

# RULED BY A MOB

## NIGHT OF TERROR FOLLOWS MISSOURI LYNCHING.

Negroes Forced to Flee—Thousand Whites Go on Tour of Extermination—Every Black Made Target—Houses Burned and Aged Man Cremated.

PIERCE CITY, Mo., Aug. 21.—For nearly fifteen hours, ending about noon yesterday, this town of 3,000 people has been in the hands of a mob of armed whites, determined to drive every negro from its precincts. In addition to the lynching last night of Will Godley, accused of the wanton murder Sunday afternoon of Miss Gaele Wild, and the shooting to death of his grandfather, French Godley, the mob yesterday cremated Pete Hampton, an aged negro, in his home, set the torch to the houses of five blocks, and with the aid of the state militia rifles, stolen from the local company's arsenal, drove dozens of negroes from town. After noon the excitement died down, the mob gradually dispersing from lack of negroes upon which to wreak their hatred than for any other cause. Many of the negroes who fled from the city are hiding in the surrounding woods while others have gone greater distances in seeking safety.

Every negro has left the town, except a few railway porters known to be respectable, but who must also leave. The citizens of Pierce City say that as negroes have committed several such crimes in the last ten years none shall live here in the future, the same feeling already existing at Monett, four miles east of Pierce City, and the end of the "Frisco" passenger division. It may be necessary for the road to change all porters in Springfield hereafter.

### LYNCHED AN INNOCENT MAN.

It is now believed that the man Will Godley lynched last night, was not the real culprit. A negro named Starks, under arrest at Tulsa, I. T., across the border from here, tallies exactly with the description of the murderer. He is held there awaiting identification. Unless the man is brought back here it is believed there will be no further trouble. If returned here he will surely be lynched. Another suspect, Joe Lark, is under arrest at Springfield, Mo.

Eugene Barrett, also known as Carter, in a confession while a rope was around his neck today, accused Joe Lark, a "Frisco" railroad porter, of being implicated in the crime, and Lark was arrested today at Springfield. This afternoon Lark gave a detailed statement as to his whereabouts Sunday, and he is not believed to be guilty. It is not likely that either suspect will be brought to Pierce City while the excitement runs high. Some here think that Barrett told the story in order to save his life.

The funeral of Miss Wild took place today and was witnessed by several thousand people.

Pierce City is near the junction of four railroads, and trains from all directions brought in large numbers of armed men yesterday, bent on bloodshed if necessary. When the mob went to the section of the city occupied by negroes some one in the cabins opened fire, but no one was hit. The mob then destroyed five houses.

Reckless firing broke several plate glass windows and a train was fired into. None of the passengers were hurt.

### MILITAMEN GO GUNNING.

The rifles taken from the Pierce City military company, it is expected, will all be returned. Members of the company themselves were out hunting for the escaping negroes with rifles and this suggested the idea of taking all the guns. The local hardware stores sold out their arms early. Several applications from negroes were refused. The mob was composed of a thousand or more and no masks were used. Thirty negro families were driven from their homes.

New elements in the murder of Miss Wild developed today. It appears she started home from church alone, her brother lingering behind. About one mile from town the brother found her with her throat cut, lying lifeless near a culvert, under which her assailant had attempted to drag her. Evidence of a terrible struggle was shown. A copper-colored negro was seen sitting on the bridge a short time before the tragedy occurred. It is thought the negro sprang upon her when she was passing and attempted to force her beneath the bridge. She fought with such desperation that he failed to accomplish his purpose, but in the struggle cut her throat. Her body was not violated.

Monday bloodhounds were taken to the scene. They immediately caught the trail and ran at full speed to the home of Joe Lark, where, on being admitted, rushed into his bedroom and sprang upon the bed. It is believed that the man under arrest at Tulsa, who boarded with Lark, the Springfield suspect, slept upon this bed.

### Hanna Goes For Vacation.

CLEVELAND, Aug. 21.—Senator and Mrs. Hanna, accompanied by their two daughters, Misses Mabel and Ruth, left Cleveland today for Hay Lake, near Sault Ste. Marie, Mich., where the family will spend a few days at the Hanna summer cottage.

