



HURRICANE CAUSES GREAT LOSS

HAILSTONES BREAK ALL THE WINDOWS IN HAVRE

Montana Town Is Almost Destroyed By Terrible Storm--Damage Is Estimated at Over Two Hundred Thousand Dollars.

NEGROES THINK END OF WORLD HAS COME

AFRICANS FALL ON KNEES AND OFFER PRAYERS--INDIANS AT THE FORT FACE STORM WITH THE UTMOST STOICISM--SHOW NO SIGN OF FEAR--ROOFS OF BUILDINGS TAKEN OFF BY STORM.

HAVRE, June 12.—A hurricane this afternoon caused considerable damage here and at Fort Assiniboine. The wind was accompanied by a heavy rain and hail storm. The hailstones being of enormous size. Almost every window in town was broken, the Great Northern shops and round house especially, suffering in this respect. Engines that had headlights were broken and eight coaches were unroofed and a string of cars blown off the siding. The two top stories of the Havre Commercial Company's building were picked up by the wind and deposited on an adjoining lot. The lower floor remained intact. Those injured were hit by flying missiles. It is reported there was severe damage in the surrounding country, but no news is yet received.

safety of the residents in those places. In view of the breaks in the irrigation reservoir. A report tonight states both reservoirs at Fort Assiniboine burst and the quarters of soldiers are being flooded.

Telegraph wires are down and communication with the outside world is practically at a standstill. The damage is estimated at \$200,000. Pandemonium reigned during the storm. Women were hysterical and even the men feared to venture from their houses. Panic prevailed in the negro quarter, many believing the end of the world had come and scores prostrated themselves in supplication. Contrasted with the fright of the negroes was the stoicism of the Indians at the fort. The Redskins huddled together, wound their blankets about themselves and weathered the hurricane without a murmur or exclamation of fear.

Houses Destroyed.

TIFTON, Ga., June 12.—A tornado swept over this town late this afternoon destroying more than fifty houses. Two were seriously injured and many slightly. No reports from the outlying country are received.

SESSION ENDS.

Sixty-five Bills Have Reached Hands of Governor For His Signature.

SACRAMENTO, Cal., June 12.—The special session of the California Legislature convened by proclamation of the governor on Saturday, June 2, to enact laws made necessary by the earthquake and fire of April 18, ended a few moments after noon today.

As a result of the eleven days devoted to legislation, the governor has received sixty-five bills passed by both houses. Fifty of these await his approval and the others, including a measure providing for a \$500,000 state building in San Francisco, which was signed this morning, have already become laws. Nearly all provide in various ways for the assistance of San Francisco, though other places will share in the aid rendered.

TRY TO FRIGHTEN CREW.

Union Sailors Board Johan Paulson and Fight Non-union Crew—Two Shot.

PORTLAND, June 12.—As the result of an attempt to run off the non-union crew of the steamer freighter Johan Paulson tonight by two boat loads of men said to be union sailors, two of the freighters crew were shot, one seriously and a third injured by a rock.

Boats filled with about fourteen armed men boarded the Paulson during the night and ordered the sailors to leave. The sailors refused and the shooting resulted.

Captain Levinson of the Paulson, who was absent, arrived during the height of the trouble and securing a rifle from his cabin, declared his intention of using it on the intruders unless they cleared out. At this the attacking party fled.

HOUSE MEMBERS FALL INTO LINE

Republican and Democratic Whips Finally Drive the Rate Bill Back to Conference Without Expressing Any Wishes.

WASHINGTON, June 12.—With a large proportion of the members present, due to the activity of the republican and democratic whips, the house today passed the rule sending the railroad rate bill back to conference as asked for by the Senate, without even an expression of its wishes to any amendments to the bill. The rule was debated for forty minutes. The leaders participated in the discussion, the democrats taking the position that the time was opportune to concur in the sleeping car amendment and instruct the conferees as to the anti-pass amendment. Although the democrats were aided by eight republicans, they did not command votes enough to defeat the rule. While the sundry bill was under consideration the house adopted an amendment prohibiting canteens in sailors' homes. Unexpectedly the Neill-Reynolds report of the condition of the Chicago packing houses came in for severe criticism. Mondel,

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ANGRY WATERS CLAIM TWO OF CREW

Student and Sailor on Corinthian, Victims of Tragedy in Humboldt Bay—Life Saving Crew Work Nobly.

