

Tornado Strikes Western Portion of City; No Deaths

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home. The injured persons were carried into a house in the vicinity and given first aid treatment.

Dr. H. L. Lemere's home, at Forty-ninth and Davenport streets, was partially demolished. The roof was blown off and the entire front of the structure caved in. No one was reported injured.

When they heard the roar of the approaching storm, the Lee McGreer family, 2608 North Forty-fifth street, ran to the basement. Mr. McGreer remained seated in the living room. As the storm passed a large carpenter's hammer flew through a front window and fell in a chair only a few feet from where he was sitting.

C. McGreer of the same address left his large touring car standing in front of the residence. The wind fairly lifted it from the pavement carrying it half a block, where it lodged against a telephone pole, badly damaged.

COW IS LOST.

Mrs. Andrew Johnson, 1018 North Forty-seventh avenue, was at home with her two daughters when the storm struck the house. The house was moved from its foundation and badly demolished. None of the three was injured.

A cow belonging to Mrs. Johnson, which was tied in a shed behind the house, was missing, according to neighbors. The shed was left standing. The Johnson home was not insured, and neighbors say Mrs. Johnson and her two daughters are left destitute.

A chimney fell through the roof of the Richard Wilson home, 1118 North Forty-seventh street, and crushed a bed in which Eugene Wilson was about to retire. None of the Wilson family was injured, but their home was almost entirely demolished.

Telephone service in the vicinity of Forty-seventh and Cuming street was shattered. Debris littered the streets, and many large trees were blown.

The Leetom and the Adelaide apartments, five-story brick buildings at 4906-4910 Dodge street, suffered severe damage. The buildings are the property of Lee Huff. The apartment of Edward Parfitt on the top floor of the Leetom building was carried away entirely.

The home of Leo Rosenthal, member of the Jewish Welfare board, just south of the Leetom apartments, was totally destroyed. Rosenthal's three children, aged 12, 10 and 5 years, respectively, and Mrs. Cohn, were in the house at the time but were not injured. Rosenthal's automobile standing at the curb in front of his home, was completely wrecked.

A touring car, license number 10250 Nebraska, was wrecked and left on Rosenthal's lawn. The driver of the car, whose identity could not be learned, was carried away injured, according to witnesses.

Firemen All Ready.

Fire trucks were much in evidence in the Dundee district, but fires were quite the opposite.

Mr. and Mrs. Walker Lewis and Gertrude Lacey were playing cards in Lewis' home, Fifth and Harney streets, when the tornado struck. It moved the house 25 feet from its foundation, throwing the piano clear across the room, pinning Mrs. Lewis and Miss Lacey beneath it. Neither was seriously injured. Lewis' 3-year-old baby lay asleep on the davenport during the storm.

Mrs. Garland Boswell, 26, daughter of Maj. M. F. Sharp, was severely injured by glass when her father's home at Forty-ninth and Harney streets was wrecked. Mrs. Boswell suffered cuts on her hands and on her head.

The twister dipped at Forty-ninth and Underwood avenue and partially wrecked a dozen homes. The windows in Richard Coak's home were blown out and the wall paper peeled off the wall. The piano was cut with fragments of glass.

Tree Cuts House in Two.

Mrs. W. L. Brayton, 4817 Underwood avenue, suffered several severe cuts and bruises. The Brayton home was partially destroyed. The home of D. W. Bell, 4819 Underwood avenue, was also partially demolished. Two rooms of the C. F. Lambert residence, 4817 Cuming street, were cut away from the rest of the building. A large tree clef the brick house of J. Harris, 801 North Forty-ninth street in two.

Two small children of Mrs. Anna Myers, 2516 North Forty-fifth street were cut by flying glass. The roof and the front porch of the Myers home were carried away in the storm.

The Standard Oil company station, Forty-fifth and Grant, was damaged.

The residence of Wymer Dressler, 323 South Fifth avenue, assistant attorney for the Chicago &

home of Richard Keefe, 4723 Hamilton street.

Ed. Utterbach, 4819 Cuming street, garage demolished and windows broken.

C. F. Lambert, 4817 Cuming street, southwest corner of first floor room blown in and pieces of lumber from the Utterbach garage entered this home.

Garage Demolished.