Mr. Hanna will take an active part in the formal opening of the state republican campaign, which will probably take place at Delaware on September 21.

# HIT BY A SQUALL.

River Steamer Overturned Near Paducah, Ky.

PADUCAH, Ky., Aug. 20.—The steamer City of Golconda, plying between this city and Elizabethtown, Ill., was struck by a squall early last night as she was entering Crowell's landing, six miles above this city and turned over in ten feet of water.

Sixteen persons are reported drowned. The disaster occurred as supper was served, and many of the seventy-five passengers were in the cabin. The wind struck the boat without warning and there was no time for those on the inside to escape. Capt. Jesse Bauer and Pilot E. E. Peck, who swam ashore, were the last to leave the boat.

They saved several struggling in the water and left the survivors in a house near the bank and came to Paducah, arriving here two hours after the catastrophe occurred.

Captain Bauer said:

"The boat was getting ready to land when the squall struck her and she listed. Several passengers, who were inside jumped overboard and were caught by the boat. The ladies, all of whom were in the cabin, could not be reached. The boat settled down in ten feet of water over a reef and two of the men were in the cabin—H. E. Worton and N. S. Quartermaster—of Hampton, broke through the glass and were saved. Three colored deckhands saved a woman and a child. I think this was the only woman saved. A yawl that had broken loose was caught by some of those struggling in the water, and taken to the bank. We returned to the boat on this, but could not find no signs of life and returned to shore."

The boat was valued at about \$2,500, and had been in the trade for several years, being owned by Captain Otto Bauer, of Golconda, Ill.

There is no way to determine the number of names of the dead until the boat's books are found. Pilot Peck places the number at sixteen.

### Saved From Living Tomb.

CLEVELAND, Aug. 20.—Adam Kest, and Joseph Eugene, two of a dozen or more workmen who were trapped in the waterworks tunnel a couple of hundred feet below the surface of Lake Erie by the burning of crib No. 2 last Wednesday morning, were rescued from their horrible position late this afternoon and are now lying semi-conscious at the Huron street hospital where with careful nursing, the physicians say they will soon recover.

Shut off from the upper world the men knew nothing of the disaster that killed so many of their comrades and imprisoned them. They knew that something had severed their connection with the crib. They knew that beyond the air-lock behind which they had taken refuge the air was too foul to breathe. But they supposed that the trouble was temporary. Each day they expected their comrades to rescue them.

When their signal for help, tapped on the air pipe, was at last answered from the crib Kest and Eugene were preparing to eat raw mule meat. Their deliverance came in the nick of time and made unnecessary this desperate resort to sustain life.

At the hospital tonight Eugene and Kest were permitted to talk for a short time and they related some of their experiences. They said that they did not know that there had been a fire and that they could not account for their plight unless some accident had happened which would soon be repaired.

As time passed, however, and hours lengthened into days, the men were beginning to fear that they were doomed to death either by starvation, suffocation or drowning. Their tapping on the pipe to attract possible attention was done with little hope of its being heard, but fortune favored them and their presence was realized when a number of men who were at work repairing the burned crib heard the faint noise away down underground and immediately set out to rescue the unfortunate.

"We gave up more than once," said Kest. "We lost track of time. I did not know whether it was six days or three. The gas must have made us sleepy. We slept a lot, at any rate. We didn't know whether it was day or night. The darkness was awful. We tried to get out several times. Each time the gas drove us back. At last we decided it was get out or die and we made a try, tapping on the pipe as we went along."

According to the story of these men the first intimation they had of the fatal disaster was the shutting off of the lights. They were working far in advance of the gang and when the latter made their rush for safety Kest and Eugene were sitting down behind the air lock waiting for the lights to be turned on again. They did not hear the shouts and cries of their fellow prisoners.

### Was Simply Tired of Life

CHICAGO, Aug. 20.—An unidentified man, supposed to have come here from San Francisco, committed suicide today in the Empress hotel, on Clark street. He had been a guest at the hotel for several days, but had not registered or given any name.

He left an unsigned note saying he was tired of life and had decided to kill himself with a revolver.

