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GIGANTIC TORNADO

Entire Town Almost Wiped Out in Missouri.

One Hundred Persons Reported Killed, One Thousand and Injured,

And Four Hundred Houses Wrecked at Kirksville.

Forty Dead Bodies Already Taken From the Ruins There and at Newton the Dead Are Reported to Number 37—Fire and Rain Adding to Confusion of Rescuing.

Kirksville, Mo., April 27.—The sky emptied its fury early this evening when the east side of the town was wiped out. A broad, clean path nearly a quarter of a mile wide leads through the town.

It is probable that at least a hundred are killed and a thousand injured. It will be long after daylight before an adequate conception of the destruction of life can be had. Four hundred houses were wrecked and the inmates are either dead or injured.

Forty dead bodies have thus far been taken from the ruins.

Newton, a small place on the St. Paul railroad, felt the full force of the storm, being practically wiped out. The dead there number 37, while the list of the injured will reach 500.

The storm seems to have been the one that did so much damage earlier in the day.

A heavy rain followed the tornado, adding to the confusion and hindering the work of rescue. All who escaped have turned out to rescue the injured and search out the bodies. The American School of Orthopathy, situated here, and the professors and students joined with the regular practitioners in aiding the injured. The work is being superintended by Mayor Noonan, but there are not nearly enough surgeons for the work in hand.

All conveyances are being used in conveying the dead and dying from the death belt.

Half a dozen wrecked houses took fire after the cyclone passed, but no effort could be made to stop the flames. Lurid lights now illuminate the town, aiding the rescuers in their errands of mercy.

TORNADO IN IOWA.

Three Persons Killed and Much Damage to Property.

Sioux City, Iowa, April 27.—A tornado struck the western line of Crawford county last night, killing three persons and injuring several seriously. Three houses were demolished and great damage done to farm property.

The list of the dead and injured in the tornado which swept over Crawford county last night is growing. Four are known to be dead while ten are not expected to survive their injuries. In one family a mother was killed and five daughters fatally hurt. A four-year-old boy was asleep by the side of his mother, who was killed. He disappeared and was believed to have been killed, but was found today on a haystack where he was deposited uninjured. The property loss is enormous.

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WHEELER OFFERED DEPARTMENT OF TEXAS

But Asks to be Sent to the Philippines—Request Under Consideration.

Washington, April 27.—Brigadier General Wheeler has been offered the command of the department of Texas but he has asked to be sent to the Philippines and his request is under consideration. It has been decided to re-establish the department of Texas with headquarters at San Antonio, and officials would like Wheeler to take it, but the chances are he will be sent to Manila.

POSTAL SERVICE EXPERIMENT

Star Routes in South Carolina to be Replaced by a Rural Free Delivery.

Washington, April 27.—On May 1 the postal service of almost the entire state of South Carolina will be altered, nearly all the star routes being replaced by a rural free delivery. This move is in the nature of an experiment, which if successful, will be extended in other sparsely settled districts.

FRIENDLY WITH GERMANY.

Washington, April 27.—A signal evidence of the purpose of the United States to maintain friendly relations with Germany have been given in the favorable action of the president, at the instance of Secretary Hay, in approving the project for a new Transatlantic cable running between Germany and the United States. The project was brought forward by prominent German-American interests, and has had the active support of the German ambassador here, Dr. Von Holleben. The new company is to be known as the German-American Telegraph company, and among those interested in it are prominent firms in Germany, as well as a number of Americans. The details of organization have been in charge of Mr. Spores in New York.

The negotiations here have brought out a favorable opinion from the attorney general as to the right of granting cable landings in the United States as well as the exchanges of an international aspect which have proceeded between Secretary Hay and Dr. von Holleben.

The German terminus of the new cable, will, it is understood, be at Ems, a town and watering place in the province of Hesse-Nassau, Prussia, near Coblenz. The American terminus is expected to be at New York. The route of the line will be by way of the Azores, a Portuguese possession, so that it is presumed that concessions also have been obtained from Portugal. This will be the first cable ever laid between Germany and the United States, and with the Franco-American cable will be the only line not touching on British soil.

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A WARNING TO KAUTZ.

Advised Not to Make Comments on International Affairs in Private Letters.

Washington, April 27.—In view of the Coghlan incident the navy department has sent word to Kautz at Apia to be careful not to make any comments on international affairs in his private correspondence.

This action was called forth by the publication of a letter written by Kautz to a Cincinnati friend in which the admiral said that he and not the German consul was "boss of the ranch."

ADVISES FROM KAUTZ.

Washington, April 27.—The navy department has received the following: "Auckland, April 27, Apia, April 13.—Receipt of telegrams of March 21 and April 2 acknowledged. Coal cannot be obtained at Apia; must be ordered from Auckland. Everything quiet. Am not aggressive with Mataafa rebels, but am protecting our consulate and property and the Samoan government established by the decision of the chief justice of the supreme court. (Signed) Kautz."

UNVEILING OF GRANT'S STATUE

Imposing Ceremonies in Presence of Large and Distinguished Company.

Philadelphia, April 27.—The statue of General Grant, presented to the city of Philadelphia by the Fairmount Park Art association, was unveiled with appropriate ceremonies this afternoon by Miss Rose Sartoris, granddaughter of Grant, in the presence of President McKinley, members of the cabinet, representatives of foreign governments and a large gathering of distinguished citizens and guests of honor. Prominent among those participating was Mrs. Grant, widow of the general, and other members of the family. General Miles and Captain Coghlan, of the Raleigh, were also present.

In the evening McKinley was the guest of honor at the dinner of the Union League club. In his speech the president said that he was thoroughly satisfied with the work of the army and navy. In addition he said: "The army and navy can speak and sometimes write for themselves, and never fear they do wrong." Coghlan was at the table and many thought the latter remarks applied to him.

