

## OVER 100 DEAD IN MISSISSIPPI, SAYS RED CROSS

79 Bodies Are Recovered  
in Tupelo; Two-Thirds  
of City Destroyed.

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ing Lee County, of which Tupelo is the seat, its path was across several Negro communities. It was feared that the death toll in each would be heavy.

The twisting wind struck only a corner of Booneville, and destroyed six houses. One was the home of J. O. Robertson, county supervisor and prominent in civic and social affairs in northeast Mississippi. Robertson, 54, his daughter-in-law, 26, and his granddaughter, Peggy Ann Robertson, 4, were killed.

His wife, 50, and his son, Guy, 25, were injured critically and may not survive. O. J. Robertson, another son, and James Sidney Robertson, his 10-month-old son, were less seriously hurt.

### Air Heavy With Debris

Frank Hutcheson, 15, died in the wreckage of his parents' home at Red Bay. Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Brooks were injured critically. About 12 houses were wrecked in that community of 1500 population.

The tornado was generated in a huge storm area that included most of Alabama, Mississippi, Arkansas, and a part of Tennessee. Heavy rain alternating with hail had been falling all yesterday afternoon and evening.

Out of this murky, wet night the swirling wind came hit with the fury and speed of a thunder bolt. It hit here at 8:40 amid the crashing of buildings and trees and the tinkling of broken windows. Witnesses said the air was heavy with flying timbers and other debris.

### City Unwarned, Unprepared

It struck a city unwarned and unprepared. In less than 10 minutes it had destroyed homes, stores and public buildings, leveling a path across two-thirds of the city, and had raced on to destroy a CCG camp one mile to the west. After that, it seemed to have dissipated.

The electric lighting system failed even while the wind spun and telephone and electric poles crashed to earth. The resulting darkness added to the suffering and panic. For the first few minutes after the wind passed, survivors ran through the black streets screaming and shouting.

But in a very short time some order was established in and rescue work began.

### Summons Outside Aid

Only one telephone line leading to the outside world was left intact and within 20 minutes authorities had commandeered it to summon aid from surrounding cities as far south as Jackson in the center of the state, and from Memphis, 95 miles northwest.

Within an hour ambulances, trucks and passenger cars were racing along the gravel roads, made slippery and dangerous by prolonged rain, toward the city.

Soon after midnight, ambulances and private cars were carrying the injured to New Albany, Pontotoc, and other towns nearby. An hour later doctors and nurses arrived from Memphis in ambulances and established an emergency hospital in the courthouse, where they worked over the injured by the yellow light of farm lanterns.

### Claims Damage \$2,000,000

Soon after dawn a special train arrived from Memphis with complete hospital equipment, medical and food supplies, and doctors, surgeons and nurses.

At daybreak, a Tupelo insurance man with much experience in appraising local property toured the residential districts and estimated property damage at \$2,000,000.

One of the worst hit districts was that around the municipal water tower and reservoir largely inhabited by Negroes. The water tank was blown down and survivors told of seeing at least 20 Negroes blown into the reservoir. Several bodies had been recovered and workers were dragging for more.

Survivors told harrowing stories. Several saw bodies being hurled through the air with great velocity. Roofs were lifted from buildings and set down a quarter mile away. Trees were jerked up by their roots and carried hundreds of yards.

### 6 Die in Tennessee

COLUMBIA, Tenn., April 6.—A devastating tornado left a trail of six known dead in Maury County today and an unestimated property damage.

About 40 homes were demolished here.

Central City, Armour and Cross Bridge also were hit by the twister. Power lines were destroyed, throwing the ravaged communities in complete darkness. Searchers were using lanterns at 3 a. m. today, and believed the death toll would mount as more debris is cleared.

### 5 Die in Grenada, Miss.

GRENADE, Miss., April 6.—A tornado killed five persons six miles east of Coffeyville last night, it was revealed today after communication lines were re-established.

Those killed included four white persons in one family, Ellis R. Murphee, 25; his wife, Francis, and two children, James, 3, and a year-old baby. An unidentified Negro was killed. Four were injured.

### Alabama Town Hit

HUNTSVILLE, Ala., April 6.—Four persons were known to have been killed and a fifth, an infant, was believed to have perished when a tornado struck Elkwood, Ala., about 30 miles northwest of here last night, Deputy Sheriff H. L. Landers said today.

