

# TORNADO SWEEP ST. PAUL

MINNEAPOLIS ALSO STRUCK—  
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Fierce Storm Swooped Down on City  
at 9 O'clock at Night—Lasted 15  
Minutes—Large Numbers of Build-  
ings Demolished and High Bridge  
Across River Destroyed.

St. Paul, Minn., Aug. 21.—Five are reported to be dead, two score more injured and property loss estimated to reach \$2,000,000 as the result of a fierce tornado that swooped down on the city shortly after 9 o'clock Saturday night. The rivoli theatre was demolished; the Empire theatre ruined; the high bridge, an immense structure crossing the Mississippi at a height of 200 feet, was almost totally destroyed, and 200 buildings are more or less damaged.

It was reported that the House of the Good Shepherd, a Catholic institution, was wrecked and 25 injured there.

### Disaster at Minneapolis.

A report from Minneapolis says that a flat building was blown down and many people injured. The property damaged at Minneapolis is said to have been nearly as great as in St. Paul.

The storm was of short duration, lasting not more than 15 minutes. The devastation it wrought was terrific. The wind, according to the government observer, below 80 miles an hour, coming from the southwest. Buildings were unroofed and fronts blown in, the cellars being flooded by the rain, that came in great waves along with the wind.

### Live Wires Down.

Electric wires were prostrated, and many persons were injured by contact with electric light and trolley wires. Practically every building on the north side of East street is wrecked. The Habe-Hurst block, at Seventh and Wacouta streets, was unroofed, and the Economy department store was damaged to the extent of \$20,000. The front wall of the building occupied by Lindeke, Warner & Son, wholesale furriers, was shattered, and the stock and fixtures damaged to the extent of thousands of dollars.

William Donaldson & Co.'s big department store in Minneapolis was badly damaged. The loss is said to be \$300,000.

Later reports from Minneapolis are to the effect that there was no one in the building killed, but many were injured.

The Pioneer Press building, a 13 story steel and brick structure, was considerably damaged. The windows on the top floors were blown in and a number of printers at work in the composing room were seriously cut by flying glass. The Western Union Telegraph office on the eleventh floor of the Pioneer Press building was flooded. An immense skylight was crushed to powder and the court in the center of the building was filled with debris.

### Killed and Injured.

The killed in St. Paul were:  
George Weton, killed in Tivoli theater.

Lawrence F. Howinson, fireman on Northern Pacific, killed in Tivoli theater.

A partial list of the injured:  
G. E. Clare, cut and bruised; will recover.

Therese Kent, actress, Tivoli theater; badly cut and bruised.

Sadie Kenny, actress, Tivoli; hands cut and head bruised.

Polly O'Neill, actress, Tivoli; hip and body bruised.

John Johnson, piano player at Tivoli; badly cut and bruised; serious.

Kitty Larson, actress at Tivoli; will recover.

John Hammond, injured about the body; not serious.

William Arno, seriously injured on body and internally.

William Lindsay, skull fractured; probably fatal.

Ole Swanson, hit on head by falling plank; probably fatal.

Theodore Switzer, blown from wagon; seriously injured.

Mrs. Robert Roringer, caught in collapsed house in Lafayette avenue; injured internally; may die.

Clarence Strong, machinist; hand crushed.

John Dugan, newspaper man; badly cut about head by flying glass.

About 100 residences in various parts of the city were injured to more or less extent.

The tornado came as a climax of a day of humidity and warmth.

### Later Report.

Death to 16 persons and destruction to property, both private and public, estimated in round numbers at \$1,000,000, was the result of a tornado which tore down the valley of the Mississippi from a point near the confluence of the Minnesota and Mississippi rivers, near Fort Snelling. At about that point the

fury of the elements seemingly diverted, and with a roar descended on the twin cities and their environs.

## He Was Shot From the Bushes

St. Maries, Idaho, Aug. 24.—The deliberate assassination of Ed Bouley on the trail between Marble creek and Mica creek, is shown by late reports of the killing Saturday. First reports were that N. Lindsay had been killed with him, but Lindsay escaped with a bullet through his arm.

Bouley and Lindsay were accused of being claim jumpers, and feeling has been running high against them. About two months ago Bouley was shot and wounded in a similar case, and his companion at that time was killed.

Lindsay gives the following account of the shooting:

"Bouley and I were at the creek getting water, and Bouley was stooping over to take a drink, when I heard the report of a gun and he fell over on to me.

"I ran for the trees, and while running a bullet struck me in the arm. Not a soul could be seen anywhere, the shots coming from a thick brush.

From behind a tree, I saw 15 bullets pumped into Bouley's prostrate body."

