

TORNADO KILLS 9

Storm Does Damage in Kansas, Missouri and Oklahoma.

FIFTY-FIVE PERSONS INJURED.

Three Slain and Ten Hurt When Town of Hollis, Kan., Is Swept Away. Twister Near Great Bend Kills Two and Injures Score—Worktrain Is Blown Into Ditch—Washouts Demoralize Traffic.

Kansas City, May 15.—A series of tornadoes in Kansas, Missouri and Oklahoma killed at least nine, injured fifty-five, laid waste one town and did great damage to property. Twenty-five were injured by a storm which swept over Mt. Washington and Fairmount Park, suburbs of Kansas City. At least two of these are thought to be fatally injured and others seriously. The town of Hollis, Kan., was swept away. Three people were killed and ten injured. The dead, Fred Jordan, John Cyre, George Eckert.

The Eckert family, consisting of five persons, is missing. Their house is laid in ruins and it is supposed that they are dead. Near Great Bend a tornado killed two and injured twenty. William Ackery, a Santa Fe engineer, and Frank Nicholson, a conductor, were killed while with a bridge gang between Great Bend and Kingsley. The tornado wrecked the worktrain on which Ackery was engineer and blew it into a ditch. Several members of the crew were blown 100 feet. The piledriver toppled over, crushing Ackery to death in his cab, where he remained with his hand upon the throttle.

At Holsington, a tornado injured a number and greatly damaged farm property. At Pryor Creek, Okla., a storm severely injured four persons and did considerable damage. Many washouts demoralized railroad traffic.

WIDOW KILLS HER ANNOYER

Gives Herself Up and Body Is Found in Yard at Her Home.

Lyons, Kan., May 15.—Mrs. Myrtle Brewer, a widow, the daughter of wealthy parents at Little River, a small town near here, is in jail here, having confessed to killing Frederick Arn, a bridge carpenter. The case is a strange one.

Mrs. Brewer visited the marshal's office at Little River and said she had killed a man and asked to be locked up. Officers who investigated found the body of Arn in the yard of Mrs. Brewer's home. He had been shot through the heart and the bullet evidently had been fired from a window in Mrs. Brewer's house. The woman refused to offer any explanation except to assert that Arn had annoyed her and that she was justified in killing him. She had borrowed a revolver from a friend the day before. The community is greatly excited over the shooting and Mrs. Brewer was brought here and placed in jail.

AFTER FOOD FACTORIES

Campaign Under Way for Government Inspection.

Washington, May 15.—At its next annual meeting the association of state and national food and dairy departments will take steps to have introduced in congress a bill for government supervision of factories in which foods are manufactured for interstate commerce. The bill will be modeled after the meat inspection law. This organization was instrumental in getting the pure food and drugs act and the meat inspection law passed and it is not satisfied with the ruling of Secretary Wilson, and the secretaries of the treasury and commerce and labor allowing the use of benzene of soda in the preservation of food products. The association will look into the condition of canning and food factories, and especially will endeavor to find out whether benzene of soda is used to disguise the use of decayed and poor fruits and vegetables.

HEARS HIS FUNERAL SERMON

Dying Indiana Man Summons Minister and Neighbors.

Gas City, Ind., May 15.—On his deathbed Elias B. Burns, eighty-eight years old, heard his funeral sermon preached.

After having been advised by his physician that he could live only a few hours more, Mr. Burns summoned his minister, the Rev. Henry Schwan, and forty of his friends and neighbors and asked them to give him the satisfaction of attending his own funeral service in his bed room. Hymns were sung and Mr. Schwan preached a sermon.

DROWNINGS OF A DAY

Lure of Water on Warm Day Costs Three Lives.

New York, May 14.—Three men, answering the lure of the water on a warm day, lost their lives by drowning about New York city. Abram Rivera, a student and a member of a wealthy family of Guatemala, Central America, was drowned at West New Brighton while trying to swim a pond there.

The other victims were unknown men, who were drowned in the Hudson river when a small boat in which they were rowing was upset by the wash of a steamer.

HORN CASE READY FOR JURY

Closing Arguments Are Made in Trial of Mine Promoters.

Kansas City, May 15.—Closing arguments in the case of the government against the three Horn brothers, S. H. Snider and Raymond P. May, charged with illegal use of the mails in exploiting the "Two Queens" mine in Arizona, were concluded today. Leslie J. Lyons, assistant United States district attorney, argued for the prosecution. He charged that the defendants paid \$6,000 for a half interest in a mine, which they capitalized at \$10,000,000.

