CLIMAX HOLIDAY TODAY; BRIGHT SKIES PROMISED

60,000 Usher In July 4 at Huge Legion Show.

Today is the Fourth of July and many thousands of Chicagoans in city and country will bring their week-end holiday celebration to a climax. Fair and warmer weather is promised.

Saturday was the prelude to the holiday and yesterday it really got under way. The sun came out in time to bring a reprieve from the rain and warmed dampened enthusiasms. The result in Chicago was a happy and enjoyable day for untold thousands.

Crowd Beaches and Parks.

Beaches were crowded. So were parks and the zoos. The forest preserves were also well filled. The spirit of the day was carried still further last night when 60,000 persons swarmed into Soldiers' field to watch a fireworks show put on by the Cook County council of the American Legion. The only drawback to the day was the injury to a half dozen persons by fireworks. The casualty list was relatively small, however.

The Chicago Motor club tourist bureau estimated last night that approximately 600,000 cars were on the highways within a 200 mile radius of Chicago. These included Chicagoans and in-bound visitors.

The Chicago Zoological park at Brookfield was one of the most attractive magnets. Zoo offices were busy for hours assuring callers the zoo wasn't affected by the flood. The result was an attendance of 43,876. Today will be a free day, and another big crowd is expected.

Sands Sparkle with Color.

With the temperature ranging between 70 and 76 degrees, the beaches also drew well. Oak street beach led with 65,000 bathers. Next came Montrose with 50,000. Next in order were Rogers Park with 29,000; Diversey with 10,000, and 76th street with 8,000.

Probably the surprise of the day was furnished by the forest preserves. Large areas had been affected by the heavy rains, and in some instances by floods. It was not expected many persons would venture into them. But they did, with their picnic lunches. Attendance was estimated at 150,000.

Capping the day was the pyrotechnics show in Soldiers' field last night. The huge stadium was comfortably packed. Planes flew overhead, and gray and gold clad sons of Gladstone post — a complete bugle corps — marched. They received tremendous applause for their performance. A diverting feature was a fast polo game between a Cuban army team and the 124th field artillery, which ended in a 3 to 3 tie.

Beauty Queen Chosen.

Lovers of beauty had a full portion in the beauty queen contest. There were 25 contestants. The winner is Miss Violet Sheets, 24 years old, of 4544 Hazel street, a slim brunette, who works as a model. She won the crown and title of "Miss Chicago."

With the dousing of all stadium lights came the fireworks show. It was all that adults and children could desire. Aerial bombs, forests of fire, starlight, hanging chains, burning wheels, and other fantastic formations laced the sky in flame. Pictorial displays of all sorts were shown.

The attendance of 60,000—a large proportion children—gave proof to holiday officials of the growing desire of the people to make the Fourth safe and sane.

Bootleggers were busy, however, as attested by the shooting of firecrackers in the city and suburbs yesterday. It was sporadic though. The small casualty list appeared to be proof. Most of the injured were innocent victims.

Firecracker Explodes in Hand.

One such was Mary Wagner, 8 years old, 1366 Mohawk street. She picked up a firecracker thrown at her after it failed to explode. A second later it exploded in her right hand, burning four fingers. She received first aid at the Grant hospital. She had been forbidden to have firecrackers.

James Tribbel, 12 years old, 333 South Taylor avenue, Oak Park, was burned on the right hand by an exploding firecracker.

Dolores Davis, 9 years old, of 8 North 1st avenue, Highland Park, was cut on the face when a firecracker exploded in a bottle which she was holding.

Others injured were Aaron Greenfield, 22 years old, 118 North Long avenue, slightly burned on the right hand; James Cochran, 25, of 6961 Kimbark avenue, burned and cut on his left hand while igniting a firecracker; Walter Worth, 26, of 117 Circle avenue, Forest Park, burned on the right thumb; Robert Trischman, 29, of 1426 East 65th place, seared on the left hand in an accident in Aurora, and Miss Goldie Baran, 1900 West 21st place, cut on the head by a fragment of an aerial bomb fired at the Soldiers' field display.

Leo Kuprewicz, 21, of 1868 17th street, was burned on the chest by the firing of a blank cartridge.

Legion Queen

(Story in adjoining column.)

[TRIBUNE Photo.]

Miss Violet Sheets, chosen as queen at the Independence day pageant held by the Cook county council of the American Legion last night at Soldiers' field.