Considerable money was found among his effects.

# DROWNED IN CRIB

## FIVE MORE LIVES SACRIFICED IN LAKE AT CLEVELAND.

Accident Occurs in Night and Not Known for Hours—Five Killed in Chicago & Alton Wreck—Opening Allows Water to Pour in on Workers.

CLEVELAND, Aug. 22.—Five men were drowned last night as the result of an explosion of gas in the tunnel leading from waterworks No. 3, two miles from crib No. 2, where the fatal accident of last Wednesday occurred.

The work of sinking the shaft at crib No. 3, which is five miles from shore, was completed yesterday. Five men were at once put to work digging a tunnel toward crib No. 2. These men had been working but a short time when a terrific explosion of gas occurred. The casing of the tunnel was crushed and a torrent of water from the lake rushed into the opening.

The five men who were in the tunnel had not the slightest opportunity to escape, but perished before assistance could reach them. Their bodies have not yet been recovered.

The heavy casing of the shaft was shattered by the terrific force of the explosion and an immense volume of water from the lake rushed in upon the unfortunate workmen at the bottom. Two men who were at work on staging at the top of the shaft were blown high into the air, but alighted on the crib and beyond being stunned, were not seriously injured.

### Sheriff to the Rescue.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Aug. 22.—An attempt on the part of a posse of constables this afternoon to serve warrants on the management of the Delmar race track and the bookmakers doing business thereon was frustrated by Sheriff Hencken and his deputies, who stood off the posse with riot guns.

Warrants had been sworn out at St. Ferdinand township before Justice Baker, charging the defendants with keeping a common gambling house. These were placed in the hands of constables, nearly forty being in the posse, which was headed by Constable Linhard.

At 2 o'clock the posse set out for Delmar. Word was conveyed to the Delmar track and the sheriff and his deputies brought forth shotguns and stood themselves near the gate. At the approach of the posse the sheriff walked into the betting ring and placed all the bookmakers and the management of the track under arrest on the charge of violating the breeders' law. Betting was immediately suspended at all the books. When the posse approached the sheriff ordered its members to keep out of the track.

A number of the posse attempted to rush forward, but was stopped by the sheriff, who ordered his men to get their guns ready.

The sheriff had but seven deputies but these were all armed, and the posse withdrew, seeing that attempts to force an entrance might be met with loss of life. Later Constable Linhard was allowed to enter the grounds, but he was unable to serve his warrants on the sheriff's prisoners, having left the documents in the care of a member of the posse. When he withdrew Sheriff Hencken released his prisoners and betting proceeded as usual.

### Day of Non-Action.

PITTSBURGH, Aug. 22.—The steel strike situation underwent no change yesterday. There was no extension of the strike and the steel managers did not attempt to start any more mills. Late in the day the fires were lighted in the Demer tin plate works at McKeesport, but the machinery was not started and no attempt was made to operate it. It is believed, however, that the move is preliminary to start with non-union men.

The Monessen plant is moving ahead uninterruptedly with full crews and the Crescent works at Cleveland has about half the machines in operation. There has been no break in the Carnegie group and the mills that have been started with non-union men since the strike began are going ahead with about the same force of men. The leaders on either side were busy all day, but at nightfall both said there was no announcement to make.

On the streets it was a day of exciting rumors beginning with a circumstantial story of a plot to destroy the Monongahela tin plate plant, and ending with a tale of the removal of the largest plants of the United States Steel corporation to England. Between the two rumors again settled the strike in several ways. However, official denial was given to all these interesting stories.

Assistant Secretary Tighe of the amalgamated association said yesterday that he was still of the opinion that most of the men in the South Chicago mills would be out before the end of the week. He said that he had received word from the mills, but of a personal nature, and he could not give any of the details.

### Decrease in Death Rate.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 22.—The census bureau yesterday issued a bulletin giving the mortality statistics during the census year in the states and territories and the principal registration cities. The total number of deaths for the year was 1,039,094, as against 841,419 for 1900. Perhaps the most important feature of the results presented is found in the decrease in the registration area of 13 per 1,000 of population.

