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SIoux CITY SWEEP BY BIG FLOOD

Water Six Feet Deep in Business Houses, and Property Loss Will Be at Least a Million.

2000 ARE HOMELESS

FIVE HUNDRED HOUSES ARE WRECKED, GAS MAINS BROKEN, AND ALL BUSINESS SUSPENDED—REPORTS FROM OTHER POINTS SHOW FEARFUL HAVOC IS BEING WROUGHT IN RIVER TOWNS.

Sioux City, Ia., July 10.—Twenty business buildings were flooded with six feet of water early today as a result of the most disastrous cloudburst in the history of the city. One death has been reported. Leo Bethesda, a teamster, fell from his wagon into the street and was drowned.

While it is impossible to estimate accurately the property loss, it is estimated generally that it will be in excess of \$1,000,000.

The Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul railroad bridge at this point was carried away by the first rush of the water. Other lines are washed out for considerable distance around the city, and transportation

is demoralized.

The Barnum and Bailey circus is stalled ten miles outside of the city and may be unable to proceed for several days.

The flood along Perry creek placed many lives in jeopardy. Women and children were carried from their homes to escape the rising waters, and enormous property damage was done.

The Floyd river and Perry creek are raging torrents today and the Missouri is rising rapidly. That more damage will be done is apparent, and property owners are making every effort to protect themselves.

The blowing of whistles aroused many persons when the waters rushed through the streets and undoubtedly saved many lives.

Reports from neighboring cities indicate that fearful havoc has been wrought in many of the river towns and their surrounding territories.

More than 500 houses along Perry creek were wrecked by the flood, or partially submerged. About 2000 persons are temporarily homeless, and many are suffering greatly from exposure.

Street car service in this city is paralyzed. The traction company's plant is flooded with water, and the repair pits beneath the tracks in two of the barns are miniature wells.

Gas mains throughout the city are broken, and many homes are without fuel and light.

JAPS LOSE STRIKE IN SANDWICH ISLANDS

(United Press Leased Wire.)
San Francisco, July 10.—That the Jap sugar plantation workers, whose recent dawaiian strike threatened international complications, have given up all hope of victory or reinstatement, was asserted today by Charles B. Warren, pursuer of the steamer Lurline, which arrived from Honolulu.

According to Warren, the water front of Honolulu is crowded with Japanese laborers who are now out of work, and are seeking an opportunity to leave the islands. Many of the strikers have returned to work at the old figures.

SUICIDE OR ACCIDENT WHICH?

This Is the Question Bothering the Frisco Coroner—Evidence Tends to Show It Was Accident.

GUN A HAIR TRIGGER

POLICE SERGEANT SOON AFTER SHOOTING, IN EXAMINING THE GUN, CAME NEAR KILLING HIMSELF—IT GOING OFF ACCIDENTALLY WHILE HE WAS EXAMINING IT.

(United Press Leased Wire.)
San Francisco, July 10.—While Police Sergeant Arthur D. Bryne was examining the German revolver that was the agent of death for beautiful Mrs. Lorena De La Montanya at the time of the coroner's inquest the weapon was accidentally discharged. The bullet crashed through the ceiling and the sergeant dropped the gun to the floor and stood aghast.

The ease with which the gun was fired has given rise to the theory that is advanced by Mrs. W. H. Patton, who was in Mrs. Montanya's apartment when the fatal shot was fired, that the woman was examining the peculiar weapon and accident-

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VAST CROWD WITNESSES AUTO RACE

Apperson Car, Over a Bad Track, Almost Ties the World's Record Held by a Locomobile.

6000 WERE THERE

ONE MAN KILLED ON WAY TO RACES, AND SEVERAL OTHER ACCIDENTS HAPPENED—BAD TURN ON TRACK SKIDDED TWO CARS INTO THE UNDERBRUSH.

(United Press Leased Wire.)
Santa Monica, Cal., July 10.—Dashing past a huge grandstand filled with frantic men and women, past thousands of spectators lining the course, the Apperson car, with Driver H. Hanshu at the wheel, flashed across the finish line of the great automobile road race here this morning a winner. The time for the Apperson for the distance of 202.006 miles was 3:07:46.1-5.

The Chadwick car finished second with a time allowance of seven minutes at the start. The Stoddard-Dayton finished third in position, without the time allowance figured.

The average time of the Apperson for the entire distance was 64 2-10 miles an hour, which was one-tenth of a mile less than the average distance made by the Locomobile in the Vanderbilt cup races. The distance was 64 3-10 miles an hour in that race, which is the world's record.

