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WASHINGTON, Sept. 29.—Under an absolute prohibition against work or worry, President Wilson began today the vacation which has been prescribed as the cure for his attack on nervous exhaustion. After another troubled night he slept from early morning until toward noon, and in the afternoon was taken for an hour's automobile ride. The remainder of the day he spent quietly secluded in his room or talking with members of his family, his attention being kept scrupulously away from executive business of any form.

So thorough will be the effort to prevent him from doing any work that he will not be permitted, for the present, to see any of the senate leaders in charge of the fight for ratification of the peace treaty. White house officials believe it essential that this subject, which has occupied such a large place in the president's mind, be put entirely aside.

Visit of King Postponed.

The visit of King Albert and Queen Elizabeth of Belgium to the white house also will be postponed. It was announced definitely today, because of Mr. Wilson's condition. Instead of being received by the president at the end of the present week, the king and queen first will make their tour of the country.

It was said at the white house that these precautions only were a part of Dr. Grayson's original program of quiet for the president, and were not to be interpreted as indicating any change in his condition. The president's physician has made no qualification of his original bulletin on Fri-

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Iowa: Showers Tuesday; warmer in west and north portions; Wednesday unsettled.

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Plenty of Arms and Ammunition.

There are plenty of arms and ammunition to supply the troops, some of whom have machine guns for use in the event necessity should arise. A heavy downpour of rain tonight had the effect of keeping people off the streets.

Tomorrow judges of the district court here will decide whether a grand jury investigation of the race rioting shall be conducted. At the same time Governor McKelvie is to be in the city to give any advice he may deem necessary to the situation.

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Mr. Tumulty said the presi-
dent remain in seclusion at the
White House for the present.

An industrial conference called for
Boston will be held despite the
illness, but whether the
president will attend will depend on
his recovery. He makes toward re-
covery the president's condition now,
Mr. Tumulty said, would not sus-
tain his endurance.

The president will not be able to
leave immediately. Viscount Grey,
British ambassador, who arrived
today, but when his health
improves he will see visitors. Viscount
Grey probably will be among the first
to be received.

Representative Jefferson
from New York called at the white
house and placed at the disposal
of the president at Wilton "Monticello," the
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PURIFIED WATER SAVES SOAP

St. Louis Makes Money Removing Foreign Substance From Drink.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Sept. 29.—More
than 400,000 tons, or 10,000 freight car-
loads of foreign substance was taken
from the 37,751,000,000 gallons of
water consumed in St. Louis between
April 1, 1918 and April 1, 1919 and the
process of precipitation so softened
the water housewives were saved an
expenditure of \$260,000 for soap in
that period.

These figures are taken from the an-
nual report of the water works com-
missioner which has just been made
public. The report goes on to say that
the soap saving was greater by \$5,500
than the total cost of chemicals used
for precipitation and the wages of 230
men employed in that department.

The average daily consumption was
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more serious injury or death by cut-
ting him down shortly after the lynch-
ing attempt was made.

Headquarters of Soldiers.

Headquarters were established at
central police station by Colonel J. E.
Morris, Twentieth infantry, comman-
der of the military forces in the city.
Members of the police department
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Mayor Smith was the victim several
years ago of an accident which re-
quired a serious operation on the
skull. He wears a silver plate where
a small portion of the skull was re-
moved at that time. During the at-
tempt to place his life in jeopardy
Sunday the mayor received a severe
blow on the head, from the effects of
which the danger of complications is
feared by his physicians.

On account of this disability the
mayor has for a long time, refrained

from violent exercises of all kinds, on advice from physicians.

As no further disorders or deaths were reported today the number of dead was still two—William Brown, negro, who was lynched by the mob on the ground he was the man who recently assaulted 19-year-old Agnes Lobeck of this city, and an unidentified man who was shot to death during the rioting. The name of the unidentified dead man is believed to be Clarence Clancy, but positive identification was not made.

Says Rioting At An End.

"Rioting in the streets of Omaha has been suppressed and the situation is in hand," said a proclamation issued early today by Lieut. Colonel Jacob W. S. Wuest, commanding officer of Fort Omaha, appealing to all citizens to surrender firearms and ammunition to the chief of police or to the nearest military headquarters.

The proclamation, declared that all law-abiding citizens, no matter of what race or color, would be given full protection to person and property. Carrying of firearms, the officer declared, would be looked upon as an intention to disregard the law.

The attack upon Mayor Smith was made before the mob forced its way into the jail to get the negro, William Brown, who was taken from the county jail and lynched as the man who recently assaulted an Omaha girl named Agnes Lobeck. The mayor had just left the burning court house building and made an appeal for law and order when members of the mob dragged the city's chief executive from a police emergency automobile.

