

BEATRICE IS IN FLAMES

Business Portion is Threatened With Destruction.

OTHER TOWNS ASKED FOR AID

Incendiary, Finding City Without Fire Protection as Result of Flood, Uses Oil and Applies the Match—High Wind Spreads the Flames.

Beatrice, Neb., July 10.—Without fire protection as a result of the flood, Beatrice is in flames and at 3:30 this morning it seems probable that the entire business portion of the city will be destroyed.

People Stand Helpless.

Klein's department store, adjoining the other building, next caught fire. The flames soon swept the building, the roof and brick walls crumbling from the terrific heat, and the people were compelled to stand idly by and do nothing.

The Drake block is on fire and the telephone exchange is being deserted, as the flames are too hot to be endured even at a distance of fifty yards.

At Mercy of Flames.

The city is absolutely at the mercy of the flames, and while every effort is being made to carry out goods, nothing can be done to stay the advancing flames.

The mayor has telegraphed to Lincoln and Nebraska City for fire fighting apparatus, as there is no telling where the conflagration will end.

TRACY AGAIN ELUDES POSSE.

All Traces of the Fugitive Oregon Convict Are Lost.

Seattle, July 10.—The pursuit of Outlaw Harry Tracy appears to be temporarily suspended. Sheriff Cuddehe has called in the guards from the southern suburbs, leaving only a sufficient number for careful patrol.

The marshal of Renton has captured three suspicious looking individuals at Renton and it is thought that they may be three of the four men who met Tracy at Black River bridge Monday and walked through Renton in the convict's company.

Still No News of Missing Vessels. Fort Townsend, Wash., July 10.—The steamer Conemaugh arrived here yesterday from St. Michaels, June 26, and Nome, June 27. Up to that time no tidings had come from the steamers Portland and Jeanie and the general impression in Nome was that the vessels were lost.

King's Progress is Uninterrupted. London, July 10.—King Edward's condition is reported as uninterruptedly favorable. His majesty reclines on a movable couch most of the day.

Encampment is Disbanded. Des Moines, July 10.—Governor Cummins has ordered that the encampment of the Fifty-second Iowa at Fonda be disbanded owing to the continuous rainfall.

TAKES ON DIPLOMATIC PHASE.

Secretary Hay to Expedite Gaynor-Greene Extradition Case.

Washington, July 10.—The extradition case of Benjamin D. Greene and John F. Gaynor, whose removal from Canada to the state of Georgia for trial on charges of misappropriating and embezzlement of over \$2,000,000 in connection with river and harbor improvements at Savannah, has been sought for some time by the United States government.

The delays and embarrassments in the extradition proceedings resulted in Marion Erwin, special assistant to the attorney general, who has been in active charge of the extradition proceedings for the United States, transmitting to the attorney general under date of Montreal, July 7, a special report on the case, in which he calls attention to the fact that the legal representatives of Messrs. Greene and Gaynor are closely connected through professional and family ties with the Canadian officials to whom this government must look for extradition of the men whose custody it seeks.

Upon receipt of this report the acting attorney general called the matter to the attention of the state department, saying in his letter of transmittal: "It has been a matter of great surprise to this department that such a state of affairs as that reported should exist in any country controlled by British sentiment and laws, and I respectfully request that the facts be laid before the representative of his Britannic majesty in order that the matter may be dealt with in accordance with the high standards of British justice."

It is understood that the secretary of state will bring the matter to the attention of the British embassy at once.

MAYOR AMES HELD FOR TRIAL.

Indicted by the Grand Jury at Minneapolis on Charge of Bribery.

Minneapolis, July 10.—The grand jury has returned indictments charging A. A. Ames, mayor of the city; Fred W. Ames, superintendent of police, and Joseph Cohen with accepting bribes.

When Mayor Ames was arraigned in court yesterday afternoon on two indictments, each charging that he received \$15 for "protection" on certain dates named from the keeper of a house of ill-repute, his attorney denounced the charges as "infamous and trivial" and demanded immediate trial.

Neither Chief Ames nor Cohen was arraigned. The latter has not been found and is said to be out of the city.

VATICAN REPLIES TO TAFT.

Cannot Agree to Recall Friars From Philippines.

Rome, July 10.—The answer of the vatican to the note of Governor Taft, governor of the Philippine islands, concerning religious affairs in the archipelago, which was handed to Cardinal Rampolla, papal secretary of state, July 3, was delivered to Judge Taft last night.

Landslide Destroys House. Omaha, July 10.—The residence of Mrs. Johanna Collins, at 713 Marcy street, was swept from its foundation and the rear part demolished by a miniature landslide of the Union Pacific track embankment, which is gradually giving way to the heavy rains.

Kills Sister While Playing Circus. Sioux City, July 10.—Hazen Matthews, aged six, played circus with his sister, Ruby, aged four. In one of his stunts he jumped on her stomach. This caused ruptures and hemorrhages, from which she died yesterday. They are the children of Frank Matthews, who was mysteriously murdered last fall.

