



TORNADO CLAIMS 12 LIVES

BUILDINGS ARE RAZED BY SCORES

Fury of Storm Strikes North of Bloomfield; Twenty-five Hurt, Some Dangerously; Damage in Thousands.

Bloomfield, Neb., May 19.—(Special Telegram.)—Twelve persons killed, mostly children, and 25 injured, some dangerously, is the human toll of the tornado that swept this portion of Nebraska last night.

The dead: MRS. HERMAN HAGGES and one child. MR. and MRS. AUGUST FREDERICKSON and two children.

Five children at the Spinner place. One child at the Pieper farm. Seriously injured: John S. Schmeckpeper.

ONE CHILD SURVIVES. Mrs. August Frederickson and one child were instantly killed. Mr. Frederickson and a baby 7 months old died Sunday afternoon.

FARM HOUSES RAZED. Details are yet meager, due to the conditions of wires, but enough has leaked through to show that the storm left scores of demolished homes, barns and other buildings in its wake.

Injured by Flying Timber. John Schmeckpeper's residence and large barn were wrecked, as well as a number of other buildings in the neighborhood.

Woman and Child Killed. Mrs. Herman Hagges and one child were killed in the destruction of the residence of Herman Hagges.

Second Tornado in Iowa Kills Two at Davenport. Davenport, Ia., May 19.—Two persons were killed and two injured, one seriously, tonight in the second tornado within 10 days to strike the farming district five miles north of here.

Kills Two at Davenport. The twister uprooted a large tree and hurled it across an automobile, dealing death to Bernard M. Hofst, manager of the National Biscuit company's branch here, and his son, Roy, and injuries to Mrs. Hofst and her 8-year-old daughter.

Turks Resume Activities Against Jews in Palestine. The Hague, May 19.—Reports of a fresh outbreak of Turkish atrocities on the Jews in Palestine have received official confirmation, according to the Jewish correspondence bureau.

The Weather. For Nebraska—Generally fair Monday; Tuesday probably showers; no decided change in temperature.

Temperatures at Omaha Yesterday. 6 a. m. 72, 7 a. m. 72, 8 a. m. 72, 9 a. m. 72, 10 a. m. 72, 11 a. m. 72, 12 m. 72, 1 p. m. 74, 2 p. m. 74, 3 p. m. 74, 4 p. m. 74, 5 p. m. 74, 6 p. m. 74, 7 p. m. 74, 8 p. m. 74, 9 p. m. 74, 10 p. m. 74, 11 p. m. 74, 12 m. 74.

CHAPTER II. In Australia War Breaks. It was the 29th day of March, in that year of 1914 that dawned in peace and happiness and set in blood and death and bitter sorrow, that we landed in Sydney.

mind it now! but then we read, and wondered how that outlandish name might be pronounced. A foreigner was murdered—what if he was a prince, the Archduke of Austria? Need we fash ourselves about him?

And so we read, and were sorry, a little, for the pair lady who sat beside me, and she was killed with him. And then we forgot it. All Austria did. And my son John was coming—coming. Each day he was so many hundred miles nearer to me.

And I was thinking all the time, now, of my boy. He was on his way. He was on the Pacific. He was coming to me, across the ocean, and I could smile as I thought of how this thing and that would strike him, and of the smile that would light up his face now and the look of joy that would come into his eyes at the sudden sighting of some beautiful spot.

Oh, yes—those were happy days when each one brought my boy nearer to me. One day, I mind, the newspapers were full of the tale of a crime in an odd spot in Europe that none of us had ever heard of before. You mind the place? Scrajevol. Aye—we all

real war. Germany had attacked France and Russia. She was moving troops through Belgium. And every Briton knew what that must mean. Would Britain be drawn in? There was the question that was on every man's tongue.

But it was a shock to me when John said that. I had not thought that war, even if it came, could come home to us so close—and so soon. Yet so it was. The next day was the fourth of August—my birthday. And it was that day that Britain declared war upon Germany. We sat at lunch in the hotel at Melbourne when the newsboys began to cry the

ISLAND OF BJORKO IN GULF OF FINLAND SEIZED BY GERMANS

Purpose to Occupy Russian Capital Indicated by Operations Northwest of City; Baku Scene of Bloody Battle; British Capture Position of Strategic Value on Amiens Sector.

