

AUDITORIUM RELIEF BASE

Storm Sufferers Seek Refuge in Big Building.

HUNDRED GET PLACE TO SLEEP

Donations of Food and Clothing Received There and Distributed to Substitutions—Woman's Club Members Assist.

Nearly 100 men and one woman took refuge at the Auditorium last night. They were fed and provided with food, clean bedding and comfortable coats. They began coming about 5 o'clock and by 11 o'clock all had been given sheets, blankets and new coats and directed where they might sleep. No attempt was made to get all their names, and few questions were asked them. On arrival they went to bed, the lights were turned off in the sections as each section was filled and by midnight all were comfortably asleep.

The Auditorium has been a relief base. All donations of food and clothing will be received there, and distributed to the substitutions that have been established in the afflicted districts. Loads of food and clothing will go out from there this morning. Many donations have been received and are steadily coming in. The clothing is taken to a special room and fumigated on receipt. Captain G. H. Rydinger is in charge of the relief work there. Calls for medical aid were received over the telephone yesterday afternoon and last night. Assistant City Physician Langford with Drs. Golden, Laird and Hill answered these calls. Every request for aid was granted and every want satisfied.

Members of the Omaha Woman's club were at the Auditorium yesterday afternoon, some supervising the cooking and others the receipt of donations. Calls for food were immediately answered. Hot soups, coffee and sandwiches were sent out from the Auditorium on request.

FLOOD DEATH LIST WILL BE NEARLY THREE THOUSAND

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washed away, but no news as to the casualties among the inhabitants had been received. At daybreak increased anxiety in Indiana centered about Brookville and Connersville, from which frantic appeals were made last night to Governor Ralston just before wire communication failed. It was reported that the river levee had given away, flooding the valley and sweeping hundreds or people away.

The early rumor of a death list of 500 at Piqua, O., was still uncontradicted at daylight, though no further confirmation of it had come to hand.

The first relief train to Dayton sent from Xenia last night was expected back today. Preparations were made by the state legislature at Columbus to appropriate \$250,000 for the relief of the sufferers.

Governor Cox estimated the homeless in Ohio at 250,000. Similar efforts were being made to succor the victims at Peru and other Indiana cities.

Supplies Cannot Be Delivered. Supplies of every description for 5,000 persons were rushed to Peru from neighboring towns, but the problem of penetrating the flooded district was only less perplexing than that at Dayton. At daylight it was seen that the main hope of reaching the city lay in motor boats, since ordinary small rowboats stood small chance of breasting the currents.

Greater, however, than the problem of rushing in supplies, both at Dayton and other places, was the work of rescuing thousands of persons from positions of peril which they had clung all night with faint hope of immediate help. In Dayton, the office buildings in the business district sheltered in their upper stories, crowded with residents who had rushed there from streets in which water raged to a depth of from nine to forty feet.

Thousands in Factories. At the National Cash Register plant, on high grounds, thousands were taken in, and in outlying residence districts other thousands waited to hear from relatives and friends who had been unable to leave the center of the city.

In every city and throughout the outlying districts the fear at daybreak was that the death list had been increased during the night by the constant dripping of exhausted people. Constant efforts of boats to reach people clinging to dismantled houses, trees and similar objects made the work of rescue everywhere practically impossible. There was hope, however, of a gradual subsidence of the fury of the flood, which had reached its height at Dayton at midnight and began slowly to fall.

One pressing need at Dayton next to

The Weather

For Omaha, Council Bluffs and Vicinity Fair tonight and Thursday; rising temperature Thursday.

Table with columns: Temperature at Omaha, Hours, Deg., Local Weather Record.

Excess in precipitation since March 1, 2.61 inches. Excess corresponding period, 1912, 1.45 inches. Deficiency corresponding period, 1911, .55 of an inch.

Weather in the Great Belt. A drop of 20 to 25 degrees occurred last night in the Missouri valley and west into the mountains, and temperatures are over generally everywhere from the side of the Pacific slope, except that warmer weather is moving across the extreme northwest. The weather has cleared generally, but the extreme upper valleys and northwest, but it is still unsettled in the lower Rocky mountain region and east over the central states, and the eastern and southern states. Eastern and southern reports were mixed this morning, and while generally unsettled weather prevails throughout these sections, no unusual condition is shown. With slow steady pressure moving over the west, the outlook is for fair weather in this vicinity tonight and Thursday, with slowly rising temperature Thursday.

L. A. WELSH, Local Forecaster.

FLOOD AND FIRE TAKES TERRIBLE TOLL IN DAYTON

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part of the city this afternoon burned to the water's edge buildings between St. Clair and Jefferson streets on the north side of East Main street and threatened to destroy a big portion of the business section.

The Beckel house is burning and the buildings on the east side of Jefferson street from Third street to the Western Union are on fire. The Dayton Informant confirmed the information that refugees driven from the places where they had sought safety from the floods were leaping from roofs to escape the new terror. The fire was rapidly approaching the Home Telephone office, where came this information. The fire started in a row of buildings on Third street between Main and Jefferson streets, next to the library building. This point is two squares south of the Phillips house. The fire is burning south.