After the banquet a public meeting was held at the Academy of Music. McKinley made a brief speech.

Tomorrow the president will inspect the Raleigh and then go to New York.

PRISONER KILLED BY A WOMAN

New Orleans, April 27.—W. E. Harrington was killed in the jail at Leesville by Miss Mary Lacaze, whom he was charged with outraging. She went to the jail on the pretext of arranging a marriage, and when she entered the cell she pulled a pistol from her bosom and shot him. She was arrested and locked up in the same jail, which is now closely guarded to prevent a threatened rescue by her influential relatives.

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PEANUT BRITTLE

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SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION

DISTURBANCE IN ATLANTA

Nearly Goes to Pieces on Question of White and Black—Hoke Smith President.

Atlanta, April 27.—The international Sunday school convention nearly went to pieces today on the question of white and black caused by the seating of the committee on nominations. Hoke Smith was chosen president but when it came to representing the southern states on the nominating committees by the negroes the row occurred. A heated discussion arose over the choice of committeemen from Georgia and South Carolina, and the matter was finally referred to the executive committee. The attention of the convention was called, through the chairman of seating of the delegates together by the police, who stated that it was not only a violation of a city ordinance but of the state law as well, which required that whites and blacks be separated in public gatherings. After a discussion it was decided to allow the delegates to sit as they wished. The attempt to place colored men on the committee on nominations was made by the Georgia and South Carolina negro delegates.

E. R. Carter, colored, of Atlanta, was nominated by a negro as Georgia's member of the committee. This was objected to by John M. Green, of Atlanta, second vice-president of the association, who informed the convention that Georgia's choice was W. S. Witham.

A South Carolina negro then placed in nomination a colored man from his state, which caused considerable confusion and excitement. There were motions and counter motions in an attempt to settle the matter and after a heated debate both whites and blacks were selected to nominate a committee. This matter had hardly been adjusted before the news that the police were attempting to separate the whites and blacks spread. This brought out a flood of oratory on the question from both white and colored delegates. The presiding officer, Mr. Green, said the matter of seating delegates was made plain to northern delegates when the convention was spoken of for Atlanta and it was perfectly satisfactory to them. A conference was called between the police and Colonel Candler, in charge of the entertainment committee, and it was finally decided to let the delegates sit as they wished.

MISSOURI RISING.

Omaha, Neb., April 27.—With the Missouri still rising at this point and Cut Off lake filling up and threatening to cut through Locust street and form a junction with the main body of water, people in the lowlands and those who own property here do not know what the future contains for them.

From the upper river country come alarming reports of the Missouri's ravages. In Union county, S. D., the river is cutting deep into the banks toward McCook lake, an old river bed. It lacks only a short distance now of getting through, and should that happen a new course would be made across valuable farm and timber land into the Sioux river. Already one woman has lost 250 acres of timber land. It is simply falling into the river, carrying trees and everything else with it. The river may yet tear a course into Dakota county, Neb., and great alarm exists.

CASE OF MRS. GEORGE GOES TO THE JURY.

Canton, Ohio, April 27.—The case of Mrs. George, charged with the murder of George D. Saxton, was given to the jury today, and at a late hour tonight no verdict had been rendered. It was reported during the evening that a verdict in a lesser degree would be found. The jury settled down for the night at midnight, and there will be no verdict till morning.

The coaling station to be established at the Charleston naval station to supply Uncle Sam's warships will have bunkers capable of holding 15,000 tons of coal.

ANNOUNCEMENT.

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FILIPINOS RETREAT

Driven to San Fernando, Northwest of Calumpit.

Operations Resumed Yesterday With Much Vigor.

Battle Between Wheaton's Brigade and Strong Force of Insurgents.

Day's Fighting Marked by Another American Deed of Daring Which Had Much to do With Defeat.

Manila, Thursday Evening, April 27.—Operations against the insurgents were resumed with vigor this morning, and with small loss to the Americans.

The Filipinos were driven to San Fernando, nine or ten miles northwest of Calumpit, where they remain at present. The day's fighting was marked by another American deed of daring, which had much to do with the rebel defeat.

Fighting began as soon as there was light enough to fire effectively. The battle was between Wheaton's brigade on the south bank of the Rio Grande de la Pampanga and a strong force of insurgents in the north bank. The Filipinos used the old muzzle loading cannon, but failed to do any execution. The enemy was strongly entrenched and our artillery fire failed to penetrate the defences. Consequently the infantry bore the brunt of the fighting. It looked difficult to dislodge the enemy, as the river prevented an infantry charge. At ten o'clock this morning the insurgents still held three miles of the trenches along the river. Colonel Funston, of the Twentieth Kansas, called for volunteers to cross the river. Two men were finally selected, and carrying a long rope, they swam the river, the bullets kicking up little jets of water all around. Nekher was hit and they secured the rope to a tree on the opposite bank.

A raft was hastily constructed and on it Funston with two companies of his regiment crossed, using the rope as a guiding line. Several trips were necessary. Once ashore the Kansans attacked the trenches with an enflading fire. This demoralized the insurgents and the main body retreated northward, while the remainder escaped up the railroad track under a heavy fire. The left flank of the enemy reformed on a plain to the north of the river in the second line of trenches, where a futile attempt was made to hold ground.

Meanwhile the remainder of the Kansans and the First Montana slowly crossed the bridge that had been badly damaged, and advanced on the trenches. The Filipinos thereupon retreated toward Apalit, four miles north. While this was being done, 2,000 insurgents advanced in skirmish formation from Macabee, leaving a strong

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