

## Tornadoes in Nebraska Kill Four

### Platte Valley in Central Part of State Swept by Damaging Storms—No Estimate of Loss.

### Communication Broken

The toll of the terrific storm that swept over the Platte valley in central Nebraska Wednesday night is four dead and six injured, according to dispatches reaching here last night. Wire communication with the stricken area was broken for several hours.

The dead are Arthur, 15, son of William McCarthy, when farm buildings were demolished four miles southeast of Ashley.

B. J. Glenn and son, Frank, 14, Hildreth, electrocuted by live wires blown down on their home.

The storm which struck Hildreth cut diagonally across Franklin county towards Hastings. The American Telephone & Telegraph wires were reported down between Hastings and Holdrege yesterday and on a stretch five miles east of Hastings poles were reported down.

### Two Counties Hit

The tornado that swept Dawson and Custer counties, leaving ruin in its wake on both sides of Lexington, moving in a northeasterly direction toward Broken Bow, Ashley and Sargent, left many injured. The tornado missed Lexington to the east by a few hundred feet.

Six injuries have been reported from Lexington. Warren Miller was blown off the Platte river bridge. Mrs. Arthur Nielson was injured when the house blew over. Mrs. Nielson was found under the kitchen cabinet in her home. Her baby, in the kitchen sink, was uninjured. Arthur Gurney, near Sumner was taken out of his house through the window by the force of the wind and landed in a tree and then to the ground, severely hurt. Orion Miller suffered three broken ribs. A daughter of Jack Ward was also reported injured.

No estimate can be made of property damages. The loss is enormous.

### Buildings Destroyed

Buildings of William Price, Charles Matham, Amos, Emmet Babbitt and George Wolseben, south of Sargent, were completely destroyed. The storm raged and passed over the town of Sargent descending again on the farm of Mike Beak, six miles northeast, completely demolishing all buildings. At least 10 outbuildings were overturned or smashed by the tornado.

Farmers living east and south of Broken Bow, in the path of the storm, suffered heavy losses, according to dispatches. High wind and hail and two inches of sleet fell within three hours in this section. Lines of communication were destroyed east of Broken Bow.

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## Germany Unable to Meet Payments May 31

Paris, May 11.—(By A. P.)—The German reply to the reparations note of April 13, which has been received by the reparations commission, shows that the government will be unable to meet the reparations payments of 500,000,000 marks new taxes before May 31, or complying with all the conditions laid down on March 21.

The German government, the reply says, is convinced of the necessity of covering expenditure without further monetary inflation. Having regard, however, for the German economic situation and financial obligations abroad, it is considered inevitable that important payments due Germany in foreign currency cannot be met without the aid of foreign loans.

### Harding to Deliver Views on Bonus After Week-End

Washington, May 11.—Transmission by President Harding of his views on pending soldiers' bonus legislation to republican members of the senate finance committee will await the return of the executive from his week-end trip to New Jersey. It was said by Senator Watson of Indiana, one of the republican committee members, after a conference today at the White House.

Senator Watson said the president and majority members of the committee were not far apart on the bonus matter. Amos indicated that further conferences would be held before the president presented his views. Mr. Harding was also represented as feeling that, inasmuch as his letter would be in the nature of a public statement of his position, he should give it most careful study.

### Flapper Styles Banned By Indianapolis Girls

Indianapolis, May 11.—Convinced that most schoolgirls today are sacrificing their health in a mad rush to follow the evolution of the flapper, "prom girl" and "rags," Indianapolis girls in good dressing courses in the public schools have decreed that flapper

### N. Y. Assemblyman Left \$4,500,000 by Father

Minneapolis, N. Y., May 11.—Assemblyman F. Truch Davidson of Nassau county has been left \$4,500,000 by the will of his father, Henry P. Davidson, New York banker and philanthropist, which was filed for probate here today. The full value of the estate was not given.

## Omahan Invited to Speak at Los Angeles



Capt. C. E. Adams.

Capt. C. E. Adams, well-known Omaha veteran of the civil war, has received an invitation to be the principal speaker at the observance of Memorial day at Los Angeles. The invitation was sent jointly by 25 societies of Los Angeles, who are planning the greatest Memorial day celebration in the city's history.