### Local Boy in Storm Area

Fearing their 13-year-old son may have been injured in the tornado which struck Tupelo, Miss., last night, Mr. and Mrs. Fred H. Stanford, 5300 Julian-av, left today for that stricken city.

The boy, Fred Stanford Jr., is a student in the Tupelo Military Academy. The parents had not heard from him since the storm occurred.

## Colleen's Dream Castle Assembled; Ready for Showing Here Tomorrow



Miss Colleen Moore of movieland is pictured receiving greetings when she arrived in Indianapolis for a two weeks' stay with her \$435,000 doll house. Left to right: Loretta Dillon, a patient in James Whitcomb Riley Hospital, held by Miss Mary Heckard, hospital superintendent of nurses; Hugh McK. Landon, chairman of the hospital board of directors; Miss Moore, Fred Hoke, reception committee chairman; Mrs. Carl W. Foltz, executive committee chairman in charge of the exhibit, and Mayor Kern.

WITH the care of skilled watchmakers, eight workmen today assembled in L. S. Ayres & Co. the sort of fairy doll house little girls dream about.

Some of them have been working on this \$435,000 miniature castle, which belongs to Colleen Moore, the movie actress, since it arrived here yesterday, and expect to have it ready late this afternoon.

The Junior League, with Mrs. C. Harvey Bradley and Mrs. William C. Hobbs acting as co-chairmen, is to give a dinner in Ayres, to be followed by a preview of the house. At 8:30 Miss Moore is to broadcast a description of her house over station WIRE, and the "world's most exquisite toy" is to go on view tomorrow.

It took 300,000 pieces, exclusive of rivets, to put the structure together originally, but it knocks down for shipping into 300 units. Each room is packed in a separate box and the outside shell goes into four boxes. These boxes are lined with rubber.

IT TAKES more than eight hours to assemble the structure and three hours to furnish it, according to Charles Morrison and Mrs. Morrison, Colleen's parents, who are on tour with her.

Members of the troupe now never worry about shipping the structure. It has traveled more than 50,000 miles, always arrives on schedule and nothing ever has been broken or lost, Miss Moore revealed.

"This whole idea started when I bought Colleen a miniature dictionary when she was two," Mr. Morrison said. "We were living in Port Huron, Mich., then, and as soon as I arrived home with this gift, she asked me to build a house around it. I made the first one with a cigar box, but my technique improved on the next seven." He added, "This last one took us 10 years to build, and we still are working on it. Colleen has put some of her own jewels in it. Many of the pieces are priceless because they could not be duplicated."

MISS MOORE came here from Des Moines yesterday, and walked through the Union Station while "still" and newspaper photographers took pictures. Some unidentified carpenter picked this time to do some hammering and spoiled the sound track.

Just as in Hollywood, the camera-men asked her to do it over. The carpenter was scolded, and the second take was all right. Fred Hoke was reception committee chairman. Others present were Mayor Kern, Hugh McK. Landon, Riley Hospital board of directors chairman in charge of the exhibit, and 3-year-old Loretta Dillon, Riley Hospital patient, who presented Miss Moore with a bouquet of roses.

Riley Hospital is to receive half the proceeds from the display here. "Lots of people want to know why I don't have any dolls in my doll house," Miss Moore said. "I want every one who sees it to place his own imaginary characters in the rooms."

### PROHIBITIONISTS MEET TO PICK STATE TICKET

Convention Scheduled for Wheeler Mission Tomorrow.

State convention of the Prohibition Party is to be held at 10 tomorrow in the Wheeler Rescue Mission. Candidates for a full state ticket and delegates to the national convention, May 5, 6 and 7, at Niagara Falls, N. Y., are to be selected. Verdia Allen is state chairman.

### SONS OF REVOLUTION WILL HEAR OF SHRINE

Patriotic Development at Vincennes to Be Explained.

Clem J. Richards is to speak on the development of a patriotic shrine at Vincennes tomorrow at a luncheon of the Indiana Society, Sons of the American Revolution, in the Spink Arms. Mr. Richards is president of the George Rogers Clark Memorial Commission.

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## POLITICAL BAN LAID DOWN BY WELFARE HEAD

Partisan Activity, Donations  
to Cost Jobs, Baker  
Declares.

Employees of the Marion County Welfare Department today had received notice that they face dismissal if they engage actively in partisan politics or contribute financially to any political campaign.

