

DRIEST JUNE RECORDED HERE

Unless Heavy Rains Fall Before Midnight, This Month Will Break Records.

Today's Rains Helped Some, but the Red River Valley Still Suffers.

Missouri Slope Country Is Benefited—Fine Rains Reported in Many Sections.

Unless a heavy rain should fall before midnight, the present month will go on record as the driest June since the local weather bureau was organized thirteen years ago.

The driest June heretofore was in 1894, when the total precipitation was 1.15 inches. The wettest June was in 1897 with a rainfall of 9 inches. Last year the total precipitation was exactly 4 inches.

The rains reported for the twenty-four hours ending at 7 o'clock this morning were comparatively heavy in North and South Dakota, but only moderate in central and southern Minnesota and in Wisconsin.

The showers extended northward into Montana and into the British possessions west of Manitoba. Northern Minnesota reported practically no rain. At Moorhead the record was merely two-hundredths of an inch.

The local rainfall up to noon to-day was half an inch since 7 a. m. Monday. The heaviest rain for the twenty-four hours ending at 7 a. m. to-day were 1.02 inches at Redfield, S. D., and 1.04 inches at Williston, N. D.

Predictions for to-morrow favor showers and thunder storms.

To-day's weather and crop bulletin shows the record of the last day of the absolutely dry spell and the first day of the showers (greater) as follows:

Table with columns: Max. Min. Rain. Min. Rain. Locations: Minneapolis, Alexandria, Campbell, Crookston, Detroit, Duluth, Grand Meadow, Moorhead, New Ulm, Park Rapids, St. Paul, Wadena, Worthington, La Crosse, Washburn, N. D., Fargo.

RAINS ALL AROUND

Regular Drencher at Fergus Falls—Good Fall on Missouri Slope.

Special to The Journal.

Fergus Falls, Minn., June 30.—A drenching rain, the first in several weeks, has been falling here during the past five hours.

Watertown, N. D., June 30.—A fine shower fell here Sunday night. The precipitation, according to the government register, was .71 of an inch.

Chaska, Minn., June 30.—Rain visited this vicinity this morning and the crops are in excellent shape.

Benson, Minn., June 30.—A copious rain fell last night and all fears of drought are over. Crops are in good condition.

Libert, Minn., June 30.—There was a series of thunder showers all day yesterday and last night and the top of the ground was thoroughly soaked.

Washburn, N. D., June 30.—Two inches of rain fell at 8 a. m. to-day. The storm will save the crops.

Arlington, B. D., June 30.—About three inches of rain fell over this part of the country last night; crops never looked better.

New Richmond, Wis., June 30.—This region, which was just beginning to suffer from the drought, was yesterday and last night visited with a soaking rain.

Argyle, Minn., June 30.—The long drought was broken yesterday by a heavy shower. More rain is needed.

Salem, S. D., June 30.—Another week of favorable weather has made a marked advancement in the grain in this country. Corn is in splendid condition.

Morris, Minn., June 30.—Speltz and oats are in the best condition. Corn is of the right color and is growing along the weather has scarcely been hot enough for ideal corn growing.

Rochester, Minn., June 30.—A furious storm of rain and some hail raged here this forenoon. The fall of water is estimated at about two inches.

Bismarck, N. D., June 30.—A heavy fall around Bismarck and a two-inch fall is reported north along the Bismarck, Washburn & Great Falls railway, greatly improving the crop prospects and relieving the drought.

Dickinson, N. D., June 30.—Rains the past twelve hours have improved crop conditions wonderfully.

Lidgerwood, N. D., June 30.—This country was visited by a fine rain last night, but it was too late to save all the crop. With the best possible conditions, this locality will not harvest half a crop.

Cumberland, Wis., June 30.—Heavy rains to-day broke the drought just in time to save the crops in northern Wisconsin.

CORN POUNDED DOWN

Hundreds of Acres Laid Low by Wind and Rain.

La Crosse, Wis., June 30.—A severe wind storm, followed by a flood of rain, did some damage in western Wisconsin and eastern Minnesota this morning.

Hundreds of acres of corn in this vicinity were laid low by the wind and the rain was so heavy that many crops on the hills were almost entirely washed out.

OUR DOMESTICS

Philadelphia Press.

"Pa." said little Willie, who had been reading a cigar store advertisement, "what's imported and domestic?"

"A servant girl," replied pa promptly.

ANTI-RITUALIST SCORES POTTER

English Clergyman Sends a Peculiar Letter to the Bishop of New York.

Says the Bishop Sanctions "Idolatry" in Churches Subject to His Jurisdiction.

