

Violent Storm Ravages Omaha; Damage Severe

Lightning Strikes in Many Places During Tempest Which Rages From Midnight to Dawn.

A terrific storm, in which thunder, lightning, wind and rain combined to do great damage, broke over the city and surrounding country just after 12 Friday and continued until dawn. The telephone company reported yesterday that 1,500 local telephones are "dead" because lightning struck or heavy limbs fell across the wires, tearing them loose.

Giant Tree Felled.

All over Omaha the marks of the storm were seen yesterday. On North Twenty-fourth street between Lake street and Ames avenue, so many trees were blown down that street cars were detoured until they could be cleared away. In front of the Swedish Mission hospital an immense tree nearly three feet in diameter was laid flat across the street. In its fall it carried a trolley pole with it.

General Manager Leussler was out early yesterday making a tour of the city to inspect the damage done to the street railway property.

The station at Twenty-fourth and O streets was put out of commission by the storm soon after midnight, leaving many cars stalled between J and O streets. Service was restored in time to handle the heavy morning traffic.

City Comptroller Koutsky Said Damage All Over the City is Great, Not Only from Trees Blown Down but from Flooded Cellars, Broken Windows, Damaged Sewers.

He was already receiving calls to have cellars pumped out yesterday morning at Thirtieth and Farnam streets and other places where sewers proved inadequate to carry off the water. In the Sommer grocery store, Twenty-eighth and Farnam streets, there was four feet of water, according to reports.

Sever in Front of 2010 North Forty-eighth Street, Caved in During the Storm.

Mr. Koutsky said his preliminary survey showed that hundreds of trees are down in the city. The Omaha Auto club reported that many of the tourists yesterday that roads all around the city are in impassable condition because of broken-down trees, washed-out culverts and mud.

Giant Window Shattered.

Many plate glass windows and windows in homes were broken by the sheer force of the wind. A window in the Owl drug store, Sixteenth and Harney streets was broken in. It is 99 by 169 inches in size.

Damage done to electric light wires and circuits was general throughout the city. No estimate was given by Roy Page, general superintendent of the Nebraska Power company of the full loss by the terrific storm. Principal damage is the loss of service for the time being, Mr. Page said.

Added to the fact that Omaha is in the center of one of the worst lightning districts in the country, the electrical storm early yesterday did the worst damage this year.

Lightning burned out transformers in a few instances. A force of nearly 100 electrical experts has been out since the beginning of the storm repairing wires and cutting them to prevent damage by fire.

None of the large circuits are out of service, Mr. Page stated, though hundreds of distributing wires are down. A live wire carrying 2,000 volts was spitting yesterday morning at Twenty-fifth and Templeton streets. It was being guarded till repair men should arrive.

It will take from three to five days to repair the damage, the general superintendent said.

Storm Breaks Suddenly.

Deputy County Attorney Henry Beal reported several windows in his home on the South Side were blown in.

Fifteen trees in Krug park were blown down and the 90-foot scaffold just the swimming pool where Darddevil Hugo had been performing also fell to the ground.

The storm was the more extraordinary because it broke suddenly. Friday evening was warm and perfectly calm. Not a breath of wind stirred. And then, just after 12, suddenly the wind swept in from the southwest with such force that it shook houses and stirred the limbs of trees into turmoil.

44 Miles An Hour.

The thunder and lightning were of extraordinary violence and almost continuous with a rainfall that resembled a cloud pouring down. The weather bureau instruments showed that the wind blew 44 miles an hour. Meteorologist Robins said he believed that it attained 60 miles. The wind instrument on the post-office is somewhat protected, he said, and did not register the full fury of the storm.

The registered rainfall was 1.56 inches, the heaviest since last September.

The center of the storm was in Omaha. While the state as far west as 100 miles felt it also, the force of it there was less. Lincoln had .94 of an inch of rain and Hastings .84.

Overlook Farm Suffers.

How farmers near Omaha suffered from the storm was revealed in reports from Father Flanagan's Overlook farm.

Half of the corn was destroyed by hail, 20 chickens were killed, hen houses were razed and six trees were blown down in the orchard, making total estimated damage of \$2,000. Across the road a silo on the Car-

In Path of Violent Electrical Storm



Large trees bent and fell before the fierce wind which swept the city Friday night and early yesterday morning.

A huge tree in front of the Swedish Mission hospital, Twenty-fourth and Pratt streets, striking a telephone pole fell to the street, carrying with it street car trolley wires.

At many places Florence boulevard was almost impassable, because of fallen tree limbs and thick mud. It was particularly so at Burdette street, where the mud was four inches deep. The beautiful Kountze park residence district seemed to be a center

Railroads Escape

Wind and rain between Norfolk and Omaha on the Northwestern railroad was reported here yesterday morning, but no material damage was done to the railroad property, even telegraph wires, according to early reports. Worst of the storm occurred between 3:30 and 5 yesterday morning.

Between Hastings and Omaha on the Burlington lines exceptionally heavy wind and rain was reported at Burlington headquarters yesterday morning, but no great damage was done, according to these reports.

No reports of damage from the storm were received at the Union Pacific headquarters.

Sleeping Porch Crashes.

George A. Keyser, United States assistant district attorney, and his wife and small daughter, 4023 Lafayette street, escaped into their home just before a part of their sleeping porch was blown down.

Persons residing on Fortieth street, between Cass and Chicago streets, rejoiced because the storm blew down unsightly billboards there.

"We hope they'll stay down," they declared.

Funnel-Shaped Cloud.

E. L. Logsdon, 1480 Pinkney street, street car conductor, reported that at 5:30 yesterday morning he saw a large funnel-shaped cloud passing swiftly over the city from northwest to southeast. He said it seemed to be traveling just a little too high to damage property.