"E. S. Horn is the brains of the whole proposition. He was the high priest of this crowd of promoters," declared Mr. Lyons.

Attorney J. S. Bottsford, who argued for the defense, said it was one of the infirmities of the human race to exaggerate what one has to sell and that persons who bought mining stock understood that they were paying for a chance—nothing more.

SAYS HE IS NOT JOHN ORTH

Chicago Austrian Consul Has Interview With Supposed Duke.

Chicago, May 15.—Johann Salvator, alleged "lost duke of Austria," who disappeared from Painesville, O., following publication of his claim to noble birth, reappeared in Chicago. He was taken before the Austrian consul, Otto Graf, with whom he had a brief interview. Following the interview the consul said: "I don't believe he is the lost archduke."

"What are you going to do about his case?" he was asked.

"Nothing. He is going back to his job in the machine shops at Painesville."

TAFT IS GIVEN GOLDEN KEY

Telegraph Instrument for Opening the Seattle Exposition.

Washington, May 15.—President Taft is to open the Yukon-Alaska exposition at Seattle June 1 with the splendid gold telegraphic key presented to him by Secretary Ballinger and the delegation from Washington. The key is mounted on Alaska marble and is ornamented with twenty-two handsome gold nuggets from Alaska. The key will be connected with the White House telegraph wires and the president will touch it on the day of opening, thereby setting in motion the machinery of the exposition.

Dismisses Fraud Suits.

Cheyenne, Wyo., May 15.—Judge Riner in the federal court dismissed the charges of fraud brought by special agents of the government against the Diamond Coal and Coke company. The suits were brought to compel the company to restore to the government several hundred acres of coal land in Uinta county alleged to have been obtained by fraud.

McCall and Warner Go Free.

Little Rock, May 15.—Judge Triebner of the federal court dismissed the cases against Montgomery McCall, alias F. M. Clark, and Isadore J. Warner, alleged leading men associated with J. C. Maybray in the celebrated "Mike" swindle syndicate, who were charged with shipping matter forbidden by law through the express.

Charged With Father's Murder.

St. Paul, May 15.—Louise Arbogast, the nineteen-year-old daughter of the late Louis Arbogast, the wealthy butcher who was killed in his home last week, is in the Ramsey county jail under commitment from the police court. She is formally charged with murder. It is believed the girl was insane.

Plea for Bail for Morse.

New York, May 15.—Counsel for Charles W. Morse, the former banker, asked that Morse be admitted to bail pending his hearing, which was set for June 1. A score of New York financiers and business men offered to put up \$5,000 bail each. The decision was reserved.

More Turks Hanged.

Constantinople, May 15.—Five more men were hanged in front of the buildings of parliament. They had been found guilty by court-martial of complicity in the murder of their officers in the revolutionary outbreak of April 13.

170 Mules Die in Fire.

Kansas City, May 15.—One hundred and seventy mules were burned to death in a fire at the Kansas City stock yards. Seven stables were destroyed, the total loss approaching \$50,000.

Big Fire at Fort Smith.

Fort Smith, Ark., May 15.—Fire here destroyed the Fort Smith compress and its contents of 5,000 bales of cotton. The loss is estimated at \$300,000 and is covered by insurance.

Father and Son Slain.

Richmond, Ind., May 15.—Ech Meek and his son, Raymond, a few miles west of here, were killed by Joseph Rallsback. Rallsback was wounded in the leg. Rallsback used a shotgun.

Body of Missing Boy Found.

Newark, O., May 15.—The body of John Altmeyer, six years of age, who was thought to have been kidnapped, was found in the river.

British Steamer Sinks.

Cherbourg, May 15.—The British steamer Carn Marth ran on the Auderville rocks and sank. All on board were saved.

George Meredith Is Dead.

London, 15.—George Meredith, the English novelist, died this morning.

PRISON FOR HAINS

Sentence of From Eight to Fifteen Years.

HAS NO STATEMENT TO MAKE.

Slayer of William E. Annis, Apparently Unable to Realize What It All Meant, Has Nothing to Say to the Court—Army Captain Is but a Ghost of His Former Self—Will Be Taken to Sing Sing.

Flushing, L. I., May 15.—Standing apparently the most unconcerned man in the court room, seeming by his apathetic attitude hardly to realize what it all meant, and after listening to one of the most scathing arraignments of the so called unwritten law ever heard in a court of justice, Captain Peter C. Hains, U. S. A., heard himself condemned to hard labor in Sing Sing prison for a term of not less than eight years nor more than sixteen years for the killing of William E. Annis on the floor of the Bay-side Yacht club last August.