J. F. McCaffrey, 4851 Cuming street, garage demolished and automobile damaged; sleeping porch and windows damaged.

An automobile and garage at the home of Austin Braun, 4808 Webster street, were carried 150 feet northward and demolished. Mr. Austin stated that he saw his Henry Ford going through the air. The car landed upside down near Burt street. A section of a neighbor's chicken house was blown into the Braun parlor which was damaged.

Supper Dishes Broken.

At the home of J. P. Eckles, 4809 Webster street, the front porch was twisted and inside doors of the house were blown off their hinges. Mrs. Eckles suffered several cuts on the hands and head from flying glass. Pictures were blown from upstairs rooms to the downstairs rooms and the dining table was turned around and all supper dishes were broken.

A. Feldhusen, 1020 North Forty-seventh avenue, barn wrecked, part of roof carried away; windows broken and interior partially damaged. A 2x6 section of lumber pierced the roof of the home of C. E. Mark, 4817 Burt street, and knocked quantities of plaster off.

House Complete Loss.

The home of L. M. Koch, 4813 Burt street, is almost a complete loss. The interior was wrecked. The roof was blown from the home of Mrs. Thomas Farran, 4815 Burt street. Ceilings were cracked and other damage caused.

The family of A. S. Avery was eating lunch when the storm broke over their home at 4821 Cuming street. A 2x4 section of lumber was blown into the upper story and fell across a bed. Windows were broken and the interior of the home disarranged.

Charles J. Jensen, 4622 Cuming street, front room furniture blown into next room.

Roof Blown Off.

Mrs. A. McDowell, 1128 North Forty-seventh avenue, roof blown off, front porch wrecked and windows broken.

John Virgil, 807 North Forty-ninth street, roof off, plaster broken. Plaster fell on John Virgil, jr., 11-2 years old, scratching his forehead.

E. R. Hume, 904 North Forty-ninth street, section of roof blown to his lawn.

A. B. Dennis, 4802 Webster street, top blown from automobile. John Taylor, 4802 Cuming street, garage wrecked, automobile not damaged; porch twisted and windows broken.

J. O. Stanfield was driving east on Center street, near Fifty-sixth, when the twister struck his car. It was carried up bodily from the pavement, turned it around, and blew it into the space where a garage had formerly stood. The garage was demolished. Eight people in the car, members of the Stanfield family and friends, escaped injury.

Lifted Near Asylum.

The tornado seemed to lift after it left the vicinity of the Deaf and Dumb asylum and turned into a hail storm which did considerable damage.

The storm traveled west of Fort Omaha. Reports from Briggs station were that hail as large as hens' eggs shattered the glass in the farm houses in this section and did considerable damage.

Irvington was also visited by a terrific hail storm which did considerable damage.

more grave, all ears are glued at its keyhole. Enemy ears tremble with joy when they detect some hesitation. Friendly ears half hear confused rumors which are peddled far and quickly.

Urges Patience.

"The day does not pass but what some false news here and there takes it flight. Nevertheless, no day passes but that we sit delirious feel approaching nearer the great aim and experience for each other more esteem, confidence and affection. Let public opinion wait a few days. It will then be able to pronounce on facts, not rumors."

The confident statement of Premier Lloyd George that the peace treaty will be concluded by Easter is supported by predictions repeatedly made by less prominent members of the peace conference and dispelled today much of the hopefulness and uncertainty in which many important problems of the conference seemed to have been enshrouded.

Even the announcements of serious bolshevik troubles in Bavaria and the danger of a break with Italy apparently did not affect the optimism today of the leaders of the British, French and American delegations.

Pessimistic Reports Unfounded. London, April 6.—The Sunday observer, in leaded type, says it has the best of reasons for stating that the pessimistic reports regarding the peace conference are entirely unfounded.

Premier Lloyd George and President Wilson are doing everything together for a peace which it will be possible for the English speaking democracies to guarantee, the news paper declares, and it is authoritatively expected that the preliminaries will be finally settled within three or four days.

Kansas City Hospital Unit Back From France. New York, April 6.—The transport Metapan arrived here today from Brest with 30 casual officers and 71 nurses, members of base hospitals 28, 52 and 58. Base hospital 28 is known as the "Kansas City unit."