Many awnings were torn from business houses between O and L streets along Twenty-fourth street and a plate glass window was blown from the plumbing shop of John Riba at 4713 South Twenty-fourth street.

Two telephone poles were blown down at Thirtieth and W streets.

When an air light went down at Twenty-second and J streets policemen were detailed to keep pedestrians from being harmed by dangerous live wires strewn over the ground.

Smoke Stacks Twisted.

A plate glass window in the Rome cafeteria, Sixteenth and Jackson, was blown in.

Two steel smoke stacks at the Cudahy Packing company plant were badly twisted by the storm and may have been taken down.

Postmaster Charles Black and his wife were among those who spent a terrible night. He said it "felt" just like the 1913 tornado. At that time he and his wife were imprisoned in the basement of their ruined home at Thirty-eighth and Davenport streets for three hours before they were rescued.

Tree Halts Traffic.

Robert Hallowell's temporary home in Benson Acres was damaged by the wind.

The entire strength of the street department was engaged yesterday morning in removing trees from streets.

A large tree was blown down at the northwest corner of Seventeenth and Burt streets. Traffic was obstructed until city employees removed the tree.

Dr. Jokichi Takamine Dies.

New York, July 22.—Dr. Jokichi Takamine, prominent Japanese chemist, died in Lenox Hill hospital shortly before noon today after an illness of several weeks.

Dr. Takamine, producer of the Diastatic enzyme "laktarastase" and originator of adrenalin, died of a complicated kidney disease from which he had suffered for several months. He was thought to be on the road to recovery until June, when his condition became so much worse that he was compelled to leave his country home at Merriewood, N. Y., with his extensive Japanese gardens, and go to a hospital.

Davis Attempting to End Rail Strike

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course regarding the coal strike, the government in the meantime may consider the next steps to be taken should the effort fail. What these steps might be was the subject of prolonged discussion at yesterday's cabinet meeting but without, it was understood any definite formulation of policy at this stage. The proposed plan for coal distribution as well as the formulation of a policy designed to restrain profiteering will be discussed at a meeting, called here next Monday by Secretary Hoover of representatives of the various districts now producing coal.

Coal From London.

London, July 22.—(By A. P.)—The demand for several ships to convey coal to America, is increasing daily. Many steamers have been loaded in the United Kingdom this week for sailings to various American ports, the freight rate being from 8 to 10 shillings a ton.

Lloyd's Shipping List Today Says Some Ship Owners are Endeavoring to Force a Fixed Rate of 9 Shillings, 6 Pence a Ton, but as American Shipping Board Steamers are Willing to Come over and Load at 7 Shillings, 6 Pence there is little prospect of the higher rate being paid.

The American demand for coal has caused a scarcity of tonnage in some sections. In Cardiff, Newcastle and Middlesbrough, the heavy bookings for all kinds of coal for July shipment to the United States have caused an advance of from 6 pence to a shilling a ton. Cardiff export firms alone are said to have booked 300,000 tons and Newcastle firms, 150,000 tons.

Guardsmen on Duty.

Pittsburgh, Pa., July 22.—More than 1,000 national guardsmen were in southwestern and central Pennsylvania.

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Strike Averted.

Detroit, Mich., July 22.—Strike of 9,000 maintenance of way men on the Michigan Central lines has been averted by the signing today of a wage agreement restoring the scale effective before July 1. It was announced. The agreement was signed by officials of the railroad and of the union.

The eight-hour day is re-established, but the rate of pay for overtime labor has not been fixed, this matter having been left for further arbitration.

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Fatal Auto Crash Laid to Tempest

Street Car Conductor Dies of Injuries Received in Collision in Storm.

Ralph Meek, 915 North Twenty-fourth street, street car conductor, was fatally injured at 2 yesterday morning when a motor car in which he was riding was struck by a street car at Thirtieth and Spring streets. He died in St. Joseph hospital at 10.

Wind swept through the street, enveloping both street car and automobile in blankets of rain, and witnesses blamed the downpour for the accident.

George V. Moore, 4513 South Sev-

enteenth street, passenger on the street car, described the accident. "We were coasting down hill at a fair rate of speed," he said, "while the rain swept by the windows in blinding sheets."

"There was a crash and a scream, and the motorman began to use his hand brake frantically, the air brake apparently failing to respond. We traveled 40 feet following the crash," Charles Doyle, 2408 Cuming street, and a third man, not identified, were in the car with Meek. Doyle accompanied Meek to the hospital.

W. E. Kimball, 2708 Cuming street, was the street car motorman, and Charles W. Birsbane, 1818 O street, the conductor.

J. C. Ashmore, 3117 California street, also was a passenger on the car.

The Bible is being sent out by radio, extracts being read daily from the Newark station by a member of the American Bible society.

Danish Couple Have Golden Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. S. Jensen celebrated their golden wedding anniversary at their home, 4689 Mayberry avenue, last Sunday, with eight children present. They received many beautiful presents, including \$100 in gold.

Mr. and Mrs. Jensen were both born in Denmark. They were married in Boston, Mass., July 16, 1872. To them were born 11 children, eight of whom are still living. The daughters are Mrs. Fred Nusbbaum, Mrs. M. B. Randall, Mrs. Roy Furstenberg of Omaha, and Mrs. James Lemley of Chicago; sons, Arthur of Dunlap, Ia.; George of Underwood, Ia., and Frank and Lewis of Omaha.

There also are five grandchildren, Miss Lillian Nusbbaum, Miss Corinne Jensen, Miss Marjorie Furstenberg, Kenneth Jensen, Gerald Jensen and Jack Furstenberg.

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