

THREE STATES SLEPT

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SIX VICTIMS IN CHICAGO.

Lack of Telegraph Communication Makes Extent of Damage Unknown.

In Various Parts of Country Temperature Has Been Low, Accompanied By High Winds.

Atlanta, Ga., April 30.—Between 20 and 30 persons died in Tennessee, Mississippi and Arkansas and scores of injured, were the toll last night of the series of tornadoes in those states. The series of storms which have appeared to have been little outbreaks of the big disturbances which simultaneously were sweeping through the north. At least more than a dozen of the northern states these southern tornadoes each covered only a small area of a few acres or a few square miles. They struck with scattered points at intervals throughout yesterday afternoon and last night.

This death list received here up to an early hour today was as follows: Young's Cross, Tenn., five. Medina, Tenn., two. Horn Lake, Miss., 12. Forest City, Ark., two. West Marion, Ark., one.

During the night telegraph wires went down all over the south, except in the south Atlantic states.

WORK OF TORNADO.

Memphis, Tenn., April 30.—Portions of three states within a radius of several hundred miles of Memphis were swept by storms of wind and rain, in some instances amounting to tornadoes, during last night, which claimed the lives of a score or more persons.

The storm broke shortly after midnight, after a squally afternoon. From the north, a heavy rain fell in the vicinity of the recent Brinkley storm, came the first reports of serious damage.

The wind cut a pathway of a half mile wide through the town of West Marion and Westlake and Vidalia. Two persons were killed and six injured, and many farm buildings destroyed. In northern Arkansas 50 persons are known to have been injured. Clewford county is reported to have suffered the greatest damage. In northern Mississippi, the vicinity of Horn Lake suffered the most. Several farm buildings were blown from their foundations as if they were cards.

The number of killed is placed at 12. Here the course of the storm was west to east and about a quarter of mile wide. Reports of the tornado in this vicinity were brought to Memphis by members of a train crew and passengers late last night. As far as could be seen from houses and cotton trees were masses of wreckage, several of the buildings having taken fire.

All along the line of the railroad bits of wreckage were seen. At Pine Point, four miles east of Horn Lake, a dozen houses were wrecked and one person is known to have been killed. In Memphis and vicinity only minor damage was done.

Near Jackson, Tennessee, seven persons were killed, others injured and a large property loss resulted. At Menderson two were injured. Damage to crops will run into the thousands of dollars. Railroad traffic was seriously impeded.

The town of Hillsboro, nine miles west of Franklin, was practically wiped out and three persons, names unknown, were killed in a house destroyed by the wind. Many barns and houses were unroofed. Hundreds of shade trees on the old John McDevock farm, historic as being in the battle of Shiloh, were blown down, and all of the barns on the place destroyed.

SIX PERSONS KILLED.

Chicago, April 30.—Six persons were killed and 30 injured in Chicago and environs during the storm last night, according to reports received today by the police and coroner. The list of injured includes only those whose names were officially reported. Probably as many more received private attention.

FREE FOLLOWS BLACK HAND CASE

Demand for Money Not Being Complied With, Tenement House Burned.

EIGHT PEOPLE PERISHED.

Fourteen Others Injured, Three of Whom Are Not Expected To Recover.

New York, April 30.—Eight persons, five of them children, were burned to death and 14 others were injured in an incendiary fire in a five-story tenement house at 27 Spring street, occupied by 30 families, early today. The blaze followed a demand by members of the Black Hand society for the payment of blackmail. It spread through the building with startling rapidity as the hallways were soaked with kerosene oil by the blackmailers. In a panic which started the alarm the tenants fought their way down the stairs, many of them jumping from the windows, while babies were thrown from windows into the arms of policemen.

Among the injured three children are not expected to recover. Jacob Bruck, the proprietor of the grocery store on the main floor of the building received on April 28, a letter warning that "We demand \$1,000 of death. Bring it in 100 dollars. Petrosino is dead but the Black Hand lives." (Signed) "BLACK HAND SOCIETY."

On Monday last Bruck received another letter written in a similar strain, turned both letters over to the police.

MERSINA PLACED UNDER MARTIAL LAW.