CHINA ASKS FOR RELEASE FROM VOWS TO JAPAN

Treaties Held Incompatible With League of Nations' Principles in Plea From Peking.

Paris, April 6.—Nullification of the 21 demands made by Japan early in 1915 is urged by the Chinese government in an official statement cabled to Peking and received by the Japanese peace delegation today. The Peking statement declares that the Japanese treaties forced upon China in 1915 should be abrogated "because their terms are incompatible with the principles upon which the league of nations is founded."

The statement is largely in reply to a recent statement made by Baron Makino, of the Japanese delegation, on the position of Japan. Terms imposed upon China. "Since the Japanese delegate in Paris," the Chinese statement says, "has pointedly referred to the 21 demands, it is incumbent upon the Chinese government to draw attention to the fact that China's acquiescence in terms subordinate to her own interests was secured by means of an ultimatum to which she was forced to surrender because of the preoccupation of the rest of the world in the European war. It is a fact that the terms were imposed upon China at the point of a bayonet, the example followed being that of Prussia; the extension of 99 years of the lease of Port Arthur and South Manchurian railways concessions being precisely the German-Shantung terms."

"In a subsequent agreement secured by Japan under the former cabinet the principles followed have been equally dangerous, not only to China's liberty of action, but to her very independence."

American Policy Contrasted. The statement says that the claim of Japan to special privileges because the Japanese expelled the Germans from Shantung contrasts oddly with the failure of the Americans to claim the railways and mines of France although the Germans were expelled from Alsace and Lorraine by the co-operation of the American army.

It says that the American army of 2,000,000 lost more than 60 times the number of lives that Japan claims she lost at Tsing-Tao. The statement also comments on the fact that England is not asking Belgium for a single concession, although Flanders is one vast cemetery where English soldiers are buried.

Improved modern news distribution in China, the statement continues, keeps the Chinese fully advised of daily happenings throughout the world and "irredentism is already raising its head, not only in Korea, but throughout Manchuria and Shantung as well, foreign issues occupying almost exclusive attention to the detriment of domestic advancement."

Anarchists Unfurl Black Flag in Paris Socialist Protest. Paris, April 6.—There were cries of "Long live the soviets!" "Down with war!" and "Down with the peace conference!" at the huge demonstration organized by the Federation of Labor and the socialist party here today against the acquittal of Raoul Villain, the assassin of Jean Jaures, the socialist leader, and in honor of the memory of M. Jaures.

A group of anarchists unfurled a black flag on Avenue Henri Martin in spite of police orders. The police charged the anarchists, five of whom were injured.

When the head of the procession reached the home of Jaures, M. Sembat and the other deputies entered the house and presented Madame Jaures and Mlle. Jaures with a palm and flowers. Madame Jaures was visibly affected.

Fully 100,000 people lined the avenues, looking on without cheering.

Two Big Concerns Have Offices Here. The Independent Harvester company of Plano, Ill., has opened an office and distributing warehouse in Omaha. This concern has had a branch house in Lincoln but realizing the shipping and distributing advantages of our city has secured an office and warehouse in Omaha. C. E. Orcutt is the manager and will shortly move to Omaha with his family.

The Litchfield Manufacturing company of Waterloo, Ia., the largest exclusive manufacturer of manure spreaders in the world, has arranged to carry a large line of their products in an Omaha warehouse for distributing in this territory. This company has previously jobbed their product in Omaha.

Treasury to Make Another Loan Certificate Issue. Washington, April 6.—Another issue of loan certificates of indebtedness of \$500,000,000 minimum, dated April 10, and maturing September 9, bearing 4-1/2 per cent interest, was announced today by the treasury. Subscription books will close April 17.

This is the first issue of loan certificates for nearly a year. The last bi-weekly issue having been omitted because of the large over-subscription of previous issues. Including this issue, the amount of certificates to be redeemed from proceeds of the Victory liberty loan is approximately \$5,355,000,000.

King and Crane Appointed Commissioners on Syria. Paris, April 6.—Dr. Henry C. King, president of Oberlin college, and Charles R. Crane have been named as the American members of the inter-allied commission designated by the peace conference to investigate conditions in Syria, take a plebiscite and submit recommendations on the disposition of Syria.

FLASHES from FILMLAND

PHOTO-PLAY OFFERINGS FOR TODAY.