A rope was placed about the mayor's neck and he was taken a short distance and hanged to a traffic signal tower about a half block away. Police officers, however, aided by an unidentified woman, succeeded in cutting him down and he was taken by automobile to a hospital.

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Everywhere the floors are covered with broken glass. The elevator gratings were smashed and torn out in some places and this junk hurled down on top of the elevators, which stand at the bottom of the shafts.

Men started this morning clearing up the worst of the wreckage in the offices which escaped complete ruin. The water was mopped up in the corridors and the debris shoveled and swept into corners.

Tax Records Are Lost.

All the 1918 county tax records and the 1918 and 1919 city tax records were destroyed in the treasurers' office. The "scavenger tax" records were burned. These are the lists of property on which taxes have been overdue for years.

The sale of this property next January was expected to bring in between

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Yesterday's trouble is the result of racial feeling that has followed attacks by negroes on women. A large number of women have been attacked by negroes since last June, it is said.

Sheriff Tried to Save Brown.

Sheriff M. L. Clark, who had charge of about 100 prisoners at the county jail on an upper floor of the court house building, tonight told of how he attempted to prevent members of the mob which forced its way into the building, from getting possession of Brown.

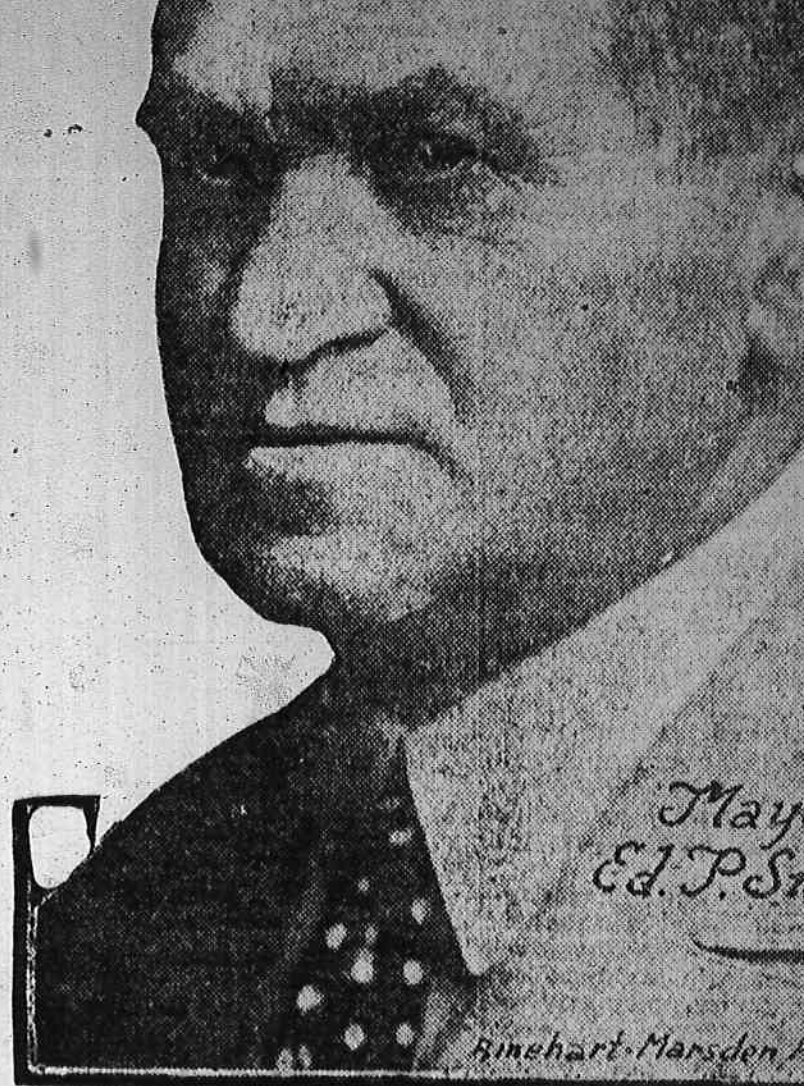
When the heat from the burning building became intense the prisoners were taken to the roof for safety. While on top of the building the crowds in the street were shouting requests for the wanted negro. Other negro prisoners attempted to throw Brown from the building but were overpowered and prevented from doing so by the sheriff and his deputies.

Shots were being fired by the mob in the street toward the top of the building where the prisoners were. Other shots were coming from the roofs of nearby buildings. Fire was belching from the air shafts and a dense smoke was making it almost impossible for the men to breathe. Some of the prisoners were praying, others cursing. Some of them prayed that the officers give up Brown, because they believed they would be saved if the wanted negro was given up. Their reason for believing this was because the mobs in the street would not allow the firemen to work so long as Brown remained in the custody of the sheriff and his officers.

Brown the Coolest Man of All.