Nine Deaths From Heat. New York, July 10.—The police records showed that seven people had been killed and eleven prostrated by the heat in Manhattan yesterday.

New Mexico Prays for Rain. Santa Fe, N. M., July 10.—A special mass for rain was celebrated in Agua Frio and similar masses will be held in all the parishes of this section, as the drought is shriveling up the crops.

Titus Fails to Win. Henley, July 10.—In the eighth heat of the diamond sculls F. S. Kelley, Oxford, beat C. S. Titus, Union Boat club, New York. Kelley won easily.

FREIGHT STRIKE SETTLED

Handlers at Chicago Will Go Back to Work Today.

AGREE TO TERMS OF RAILROADS

Twenty Per Cent Increase in Wages is Granted, but Union Falls of Recognition—Conference Results in Virtual Adjustment of Differences.

Chicago, July 10.—The strike of the freight handlers is virtually settled. Meetings of the strikers will be held today to ratify the action taken last night by President Curran of the order, but inasmuch as he stated after a conference with the general managers of the railroads that he had agreed to their terms because the majority of his men were "going back" on him, there is little doubt that the terms will be accepted by the mass meeting.

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President Curran's Statement. President Curran of the Freight Handlers' union said after the meeting with the general managers that he practically had been compelled by his own men to accept the terms of the roads.

"Two-thirds of them would have gone to work in the morning anyhow," he said, "and it was simply a question of doing the best possible under the circumstances. The railroads agreed to take back all the strikers who will apply for their old positions by noon today."

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TEAMSTERS A FACTOR.

The action of the teamsters was a potent factor in settling the strike. They took strong issue with the freight handlers and intimated very plainly that no assistance could be expected from them, inasmuch as the freight handlers had struck against the advice of the Chicago Federation of Labor.

The session of the executive council came to a sudden termination, and Presidents Curran and Bowman left for the meeting with the general managers. When he left this meeting President Curran was surrounded by crowds of the strikers, who had been waiting to hear the result of the meeting, and there was great dissatisfaction when it was announced that no settlement had been reached, but that meetings would be held in the morning, at which the results of the meeting with the managers would be made known.

The agreement reached by President Curran with the managers last night must be ratified by the men today, but there is only a very small probability that this will not be done.

MITCHELL PREDICTS SUCCESS.

President of Miners' Union is Confident of Victory.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., July 10.—In an address before the miners' convention at Nanticoke, President Mitchell of the mine workers' union said he had never participated in a strike in which he was so confident of success. This statement by the miners' chief was greeted with great applause.

Cheyenne, Wyo., July 10.—The Union Pacific is slowly importing non-union machinists for its Cheyenne shops and now claims to have 275 men at work. The strikers say the figures are exaggerated in the hope that the strikers will grow disheartened. So far the strikers have offered no violence to non-union machinists.

Chamberlain is Better. London, July 10.—Joseph Chamberlain, the colonial secretary, who was injured in a carriage accident Monday, left Charing Cross hospital yesterday, accompanied by Mrs. Chamberlain, and returned to his home in Princess Gardens.

PRISONERS DYNAMITE JAIL.

Wreck County Prison in St. Joseph, but None Escape.

St. Joseph, July 10.—James Baldes, Leck Allen and James Murray, notorious prisoners in the Buchanan county jail, wrecked the rear wall of the jail building with a powerful charge of dynamite and then made a fierce fight for liberty, but the guards were too quick for them and beat them back.

Baldes and Allen are under sentence for highway robbery and Murray is a government prisoner. They are now chained face foremost to the floors of their cells.

Other prisoners were apprised of what was to happen about five minutes before the fuse was lighted and on advice of the leaders of the plot they sought safety in their cells just before the explosion occurred.

The damage to the jail and court house is estimated to be \$1,500, and until repairs can be made a large extra guard will be necessary to restrain the prisoners.

DEVELOPMENTS IN CORN CORNER.

Chicago, July 10.—Developments in the corn deal were the failure of at least two expectations. One was that the bottom would drop out of the market because of reported settlements with outstanding shorts, which would mean the abandonment of the deal by the bull traders, and the other that the Harris-Gates people and the price forced still higher.

CROP DAMAGE IN ILLINOIS.

Springfield, Ill., July 10.—The state board of agriculture has sent out letters to all its correspondents asking for estimates on the damage done by recent rains. The reports show that in the northern portion of the state about 11 per cent of the growing corn crop has been destroyed, in the central portion 8 per cent and in the southern 3 per cent, an average of 7 per cent for the state.

HAMMOND-PIERCE WEDDING.

Des Moines, July 10.—The wedding of Lieutenant Hammond of the United States infantry and Miss Mary E. Pierce, niece of Edwin H. Conger, minister to China, took place last evening at the house of the bride's aunt, Miss Ida C. Conger, Dr. A. L. Frisbee of Plymouth Congregational church officiating.