Denies That He Is an "Impertunate Interloper" as Bishop Potter Had Termed Him.

New York, June 30.—The Rev. R. C. Fillingham, vicar of Hexton, England, apostle of anti-ritualism, who will sail for England to-day, has sent another letter to Bishop Henry C. Potter in which he says:

"I had no idea of making a commotion in this city. Traveling for rest, I attended public worship, not the worship of God, but of a senseless bun, at the Church of St. Mary, the Virgin, on Sunday week, and I felt compelled to speak by this time you and that of the public to the idolatry of which I was the witness. Your reply was not worthy of a Christian or a gentleman and I have no doubt but that by this time you are ashamed of it. For my part I condone a letter evidently written in a moment of hot-headed passion.

"I am, if God spares me to return to this country early in the new year and conduct the anti-ritualist work here and in other cities of the United States. My American friends do not regard me as an 'impertunate interloper' but as a man who joins hands with the Anglo-Saxon race from whichever side of the ocean he may happen to come.

"I wish to remind you of one thing before I leave. When you were consecrated to the high office of bishop you were asked: 'Are you ready with all faithful diligence to banish and drive away from the church all erroneous and strange doctrines contrary to God's word and to encourage others to do the same?' Solemnly in the presence of God and the congregation I replied: 'I am ready, the Lord being my helper.'

"That is all I have to ask you. I hope the American public will see by your answer that you're a true man, a man resolved to do his duty and keep his word."

FATHER OF 18 HAS ELOPED

Has Sixteen Children Living—Runs Away With Pretty Miss, Eighteen-Year-Old.

New York Sun Special Service. Guthrie, Okla., June 30.—Rev. O. K. Fosdy, father of eighteen children, who has been in England and returned to the United States, has eloped with a pretty 18-year-old daughter of a neighboring farmer. He left a mortgage on his farm and left eight children at home. Of his other children, eight are living in other states and two have died.

The departure of the preacher, who is 50 years old, was kept quiet for several days pending attempts to locate the pair. Both families are prominent. The couple took the money secured from mortgaging the farm and drove overland to Holdenville, I. T., at which place they mysteriously disappeared.

The preacher wrote his wife telling where he had left the buggy, but was silent on the matter of his intended location. In Holdenville he introduced the girl as his daughter and announced they were en route to Denison, Tex. It is believed they went to Canada.

In addition to being the minister of the Christian church, Fosdy was also a practicing physician.

POWERS MASS THEIR FLEETS

Russia Has 57 Warships at Port Arthur—Other Fleets Near By.

Tientsin, June 30.—Local newspapers comment on the alleged significance of the gathering of the American, British and Japanese fleets in the northern part of the gulf of Pe-Chi-Li. It is asserted that no less than fifty-seven Russian warships of one sort and another are assembled at Port Arthur. Japanese reserve officers who were on leave in North China are said to have been called home.

War Minister Is Busy. Peking, June 30.—The Russian minister, M. Lessar, has been summoned suddenly to a conference with General Kuropatkin, the Russian war minister; Admiral Alex. left, in command of the Russian fleet in the Pacific; M. Pokotloff, manager of the Russo-Chinese bank at Peking; and other officers at Port Arthur, regarding Russia's position in Manchuria. M. Lessar leaves here July 1.

TEXAS OFFICIAL MURDERED

R. M. Love, State Controller, Is Shot Dead by a Discharged Employee.

Austin, Texas, June 30.—State Controller R. M. Love was assassinated in his office in the state capitol at 10:30 this morning by W. G. Hill, a discharged employe of the office.

W. G. Hill, the assassin of Love, committed suicide immediately after the shooting.

DUKE VLADIMIR SPEAKS OF JEWS

Tells an American Correspondent That He Cannot Account for Racial Prejudices.

Charges Foreign Jewish Organizations With Responsibility for Recent Agitation.

New York Sun Special Service. Homburg, Germany, June 30.—The present czar of Russia has no sons. The heir to the throne is his youngest brother, Grand Duke Michael, whose health is delicate. Next to him and to the throne stands Grand Duke Vladimir, an uncle, the eldest brother of the late czar and a son to Czar Alexander II.

To the correspondent the grand duke said:

"I suppose you want to talk to me about the tragedy of Kishinev, but first I would like you to explain to me the origin of the prejudice which exists in your country between the white and the black races. Or, similarly, can you account for the prejudice existing between the Irish and the English Catholics and Protestants?"

"It is impossible to do so. The causes of racial prejudice are too far remote, too numerous, too complicated.

"This is precisely the question with which we are confronted in Russia to-day. It is impossible to give all the causes which have contributed for centuries to produce the racial hatred against the Jews, but it is not true to say that the Jews in Russia are disconcerted and unhappy.

