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DANGER FROM FLOOD

Neosho, Cottonwood, Verdigris, Arkansas and Marmaton Rivers Overflung.

VALLEYS FLOODED BY SWOLLEN STREAMS

Trouble Confined Mostly to Counties South of the Kaw Watershed.

DAMAGE TO OIL FIELDS AND FARM LANDS

Kaw River is Also Rising Slowly, but No Damage is Expected.

LARGE PART OF STRONG CITY INUNDED

Water Rushing Through Main Streets, Undermining Property, Washing Away Homes and Interfering with Traffic.

KANSAS CITY, June 3.—The heavy rains of the last few days in Kansas are confined mostly to the counties south of the Kaw watershed. As a result the valleys on the rivers which flow southeast are flooded. The tributaries of the Kaw are not dangerous.

The worst floods today were the Neosho, Cottonwood, Verdigris, Arkansas and Marmaton rivers. All creeks through this section are flooded and impassable. The rivers all drain to the southwest. Reports from Clamuel, Humboldt, Neosho Falls and Strong City, Emporia and Cottonwood rivers are that the streams are flooding their valleys and doing great damage to town property, oil fields and farm lands through their entire lengths in Kansas. Independence reports similar conditions along the Verdigris, while the Walnut, the Little Arkansas and the Arkansas are out of their banks and still rising.

The rainfall in the Kaw river watershed is described by the weather officials as being moderately heavy. They do not expect that any trouble will result from the fall at this point. The river is rising slowly, but unless there is a heavy rainfall in the watershed tonight a dangerous water stage will not be reached.

Cottonwood Highest Ever Known. At Emporia the Cottonwood rose three inches an hour all night and is now as high as last year, when it reached the highest water mark ever known. The Cottonwood is still rising rapidly. Today it broke across the bottom of the town and flooded the creek, which is three miles south of the river and runs parallel with the river. Emporia is too high to be flooded, but the low portions were inundated and many negroes flooded out.

At Fort Scott and vicinity the flood of six weeks ago has been repeated. The Marmaton there is a mile wide and has cut off Belltown, a suburb. Not less than 100 houses are uninhabitable as a result of the high water. In some cases the foundations of houses were undermined and the walls damaged. The loss on household goods is heavy, while scores of barns and other small buildings were washed away.

Every bridge in the city was damaged and is unsafe. The flooded section covers an area of not less than thirty blocks. There were several reports of bravery displayed by rescuers. Not a man from the north or south has reached Newton for thirty hours.

At Strong City the water is running through the main street and the first floor of the Postal Telegraph building, the bank of Strong City and several business houses have been invaded.

Families Driven from Homes. The most serious news from the Kansas flood district tonight comes from the valley of the Cottonwood and Neosho rivers, which are tributary to the Arkansas river. The Kansas river is rising slowly at Topeka and will go three feet higher, the weather bureau says. The Kansas river is rising slowly at Kansas City, but no alarm is felt.

The Cottonwood and Neosho are higher than last year, and are still rising. All the bottom lands are covered and the farmers have left their homes and driven their stock to higher places. The waters of the Cottonwood and Neosho rivers near Emporia, there is an expanse of water twelve miles wide, but Emporia is on higher land and has not suffered. Water is three feet deep in some of the streets of Topeka, and fifty families have left their homes.

OKLAHOMA CITY, Okla., June 3.—Continued heavy rains have swollen all streams in Oklahoma and Indian Territory to the point of overflowing and thousands of acres of land are under water. Railway traffic is threatened in many places. A repetition of last year's floods is feared.

Conditions in Missouri County. ONAWA, Ia., June 3.—(Special).—The heavy rain yesterday has made things very wet again on the Missouri bottom lands, 15 inches of rain having fallen, 100 inches falling in the afternoon in forty-five minutes, which was simply a deluge. Some half an inch more will fall. The ground that was so wet last year now respects are not favorable for a crop this year on the present outlook, as much of the land is still so wet to water. The rivers are all very high. Maple, Sims and West Fork have all almost reached their banks at times and are likely to cause more trouble with the great amount of rain falling. The Missouri at Decatur, Neb., raised five feet yesterday. Elm creek was out of its banks and the lower part of the town flooded. All streams in that neighborhood are very high. Conditions on the Missouri bottom are very favorable for the presentation of the ditch, petition on the Monona-Harrison and other ditches which will be presented to the Board of Supervisors at their session next week. The petitions are owned by many land owners and a large attendance of interested parties is expected. The petitioners claim that over 100,000 acres of bottom land can be made tillable by the digging of the proposed Monona-Harrison ditch, at a cost of about \$25,000. Mr. Seybold of Turin, who owns a large amount of land on the bottom in connection with the Monona-Harrison ditch, has been actively engaged in circulating the petitions and is confident of success. He spent a good part of the winter at Des Moines working for the drainage law and thinks action on the big ditch will surely be taken at the coming session.