## Two Identified as Murderers of 2 Chicago Cops

### All Law Enforcement Organizations of City United in "Fight to Finish" on Organized Labor.

Chicago, May 11.—Declaring that he agreed with the contention made by the police that "Chicago is in a state of warfare," Judge Kitcham Scanlon today refused to issue writs of habeas corpus releasing Cornelius Shea and John Laferty, labor leaders, arrested in connection with the murder of two policemen yesterday morning during a series of labor bombings. He told the police these two men could be held at least until Saturday.

At the same time Judge Joseph David in effect refused to release "Big Tim" Murphy and Fred Mader, the latter an ex-convict and head of the Building Trades union. Judge David refused to hear the pleas, postponing the case until tomorrow at the request of the police.

### Jails Crowded

Chicago, May 11.—Jails were crowded with labor leaders and others held in connection with the murders of two policemen here yesterday and the bombing of two buildings, which police attributed to labor disorders. Two men have been pointed out as restraining men in the automobile from which shots which killed Terrance Lyons, acting lieutenant, were fired.

All law enforcement organizations in the city are united in what police term "a fight to the finish with organized labor." More than 100 labor leaders, including "Big Tim" Murphy, Cornelius Shea and Fred Mader, president of the building trades council, were arrested in raids on labor headquarters. The two partly identified as slayers are, police say, Isaac Braverman, 28, and Max Glass, 33.

### Advances Alibi

Braverman is said to have fired the shots from an automobile when Lieutenant Lyons was killed and he was pointed out by James A. McClellan and Frederick Blank, patrolmen, who were with Lyons when he was shot and when Albert Koeller, patrolman, was injured seriously. Braverman's family has advanced an alibi for him.

Glass, who is a member of the Glaziers' union, was pointed out by a man who says he saw an eye witness as the slayer of Thomas Clarke, patrolman, who was on guard at a building which previously had been bombed.

James Lafferty, a third suspect, who has been at liberty under heavy bond in connection with a mail robbery, was partly identified by Policeman Blank as the third occupant of the death car. The car, riddled with bullets and blood spotted, was found abandoned. Police believe one of the gunmen was wounded.

Charles C. Fitzmorris, chief of police, says he believes the men were hiredlings of the "higher-up forces in organized labor circles, putting into action a conspiracy to overthrow the citizens' committee and the Landis wage award, a decision handed down by K. M. Landis, former federal judge, then acting arbiter, which was intended to settle labor disputes between members of the building trade council and the labor unions.

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17th and Farnam AT lantic 1000

## Russia and Germany in Arms Pact

### French Journal Asserts Germans Agree to Furnish Red Army With Arms and Materials.

### Soviets Deliver Reply

Paris, May 11.—(By A. P.)—The newspaper l'Éclair today printed the text of a military convention said to have been signed by representatives of the Russian soviet army and the German general staff in Berlin, April 3, by the principal clause of which the Germans agree to furnish the red army with the arms and material necessary to equip 180 regiments of infantry and sufficient heavy field artillery for 20 infantry divisions.

### To Reorganize Fleets

The German general staff, according to the convention, pledged to reorganize the Russian Baltic and Black sea fleets, and to supply at the earliest possible date 500 new airplanes, together with a supply of spare parts, and 150 field wireless outfits. The Germans would train 60 Russian instructors in the latest discoveries and inventions of chemical warfare, and send technical experts to Russia to speed up the existing munition plants and open new factories.

The red army staff guarantees the establishment in Russia of three German plants, one for the manufacture of airplanes, one for poison gas and one for arms, on condition that the parties bind themselves to keep the convention a secret. The document is signed, according to the newspaper, by Novitskiy Stepan, Major General Von Secht, Vice Admiral Behnel, Lieutenant Scharf and Major Petter.

### Reply Made Public

Genoa, May 11.—(By A. P.)—Russia's reply to the allied memorandum made public this evening, declares the financial differences between the powers and Russia require deeper study, and it suggests the appointment of a mixed committee of experts by the economic conference to consider these questions.

The reply rejects the mixed tribunal system proposed by the allies for settling the claims of foreigners. This system, it says, is irreconcilable with the communistic system. The reply maintains that the present financial crisis in Russia is due to the economic conditions of the country, and that the government will make it possible for them to pursue in Russia reconstruction with the mixed tribunals.