Brown, reports indicate, was the coolest man of all the prisoners. He had nothing to say. He seemed to realize, Sheriff Clark said, that every other prisoner wanted him turned over to the mob in the street below.

Finally, after the prisoners had been on the roof for about fifteen minutes



Chief figures in the Omaha mob and riot stories. Mayor been for heroic work of two Omaha police officers.

\$500,000 and \$1,000,000. This sum must be added to the \$1,600,000 estimate of actual loss to the building and records.

Most of the land indexes in the office of the county register of deeds were destroyed. These were in steel filing cases. The mob pried these open, took out about 40 of the big books, piled them in the middle of the floor, set them on fire and piled chairs and desks on top of them.

"It will cost at least \$100,000 to replace those books and will take months of time," said F. J. Norton, an abstractor.

The county clerk's office is completely gutted with the loss there of invaluable records.

Assessor's Office Destroyed.

The county assessor's office is entirely destroyed. Plats of the city property, just recently completed after six months' work were consumed. "Those alone will cost \$20,000 to replace," said County Assessor Fitzgerald. He stated that the actual assessment records were in the vault.

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Removed From Dougla to Prison for Safe

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would not allow the firemen to work so long as Brown remained in the custody of the sheriff and his officers.

Brown the Coolest Man of All.

Brown, reports indicate, was the coolest man of all the prisoners. He had nothing to say. He seemed to realize, Sheriff Clark said, that every other prisoner wanted him turned over to the mob in the street below.

Finally, after the prisoners had been on the roof for about fifteen minutes the sheriff decided to take the men to the floor below. Sheriff Clark stationed himself on a stairway to prevent the men from rushing down. In the meantime members of the mob from the street had worked their way up to the top part of the building.

"The whole stairway just below me was just jammed with rioters," Sheriff Clark said.

For an instant, as he was standing on the stairway the sheriff had his back turned to the prisoners on the stairs above him, when suddenly Brown was pushed by negro prisoners past the sheriff and into the hands of the mob. Short work was made of Brown once the rioters had him in their possession.

After Brown's delivery to the mob the sheriff managed to keep most of his prisoners on one of the upper floors of the building until the fire was put under control.

During the excitement on the roof the sheriff released thirteen women prisoners so they could make their escape. The women, wearing pajamas, made their way down the stairs of the building to the ground below.

In all the prisoners were suffering from heat for about an hour. While they were on the roof at least three prisoners were struck and injured by stray bullets.

"While I was standing on the stairway after we had been driven from the roof by the intense heat, smoke and bullets," the sheriff said, "I was confronted with the on-rushing mob, and it was while I was trying to hold them off the Brown was pushed by. Into the hands of the men who were after his life."

While regular army men patrolled the streets tonight, a big army balloon hovered overhead with men equipped with night glasses, ready to detect any possible sign of disorder.

Among the men who volunteered for service with the special police organization formed by the American League, was R. B. Howell of Omaha, republican national committeeman from Nebraska.

Court House Badly Wrecked.

The beautiful court house, built in 1910, at a cost of \$1,000,000 and which could not be built today for twice that

The county assessor's office is entirely destroyed. Plats of the city property, just recently completed after six months' work were consumed. "Those alone will cost \$20,000 to replace," said County Assessor Fitzgerald. He stated that the actual assessment records were in the vault.

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District Judge Wakeley's office was completely burned out. Here also several large cases of books were consumed.

Sheriff Clark's office on the fourth floor, just under the jail, is nothing but a mass of charred wood, plaster and broken glass.

The office of the election commissioner, the first to be entered by the mob from outside the building, was completely gutted. Election Commissioner Moorhead said the registration lists were all in the vaults.

The Red Cross offices on the ground floor, Seventeenth street side are a mass of charred wreckage.

The private office of Robert Smith, clerk of the district court, was completely wrecked, but the district clerk's public office was not damaged except for broken windows and fallen plaster.

Treasurer's Estimate Of Loss.

"If the building and contents are damaged 50 per cent, as I have been told, you can figure out that damage, estimated at present prices is well over \$1,000,000.

"I have not made an examination yet, but I do not anticipate that there has been structural damage to the building. The steel and concrete shell is evidently intact. The stone is ornamental and that will have to be replaced in the scores of places where it was chipped off by heat."

Amazement was expressed that the record books of the county treasurer's office were not in the vaults. These are nearly all consumed. County Treasurer Endres said.

TROOPS ORDERED TO OMAHA.

Prompt Action by Government In Dispatching Forces.

TOPEKA, Kas., Sept. 29. A train of standard sleeping cars passed thru here early tonight on its way to Camp Funston for the purpose, it is understood, of taking troops to Omaha. It is understood that the branch running north to Lincoln has been cleared for this equipment. Word was received here today that General Wood had ordered troops to go from Funston to Omaha.

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