# ENDS IN MURDER.

John J. Gilligan Fatal Struggle With Footpads.

LINCOLN, Aug. 23.—Dead on the street with a bullet hole in his breast, John J. Gilligan was found last night at 10:30 o'clock, with every evidence pointing to murder. The body was discovered lying across the curbstone at Seventeenth and G streets by Walter L. Anderson, an attorney, who happened to be passing. Three shots were heard a short time before and two men were seen running east from the vicinity. The dead man's pocketbook and papers were strewn along the sidewalk, his right front was torn down the right side, and a bullet wound near the collar bone completed the story of the tragedy. The sound of fleeing feet, a cry from a pedestrian for the fugitives to halt followed quickly on the shooting. A watch still on the person of the dead man showed that the murderer did not have time to complete the work of rifling this pocket.

Sheriff Bronson, acting in the absence of Coroner F. A. Graham, took charge of the body.

### BODY DISCOVERED

Walter L. Anderson was the first to reach the body. He was walking north on Seventeenth street. When at D street he heard three shots, two in rapid succession and the third after an interval. Mr. Anderson thought nothing of the sound and proceeding on his way to G street, where he saw the form of a man lying across the curb at a point where the ground slopes toward the street. Thinking that some belated man was indulging in the sleep of intoxication, he thought nothing of the sight. Passing on, Mr. Anderson found a pocketbook and papers scattered along the sidewalk.

Then, realizing that something was wrong, he went back to the body and was horrified to find Mr. Gilligan lying face up gasping for breath. The gasping and some warmth were the only signs of life and those soon disappeared. Instantly Mr. Anderson reported to the police and a coroner was called.

### MURDERERS FLEE

Dr. Frank W. Hill, 1833 G street, saw two men running east on G street after the shots were fired. He called to them, but they kept on running. "Who's there," he shouted, but the men proceeded the faster.

Mrs. Gilligan said her husband had gone down town to a bath house. His cleanly shaved face indicated that he had gone to a barber shop and performed the object of his trip. Mrs. Gilligan did not think he carried much money with him.

Mr. Gilligan was forty-five years old. He had been a citizen of Lincoln for many years and was well known as a real estate broker. In 1891 he was elected a member of the legislature from Lancaster county. He was prominent in the local organizations of theosophists.

### Captain Schley Exonerated.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 23.—Captain Thomas F. Schley, Twenty-third infantry, has made an official reply to the war department regarding the alleged interview credited to him in the matter of the Schley court of inquiry. Captain Schley says that he had no interview and has talked for publication with no person. He also says that some remarks made by him in a private conversation were picked up, distorted, and extended upon and the publication misrepresented what he said in a friendly conversation, with other gentlemen.

### Boys Much Laid.

ALBONA, Ia., Aug. 23.—A. D. Clark, an Albona capitalist, has purchased 440,000 acres of land from the Northern Pacific railroad. The land is in North Dakota, just across the river from Bismarck.

### France Starts a Cruiser.

PARIS, Aug. 23.—The Matin this morning announces that the French second class cruiser Cassard started for Turkish waters yesterday and that a naval division is ready to follow.

The approaching visit of the czar to France largely overshadows the interest taken in the France-Turkish incident. The apathy of the public is reflected by the comments of the newspapers. They generally express confidence in a peaceful settlement of the dispute.

### Men are in the Majority.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 23.—The census bureau yesterday issued a bulletin giving the population by sex, nativity and color of the state of Nebraska. The males predominate with a percentage of 52.9. The percentage of foreign born is 16.6. Over 99 per cent of the population are white. The colored population is composed of 6,269 negroes, 189 Chinese, three Japanese and 3,322 Indians.

### Has Her Trial Spin

NEW YORK, Aug. 23.—Sir Thomas Lipton's new challenger for the American cup, the Shamrock II, had her first trial spin in New York lower bay yesterday, and although it only lasted ninety minutes it was a most satisfactory performance from start to finish.

Sir Thomas Lipton and Designer George L. Watson, both of whom were on board the yacht during her trial, expressed themselves as perfectly satisfied with the result.