"Blames the B'N B'Rith. The Jewish agitation is chiefly instigated by influential Jews outside Russia, such as the members of the society in New York which has presented a petition and especially the power of the Jews in Berlin.

"There can be no question of intervention by America in the purely internal affairs of Russia. Nevertheless, I am sure that the relations between Russia and America have always been of a very cordial nature, especially since 1862, when a Russian fleet visited New York."

THANK ROOSEVELT

Jewish Rabbis at Detroit Express Gratitude at His Course.

Detroit, June 30.—The annual meeting of the conference of American Rabbis, organized in this city fourteen years ago, opened last night in Temple Beth El, with three score rabbis from all parts of the United States present.

The meeting was largely one of welcome. Rabbi Joseph Silverman of New York, the president of the conference, in his message, however, took up the recent Jewish massacres in Russia, and reviewed the protest of the B'nai B'rith society to President Roosevelt and the president's action in forwarding the society's protest to the czar. Rabbi Silverman said that in view of the president's action it was wise to cease further agitation for public meetings of the kind which have been held in resolutions thanking the president and informing the public that the exigencies of the situation at Kishinev have been met, so far as possible. Such resolutions will be presented and considered to-morrow morning.

Papers and Reports. Detroit, Mich., June 30.—A paper on "Assyriology and the Bible," an answer to "Rabel and Bible," by Rabbi K. Kohler, P. H., of Cincinnati, was the feature of the forenoon session of the Central Conference of American Rabbis at Temple Bethel. Before Rabbi Kohler read his paper, reports were made by the secretary and treasurer of the union and on the Jewish-American historical exhibit.

PEARSON GETS IT

Special to The Journal. Washington, June 30.—Charles H. Pearson was to-day appointed postmaster at Tell, Emmons county, N. D.

Judge George D. Emery of Minneapolis is in Washington on private business and will return to New York to-morrow night from which place he will start for home the last of the week.

REMORSE LEADS THEM TO SUICIDE

Servants Implicated in King Alexander's Murder Said to Have Killed Themselves.

Public Opinion Reported to Be Changing and Assassins Are Losing Ground.

Vienna, June 30.—Remorse has overtaken some of the Serbian officers who participated in the recent royal murders. Rumors of wholesale suicides come from Belgrade. It is said that there is a serious cleavage of opinion in the army and that many duels are imminent between the leading conspirators and officers of the provisional government, who condemn the massacre.

It is thought that these reports are exaggerated, but it is certain that there is a reaction against the events of June 11, which is trying the souls of weaker assassins and driving many to despair. It is reported that the life of Colonel Maschin, the leading murderer, is menaced and that

YEAR'S PROFIT \$52,000,000

Fiscal Year of the United States Government Ends To-day—Big Surplus on Hand.

The Total Surplus Is \$230,464,000, Not Counting the \$150,000,000 Reserve Fund.

From The Journal Bureau, Room 45, Post Building, Washington, D. C., June 30.—The fiscal year ends to-day with a surplus of \$52,000,000 in the treasury, for the year's operations. The surplus is made up of \$1,000,000 in customs receipts and the balance in internal revenue and miscellaneous receipts.

In spite of the bill and a half of appropriations by the last congress, the country is in excellent shape financially. The treasury has a total surplus of \$230,464,000, not counting the \$150,000,000 reserve fund. Of the available cash balance \$153,000,000 is in national banks,

PEACE, IF THEY FIGHT FOR IT

Leaders at Des Moines Are Trying to Keep the Factions Well in Hand.

Cummins Men in Shape to Sweep the Field if They Get the Word.

"Stand-patters" Had Designs on the Resolutions Committee, but Were Fought Out.

Des Moines, Iowa, June 30.—Under the guise of harmony, the members of the "stand pat" faction and the tariff revisionists, that is, the anti-Cummins and the Cummins element among the delegates to the republican state convention to-morrow, are ready to fly at each other's throats.

The prospects now are there will be no open rupture and the leaders are putting forth every effort to preserve peace. At the same time the Cummins' leaders feel there is a movement among the stand-patters to deal a body blow to the "Iowa idea" and the governor, if such a thing is possible.

The Cummins delegates declare they merely want the word and they stand ready to sweep the field, regardless of the arguments of the stand-patters. There is no question that the anti-Cummins men had a deal fixed up to get control of the resolutions committee and



GEORGE D. PERKINS. Who is to Be Temporary Chairman of the Iowa Republican Convention.

to load it down with members of congress who would favor the "stand-pat" policy and then to compel Senator Allison to emancipate the platform draft that has been prepared.