The reply reiterated the claims for damages because of the blockade of Russia and the wars against it, promoted by foreigners, quoting the Alabama claims growing out of the American civil war as a precedent.

### If Belgians Quit

London, May 11.—A dispatch to the evening Standard from Genoa says that if the French and Belgians quit the conference Premier Lloyd George will remain "and try to work the ship to port with a short-handed crew."

### Railway Men Ask President to Free Political Prisoners

Houston, Tex., May 11.—A resolution petitioning President Harding to grant amnesty to all political prisoners now incarcerated on account of their political activities during the past war, was adopted by the 20th triennial convention of the International Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Engineers.

A motion was referred to a committee of establishing a tuberculosis sanitarium. Another motion advocated a national law prohibiting employers from calling pensioned employees back into service.

The greater part of the afternoon session was spent in considering amendments to the bylaws and constitution.

### Chinese Have Queer Way of Committing Suicide

Shanghai, May 11.—Swallowing opium, match heads, gold rings and earrings are favorite methods with the Chinese for committing suicide. According to the 75th annual report of the Chinese hospital for 1921, 229 men and 73 men were treated for attempting suicide by swallowing opium; 130 women and 35 men who attempted suicide by swallowing match heads, and 125 women and 15 men who sought death by swallowing gold rings and earrings.

### "Dry" Democrat Assured in Race for Senate, High Says

Lincoln, May 11.—(Special Telegram.)—F. A. High, superintendent of the anti-Saloon league, announced tonight he had obtained the "honor-bound" promise of a dry democrat to lead the Bryan forces in a primary fight against Senator Gilbert H. Hitchcock.

"This man has given me his word of honor that if Charles W. Bryan or W. H. Thompson do not become candidates for the senatorial nomination he will go in as a dry candidate," High said.

## Attorney General Is Boomed for Senator



Clarence A. Davis.

## Davis Expected to Enter Race for U. S. Senate

### Huge Petition Filed for Attorney General From Douglas County—Outstate Politicians Active.

Lincoln, May 11.—(Special Telegram.)—Candidates of Attorney General Clarence A. Davis for the republican nomination for United States senator became increasingly likely as a result of discussion among republicans attending the state conference here today.

Coincident with the gathering, petitions were filed from Douglas county and elsewhere asking that Davis name go on the primary ballot. Under the law, he has five days in which to accept the filings in order to make it operative.

### Friends Encouraged

Close friends of Davis expressed confidence tonight that he will enter the race. They profess to find encouragement in expressions of republicans from various sections of the state whom they quote as being satisfied with the candidacy of any present aspirant for the nomination.

They claim that Davis will rally a large outstate vote to his support as a result of his wide acquaintance and his active in prosecuting allegedly fraud stock promotions, that he will have the friendship of the state administration and will command powerful aid from anti-saloon league sources.

### Petitions From Omahans

The petition signed by 350 Omaha residents, included those of bank presidents, prominent attorneys, city firemen, city policemen, laboring men, merchants and many women. It is by far the largest petition filed, as yet, for any candidate. In addition, it is known that a dozen petitions for Davis are in circulation in Lincoln and many out in the state.

State Senator M. F. Rickard of Guide Rock filed for re-election on the republican ticket. Loren F. M. Fries of Howard county filed as a democratic candidate for state senator in the 27th district.

### Chang Masses Troops; Plans to Resist Wu

Tientsin, May 11.—(By A. P.)—Gen. Chang Tso-Lin, defeated before Pekin by Gen. Wu Pei-Fu, is preparing to resist his pursuer and has massed troops at Kaiping, Kuohai and Luanchow, about 65 miles south of the great wall on the Mukden railway. Chang has announced he will not be responsible for foreign lives or property if Wu attacks. He has ordered his Chihli troops not to proceed beyond Peitang until it is clear whether Chang intends to fight or withdraw. Thirty-four American soldiers have left to reinforce the railway guards at Tangshan, 70 miles northeast of here and only five miles from Chang's outposts.

