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Chlorine Gas Overcomes 75 At Swimming Pool

—AP Wirephoto.

Firemen revive with inhalators some of the bathers overcome by gas at a Utica, N. Y. pool.

Utica, N. Y., July 7 (AP)—Seventy-five persons, including fifty children, were overcome by chlorine gas which a change of wind swept across the new Addison C. Miller municipal swimming pool late today.

Officials at the hospital where the victims were treated, said William Rubin, 60, New York by storage tank which attendants had opened preparatory to concreting it with the pool chlorination system.

Fourteen others were kept in the hospital overnight.

The victims, many of whom were in the water, became affected when a gust of wind swept them with the fumes from a near-

Children coughed and screamed and started to run. Life guards blew their whistles and quickly got everyone out of the water. Some swimmers and spectators collapsed at the scene.

State Funeral Set Monday For Swanson

Navy Secretary's Aid Talked As Successor

(By the Associated Press.)

Washington, July 7 (AP)—Claude A. Swanson, 77-year-old Secretary of the expanding Navy, died today, leaving a gap both in President Roosevelt's Cabinet and in Democratic Party councils.

The Senate quickly recessed after voting to hold a State funeral at the Capitol Monday at 1 p.m. for the long-time legislator who entered the Cabinet at the beginning of the first Roosevelt Administration in 1933.

Death came at 4:36 a.m. at the Blue Ridge mountain camp at Rapidan, Va., where he was spending the summer for three years he had been in ill health.

Once Virginia Governor.

Nevertheless, he was credited with having made the Navy in such good standing with Congress that legislative and appropriations of record proportions met with little opposition.

Formerly governor of public life, including a term as Governor of his native State, and twenty-three years in the Senate, made the handsome, erect Virginian an elder statesman in parlors and cloakrooms.

Assistant Secretary Charles Edison, himself the two months of this spring, automatically became Acting Secretary, and decreed for all ships and Navy yards a period of mourning lasting until August 7. President Roosevelt issued a national mourning. Flags on Federal property will be flown at half staff until after the burial.

Stark Talked for Post.

There was widespread expectation in officials circles that President Roosevelt would appoint Edison to the Cabinet. Gov. Lloyd C. Stark, of Missouri, a Navy Academy graduate, also was mentioned for the post.

Swanson suffered a cerebral hemorrhage early yesterday at the Rapidan camp, which was President Roosevelt's executive office, White House and a favorite retreat for the Naval Secretary. Death came

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Heat Blamed For 27 Deaths

Temperatures neared and in one instance exceeded the 100-degree mark in Kentucky Friday.

Paducah reported an unofficial 104.

It was 85 in Maysville, a new season's high there; 93 in Owensboro and 92 in Ashland.

The Weather Bureau here said the thermometer registered a 92 maximum.

Collier-willing heat plagued most of the rest of the Nation too.

Twenty-seven deaths were attributed to the abnormal warmth, but forecasters predicted thunder showers would bring relief to the Midwest overnight. The forecast:

Kentucky — Generally fair and continued warm Saturday, except scattered thundershowers in east portion Saturday afternoon; Sunday local thundershowers and not quite so warm.

Indiana—Generally fair in extreme south, local thundershowers in central and cooler in north Saturday; Sunday generally fair in central and north, thundershowers and cooler in extreme south.

Temperatures:

2 A.M.—71	8 A.M.—81	2 P.M.—92	8 P.M.—85
3 A.M.—70	9 A.M.—84	3 P.M.—92	9 P.M.—84
4 A.M.—71	10 A.M.—87	4 P.M.—92	10 P.M.—82
5 A.M.—71	11 A.M.—89	5 P.M.—92	11 P.M.—81
6 A.M.—72	12 M.—91	6 P.M.—90	12 P.M.—79
7 A.M.—77	1 P.M.—92	7 P.M.—88	

Year Ago—High 82, low 71.

Hitler's Wooing of the Balkans Alarms Rumanian Government

Fear of 'Little Axis' Organization Takes Attention of Europe Off Danzig

(By the Associated Press.)

The Balkans were projected into a position alongside Danzig Friday as a spot to watch for trouble in Europe.

Rumania sounded alarm over expressed intentions of Germany was attempting to construct a pro-Nazi bloc, heightened fears among Rumanians that

Struck Firm Drops Worker Security Plan

Settlement Stalled At General Motors

Detroit, July 7 (AP)—General Motors Corporation, saying that a strike of skilled workers "threatens definitely to delay production of 1940 models" and bring idleness to thousands of production workers," announced tonight immediate suspension of its unemployment security plan.

The plan provided for advances by the corporation to employes "to avoid the complete loss of income to the eligible employes during these periods of enforced idleness." It was designed to help workers during slack seasons and did not apply in case of strikes "or circumstances beyond the control of the corporation."