The Cummins men have taken the bits in their teeth, but make no secret of their intention to control the resolutions committee and the machinery of the convention.

As things stand no wit seems probable they will be able to force their program thru without a contest. Crucial points are the sixth and eighth districts. In the sixth, the anti-Cummins men planned to have congressman Lacey on the resolutions committee. The Cummins men insist on Captain Carr of Montezuma. In the eighth, the anti-Cummins men want Congressman Smith on the Cummins leaders insisting on Senator J. M. Junkin of Red Oak.

The plan of the "stand-patters" was also to put Congressman Heppner on for permanent chairman. The Cummins' men want N. E. Kendall of Albia. Much depended on the district caucuses in the morning. If the contests are avoided there and the Cummins' men get control of the committee, there will be no open rupture. If they do not and any attempt is made to emancipate the platform agreed to, or to neglect to give the governor a strong indorsement, there will be a fight on the floor of the convention.

It is knowledge of the fact that the Cummins men are ready and organized

ANOTHER NEGRO LYNCHED BY MOB

Sheriff, Who Defends His Prisoner, Is Shot Twice—Wounds Not Dangerous.

Scottsboro, Tenn., June 30.—Andrew Scotts, a negro, was taken from the jail last night and hanged by a mob. The negro was arrested Sunday for attempting to assault Miss Alma Smith, the 19-year-old daughter of B. B. Smith. The sheriff set two prisoners when the mob arrived, and mounting the stairs said he would kill anyone who attempted to come up. The threat was received with a volley of shots and the sheriff returned the fire. One shot took effect in the sheriff's right leg and the other in his pistol arm. The daughter of the sheriff ran to his aid, but he was compelled to deliver over to the mob the key to the cell in which the negro was kept. One of the masked men summoned a doctor, who dressed the wounds of the sheriff, which are not dangerous.

The negro made a confession to the brother of the young woman and others who visited the jail after his capture.

200 ARE DEAD

Explosion in Wyoming Coal Mines Results in Frightful Loss of Life.

Evansville, Wyo., June 30.—A report has just reached here that 200 men have been killed and injured in an explosion that took place to-day in the coal mines at Hanna, Wyo.

THE HORRORS OF PEONAGE

One Alabama Negro Was Compelled to Work a Year for \$1 Debt.

Woman Was Beaten to Death and a Man Killed With a Spade.

Stories of Cruelty as Revolting as Any in "Uncle Tom's Cabin."

Montgomery, Ala., June 30.—Several more arrests have been made since Saturday in the peonage and conspiracy cases. Among them were those of L. A. Grogan, Deputy sheriff of Coosa, charged with assisting in carrying Emma Pearson to a condition of peonage, which means that he used his badge and his office to delude this and other negroes into thinking they had really been arrested for something.

Some of the grave abuses committed by quarry owners, landlords, constables, magistrates and guards involved in "depriving citizens of Africa of their liberty, and which the federal courts are undertaking to end can be had from the sworn testimony of blacks, often corroborated by whites—testimony on which the grand jury returned four ninety-nine indictments and wanted to find more. If any man entertains doubts as to the cruelties practiced, he has but to read the following story as narrated by a negro to death. A negro in good health was beaten so much and subjected to such awful tortures from 8 o'clock until 2 o'clock that she died an hour after 2 o'clock. After being beaten until her back was blistered and bloody, she was strung up by her wrists to a beam and tied together. She was hoisted till her toes barely touched ground. In this position she was kept from 10 o'clock in the morning till the dinner bell rang at 12, when she was ordered out down a bench which still blew and went behind a log, on the brow of a hill, to lie down.

She Couldn't Eat. A pone of bread made of corn meal was ordered to be given to her by the guard. The either could not or would not eat. The guard thereupon ordered the bread thrown to the dogs. When the dinner hour was over the sixth man went up to where she lay and ordered her back to work. He mistook her inability to work for stubbornness; he struck her on the head with his pistol. Then "he jumped upon her stomach."

The guard then returned to the place where the other peons were at work, and when he had ordered a bench upon which the peons ordering her to "come on down to work." It was then about 3 o'clock. The peon said: "Boss, she can't come to work. She's dead."

Some forty negroes and negroesses have been found whose grievances as to whippings have not been outlawed by the statute of limitation. The details are distressing and do not vary much. There is testimony that one negro was killed with a spade by the son of the proprietor; that a negro who ran away was chased by dogs, and that a negro was whipped when she got back and kept three months more in servitude. Another negroess is mentioned whose uncle says she was killed by the son of the proprietor, acting as a guard.