All parties supposed to have any knowledge of the affair are reticent, and an effort will apparently be made to shield the murderer or murderers, and the officers can count on little aid from the settlers.

Marble creek flows into the St. Joe 15 miles above the head of navigation.

The officers who went to the scene will have to cover that 15 miles in a large dugout canoes, which are poled over the swift water. It takes a day of hard struggle with the swift current to cover that distance.

The trouble that culminated in this tragedy has been brewing for months. Enticed by the fine timber, many settlers have gone on the upper reaches of the many St. Joe and acquired "squatters' rights" on unsurveyed lands. These rights are claimed under the homestead laws, which permit a settler "squating" on unsurveyed public land to exercise the first filing right when the lands are finally surveyed and thrown open to entry.

Recently it is claimed, men in the employ of large timber companies have been jumping and threatening to jump a number of these "squatter" claims, on the ground that the land was more valuable for timber than for agricultural uses, and that the squatters were not acting in good faith.

The body of Tyler, the claim jumper whose disappearance has been coupled with the murder of Frank Bouley in the Marble Creek district, has been found. It was lying behind a log not far from his cabin riddled with bullets. A deputy sheriff is reported as having made the find, and the body shows indications of having been dead a week or more.

Three distinct theories of the killing are advanced. One is that Bouley and Tyler were killed and Lindsay shot at by land owners and parties angry at the men on account of claim jumping.

A second is that Lindsay and Bouley killed Tyler and later quarreled, and that Lindsay then killed Bouley.

That avenging husband killed Frank Bouley is the latest story to come down the river.

## Says He Will Die in Port Arthur

London, Aug. 24.—According to the Moscow correspondent of the Morning Post, Lieutenant General Stoessel concluded a telegram to a intimate friend there with the words, "Farewell forever. Port Arthur will be my tomb."

A dispatch from Chefoo says that according to Chinese reports the Japanese have again bombarded Port Arthur, pouring in a continuous fire, but that the Russians succeeded in silencing the fire. The Japanese fleet was not concerned in the attack, having put to sea.

Japanese troops in considerable forces are concentrating on the southern front of the Russian army, and there is continual skirmishing, but there is no prospect of a big battle.

The Chinese say that 30,000 Japanese troops with 200 guns have landed at Kinkow, part of these troops going to Newchwang and part to Kaicheng.

## Spokane Boy Burned to Death

Spokane, Aug. 25.—Wilford Ager, 16 year old elevator boy in the Palace department store, was burned to death, and Leslie Curtis, his 13 year old cousin, was severely burned in a fire which gutted the residence of W. J. Ager at 416 Sinto avenue at 11:30 last night. The two boys, with three other children and three adults, were asleep in the house when the fire broke out. The other inmates escaped unharmed.

Prince Obolensky, the new governor general of Finland, has persuaded Emperor Nicholas to accept a milder policy toward Finland.

# HAMMERING AT PORT ARTHUR

TREMENDOUS CONFLICT RAGING  
—VICTORY IN BALANCE.

Chinese From Port Arthur Report  
That the Japanese Are Making Desperate Charges—Russians Driven Back—Japs Capture Fort, Then Compelled to Retire From Russians.

Chefoo, Aug. 22, noon.—The first detailed news of the general assault on Port Arthur indicates that a tremendous conflict is waging and that victory is hanging in the balance.

Chinese who left Port Arthur yesterday and arrived here today state that the Japanese, by making desperate charges, which were reinforced by an artillery fire from Shushiyen and Louisa bay, swept from the north into the Pigeon bay territory and drove the Russians back from the main forts. The ground being comparatively flat in this vicinity, the Japanese were unable to hold it in the face of the Russian artillery fire, and they retired north, an eighth of a mile beyond the zone of fire.

The Chinese declare that the Japanese captured one important fort, located on the Itzshan hills, midway between the west coast and the railway, on a line drawn approximately from a point midway between Pigeon and Louisa bays. The Japanese infantry assaulted the fort and compelled the Russians to retire. The Russian artillery then directed a heavy fire on the spot, compelling the Japanese in turn to retire.

## United States Will Not Interfere

The United States government does not intend to insist upon the neutrality of China. It does not intend to insist that the Russian warships now in the harbor at Shanghai shall be disarmed or be forced from their present haven. It does not intend in any way to prevent the Japanese capturing the Russian warships. It does not at this time propose to protect American interests in Shanghai or in any other Chinese ports, if by so doing it is found necessary to interfere with the freedom of action of the warships of any other nation.

This is the decision reached by the department of state, after a conference between the state and the navy officials with president Roosevelt at Oyster Bay over the long distance telephone.