SANTA FE Issues Train Directory. TOPEKA, Kan., June 3.—The Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe railway, in a statement given the location of their trains today, says that the service on the main line is more or less under water from two miles east of Florence to Strong City, while the Marmaton, the McDermott, the Strong City, the Eldorado and the Wichita branches are washed out for many miles. The Rock Island line tracks are being used to send trains east of Hutchinson.

SUSAN B. ANTHONY IS HONORED

Veteran Woman Suffragist Will Leave Much Work of International Congress to Assistant.

BERLIN, June 3.—The International Woman's Suffrage conference, called by the international woman's suffrage committee, with headquarters in the United States, met here today for the purpose of organizing an international league for the promotion of woman's suffrage. Delegates were present from Great Britain, France, Germany, Holland, Sweden, Austria-Hungary, Switzerland, Denmark and New Zealand. Miss Susan B. Anthony accepted the presidency of the league, but announced that she would leave the actual work of presiding to Mrs. Catt of Wyoming.

French delegates wanted the press representative of the conference, which was refused. Dr. Anita Augspur, a German delegate, remarked that the foundation of the international league for woman's suffrage was an historical event. She welcomed the delegates and especially thanked Miss Anthony for undertaking a long journey across the ocean at her advanced age to preside at the foundation of the league. The platform, which was then read, declares that men and women were born equal, and free and independent members of society and that the natural relationship of the sexes is one of reciprocity and common effort.

The suppression of liberty of one sex inevitably injures the other, thus causing damage to all humanity. Self-determination in the house and state is the inalienable right of every normal person, hence woman as a class and as an individual does not owe obedience to the state or to her husband. Every government taxing woman without permitting suffrage exercises tyranny, irreconcilable with justice. Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt was presented with a gavel from the Wyoming women. She afterwards addressed the conference, explaining how woman's suffrage came to be adopted in Wyoming. The platform, which was then read, declares that men and women were born equal, and free and independent members of society and that the natural relationship of the sexes is one of reciprocity and common effort.

NEW TRADE TREATY COMPLETE

Convention Will Soon Be Signed Permitting American Corporations to Sue in Russia.

ST. PETERSBURG, June 3.—It is authoritatively stated that no negotiations have yet begun looking to a new commercial treaty between Russia and Great Britain.

The negotiations for a treaty to allow firms in the United States and Russia to sue in the courts of Russia and the United States respectively have been completed and the treaty probably will be signed by President Roosevelt, Secretary of State Taft and Ambassador McCormick in a few days.

SPAIN RECOGNIZES FRENCH RIGHTS

Anglo-French Treaty, it is Said, Carries an Empty Honor.

PARIS, June 3.—A Madrid correspondent of the Petit Parisien affirms that he has obtained from a Spanish statesman the lines of a treaty which soon will be signed between France and Spain, as follows: The signatory governments do not propose to change the political status in Morocco inherited by France from the sphere of influence in accordance with the terms of the Anglo-French agreement.

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ENGINEERS ELECT THIRD MAN

H. E. Willis of Iowa Is Made Assistant Grand Chief Over Four Other Candidates.

LOS ANGELES, June 3.—The annual convention of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, 230,000 members, Secretary of H. E. Willis of Clinton, Ia., third assistant chief engineer, over four other candidates. C. H. Salmon of Cleveland, O., was unanimously elected second assistant engineer. The latter situation carried with it the editorship of the official organ of the brotherhood.

A resolution was adopted thanking the members who assisted in saving the life of Engineer A. E. Montague of Albany, N. Y., who narrowly escaped drowning in the surf at Playa Del Rey beach yesterday. Those named in the resolution were: S. A. Stricklett, Columbus, O.; J. H. Buckley, Hartford, Conn.; J. E. Rube, Columbus, O.; W. E. Petch, Cleveland, O.