Production Delay Threatened.

William S. Knudsen, G. M. president, issued a statement saying that the strike, called by the C. I. O. United Automobile Workers and applying only to skilled workers preparing for new model production, "threatens definitely to delay production of 1940 models and cause thousands of productive workers to suffer unnecessarily in layoffs and the loss of hundreds of thousands of dollars in wages."

Attempts to settle the strike stalled today as walkouts in four plants increased the number of idle employes to approximately 6,000. Strikers are tool and die workers, engineers and maintenance men.

Demands Are Rejected.

Knudsen asserted that General Motors had negotiated with the U. A. W. A. but rejected its demands for the skilled workers.

"This strike is not on account of low wages or bad working conditions," he continued. "Such conditions do not exist in General Motors plants. The situation is simply another chapter of the jurisdictional fight between two factions of the U. A. W. Only three weeks ago we had a similar experience with the other faction.

"We have negotiated and are still willing to negotiate with the representatives of any group of our employes, but we cannot negotiate the provisions of an existing contract with either of the two factions of the U. A. W. A. as long as both claim rights there under, until the court or the National Labor Relations Board (to whom we have addressed a petition) has established, as a matter of law, which faction is the responsible party to that contract."

Death Toll In Breathitt County May Reach 100, Doctor Says

34th Body Is Recovered

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to give as many more immunizations as needed.)

(Other things being done to aid the flood-stricken include relief distribution of clothing, food and the housing of needy by the Red Cross; the donation of truck loads of clothing by American Legion posts in surrounding towns, and the maintenance of hosier for refugees in the public schools and Morehead State Teachers College.)

At the Wilhurst School, which yesterday served as a morgue, hungry mountain families gathered today to receive their first food in two days. The school was a distributing center for food, medical attention and supplies. Many families did not wait to return home, but set up old stoves, some their own property, others issued by the Red Cross, and started cooking.

The tantalizing odor of frying bacon attracted the attention of other families and soon the school was surrounded by whole groups of the flood-stricken, who themselves cooking busily while their broods of hungry youngsters waited impatiently. The background for this scene was debris strewn in the creek, with workers still prying into piles of driftwood and the welter of rubbish for the dead.

It appeared unbelievable that the force of the flood which washed down the ten-square miles of valley was so great it actually peeled the bark from standing trees and stripped them of foliage.

Highway Department workers at noon had completed temporary reconstruction of the bridge at Wilhurst and Van Cleve and later built a temporary structure across Crockett Fork, a few miles north of Jackson, so as to open the road, the only one between Jackson and Lexington, to light traffic. French Miller, Jackson maintenance foreman for the State Highway Department in this district, said he believes the Cockrell Fork bridge will be in service Saturday morning.

Hand bills were distributed in Jackson and a loudspeaker was placed in service to advertise a $200 reward offered by Judge Isaac Miller, former Wolfe County jurist, and father of Mrs. Florence Pelfrey, for the recovery of the body of Gary Nathan Pelfrey, year-old son of Nathan Pelfrey and Mrs. Pelfrey.

Field Quarters Set Up.

Red Cross Representative Jones said today he has aided Roger Jones, chairman of the Jackson Chapter, in establishing a field quarters here on the premises. It will be a six weeks' job to clean up the valley, at an estimated cost of $100,000. He said plans include the reconstruction of homes which were destroyed, and rehabilitation also contemplates restoration of livestock and farm equipment vitally necessary to livelihood.

Other members of the Red Cross national staff assembled here include Celeste Thompson, Knoxville, Tenn., case worker; Zella Bryant, Washington, field nurse supervisor; Madeline Blalock, Washington, case worker, and Ella Noel White, executive secretary of the Powhatan chapter, case worker.

Meanwhile the immunization campaign, well chlorination work and other necessary health services were moving forward rapidly under the direction of Dr. F. W. Caudill, Louisville, State epidemiologist; Dr. Frank Sewell, Breathitt County health officer; William J. Moore, county sanitary engineer; C. W. Davidson, assistant State sanitary engineer, and J. P. Mitchell, state food and drug inspector.

Three swollen, debris-laden Kentucky River, into which Breathitt County streams empty, rose 13.5 feet to 19.6 feet during the last twenty-four hours at Frankfort, flooding bottom lands. At the Government lock there, however, it was predicted the river would reach a peak far below the flood stage of 32 feet.)

Merchants Aid Flood Victims

A $500 check, representing combined collections from the members of the Retail Merchants' Association, was presented Friday to M. A. Erskine, vice chairman of the Louisville Chapter, American Red Cross, by Norman Fallot, president of the association. Miss Rue B. Mantle, executive secretary of the local chapter of the Red Cross, is looking on. The money will be used to aid flood sufferers in Eastern Kentucky.

