

200 DEAD, 3,000 INJURED, FORECAST AS JULY 4 TOLL

MILLIONS WILL BE SPENT FOR SKY DISPLAYS

Fireworks Sales Are Far Heavier Than Reported Last Year.

HEAT WAVE PREVAILS

Pre-Holiday Accidents Are Numerous, With Many on Casualty Roll.

By Times Special
WASHINGTON, July 4.—The Nation today celebrated the 152nd anniversary of its independence. The cost will be nearly 200 lives, 3,000 injured and some \$8,000,000 for fireworks, if expenditures and injuries of previous years are duplicated.

Increase of about \$1,000,000 a year in fireworks purchased indicates the celebration will be even more costly than heretofore, unless small boys develop an unnatural caution in setting off giant crackers.

Hot weather over the country caused fears for a large number of drownings at swimming resorts.

The capital, deserted by President Coolidge, most of the Cabinet, diplomats and officials, celebrated with a few speeches and fireworks.

The District of Columbia tries to prevent the deaths and injuries of celebrators by banning sale of explosive fireworks, but stores across the line in Virginia and Maryland had a boom business in young dynamite.

Eight Hurt in Crash

By United Press
DENVER, July 4.—The first Fourth of July automobile accident reported here today injured eight persons, two seriously.

An automobile driven by W. C. Thornton, Denver financier, turned over, injuring the eight occupants.

The injured are: Thornton, his wife, Rose; Mr. and Mrs. Earl Wigg, Kansas City, Mo.; Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Eaton, Denver; Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Moore, Cincinnati.

Sixteen other persons were injured in crashes here yesterday.

Hospitals Are Ready

By United Press
ST. LOUIS, July 4.—St. Louis hospitals have provided six free emergency treatment wards to care for an anticipated 400 injured as a result of today's Independence day celebration.

Forty-four injured yesterday raised the total for the preholiday casualties to 155.

Miss Frances Mitchell, 16, was the second person to be seriously injured when shot by a blank cartridge wad. The missile penetrated her back for an inch.

ROAD NEAR COMPLETION

Macadam Pike to Sunnyside Ready in Two Weeks.

New macadamized road connecting Sunnyside Tuberculosis Sanatorium with Cumberland pike, under construction at a cost of \$10,000, will be finished within two weeks, County Road Superintendent Luther E. Tex said today.

Intermittent rains have caused considerable delay in the last month. The road is being built with regular county forces, no contract having been let.

Prior to now the sanatorium has had only a cinder-gravel road, which became bad during wet weather.

BALKS RUN ON PARDONS

Colorado Governor Ends Year Without Freeing a Prisoner

By NEA Service
DENVER, July 4.—Governor "Billy" Adams has made pardons in Colorado very unpopular since his inauguration more than a year ago. Despite terrific pressure he steered the ship of State to the close of his first year at the helm without granting a single pardon to potential prisoners.

Prior to attaining the State's highest office, Governor Adams served forty years in the State legislature, from a district in the where he still has vast ranch property in the southwestern part of the State, critics.

TOO MANY CHICKENS

Two Men and Women Caught Unloading Hens From Machine.

Too many chickens caused the arrest of George Chadwick, 41, of 136 E. McCarty St.; Rosco Williams, 41, of 522 Virginia Ave., and Helen Blake, 46, of 1659 S. Delaware St., on vagrancy charges Tuesday night. Sgt. Cummings and squad found the three unloading chickens from a sedan in front of 136 E. McCarty St. They found four chickens in the house. Williams and Chadwick told different stories, the police allege.

Damp Fourth

By Times Special
EVANSVILLE, Ind., July 4.—The Fourth of July for Mrs. Arthur Stone and her two little children. They are marooned by high water near the mouth of Green River, where the family has a summer cottage.

The husband and father, a local attorney, plans to ask aid of the Government, relief steamer Kankakee unless the water recedes by Thursday. The family has plenty of food in the cottage, but there will be no fireworks for the children.

That Makes It,' Says Al, With Kiss



U. S. LINER SALE IS AUTHORIZED

Leviathan Among Ships to Go on Block.

WASHINGTON, July 4.—Disposition of two major American shipping lines to private interests took official shape Tuesday when the Merchant Fleet Corporation was authorized by the United States Shipping Board to prepare bid specifications for sale of the United States lines and the American merchant line.

The two lines will be sold under eight alternate propositions.

Simultaneously, the shipping board directed the fleet corporation to prepare bid specifications for the sale of the American Palmetto line, operating out of South Atlantic ports. This line will be sold on a basis of six or more of the ten cargo ships now operating under the line.

Included in the United States lines is the giant liner Leviathan, largest American vessel and queen of the Nation's trans-Atlantic passenger ships. The others are the George Washington, Republican, President Harding, President Roosevelt, and the America. The latter vessel recently was refitted and put into service again after being burned several years ago.

The plan of the Indianapolis chapter of the Order of De Molay has been postponed from Sunday to Saturday, according to David Neafus, chapter advisor. The outing will be at Broad Ripple Park.

"Sing and Be Happy" was the tip Harper Garcia Smyth, of Cleveland, Ohio, song director and pageant producer, gave members of the Rotary Club Tuesday at the club's Claypool hotel luncheon. He led the club members in singing numerous popular songs.

