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Sixteen Bridges Across the Kansas River Are Gone—The Waters Are Subsiding and Business is Resuming at Kansas City.

Topeka, Kan., June 5.—The bodies of seven more flood victims were found Thursday. The list of known dead now reaches 71, with 30 people identified. It is the belief that many bodies are yet in the wreck. Scores are reported missing and there is no way of immediately locating them. The Union Pacific depot has been improvised as a morgue and there the bodies are gathered to await identification. The river Thursday fell 13 inches. This makes a drop of over five feet from the high water mark. It is just now that the devastating power of the flood is becoming known. North Topeka is a total wreck. There is a town there—the plaything of the elements—which seem to have worried it until they are tired and then left it stranded. The water is still over a great part of the town. In the residence district it is seven feet deep in most places and there is considerable current. But the current is no longer strong and flows along as if only anxious to get back into the bed of the river.

The business part of the town is a sorry looking place, the damage of the waters being almost complete. The fronts of most of the stores have openings broken through. The contents of most of the stores are ruined. The currents came rushing through with such force that they upset counters and boxes and whatever came in their way, and dragged the goods stored high on the shelves into the water. In nearly every building which was not washed away the contents are piled high on the side the furthestmost down stream, and over all there is a slime of fine sand mixed with a little mud. This deposit varies from a few inches to two or three feet and is over everything.

In the residence districts practically the same sights presents themselves. From Manhattan, Abilene, Salina, Florence, Lincoln, Center and Hutchinson come reports that the water has about spent its force and that the towns are slowly recovering.

At Kansas City. Kansas City, June 5.—Estimates of the damage done by the flood are reducing. At first they ranged from \$10,000,000 up. But now they are all much below that sum. The greatest loss was of the 16 bridges across the Kansas river. The packing house plants did not suffer severely. The buildings are all uninjured. At Armour's the fires were lighted late Thursday afternoon. The wheat and flour in the mills and the elevators were not injured, but 750 carloads of grain submerged on the tracks was ruined.

The railroads began to open cars Thursday, but the greater part of the freight cars are still partly covered. Small storekeepers in the flooded district are ruined, and the losses on buildings are distributed among thousands of owners.

With the rapid fall of river business is resuming its normal condition. The water works are pumping back water from the Kansas river, not fit to drink, and the danger from fire is over. Electric car lines is in operation. The telephone and telegraph connection will be established between the two Kansas Cities Friday.

At the stock yards 2,500 hogs and 300 cattle were drowned. A force of men began Thursday to remove the carcasses where lodged in drift. The current through the stock yards district flows ten miles an hour. This makes it difficult to get about, the water being still deep, but the stream carries away the refuse promptly. Most of the missing persons have been accounted for and it is not thought the total dead will exceed eight persons.

Steamer Deutschland Aground. New York, June 5.—The steamer Deutschland, of the Hamburg-American line, which left its pier in Hoboken Thursday afternoon for Plymouth, Cherbourg and Hamburg, went aground in Gedney channel four hours after sailing, in a heavy fog.

Charleston, W. Va., June 5.—William B. Erwin, aged 60, of Palos, O., was fishing in Elk river, about 20 miles above here, when he fell in the stream and drowned. His two sons were near but could not save him.

WHITE MILLS DISTILLERY.

The Arrest of Samuel Hoffheimer, the Owner, Ordered.

Louisville, Ky., June 5.—Warrants were issued Thursday by the United States district attorney for the arrest of Samuel Hoffheimer, of Cincinnati, principal owner of the White Mills distillery, seized by revenue officers Tuesday for alleged violations of the internal revenue laws. Other warrants were issued for John Deboe, foreman, and John Haman, assistant foreman. Deboe and Haman have been arrested, but Deputy Blades, who has the other warrant, has not yet located Hoffheimer. The affidavit on which the warrants were issued was made by Deputy Internal Revenue Collector Archer, who seized the distillery. It alleges that the defendants defrauded and attempted to defraud the United States of the tax on spirits distilled. Then penalty is a fine of from \$500 to \$5,000, and imprisonment of from three months to three years.

