

STORM DAMAGES SOUTH INDIANA

One Person Killed, Thousands Of Dollars In Damages

(By United Press)

Wreckage left in the wake of a storm which struck southern Indiana early last night, killing one person and leaving thousands of dollars of damage to buildings and crops, was being cleared away today in the various small communities.

Charles Wolfe, 44, town marshal of Orleans, was killed when he was struck by a high tension wire which had been blown down.

Destructive winds relieved the heat-stricken cities, many of which registered temperatures from 95 to 102 degrees. Two persons died from the heat.

Ernest E. Cramer, 59, Martinsville farmer, was overcome by heat while plowing corn and died later at his home.

J. C. Mitchell, 62, Noblesville farmer, became nauseated by the suffocating temperature and collapsed, striking his head on a stone and dying of a fractured skull.

Washington was the hardest hit, losses estimated at more than \$100,000. Roofs were blown off downtown buildings, including a drug store, hotel and high school. The smokestack of a high school was demolished.

The city standpipe seriously damaged.

The Washington CCC camp sent a crew immediately after the storm to start clearing debris from streets, impassable from fallen trees. Nearly all communications were blown down but most had been repaired during the night.

A three-inch rain accompanied the storm.

The state police radio tower at Jasper was blown down.

Front windows of two Mitchell fruit stores were blown in and roofs were torn off many buildings.

George Farris, Washington, suffered serious cuts when wind broke the front window of his restaurant.

A large saddle barn, owned by Loren W. Cox of near Elnora, was leveled by the terrific wind, killing a horse and injuring several others. Damage was estimated at more than \$10,000.

All telephone and power lines were blown down in the vicinity of Edwardsport, practically isolating the small community.

All available state police officers were mobilized in the storm district for emergency duty.

Plem Van Meter of Bloomfield narrowly escaped death when his automobile became wedged between two large trees. Van Meter said he was driving on a road near Bloomfield when suddenly he saw a tree fall in front of his car. After stopping the machine in time to avoid an accident he said.

Statement of Condition of the ACCIDENT AND CASUALTY INSURANCE COMPANY OF WINTERVILLE, SWITZERLAND

New York City, New York
111 John Street
On the 31st day of December, 1937
NEAL BASSETT
United States Manager

Amount of Capital paid up or Statutory Deposits \$ 850,000.00

GROSS ASSETS OF COMPANY

Real Estate unencumbered \$ None
Mortgage Loans on Real Estate (Free from any prior incumbrances) None
Bonds and Stocks owned (Book Value) 2,831,990.00

Cash in banks (on interest and not on interest) 118,253.45
Accrued Securities (Interest and Rents, etc.) 22,968.47
Other Securities None
Premiums and Accounts due and in process of collection 70,865.45
Accounts otherwise secured None
Sundry Advances 19.10
Total Gross Assets \$ 3,044,512.47

LIABILITIES

Reserve or amount necessary to reinsure outstanding risks \$ 127,716.91
Loans unpaid 32,049.40
Loans adjusted and not due None
Loans unadjusted and in process of collection None
Bills and Accounts unpaid None
Amount due and not due to banks or other Creditors None
Voluntary Contingency Reserve 397,732.00
Other Liabilities of the Company 23,719.42

Total Liabilities \$ 591,217.73
Capital or Statutory Deposit \$ 850,000.00
Surplus \$ 1,600,000.00
Total \$ 3,041,217.73

STATE OF INDIANA,
I, the undersigned, Insurance Commissioner of Indiana, hereby certify that the above is a correct copy of the Statement of Condition of the above mentioned Company on the 31st day of December, 1937, as shown by the original statement and that the said original statement is now on file in this office.

In Testimony Whereof, I hereunto subscribe my name and affix my official seal, this 21st day of June, 1938.
GEO. H. NEWBAUER,
Insurance Commissioner.
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other tree fell closely behind it. Greatest damage was done in the country where corn, and light grain crops, recently crippled by floods, were flattened by tornadic winds.

Barns were down throughout the storm section.

Cities hit directly by the storm were Sullivan, Bicknell, Sandborn, Edwardsport, Plainville, Petersburg, Elnora, Odon, Washington, Jasper, Linton, Orleans, Wheatland and Mitchell.

State police reported today that highways 0, 56, 57, 58 were closed to all except emergency traffic.

Highest temperature recorded yesterday was 102 degrees at Bedford. Vincennes registered 97, Anderson 98, Washington 98, and Crawfordsville 96. Indianapolis had 93.6.

OPPOSE CHANGE IN STATE AID

Taxpayers Associations Oppose Change In State Aid Plans

Indianapolis, July 12.—(U.P.)—Representatives of taxpayers associations of Indianapolis and the larger counties in the state today had gone on record as strenuously opposing the proposed change in state aid for local welfare units.