Highland. Three brothers were with him in the machine, but escaped serious injury.

At the end of the twelfth lap the Apperson car led the Stearns, driven by Free, by one minute. The time for the first 12 laps set by the Apperson was 1:34:19. The rate of speed was approximately 63 miles an hour. The Chadwick car, with Siebel driving, was third.

The Chalmers-Detroit dropped from the race with a broken frame, and the Columbia dropped out for a time, but returned.

With a difference in time of seven minutes in starting both the Stoddard-Dayton and the Stearns car, the Stearns machine was officially the third to finish, although the Stoddard-Dayton crossed the line before it.

The official time of the cars that finished was:

Apperson—3:08:3.
Chadwick—3:15:30.
Stearns—3:19:52.
Locomobile—3:21:15.
Stoddard-Dayton—3:24:32.
Studebaker—3:26:40.
Franklin—3:29:57.

Los Angeles, Cal., July 10.—A harvest of death and disaster began early today with the death of one automobile driver, the fatal injury of another, and serious injury of a third, as a prelude to the great race meet at Santa Monica, which started this morning and is scheduled to last throughout the day.

William Horeby, a chauffeur, who lived in Pasadena, was struck in the face by the crank of his machine while standing before the Hotel Angeleno, preparatory to leaving for the races. He was found sitting on a curb with blood streaming from his mouth. Shortly after arriving at the Receiving hospital he died.

Dr. Sy Van Meter of 215 West avenue, while backing his machine from a garage at Tenth and Main streets, this city, missed the opening of the garage and ran into a repair pit. He was hurled to the cement floor of the pit and sustained severe injuries. After treatment at the hospital he was removed to his home.

ESKIMO BOY WILL HUNT POLE

(United Press Leased Wire.)
New York, July 10.—Vowing to organize an expedition to Greenland and carry the American flag to the north pole, Mene Wallace, the 20-year-old Eskimo youth, whose family was brought to the United States 13 years ago by Explorer Peary, sailed today for St. Johns, where he hopes to catch the schooner Jeanie, bound for the Far North.

Before consenting to allow the boy to return home, members of the Peary Arctic Club forced him to sign

Details of the Race.
Santa Monica, Cal., July 10.—Before a great crowd that jammed grandstands and lined the eight-mile course, 16 huge racing automobiles began their hair-raising circle here at 8 o'clock this morning. Dashing along at the speed of nearly a mile a minute, Driver Siefert, in the Stoddard-Dayton car, failed to make a dangerous turn on the first lap and skidded off the track. But for the precaution of the authorities, in keeping the turn clear from spectators, a heavy casualty list would have resulted.

A few minutes later the turn claimed another victim in the Haynes car, which was driven by Shannon.

Shannon was going at a terrific pace, and seeing that he could not make the curve, kept straight ahead. The car leaped wildly into the air, landed clear of the embankment, and zig-zagged among the trees at the side of the track for 200 feet, before com-

ing to a stop. Shannon steered his car back to the track, losing two minutes. Siefert, in the Stoddard-Dayton, lost half an hour.

At 10 o'clock the race lay between three cars—the Apperson, driven by Hanshu; the Lozier, driven by Tetter, and the Stearns, driven by Frank Free.

The Lozier gained the lead at the start, by a burst of speed in the first lap, which was made in 6:50 3-5, or at the rate of 72 miles an hour, very close to the world's record. Lozier lost out in the eighth lap.

The track was well patrolled and the crowds under control. About 60,000 people were gathered around the course.

Some camped out all night, and hundreds of automobile parties arrived before daylight.

The Columbia car lost half an hour, owing to trouble on the third lap.

The Rambler went to the bad in front of the grand stand, and the driver and mechanic had to push it into the "control," to the great delight of the crowd.

While racing another car along a highway, between Pasadena and Los Angeles, near Bairtown, bound for the automobile races at Santa Monica, William Cram was forced to turn in the road to avoid a collision with his chance competitor. His machine struck a telephone pole, hurling him to the roadside, where he was pinned by his overturned car.

Cram was hurried to a local hospital, where it was found that his skull was fractured. The man's scalp was nearly ripped off. There is slight possibility that he will recover.

