

LIVES LOST IN FLOODS

HEAVY STORMS IN PENNSYLVANIA, OHIO, VIRGINIA.

SEVERE MONETARY DAMAGE

Many Thousands of Dollars Damage Has Been Done in Those States Within the Past Twenty-four Hours by Terrific Rain Storms.

Pittsburg, July 18.—The loss of several lives and great monetary damage resulted from heavy rains throughout the western part of Pennsylvania, eastern Ohio and West Virginia during the past twenty-four hours.

Rivers and mountain streams are out of their banks. Much livestock has been drowned and bridges and buildings have been washed away.

Hundreds of families have been compelled to abandon their homes.

R. A. MALONY DEAD.

Madison Pioneer Business Man Succumbed Shortly Before Noon. Madison, Neb., July 18.—Special The News: R. A. Malony, a pioneer business man of Madison, died this morning at 10 o'clock of kidney trouble and a complication of diseases.

Mr. Malony came to Madison in 1886 and at once engaged in the hardware and abstract business with Thomas Malone under the firm name of Malone & Malony. Five years later he bought out Mr. Malone's interest and continued in active business in both lines until a year and a half ago, when he sold the hardware store and continued in abstract work. He is survived by three sons. Richard is in Iowa and Ned is out camping, but both will arrive tonight. Funeral arrangements have not yet been made.

Mr. Malony was a veteran of the civil war, a Mason of high standing and a member of the M. E. church. He was born in Canton, Ill., December 12, 1841, being sixty-six years of age.

Miss Ellen Sturdevant.

Atkinson, Neb., July 18.—Special to The News: Miss Ellen E. Sturdevant of this place was buried yesterday. The deceased leaves a brother, J. B. Sturdevant, an old time settler here, to mourn the loss. Miss Sturdevant was about seventy years of age, her brother being about a dozen years older. She had made her home with her brother since living in Atkinson for the past twenty years and was highly respected. Rev. Mr. Angell of this place conducted the services at the home here. Mrs. R. E. Chittick and son, Martin, were here from Stuart to attend the funeral. Mrs. Chittick being a niece of Miss Sturdevant. Mrs. C. Sturdevant of Stuart and B. E. Sturdevant of the O'Neill land of Rice were also here for the funeral.

WHO WILL GET THE WATCH?

There is Apt to Be Some Tall Voting Twixt Now and Saturday.

And who is to get the gold watch in The News piano contest Saturday night? Can you look at today's votes and guess the answer? Aye, there's the rub.

There are new votes in today's list of coupons, but there are no positions shifted. Three contestants have today received votes, but the only result lies in the advances thus made, no passing of one by another being recorded. But there are two days left for the casting of coupons before the gold watch will be given away to the girl leading the prize piano race at 9 o'clock Saturday night, and there's plenty of probability that between now and that hour there will be some tall transformations in the ballot game.

In answer to one inquiry received today, the contest editor wants to make it clear that no contestant will be permitted to transfer her votes to any other candidate. Votes cast for any one candidate can not be shifted.

And here's a word of advice from the "contest man." It's time to quit hunting for the free coupon votes and devote more time to the big game of new subscribers. Each contestant's friends are now saving their free coupons and mailing them within the week limit. Let these friends take care of the free votes on their own hook and go after bigger ballots. Devote energy to getting either new or advance subscriptions, there will be found many people just as willing to make it a couple of years as one year, and the additional votes will help some.

A few people insist on sending free coupons that have expired on account of the time limit. Free coupons must be cast within a week of the date printed upon them, or they are not counted.

- Miss Ella Goff, Pierce.....9961
- Miss Sylvia Robertson, Atkinson. 8356
- Miss Ethel Wilberger, Anoka.....6180
- Miss Martha Glaser, Stanton.....6048
- Miss Mary Lelf, Hoskins.....6021
- Miss Agnes Barnes, Battle Creek. 5896
- Miss Blanche Dorothy, Spencer. 5864
- Miss Mildred Williams, Meadow Grove.....4872
- Miss Josie Woodworth, Neligh.....3782
- Miss Blanche Bender, Fairfax.....3150
- Miss Laura Hoferer, Creighton.....3011
- Miss Ada Nelson, Newman Grove. 1950
- Miss Elizabeth Raychon, Valentine.....1000
- Miss Rose Herre, Alnsworth.....300

LIBERTY HAS A BAD BLAZE

Four Business Blocks Burn, Entailing Loss of Eleven Thousand Dollars.

