

3 NEGROES LYNCHED

TAKEN FROM SPRINGFIELD JAIL AND HANGED AND BURNED.

Two Hundred Deputies Also on Guard in Missouri City—Both Whites and Negroes Are Armed and Latter Will Resist Eviction.

Springfield, Mo., April 16.—At 2:15 p. m. William Allen, a young negro, was taken from the county jail here and lynched in the public square by the same mob that two hours earlier had hanged Horace Duncan and James Copeland. The body of Allen later was burned to ashes, as had been those of the other negroes, beneath the spot where they had been lynched.

Following the dispatch of Duncan and Copeland some one suggested that Allen and Bus Cain, two other negroes known to be in the jail, should also be lynched. The mob, now blood-thirsty and wrought up to the highest pitch of excitement, readily took up the cry, and soon the charred body of a third victim lay beneath the statue of the Goddess of Liberty. Cain escaped.

Allen and Cain were being held upon suspicion of having murdered O. P. Ruark, while Duncan and Copeland were accused of assaulting Mabel Edmondson, a white domestic.

Their work finally accomplished, the mob quietly dispersed. But during the day crowds, augmented by hundreds of persons from surrounding towns, filled the streets, making threats of further vengeance, and several companies of state militia, ordered out by Governor Folk, together with 200 deputy sheriffs, patrol the streets.

Fourteen Prisoners Escape.

When the mob left the jail at midnight with Copeland and Duncan fourteen prisoners escaped in the excitement. Among them was Cain. But Allen was there yet and the second mob found him hiding under a cot. He was dragged out, his hands were tied behind his back, a rope was put around his neck and he was marched down the street to the tower in the square. The negro stood directly above the smouldering ash heap, from which the smell of burning flesh rose. The hangman caught the negro by the ankles, lifted him and threw him forward over the railing. Allen turned a somersault in the air and as the rope became taut his neck cracked like a pistol shot. The rope broke and he fell in the bed of coals on top of the other two negroes. There he kicked and floundered around until another rope was brought, three jumped around the neck and he was again suspended in mid air.

More boxes were brought, another big fire was kindled and soon the swaying figure, now dead, fell into it, sending up an arrowy spray of live sparks. After that most of the men went home, but some men and boys stayed by the tower all night and fed the fire. When daylight broke upon the scene there remained only the blackened trunks and charred remains of the negroes.

Five thousand persons saw the trio hanged and burned. Among the crowd of spectators were hundreds of women and children, girls and boys. In a hall overlooking the plaza a dance was in progress. Its music stopped, while the dancers crowded to the windows and watched the writhing black bodies and the flames that finally consumed them.

Governor Folk Offers Reward.

In addition to sending soldiers here to guard against a further violation of the law, Governor Folk took quick action to prosecute the leaders of the mob. He authorized the offering of a reward of \$300 each for the arrest and conviction of members of the mob. This is the limit allowed by law. In addition, he instructed Rush Lake, assistant attorney general, to proceed here at once and aid the grand jury of Greene county in ferreting out and prosecuting the prime movers in Saturday night's work.

Negroes who dared to appear on the streets were greeted with hoots and jeers, and on several occasions crowds of men and boys collected to attack them. Both the negroes and whites are armed and the negroes would not likely be driven out of the city without a struggle.

It is expected that the grand jury will indict at least fifty, and perhaps 100 men. Not a man in the mob wore a mask or made any attempt at concealment. The names of the leaders roped through the streets, and who lynched them afterward, are well known here.

Another Negro Slain at Springfield.

Springfield, Mo., April 17.—Leslie Peters, sixteen years of age, shot and killed Ralph Burns, a negro of bad reputation, one of two who attacked him in this city last night while he was escorting a young lady home from a party. The negroes accosted him at the gate of the young lady's home and one of the negroes fired two shots from a revolver at him, but neither shot took effect. Peters immediately fired four shots at the negroes, killing one of them, and the other escaped. Peters went to the station and gave himself up, but he was released without bond. The news of the killing of another negro spread like wildfire throughout the city and hundreds of people left their beds and hastened to the public square. The militia on guard there prevented any violent outbreak, and after a time dispersed the crowds and no further trouble is feared.

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ROOSEVELT RAPS MUCK RAKERS

Declares a Fool is Well Nigh as Dangerous as a Dishonest Man.

Washington, April 16.—President Roosevelt made his expected attack on the "man with the muck rake" in his address at the laying of the cornerstone of the new congressional office building. The president's speech was aimed at the great mass of indiscriminate abuse of public men, of corporations, and men of wealth by irresponsible magazine writers, who, seeing some things that are bad, jump to the conclusion that everything is bad.

President Roosevelt's address was based on two broad principles—viz.: "The effort to make financial or political profit out of the destruction of character can only result in public calamity;" and: "The fool who has not sense enough to discriminate between what is good and what is bad is well nigh as dangerous as the man who does discriminate and yet chooses the bad."