Under Gov. M. Townsend's proposal, \$2,000,000 would be taken from the state surplus for immediate tax relief which would be distributed to counties on the basis of tax rates.

Representatives of tax associations throughout the state, meeting here yesterday, urged Gov. Townsend to set a one year limit on his plan while a group be chosen to study the problem.

They asserted basing the additional aid on tax rates is unfair because of wide variation of assessed valuations in counties and claimed the plan would put a premium on low assessments, penalizing the counties where assessments are set closely to full value.

The plan calls for no aid to be extended to counties with rates of 10 cents or less while counties with rates of from 11 to 15 cents would receive an additional allotment of state aid equal to 25 per cent of amounts levied over 10 cents. Counties with rates over 15 cents would receive 25 per cent of the amount over 10 cents in addition to 50 per cent aid from amounts over 15 cents.

GOV. TOWNSEND (CONTINUED FROM PAGE ONE)

peace between labor and industry, and reduce traffic accidents—have been realized during Townsend's term, he said.

He said that 700 disputes, involving 151,000 workers have been solved "peacefully and satisfactorily" by the state division of labor and that traffic deaths have been reduced 25.8 per cent.

Other achievements of the state administration were "an arrangement of the gross income tax which has helped the retail merchant," development of rural electrification, assisting the federal government and preserving of the health of our people" by the state board of health.

"Government in Indiana with all its increased services has been able to reduce costs and maintain a balanced budget. Comparing the last year of Republican state administration with the first year of this administration, the cost of government in Indiana has been reduced \$18,400,000."

Townsend said he would ask the date, for paying motor vehicle taxes, for general assembly to chance fees from Jan. 1 to June 30, end of the fiscal year. He said that he will ask the legislature to appropriate funds from the \$24,500,000 surplus in the state treasury to aid counties in paying the costs of poor relief.

"Opposed to us are the reactionaries and do-nothings who are indifferent to the social problems which have such a deep and lasting effect on the lives of all people. They cannot lift their eyes and face the future with reality and thus cannot recognize the need for progress."

Townsend said he did "not wish in any way to dictate to the Democratic party its nominee for any office" and that the delegates should "be given every opportunity to select the candidates they believe will best represent our party."

He recounted the achievements of the national administration under President Roosevelt and of the state administration under Paul V. McNutt and himself.

People "looked with dull despair at what seemed to be the end of our civilization" when Herbert Hoover's term of office ended and "the great humanitarian, Franklin D. Roosevelt, came to lead them out of the valley of sorrows," Townsend said.

"With his love for the common people, with his smiling courage, he found jobs and food and security for the people of America. But more than this President Roosevelt

MINTON LAUDS THE NEW DEAL

Convention Chairman Praises Roosevelt In Convention Speech

Indianapolis, July 12.—(U.P.)—Sen. Sherman Minton, permanent chairman of the Democratic state convention, today sounded high praises for President Roosevelt and the new deal in addressing the 2,258 convention delegates.

"There he stands today, the idol of the masses of America, the best beloved man in this troubled world, the author of the new deal, the captain of the hosts of democracy—may we ever be worthy of his leadership—Franklin D. Roosevelt," Minton said.

"I believe profoundly in the Democratic processes, the life of which stems from the people who have created those processes to carry out their will, that men, women and children must have life, liberty and happiness in great abundance. I believe there is no sanctity that comes from their success in the service of the people. I worship no symbols. I believe that government should be made to work for the people, and not to be manipulated by a few people, wherewith to oppress the many."

Minton cited the bank holiday, the CCC camps, the home owners corporation, the social security program, the labor relations act and anti-monopoly legislation as devices the new deal employed to bring greater security to the common people.

"And finally, these millions of men, women and children who were caught in the cruel grip of a depression, not of their making, cried out for bread, and they were told that it was unconstitutional for the federal government to relieve them from starvation, until there came a man, whose heart was touched, a man of action, who believed it was the first duty of government to see that its citizens did not starve, and on that memorable March 4th, 1933, his clear voice carried over the ether the message to anxious millions that no man, woman or child would starve in this great, rich country. He not only brought them food, but honest labor in wealth building and preserving projects, and today these humble people bless him who came to them with relief in the darkest hour of their need."

Greetings From McNutt

Indianapolis, July 12.—(U.P.)—Former Gov. Paul V. McNutt, Philippine Island commissioner widely considered to be a potential 1940 Democratic presidential nominee, today wrote the Indiana Democratic convention that he considered the party "militant and united," and facing "another battle in the cause of humanity."

Sending "affectionate greetings" to the convention delegates, McNutt said:

"It is not enough to be content with the glories of past performances. This is still a testing time for democratic self-government. New problems arise which challenge ingenuity and prowess. I am confident that you are worthy of the great trust, that you will choose the high course of action, safeguarding the unfortunate, removing the threat of unemployment, providing for those who are in want, protecting the rights of those who labor, adequately supporting the schools, equalizing the tax burden, maintaining a balanced budget, and improving all public service."

