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SCORES KILLED, MILLIONS IN PROPERTY LOST, BY TERRIFIC STORMS

WORST WIND STORM IN YEARS CAUSED HEAVY LOCAL DAMAGE WIDE AREA IS SWEEPED BY GALE

Moving Picture Theatre Partly Demolished, Houses Unroofed, Fences and Billboards Blown Down and Streets Strewn With Shingles and Roofing—All Sections of the Province Cut Off From Telephone or Telegraphic Communication, and Heavy Damage Reported From All Parts of Ontario and Quebec—Middle, Western and Eastern States Visited by 80-Mile Gale and Damage Amounting to Several Million Dollars Caused—Hundreds of People Reported Dead—Crane Weighing Several Tons Carried Thru Air at Hamilton.

More than sixty persons are reported killed, and hundreds were injured, some mortally, by a storm of tornado intensity which raged over central, western, southern and parts of eastern states yesterday.

Definite advices have been received accounting for at least forty persons dead, with reports from points temporarily cut off from wire communication by the storm adding hourly to the list.

Reports from Alabama show the loss of life was heaviest in that state, the number of dead there being already definitely placed at twenty-eight, with additional fatalities reported, but not confirmed.

Accompanying the death lists are estimates of injured totaling more than 200, with additions coming in at brief intervals.

WIRE SERVICE DEMORALIZED.

Wires fell in all directions before the storm. Not in many years has there been such prostration of telegraph and telephone service. Chicago was cut off for hours from communication with points east.

The wind which whiped out so much property and cost so many lives attained a record velocity at some points. Detroit reported 88 miles an hour, the weather bureau high record in that city.

Cold weather is trailing the destructive blow. The storm seems to have spent its force, and to be taking the accustomed route of such disturbances out the St. Lawrence Valley.

Not for many years has Toronto, as well as all parts of Ontario and the United States been visited by such a wind storm as struck the country early yesterday morning and continued all day and well on into the night.

BAD IN THE UNITED STATES.

In the United States the storm was most severe. In Indiana a million dollars' damage was caused and several people were killed. In Michigan the damage also was estimated at about a million, and deaths are reported.

In Toronto extensive damage was done. A moving picture theatre in course of erection at the corner of Bloor and St. Clarens was partly demolished, and at Kew Beach a new house was completely destroyed.

The wind blew gently in the morning, but towards noon it started to hustle along at 50 miles an hour. The final spurt in the last lap touched 60 and 65 miles an hour.

Official Report.

To state the case officially: "The high wind accompanied the rapid development and movement of the depression from the Mississippi Valley, passed over Ontario today and centered in Quebec last night. It is losing force as it goes."

Picture Theatre Wrecked.

The partial demolition of a three-story building at the corner of St. Clarens avenue and Bloor street was caused by a terrific gust of wind.

House Demolished.

Getting the full force of the gale that roared in from the lake, a frame house on Kew Beach avenue was torn loose from its concrete foundations.

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Good Friday Racing Results Will be Found on Page 17.

LIVES IMPERILED BY STORM IN HAMILTON

Huge Crane Weighing Several Tons Carried Thru Air, Section of Steel Roof Crashed Into Hotel Dining Room, Signs Lifted and Windows Smashed—Power Off.

HAMILTON, March 22.—(Special.)

Hamilton was visited yesterday afternoon by one of the worst wind storms experienced here in a great many years. Starting at noon, the high wind continued until late at night, doing damage all the time.

The power went off at noon, owing to wires being blown down, leaving the people without lights for the rest of the day and way on into the night.

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Detective Goodman and a young lady who were walking along King street to the Temple Theatre early in the afternoon, narrowly escaped being hit by a flying piece of steel roofing, which

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TENDERS FOR HYDRO EXTENSIONS TO BE CALLED FOR AT ONCE

LONDON, Ont., March 21.—(Special.)—Announcement was made by Hon. Adam Beck this afternoon that the Hydro-Electric Commission will at once advertise for tenders for the construction of the transmission line from Dundas to Windsor.

FRENCH CABINET FORMED BY BARTHOU IN CYCLONIC STORMS

PARIS, March 21.—(Can. Press.)—Jean Barthou, who was requested by President Poincare to form a ministry to succeed that of Premier Briand, which resigned last Tuesday, this evening went to the Elysee Palace and submitted to the president the personnel of the new government.

MISSISSIPPI AND OHIO VALLEY STATES WERE CENTRE OF THE GALE'S ACTIVITY, THE STORM SWEEPING NORTH TO GREAT LAKES—COMMUNICATION CUT OFF OVER WIDE AREA.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., March 21.—(Can. Press.)—Probably fifty people are dead from the violence of the storm which last night raged in the Mississippi and Ohio valley states, sweeping northward to the great lakes.

WINDS WROUGHT TWO DROBLED HAVOC IN GUELPH NEAR BUFFALO

GUELPH, March 21.—(Special.)—Damage running into thousands of dollars was done here today by the worst tornado in the history of Guelph. The rain came down in torrents all the forenoon, accompanied by a wild wind.

CHATHAM, March 21.—(Special.)—A terrific windstorm passed over this district today and thousands of dollars' worth of damage has been done. The wind has been blowing a hurricane all day.

It Pays to Have a Good Company in a Good Play. "Milestones" is a superb play, but in the hands of an inferior company would not have achieved the great success that it has with the splendid cast of English artists.

BRUTE FORCE OR DISSOLUTION ONLY MEANS TO END DEADLOCK LAURIER MAKES VAGUE THREAT

Government Accused of Using "Extreme and Arbitrary Measures" to Force Naval Bill Thru, While Opposition Merely Insists on Freedom of Speech—No Mandate Given Borden by People.

OTTAWA, March 21.—(Can. Press.)—In the working of parliamentary institutions it was not infrequently supposed that deadlocks have occurred between the government and the opposition.

LOVE IS GUILTY FLESHERTON, ONT., Saturday, March 22, 2 a.m.—(By Long Distance Telephone)

After three hours' deliberation the jury returned a verdict of guilty in the Love case at Owen Sound.

LAURIER'S STAND DISAPPOINTS LIBERALS Manifesto Doesn't Show Fighting Spirit Aggressive Supporters Would Like to Have Displayed—The Statement Seems to Point to Ultimate Surrender of Obstructionist Forces.

OTTAWA, March 21.—(Special.)—The Laurier manifesto, or the "authorized statement," as it has come to be called in up-to-date parlance, will come as a disappointment to the Liberal members of parliament and their supporters throughout the country.

NEW RULER WAS HEARTILY CHEERED ON WAY TO AND FROM CHAMBER OF DEPUTIES WHERE FORMAL CEREMONY TOOK PLACE—WOULDN'T ACCEPT PREMIER'S RESIGNATION.

ATHENS, March 21.—(Can. Press.)—King Constantine of Greece took the constitutional oath of office in the chamber of deputies today in the presence of the highest officials of the state and of all the members of parliament.

CHATHAM SCHOOL BADLY WRECKED

Big Chimney Crashed Thru Roof—Extensive Damage Thruout Kent County Reported.

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