

SCORES OF LIVES LOST IN STORM

Most Destructive Cyclone in Years Strikes St. Louis, Sweeps Across Mississippi River, Demolishes Suburban Towns and Then on up Into Illinois Leaving Death and Destruction in its Wake

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Aug. 19.—(Bulletin.)—At 4 o'clock this afternoon it is known that more than 100 people have been seriously injured, and it is believed that as many as 50 people have been killed by the cyclone that struck St. Louis at 2:55 o'clock this afternoon, swooped across the river and is still sweeping through Illinois.

On reaching the water front the storm swept across the Mississippi river. There was little shipping on the river at the time and it is not believed any boats were sunk. From the Mississippi the storm swooped down upon the suburban towns of Venice, Granite City, Madison and Brooklyn, Ill., north of East St. Louis.

A mile eastward, leveling the houses as it went. A late message says hardly a house in the suburban territory in the Illinois towns escaped injury. The injured in this part of the tornado's track is expected to reach 100. It is not known if any were killed outside of the towns. All the available physicians and ambulances are being hurried to the stricken district. The north end dispensary has already over twenty patients there for treatment. Most of them are seriously injured. Scores of injured are being rushed to the physicians in the vicinity.

It was not known there that it had occurred until after it had swept its way clean and was across the Mississippi river. Partial list of killed and injured. Dead: JOHN ELLINGTON, engineer Standard Oil company, Madison. MRS. BENNETT, wife of chief of police, Venice. Injured: Two Bennett children. W. M. Fricke. Fred Pollinski. James Crosby. William Dickhoener. William Toniche. All north of St. Louis. Unidentified man fatally injured. All above sustained broken limbs and ribs.

Packing House Strikers Are in Desperate Straits

(By Scripps News Ass'n.) CHICAGO, Aug. 19.—Four steers, over which 4,000 strikers fought with the police last night, were discovered this morning in places remote from the stock yards. Little beyond the hoofs and horns remained to tell the story. Five of the drove were finally rounded up by the police and driven back to the yards. Among the most seriously injured in the riot are Joseph Kemis, George Sheddock and Andrew Villiers. All were taken to the hospital. It is quiet in the strike district today. In last night's riot more than 4,000 persons participated. The strikers and sympathizers attempted to catch and get away with a stray bunch of steers. A riot call was issued and 120 policemen fought with the rioters. Many were more or less seriously hurt. President Donnelly today announced that union officials would be sent tomorrow to Kansas City, St. Paul and St. Joseph to report on the local strike conditions at the cities named. President Donnelly goes to St. Louis, then to Indianapolis, where he will meet with President Mitchell of the miners' union, hoping to receive financial support. Frank Krupa suffered a broken jaw and probably the loss of an eye as the result of an assault on him by strikers today. Krupa and two others were attacked by a mob and terribly beaten. They were mistaken for strike breakers. They had formerly worked in a packing house. Forty of the most prominent labor leaders in the local labor field will meet tonight to consider the butchers' strike and to form an advisory board to deal with the situation. The meeting was called by Donnelly and others directly interested in the strike.

THEY MADE BITTER FIGHT FOR MEAT LAST NIGHT AND ARE TODAY CONSIDERING THE ADOPTION OF DRASTIC MEASURES IN ORDER TO WIN THE FIGHT. Secretary Shanahan, of the Packing House Teamsters, said today that it would be necessary to call out all the teamsters connected with the delivery to or from all markets in order to win the strike. OMAHA, Aug. 19.—Although it is believed that a number of union men have deserted the packing house strikers and returned to work, the packers today began to discharge the worthless colored strike breakers and to install whites in their place.

DISCUSSED THE PANAMA RAILROAD

WASHINGTON, Aug. 19.—Most of the time at the cabinet meeting today was spent in a discussion of the Panama railroad in its relation to the government. The government owns sixty-nine-seventieths of the stock in the road, but has a minority of the board of directors. The road has a monopoly of the Pacific freight business. The government wants to abrogate the contract, but cannot until the election of a new directory next April.

HE MUST GO BACK

Fat Kim, the Chinaman who was caught at the depot last Saturday night by the immigration inspectors, was yesterday ordered deported. The Celestial was unable to prove to Commissioner Keifer that he had a right to remain in Uncle Sam's territory and, although he was very indignant, his protests were unavailing.

BIG FIGHT IN SIGHT

MUKDEN, Aug. 19.—A battle in the neighborhood of Liao Yang is imminent. The Japanese have advanced within 20 miles of Liao Yang. Skirmishes between outposts are constant.