DANCE AND BATTLE DRILL

Prominent Events in the Life of Graduating Naval Cadets at Annapolis.

ANNAPOLIS, Md., June 3.—Festivities attendant on the close of the naval academy and presence of the official board of visitors were yesterday followed by a dance at the Annapolis mess hall. The midshipmen will be sent aboard the ships of the practice cruise fleet tomorrow, sailing on Monday.

Admiral George Dewey officiated today at the ceremonies incident to the laying of the cornerstone of the new chapel in the naval academy grounds. Secretary of the Navy Moody delivered a stirring address to the large concourse of naval men, midshipmen and civilians.

During the day the Board of Visitors witnessed a battle drill of the midshipmen. The flotilla of war vessels now anchored in the harbor was utilized for this exhibition.

BURTON APPEAL IS FILED

Attorneys Hold that Court Erred and that Offense, if Any, Occurred in Washington.

ST. LOUIS, June 3.—The transcript in the case against United States Senator Joseph Burton of Kansas, who was convicted on a charge of using his official influence in favor of the Blatto Grain and Securities company of this city, while acting as attorney for the concern, was filed with the federal court of appeals here today. The case, in all probability, will be heard at the December term. The appeal was granted several weeks ago. Mr. Burton's attorneys held that the court erred in its instructions to the jury and in the admission of certain testimony; also that the checks received by Mr. Burton from the company were cashed at Washington, D. C., the contention being that if an offense were committed it was committed in that city and not in St. Louis.

MICKY HONORS REQUISITION

Governor Grants Request of Iowa Authorities to Arrest; Tom Dennison.

Defendant in Case Makes No Opposition Before Governor, Who Considers Matter on Record Before Him.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

LINCOLN, June 3.—(Special Telegram).—Governor Mickelton today granted the requisition for the return of Tom Dennison to Iowa to answer to the charge of receiving stolen property. The papers were given to United States Marshal Christian of Iowa, who left at once for Omaha to arrest Dennison.

Tuesday night Attorney Elmer E. Thomas of Omaha and County Attorney Fallon of Iowa presented arguments to the governor in favor of honoring the requisition and Dennison did not protest. In honoring the requisition Governor Mickelton said the morning session of the legislature and an affidavit and that he must act on this showing. He could not go behind them to examine evidence as to Dennison's guilt.

Reference to the announcement that Governor Mickelton had granted the extradition papers which would make it possible for the Iowa authorities to take Tom Dennison across the river to answer a charge of being a fugitive from justice and a person of number one over more serious charge. Mr. Dennison was asked what he proposed to do, but refused to make any statement whatever, referring the entire matter to Mr. Connell, his attorney.

"I cannot say positively what we will do until we get the papers from Lincoln," said Mr. Connell. "Under ordinary circumstances in a case of this kind I should get out a writ of habeas corpus and ask for an immediate hearing in the district court, and think that is undoubtedly what I shall do in this case. I think it would be perfectly safe for you to say that Dennison will not go to Iowa, not at least on a charge of being a fugitive from justice, which, I understand, is the ground on which the governor has granted the extradition. Until I see all the papers in the case I cannot make any further statement."

Another chapter in the attempt to take Tom Dennison to Iowa to answer an indictment returned by grand jury in Lincoln, Mo., was brought to a close today. A writ of habeas corpus was granted by Judge Day and enjoined Christian and Thomas, directly or indirectly, from forcibly bringing Dennison to the requisition granted by Governor Mickelton earlier in the day, except when the court is in session between the hours of 9:30 a. m. and 1 p. m., or without giving Dennison a reasonable time for filing his application for a writ of habeas corpus. The writ was served on Christian at 7 o'clock in the evening while the marshal was eating his supper at the Paxton hotel and was the culmination of an afternoon of cross-firing between the Iowa marshal and the various attorneys interested in the case.

After the serving of the writs Attorney Connell and Christian, in a conference, and it was understood that Connell and his client, Tom Dennison, would appear at 9:30 this morning in Judge Day's court, at which time and place the arrest will be made and immediately thereafter the application for a writ of habeas corpus will be filed and the court will set for such a time as will be agreed upon.

Christian's Course During Day. United States Marshal Christian arrived in Omaha from Lincoln shortly after noon yesterday, with the warrant and requisition granted by Governor Mickelton at 10:30 p. m. went to Attorney Connell's office with Attorney E. E. Thomas.