The notice was contained in a letter from Joel A. Baker, welfare director, sent to employees of the old-age pension department, the blind pension department and the Board of Children's Guardians.

Mr. Baker said the order was issued after it was learned that all county employees had been forced to contribute to a political campaign fund.

Bars 2 Per Cent Clubs  
"There will be no 2 per cent clubs operating in the Welfare department," he declared.

The letter also warned employees of the department not to attempt to use political influence to retain their jobs. It also said that any one holding an official position in either of the political parties is to resign at once or face dismissal.

The letter sent to welfare employees reads:  
"It has come to my attention that certain of the employees working in county institutions that are now under the jurisdiction of the Marion County Welfare Board have been required to pay a certain percentage of their monthly salaries to the treasurers of political parties."

"This letter will serve as notice to you that from now on no employee under the jurisdiction of the county welfare board will be required at any time to pay any amount to either of the political parties."

Cites Past Experience  
"I know from past experience that whenever a new board or new administration takes charge of any public institution there always is confusion and consternation among the employees as to whether or not they will retain their positions. Do not attempt to bring any political influence on either the director or any member of the welfare board. Such action will not help you in retaining your position."

"The director and the members of the board must necessarily have time to digest the new act of the Legislature under which we are to function. If you are qualified and on the job, you need not fear dismissal."

"There is, however, one rule that goes into effect immediately. No employee working in any institution under the jurisdiction of the Marion County Welfare Board who is holding any official position in the organization of either of the political parties must resign at once. Failure to do so will be cause for dismissal."

helped subdue the last Sioux and Apache Indian uprisings and fought in skirmishes in Montana, North Dakota, Colorado and New Mexico. Survivors are a daughter, Mrs. Hubert B. Johnson, and two granddaughters, Misses Dorothy Joan and Alice Lucille Johnson, all of Indianapolis.

Arrange Fitzpatrick Rites  
Funeral rites for Mr. Fitzpatrick were being arranged today. His body was released to the J. C. Wilson funeral home. Survivors are a sister and a niece.

Gurnie Corbett, 48, of 134 W. Southern-av, who walked out of a beer tavern at 1634 S. Meridian-st Saturday night and against the side of a moving automobile, was reported in a critical condition at City Hospital today. He suffered a skull fracture and severe lacerations of the head. Ival Lambert, 23, of 2352 S. West-st, was driver of the automobile.

Mrs. Catherine Holliday, 50, of 2138 Fletcher-av, received a serious head injury early yesterday morning when she fell while attempting to get into an automobile at 1061 W. 16th-st. She was taken to City Hospital.

Medaris Rites Tomorrow  
Funeral services for Mr. Medaris are to be held at 2 tomorrow in the Lawrence M. E. Church. He is to be in the I. O. O. F. Cemetery in Oakland.

Born in Spencer, Mr. Medaris enlisted in Company F, Fifteenth Infantry, on December 21, 1881. He

## City Boy Scouts Outline Vacation Week Program

Training Classes in Firemen's and Safety Reserves' Work  
Opens Activities for Local Youths.

Indianapolis Boy Scouts opened a busy week today with a series of training classes in firemen's and safety reserves' work at the fire department quarters at South and New Jersey-sts. Medals are to be given those completing the work.

Owen Harvey, drum major of the Boy Scout and Technical High School bands, is to do a baton-twirling stunt on the "circus and feature" program at the Army Saturday night as the closing event on the spring vacation week schedule.

Movies are to be shown for Scouts tomorrow from 10 to 12:30 in the Wm. H. Block Co. auditorium. F. O. Belzer, Scout executive, and Herbert D. Traub, assistant scoutmaster, will have charge.

On Wednesday, Scouts will take over functions of the city government and will act in various capacities in the county and city civil court program. Mr. Belzer is to direct a program at the Kiwanis luncheon and a "court of honor" is to be held in Tomlinson Hall that night.

The Saturday night program is to include a show by the Chank-Tun-Un-Gi Minstrels, a performance by the Scout band, a radio broadcast by Scout entertainers and a pageant, "Time Will Tell."

Scout exhibits will be displayed at Block's, L. S. Ayres & Co., Em-Roe Sporting Goods Store, Vonnegut Hardware Co., L. Strauss and Co. and H. Lieber and Co.