Although the Germans in Flanders and Picardy are keeping up incessantly their preparations for a resumption of their spring drive, there is as yet no indication that an attack on a large scale is immediately imminent.

POSITION CAPTURED. The latest of these small affairs where a bit of ground was required, has been successfully carried out by the British in the capture of the village of Ville-Sur-Ancre, on the Amiens sector.

TWO HUN RAIDS ON AMERICANS ARE REPULSED. Pershing Reports Feat of Rickenbacker in Downing Hostile Plane and Returning to Lines.

Washington, May 19.—General Pershing's communique issued tonight by the War department announces the repulse of enemy raids last night in Picardy and in Lorraine and the repulse of another today in the Lorraine sector.

German East Africa Forces Suffer Defeat. London, May 19.—British troops campaigning against the German East Africa forces have won another success after heavy fighting, and inflicted heavy losses on the Germans, it is officially announced.

Americans in Canada on June 22 Must Register. Toronto, May 19.—Americans and other foreigners more than 18 years old residing or traveling in Canada on and after June 22 must register with the Canadian authorities, the Canada registration board announced today.

Two Men in Kansas City Clubrooms Shot by Bandits. Kansas City, May 19.—Two men who attempted to hold up the Theatrical Mechanics' association club rooms here early today, shot and killed D. J. Hargreaves, a grocer of Chanute, Kan., and wounded dangerously James Blake, manager of the club.

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TEXAS FLYER CRASHES IN IOWA. Hemphstead, Tex., May 19.—Sergeant Richards of Weatherford, Tex., was seriously injured when a practice plane from Ellington field, which was piloted by Lieutenant E. D. Jones, caught in a side swing and crashed to the ground from a height of 150 feet at Hemphstead today.

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LESS BREAD FOR PEOPLE OF GERMANY

American Embargo on Foodstuffs to European Neutrals Cuts into the Supplies Going to Germans.

Washington, May 19.—Further reduction in food rations have been ordered in Germany, dispatches received today by the food administration said.

CRISIS IN FRANCE PASSED. Paris, May 19.—Victor Boret, French food minister, was asked today by the Associated Press what effect by the first three meatless days terminating yesterday had upon the situation in France.

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Omaha Red-Blooded Leaders In New Red Cross Uniform



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Harry Lauder in the War Zone

Copyright, 1918. extras. And we were still at lunch when the hall porter came in from outside. "Leftenant Lauder!" he called, over and over. John beckoned to him, and he handed my laddie a cablegram. Just two words there were, that had come singing along the wires half way around the world. "Mobilize. Return." John's eyes were bright. They were shining. He was looking at me, but he was not seeing us. Those eyes of his were seeing distant things. My heart was sore within me, but I was proud and happy that it was such a son I had to give my country. "What do you think, Dad?" he asked me, when I had read the order. I think I was gruff because I dared not let him see how I felt. His mother was very pale. "This is no time for thinking, son," I said. "It is the time for action. You know your duty." He rose from the table, quickly. "I'm off!" he said. "Where?" I asked him. "To the ticket office to see about changing my berth. There's a steam train this week—maybe, I can still find room aboard her." He was not long gone. He and his chum went down together and he came back smiling triumphantly. "It's all right, Dad," he told me. "I go to Adelaide by train and get the steamer there. I'll have time to see you and mother off—your steamer goes two hours before my train." We were going to New Zealand. And my boy was going home to fight for his country. They would call me too old, I knew—I was 44 the day Britain declared war. What a turmoil there was about us! So fast were things moving that there seemed no time for thought. John's mother and I could not realize the full meaning of all that was happening. But we knew that John was snatched away from us just after he had come, and it was hard—it was cruelly hard. But thoughts were drowned in the great, surging excitement that was all about us. In Melbourne, and I believe it must have been much the same elsewhere in Australia, folks didn't know what they were to do, how they were to take this war that had come so suddenly upon them. And rumors and questions flew in all directions. Suppose the Germans came to Australia? Was there a chance of that? They had islands, naval bases, not so far away. They were Australia's