The matter in hand was discussed in a preliminary way and in speaking of the already announced policy that Attorney Connell proposed to pursue on behalf of his client, Mr. Connell said to the Iowa marshal: "All we ask is that you allow us a reasonable time of about twenty minutes after the arrest is made so that we may file an application for a writ of habeas corpus. Then if the application is granted we will be made retention of the writ, so that we may establish the sufficiency or insufficiency of your warrant to take Dennison to Iowa. If the application is denied, then my client will be right here to accompany you to Iowa."

The Iowa marshal looked at Attorney Thomas and the Civil Federation lawyer glanced at the Iowa official.

"But," said Thomas, "we could not get ready for the hearing of the writ short of a week. We would have to send to Iowa for witnesses."

"Well, what do you suggest we had better do?" asked the marshal of Thomas.

"You are master of the situation, Mr. Christian," replied Thomas. Marshal Christian then agreed to let Connell have the twenty minutes in which to file the application for the writ, it being agreed that the arrest would follow as soon as the application was filed and the hearing of the writ then set. Judge Day left the court house, and the stipulated twenty minutes had expired before Mr. Connell could carry out the plan. He telephoned to his office saying that he was on the road with the papers and would be at his office as soon as possible, but the "other fellows wanted the proverbial pound of flesh," even to the estimation of a hair. Connell reached his office a few minutes after they left.

Undecided on Action. As Christian and Thomas walked down Farnam street the former was asked what tactics he intended to pursue, now that peace relations apparently were off.

"Well," replied the marshal, "I don't just know at present. It is likely, however, that I shall have to ask for assistance in finding Dennison."

As a matter of fact, Dennison was in one of Connell's offices all the afternoon, and could have been found if any effort in that direction had been made.

When Attorney Connell returned to his office after having filed the application for a writ of habeas corpus granted by Judge Day he found Christian and Thomas gone. Then it was that the restraining order was secured and served, just at the time when it was expected that the efforts to take Dennison would be resumed.

Marshal Christian was seen at the Paxton after the injunction had been served and was asked "where he was at then," and was seen at the Paxton.

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FREE TRADE LEAGUE DINES

Speakers Believe Protection Ought to Undergo Immediate and Complete Annihilation.

BOSTON, June 3.—The annual banquet of the American Free Trade League, held at the Hotel Vendome today, marked the twentieth anniversary of the formation of the league and the 100th anniversary of the birth of Richard Cobden, father of the free trade movement.

The guests and speakers were Charles Francis Adams and Edward Atkinson of Boston and L. R. Ehrlich of New York. Harvey Shephard presided and about 150 members were present. Mr. Shephard declared that the United States eventually would have free trade and that it was as much out of place in a republic to have a protective tariff as it was to have an established church.

William Lloyd Garrison, the secretary, read a dispatch in which the American Free Trade league sent to the Cobden club of London, expressing the hope that the principles of Richard Cobden would be steadily maintained in Great Britain.

Mr. Ehrlich, who was the first president of the league, paid a glowing tribute to the memory of Richard Cobden and then arraigned the policy of protection, which he characterized as unjust to the common people.

The last speaker of the evening was Louis E. Ehrlich, of New York, who denounced protection as unfair and dishonest and a policy of "legalized graft." He said in closing: "If the democratic party had the manly courage which is born of conviction and the practical wisdom which flows from the highest lessons of human experience it would in its coming national convention adopt one single plank which would read: 'The democratic party favors the total and immediate abolition of every tariff duty and the introduction of absolutely unrestricted freedom of trade with the nations of the world.'"

WRECK ON MISSOURI PACIFIC

Nine Persons Reported Killed and Larger Number Supposed to Have Been Injured.

KANSAS CITY, June 3.—Nine persons are reported to have been killed and many injured in a collision of passenger trains on the Missouri Pacific near Martin City, Mo., which occurred yesterday afternoon.

A message received by Missouri Pacific officials here ordered them to send a relief train as soon as possible and to get all the surgeons obtainable, from which it is inferred that the severity of the wreck was such as to require the attention of medical men.

Under these circumstances, the question naturally arises, whether General Stalkenberg does not come too late and can have no chance of producing any useful and perhaps decisive result, as it might have done had this general officer been able to intervene suddenly with a division or even a brigade in the rear of General Oku during the first days' fighting which preceded the capture of Nan Shan.