Liberty, Neb., July 18.—Fire destroyed four business blocks here, entailing a loss of \$11,000, with \$3,000 insurance. The fire started in the rear of Bonis' restaurant, and after destroying this building, spread to adjoining buildings, consuming the hotel operated by Will Harman, the butcher shop of James Curry and the barber shop of Grelham & Oimstead.

FERGUSON IS SUSPENDED

PREACHER AT UNIVERSITY PLACE IS OUSTED.

CHARGED WITH MISCONDUCT

V. W. P. Ferguson of the Methodist Church at University Place, Neb., Has Lost His Robes Because of a Scandal in the Church.

Lincoln, Neb., July 18.—Special to The News: Rev. W. P. Ferguson, pastor of the M. E. church at University Place, was today suspended on a charge of misconduct. He was discharged by the church committee which held an investigation. He was charged with loving a woman in his congregation, but declared he could prove his innocence.

THE CATFISH CHAMPIONSHIP.

Jenkins of Neligh Protests Against Capt. McCloud's Methods.

Neligh, Neb., July 18.—Editor Norfolk News: On behalf of the Catfish club of north Nebraska in general and myself in particular I wish to enter a protest against the claim of Captain McCloud of Valentine to the belt as the champion catfish catcher of the district.

I do not wish to be understood as intimating that the fish reported to have been caught by the captain did not weigh fully the 102 pounds nor that the scales upon which the fish was weighed were not absolutely correct as I haven't the slightest doubt of either, but I do protest against the manner in which the fish was captured.

No sportsman would ever think of using a "clothes line" with a hook made by a "blacksmith," much less baiting the same with "liver," and were it not for the fact that the captain resorted to both of these questionable methods in capturing his fish I should have been only too glad to have proposed his name at the next session of our club as an honorary member.

Not only has the captain resorted to unfair methods but he has had a decided advantage over both the Verdigris gentleman and myself in that he had the good fortune to capture his fish last, and this has worked a very serious handicap to both of us.

The fish that was captured by the gentleman at Verdigris seems to have been caught in the regulation way and the one I had the pleasure of taking was caught with an 8-ounce bamboo rod, a quadruple multiplying reel, a No. 7 braided silk line and a No. 6 gut shelled hook baited with an ordinary sized bullhead, all of which comes within the rules as adopted by the Catfish club of the Elkhorn valley but in reporting this catch your reporter got his wires somewhat crossed in referring to the "grappling hooks," which were only used as a matter of convenience in raising the fish from the water to the bank.

I trust that Captain McCloud will not, under the circumstances, insist on claiming the championship for if he does the Catfish club of Neligh will be compelled to refer the matter to C. E. Burnham and Burt Mapes of Norfolk, who are both past grand masters of the fraternity, and whose decision must be taken as final.

Yours for a "square deal,"
J. C. Jenkins.

IRISH LEAGUE OF AMERICA MEETS

National Committee Makes Plea for Support of Ireland's Cause.

New York, July 18.—The national committee of the United Irish League of America met here and issued an address to Ireland's friends in America, calling on them to rally to the support of the Irish people because of the new conditions created by the rejection of the Irish council bill. National President Michael J. Ryan of Philadelphia presided and twenty-six states were represented. T. B. Fitzpatrick of Boston, national treasurer, in his report, stated that \$52,000 had been raised and sent to Ireland since the last convention in Philadelphia last October.

No Active Fight by Allison.

Dubuque, July 18.—Senator Allison issued a denial to the published reports from Des Moines that he plans to make a speaking campaign for reelection to the senate. He also denies that he and Governor Cummins are political enemies.

Waters Claim Two Victims.

Waterloo, Ia., July 18.—The body of Frank T. Watkins, aged forty-three years, was found in Cedar river. He had been drowned by accident. Roy Habenicht was drowned when he went beyond his depth while wading. He was unable to swim.

