available for Crater Lake Park \$48,000. It is possible that an additional appropriation of \$75,000 may be made by the present

MR. DON LYTLE'S BODY SHIPPED

Funeral services over the remains of Mrs. Don J. Lytle were held at Whitlock's undertaking parlors Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock. About 100 members of the local lodge of Elks attended. Rev. G. H. Fesse conducted the services.

Following the services the body was shipped to Valpa'iso, Ind., where interment will occur.

JUDGE SENDS FRIEND TO JAIL

CONFESSION OF IMMORALITY IS A SURPRISE TO JURIST, BUT HE PERFORMS HIS DUTY WITHOUT FLINCHING

SEATTLE, March 24.—Adam J. Mayer, a well known mission worker, started Superior Judge James T. Ronald and a crowded court room by a dramatic confession of immorality. Judge Ronald had known Mayer for upward of twenty years. They were neighbors, living within 200 feet of each other, and when Mayer concluded his remarkable confession, the judge asked him: "Are you sure you are in your right mind?" Mayer did not hesitate. He answered promptly: "Yes, I am now."

Judge Ronald settled back in his chair with a sigh, and after a few minutes' thought said: "I see no other way than to impose sentence. You will be confined in the state prison at Walla Walla for not less than eighteen months or more than ten years."

Mayer was arrested last week and charged with mistreating his young niece two years ago.

City Attorney Drake to Leave City Employ

Well Known Attorney, After Successfully Carrying on Litigation, Will Tender His Resignation

City Attorney Drake will tender his resignation at the next meeting of the city council, which will be the first Monday in April.

Judge Drake arrived at this decision several days ago. He only accepted the position as a favor to the present administration, and he now believes that there is no longer any particular

need for his services. At the time of assuming office the city was in a bad legal tangle. The most important was the city charter matter. Judge Drake successfully represented the city in litigation in relation to the charter, and upon the adoption of a new charter he believed that his task had been completed.

Mike Doohar Comes to Defense of J. Kimball

Pioneer Timber Cruiser Resents Attack on a Well Known Klamath Falls Man. Tells of Career

Editor Herald: For the purpose of correcting statements made in an attack by the Northwestern on a cruise of county timber by J. F. Kimball and myself I would ask the use of your paper.

The cruise referred to was made by Kimball and Doohar under contract made in 1904 with the county court of Klamath county, consisting of Judge Baldwin and Commissioners N. S. Merrill and Fred Melrose. Our instructions were to count one log in the limb, and not consider anything under fourteen inches at the stump. We did our work according to the county court's instructions, and did it honestly and fairly.

This was the first time that the timber of the county had been cruised for the purpose of assessment, and it was considered a great step in advance of the old system of assessing timber by the acre. Timber of that

time was not considered the same as it is now, as there was no market, and it would have been an injustice to the owner to estimate and assess as it is now. It was necessary to do some thing like that.

I wish to say a few words with regard to the personal attack on J. F. Kimball, with whom I was always acquainted for some time. The attack did not leave the county of Klamath to go with the Northwestern. He was engaged in other timber contracts, and was doing his present business. I was engaged in other timber contracts, and was doing his present business. I was engaged in other timber contracts, and was doing his present business.