The situation in the Kailan coal mines is serious, owing to the shortage of food and fear among the miners over the presence of hordes of Chang's Fengtian troops.

### Financial Crisis

Amoy, China, May 11.—(By A. P.)—A financial crisis in Canton, the seat of southern government, is reported in dispatches received here. The banks are closed, business is paralyzed and the government bank notes have depreciated 30 per cent in value.

### The Crisis is attributed to the agitation caused by the operations of Dr. Sun Yat Sen's southern government in preparation for its projected campaign against the north, and the consequent political complications.

### Army Blimp Lands Safely After Drifting Over Sea

Hampton, Va., May 11.—The army blimp A-4 arrived safely at Langley field today after having drifted for an hour and a half over the ocean off Cape Henry with its engines dead. The craft drifted to sea before a four-mile northwest breeze until repairs were made, when it turned toward shore. The crew of five were none the worse for their experience.

### For Citizen Training Camps

Washington, May 11.—The War department plans to assign to each corps area for the training of the citizen army during the coming summer "a reinforced brigade in which all arms are represented," it was announced today.

## Omaha to Be Center for Army

### Area to Be Moved Here—Seventeenth Infantry to Come.

### R. O. T. C. Camp Named

Washington, May 11.—(Special Telegram.)—The War department announced today a new distribution of the armed forces of the United States in order to render the reduced number of units most effective. It is planned that the prime object of the army under the new national defense act is to train the citizens soldiers.

The troop, however, must be kept within easy reach, in the event of need, at home or abroad.

The new distribution calls for the following changes in the Seventh corps area:

The Sixth infantry, now at Jefferson barracks, Camp McClellan, Ft. Crook and Ft. McPherson, will be assembled at the Jefferson barracks, Mo.

The Seventeenth infantry, now at Ft. Houston, will be located at Ft. Crook and Ft. Omaha, Neb. A part of the Second battalion, field artillery, will be located at Jefferson barracks.

The Ninth cavalry will in time be returned from the Philippines to Ft. Hood, D. C.

The Fourth engineers, less three companies, will be stationed at Ft. Des Moines, Ia.

The civilian military training camp, to which Nebraskans will be assigned, will be at Ft. Des Moines, August 1-31, where 10,000 will be assembled, including infantry, cavalry, field artillery and all branches of the service.

The Eighty-ninth division of organized reserves will be at Ft. Des Moines July 16-31.

### Acting Commander of 7th Corps Slightly Injured

Brig. Gen. William Lassiter, assistant chief of staff, chief of operations with the general army staff, Washington, D. C., arrived in Omaha yesterday morning and is in conference with Seventh corps area officers at Fort Crook. He was met at the station by Col. Fries, assistant chief of staff, Seventh corps area, Col. R. A. Brown, acting commander of the Seventh Corps area, who was to have come over from Des Moines, was prevented from being here by an accident Wednesday in which he received a broken wrist and other hurts.

### Plans for Big Steel Merger Completed

New York, May 11.—Moses Taylor, chairman of the Lackawanna Steel company, announced today that his company had completed negotiations with the Bethlehem Steel corporation for a merger of the two corporations.

Rumors of the consolidation caused heavy buying of those stocks and kindred shares in the final hour of the stock market.

Lackawanna has recently been mentioned in connection with the proposed merger of some half dozen steel independent companies, these including Midvale and Republic Iron. Bethlehem representatives have stated that they were not interested in the reported merger or consolidation plans of their competitors.

### Alliance Men Arrested; Mash Is Found in Cave

Alliance, Neb., May 11.—(Special.)—Clay Beagle and Alvin Roach, both of Alliance, were arrested by Morrill county authorities following their capture in a cave on a farm owned by Roach's mother. They were taken to jail at Bridgeport. Officers believe that a still, which is said to have been in operation in that vicinity, was destroyed a short time before the raid. The men will be brought to Alliance and arraigned before United States Commissioner L. A. Berry, on a charge of having mash illegally in their possession.

### Highways Patrolled in Effort to Trap Jewelry Bandits

Two bandits, armed with shotguns and riding a motor car, were playing hide-and-seek with Omaha policemen, deputy sheriffs and posse yesterday in their flight from a daylight holdup in Nebraska.