ASK EMPEROR TO ABDICATE

KOREAN CABINET URGES RULER TO LEAVE HIS THRONE.

MUST APOLOGIZE TO JAPAN

His Action in Sending Deputation to The Hague Has Aroused the Nation. Orders Palace Guards to Shoot Any Suspicious Persons.

Seoul, Korea, July 18.—Placards have been posted publicly today calling for the death of all Japanese officials in Seoul.

The Japanese ministers here are being strongly guarded.

Seoul, July 18.—The cabinet ministers have resigned. The emperor is very angry at the ministers on account of their having advised him to abdicate.

Seoul, July 18.—Following a cabinet meeting, which lasted four hours, the premier had an audience with the emperor, continuing for three hours. The premier made a strongly worded representation of the gravity of the situation caused by his majesty's sending a deputation to the peace conference at The Hague. He boldly pointed out the necessity for the emperor's abdication in favor of the crown prince, and of his proceeding to Tokio and apologizing to the emperor of Japan. The Korean emperor made no definite reply.

The emperor of Korea has sent for Marquis Ito and it is likely that he will receive the marquis in audience this afternoon. It is believed that a final decision on the request for the emperor's abdication will be arrived at this evening, when the ministers appear in a body before his majesty. A rumor that the emperor has privately ordered the palace guards, 100 strong, to shoot any suspicious persons, is causing dismay to those not concerned in the plot.

HOU BEFORE BAR FOR MURDER

Mother-in-Law's Heart With Bullet Hole Through It in Bottle on Table.

Karlsruhe, Germany, July 18.—The trial of Karl Hau, charged with the murder of his mother-in-law, Frau Molitor, in Baden-Baden, on Nov. 6, 1906, began in this city.

Hau was at one time professor of Roman law in George Washington university, Washington, D. C. He practiced law in Washington up to the time of his going abroad with his family about a year ago. After the alleged murder he fled to London, where he was taken into custody. Later he was returned to Germany, and, as many people claimed he was insane, the question of his mental condition was thoroughly investigated, with the result that he was formally declared to be in his right mind.

Mrs. Hau committed suicide by drowning in June of this year, leaving a farewell letter in which she said she could no longer bear the sorrow of living apart from her husband.

While Hau chatted cheerfully with his counsel, the newspaper men present crowded around the green table fronting the judge's bench to inspect the gruesome exhibit of Frau Molitor's heart in a glass vessel filled with alcohol. There is a gaping wound in the center.

MAKES STARTLING DESCENT

When Parachute Fails to Work Aeronaut Jabs Holes in Balloon.

New York, July 18.—Members of an employes' benefit association, who engaged Balloonist W. A. Meeker to make an ascent and parachute drop at a Harlem river picnic, got more than their money's worth. Meeker not only went up 2,000 feet, but when his parachute attachment failed to work he jabbed holes in the hot air bag and made a descent that startled the spectators. Missing a ducking by good luck, the balloonist made a flying jump and landed himself on the Willis avenue bridge, practically unharmed. Relieved of his weight, the half empty bag rose to the house tops and skimmed along for a mile in the Bronx, while crowds chased the drag ropes. Once the balloon settled enough to knock down a woman and cut a gash in the head of a boy. On West One Hundred and Thirty-fourth street it was captured by police reserves, who took it to the station house in a patrol wagon.

CRUSE SLIGHTLY IMPROVED

Two Others of Those Most Seriously Injured in Critical Condition.

Boston, July 18.—Three of the twelve survivors of the accident on board the battleship Georgia on Monday, from which nine deaths have resulted, are lying in an extremely critical condition in the United States naval hospital at Chelsea, where they were taken after the accident. The condition of one of the three, Louis O. Meese, a seaman, who enlisted at Beres, O., was so dangerous that the physicians at the hospital said that they believed he could not live more than twenty-four hours. The other two who were the most seriously injured are Midshipman James T. Cruse of Omaha, who, however, has shown a slight improvement, and James P. Thomas of Brooklyn, whose condition was reported as being without change.

SUICIDE WILL BE DEFENSE.