Fire in Liquor District. When a message was received by the governor the fire was about to reach the wholesale liquor district and fear was expressed that this section would burn as if the flames were fed with gasoline.

For the reason that Third street is wide and the court house intervenes it was thought the flames could be checked before they spread to other portions of the city.

The report of the fire came from Wire Chief George of the Bell Telephone company, who says the fire is now within a block of the exchange in which is located John Bell, who for more than twenty-four hours has kept the outside world informed as best he could about conditions in Dayton.

HUNDRED FIFTY AT COLUMBUS

Death List in Ohio Capital Grows Rapidly.

COLUMBUS, March 26.—At least 150 persons were drowned in Columbus as a result of the flooded Scioto river, according to reports from the flooded west side of the city this morning. These reports came as a result of a partial restoration of phone communications with the west side.

Numerous persons, who are considered conservative, assert that they saw scores of bodies float down stream and dozens of persons carried away in houses.

WILLIAM A. SEXTON, probation officer.

EDWIN D. DANIEL.

ALBERT GORE, mail carrier.

MR. AND MRS. E. M. HAYES.

MRS. GEORGE COOK AND BABY.

MRS. L. H. MACK AND THREE CHILDREN.

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More than 250,000 people have been rendered homeless. The state is unable to cope with the situation in its entirety and the governor has called on the National Red Cross society and on adjoining states for aid. The immediate need is for tents and food for the homeless. Every military company has been ordered to report for duty today. The troops will be sent to the points of the greatest emergency. The state commissary department is making every effort to rush supplies to the many points.

MANY ARE LOST AT LOGANSPORT

Indiana City Is Under 12 to 15 Feet of Murky Flood Water.

CHICAGO, March 26.—Indiana City has been lost at Logansport, Ind., which is under twelve to fifteen feet of water, according to a report received here today by the Western Union Telegraph company via Fort Wayne. There are twelve feet of water at the Pennsylvania railroad depot.

Zanesville Cut Off from Outside.

COLUMBUS, March 26.—Zanesville was cut off from the outside world today by the flood in the Muskingum river.

An Epidemic of Coughs

is sweeping over the town and young and old are alike affected. Foley's Honey and Tar Compound is a quick, safe, reliable family medicine for coughs and colds. A. S. Jones of Lee Pharmacy, Chicago, Cal., says: "I consider Foley's Honey and Tar Compound has no equal, and is the one cough medicine I can recommend to my friends, as containing no narcotics or other harmful properties. Refuse all substitutes and take only Foley's Honey and Tar Compound.—Advertisement."

Money Still Pours Into the General City Relief Fund

Non yesterday relief money actually deposited with Treasurer Robert Cowell of the relief committee had reached \$1,221,750. More subscriptions are not placed on this list by Mr. Cowell unless the money already has been deposited with him. As soon as it is deposited the amount goes on the list. The amount has doubled since Tuesday. Following is the list:

Table listing donors and amounts: Milwaukee road, 5,000.00; Alamo Dairy, 100.00; John Deere Plow Co., 100.00; etc.

Brookville and Connersville.

The break of day found anxiety in Indiana centered in Brookville and Connersville on the Whitewater river, from which frantic appeals for aid were received by Governor Ralston late yesterday. While the appeal was being made wire communication to Connersville failed.

The person who was talking with the governor said that a break in the Whitewater river had flooded the valley, sweeping hundreds of persons before it. It is hard even yet to bring the full realization of the damage to the people from the streams that ordinarily are unimportant, many aiding only in beautifying the city's parks and boulevards and driveways of Indianapolis. During the night the water advanced upon the exclusive residence section along Fall creek.

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Dodge also was unsuccessful in getting through his bill limiting expenditures of candidates for office.

Macfarland Bill Lost in Senate

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, March 26.—(Special.)—The anti-discrimination bill introduced by Senator Macfarland of Douglas county took up the greater part of the discussion of the morning in committee of the whole in the senate. It was said that the discussion was carried on to kill time until noon so that House Bill No. 2, the county ownership of telephone bill, which was next in order, might fail to reach the discussion stage at noon, and would then be thrown into the hands of the senate sitting committee, where it might possibly be lost in the shuffle.

It was charged that the bill was in the interests of the old line elevators against the little fellows and would force the latter to maintain a certain price irrespective of whether there was a profit accruing to them or not.

The bill was indefinitely postponed, seven votes being recorded against the bill on a standing vote. Macfarland then tried again to save the measure when the committee reported, but the same seven votes stood in the way and the bill lies slumbering in the legislative cemetery.

Senate File No. 176, by Ollis, was also indefinitely postponed on motion of the interductor, while Senate File No. 352, the only other bill considered in the committee, was ordered engrossed for third reading. This is Grossman's nonpartisan judicial bill providing for the nomination and election of judges of the supreme, district and county courts.