Cram is an orange grower of East

LEAGUE BASEBALL
Salem Independents vs. Japanese Team of San Francisco
The Yellow Men against the White, at the League Grounds, Sunday, at 3 p. m.

a declaration that he would never carry arms in Greenland, and that he would never return to the United States. The club men fear that he might attempt to kill Peary, against whom he is very bitter, because, he says, he received a "frost" when he came to this country.

The boy's last request was that the skeletons of his parents, which are exhibited in a museum, be given decent burial, and not displayed to gratify idle curiosity.

Mene denied that he held a grudge against Peary and Americans in general, and said that, although he had not been treated right while in this country, he would carry the American flag to the north pole.

Mene's ill feeling against Peary is apparent although he denied it today. The boy was compelled to see his relatives die, one after another, because they could not stand the moderate climate of this country, and he blames the explorer for not sending them back to the Northland in time to save their lives. He also is bitter because the bones of his father and mother have been placed in cases in a museum instead of being buried.

Attempts were made to educate Mene in American colleges, but he pined under the restraint of the schoolroom and, recently ran away, declaring his intention of leaving the country forever. He was found by Chester Beecroft, the actor, with whom he has lived for ten years, who made arrangements for his return to his old home in the ice fields. Beecroft is the only American for whom the Eskimo boy holds real affection and their parting today was pathetic.

JOHNSON PUZZLES OFFICERS

Admits He Has Three Wives, But Says That Is All "And He Wouldn't Lie About It."

IS A MAN OF HONOR

IS NOT AT ALL GOOD LOOKING IS IGNORANT, AND FAR FROM BEING AN IDEAL LOVER—BUNCH HE CAPTURED WANTED IN THE MATRIMONIAL CORRAL PRETTY BADLY.

San Francisco, July 10.—Anxiety of Christian C. Johnson to conceal the truth regarding some of his bigamous marriages, while he freely confesses to three leads the police today to start an investigation of the theory that their strange prisoner is attempting to conceal some crime more than the one with which he is now charged.

When first arrested Johnson talked freely about two of his marriages—those to Mrs. Leopold of San Francisco and Mrs. Tretheway of Stockton—but stoutly denied that he had any other wives. When confronted by evidence that he was also the husband of Mrs. Sylvia Pollard de Bonnett he also acknowledge her as his wife, but now insists that she is the only one whose name he concealed.

Johnson gravely declared today that he was a "man of honor and respected his word, which he gave that he had been married but three times." His attention being called to the fact that he had lied about his marriage to Mrs. de Bonnett, Johnson rather lamely explained that he had thought the woman to be dead and did not want to drag her name into the case which was not necessary.

The prisoner is very anxious to get out of jail here and answer to the charge of bigamy, which has been preferred against him at San Jose by Mrs. Tretheway. He complains that the air in the jail here is foul and that he is worried to death by reporters and detectives.

Detectives Bunner and Freel, who have been giving the man the "third degree," do not intend to let him get away from their jurisdiction any sooner than they have to. They are holding him in detinue until police in eastern cities have a chance to identify him and run down his record.

The detectives believe that Johnson-Anderson-Madson, as they call him, is a very clever and dangerous criminal and that a close inspection of his record will result in more revelations. With this investigation they have sent photographs of him broadcast and expect that the authorities in some of the cities where they believe he has operated will be able to recognize him as some serious offender who has been long sought.

"Johnson is one of the cleverest criminals ever put behind bars," said Detective Bunner today, "and is a superb liar. I believe there is some motive which has not yet been discovered that impels him to throw a cloud over his record."

Love letters written by Johnson to his victims show that he was but an indifferent love maker and the police are puzzled by the ease with which he won the hearts of women. His appearance is not particularly attractive. He is tall and spare, has blue eyes, and iron gray hair. He does not look old, but his face is not frank nor one which ordinarily would appeal to women. His vocabulary is limited and he is a poor letter writer.

The following letters written by Johnson-Anderson to Mrs. Ida as "wife" and Mrs. Josephine Tretheway his Stockton wife, were made public today.

The first was written to Mrs. Mitchell at Ingleside, Cal. It reads: "On the train, May 3d. My dear little wife: I will arrive in Stockton this afternoon, and I hope to get a letter from you when I arrive there. Am going in the country tonight. Expect to be in San Francisco tomorrow sometime, or sure Wednesday. Have got money for stallion. Everything is o. k. Hope this finds you in better health as when I left you. I will close with all my love and many kisses.

"Your own husband,
"John C. Anderson."
The other three which were written to Mrs. Tretheway follow:
"Byron, March 9, 1909—My dear

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