Two men entered the C. F. Foley jewelry store at Nebraska City at 9 yesterday morning, forced the proprietor and a clerk into a lavatory at the point of revolvers, snatched up a large number of diamonds and other valuables and escaped in a motor car.

### Three Catholics Shot

Belfast, May 11.—(By A. P.)—Three Catholics, James, Francis and Thomas McKee, were taken from their beds at Ballymudger last night and shot by a gang of men. James was killed, and the others seriously wounded. Francis received 16 bullet wounds.

## G. O. P. State Convention Will Be Held August 15

### Lincoln Named as Meeting Place by State Committee—Congressman Graham Tells of Record of Inactivity of Senator Hitchcock on Important Measures.

Lincoln, Neb., May 11.—(Special Telegram.)—Formal authorization for the calling of the republican state convention to meet in Lincoln, August 15, was given by the republican state committee, meeting here today as a preliminary to the republican rally tonight. The convention is to be called for 11 a. m. and delegates will be apportioned to the various counties on the basis of one for each 250 votes cast for Harding in 1920, plus one at large for each county.

Aside from this item of business, the meeting was devoted to an introductory address by State Chairman McCloud of York and a short speech by Congressman W. J. Graham of Illinois.

"I understand," said Chairman McCloud, "that taxes are an issue in this campaign. That is all right with me. Taxes are coming down, coming down in both nation and state and coming down because of the action and economy of administration directed by republicans. The national budget has been cut \$1,600,000,000 in a single year and the state appropriations were cut \$2,000,000 by the special session of the state legislature. That will have its effect in the taxes people will pay and they will realize to whom is due the credit for the efficient administration that makes it possible."

### Gives Hitchcock Record.

Congressman Graham paid particular attention to the record of United States Senator Gilbert M. Hitchcock, a candidate to succeed himself as Nebraska's representative in the upper house of congress. He cited Senator Hitchcock's voting record on important legislation in the last year. It follows:

Tariff on hides, not voting.  
Emergency agricultural tariff bill, voted "No."  
Willis-Campbell bill to forbid use of beer as medicine, not voting.  
Regulation of packing houses, not voting.  
Resolution for peace with Germany, voted "No."  
Revenue bill, not voting.  
Ratification of German peace treaty, present but not voting.  
Ratification of Austrian peace treaty, present but not voting.  
Ratification of Hungarian peace treaty, voted "Yes."  
Free agricultural seeds, not voting.  
Ratification of four-power treaty, voted "No."  
Commission to negotiate funding

of foreign debt, present but not voting.  
Extension of agricultural extension work, not voting.  
After reading this record, Mr. Graham said:

### Entitled to Vote.

"I submit that the people of Nebraska, at least, are entitled to representation in the United States senate by the man who bears the title of senator, that they are entitled to have him vote at least 'yes' or 'no' on the important bills.

"I want to say to you that you should unite on the best candidate you have against Senator Hitchcock, that you should nominate him and with him beat the incumbent senator when he asks re-election on such a record as this. That is a job that needs doing and you should do it."

The issue in this campaign is going to be what the republican party has done. By our record we shall be measured, and I promise you it is a record of dodging votes.

Douglas county members of the state committee present included Robert Smith, Clinton Brome, T. J. McGuire and Mrs. William Berry, with Harry Byrne holding the proxy of Joseph Koutsky. The committee meeting was attended by editors of many newspapers and by county chairman, candidates and others.

### Exservice Men Push Demand for War Contract Quiz

### Representatives Woodruff and Johnson Threaten Impeachment Action Against Attorney General.

By GRAPTON WILCOX.  
Omaha Bee Special Writer.

Washington, May 11.—Demand for congressional investigation of the failure of the Department of Justice to prosecute war contract frauds persisted today, notwithstanding Attorney General Daugherty's letter of explanation transmitted to the house Tuesday by President Harding.

Representative Woodruff, Michigan, and Representative Johnson, South Dakota, republican exservice men who are threatening impeachment proceedings against the attorney general unless he acts promptly, served notice on the representative Mondell, Wyoming, republican leader, that they would do everything in their power to force action on their resolution providing for an investigation.