## CHRIST'S DEATH LAID TO GOOD, STUPID MEN

Presbyterian Pastor Speaks at Holy Week Services at Noon.

Christ was nailed to the cross by the stupidity of good men, the Rev. Jean S. Milner, Second Presbyterian Church pastor, said in a Lenten sermon this noon at English's Theater.

"Throughout His Ministry it was the good people who gave Him the greatest difficulty. The very word Pharisee means puritan, but it was a puritanism guilty of the stupidity of the narrow closed mind."

### OFFICIAL WEATHER

United States Weather Bureau

Sunrise 5:21 Sunset 6:14

TEMPERATURE

April 6, 1935—

7 a. m. 37 1 p. m. 43

8 a. m. 37 2 p. m. 43

9 a. m. 37 3 p. m. 39

BAROMETER

7 a. m. 29.92 1 p. m. 30.06

Precipitation 24 hrs. ending at 7 a. m. 1.25

Total precipitation since Jan. 1 8.07

Deficiency since Jan. 1 1.27

OTHER CITIES AT 7 A. M.

Station Weather Bar. Temp.

Amarillo, Tex. Clear 30.36 18

Bismarck, N. D. Cloudy 30.04 26

Boston Clear 29.92 30

Chicago Cloudy 30.04 30

Cincinnati Rain 29.82 40

Denver Clear 30.34 14

Dodge City, Kas. Clear 30.38 10

Helena, Mont. Cloudy 30.28 34

Jacksonville, Fla. Cloudy 30.00 70

Kansas City, Mo. Clear 30.26 22

Little Rock, Ark. Cloudy 30.04 42

Los Angeles Clear 30.22 58

Miami, Fla. Clear 30.08 76

Minneapolis Clear 30.12 18

Mobile, Ala. Rain 29.84 72

New Orleans Cloudy 29.80 72

New York Rain 29.78 50

Oklahoma City, Okla. Clear 30.28 28

Omaha, Neb. Clear 30.30 18

Pittsburgh Rain 29.56 56

Portland, Ore. Cloudy 30.68 38

San Antonio, Tex. Cloudy 30.84 42

San Francisco Clear 30.52 54

St. Louis Cloudy 30.06 34

Tampa, Fla. Clear 30.00 72

Washington, D. C. Rain 29.70 62

Tom Mix Reported Improved

By United Press

SAN FRANCISCO, April 6.—

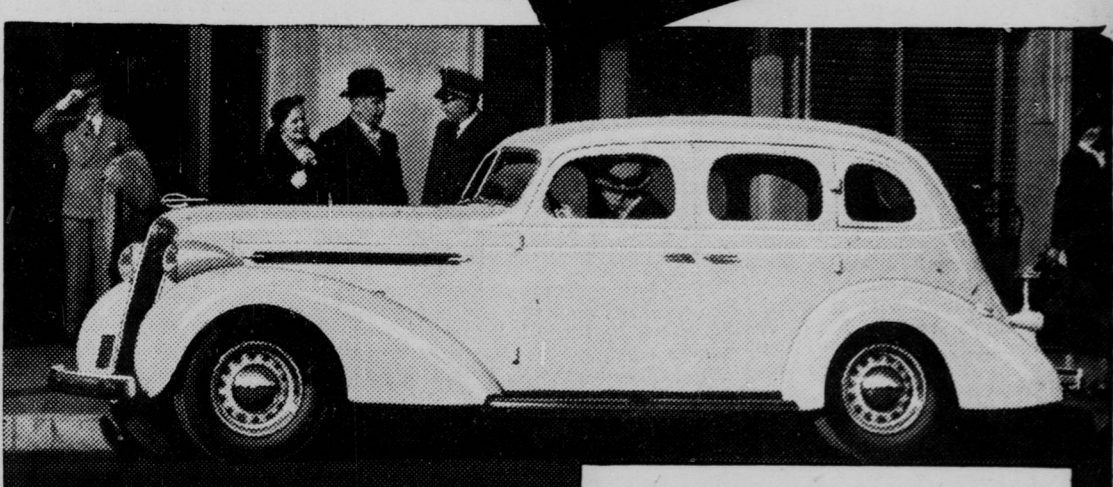
"Considerable improvement" in the condition of Tom Mix, veteran cowboy actor and circus owner, was reported today by St. Francis Hospital physicians. Mr. Mix was stricken with pneumonia Wednesday.

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