SMALLPOX RAGING UNKNOWN GIRL ATTEMPTS SUICIDE

ST. PETERSBURG, Aug. 19.—Smallpox is raging along the railway in Eastern Russia. At Tschankom the inhabitants are dying by the score. The bodies of the dead are unburied. In other parts similar conditions prevail. An unknown young woman attempted suicide shortly after securing a room in the Third Avenue hotel last night. Her cries, after taking a quantity of arsenic, aroused the lodgers in the place, who broke down the door. Dr. F. P. Gardner was summoned and, after working over the girl for some time, pronounced her out of danger.

ATTEMPTS SUICIDE

"I want to die. I have nothing to live for. I'm all alone," were the answers she gave to questions asked her. She is 19 years of age. A CORPORATION has been organized in Vancouver with a capital of \$50,000 and divided into shares of \$1 each for the purpose of building a wire or other tramway over what is known as Thompson's pass, about 25 miles from Valdez, Alaska.

FIRE

WASHINGTON, Aug. 19.—Postmasters have been appointed as follows: For Oregon—Lebanon, W. M. Brown; Roseburg, C. W. Parks. Mike Isaacson, a Finlander, was arrested last night by Patrolman Chipman on a charge of having passed worthless checks.

SHOT BY FOOTPAD

GILBERT CAUGHAN SERIOUSLY WOUNDED IN DESPERATE FIGHT WITH HIGHWAYMAN IN TACOMA—ROBBER MADE HIS ESCAPE

TACOMA, Aug. 19.—Gilbert W. Caughan, a well known young civil engineer of Tacoma, who resides with his parents at 324 South Tacoma avenue, was waylaid and shot by an unknown footpad shortly after 11 o'clock last night on South Tacoma avenue, at a point where Fifth street would be were that thoroughfare opened through. The fugitive fired five shots, two of which penetrated his victim, one entering the chest on the right and the other finding lodgment over the left collar bone. The highwayman escaped in the darkness, running through the gate that opens into the alley at the rear of the residence of Albert T. Collier, deputy collector and examiner of United States customs, 607 South Tacoma avenue. The wounded man succeeded in putting up a plucky fight against his assailant, following him from Fifth street clear across the avenue to the southeasterly corner of Sixth avenue, where, despite the fact that he was then carrying two bullets in him and was bleeding profusely from the ragged wounds, he picked the man up with both hands and hurled him over the Collier fence into the brush below, a distance of about twelve feet. By this time, attracted by the sound of the revolver shots and Caughan's cries of "Police!" a large number of people had gathered in the vicinity of Sixth and Tacoma avenues, and the wounded man was rendered all the assistance he cared to accept. Meanwhile the highwayman had made his escape. Caughan managed to walk the entire distance home, where he fell exhausted to the floor. Medical assistance was summoned. Drs. E. M. Brown, Yocom and Green responding. Late last night his pulse was strong, and he was resting as comfortably as circumstances would permit. Until the doctors make a closer examination and locate the bullets, his chances of recovering cannot be estimated. He has the advantage of a remarkable constitution in his favor, however, and the doctors speak hopefully of the case.

WANTS STOCK BACK

Angle B. Collins, John Francis Collins and R. L. Hodgden, executors of the estate of John Collins, deceased, have begun suit against the Denny Clay company and the McNaught-Collins Investment company for the recovery of 340 shares of stock in the latter company, which the plaintiffs value at \$162,000. The plaintiffs allege that the stock was to have been returned to the deceased by an agreement made in 1897, the defendants failing to keep their part of the agreement.

H. G. REED IS DEAD

Manager Stevens, of the Stevens hotel, found the dead body of Horace G. Reed, one of his guests, in the latter's room yesterday afternoon about 5 o'clock. Mr. Reed was last seen alive at about 10 o'clock Wednesday night by the elevator boy. He did not rise as usual yesterday morning, but nothing was thought wrong until late in the afternoon, when it became necessary to clean up the room for the next night. The door was found locked. No answer was received to the repeated calls to arouse him. Mr. Stevens went into an adjoining room, where he could get a look at the bed over a transom. After watching the body awhile and seeing no apparent breathing, he decided that the man was dead. This was confirmed when he unlocked the door. Coroner Hoye was notified and Deputy Coroner Wilkie investigated the case. An autopsy held last night revealed the fact that death was due to natural causes. Mr. Reed was a sufferer from kidney trouble. He was one of the administrators of the estate of the late Homer Swaney, one of the victims of the Clallam disaster last January.