One of three negroes who was "bought for \$50" was whipped about every other day for four months, lying face downward, one man on his head and a bench sitting on his legs. Another was whipped with hickory sticks with empty cartridges on the end. Another was whipped twice, once on his head and once on his knees, and the guard told him to "count the licks" he was giving him on the bare back. After counting up to three hundred, he was told to count any more. Another, working out a debt of \$6.18 with seven months' labor, was whipped every day with plow lines and out on the nose once with a bayonet.

Worked a Year for \$1. The guards on one man's place had a strap. "The leather about eighteen inches long, the handle about the same—the strap is made of iron and has three fingers. With this Joe Patterson, who worked a year for a dollar debt, was whipped. A boy of 18 was whipped two or three times a day. One tells of being "licked" with a stick, and another with a horse handle; a negro shows scars on her head from a buggy trace; a 16-year-old girl was whipped once in her twelve months' servitude. She was placed on a bench, and her clothes and struck her "fifteen or twenty times with a strap that was doubled four times and that was fastened at the end with tacks."

COLORED MALTHUSIAN

Says His Race Will Dominate America in Next Century.

New York Sun Special Service. Chicago, June 30.—The United States will be a black man's country in a few generations, according to Dr. C. W. Crum, whose appointment as United States collector Charleston, S. C., was made by President Roosevelt under great opposition from the south. He told an audience of 1,200 people last night at the Institute that the negro had no intention of migrating from this country to Africa or any other country and that ships could not be built fast enough to transport even the babies that are born daily.

"A few years ago," said Dr. Crum, "learned doctors said that the negro race was dying out. The census shows the contrary and that instead of decreasing, the negro race in the United States is doubling every twenty years. At the present rate of increase there will be 200,000,000 of negroes and only 100,000,000 of whites in about 100 years.

Speed Saved Him. Joliet, Ill., June 30.—That Joseph Johnson, a half-breed, was not lynched by a mob of infuriated Slavs and Poles in the quarry district north of Lamont was only due to his swiftness of foot. As it was the colored man was terribly beaten and maltreated.

Johnson had wandered into one of the houses and went to sleep in the bed room of Mrs. Frank S. Zolock. When the woman discovered the men she began to scream and Johnson ran. Poles and Slavs, none of whom can talk English, joined in the chase and a mob of nearly 300 clamored for the negro's life.

A SHORT CONVENTION

Afternoon's Snug Work May Finish All the Business. (Associated Press.) Des Moines, Iowa, June 30.—Predictions made to-day were that the republican state convention, which will convene here at 11 o'clock to-morrow morning, will be the shortest ever held in the state. It is expected the convention will adjourn about 4 o'clock to-morrow afternoon.

The platform has been agreed upon as regards the tariff. It is known that the words most objectionable in the platform to the "stand-patters" will be omitted. The make-up of the committee on platform has not been fully determined, and

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A STRUGGLE COMING. Uncle Joe Cannon, Tackle for the House Team, Promises to Give the Senate Center a Tussle for the Ball This Season.

which will not be drawn upon of course, unless emergency demands. There is, therefore, about \$76,000,000 in actual cash on hand in the subtreasuries, ready to meet the cost of the Panama canal or any other item.

ELECTION DEMANDED

London, June 30.—The Times correspondent at Belgrade telegraphs that yesterday the skuptshina demanded that the new government should present itself, but the government declined to do so on the ground that the ministry was the same as that previously approved by the skuptshina.

The independent radicals demanded a dissolution and an immediate general election.

SKUPSHINA CLOSES

Belgrade, June 30.—At the meeting of the skuptshina to-day, Premier Avadumovic read a ukase ordering the session specially summoned by the provisional government June 11.

After reading the ukase, the premier thanked the skuptshina in behalf of the government for the reception of King Peter and agreed that it was better to postpone all legislation until the elections.

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CANDIDATES FAIL

South Dakota Boys Fall Down on Annapolis Exams.

From The Journal Bureau, Room 45, Post Building, Washington.

Washington, June 30.—Auditor Person of the interior department, who is "playing safety" for the South Dakota congressional delegation during vacation, has received word that three out of four candidates from South Dakota for Annapolis have failed to pass the mental examination.

This is a record equal to that of Representative Taylor in the First Minnesota district and Mr. Person will ask to see the examination papers as soon as they reach Washington to ascertain if the failure was in the common school branches as was the case with Mr. Taylor's appointees. One of the four, Mr. Person says, was educated in Minneapolis.

TWO COWBOYS DROWNED

Chayama, Wyo., June 30.—Fred C. McCarthy and William Woods, cowboys of the Two-Bar ranch, were drowned in the North Platte river while attempting to ford it.