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WEATHER TODAY.
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5000 DIE IN DAYTON FLOOD

Ohio Governor Asks the World for Help; Legislature Will Appropriate \$250,000 SWEPT TO DEATH IN HOSPITAL; 400 CHILDREN DROWN IN SCHOOL

DAYTON, O., March 26.—Hundreds certainly, and it is believed thousands are dead in a flood which swept through this city when the Miami river levee burst shortly after dawn yesterday. It is impossible to give anything like an accurate estimate of the casualties. Some estimates place the dead as high as 5,000. At least 40,000 and perhaps as many as 70,000 are homeless.

Many bodies can be seen floating down Main street. For many hours the water has been from ten to thirty feet deep in the business district, but this morning the flood is receding slowly. A school building that was known to have held about 400 children shortly before the flood rushed in that direction is entirely under water and it is believed that all the little ones had been drowned. St. Elizabeth's hospital, in which there were 600 patients, is reported to have been washed from its foundations. It is not thought possible that many of the inmates could have escaped if the report is true.

The electric light plants were completely disabled early in the day and the city is in total darkness except for the lurid lights of the conflagrations in various parts of the flooded district.

All groceries and bakeries of the city are in the submerged district and it is thought that a severe famine will result, owing to the impossibility of getting food to many who are marooned in and on buildings.

Governor Cox last night, with the sanction of the state legislature, sent an appeal to the world for help. The state legislature is preparing to appropriate \$250,000 for the relief of sufferers.

The washing down of bridges and subsequent collection of debris acted as a dam in the river, later causing the levee to break and sending the water through the main streets of the city to the southern part of the town.

The woodworking department of the National Cash Register company was turned into a boat manufactory. Ten boats an hour are being made.

OMAHA BEGINS TO COUNT COST OF BIG STORM

in Lives and Dollars. It Is Apparently Greater Than Those Who Had Studied the Result Were at First Willing to Admit; Fully Two Hundred Lives.

SEVENTY DEAD IN NEAR-BY TOWNS

OMAHA, March 25.—Omaha's commercial club made a statement on the physical condition of the city this morning. The figures show some conception of the damage of the storm and the number of houses which have been broken down. The figures follow: Houses totally destroyed and unrepairable, 642. Houses partially destroyed, 1027. People homeless, 2179. People entirely destitute, 263.

OMAHA, March 25.—Today, for the first time since the disastrous tornado of Easter Sunday, the people of Omaha began to feel the heat, both in lives and dollars. A respite was made it was nearly more appalling than those which had resulted were willing to believe.

More than 200 lives were snuffed out in the vicinity of the city and not less than fifty persons were reported to have lost their lives. Many were injured, and eight of them died in local hospitals during the day.

Rescue work was augmented to include nearly three inches of snow which fell on the stricken district, making it almost impossible for the houses of the city to be repaired to retain their homes. So far as money might be of any use, it was being gathered up in the hands of the city commission where the day ended. These funds were made available to all who were able to show they were in need of aid.

Emergency and state have either made or are making appropriations to meet emergency cases and relief work being organized to care for those resulting in destitution. In some cases the newspapers and other agencies have started subscription drives already bring the total (Continued on Page Eight.)

HOOSIER STATE IS PRACTICALLY ONE HUGE SEA

Nearly 100,000 Persons Are Driven From Homes; Property Loss Is Estimated at \$20,000,000.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., March 25.—The White river levee on Morris street broke here at 6 o'clock and 1500 persons were forced to hastily desert their homes. The waters spread over several blocks. Troops and police hurriedly were sent to aid in rescue work.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., March 25.—With tens of thousands of homeless, hundreds dead and property loss of \$20,000,000, Indiana tonight is experiencing the worst flood of its history. The entire state practically is one huge sea, and every brook, creek and river is taking its toll of damage. Public service corporations of the entire state are helpless, railroads and traction lines having canceled nearly all trains. Many cities are without fire protection and without light.

Dwellers along streams today devoted their labors to rescuing those trapped in their homes and to removing furniture and merchandise to higher ground. During the day reports of loss of life were received, but none has been verified because wire service is paralyzed. Seven are known to have been drowned, two at Lafayette, three at New Castle and one at Frankfort and one at Rushville. The appalling swiftness with which the waters have arisen caught the entire state unprepared. Streams that were brooks Easter morning have become raging torrents during the last twenty-four hours. Persons who retired apparently safe at home last night, this morning were rescued from second-story windows by boats.