The former dapper army officer, a ghost of his former self, and seemingly troubled and weighed down by his own personal sorrows, made no demonstration at any time, and as soon as sentence had been pronounced sank heavily into a chair.

MRS. TAFT BREAKS DOWN

Nerves Give Way and She Is Hurriedly Attended.

Washington, May 15.—Mrs. Taft, suffering from a slight nervous breakdown, was taken ill while on her way from this city to Mount Vernon on the yacht Sylph with a party of friends and was hurried back to the White House. It was said at the White House that there is no cause for alarm and that Mrs. Taft probably will be all right again in a few days. She was unable to be present at an official dinner at the White House.



MRS. W. H. TAFT.

President Taft himself prepared the following statement in regard to Mrs. Taft's condition:

"Mrs. Taft is suffering from a slight nervous attack. She attended the ear and throat specialist this morning, where Charlie Taft underwent a slight operation on his throat. She was with him for several hours. She then started with the president and a small party of friends on the Sylph for Mount Vernon. The excitement, heat and exertion were too much for Mrs. Taft's nerves and the party was obliged to turn back before reaching Alexandria. Mrs. Taft was quickly carried to the White House. The doctor says that after a few days of complete rest Mrs. Taft may be able to resume her social duties. Dr. Delaney is in attendance. Mrs. Moore, Mrs. Taft's sister, acted as hostess at the official dinner at the White House."

PET NAMES FOR OHIOAN

Southern Editors Score Congressman Hollingsworth.

Washington, May 15.—Action by Speaker Cannon perhaps prevented the reopening of the wounds of the civil war. Hollingsworth (O.) rose on a question of personal privilege affecting his resolution objecting to the placing of the portrait of Jefferson Davis on the silver service to be presented to the battleship Mississippi on account of editorials printed in southern newspapers, hurrying all sorts of epithets at him. The editorials were read. The speaker declared that as the editorials did not attack Hollingsworth he could not continue. The result of Hollingsworth's attempt was to get into the Congressional Record a number of uncomplimentary remarks about himself and with nothing to offset. As the editorials were read the house was convulsed with laughter. Some of the characterizations were: "Perhaps one of Sherman's bums who robbed defenseless men and women;" "contemptible little whelp;" "a political nonentity from Ohio;" "a pale-faced luminary;" "a pusillanimous pig-wig from Ohio."

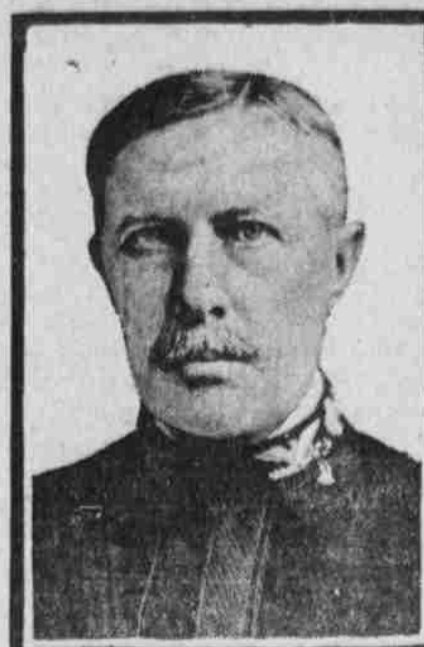
Senate Discusses Income Tax.

Washington, May 15.—A comprehensive discussion of the income tax by senators and an extended speech by Senator Depew in support of the pending tariff bill consumed most of the session of the senate. Before adjournment a couple of hours were devoted to a discussion of the cutlery schedule of the tariff bill.

NEW FLEET COMMANDER.

Rear Admiral Seaton Schroeder and His Fine Naval Record.

It was a proud day for Rear Admiral Seaton Schroeder when he hoisted up his flag on the battleship Connecticut and thereby assumed command of the reorganized Atlantic fleet. Admiral Schroeder had command of one of the



REAR ADMIRAL SEATON SCHROEDER.

divisions of the fleet in the cruise around the world, and his record won him promotion to succeed Admiral Sperry as head of the great force of fighting machines when the latter officer was relieved of his command upon the return home. The reorganization of the fleet includes many important changes, among them the detachment of Captain Hugo Osterhaus from command of the Connecticut to the command of the second division of the fleet, with the Minnesota as his flagship.