F. H. Magill Will Be Taken at Once from San Diego to Clinton, Ill.

San Diego, Cal., July 18.—Sheriff Campbell of Dewitt county, Illinois, is expected to arrive today to take Fred H. Magill and his present wife Fay Graham Magill, back to Clinton, Ill., to answer for the alleged killing of Magill's former wife. The defense will be that the woman committed suicide.

T. P. A. Elects Officers.

Detroit, July 18.—The National Travelling Men's Protective association elected the following officers: President, Louis La Beaume of St. Louis; vice president, L. C. Deets of Des Moines; secretary-treasurer, A. L. Sheets of Omaha. The 1908 convention will be held at Lake Placid, N. Y.

MOSQUITOES HOLD UP TRAIN

Millions of Pest Swarm into Coaches Near Badgley, Ia.

Badgley, Ia., July 18.—A swarm of mosquitoes, millions in number, literally stalled a Minneapolis and St. Louis railroad train here. For two hours the heavily loaded train was tied up by its fight with the pests and the 120 passengers were almost crazed before they escaped.

The attack was made just as the train started to pull out of town. Because of the hot weather the windows in the passenger coaches had been left open and the mosquitoes, driven from the marshes by the rain, swarmed into the cars, attacking the passengers. For awhile the passengers attempted to fight the pests with handkerchiefs and hands, but as they increased in number and ferocity, the conductor was finally appealed to and stopped the train.

For two hours the train was stalled, while the passengers, driven from the coaches, built fires along the right of way, making a dense smudge, which afforded them a little relief. The smudge was then carried into the coaches and the mosquitoes finally driven out. Many of the passengers had hands and faces almost eaten raw by the attacks.

GIRLS HURL BEER INTO RIVER

Teachers and Coeds Break 2,200 Bottles of Seized Liquor on Pier.

Adel, Ia., July 18.—Seizing 2,200 bottles of beer that Sheriff George Ross of Dallas county had confiscated July 4, seven coeds and school teachers attending a summer school here took the stuff to the Raccoon river and smashed the entire number to bits on piers in the river. Miss Ethel Kent and Miss Ella Fagen, graduates of the Cedar Falls normal school, were visiting Miss Ruth Ross, daughter of the sheriff. Hearing of the seizure, they invaded a justice court, where the liquor was stored, and loaded it on wagons. They enlisted in the cause Misses Myrtle Egan, Estelle Meadows, Crystal Fowler and Muriel Helm. With Mayor Rea Thornton as master of ceremonies they proceeded to the river shore.

SAYS STRIKE WILL CONTINUE

Talk About Extending Controversy is Misleading, Declares Small.

Oakland, Cal., July 18.—"The strike in San Francisco and Oakland will continue," said President Small of the Commercial Telegraphers' union. "There are not enough telegraphers to fill the positions and there is no worry about strike breakers. The talk about calling another strike is misleading. The telegraphers everywhere desire an adjustment of the difficulties once for all and they want it soon. We have come to a place where we must assert our rights and I predict a change in the telegraphic world in the near future, one that will augur well for the future prosperity of those engaged in the service, the stockholders of the two companies, and improved service to the people."

Glidden Tourists at Columbus.

Columbus, O., July 18.—Fifty-eight of the seventy-four Glidden tourists, who started from Cleveland last Wednesday, arrived in Columbus and were checked up at the Hartman hotel. There was but one accident reported. William Herbert, a farmer, was holding a team of horses at Enon while an automobile was passing, when his horses became unmanageable and he was thrown against a machine and his collarbone broken.

Falls 150 Feet to End Life.

Chicago, July 18.—While talking to friends in an office on the fifth floor of the Masonic temple, Miss Anna Normoyle, a stenographer, walked to an open window and, without a word of warning, threw herself over the ledge and was dashed to death on the stone pavement of the rotunda, 150 feet below. The force of the fall was so great that the body of the girl was mutilated beyond recognition.

Admiral John Pearse McLearn, retired, of the British navy, dropped dead on the veranda of the Clifton hotel, Niagara Falls. Death was caused by heart failure, induced by excessive heat.

Judge Hunt in the United States court at Helena, Mont., rendered a decision of far-reaching importance to telephone users, holding that one company could not withhold the use of its lines from another, even though it be competing.

FORTY BANDS IN PARADE

FIFTEEN HUNDRED ELKS PLAY UNDER ONE LEADER.