### Urges Appropriation.

Attorney General Daugherty went before the house appropriations committee today and urged prompt action on the requested appropriation \$500,000,000 to enable the Department of Justice to embark upon an energetic campaign against contractors who are accused of defrauding the government of millions of dollars during the war.

Mr. Daugherty explained that it is his purpose, if the appropriation is granted, to employ 35 or 40 able lawyers, at salaries higher than those aid in the department, to take charge of the war fraud prosecutions. In view of the importance of the cases and the enormous sums of money involved, he is anxious to obtain the best legal talent available. Furthermore, he wants to have the prosecution well equipped with auditors and expert accountants.

### May Recover \$192,000,000.

The attorney general told the house in his report Tuesday that civil actions numbering 200 and involving a possible recovery of over \$100,000,000 in over-payments by the government were contemplated. Today he informed the committee that further examination of the cases indicated that they would number about 275 and that the amount of possible recoveries might run as high as \$192,000,000.

Indications are that the committee will make a favorable report on the appropriation within the next day or two.

### City Ice Department Has 26,000 Tons in Storage

The city ice department now has nearly 26,000 tons of ice in storage. This large reserve will enable the department to keep 38 jitney stations supplied during the hot weather.

A 20,000-ton storage house erected at Twenty-first street and Poppleton avenue last year is being filled for the first time.

### The Weather

Forecast.  
Friday—Fair and colder.  
Hourly Temperatures.

5 a. m.	67	1 p. m.	74
6 a. m.	66	2 p. m.	75
7 a. m.	67	3 p. m.	76
8 a. m.	69	4 p. m.	75
9 a. m.	70	5 p. m.	74
10 a. m.	71	6 p. m.	73
11 a. m.	72	7 p. m.	71
12 noon.	73	8 p. m.	69

### Highest Thursday

Davenport	86	North Platte	74
Denver	84	Pueblo	72
Des Moines	84	Rapid City	64
Dodge City	82	Salt Lake	62
Lander	82	Santa Fe	59
		Scott City	58

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### Declare Dividend

Denver, May 11.—The Continental Oil company declared a dividend of \$2 a share on the capital stock of the company, payable June 15, 1922, to stockholders of record at the close of business, May 25, 1922.

## Campaign Opened by Republicans

### Congressman W. J. Graham of Illinois Urges 300 Nebraskans to Keep Efficient Government.

### Tells of Extravagance

Lincoln, May 11.—(Special Telegram.)—Republicans, 500 strong, listened here tonight to the bid of a republican congress for re-election to continue a struggle to restore efficiency and economy into the federal government, which in the words of Congressman W. J. Graham of Illinois, principal speaker of the evening, was on the verge of bankruptcy when the democratic administration was shoved into the discard by the biggest majority in the history of the country.

First, the Illinois congressman described graphically the alleged reckless abandon with which the democrats threw billions of dollars into wasteful and useless extravagance until the heads of his audience grew dizzy.

### Information First Hand

It was not second hand information which he brought to the fore and women assembled. Congressman Graham was a member of an investigation committee of war extravagances and his figures on democratic expenditures in the operation of the railroads by the government, the construction of the new and old supplies of millions in claims alleged to be "political pie" for administration favorites and the handling of the Muscle Shoals project came from the lips of a man who was on the ground when the discoveries were made.

After lifting the curtain on the monstrous expenditures and appropriations made by the democratic administration, Congressman Graham described progress made by a republican congress to restore as rapidly as possible a government living within its income.

### Reavis Also Speaks

The Illinois congressman was aided in his efforts to bring the true conditions at Washington home to his hearers by C. Frank Reavis, retiring First district congressman, who sang his swan song tonight before the appreciative audience.

Congressman Reavis recited figures of millions appropriated by the last administration for armament for army and navy. Then he told of the millions saved by the republican congress on this armament as a result of the four-power treaty inaugurated by President Harding, guided by Secretary Hughes, and ratified by a republican senate.

"The government is being operated at a saving of \$4,000,000 a day over the daily cost of government operated by the democratic administration," Congressman Reavis said.

Then Gov. McKelvie delivered a few jolts at the democratic claims in the state campaign. He described the efficiency of a co-ordinated responsible government under the code system as against the old bureau and commission system of government, the savings effected by the initiation of the budget