Public officials, declared the president, must be honest; more than that, they must be courageous enough to enforce the law against the rich and poor alike. He said further that "if a public man is willing to yield to popular clamor and do wrong to men of wealth, or to rich corporations, it may be set down as certain that if the opportunity comes he will secretly and furtively do wrong to the public in the interest of a corporation."

The president too had something to say to men who own and control enormous fortunes. He intimated that the time must come when the national government must tax their great fortunes to such an extent that they must be disintegrated at the death of their holders. But, he said, we should discriminate in the sharpest way between fortunes well won and fortunes ill won. He added that "no amount of charity in spending fortunes in any way compensates for misconduct in making them."

PANIC IN CHICAGO CHURCH.

Cry of Fire Starts Crush Which Results in Four Deaths.

Chicago, April 16.—During a panic which followed a cry of "fire" while 400 persons were participating in the services in St. Ludmilla's Roman Catholic church, Twenty-fourth street and Albany avenue, three children and one woman were killed and a score of others injured, several seriously.

The majority of the worshippers in the church at the time the false alarm of fire was given were women and children, and in a few minutes all were in a tangled mass, fighting to escape from the supposed danger. Many persons jumped through the windows, but the greater portion crowded to the center aisle. The extra weight proved too much for the floor and some of the beams supporting it broke. The cracking of the timbers increased the fright of the now terrified women and children and everyone in the place became panic-stricken, men, women and children fighting desperately with each other in an effort to reach the outside. The woman and children suffered most in the struggle, and when the church was finally emptied three children were lying dead in the aisles and one woman was so badly hurt that she died while being removed to the hospital.

The dead: Mrs. Kate Kanik, Emma Hotka, Barbara Hermanek, Lillie Cunat.

SEVEN GUNNERS ARE KILLED.

Death of Lieutenant Graeme Increases List of Kearsarge Victims.

Washington, April 16.—The navy department received a telegram from Admiral Brownson, reporting that Lieutenant Joseph W. Graeme, gun umpire, who was injured in the explosion aboard the battleship Kearsarge during target practice in Cuban waters, in which six gunners were killed, is dead; that the condition of William King, ordinary seaman, and Frederick T. Fisher, chief gunner's mate, is grave, and that all others injured are doing well. The death of Lieutenant Graeme increases the death list from the disaster to seven, including two commissioned officers. All of the bodies will probably be brought to this country on the first available vessel.

FINE AND TERM IN PRISON.

Federal Judge Places Heavy Penalty on Greene and Gaynor at Savannah.

Savannah, Ga., April 14.—Judge Speer in the United States court sentenced Greene and Gaynor each to a term of four years in the penitentiary and to a fine of \$575,749.90, the amount each is charged with having fraudulently obtained from the United

States government. Imprisonment is to be in the federal prison at Atlanta. The defense will file a bill of exceptions and they asked for an order of court extending to thirty days the time permitted counsel for preparing this bill, which will be very voluminous, and that the order act as a supersedeas.

Indict Four for Illegal Land Fencing.

Topeka, April 14.—The federal grand jury adjourned after finding four indictments against persons for illegal land fencing and seizures. The names of the indicted persons were not given out. In the case here of John E. Bilby, charged with inducing persons to go from Missouri into Logan county, Kansas, and there make fraudulent homestead entries, three government witnesses admitted that even though their expenses and the filing fees were paid by one of Bilby's employes, it was their intention to prove up the land as their own and then sell it possible.

Order.

Order is the sanity of the mind, the health of the body, the peace of the city, the security of the state. As the beams to a house, as the bones to the microcosm of man, so is order to all things.—Southey.

Insult and Repartee.

The difference between repartee and insult depends on whether you or the other man makes the remark.—Life.

DOWIE SAYS A FINAL "NO."

Rejects Arbitration Proposal and Prepares for Fight in Court.

Chicago, April 18.—All negotiations looking toward a peaceful settlement of the question as to who shall control Zion City and its vast resources have been broken off. John Alexander Dowie, through his attorneys, rejected the proposition advanced by General Overseer Voliva, to the effect that the \$21,000,000 estate be turned over to a board of control, to consist of nine members, four of them to be selected by Dowie and a like number by Voliva. The ninth man was to be selected by the board as created. It was stipulated that both Dowie and Voliva be active members of this board and that the action of the members thereof be final in determining whether or not the deposed "first apostle" or Voliva be the recognized head of the Christian Catholic church.

Dowie rejected the proposal on the grounds that not only would he not acquiesce in the appointment of Voliva on the board, but that he no longer recognized the new leader as a member of the church.

In speaking of the ultimatum, Attorney Haley, representing Dowie, said: "As soon as we can obtain the necessary information we will file a bill in chancery in the circuit court of Lake county at Waukegan. This instrument will be a petition that the transfer of the property of Zion City, executed by General Overseer Voliva, giving to Deacon Alexander Ganger full title, thereof, be declared void. We are handicapped to the extent that Voliva and his forces have in their possession all of the books and papers concerning Zion City and its property. It may be necessary for us to go into court to get possession of these. As soon as we obtain the desired information the bill will be filed."