DRILLS BY MARCHING CLUBS

Official Announcement of Vote for Officers in Grand Lodge—Establish Flag Day for Elks on June 14—To Prosecute Negro Elks of Memphis.

Philadelphia, July 18.—The complete and official returns of the election in the grand lodge of Elks in this city were announced as follows: Grand exalted ruler, John K. Tener of Chatteroi, Pa.; grand treasurer, Edward Leech of New York; grand esteemed loyal knight, W. T. Leickie of Dowagiac, Mich.; grand esteemed lecturing knight, Bayard Gray of Frankfort, Ind.; grand esteemed leading knight, John D. Shea of Hartford, Conn.; grand secretary, Fred C. Robinson of Dubuque, Ia.; grand trustees, Thomas B. Mills of Superior, Wis.; Thomas F. McNulty of Baltimore and Mayor Charles C. Schmidt of Wheeling, W. Va.; grand tiler, James Foley, and grand inner guard, F. M. Taylor.

During the sessions of the grand lodge it was decided to establish a flag day for Elks on June 14. A resolution was adopted calling for the appointment of a committee to devise ways and means to prosecute outside users of the Elks' emblems.

The Memphis lodge was authorized to prosecute the negro Elks of that city. In this connection a resolution was passed reprimanding the Newark (N. J.) lodge for electing a man said to be a negro. A further measure instructs the grand ruler to order the Newark lodge to investigate the man's antecedents and if he found that he is of negro extraction to expunge his name from the rolls.

The spectacular features of the day's events were the massed band parade, in which the visiting musical organizations played under one leader as they marched through the court of honor, and the competitive drills by marching clubs of different organizations. Forty bands, with 1,500 men, were in line.

ELK IS HAVING FUN.

Rides into City Hall at Philadelphia On a Burro.

Philadelphia, Pa., July 18.—The city knew that the Elks were in town early this morning. The city hall officials learned of the invasion officially later in the day when clad in sombrero and Navajo blanket, and astride a diminutive burro, William L. Pitt, an Elk from El Paso, Tex., rode into the city hall. He wanted to go to the second floor in the elevator, but as the burro could not be accommodated, the Texan astonished the multitude by riding up the stairway and into the lavishly decorated office of the mayor.

Mayor Reyburn was attending a meeting of the rapid transit board and could not be seen.

"Gid-dap," said the Elk to the burro. "We'll see Mr. Clay."

Followed by a crowd, the Texan rode into the office of the director of public safety, where he was warmly welcomed.

"I'm William L. Pitt, and I hail from El Paso. I've ridden this elk all the way from home, and I've been on my way four months and thirteen days. I haven't had a drink for two years."

Director Clay presented Pitt with the city's official badge and told him that the badge meant immunity from arrest. Then Pitt drove his long eared "Elk" into Supt. Taylor's office to test the efficacy of the badge and found that it worked. Satisfied, he rode down the east staircase and started for Magistrate Gallagher's office. There the badge was ignored and a constable pounced upon him. It was demanded of the magistrate that a life sentence be imposed.

"He's a brother Elk," murmured the magistrate, after making some mysterious passes. "I refuse to sentence him."

"Then I will," roared Judge John Foy, who was present and who hates to see a miscarriage of justice; "I will," and, mounting the bench, he said:

"I hereby sentence you to buy drinks for the crowd."

Pitt rode out of the office followed by the judge, jury and attorneys, into a nearby wet goods exchange, and paid his fine.

There were more Elks on asses in the parade today, for the Pueblo lodge brought with them 150 burros, each wearing a pair of imitation antlers. The little animals arrived by special train and were ridden by their owners. They will be auctioned off, the proceeds to go to charity.

BASEBALL RESULTS

American League—St. Louis, 4; Boston, 3; Chicago, 5-1; New York, 4-5; Detroit, 2; Washington, 13; Cleveland, 1; Philadelphia, 5.

National League—Brooklyn, 2-4; St. Louis, 1-0; Boston, 2; Chicago, 3; New York, 0; Pittsburg, 2; Philadelphia, 1; Cincinnati, 7.