Thousands Homeless. Conservative estimates tonight place the number driven from their homes at close to 100,000 and the property loss, it is said, will reach the twenty million mark. These figures are made up from reports received from towns and villages and do not include the probable great loss to farmers.

No hope for relief to the stricken state is held out by the government weather bureau. "Rain and colder" is the forecast for tonight and tomorrow. Besides higher water, untold suffering to the homeless will come with the drop in temperature.

Rescue work is being carried on by volunteers, police, firemen and the state militia and every place where there is a dry home it has been thrown open to the flood refugees. Indianapolis is in the grip of its worst flood. Street cars stopped running at noon, at which time the water and gas plants were forced to suspend. Two electric plants are operating but may be compelled to close down.

Seven thousand persons were driven from their homes here by the overflow from White river, Eagle Creek and Pleasant Run. They are being cared for by charitable institutions and in private homes. The militia is patrolling the flooded district, aiding the police. City authorities late today called for volunteers to aid in protecting the threatened levees. Mayor Shank asked the board of public safety to appropriate \$2000 for the relief of flood sufferers. Parts of Fort Wayne, Lafayette, Richmond, Marion, Terre Haute, Muncie, Rushville, Kokomo, Peru, Connersville, Petersburg, New Castle, Frankfort, Anderson, Tipton, Noblesville, Hartford City, Elwood, Bloomington, Shelbyville, Leasport, Portland and innumerable (Continued on Page Four.)

VAST AREA OF MIDDLE WEST IS STORM-SWEPT

Terrific Winds and Heavy Rains Cause the Loss of Many Lives in Ohio, Indiana and Parts of Illinois and Missouri. Damage to Property Great.

SITUATION AT DAYTON IS GRAVE

CHICAGO, March 25.—Swept by wind and rain storms of terrific violence for three days, vast areas of the middle west, from the Missouri river to the Allegheny mountains, tonight are inundated, many persons have been drowned and enormous property losses have been caused by floods, the worst in years.

The maps of Ohio, Indiana and parts of Illinois and Missouri are maps of desolation. Terre Haute, Indianapolis and Lafayette, in Indiana, and Dayton, Delaware, Columbus and Youngstown, in Ohio, present particularly pitiable spectacles. In all of these cities there was loss of life, according to the most authentic reports available, and in each city the property loss particularly was heavy. No definite information as to what actually happened at Dayton could be obtained until tonight, when information from Cincinnati came that sixty lives had been lost. Practically all of Dayton was under water and the residents had been forced to flee for their lives. Many of the more intrepid sought refuge on the house tops.

In Delaware, O., nineteen persons are known to have lost their lives and thirty to fifty others are missing. Terre Haute, swept by a disastrous tornado last Sunday, was today in the grip of a wind and rain storm which seriously interfered with the work of removing the stricken families. The death list still remained at twenty, while the list of injured is expected to aggregate 250.

Rivers on Rampage.

At Dayton, O., three rivers, the Miami, Stillwater and Mad, and another stream, known as Wolf creek, join. For the most part the city lies on a level flat with the four streams meeting almost in the heart of the place, and is protected by levees twenty-five feet high. The levee protecting the Miami river broke about 6 o'clock this morning and the flood was augmented by the rapidly rising waters of the other three streams, and finally made uncontrolable by the breaking of the Laramie reservoir, fifty miles above Dayton.

The waters swept through the city with terrific force. One report which, however, lacked confirmation, was to the effect that the water in the main street was fifteen feet deep. All wire communication, except one slender telephone wire to Phoneton, a station six miles away, was broken off and information regarding the status of affairs in Dayton was difficult to obtain. Railroad and wagon brings across the Miami river were swept away and (Continued on Page Four.)

GOVERNOR JAMES M. COX of Ohio, who is directing relief work from his executive mansion in Columbus. Dayton, the heart of the flooded district, is his home. The governor's residence in Riverdale and the Dayton Daily News, his newspaper, are both under water.



TORNADO DOES MUCH DAMAGE IN ARKANSAS

LESLIE, Ark., March 25.—A tornado striking eight miles southwest of here last night caused one known death. Five other persons are reported killed and seven are known to be injured seriously. Rumley, a village five miles south, is reported to have suffered heavy damage. The wind was accompanied by floods which caused thousands of dollars damage to farms. Men hourly are riding in here from the mountains with stories of the storm's havoc and begging for medical aid.

Mrs. John Sanders, wife of a farmer whose home was in the tornado's path, was killed. Her husband and son, William, were injured seriously. The wind carried the Sanders' home 500 feet, dashing it down a heap of kindling.