"I am happy to be your comrade in the ranks as you march to certain victory this fall."

County Treasurer Confined To Home

Jeff Liechty, county treasurer, is still confined to his home today suffering from an attack of "summer flu." He is reported to be feeling a little better today.

laid the foundation for a better and more secure security."

The president's new recovery program has had "an immediate effect," he said. "Since the passage of the recovery program, which cost \$3,000,000,000, stocks have increased in value \$10,000,000,000. In other words, the investor has received already more than three times the original value of the tax he will pay for recovery. That doesn't sound like spending will ruin America!"

"I say we shall go ahead. We will continue the kind of government which is deeply sympathetic to the welfare of the common people."

"In Indiana the people shall be fed. The unemployed must have work. The farmer and the laborer and the business man must have a fair share of the wealth they produce. The old must have security and the young opportunity. And all this shall be achieved by democracy—by a free people guaranteed freedom of thought and worship."

"To these purposes, I dedicate the entire resources of the great state of Indiana."

SECOND STREET

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to permit the application of the layer of Ky-Rock, in addition to the oiling process, which will be done starting tonight.

The north end of Second street has already been closed and no traffic is permitted on this section of Second street. It was stated that the north end will probably be opened first, block by block as rapidly as possible, to permit the use of regular 27 in leaving the city on the north.

It is planned to detour 27 west on Monroe to Fifth, then north on Fifth, as soon as the stretch from the bridge to the stop light intersection in the north section of the city can be completed. Full use of the street in driving and parking will be permitted as soon as it is opened.

HOLD PRIMARY IN OKLAHOMA

Results Of Democratic Primaries Watched With Interest

Washington, July 12.—(U.P.)—Democratic primary voters in Oklahoma are subjecting President Roosevelt's campaign strategy to its first 1938 test today.

Tests to come in Kentucky, Maryland and possibly Georgia and South Carolina will have much more at stake, both from the standpoint of new dealers and of so-called conservative Democrats. But returns from Oklahoma's primary generally will be interpreted by political observers in light of Mr. Roosevelt's words during a brief stop-over last week in Oklahoma City.

This trans-continental journey marks his first personal intervention in the 1938 primaries. Works Progress Administrator Harry L. Hopkins threw his hat in the air for Rep. Otha D. Wearin, D. Ia., who opposed the renomination of Sen. Guy M. Gillette, D. Ia. But Iowa voters preferred Gillette.

Postmaster General James A. Farley tried to adjust a Pennsylvania party row by endorsing a compromise slate. The voters nominated Gov. George H. Earle for the senate, as they doubtless would have done without Farley's endorsement. But they rejected the candidacy of Thomas Kennedy, United Mine Workers officials, who was backed by Chairman John L. Lewis of the C. I. O. and a Democratic faction for gubernatorial nomination.

There have been some lesser instances of administration activity in primaries already concluded. But on major tests to date the administration's prestige has not gained from primary experiences.

Mr. Roosevelt's speech in Oklahoma City July 9 was widely read as a moderate and cautious endorsement of the renomination candidacy of Sen. Elmer Thomas, D., Okla., who is opposed by another new dealer, Gov. E. W. Marland, and by Rep. Gomer Smith, D., Okla., former vice president of the Townsend old age pension organization.

To the tune of "My Old Friend," Mr. Roosevelt spoke kindly of Thomas. He spoke well of Marland, too, but in words which seemed to some seasoned observers to give Thomas an edge. Some of these same listeners came away from the Oklahoma City meeting convinced that the president had intended his speech to be an indirect repudiation of Smith's candidacy and of the gubernatorial aspirations of William H. (Alfalfa Bill) Murray.

Both Thomas and Marland expressed satisfaction with Mr. Roosevelt's speech. Smith denied it was "a rap for me." But renomination of Thomas generally would be viewed as a boost for administration prestige in the southwest.

Mr. Roosevelt did not duplicate in Oklahoma his tactics in Kentucky where a new deal governor aspires to the senate seat of a new deal senator. In Kentucky he endorsed Sen. Alben W. Barkley, D., Ky., in unmistakable language at the expense of Gov. A. B. (Happy) Chandler.

Of almost as much interest as the Oklahoma senatorial race was the Democratic campaign for governor. William H. (Alfalfa Bill) Murray, inferentially spoken of by Mr. Roosevelt as "that nationally known Republican," sought to become the first Oklahoma governor to be re-elected.

W. S. Key, former state WPA administrator, and Leon C. Phillips, state legislator and attorney, were Murray's principal opponents. Key claimed a presidential blessing in that Mr. Roosevelt complimented the workings of the WPA in Oklahoma, but Phillips contended that Mr. Roosevelt had intended to make no reference as to his choice in the governor's race.

TODAY'S COMMON ERROR

Gila (monster) is pronounced hee'-la; not gee'-la.



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