Instructions in accordance with this decision were sent to Rear Admiral Sterling, in charge of the Asiatic Squadron, now at Shanghai.

An impression exists at the capital that Consul General Goodnow may have unintentionally paved the way to committing this government to a maintenance of the neutrality of China when he called the recent meeting of the foreign representatives to take such action as was deemed necessary. But before that meeting had assembled a cablegram had been sent him to carefully abstain from any action that could be deemed to be interference.

The fact that the conference was productive of no understanding is taken to mean that when the other representatives discovered that the United States consul general had no plan to propose they discreetly decided to await instructions from their home offices.

## Fatal Explosion In Morning Mine

Mullan, Idaho, Aug. 23.—One miner was instantly killed and three others injured, one fatally, in an explosion in the Mornings mine. The dead miner is Z. Carer, and his brother, Doc Carter, is frightfully injured about the face and body, and it is believed that he cannot recover. His eyesight is completely destroyed. Frank Zandwich and another miner whose name is unknown, were injured about the face.

The explosion occurred on the You Like side, above the intermediate drift. The four miners had loaded a hole and were tamping the rounds preparatory to shooting when the explosion took place. The two Carter brothers were directly over the holes and received the full shock of the blasts.

### World's Fair Attendance.

St. Louis.—The attendance of the world's fair for the past week almost equals that of the week previous, although the past week was not marked with attractions. The total number of admissions for the past week amounted to 641,283, and the total for the week previous was 666,607.

The Western Star Big Creek Mining company is having its claims in the Coeur d'Alenes surveyed for patent. The tunnel being driven on the property is in 700 feet.

New Britain, Conn., with its population of 30,000, gets along with two policemen by day and only one at night.

## Negro Robber Killed Himself

Sandpoint, Idaho, Aug. 25.—Last evening a rancher named Jensen, living across Pend d'Oreille lake from here, came to town and reported that during the afternoon two negroes had called at his house, threatened his wife and robbed her of a gun and lot of ammunition.

Sheriff Whitney and Policemen Sawyer and Moran started for the scene of the robbery. Arriving there they succeeded in tracing the negroes up the mountain side to a point where they had separated, one of them apparently coming back to the beach, the other going on up the mountain. They followed the tracks of the latter, and shortly found him in the brush, shot through the head, with the empty gun by his side. He was alive, but died within 10 minutes. The body was taken to Hope. It cannot be determined whether the suicide was intentional or otherwise.

He carried not monies or papers, and had wandered through the burning woods all night and had lost one of his shoes.

The missing negro is described as six feet high, weighing nearly 200 pounds, aged 26 years, wearing dark, seedy clothes and a light hat with a medium, broad rim. He is believed to have gone west.

It now develops that the negroes had committed several robberies earlier in the day, robbing a man named Yoat of his gun and a small sum of money and stealing the boat with which they made their trip to Jensen's place.

Every effort is being made to catch the surviving robber.

## Horsemen Killed Thousand Sheep

Antelope, Ore., Aug. 25.—Twenty horsemen with blackened faces rode up to a flock of thoroughbred sheep belonging to Morrow & Kennan of Willow Creek, Crook county, on Little Summit prairie, 40 miles east of Prineville, and when night came on 1000 dead animals were stretched out on the range.

A single herder watching his flock late in the afternoon was covered with the rifles of men on horseback. His hands and feet were tied and a gunny sack pulled down over his head. A rapid fusillade of shots brought young Kennan to the scene. But the boy, although armed with an automatic rapid fire pistol, did not dare show himself. Concealed in a small thicket he watched the work of destruction.

When all was quiet and the sheep were all dead or wounded, the boy released the herder, who was nearly suffocated. Morrow & Kennan are representative sheep men of Crook county.

Their loss will amount to several thousand dollars.

### LATE NEWS ITEMS.

George Rice of Marietta, Ohio, commenced suit in the United States circuit court for \$3,000,000 damages against the Standard Oil company for the alleged ruining of his oil business.

The Pacific Mail steamer Siberia has arrived at San Francisco from the orient, bringing in a most valuable cargo. A lot of raw silk valued at \$402,000 was listed on her manifest, while in her treasure tank was Japanese gold aggregating \$950,000. This coin comes from Japan for the purchase of supplies for the army.

The secretary of war has directed that Division Commander General Bates make full and complete investigation of the recent clash between the soldiers of the regular army and the militia in camp near Athens, Ohio, when Corporal Charles Clark was killed and three other members of the national guard injured.