EUREKA, Cal., June 12.—While crossing Humboldt bar last evening and attempting to navigate through the south channel the gasoline schooner Corinthian, Walter Goggeshall, managing owner, Captain Atwater, master, took aboard a huge sea, causing her to become a total wreck. The disaster was marked by two fatalities.

The dead are:

ANDREW MCAREY, student at the University of California.
OLE CARLSON, sailor.

The remainder of the crew were taken ashore in a breeches buoy.

The Corinthian is now upon the beach between the shipyards and New Era Park, just beside the hull of the ill-fated steamer Newsboy, which was wrecked two months ago. Before the eyes of the persons on board Ole Carlson, a sailor, was dragged down and out to sea by strong ebb tide. Two others battled so stoutly that they were able to

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BURLINGTON IS CHARGED WITH GIVING REBATES

Chicago, Burlington and Quincy Road Alleged to Have Grossly Favored Packers in Matter of Giving Them Rebates.

TRIAL HAS COMMENCED IN KANSAS CITY

GOVERNMENT DETERMINED TO BRING THE GUILTY PARTIES TO BAR OF JUSTICE--ATTORNEYS FOR DEFENSE GIVE STATEMENT IN OPENING HEARING--TRAFFIC OFFICIALS SUMMONED TO TESTIFY.

KANSAS CITY, June 12.—The case of the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Railroad charged with giving rebates to Armour & Company, Swift & Company, Cudahy & Company, and the Nelson-Morris Company, was begun in the federal court this afternoon. The cases, which are practically identical were combined for trial purposes. Both sides agreed to the statement of facts which admits a contract existed between the Burlington and the packers by which freight was carried at a through rate of about 49 cents from Kansas City to Liverpool and other foreign points. It was also agreed that such a rate was not published and filed with the interstate commerce commission. Leslie Lyons, assistant district attorney in his opening statement said this rate, which it would be shown was given by the Burlington, Lehigh Valley, Grand Trunk, and the Toledo, St. Louis and Western, was a concession from the regular tariffs.

A verdict of guilty, would, he said, be expected. Judge Spencer, representing the packers in his opening statement contended that the contract was valid and that there was no through rate from Kansas City to New York, joint or published, to which the Burlington was a party and hence no concession could have been made by it on east line rates, or from rates on any other lines than its own. If the defendant was guilty of anything, it was failure to publish its contract rate. The indictment, he contended, is for departing or giving concessions from the published joint rate when no such rate, he asserted, was in existence. George T. Roberts, of Washington, the assistant auditor of the interstate commerce commission, was the first witness, and produced the tariffs on the roads concerned, covering the period in question. Traffic officials of the Burlington, Lehigh, Grand Trunk & the Toledo, St. Louis & Western, and others, will be examined tomorrow.

WILL AID POLICE.

Husband of Murdered Woman Offers to Help Authorities.

NEW YORK, June 12.—Detective Sergeant Samuel Price of the Bronx Detective Bureau announced last night that he had been in communication with Richard Kinnan, the husband of Mrs. Alice Kinnan, who was murdered on the piazza of the Stenton mansion, in Washington avenue on Friday night.

Kinnan, whom the police have wished to interview ever since the tragedy has occurred, has voluntarily come forward to do what he can to assist the police in running down his wife's slayer. He has been living at Belmore, N. J., for some time. Reading in the newspapers of the tragedy, Kinnan sent his daughter by a former wife to learn the facts from lawyer Burton W. Gibson, counsel for Mrs. Stenton and her daughter, the late Mrs. Kinnan. Gibson, on learning where Kinnan was, notified the police, who at

once communicated with Belmore. Kinnan sent word that he feared there was not much that he could do to aid in the solution of the mystery, but agreed to meet Detective Sergeant Price at the Bronx bureau this morning. The coroner and police are working hard in the strange case, the mystery of which only deepens as the investigation proceeds.

ELLEN TERRY BENEFIT.