# GIVEN FREE HAND

## FRANCE WILL BACK UP AMBASSADOR TO TURKEY.

Sultan in Close Quarters—Letter in Nature of an Ultimatum Sent Him—Diplomatic Relations in Case Immediately if He Does not Come to Terms.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Aug. 24.—The French ambassador, M. Constans, yesterday sent a letter to the sultan practically informing him that he would leave Constantinople with the entire staff of the embassy if the matters in dispute were not settled immediately.

The letter has the nature of an ultimatum. It accords the sultan the briefest delay with which to comply with the demands.

PARIS, Aug. 23.—While the officials of the French foreign office decline to confirm or deny the dispatch of the Associated press from Constantinople announcing that the French ambassador has sent the sultan a letter which is in the nature of an ultimatum, they admit having received a telegram from M. Constans which has been laid before the council now sitting at the Elysee palace.

It is learned that M. Constans has been given a free hand. Any step he finds proper to take will be fully indorsed. The foreign minister, M. Delcasse, if he deems it necessary, will withdraw the French embassy from Constantinople, and M. Munir Bey, the Turkish ambassador, who is now in Switzerland, will be notified not to return to Paris, in which case M. Munir Bey will probably withdraw the legation to Berne, as he is also accredited as minister to Switzerland.

No naval demonstration is yet contemplated, inconvenienced by the closure of the Turkish embassy here, which is the center of the espionage, maintained to watch the numerous young Turks and other disaffected Ottoman subjects and voluntary exiles who make their headquarters in Paris and who have a free hand if diplomatic relations between France and Turkey are completely broken off.

The entire Turkish group of securities fell on the bourse yesterday, in some cases going down ten to twelve francs.

### Day of Prayer.

LINCOLN, Aug. 24.—A call for a day of prayer has been signed or endorsed by nearly every pastor and Christian organization in Lincoln, including the city union of Christian Endeavor and the Epworth Assembly. It is requested that the call be read in all churches and young people's societies and that special prayers be offered for the movement and that arrangements be made to observe the day as specified in the call. The call is as follows:

"We, the pastors and christian workers of Lincoln, recommend that Friday, August 30, be observed as a special day of prayer for a revival throughout the churches of Lincoln, and of the state of Nebraska, the following points to be emphasized and sought for:

1. A quickening of believers.
2. A confession of sins.
3. The salvation of sinners.
4. The advancement of all lines of christian and missionary efforts throughout the world.
5. Thanksgiving for answers to prayer for rain, for spiritual blessings past and present, and for the precious promises to the faithful in Christ. We suggest that the meetings be held in each church on the day above named, and that whenever practicable, union services be held in the evening. Christian business men are requested to close their places of business for a short time during the day to attend the services.

"The supplication of a righteous man availeth much in its workings." James 5:16, R. V."

### Eulers Lunch Together.

WILMINGTON, Aug. 24.—King Edward arrived here at lunch time and was met at the railroad station by Emperor William, in the uniform of a British admiral, and the officers of the headquarters staff. The king wore the uniform of the Dragon guards. After cordial greetings the sovereigns entered an open carriage drawn by four horses and were driven to the castle where they had luncheon. The center of the table was adorned with the Epergne, designed by Emperor William as a present for King Edward.

### England's Postal System.

LONDON, Aug. 24.—A blue book containing the postmaster general's report for 1900 presents some interesting statistics. The total number of postal packets delivered in the United Kingdom was 3,723,817,000.

The public deposited in the savings banks 40,516,432 pounds and the total amount due to depositors at the end of the year was 135,429,445 pounds.

The telegraph department showed a deficit of 652,104 pounds.

### Roosevelt in Hospital.

NEW YORK, Aug. 23.—Vice President Roosevelt's youngest child, Quentin, is now in the Roosevelt hospital, as well as his sister, Alice. The boy was operated upon Thursday, and it is expected that he will be well in a reasonable length of time. Colonel Roosevelt and his wife secured a private apartment in the hospital so they could watch the progress of their daughter and they will continue to keep the room while their boy is ill.