A annual picnic of the Columbia Club, to be held July 11 at the Ulen Country Club at Lebanon, will be attended by about 200 persons. The picnic will be an all-day affair, with golf, tennis, baseball and horseshoe pitching for the men and bridge for the women during the afternoon.

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By United Press

RALEIGH, N. C., July 4.—Fire threatening an entire business block including the city auditorium here was brought under control after the historic old Yarborough Hotel was destroyed.

Fire fighting equipment was called from Durham twenty-six miles away, to aid local firemen in controlling the flames.

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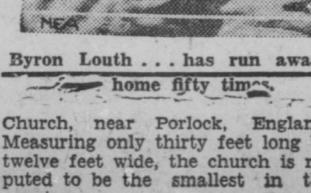
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No Typist; Begs

By United Press

NEW YORK, July 4.—James Allman, former English journalist, who says he failed to

make a living from his profession because of his inability to learn to use the typewriter, was arrested here for soliciting alms.

EXPLORER WILL FOLLOW TRAIL OF MARCO POLO

Chinese Region May Bare New Story of Origin of Man.

By Science Service

HANKOW, China, July 4.—The footsteps of Marco Polo will be followed by Prof. George B. Cressey, Shanghai College geologist, who has just passed through here en route to Kansu and Inner Mongolia, where he will study the ancient past of those remote districts of China.

New evidence of the origin of man may be unearthed by Professor Cressey in his studies, although his principal studies will be upon the climate of Asia during the last ten millions of years.

Whether the people of the over-crowded plains of China will be able to emigrate to the great expanses of empty land in Mongolia, as some writers have urged, may be determined by agricultural studies to be made by Professor Cressey.

Explorers in Mongolia

The area to be explored lies in western Inner Mongolia, north of the Great Wall from Kansu. Except for irrigated strips along the Yellow River all this region is a desert.

In the center of the area lie the great Alashan range of mountains, which rise to over 10,000 feet, and divide the desert into two distinct regions, the Alashan desert on the west and the Ordos on the east.

The Ordos includes the district within the great northward bend of the Yellow River outside the Great Wall.

Although an ancient Mongolian trade route crosses this district, it seldom has been followed by foreigners. Except for the few trails most of the Ordos and Alashan is quite unknown, both geographically and geologically.

Marco Polo crossed the area on his journey to China, and during much of the summer the expedition will be following in his footsteps.

The Chinese city of Ninghsia and the Mongol trade center of Wang Yeh Fu will be the headquarters for work.

Knows This Region

Prof. Cressey has over 2,000 miles of travel in Inner and Outer Mongolia to his credit. Both the Ordos and the Alashan were visited by Prof. Cressey in 1924, on the return from an expedition to Koko Nor in Mongolia.

Suddenly came the impulse to kill. She did not harm Diana. Instead she seized the smaller child from the crib, wrapped a towel about its neck and killed it. Then she summoned the police.

At the police station she told of having had the impulse to kill other children who had been left in her care. Always before, she said, she had overcome it.

She insists, however, that a desire to be revenged on Mrs. Liliencrantz was her sole motive in this crime.

CABS COLLECT JEWELRY

NEW YORK, July 4.—In four months, this year, more than \$59,000 worth of jewelry has been left in taxicabs in this city. Forty-five packages of jewels, besides clothing, brief cases, luggage, umbrellas, canes and other articles were found by drivers after their fares had departed.

New Golf Links Near Rushville

By United Press

RUSHVILLE, Ind., July 4.—The Rush County board of commissioners has agreed to converting the old fairground here into a golf course. The new course, covering twenty-five acres, is about one and one-half miles from the city, and promoters believe will afford a place for local golf enthusiasts to play instead of going to nearby towns with courses. Oliver Cartmel, Herbert Brown, Virgil Maffett and Robert L. Newkirk, local business men, are promoters of the course.

ELECTROCUTE INSECTS

Englishmen Proposed "Charged" Wire to Replace Fly-Swatter.

By United Press

LONDON, July 4.—Don't swat the fly, for another and easier method has been invented here which doesn't take one-half the effort of swinging a fly swatter. It is made of two bare-wire solenoids in a case, on which a bait appeals to the insects' appetite is laid. An electric light attracts the insects, they go to dine, and are electrocuted or stunned so that they fall into a trap and cannot escape.

TRIES TO CHANGE LOOT

Boy Caught in Attempt to Select Fit in Ball Mit

ELYRIA, Ohio, July 4.—Summer time and baseball can do lot of things with a small boy's mind. A lad of ten, passing a bank here, saw the sporting goods display of a store. He took a fancy to a baseball glove in the window. He walked into the bank, took the glove and walked out. Later, finding the glove didn't fit, he went to the store and tried to exchange it for another, with disastrous results.

As has been the custom since 1776, the caretaker has tolled the bell at midnight on July 4 the number of times that the anniversary is old.

Bentled pedestrians paused and many removed their hats.

In Georgia every unmarried man or woman of 30 has to pay a tax of \$6 yearly.

PLUMBING AND SEWER WORK

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