At the Cincinnati office of Hoffheimer Bros., liquor dealers, of which firm Samuel Hoffheimer is a member, it was stated Thursday that he is in Louisville at present.

TWO OUTLAWS SLAIN.

Heated Battle Took Place Between Them and Officers.

Sergeant, Ky., June 5.—Following an assault on Mrs. Eliza Moore, a poor widow of Elkhorn, in the eastern part of Letcher county, by John Wiels Flemings, brothers, Samuel Cox, Hugh Cox and Meredith Vanover Wednesday, officers headed by John Venters went to arrest the outlaws. They opened fire in a lonely place in the Elkhorn mountains, and a heated battle resulted. Wiels Fleming and John Fleming were killed, while Samuel Cox was desperately wounded and may not survive the day. Hugh Cox gave up when he knew all of his comrades were gone and he was hurried off to the Pikeville jail.

Paid His Indebtedness.

Louisville, Ky., June 5.—After seven years' absence from the city, having gone to Nashville on pauper transportation, Chas. A. Widger rushed into the office of Mayor Grainger at noon with a large valise in each hand. He wanted to pay back to the city the \$3.70 which was the amount advanced him in transportation many years ago.

Why He Plead "Guilty."

Bowling Green, Ky., June 5.—Alex. Bratton, of this county, was arrested for attempting to pass a forged check. He acknowledged his guilt, and said his reason for doing so was that if sent to the penitentiary he would, at the expiration of his term, receive \$5 in money, a new suit of clothes, and free transportation home.

Welcome Extended to Gen. Bell.

Shelbyville, Ky., June 5.—Brig. Gen. J. Franklin Bell, a native of Shelbyville, was tendered a magnificent ovation here Thursday on his return after nearly five years' service in the Philippines, during which time he rose from the rank of a lieutenant to his present exalted position.

Back Taxes Collected.

Frankfort, Ky., June 5.—State Auditor Coulter Thursday collected through Auditor's Agent Allie Harrison the sum of \$3,035 back taxes on real estate in Bell county. The taxes were due on lands that were sold at sheriff's sales in 1891-92 and 1893.

Seeking a Pension.

Louisville, Ky., June 5.—Mrs. Mary Lambert, mother of Ed Lambert, a soldier of the Philippines, who died soon after his return under sensational circumstances, is now seeking a pension under the claim that he died of heart failure.

Mrs. Marcum's New Home.

Wilmore, Ky., June 5.—Mrs. James B. Marcum, whose husband was assassinated at Jackson, Ky., announced Thursday that upon the completion of the trials now on she will remove to Wilmore to make her future home with her family.

The "Wets" Won.

Louisville, Ky., June 5.—The "wets" triumphed in an exciting local option battle in the Highland Park precinct. Here 20,000 people spend their Sundays and the breweries worked hard, the vote resulting 200 to 16 against local option.

Woodford Was Fined.

Alpena, Mich., June 5.—Catesby Woodford, of Paris, Ky., a member of the Turtle Lake club, was fined \$100 and costs for assaulting Wm. Simonds, a farmer of Montmorency county, at the clubhouse, on November 6, 1902.

Fired the Bank.

Shelbyville, Ky., June 5.—After cutting telephone wires, burglars entered the Mount Eden bank at Mount Eden 12 miles southeast. Getting nothing of value, they fired the building. The loss is \$500, covered by insurance.

FOREST FIRES RAGE

Several Eastern States Are Almost at the Mercy of the Fire Fiend.

MUCH TIMBER WAS DESTROYED.

Hundreds of Men Have Been Sent to the Front to Fight the Destructive Flames.

The States Affected Are New York, New Hampshire, Vermont and Maine—Many Logging Camps, Barns, Etc., Burned.

Glen Falls, N. Y., June 5.—In spite of the efforts of hundreds of men throughout the Adirondacks, the forest fires are spreading. The most serious fires are now reported to be in the vicinity of Long Lake, east toward Newcomb lake, and Mount Marcy. At Lake George the ashes fell Thursday like snow. A dense smoke has settled over the lake.