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MOVE TO HARRASS JAPANESE

Russians Send General Stalkenberg to Rear of General Oku's Army.

EXPECT TO WEAR OUT JAPANESE FORCES

When This is Done Swoop Down and Crush Them—Experts Think Plan All Right, but May Be Too Late to Try.

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PARIS, June 4.—(New York Herald Cablegram—Special Telegram to the Bee).—The Herald's European edition publishes the following from its military expert: "It has already been known that the Russians held the railway line to Liao Yang, because on May 30, a battle took place between detachments of the two armies at this station, situated half way between Hal Cheng and Port Arthur, but the reinforcements, which have been reported as leaving the first of these towns under command of General Stalkenberg for Wau Fang Tien, which is still further south of Wau Fang Chu, would indicate his intention to harass the rear of the army of General Oku, who is besieging Port Arthur. If the corps of General Stalkenberg, which is estimated to consist of 12,000 men, is increased by another brigade, it will then constitute a division able to move rapidly on Pitsuwo, a place where the Japanese are still landing troops or supplies, and then making for the peninsula of Kwang Tung in the direction of Port Arthur."

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THE BEE BULLETIN.

Forecast for Nebraska—Showers Saturday and Sunday. Partly Clear Sunday and East Portion Sunday Fair and Warm.

1 Kansas is in Danger from Flood. Expect to Wear Out the Japanese. Report of Fight at Port Arthur.

2 Deneen Nominated in Illinois. 3 News from All Parts of Nebraska. 4 Affairs at South Omaha.

5 P. E. O. Sisterhood in Convention. Progress of the Vacation Contest. 6 Story, "The Lost Princesses."

7 Tatt Allots Money to Nebraska. 8 Strange Thieves' Feast at Table. 9 Chips Off of the Old Block. 10 Some Famous Political Revolutions.

11 Editorial. 12 Bohemian Athletics Compete. 13 Sporting Events of the Day. 14 Review of the Week's Trade. 15 Financial and Commercial. 16 Council Bluffs and Iowa News. 17 Dedicate State Buildings at Fair. 18 Dog Almost Kills His Master.

Temperature at Omaha Yesterday: Hour. Deg. Hour. Deg. 6 a. m. 61 1 p. m. 68

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COSSACKS NEARING WONSON

Force of Considerable Strength Reported Thirteen Miles North of that Town.

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WONSON, June 2. (Via Seoul, June 2.—New York Herald Cablegram—Special Telegram to the Bee.)—A strong Cossack scouting party is reported thirteen miles north today. A courier from Ham Heung states that the governor there provided the Russians with 3,700 bundles of fodder, and also repaired the roads at the Russian commander's request. This indicates the presence of a considerable body of cavalry in that neighborhood. The Russians paid well for the fodder, supplies and work.

Rumors here are that the Russian force previously reported at Kapsan has abandoned its march southward, turning to the west toward Ping Yang. Seven guns accompany the force.

The first steamer arriving here since the sinking of the Goyo Maru reached here today.

RUSSIANS ARE DISHEARTENED

Expect Japanese to Make Good Their Word and Take Port Arthur in Fourteen Days.

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ST. PETERSBURG, June 3.—(New York Herald Cablegram—Special Telegram to the Bee.)—Interest has been revived in the keener point by the announcement, so cogently made from Tokio, that the Japanese propose to take Port Arthur in fourteen days.

"What can we do with fanatics who defy all the accepted rules and possibilities of war?" Such is the expression of a man I have just met, and who goes everywhere and sees everyone.

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Kuroki's and Kourapatkin's outlooks are in touch all along the line. Skirmishes mark the time of the movements of both armies is most interesting matter.

FIGHTING GOING ON AT LIAO YANG

General Stoessel Postponed Surrender for Spectacular Reasons.

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LONDON, June 3.—The Daily Mail's correspondent at Mukden, telegraphing under date of June 3, says that fighting occurred daily beyond Liao Yang, but that a decisive battle is not expected for some time. The Japanese plan of campaign is regarded at Mukden as having now been definitely disclosed. They occupy the Liao Tung peninsula in three divisions: Western Nagaike (Nakwanling) and Wafangtung with a line of communication by the coast to their position at Peng Wang Cheng.

END OF CITY IN SIGHT

Sensational Reports to