Mersina, Asiatic Turkey, Thursday, April 29.—Mersina is under martial law and the Turkish authorities are maintaining order. Sanitary conditions in the city, however, are bad. There is lack of fresh water and the dead animals and garbage that fill the streets pollute the atmosphere. Eight American and English missionaries, mostly women, have decided to leave Mersina. The river that empties into the sea here still carries down the bodies of dead Chinese and other victims of the massacre. Among the ghastly burdens of the stream today were the mutilated body of a woman killed to a cross.

NO WORD "DESETER" AFTER WM. ESTES' NAME NOW.

Jefferson City, Mo., April 30.—The senate yesterday passed a house bill to clear the civil records of the world of the name of William B. Estes, a New York farmer.

Estes was an enlisted Union soldier and obtained permission to go home, after the death of his father, in 1864. Through some error he was booked as a deserter but did not learn it until a few years ago.

Since then he has labored to have the stigma removed from his name.

OPERA HOUSE FOR CHICAGO.

Chicago, April 30.—The Tribune today says that Oscar Hammerstein, the New York impresario, now in London, has cabled J. Ogden Armour in Berlin, offering to give \$500,000 towards a Chicago opera house if Mr. Armour will contribute \$1,000,000.

GREAT REJOICING IN THE NETHERLANDS.

Queen Wilhelmina Gives Birth to a Daughter, Thus Enhancing Chances Of Continued Independence.

The Hague, April 30.—Wilhelmina, queen of the Netherlands, gave birth to a daughter this morning. The condition of her majesty is satisfactory. The infant princess is doing well. Holland is celebrating the happy event from one end of the country to the other with expressions of joy such as seldom have been witnessed in the history of the Netherlands. Every town and village in Holland is today celebrating the long awaited birth of a child to her majesty, who was married to Prince Henry of Mecklenburg-Schwerin Feb. 7, 1902.

SHAW'S OF BOSTON FIGHTING FOR SON.

Santa Barbara, Cal., April 30.—Detectives employed by J. Shaw, president of the Interborough Railroad company of Boston, raided the apartments occupied by Mrs. Shaw and H. Keno Macchia, formerly the Shaw chauffeur, and seized possession of the 16-year-old son of the Shaws. The boy was taken to the police station, where he is now held.

Mrs. Shaw says she will make every effort to prevent the boy being taken east by his father. The raid was directed at 3 o'clock this morning by Philip, the highest detective in the city.

According to the story as learned here, Mrs. Shaw deserted her husband in Brooklyn in June, 1901, and came to California in the company of Macchia, bringing her 16-year-old son with her. The couple came to Pasadena, where a home was established in Arroyo terrace. The father of Mrs. Shaw is W. E. Eldredge, a wealthy banker of Portsmouth.

ABNER SMITH PLEADS FOR MERCY

Ex-Judge of Cook County, Ill., Circuit Court Begs Pardon Board to Spare Him.

HIS SORROW BROKE HIM DOWN.

Gov. Deenen and Other Members Were Visibly Affected as They Listened To Old Man's Story.

Springfield, Ill., April 30.—Abner Smith, former judge of the circuit court of Cook county, broke down under the weight of his sorrow today in pleading before the board of pardons here to keep out of the penitentiary. The former jurist, sentenced to the penitentiary in connection with the failure of the Bank of America on a conspiracy charge, wept as he begged the pardon board to spare him further disgrace.

The former judge presented a sorrowful picture.

"I am now a man of 65 years," said he, "and this trouble has resulted in taking from me all that I had as a result of a life's work. My children are all dead. If you grant me a pardon the only thing I have left is to resume the practice of law."

"I had no intention of wrong-doing," he said, "and I was convicted on the public feeling existing at the time of my trial. This was made intense because of the failure of the Chicago National bank, of which John J. Walsh was president. The conviction of Paul O. Steinfeld added to the feeling."

Smith, during his recital, read a letter from Mayor Bueche of Chicago in which the Chicago city executive declared he believed Smith to be innocent of any intentional wrong-doing.

Charles S. Darrow, ex-Chicago, assisted in the prosecution of Smith.

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OVER HALF A MILLION IN BUILDING PERMITS.

Two Hundred and Seventeen Issued During April—Record Increase of \$204,210.