Saratoga, N. Y., June 5.—Hundreds of men have been sent to the front to fight the fires, but the fires appear to be beyond control. The heaviest fires are reported near Indian Lake, North Creek, Blue Mountain Lake, Catlin Lake, Cedar River, Glen Lake and Long Lake.

Plattsburg, N. Y., June 5.—A telegram from Lake Placid Thursday night says that several lumber camps about Meadows, near Cascade Lake, a big boarding house in Rogers Brothers' logging camp, about five miles from Lake Placid, and the barns of the Cascade house were burned.

Burlington, Vt., June 5.—Advices from all parts of Vermont show the extensive nature of the forest fires. The largest fire reported is at Danby, where 21,000 acres of timberland owned by S. L. Griffith have been burned.

Manchester, N. H., June 5.—Forest fires have been raging for weeks in Coos county, and great expanses of timber lands have been swept by the flames.

Bangor, Me., June 5.—Fourteen miles of territory in this vicinity have been burned over by forest fires which are unchecked because of the parched condition of the undergrowth.

New York, June 5.—New Yorkers saw Thursday the most remarkable natural phenomenon for many years, in the pall of smoke from forest fires, which, growing denser as the day wore on, gave everything in the city a yellow hue.

To the youth of the city this all-pervading smoke cloud was something wholly new, but to the more mature it brought back vivid recollections of the "yellow day" of 1881.

LAST DAY OF THE TRIP.

The President Will Leave Indianapolis For Washington Friday.

Indianapolis, Ind., June 5.—The president's special arrived in Indianapolis at 9:05 Thursday night. A drizzling rain did not prevent 5,000 people from gathering in Jackson place immediately in front of the Union station to greet him. The Marion club, headed by Mayor Bookwalter, acted as the formal reception committee. Gov. Durbin was in the sheds awaiting the president. Senators Fairbanks and Beveridge were on the train. The factory whistles and locomotives blew a greeting. Mayor Bookwalter hurried into the car and the escort, headed by him, was formed through the Union station to the platform outside the entrance. There was a continuous burst of enthusiastic cheers when the president appeared fresh and smiling from his 14,000 mile trip. With the president walked Senators Beveridge and Fairbanks. Mayor Bookwalter introduced President Roosevelt, who made a short address.

Following his brief address the president was escorted to the train amid cheers, and from the rear platform waved his adieus 15 minutes from the time the train pulled into the station. The president goes from here direct to Washington.

Town Destroyed By Forest Fires.

St. John, N. B., June 5.—Word reached the city Thursday from the seacoast village of Musquash that forest fires Wednesday and Thursday swept that place, leaving but three or four buildings standing. There are 200 people homeless and destitute.

Ohio Republicans Nominate.

Columbus, O., June 5.—The republican state convention nominated Myron T. Herrick of Cleveland, for governor, and Warren G. Harding, of Marion, for lieutenant governor. The platform endorses Theodore Roosevelt for president.

Grand Rapids 1, Fort Wayne 3, Terre Haute 3, Wheeling 5, Dayton 3, Evansville 5.

THURSDAY'S GAMES.

National League.

Pittsburg	0 0 0 0 1 3 0 1	*-5 8 2	
Boston	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	-0 5 2	
Wilhelm and Phelps; Platt and Kittredge. Umpire—Johnstone.			
Chicago	0 1 0 0 0 0 0 0	-1 4 4	
New York	0 0 2 0 4 1 2 0 0	-9 11 0	
Lundgren and Kling; Mathewson and Bowerman. Umpire—O'Day.			
St. Louis	0 0 1 0 0 0 0 0	1-2 7 2	
Brooklyn	2 0 0 3 0 0 0 0	-5 8 2	
O'Neil, Currie and O'Neil; Schmidt and Jacklitsch. Umpire—Emslie.			
Club Standing.			
Clubs.	Won.	Loss.	P. C.
Chicago	30	12	.714
New York	27	13	.675
Pittsburg	28	17	.622
Brooklyn	21	20	.512
Cincinnati	18	22	.450
Boston	17	21	.447
Philadelphia	11	28	.282
St. Louis	12	31	.279

American League.