BASEBALL SCORES YESTERDAY.

National League—Cincinnati, 2; Brooklyn, 0. Pittsburgh, 8; Philadelphia, 2. St. Louis, 5; Boston, 5. American League—St. Louis, 3; Detroit, 1. Baltimore, 11; Washington, 4. Boston, 2; Philadelphia, 4. American Association—Minneapolis, 9; St. Paul, 4. Louisville, 5; Toledo, 9.

SHERIFF'S SLAYER CAPTURED.

Shawnee, O. T., July 10.—The sheriff has received word of the capture of Bert Casey, the alleged murderer of Sheriff Smith and Deputy Sheriff George Beck of Caddo county, in the Chickasaw nation. Rewards aggregating several thousands dollars have been offered for Casey, dead or alive.

SPARKS FROM THE WIRES.

Charles J. Jones' popularly known as "Buffalo" Jones, has been appointed buffalo warden for Yellowstone park.

Robert K. Burns, a young lineman, was instantly killed at San Francisco Wednesday by an electric shock while running a wire.

A receiver was appointed for the Empire Savings, Building and Loan association of Chicago on the petition of one of the stockholders.

A dispatch from Salonica, European Turkey, says the recent earthquakes in that district totally destroyed the village of Guvesne and that twelve persons were killed.

Orrin A. Hickok, who has been prominent on the trotting turf for thirty years, is hopelessly ill at the home of his brother in Indiana. Hickok made St. Julien the champion trotter in 1879.

Indiana canners, in convention at Indianapolis, say that canned tomatoes are cornered and that local jobbers are now paying \$1.75 a dozen for three pound cans, which is the highest price since the war.

Governor Yates of Illinois has received the resignation of Patrick O'Donnell as public administrator of Cook county, which he demanded several days ago, O'Donnell having been convicted of jury bribery.

Bee and Charles Wentz, brothers, were struck by lightning while at work in a wheat field near Hartford, Ind., Wednesday and were instantly killed. The two men had sought shelter from the storm under an oak tree.

The bodies of the family of four found murdered near Prudence, Okla., have been buried and will probably never be identified. All were nude and the bodies were much decomposed. The man and woman were in the thirties and the children were, a girl of eight and a boy of six.

DES MOINES LEVEE BREAKS

Large Portion of Residence District is Flooded.

ALL RAILROADS IN TROUBLE

High Water Retards Passenger Traffic in Four States—Crops Are Washed Away and Livestock Drowned. Floods Grow More Severe.

Des Moines, July 10.—The Des Moines river reached the highest water mark of 1892, which was twenty feet, at midnight. At that hour the levee on the north side of town broke, flooding a large residence section. Most of the families removed earlier in the evening. A small break occurred in the Raccoon river levee just after midnight and a large force of men is attempting to hold the flood in check.

The Des Moines river dam is weakening. If it goes out it will endanger four city bridges and all the railroad bridges. The false work of the new Sixth avenue bridge, which went out Tuesday night, swept away five spans of the Chicago and Great Western railroad bridge over the Des Moines river.

ALL STREAMS OUT OF BANKS.

The rains have forced nearly all Iowa streams from their banks and the destruction of crops, livestock and other property is assuming immense proportions. It is impossible to estimate the damage from the indefinite reports received. The damage is especially extensive in the central, northern and western and southwestern parts of the state.

Many Families Made Homeless.

At Cedar Rapids, 5.4 inches of rain has fallen since July 1. Cedar river is out of its banks and many families have been forced from their homes. Numerous bridges have been swept away in Linn county.

The Skunk river and Squaw creek are out of their banks and near the confluence in Story county thousands of acres are flooded and crops practically destroyed. The continuous rains are paralyzing business in Fort Dodge and the railroads are almost out of business.

ONE LIFE IS YOST.

Near Oxford, in Johnson county, in a windstorm last night, Jacob Burkhardt was crushed to death by the falling of a barn on the farm of Wesley Prush. Half a dozen barns were destroyed in the same neighborhood.

A DELUGE VISITED THE TOWN OF EXIRA.

A deluge visited the town of Exira and trains on the Audubon branch of the Rock Island could not pass that point. The town is under four feet of water.

Reports received at Burlington say the Mississippi river has risen one foot since noon and is still rising. Heavy rains have fallen all day, swelling the current, which has been reinforced from tributaries all through northern Iowa.

RAILROADS SUSPEND TRAFFIC.

Topeka, July 10.—The Union Pacific has suspended all traffic on the Blue Valley line north of Manhattan and on the branch north of Concordia, on account of the high water. The Santa Fe is having much trouble on the northern end of the Strong City branch, which runs from Strong City to Superior, Neb.

WATER DELAYS ALL TRAINS.

Kansas City, July 10.—The rainfall at Kansas City thus far in July is four inches in excess of the normal fall for the whole month. Rain fell generally yesterday in Kansas, Nebraska and western Missouri.

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