German Tells Way to Wreck Hitler Regime

Says Allies Could Precipitate Crisis

Charlottesville, Va., July 7 (AP)—A Cabinet Minister of the Anti-Hitler German Reich predicted today that wise statesmanship on the part of Great Britain, France, Russia and the United States could precipitate a domestic crisis that would force the Nazi regime out of power.

F. William Sellmann, for thirteen years a member of the Reichstag and Minister of the Interior in the post-war Cabinet of Chancellor Stresemann, told the University of Virginia Institute of Public Affairs that many German leaders are convinced the Reich is on the road to catastrophe rather than to greater world power.

"Hitler's prestige is based on his achievements in intimidating the western democracies," he added. "His prestige will decrease and vanish if his methods are no longer successful."

The Nazi system, he said, has destroyed the basis of free money exchange between Germany and the rest of the world and has severed the German economic and financial system from countries with free liberal systems of currency and economy exactly as Bolshevist Russia did.

Can't Rule Sea.

"Hitler's Germany is unable to pay in gold or foreign bills for her imports; therefore, she develops a barter system," he said. "This is not a basis for lasting peaceful co-operation on equal rights."

"On the other hand," he continued, "much more important is that Nazi Germany does not want peaceful co-operation on equal rights. She is possessed with the idea that Germany can only survive by conquering other countries. She intends to subjugate those countries."

Sollmann said Germany could never rule the oceans against the combined sea power of Great Britain and France, but could control and exploit Eastern Europe during a war if those countries were under her military rulership.

He concluded that "if a program of reconstruction for Europe is combined with a firm resolution not to capitulate to blackmailers and if the independence of smaller nations is not sacrificed for creation of an overwhelming German empire, developments in the next years may prove that it is possible to work peacefully and with strong resistance without war."

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twenty-five hours later, with Mrs. Lelie H. Swanson, his second wife, at his bedside.

He had been partly incapacitated by a stroke of paralysis since a fall at his home in Washington in February, 1936, and had to be assisted to his desk at the Navy Department and to Cabinet meetings.

Announcing Swanson's death at the White House, Mr. Roosevelt said he mourned his associate as an able public servant and "a steadfast and intimate friend for more than a quarter of a century." Swanson was wartime chairman of the Senate Naval Committee and Mr. Roosevelt was Assistant Secretary of the Navy when they first became associated in advocating strong American sea forces. Both were known as "big navy" champions.

New Yorker Heads Surgeons.

Los Angeles, July 7 (AP)—Dr. Adrian V. S. Lambert of New York City was elected president of the American Association for Thoracic Surgery.

Succumbs

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must remain "outside" the frontiers of Germany presumably would bar any negotiations for return of the Free City to Germany.

Japs Bomb Chungking.

In the Near East, President Hashim El Atassi of Syria resigned in protest against France's failure to grant complete independence to the Republic, a part of France's League of Nations Syrian mandate. The action left Syria without a central government.

In the Far East, doors of the British gunboat Falcon were blown in and waters of the Yangtze River washed over her lower decks by repercussion from bombs dropped by Japanese air raiders over Chungking, the Chinese capital.

Other Japanese bombs of Chungking fell near the United States gunboat Tutuila and the residences of the American Ambassador and the Embassy Councillor in Chungking but did no damage.

In Tokio, Col. Meriaki Shimizu, director of the army information service, declared that "never in history have the Japanese people borne in their hearts such hatred for Britain as exists today."

California Jurist Dies.

San Francisco, July 7 (AP)—Associate Justice Emmet Seawell, 77, of the California Supreme Court, died today.

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Spinster Sisters Defy Airport With Aerial Threat to Planes

Tulsa, Okla., July 7 (AP)—Maybe irate passengers did have to fly past Tulsa without landing and maybe Uncle Sam couldn't get his mail down, but the Misses Rose and Maudellen Littlefield preserved the even tenor of their music lessons and their chicken dinners tonight.

Municipal airport and city authorities fumed and fussed, but they couldn't blow down the Misses Littlefield's defiant radio aerials.

Two forty-five-foot masts suspending two copper wires stood on the roof of the spinster sisters' home—according to the Civil Aeronautics Authority—presented a hazard to night landings on the North-South runway at Municipal Field.

Keep 200 Feet Up.

This interruption of business, according to the wind direction, irked airfield and city officials no little, but the Misses Littlefield were content inasmuch as they were no longer blasted by the full-throated roar of 2,000-horsepower motors.

"Why, those big airplanes almost shake the house down when they go over," Miss Maudellen said. "Our chicken dinner patrons and piano pupils are scared. And so are we."

The sisters were so frightened that they recently tried to collect damages allegedly due to the noise and vibration of the planes. They failed. Pilots testified in court that they never came lower than 200 feet over the Littlefield home.

"Huh," said the sisters, "then why does our little forty-five-foot aerial give them trouble?"