Phila'phia	0 0 0 1 0 0 0 3 0	-4 8 1
Detroit	1 0 0 0 0 0 4 0 1	-6 9 1
Henley, Waddell and Schreck; Mullins and McGuire. Umpires—Hassett and Carruthers.		
Wash'ton	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1	-1 4 3
St. Louis	0 0 0 1 6 1 0 1	*-9 12 1
Patten and Clarke; Sudhoff and Kahoe. Umpire—Sheridan.		
Boston	1 4 0 1 0 1 1 2	*-10 16 2
Chicago	0 0 0 2 1 0 0 0 0	-3 7 5
Winter and Criger; Dunkle and McFarland. Umpire—Connolly.		
New York	0 0 0 1 0 2 0 0 0	-3 9 0
Cleveland	1 2 0 0 2 0 1 0 0	-6 7 5
Chesbro and O'Connor; Moore and Abbot. Umpire—O'Laughlin.		

AN ELISOR APPOINTED.

Deputy Sheriff Jones Will Summons the Jett-White Jury.

Jackson, Ky., June 5.—The sensation of the day was the attempt of Sheriff Callahan to be recognized for services in the trial of the cases of Curtis Jett and Tom White, accused of the murder of J. B. Marcum. Invited to withdraw his claim, he refused, and after the filing of affidavits by the prosecution was formally removed. His deputy, John Jones, was then appointed elisor. Neither side offered objection to him. "It is your duty," said Judge Redwine, "to summons only men who are intelligent and honest and of good repute. Get on your horse as soon as this storm is over, go to Magoffin county and order 60 men to report here by Sunday night."

Jones left on the mission Thursday afternoon. Jones is a native of Troublesome creek, in Breathitt county, and has been a deputy sheriff eight years. Because he tried one of the peace Eversoles while justice of the peace during the French-Eversole feud, his house was riddled with bullets, but he escaped. He was thereafter identified with the French faction. The cases of Jett and White will be called Monday.

Silver For Philippine Coinage.

Washington, June 5.—The director of the mint Thursday purchased 325,000 ounces of silver for account of Philippine coinage at an average of 53.56 cents an ounce, delivered in San Francisco.

The Pope's Illness.

Rome, June 5.—With regard to the reports that the pope is ill it is learned that the only trouble from which he is suffering is exhaustion due to fatigue as a result of the late receptions.

MARKET REPORT.

Flour and Grain.

Cincinnati, June 4.—Flour—Winter patent, \$3.70@3.90; fancy, \$3.20@3.45; family, \$2.65@2.90; extra, \$2.40@2.60; low grade, \$2.10@2.30; spring patent, \$4@4.30; fancy, \$3.45@3.70; family, \$3.25@3.40; Northwestern rye, \$3@3.10. Wheat—No. 2 mixed was quotable at 79¢@79½¢. Sales: No. 2 red, track, 79c. Corn—Sales: No. 3 white, track, 49c; No. 2 yellow, track, 49½¢; No. 2 white, track, 50c; No. 3 mixed, track, 49c; No. 2 mixed, track, 49½¢. Oats—No. 2 mixed was quotable at 35½¢@37c on track. Sales: Rejected mixed, track, 35¢@35½¢.

Chicago, June 4.—Wheat—No. 2 red, 75c; No. 3 do, 72¢@75c; No. 2 hard winter, 74¢@75c; No. 3 do, 72¢@74c; No. 1 Northern spring, 79¢@80c; No. 2 do, 78¢@80c; No. 3 spring, 74¢@79c. Corn—No. 2, 47¼¢@47½¢; No. 3, 47¢@47½¢. Oats—No. 2, 33c; No. 3, 32½¢.

Live Stock.