Dr. Dowie, it is stated, will go to Zion City some time this week. It is declared by the Dowieites that when the "first apostle" enters the city which he founded, he will do so as the head of the church. Voliva, they say, will be excommunicated.

Franklin Anniversary Celebration.

Philadelphia, April 18.—In the presence of a brilliant gathering of persons distinguished in the arts, science, literature and in many branches of education, the four days' celebration in this city of the 200th anniversary of the birth of Benjamin Franklin was formally opened in Witherspoon hall by the reception of delegates from all parts of the world. The celebration is in charge of the American Philosophical society, for promoting useful knowledge, founded in 1743, and of which Benjamin Franklin was the first president.

Colonel Lewis Avoids Jail.

Springfield, Ill., April 18.—Colonel James Hamilton Lewis, corporation counsel of Chicago, who was adjudged in contempt of court and sentenced to sixty days in jail by Judge Humphrey for filing a suit for the second mortgage bondholders against the Alton waterworks, in violation of the injunction issued by Judge Humphrey, purged himself of contempt by withdrawing the suit.

Two Killed by Train.

Chicago, April 18.—Although both his legs were severed at the knees

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and his body cut and bruised, Anthony Hopet, a railroad detective, carried fifty feet in an effort to assist H. E. Kenkle, who was struck by the same train and killed. Hopet died just as he succeeded in dragging himself alongside of his companion. The bodies of the two men were found lying close together along the tracks of the Panhandle railroad.

CHICAGO GRAIN AND PROVISIONS

Features of the Day's Trading and Closing Quotations.

Chicago, April 17.—Firm cables and a sharp advance in the price of cash wheat at Minneapolis created a strong tone today in the local wheat market, the May option closing with a net gain of 1½c. Corn and oats were practically unchanged. Provisions were unchanged to 56½c lower. Closing prices: Wheat—May, 80½c; July, 79½c; Sept., 78½c. Corn—May, 46½c; July, 46½c; Sept., 46½c. Oats—May, 31½c; July, 30½c; Sept., 29½c. Pork—May, \$16.20; July, \$16.35. Lard—May, \$8.75; July, \$8.90. Ribs—May, \$8.75; July, \$8.80. Chicago Cash Prices—No. 2 hard wheat, 80½c; No. 3, 79½c; No. 4, 78½c; No. 2 corn, 48½c; No. 2 oats, 31½c.

Chicago Live Stock.

Chicago, April 17.—Cattle—Receipts, 3,500; slow, steady; common to prime steers, \$4.00@6.35; cows, \$3.25@4.00; heifers, \$2.75@3.50; bulls, \$2.00@4.25; calves, \$2.75@5.50; stockers and feeders, \$2.75@4.75. Hogs—Receipts, 11,000; strong to 5c higher; choice to prime heavy, \$6.75@8.25; medium to good heavy, \$6.70@6.75; butcherweights, \$6.75@6.80; good to choice heavy, mixed, \$6.67@6.75; packing, \$5.90@6.70. Sheep—Receipts, 14,000; 10@15c higher; sheep, \$4.25@6.30; yearlings, \$5.00@6.25; lambs, \$4.75@6.75.

South Omaha Live Stock.

South Omaha, April 17.—Cattle—Receipts, 5,500; slow to 5@10c lower; native steers, \$3.50@5.00; cows and heifers, \$3.00@4.75; western steers, \$3.25@4.65; canners, \$1.75@2.25; stockers and feeders, \$2.75@4.45; calves, \$3.00@6.25; bulls, stags, etc., \$2.75@4.25. Hogs—Receipts, 12,000; shade higher; heavy, \$6.50@6.55; mixed, \$6.47@6.50; light, \$6.45@6.52½; pigs, \$5.50@6.25; bulk of sales, \$6.50@6.52½. Sheep—Receipts, 5,500; strong to 10c higher; yearlings, \$5.65@6.25; wethers, \$5.50@6.20; ewes, \$4.75@5.75; lambs, \$6.00@6.50.

Kansas City Live Stock.

Kansas City, April 17.—Cattle—Receipts, 13,800; steady to 5c lower; native steers, \$4.25@5.00; western fed steers, \$3.75@5.25; stockers and feeders, \$3.00@4.75; cows, \$2.50@4.00; heifers, \$3.50@5.00; calves, \$1.75@5.75. Hogs—Receipts, 16,300; closed work; top, \$6.00; bulk of sales, \$6.45@6.55; heavy, \$6.55@6.60; pigs and light, \$5.40@6.45. Sheep—Receipts, 12,000; 10@15c higher; lambs, \$5.25@6.65; ewes and yearlings, \$4.50@6.00; western fed sheep, \$4.25@6.00.

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