Margaret Dougherty of Rochester, N. Y., who was almost scalped in an automobile accident August 10, is recovering, after undergoing a remarkable operation, which resulted in the replacing of her scalp, which was torn from her head. The cuticle already has begun to unite and the girl's hair shows such signs of vitality that the success of the operation is assured.

The supreme lodge, Knights of Pythias, has decided by a vote of 99 to 14 to hold their next biennial encampment in New Orleans. The supreme lodge has adopted new uniforms and equipment for all officers of the Pythian army except general officers and officers of the general staffs. The uniforms adopted are practically the same as worn by the officers of the United States army.

### Otvajni Struck Mine.

Tokio.—It is officially announced that the Russian gunboat which was destroyed by striking a mine on August 16 a short distance from the entrance to Port Arthur was the Otvajni.

Electricity brought overland by wire some distance is being used in Oregon to pump water in irrigating farms. If the experiment proves successful the system will be developed further.

# TELEGRAPH NEWS SUMMARY

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A Review of Happenings in Both  
Eastern and Western Hemispheres  
During the Past Week—National,  
Historical, Political and Personal  
Events Tersely Told.

President Roosevelt is at Oyster Bay.

The People's National bank of Swanton, Vt., has failed.

William O'Brien has been reelected member of parliament from Cork city unopposed.

E. H. Harriman has ordered 60,000 tons of steel rails at \$28 a ton for the Harriman roads.

Fire has destroyed two blocks in the center of Martinez, Cal. The loss is estimated at \$150,000.

Mrs. Lydia A. Monroe, of Riverside, Cal., has been chosen supreme chief of the Rathbone Sisters.

August Anderson, a farmer of Stark county, Indiana, is dead in a Chicago hospital from the bite of a mosquito.

H. Chandler Egan of Exmoor at Highland park has won the western golf championship for the second time. Clarence H. MacKay, who withdrew his horse race entries on the death of his father, will not again take up the sport.

During a riot in the stockyards Saturday night one man was shot and instantly killed and three others were injured by stray bullets.

A floating dock which was on its way from St. Petersburg to Linau for the use of the Baltic fleet, is a total loss, having broken in two.

The harvest in the government of Samara, Russia, is the best in many years. The grain crop, mostly wheat, is about 885,615,000 bushels.

Five persons were killed at Minden, a station on a branch of the Missouri Pacific railroad, this afternoon by the explosion of a car of dynamite.

At the recent national convention of the Sons of Veterans William E. Dustin of Dwight, Ill., was elected commander in chief by acclamation.

M. C. Bennett of Des Moines was drowned in the Mississippi river after having leaped into the stream in an attempt to escape from the workhouse.

Allen Cotten, a strike breaker, was found unconscious in the Chicago stockyards Saturday with his eyes lacerated until the sight had been destroyed.

J. Frank Kirby, formerly of Blue Springs, Mo., blew out his brains at Roswell, N. M. He was considered one of the wealthiest shepherms in that vicinity.

Immense bodies of Chinese troops are now drilling in the central portion of the kingdom under the direction of Japanese officers well versed in the art of modern warfare.

Magnificent Parisian gowns, valued at \$500,000, are in a ruined condition in the palace of manufactures as the result of the heavy rainstorm which swept over the world's fair.

The Denver city council has passed an ordinance making the use of trading stamps punishable by fines of \$100 to \$300 for each offense, or a jail sentence of from 30 to 90 days.

At Chicago Frank Mitchell has shot his housekeeper, Bessie Smith, because he was jealous of her, then turned the revolver upon himself and fired a bullet into his left temple.

Corporation Counsel Tolman of Chicago has given to Mayor Harrison an opinion declaring that the packers at the stock yards have no legal right to house men in their packing houses.

There is some question whether General Frederick Funston will go to Chicago to take command of the department of the lakes. He may prefer to remain at Vancouver barracks. He has his choice.

Charles C. Fales, known as Colgate Fales, has been arrested by United States Marshal Durham at Kansas City, on a charge of using the mails to defraud, and in default of \$3000 bond is being held in the county jail.

Football has found its first victim this year in Chicago. James Pim, 16 years of age, and several companions were engaged in a game, and during a scrimmage the lad was thrown violently, his head striking the ground. He was removed to a hospital, where he died within an hour.

The American minister, Mr. Bowen, in the name of the United States, has requested Venezuela to remove Mr. Carnack, the receiver appointed to take charge of the property of the New York and Bermudez Asphalt company, and to return the asphalt lake to the American company.

Buenos Ayres.—The rebels have seized another steamer which had on board the minister of war and a small escort. The minister and his companions were made prisoners. The vessel was towing four lighters loaded with 190 bullocks for the garrison. These were confiscated.