Admiral Schroeder has a long and honorable record in the navy. He was appointed to it from South Carolina on Sept. 27, 1864, as a midshipman and was made ensign on April 19, 1869. On July 12, 1870, he was promoted to the rank of master. His next advancement was to a lieutenantancy, which he received on Oct. 29, 1872. He was made lieutenant commander on Sept. 27, 1893, and held the commission during the Spanish-American war. He was executive officer of the battleship Massachusetts, lying at Dry Tortugas, when the Maine was blown up in Havana harbor and was appointed one of the court of inquiry to investigate the disaster.

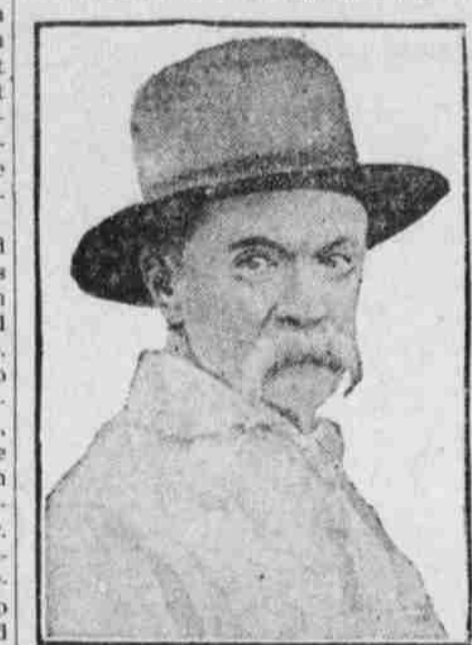
He took part in the capture and sinking of Admiral Cervera's fleet when the Spanish admiral attempted to escape from the harbor of Santiago, and for his part in this action the administration advanced him three numbers on Aug. 10, 1898. On March 3, 1899, he was promoted to the rank of commander and for several years succeeding 1900 did important service as governor of the island of Guam, in the Pacific ocean.

WESTON AND WALKING.

Famous Pedestrian, Hale and Husky at Seventy, Off For San Francisco.

Edward Payson Weston at three-score and ten is a wonderfully hale and husky old gentleman and a living demonstration of his claim that walking is the best possible preventive of premature old age, for at the age which the Scriptures fix as the ordinary limit of the life of man he is starting out to walk across the continent, a tramp of nearly 5,000 miles, and is confident of arriving in San Francisco on schedule time, or on July 8, if not a little before. He chose his seventieth birthday, March 15, as an appropriate time for beginning his journey. Remembering how faithfully Mr. Weston fulfilled his promises when he walked from Portland, Me., to Chicago a little more than a year ago, the public looks to Mr. Weston to make good this time. His last long walk was a repetition of a performance he had made forty years before, and many doubted whether he could do the same thing again. He not only repeated the performance, but lowered his record by walking the 1,288 miles between the Maine city and Chicago in 24 days and 19 hours, nearly twenty-eight hours less time than it took him as a young man of twenty-nine.

Mr. Weston is a native of Providence, R. I., and as a boy he was not particularly strong, but exercise, and especially walking, so improved his health that he has lived to enjoy a green old age and feels good for many more walks. His first long walk was from Boston to Washington to witness



EDWARD PAYSON WESTON.

the inauguration of Abraham Lincoln. He was twenty-two then, and he covered the 453 miles in 208 hours. It was his Portland-Chicago walk which won him international fame, and in 1876 he went to England and did pedestrian feats that attracted the enthusiastic admiration of thousands of spectators. In 1879 he won the famous Astley championship belt.

Weston believes that American youth do altogether too little walking and hopes by his example to show how much it might improve their health.

Governor to Missionary.

The Unusual Course Taken by Former Executive of North Carolina.

Robert B. Glenn, who retired a few weeks ago as governor of North Carolina, has taken up mission work as his



ROBERT B. GLENN.

future profession and is now engaged by the executive committee on home missions of the Southern Presbyterian church as its special representative.

The historic remark of the governor of North Carolina to the governor of South Carolina, "It's a long time between drinks," is recalled when the executive of the Tar Heel State is spoken of, and it does not seem quite appropriate that he should be a man noted for his religious proclivities. But former Governor Glenn is a Presbyterian elder and a temperance man, and it was under his leadership that North Carolina enacted its state prohibition law. The governor of South Carolina during Mr. Glenn's service as executive of North Carolina was also a temperance man, so that neither exactly corresponded to popular ideas of what a governor in the Carolinas should be.

Governor Glenn became famous about a year ago because of his controversy with a federal judge over the enforcement of railway rate laws within the state and his championship of state rights. On this account he was even talked of for a time as a possible nominee for the presidency on the Democratic ticket.

Trees and Public Health.

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