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The prisoner has refused to tell the police where he got the gems, but they have been identified by a clerk of the victimized firm as a portion of the valuables taken last April.

Credence describing the missing jewelry were sent all over the country, until the arrest of Williams no clew was discovered.

SLICK DIAMOND THEFT.

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ABDUL HAMID TO BE PUT ON TRIAL FOR LIFE

London, April 30.—A local news agency today publishes a dispatch from Saloniki, European Turkey, saying it has been officially announced that Abdul Hamid, the deposed sultan of Turkey, is to be tried before a constitutional court-martial and that it is generally believed a sentence of death will be passed on him.

EX-POLICE CHIEF INDICTED FOR SMUGGLING CHINESE.

Roswell, N. M., April 29.—The federal grand jury today returned an indictment against Edward M. Pink of El Paso, Texas, former chief of police of that city, on the charge of conspiring to smuggle Chinese into the United States. Pink is alleged to have carried on operations from El Paso, bringing the aliens into this country from Mexico. Pink was given a preliminary hearing here several months ago and was bound over pending action by the federal grand jury. He was subsequently released on the bonds of \$5,000 provided by local business men. Having failed to appear today, United States Judge William P. Pope, declared the bond forfeited. Pink is believed to be in Mexico.

AGREEMENT IS SIGNED.

General Manager J. E. Wells of the Utah Light & Railway company received at 2 p. m. today the signed agreement between the company and its employees released by the union. The agreement is practically the same as the one obtained for the last two years, with the exception of one of two minor changes having no special bearing on the general tenor of the instrument. Rumors of trouble in the railway were quickly dispelled by the signing of the agreement, which has been in effect since the company was organized. The agreement is believed to be the best yet obtained between the company and the men, and it is the past two years of the pleasantest character.

J. E. MEYER SELECTED.

At last night's meeting of the Alaska Fair commission, in the Commercial club, J. E. Meyer, a well known mining man and stock broker, was chosen director of the mineral exhibit for Utah at the coming exposition. Mr. Meyer will decide by tomorrow night whether he will accept the appointment. It is understood that acceptance means to him considerable of a financial sacrifice. Mr. Meyer has asked the committee to appropriate sufficient of the fund to this exhibit to make it the finest at the fair. But as the amount at the service of the commission is limited, the committee has decided to make the sum decided, and it is understood that his acceptance of the directorate depends on the money allowed for the mineral display. The commission announced last evening that the Utah building would be ready for use, May 27, and that arrangements are being made to send to the fair, the ore concentrator at the University of Utah school of mines.

WILLARD SNOW NAMED.

Willard Snow of Farmers ward was named as road commissioner for Salt Lake county yesterday afternoon by the county commissioners. The salary amounts to \$110 out of which the commissioner must pay his own traveling expenses. The office was created by the last legislature and should be confirmed by the county commissioners. There were formerly 29 road supervisors in this county, but the new legislature has reduced to 15. Snow will have offices in the city and county building.

SEASON'S LAST CONCERT.

The last concert of the season by the Salt Lake Men's chorus will be given this evening in the First Methodist church, for which a fine program has been prepared. A feature of the program will be selections from the Brahms stringed quartet, with Mr. Skelton as first violin, assisted by L. A. Engberg, clarinet. The Schubert Men's quartet will also give several numbers, while the soloist of the evening is Hazel Greaves, a soprano pupil of Miss Swenson, who is at this time to make her debut.

ONE MILE MORE WILL FINISH CANYON ROAD.

International Smelter Soon to be Connected by Rail With the Salt Lake Route.

With the finishing of the grading and the laying of rails on one mile more of the road, the line between the Salt Lake Route, through the City of Tooele, to the International Smelter site in Pine Canyon, will be completed. This will probably be finished by May 6, if the weather will permit the work to be carried on. If bad weather interferes it is probable that it will not be finished before June 1.

Already the road has been completed past Midvale, a few miles short of the smelter site. Some distance beyond this and within a mile from the proposed smelter, it is necessary to fill in considerable of the distance. The cost being done and the work is being completed within the next few weeks.

As soon as the road is in passable condition shipments of cement and other material for the foundation of the smelter will be made. Already the place is being drawn up for the temporary tracks about the smelter site, that will be used until all the material is used for.