# NEBRASKA NOTES

Columbus will build an auditorium. Section hands near Harrison killed twenty-six rattlesnakes in one day.

All the fraternal secret societies in Falls City will unite in a big picnic Aug. 29 and 30.

George Lampher of Concord, ex-county surveyor, fell off a haystack and broke his leg.

One alleged result of the drouth is a blessing—the Hessian fly has been prevented multiplying.

The Knights of Pythians gave Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Hagerty a farewell reception last night in the Pythian hall Geneva. Mr. Hagerty will move to Indiana.

State Superintendent Fowler gave an address at the high school building at Norfolk to teachers attending the institute.

L. W. Barber, of Boone county, was found at Belgrade where he had wandered while laboring under temporary aberration.

John Cerney, a boy who was working the hayfield north of Rushville, fell through a haystack and broke his right arm near the wrist.

Pawnee county fair will not make its appearance this fall owing to a combination over which the board of directors had no control.

Broom corn in the neighborhood of Trenton is yielding bounteously. Farmers who have large fields of it will make a clean sweep this fall.

Farmers are doing an unusual amount of fall plowing and it is expected that they will sow more winter wheat this fall than has ever been put in before.

Lewis, the young son of C. G. Mayfield, a farmer living near Louisville, fell from a hayrack and run two pitchfork tines into his face. One came dangerously near an eye and he may lose it.

Here's an opening for some good man of accomplishments. The Madison wants a foreman who can set ads and do job work; must be of good habits, and must know how to play a tuba or a clarinet.

Mrs. Margaret Drake, the wife of Benjamin Drake of Humboldt, died this morning at the family residence in the north part of the city after an illness of considerable duration. The cause of her death was lung trouble.

A meeting of the Nebraska Sons of Vermont will be held at the State fair grounds at Lincoln September 4 at 10:30 a.m. The object of the meeting is to elect officers and arouse interest in the society. All Vermonters are invited to be present.

A Plattsmouth paper advises its readers if they would "like to have their departed friends or relatives posted on the events in Cass county, send them the home paper." It might be a hard matter to find the address of all the departed Plattsmouth people.

A roll of greenback, so badly decomposed that they were dropping to pieces, was recently unearthed at Fairbury. One of the bills was of the \$1,000 denomination. The whole roll has been sent to the treasury department at Washington for identification and redemption.

A man in Florida is trying to gain some notoriety by laying claim to being the first homesteader in the United States. The Florida man is an impostor. The first homesteader was Daniel Freeman, and he now lives about seven miles northwest of Beatrice in Gage county, Neb.

The brickwork was commenced this morning on the new North opera house at Columbus. It is to be one of the best opera houses in the central part of the state. It is 66x122 feet, three stories and will cost \$23,000. It will have a seating capacity of 900. The contract calls for completion by November 15.

Fire was discovered in Walrath & Sherwood's coal sheds at North Bend. The fire department soon put out the flames. The fire was the result of spontaneous combustion in two cars of slack coal. No damage was done to the sheds. This is the second time in a week that fire has started in their sheds.

Rev. J. W. Swan, pastor of the M. E. church at Wynore, has resigned and accepted a position with the state law and order league to work in this state for the coming year. Rev. Mr. Swan has been the pastor here for the past year and has made many warm friends, who are sorry to see him leave. He will deliver his farewell sermon next Sunday.

Amos Orr, farmer seven miles north east of Humboldt has been missing from his home and cannot be found. He wandered away in a similar manner a year or two ago. It is claimed he is subject to fits of despondency which have been considerably aggravated by domestic troubles. He leaves a wife and several children. He has considerable property. It is thought by some that Orr went to Oklahoma to look at the new Indian lands.

Mrs. C. W. Chinery of Colorado came Saturday night to visit her sister, Mrs. John Keller, of Fairmont. Sunday morning she unpacked her trunk in the presence of her one-year-old baby. Mrs. Chinery took some strychnine tablets from the trunk and the baby swallowed them. A physician was called, but his efforts failed and the little one died Monday at 2 p.m.

Otto Boone was probably fatally shot by conductor Harvey Hobert on a Krug park car at Omaha.