The home of James Triese, a farmer living five miles east of Leslie, was carried sixty feet through the air, seriously injuring Triese, his wife and three small children. High wind and heavy hail created havoc among crops, tearing off house tops and breaking windows. All streams in this vicinity are out of banks and many bridges are reported washed away. Wire communication is demolished. Messager reports from Rumley say five persons were killed in that town, several injured and great damage done to property.

TWO HUNDRED ARE DROWNED AT PERU

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., March 25.—Two hundred or more were drowned at Peru, Ind., today, according to a message to Governor Ralston from that place. The governor's informant asked that 200 coffins and food and clothing be sent to Peru at once. "This probably will be the last message you will get from Peru," said the man. "Two hundred or more are drowned and the remainder of the residents are grouped on a hill waiting for daylight."

Governor Ralston immediately communicated with State Senator Fleming at Fort Wayne and asked him to forward the coffins and other supplies as requested. While the governor was talking the wire to Peru failed.

"From what my informant said, there may be as many as 500 drowned in Peru," Governor Ralston said tonight. "I understand survivors at Peru are huddled within two blocks and in great distress. I have ordered a carload of food and coffins and the Fort Wayne citizens are sending another car of provisions." The catastrophe was caused by a breaking of a Wabash river levee late yesterday, which poured a torrent of water into the south part of Peru, where more than a thousand people live. They received no warning of the danger. Two hundred or more, it is estimated, at least, were drowned in their homes. Governor Ralston ordered 200 coffins, a carload of food and one thousand blankets to be shipped to the inundated town.

WOULD ENJOIN THE GOVERNMENT

Canceling Machine Concern Seeks an Injunction Against the Postmaster General.

WASHINGTON, March 25.—The B. F. Cummings company of Chicago, an unsuccessful bidder for contracts for canceling machines for the postoffice department, today asked the supreme court of the district to enjoin Postmaster General Burleson from carrying out contracts with other bidders on the ground that the Cummings company's proposal was the lowest and that the government will lose \$400,000 by the execution of other contracts.

FLAMES ADD TO HORROR; BODIES FLOAT IN STREETS; BIG BUILDINGS CRUMBLE

Waters Rush Down Canyon of Business District; Loss of Life Guesswork

MILITIA ORDERED OUT TO PATROL FLOODED TOWNS

DAYTON, O., March 26.—The wind veered suddenly from south to north at 3 o'clock and the fires on Vine street sprang up anew. There are numerous unconfirmed reports of men shooting their families and committing suicide when they saw escape from flood or fire impossible.

DAYTON, O., March 26.—After a day and night of fire and flood horror it is impossible to give any accurate estimate of the loss of life or of property. Undoubtedly thousands have been drowned or injured and the damage to property will be millions.

The flood came with daylight yesterday. The levee of the Miami river broke and carried the water into the business district. Main street soon was a torrent, then a river, then a tidal wave. The rapidity with which the waters rose was due to the fact that the bridges torn down by the flood or dynamited to clear a channel served only to direct the flood into the canyon of Main street and neighboring thoroughfares.

LOSS OF LIFE IS PROBLEMATICAL.

The impossibility of estimating the loss of life is due to the fact that no comprehensive investigation can be made. Those who are making their way through the flooded district are doing so in boats which are being manufactured at the rate of ten an hour by the National Cash Register company, which is rendering heroic and highly intelligent service to the sufferers.

Many reports of buildings collapsing are being shouted from housetop to housetop.

MANY DEAD BODIES ARE SEEN.

That there has been extensive loss of life is evidenced by the dead bodies which can be seen floating with the flood. Already these have been counted by scores from various points of vantage. But even in this case there is an element of doubt, as many of the objects may be bundles of clothing or even barrels and boxes. The electric light plants were put out of service early in the day and the only light shed upon the waters is from fires that are burning here and there in the business and residence districts.

Reports of looting cannot be verified. If any robberies have taken place they must be ascribed to men in boats or to thieves operating in the outlying districts. Word was received here last night that Governor Cox had ordered out the entire state militia to aid in patrolling the flooded districts of the state. Wire communication with the outside world is fairly well maintained by telephone, despite the fact that the flood is still many feet deep and the foundations of all the structures are being sapped.

The Algonquin hotel was the scene of many interesting and startling scenes early in the day. As the water grew deeper pedestrians rushed into the hotel and added to the panic among (Continued on Page Two.)