FLORENCE REED, appearing in "The Struggle Everlasting," will be at the Muse again today and tomorrow. Through an error in shipments "Her Code of Honor," which was to have been shown, was delayed, and the management was forced to substitute the other play. "The Struggle Everlasting" proves to be a highly dramatic photodrama in which Miss Reed portrays the part of a young girl, a new and interesting character, and comes through it in a new way, unspoiled. The staging and lighting of the screen drama is well up to the standard of Miss Reed's other works and there is a good cast supporting the star.

"The Sheriff's Son," showing the newest and most clever characterization of Charles Ray is shown at the Rialto. Ray plays the part of a western boy who has inherited a fortune from his mother. He is attending an eastern college when he received word that his father's friend, who has been paying for his tuition, is in the hands of cattle rustlers. He takes a grip on himself and overcoming his natural fear and set out to rescue his benefactor. In the end he wins the love of a niece of the leader of the rustlers, and through him they are brought to a realization of law and order and settle down in peace beside the men whose cattle they formerly stole. The Rialto news and comedy complete the bill.

Al Ray and Elinor Fair made their bow to Omaha in "Married in Haste," at the Sun, yesterday, and proved to be a delightfully entertaining team. "Married in Haste" is a snappy comedy drama. It deals with a young spendthrift who is forced to make good in business because of the scheming of his young wife to keep his own money away from him until he has done so. He does make good finally; but the road that he and his bride travel meanwhile is hot by mine obstacles—most of them laughable. In their poverty they are mistaken for crooks; but his wife, always with her eye on the main chance, helps hubby into a position in which he does something beside spending money.

"The Forfeit," the first of two pictures starring House Peters, will be released on March 10. A picture of Ridgewell Cullom's book of the same title, "The Forfeit," is a witty story of the southern cattle country. Frith Powell adapted, directed and produced the picture. Jane Miller is featured with Mr. Peters.

"Getting Mary Married" will follow Marion Davies' current attraction, "The Belle of New York," which is now being shown throughout the country. Miss Davies has the title role of Mary in the production, and her leading man, Norman Kerry, has the part of James Winthrop, jr.

"Paid in Full," the famous stage success, is shown at the Strand, with Pauline Frederick in the leading role. She plays the part of the patient wife of a shiftless clerk who keeps her constantly in poverty. He commits a theft and sends his wife to the man he has despoiled, caring little whether she sacrifices her honor to save him from jail. She adjusts the matter and when she quits him forever he shows his cowardice by taking his own life. She ultimately finds happiness in the love of a worthy man. A James Montgomery Flagg farce burlesque on "Tarzan of the Apes" completes the bill.

Cecil de Mille has obtained the screen rights to "The Admirable Crichton," written by J. M. Barrie.

Ask League of Nations to Provide for Study of the Liquor Question

Paris, April 6.—A conference held during the past three days at the invitation of the Ligue Nationale and by request of the Anti-Saloon League of America was presided over by Senator Jules Siegfried, Lord D'Abernon and the Belgian minister of justice, Emile Vandervelde. Eleven countries were represented.

Resolutions were adopted requesting the league of nations to provide a permanent bureau for the study of the liquor question and to report on the effects of liquor on the human system and the results obtained by drink legislation.

The resolutions will be presented to the peace conference on Tuesday. Bishop James Cannon of Richmond, Va., and Dr. Carre of Tennessee took a prominent part in the discussions.

Famine-Stricken People Eating Corpses in Armenia

Paris, April 6.—The Armenian peace delegation made an appeal to the American press today for assistance in relieving the suffering from famine and plague. A telegram from Minister of the Interior, Khatissian says:

"Famine reigns in Armenia. Two thousand persons are dying daily from hunger. For three days there has been no bread, even for the hospitals. The epidemic of typhus, intensified by famine, likewise is causing great ravages. In the region of Sourmalou people are eating bodies."

Damrosch Returns to School for Training Bandmasters

New York, April 6.—Walter Damrosch, who organized the bandmasters' school of the American expeditionary forces, sailed on La Lorraine to meet General Pershing's request that he give his personal attention again to the institution which has turned over 250 army musicians every eight weeks. He would also arrange, he said, for a tour which his orchestra had been invited to make next spring in France.



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