Flooded Roads

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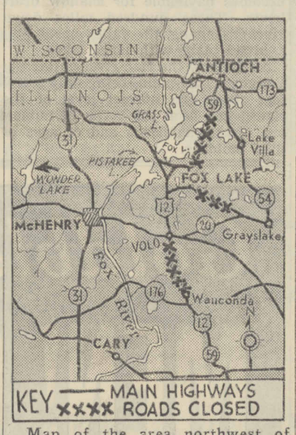

Map of the area northwest of Chicago indicating roads that are still impassable on account of flood waters.

BABY AND SIX MEN RESCUED AS BOAT SINKS IN FLOOD

Swimmers Save Child at Maywood.

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vast area still inundated along the Des Plaines.

Water still stood several feet deep in the Skokie marsh west of Winnetka, and residents of the town, assisted by CCC workers, continued to patrol a dike erected along Hibbard road. A break in this, it was said, would mean the flooding of scores of basements.

Health Order Issued.

Children in Winnetka were forbidden to wade in the muddy backwaters after Dr. George F. Munns, acting health officer, warned the police there was a possibility they would contract typhoid fever.

The recession of the waters northwest of the city permitted the opening of all main roads in the Des Plaines valley. The Wisconsin resort country was reported accessible and ready for 4th of July visitors today. According to the Chicago Motor club only three trunk roads in Illinois were closed—U. S. 12 between Volo and Wauconda; Illinois 59 between Fox Lake and Antioch, and U. S. 41 for a short stretch near Willow road, Winnetka. Indiana highways were reported in good condition.

SEIZE 2 AFTER 4 GUN FIGHTS IN 48 HOUR CHASE

Ohio Police Trap Bandits by Radio Blockade.

Gallipolis, O., July 3.—[Special.]—A posse of more than 300 state patrolmen, sherifs' deputies, and citizens today captured two bandits who had terrorized southeastern Ohio for forty-eight hours in the climax of a week of crime.

The two were seized in a wooded area four miles southwest of Waverly, O., where they fled last night after patrolmen had wrecked their stolen automobile in a gun battle on a highway.

The bandits, Alva Sowards, 30 years old, of Gallipolis, and Millard Davis, 21, of Adams county, exchanged gunfire four times with officers in this area as they tried desperately to pierce a highway blockade directed by state police radio.

Steal Car and Paint It.

Lieut. A. O. Smith, state police commander at Waverly, said the two gunmen held up Wren McMain, a Richmond, Ind., automobile salesman, near the community of Eagon, O., on June 10, taking his car and robbing him of $57. They repainted the car.

On June 27 they attempted to rob a bank in Vinton. Guns drawn, they terrorized the employés, but were frightened away when a car drove up outside the bank. An hour later, near Oak Hill, 10 miles from Vinton, they held up a traveling grocery wagon store, escaping with $125. Friday the bandits robbed another traveling grocery near Crown City.

Organize Road Blockade.

That afternoon the state highway patrol district headquarters at Waverly began organizing the radio road blockade and 80 patrolmen and 30 sherifs and deputies began cruising the highways in search of the two.

Yesterday morning Deputy Sherif Foster and Marshal William Anderson of Waverly sighted the bandits speeding down a highway four miles west of Waverly.

Anderson and Foster raced down the highway in pursuit, exchanging shots with the bandits, but the outlaws escaped.

About an hour later Corporal J. W. Brooks of the Portsmouth highway patrol and Sherif Mercer of Waverly sighted the outlaws, and another gun battle followed.

Bandits Flee on Foot.

At 8:30 o'clock last night five police in another patrol car saw the desperadoes. The police opened fire on the car and disabled it. Davis and Sowards then fled on foot.

Additional possemen were summoned, and approximately 300 persons soon joined the man hunt and patroled the area.

The posse circled the dense woods all night. At daybreak the bandits were sighted, but they slipped out of sight again among the rocks as the posse opened fire. The man hunters then slowly closed in and drove the bandits into a wheat field, where they surrendered.

Two revolvers and a rifle were taken from the outlaws, and they were lodged in the Gallia county jail at Gallipolis.

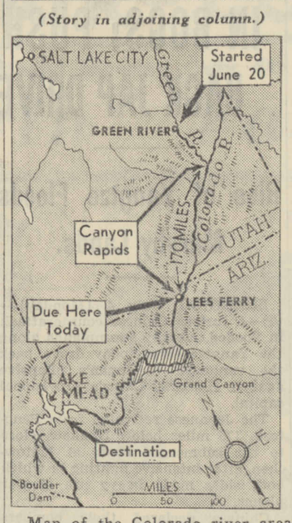
Davis was wounded in the head during one of the fights with police.