LONDON, June 12.—The most remarkable manifestation of its kind in the history of the British stage was the matinee today in commemoration of the theatrical jubilee of Ellen Terry. Not only did it attract an immense audience from all walks of life, but the stage was crowded with the most notable names in the dramatic and musical profession. The most notable event on the program was the first act "Much Ado About Nothing" with Miss Terry as Beatrice and twenty-two other members of the Terry family in the cast.

DIES FROM BLOWS CONTESTS COMING

Woman Beats Servant Girl Causing Death.

BODY EXHUMED AND EXAMINED

Evidence Tends to Show Girl Was Beaten and Scalded to Death—Wealthy Brewer's Wife is Arrested.

SIoux FALLS, S. D., June 12.—A sensation was caused here this afternoon by the arrest of Mrs. Moses Kauffman, the wife of a wealthy brewer, on a charge of manslaughter, in connection with the death of Miss Agnes Petreis, a domestic in the Kauffman home. The girl died several days ago and was buried. Believing that death was due to unnatural causes, interested persons had the body examined and examined by five physicians. On the head were found bruises and cuts. The lower limbs were swathed in cloths and when the bandages were removed the flesh presented the appearance of having been scalded, which it is alleged was caused by attempts to revive her after being beaten unconscious. It is alleged she died from beatings administered by Mrs. Kauffman and the beatings being due to Mrs. Kauffman's ungovernable temper. Mrs. Kauffman was arraigned before the Justice of the Peace and bound over to appear in the circuit court in this city.

RUSH TO SAVE NEGRO.

Angered Men of Eastern Virginia Want to Lynch Black Brute.

NORFOLK, Va., June 12.—A riot call was sounded here this afternoon for the quick assemblage of 200 militiamen of the Seventy-first Virginia Regiment of Infantry, to proceed at once to Eastville, Va., to protect William Lee, a negro now in jail at that place, charged with assault on Mrs. Robert Barnes and her cousin, Miss Powell, near Kingston, in Somerset county, on the eastern shore of Maryland. The crime occurred on Sunday last, while the women were en route to their home with the infant of Mrs. Barnes in a baby carriage. Miss Powell is reported to be in a serious condition. Morning Astorian 45 cents per month.

Transportation Centers Will Test Interstate Commerce Law.

AMENDMENTS QUESTIONED

Effort Will be Made to Have the Courts Determine "Just and Reasonable Rate" Clause in Near Future—Complaint on Rates.

ASTORIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, D. C., June 12.—Should all of the Senate amendments to the interstate commerce law be finally adopted by Congress, which seems probable in the main, lively times in transportation circles are promised for many months. It is already manifest that several of the great eastern producing and transportation centers will hasten contests, to determine what construction is to be placed upon certain provisions. First will undoubtedly be an interpretation of "just and reasonable rate."

The new law is intended to give the Inter-State Commerce Commission power to make rates. This power did not exist before. Courts will in all human probability be called upon soon to construe what Congress meant by "just and reasonable rates." Shippers and producers the country through are anxious over this point. If it is to be a mileage rate, exclusively, a traffic revolution is in sight, for few of the important schedules of the country but are influenced by other considerations. Congressmen and senators do not believe they have conferred the power, or rather have prescribed as necessary, a mileage basis for rate-making, hence the general feeling is that railway traffic will not suffer such convulsion as would ensue such doctrine's advent.

Eliminating the radical position of a mileage basis, there is yet room for profound movements. A slight margin often is the salvation of a jobbing center. In building up their present schedules railway companies have aggrieved some communities and won the plaudits of others. While the rate-making power rested with the traffic managers, business became accustomed to the principles governing those interests, but now face a new power in the field, which may have such important changes to make as cut-

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STATEHOOD BILL REPORT PRESENTED TO SENATE

WASHINGTON, June 12.—The conference report on statehood bill, was today withdrawn from conference and presented to the Senate, and a new report containing a compromise provision agreed on by the conferees of the two houses. The new report was not considered. Much of the remainder of the day was devoted to the bill extending to thirty-six hours, the time livestock may be

carried in transit without unloading. Warren was in charge of the bill, and he and a number of senators debated it at length. During the discussion there was some reference to the proposed legislation for the regulation of packing houses and Lodge said the packers are standing in their own light in not inviting the most rigid inspection. The bill was passed.