Cincinnati, June 4.—Cattle—Heavy steers, choice, \$4.90@5; no extra on sale; fair to good, \$4.35@4.85; butcher steers, extra, \$4.90@5; good to choice, \$4.40@4.85; heifers, extra, \$4.75; good to choice, \$4.35@4.65; cows, extra, \$4.10@4.25; good to choice, \$3.50@4. Calves—Fair to good light, \$6@6.50; extra, \$6.75@7. Hogs—Selected heavy shippers, \$6.10@6.15; good to choice packers and butchers, \$5.95@6.05; mixed packers, \$5.75@5.95; light shippers, \$5.75@6; pigs, 110 lbs and less, \$5@5.60. Sheep—Extra, \$4.10; good to choice, \$3.75@4; yearlings, \$3.50@5.10.

TRAINS COLLIDED.

Eleven Persons Lost Their Lives and Several Were Injured at Stillwell, Kan.

ORDERS WERE SOMEWHAT MIXED.

Owing to the Flood the Santa Fe Trains Were Running Over the Missouri Pacific Tracks.

They Came Together Head-On While Running at a High Rate of Speed—A Relief Train Sent to the Scene.

Topeka, Kan., June 5.—Eleven persons were killed Thursday at Stillwell, Kan., in a head-end collision between Santa Fe passenger trains which were running at a high rate of speed on the Missouri Pacific tracks on account of the flood. On the east-bound train five passengers and three tramps were killed. Only one trainman was injured. Among the dead are Frank Hoover, Steubenville, O.; B. McMahon, Prescott, Ariz.; H. B. Ward.

Among the injured are Wm. Woods, Steubenville, O.; Owen Patchman, Ottawa, Ia.; A. L. Sellers, North Manchester, Ind., right arm fractured and chest injured, and John Green, Indianapolis, left leg fractured.

Five coaches and both locomotives were thrown into the ditch.

Orders were somewhat mixed, it is said, on account of the strange tracks. Since the flood destroyed or disabled the Santa Fe tracks on its main line trains have been running over the tracks of the Missouri Pacific road.

News of the wreck was delayed on account of the poor wires left by the rains and the flood. A relief train went to Stillwell as soon as possible.

The tracks were cleared by sundown and traffic was resumed.

The dead and wounded were taken to Kansas City. The train was unable to reach the station because of floods and the wounded were carried for miles in ambulances to the Missouri Pacific hospital.

THE STRIKE SPREADING.

More Hotel and Restaurant Employes at Chicago Go Out.

Chicago, June 5.—The strike of hotel and restaurant employes has spread to the Chicago Beach and Grand Pacific hotels. At the Chicago Beach every man and woman employed in the hotel was ordered out, and every one from chambermaid to bellboy obeyed the summons instantaneously. Great indignation followed among the guests, who include many prominent and wealthy Chicago men. They voted to stand by the hotel management, and richly dressed women, changing their dresses for more common ones, cleared tables and washed dishes.

TEXTILE ESTABLISHMENTS.

Five Additional Ones Concede the 55 Hour Week to Employes.

Philadelphia, June 5.—Five additional textile establishments conceded the 55 hour week to their employes Thursday, making more than 60 firms that have given the workers the shorter week since the movement was begun. Two of the establishments agree to pay their employes at the rate of 60 hours a week for 55 hours' work. Among the workers that quit Thursday and joined the strikers for the shorter week were a large number of tape weavers, who are the first in this branch to join in the struggle.

THE IRON WORKERS.

All the Annual Wage Scales For the Coming Year Signed.

Pittsburg, Pa., June 5.—For the first time in the history of the Amalgamated Association of Iron, Steel and Tin workers, all the annual wage scales for the coming year are signed nearly one month before the expiration of the old ones. The new scales in the union mills go into effect on July 1. While the workers do not get any material advance in wages by the settlements, they have obtained some advantages and several changes have been made in foot notes that caused disputes during the year.

Indiana Western Merger.

Cincinnati, June 5.—The Cincinnati, Richmond & Muncie railroad and the Cincinnati & Indiana Western are about to be merged into the Chicago, Cincinnati & Louisville railroad, articles of incorporation having been prepared and filed at Columbus.

General Land Office Receipts.

Washington, June 5.—The cash receipts of the general land office on account of the disposal of public lands for the first three quarters of the current fiscal year were over \$8,127,927.