Justice Cardozo Resting Well After a Fair Night

Port Chester, N. Y., July 3.—(AP)—Associate Justice Benjamin N. Cardozo of the United States Supreme court was reported by attending physicians today to be resting comfortably after a fair night. The justice suffered a severe illness last January, which was described as a serious heart ailment. He came here from Washington several weeks ago to pass the summer at the home of Judge Irving Lehman.

Perilous Route

(Story in adjoining column.)



Map of the Colorado river area which a scientific expedition is attempting to navigate in small boats. Two women are in the party which is being awaited with growing anxiety at Lee's Ferry, Ariz.

ACCIDENT HOPERS IN AUTO WRECKER ARE TAKEN IN TOW

Find Long Profit from Short Waves Illegal.

Enterprise was not rewarded yesterday in the case of Edward Sickel, owner of a garage at 3616 South Halsted street, and his helper, Frank Nowaczyk, 920 West 35th place, who found that instead they may be penalized.

The two were arrested as they sat in a towing truck at 46th street and Ashland avenue at 2 o'clock yesterday morning hoping the holiday would prove profitable to them. They were waiting for accidents to happen.

Prendergast Sees Them.

Chief John Prendergast of the uniformed police force was attracted to the towing car by its radio, which was keeping Sickel and his helper informed. It was a short wave set, tuned to get the police calls.

"You are violating the law," Chief Prendergast informed the accident hoper. "This law says no one may have a short wave radio in an automobile without official permission.

"You are violating section 780 of chapter thirty-eight, the criminal code of Illinois," Chief Prendergast informed the accident hoper. "This law says no one may have a low wave radio in an automobile without permission from the sherif or the state department of public welfare.

Restricted to Home Use.

"You may get the police calls on a radio set in your home. That's lawful. But you may not have that same radio in your automobile. The law was aimed at criminals who might make use of the radio police calls to defeat the ends of justice. The penalty may be a fine up to $1,000 or imprisonment in the county jail for not more than six months, or both fine and imprisonment." Then he took them to the New City police station, where they were released on bond.

Sickel learned also that he has no right to pick up damaged or wrecked automobiles on the street without a specific order.

Boy Goes Over Kankakee River Dam and Drowns

Edward Rosario, 17 years old, 1042 North Central Park avenue, drowned yesterday in the Kankakee river near Wilmington. Vincent La Mendola, 20 years old, 1123 North Monticello, with whom Rosario had gone swimming, told Will county authorities his companion was swept over a dam and drawn under by the current. The Kankakee is nearly at flood stage.

PARTY 'SHOOTING' COLORADO RIVER DUE AT OUTPOST

Flooded Canyons Hold Key to Fate of Six.

Lee's Ferry, Ariz., July 3.—(AP)—Out of one of the most primitive regions in the United States, where the Colorado river churns through deep gouged canyons, residents of this isolated north Arizona outpost awaited anxiously today emergence of a daring scientific expedition.

High water, augmented by unusual torrential rains during the last week, brought conjecture as to the fate of the expedition's six members—two women, attempting to be the first of their sex to conquer the Colorado—and four men.

The Nevills expedition left Green River, Utah, June 20. Norman Nevills, Utah riverman making his first trip down the Colorado, estimated the party would reach here about July 4 after a two weeks plunge down the foaming, flood tide stream.

Women from Michigan.

The women adventurer-scientists are Elzada Clover, 40 years old, University of Michigan botanist, and her assistant, Lois Jotter, 25. Other members of the party are Don Harris of the United States geological survey, Eugene Atkinson, Michigan scientist, and W. C. Gibson, San Francisco artist-photographer.

At Lee's Ferry the Colorado becomes docile after boiling 170 miles through rapid riffled canyons. Here the scientists will restock food supplies and take a one day breathing spell before starting the second half of their 666 mile voyage to Lake Mead behind Boulder Dam, Nev.

"River Rats" Are Gloomy.

Veteran "river rats" have made gloomy predictions during the week. They expressed anxiety, claiming the expedition is making the trip at the worst time of the season—when the Colorado, dangerous at all times, is running high.

There has been no contact with the party since it launched its three light boats at Green River. Nevills abandoned the plan of carrying a one way short wave radio set.