The problem was in the hands of postal authorities at Washington.

W.P.A. Sifters At L.S.U. Jail Caldwell

Contractor Released On $10,000 Bond

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James D. Womack, also a board member.

Caldwell resigned a few days ago after Governor Long brought out he had been receiving a 2 per cent fee on all construction in the university. Caldwell acknowledged such payments, made under a board resolution Long said was "put over" by Smith, but defended them as perfectly proper.

Caldwell was noted in Baton Rouge for his extensive entertainment in the grand manner.

Investigated Smith 2 Years.

In Chicago, Elmer Irey, head of the Treasury Department's Intelligence Unit, said he would go to New Orleans on July 17 in connection with the investigation of the affairs of Dr. Smith.

Irey said the Treasury Department has been investigating Smith for two years, but declined to disclose the nature of his mission.

Irey said he would meet O. John Rogge, Assistant Attorney General in charge of the criminal division of the Department of Justice, in Washington and that they would go to New Orleans together.

Man Who Twice Escaped 'Law' Gives Up Because He's Scared

After being arrested twice in two days by Alcohol Tax Unit investigators and twice escaping because he "was scared," Louis Phelps, 38, of 535 Jackson St., diminutive Negro, surrendered Friday. He explained he was "more scared" being hunted than he would be in jail.

Agents arrested Phelps Thursday after a twelve-hour vigil near a garage at the rear of 613 Floyd Terrace where they found him loading forty-five gallons of untaxed whisky into his automobile. Phelps climbed into one side of his car quietly and out the other. He was away with the speed of a jackrabbit.

Fame came upon him Friday, seated on a coffin box at the rear of an undertaking establishment at 438 E. Walnut. Again he submitted quietly to arrest and again broke loose. Later he surrendered. He is held for a hearing Saturday.

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But Some States Report Men Return to Work

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meeting of the Philadelphia Building Trades Council, representing forty-two unions and 70,000 members.

In Chicago, 2,500 mechanics joined the protest and their action affected 10,000 other workers on W.P.A. projects.

Cleveland's W.P.A. director, Frank T. Miskell, estimated 5,000 skilled and unskilled workers were out. Union officials put the number at 10,000 to 15,000.

Half Quit Jobs In Toledo.

William R. Schmuhl, district W.P.A. director in Toledo, said half of the 14,000 W.P.A. workers in the county had left their jobs. John N. Edy, city manager, said they would be ineligible for direct relief.

Maine, Connecticut, Maryland, Tennessee, Kentucky, Vermont and Louisiana reported no workers were striking.

Somervell said he had requisitioned the Home Relief Bureau for 4,000 mechanics.

There are 100,000 persons on W.P.A. and 150,000 on home relief and want work and are perfectly willing to work for our wages," he said. "And they don't ask $3 an hour."

34 Senators Band to Keep Ban On Arms

Oppose Any Change In Neutrality Bill

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White, La. Follette, Holt, Reed, Danaher and Shipstead.

Senator Clark (D., Iowa) talked today with three members of the Cabinet who, he said, had been requested by President Roosevelt to urge him to support the Administration.

Gillette said he and Senator George (D., Ga.) seemed to hold the balance of power on the Foreign Affairs Committee between the Administration supporters and backers of the arms embargo.

Both George and Gillette were opposed by some Administration officials for renomination last year.

Man Collapses From Heat.

James E. Wright, 36, of 234 Belmont, was taken to the City Hospital suffering from possible heat prostration at 4:30 p.m. Friday, after collapsing at his home.

Horse Ailment Fatal To Doctor Seeking Cure

Kansas City, July 7 (AP)—Dr. Charles Salsbery, 67, died today of equine encephalitis, a sleeping sickness limited chiefly to horses, for which he was seeking a cure.

A new serum developed by his associates in an effort to save his life gave him temporary relief yesterday, but he suffered a relapse in the night.

Train Passenger Not Given Seat Awarded Damages

New York, July 7 (AP)—Cash to the sum of $282.86 was dumped today into Dorothy Davis' desk tray by the New York Central Railroad—representing a passenger's fare up to and when he pays his fare.

Just five days less than three years ago Miss Davis stood all the way on a crowded train from Albany to New York. When ordered by Public Service Commission nor the Interstate Commerce Commission could tell if he was entitled to a seat he sued the railroad for $45 damages.

The sum he received included the $45, the $2.80 the ticket cost him and the expense of litigation which went as far as the Appellate Division of the State Supreme Court.

Deputy Warden Given Year In 'Baking' Deaths

Philadelphia, July 7 (AP)—Frank Craven, deputy warden of Holmesburg prison where four convicts "baked" to death in heated punishment cells last August, was sentenced today to one to three years in prison. He was convicted of involuntary manslaughter January 12.

Craven immediately appealed to Superior Court.

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