PLAN DID NOT WORK

On recommendation of Assistant City Engineer Scott the streets committee yesterday afternoon blocked what appeared to them as a smooth scheme of J. D. Lowman to avoid a part of the expense of paving Harvard avenue and adjacent streets. Mr. Lowman wanted to give the city a little chunk of alley way lying back of Harvard avenue and entering East Olive street. The committee decided that it could more economically get along without the gift. It was found on investigation that the so-called alley only entered the block part way, so that it would be absolutely useless to the city. The plot of ground is obliged to pay an assessment for the paving work, however.

RUSSIAN GUNBOAT DESTROYED

CHEFOO, AUG. 19.—A RUSSIAN GUNBOAT OF THE OTVAJNI TYPE STRUCK A MINE OFF LIAO TISHAN YESTERDAY EVENING AND WAS SUNK.

THE JAPANESE ARE SAID TO HAVE CAPTURED INNER PORTS NOS. 3 AND 4. —The Otvajni is a protected gunboat of 1,500 tons displacement. She carries a crew of 142 men and an armament of one 9-inch, one 6-inch and ten quick-firing guns. She is 225 feet long and has a speed of 15 knots.

JAPANESE DESTROYERS HOVER ABOUT CHEFOO

CHEFOO, Aug. 19.—Two Japanese destroyers entered the harbor at 5:30 o'clock this morning. They remained half an hour and then sailed away. Five more destroyers are reported steaming around the outside of the harbor. The object of the visit is unknown.

LONDON, Aug. 19.—Dispatches from Chefoo state that the Japanese, though sustaining frightful losses as the result of the explosion of subterranean mines, continue the assault on Port Arthur, making decided advances toward the heart of the port's defenses.

The Japanese commanders have known for some time that the whole territory surrounding Port Arthur has been mined, but they have not let this interfere with their operations.

The Chinese report that the Japanese are now driving cattle across the mined roadways in an attempt to explode the buried mines and clear the way for the final charges. This method is declared to have been successful on the extreme right and is now being employed along the Japanese front. The bombardment of the Russian position continues unceasingly.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 19.—Consul-General Fowler, at Chefoo, cables the state department that two Japanese torpedo boat destroyers entered the harbor yesterday, while several Japanese cruisers remained outside. On the return of the destroyers they ran across a steamer, whose nationality is unknown, and seized her.

LONDON, Aug. 19.—Reuters agency has received a report that eleven ships of the Russian Baltic squadron have left Libau for the Far East.

LONDON, Aug. 19.—A dispatch from St. Petersburg states that the Russian admiralty has received information that five battleships and the protected cruiser Pallada are at Port Arthur.

FILIPINO COMMISSION WILL ARRIVE TONIGHT

EXTENSIVE PLANS MADE BY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE TO ENTERTAIN VISITORS FROM OUR NEW POSSESSIONS DURING TWO DAYS' VISIT

The Philippine commission, which is to be the guest of Seattle for two days, will arrive here at 8 o'clock tonight and at once be escorted to the Washington hotel, where the members will rest for the night. They will be met by a committee from the Chamber of Commerce and welcomed to the city in an informal way. The members of the commission have been on the train for three days and will probably be too tired to withstand the ordeal of a reception of any proportion. The real program arranged for the commission will not begin until tomorrow morning. In the forenoon the entertainment committee will take the visitors in electric cars about the city to show them all the various districts and show its growth. Dinner will be served at the Washington and the afternoon will be spent on the waterfront. Moran Bros' shipyards will be visited and the various industries along Railroad and Western avenues inspected. The government steamer Cartwright has been placed at the disposal of the commission and a trip will be made to Bremerton. No program has been arranged for Sunday, as the committee of entertainment wishes to consult the wishes of the visitors before making any plans. The party will leave here Sunday evening at 8 o'clock for Portland, where a stop of one day will be made. The committee of entertainment appointed by the Chamber of Commerce is as follows: Josiah Collins, chairman; C. J. Smith, Frederick Bauman, W. E. Boone, W. R. Gay, James D. Hoge, Jr., N. H. Latimer, R. R. Spencer, George Darrow, C. E. Burnsides, Jacob Purth, H. R. Clise, M. F. Backus, Sherwood Gillespie and A. M. Brookes.

FLEEING FROM THE FLAMES

PORTLAND, Ore., Aug. 19.—The Linn county, Oregon, fires are under control, except at Berlin, where the fire is gaining headway and the settlers are fleeing for their lives. In Skamania county, Washington, the fires are spreading with great rapidity, but it is believed all the settlers have escaped. All rail routes are abandoned.

FIRE

The fire department was called to extinguish a small blaze in the home of Mrs. L. Kauble, at 1417 Eighth avenue, at 2:30 this afternoon. Mrs. Kauble was away from home at the time of the fire. The fire was confined to the front sleeping room on the second floor, and the damage was slight.