American Association—Kansas City, 3; Louisville, 1; Milwaukee, 2; Toledo, 6; Minneapolis, 1; Columbus, 2; St. Paul, 4; Indianapolis, 2.

Western League—Omaha, 5; Pueblo, 1; Sioux City, 7; Des Moines, 3; Lincoln, 1; Denver, 2.

THE CONDITION OF THE WEATHER

Temperature for Twenty-four Hours.

Forecast for Nebraska. Conditions of the weather as recorded for the twenty-four hours ending at 8 a. m. today: Barometer.....29.70 Rainfall.....1.92 Chicago, July 18.—The bulletin issued by the Chicago station of the United States weather bureau gives the forecast for Nebraska as follows: Fair tonight and Friday.

LOOK OVER TRIPP COUNTY

PEOPLE ARE ALREADY INVESTIGATING THE COUNTRY.

TOWN OF LAMRO FLOURISHING

First Newspaper in Tripp County Starts Today—Bank Will Be Running by September 1—All Eyes Are on the Coming Gigantic Land Lottery.

Lamro, S. D., July 18.—Special to The News: Lamro is flourishing. H. J. Hollekson has his hardware store open, the first newspaper, the Tripp County Index, appeared for the first time this week. Editor W. H. Bridgeman having moved his plant here and issued the first number today. The new hotel opened up this week to the public and it is expected that a general store will start the latter part of this week or the first part of next week. The drug store stock is here and will be placed on the shelf soon.

Not a day goes by but that a number of people arrive to look over this town and Tripp county. All expect to take some part in the big land lottery which will be held probably next spring.

H. P. Slaughter says that he will have his bank running in Lamro by September 1.

ITALIAN MURDER TRIAL

Prosecution Closes Case Without Casting Death Plot About Woman.

Hannville, La., July 18.—That Mrs. Campiciano, one of the women accused of the murder of little Walter Lamana, the kidnaped New Orleans boy, will probably not receive an extreme sentence became evident when the prosecution closed its case, after less than two days of evidence-taking, without having directly connected the woman with the crime. Of the other three prisoners, the woman's husband and Genusca, go-between for the ransom money, have had strong circumstantial evidence given against them. Of the remaining prisoner, Tony Costa, it has only been testified that he kidnaped the child in New Orleans and gave his wagon to the gang which carried the little fellow away and later strangled him.

BROOKLYN MAN FOUND DEAD

Body of W. D. Wines Located After Demand for Ransom Was Made.

New York, July 18.—The body of William D. Wines, a retired merchant of Brooklyn, was found by searching parties in the woods at Mt. Kisco, after his son had received a letter demanding a ransom of \$3,000. Mr. Wines, who was eighty years old, disappeared June 28 from the home of his son-in-law in Mt. Kisco. Last Saturday his son in Brooklyn received a letter decorated with skull and crossbones, declaring that Mr. Wines would be sent home if \$3,000 was placed in a pillar of the elevated railroad at an indicated point in Brooklyn. A decoy letter was placed there, but no one came for it.

CHAUFFEURS MOST CARELESS

Statistics Show They Are at Fault in Many Accidents.

Boston, July 18.—Nine pedestrians have lost their lives and thirty-four have been injured as a result of automobile accidents in Massachusetts within the last twenty-six days, according to statistics compiled by the Safe Roads' Automobile association. During the twenty-six days there have been ninety-two collisions in which automobiles have figured. The investigations conducted by the association show that out of sixteen cases looked into, the operator was to blame in thirteen. Convinced that radical measures must be adopted if these accidents are to be stopped, the association has offered rewards for conviction of operators who do not leave their names after an accident.

TELEGRAMS TERSELY TOLD

Ten more fatalities, due to the intense humidity and oppressive heat wave, occurred at Pittsburg.

During the past few weeks 100 deserters have been listed and advertised from the battleship Minnesota, one of the warships in Hampton Roads.

A section of seats gave way at a show in the circus grounds at Cleveland, precipitating 100 people to the ground. No one was killed, but twenty persons were injured.

Kisses Wife and Cuts Her Throat. Fort Smith, Ark., July 18.—At their home A. O. Gholston, a well known educator, kissed his wife and then cut her throat, killing her instantly. The cause of the murder was jealousy. Gholston was arrested.