At Brigham Junction, J. J. Burke and a gang of men are at work dismantling the old Highland Boy smelter, which was but a few years ago one of the big plants of the valley. The contract was let several weeks ago and work was started about two weeks ago. Every piece of material that was used by the smelter is to be removed. The material is being taken to the smelter in Pine Canyon will be shipped there as soon as the spur track up Pine Canyon is finished.

BUTTE POLICEMEN FOUND GUILTY OF GRAFFITI.

Butte, Mont., April 29.—Detectives George Farlin and Patrolman W. B. Jackson, two of the best known police officers in Butte, were found guilty yesterday afternoon of violating the police regulations of Butte and under the findings of the board of police commissioners will be dismissed from the force. Officers Farlin and Jackson received

FROST IN UTAH FRUIT

Prospects for Early Peaches, Cherries and Apricot Crops in Some Districts Ruined.

GROWERS ARE PESSIMISTIC.

Orchards of Brigham City Are Hard Hit by Frost Following Storm.

Weber and Davis Counties Report Same State of Affairs—Provo District in Bad Way.

Yesterday's surprising storm, which struck fearfully into the hearts of the fruit growers of the state, has come and gone, and with it the hopes of the people of some districts who depend for their living on the returns from their orchards. The worst fears have in many cases been realized, as the reports from all the large fruit growing centers are to the effect that nearly all of the early cherries, peaches and apricots, and in some cases the plums and even the strawberries, have been seriously damaged. Later investigations may prove the situation to be more favorable, but the loss may amount to four-fifths of the early fruit, and the estimate of the damage was from that to total destruction.

As the storm is said to be general all over the country, the lowest atmospheric pressure being recorded in Kansas and western Missouri, a faint idea may be formed of the incalculable damage that has been wrought to the orchardists, from the reports of our own state which follow. The full effect of the storm is not yet known, but the loss may amount to four-fifths of the early fruit, and the estimate of the damage was from that to total destruction.

A feature of the storm and the conditions following last night, is the fact that great damage is recorded even in places such as East Millcreek, where the canyon breeze has proved to be the protection of the orchardist in the past. Last night even that protection failed and several degrees of frost was recorded there as well as at Clearfield, near Kayaville, where like conditions have usually prevailed.

BRIHMAN CITY BLUE.

From Brigham City came the word this morning that the main part, at least, of all the cherry, peach and apricot crops are destroyed. Some of the orchardists are feeling very much depressed and are feeling inclined to take the most gloomy view of the situation and view the fruit crop for 1909, as a total loss. The general feeling is that there will be some peaches, though the orchardists here have been hit the same as true of all Boxelder county.

The condition in Weber county is reported to be bad, though it is not felt that the frost last night will result in a total loss. The news informed are said to place the loss at four-fifths of the total crop of cherries, apricots and peaches. Apples, plums and prunes are thought to be safe.

DAVIS COUNTY LOSSES.

In and around Kayaville, Davis county, the fruit growers have been hit hard, though opinions differ as to the extent. All agree that the loss will be great, and one report from the fruit growing center has been received that the loss is about 80 per cent. The loss is said to be about 80 per cent. The loss is said to be about 80 per cent.

Salt Lake County is about in the same condition as the counties north of here. Damage is everywhere recorded in spite of the late season which held the trees back. The frost in some parts of the county is said to have remained for the days of February instead of April.

APPLES SAFE IN UTAH CO.

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The frost at Roundfield was the most severe one recorded for over a month, and the feeling is that its effect upon the fruit crop is everywhere recorded. If the crop does not prove to be a total loss, it is certain that the bulk of the fruit is gone.

COLD SNAP GENERAL.

The hard frost, predicted by the weather bureau yesterday, occurred last night, when the mercury fell to 25 degrees, a most unusual thing for this time of year, while the thermometer yesterday did not rise higher than 37 degrees. The storm interfered with the reception of weather returns at this office, there being 12 blank spaces on today's weather map. The cold extended all over this part of the country.

THE

Saturday News

TOMORROW

Will include among its features the second installment of HUNTING AHEAD OF ROOSEVELT IN AFRICA

World's Largest Military Camp is a Model City as Well, Illustrated.