Four bills were passed by the senate, only one meeting with opposition. House Bill 151 by Knudson of Nance removes the exemption on wages of workmen. This bill was passed, but received four negative votes, those of Grossman, Placek, Macfarland and Kohl.

Senate File 307 by Ollis of Valley creates a commission to investigate revenue and taxation and was passed. House Bill 67 by a dozen of representatives makes a levy for the support of the State Normal schools. It came over from the house with a provision for a three-fourths mill levy, but the senate raised it to a full mill and in that form it passed the upper body.

House Bill 51 by Richardson of Lancaster, makes it a felony to furnish dope or fire arms of any kind to prisoners in the penitentiary. The bill passed.

A communication was read from Mayor James Dahlman of Omaha, asking the legislature do nothing that would cripple the efficiency of the National Guard at this time, and Hoagland of Lincoln sent up a motion that it was the sense of the senate that the National Guard be permitted to remain in Omaha just as long as the city needed them.

Sugarman Struck By Insurance Man

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, Neb., March 26.—(Special.)—As he emerged from the house into the lobby at the time of the noon recess, following a discussion of the workmen's compensation bill, Martin Sugarman, member of the Douglas county delegation, was assaulted by Guy Cramer, an insurance agent who is here lobbying for the compensation bill. Cramer struck Sugarman on the side of the head, knocking his glasses, bent his feet and staggering him back several feet. Sugarman was dazed by the blow and when he had sufficiently recovered to know what had happened the sergeant-at-arms caught him and prevented a come-back.

Sugarman filed a complaint against Cramer charging him with assault and battery, and Speaker Kelley, on motion of Smith of Douglas, appointed the following committee to investigate: Trimble, Fallstead, Mather, Stebbens and Nichols.

The assault was occasioned by Sugarman's opposition to the compensation bill and a remark he made on the floor of the house regarding it.

Much indignation was expressed against Cramer by members until Henry C. Richmond, chief clerk, arrived on the scene, shoved his way to the front, yanked Cramer from the indignation legislators and hustled him off down the corridor, being a waterweight dove of peace.

Cramer said he realized he had insulted the dignity of the house and asked the members to accept his apology. He believed he had a right to discuss this bill with Sugarman, inasmuch as he had helped to elect him and a Sugarman had told both the Business Men's association and the labor unions that he would support a compensation bill.

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THOUSAND DEAD AT DAYTON

Inhabitants of North Dayton Caught Like Rats in Trap.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., March 26.—The Associated Press has communication at noon with the Western Union operator at Wolfe Creek, O., a mile and a half from Dayton, learned that the water in the city has fallen four feet since midnight.

The operator said there were several bad fires in the main district of Dayton and that the damage will run into the millions. Several of the fires were put out by dynamite, he said.

The operator said the loss of life will run into the thousands and that the people in North Dayton were caught like rats in a trap and were unable to communicate with other portions of the city.

Rescue Work Difficult.

DAYTON, O., March 26.—Morning brought little hope of immediate relief to those who had spent the night in horror, and it is feared that the number of drowned had been greatly increased during the twelve hours of darkness.

The rescue work looked as hopeless. No one in the city attempted to sleep. The only known dead are: Anton Sackett, grocer, Vine and Main streets, killed in an explosion; his wife, drowned; unidentified woman, found nearby hanging on a wire; the Blah family, wiped out with the exception of a son, John Blah; his mother, aged 65; sister Florence, 27; niece, Viola, and Muriel, wife of John Blah, all being drowned. The rescuers estimated that it is not believed the rescuers will be able to make any advance into the flooded district today, but will have to content themselves with saving those who were marooned within a few doors of the water edge. More than 70,000 persons either were unable to reach their homes or, held in their water locked houses, were unable to reach land.

The flooded district is estimated at more than fifteen square miles, most of which is under from six to eight feet of water.

Families on West Side.

PHONETON, March 26.—(Via Phone to Chicago.)—A report from the flooded district of Dayton received here today says that on the west side of the city there were seventy-five to 100 drowned.

This is only an estimate and it is impossible to obtain accurate details.

The flood began to recede about midnight and has been falling slowly ever since. At 10:30 o'clock this morning the water depth had lessened about two feet.

All stores and factories in the main part of the town have been flooded to a depth of from eight to ten feet. Numerous houses and buildings have been washed away, and an estimate of the have collapsed, but an estimate of the property loss is impossible.

The 300 refugees in the Young Men's Christian association building at Dayton and in the Algonquin hotel were facing possible short rations this morning. Their food supplies were becoming limited and drinking water was at a premium.

Boats Registered.

Forty boats were registered by the city authorities and are patrolling the city in an effort to save life and property. These craft are manned by volunteers.

In front of the Central Union telephone office at Dayton the water is still so deep that horses cannot go through it without swimming. The employees in that building have fished chairs, drygoods, boxes and a quantity of other articles. Quantities of debris have been swept down the street, and an estimate of the have collapsed, but an estimate of the property loss is impossible.

Only one sizeable building has thus far collapsed, so far as the watchers in the telephone office can learn. This structure was a three-story affair near Ludlow street, occupied by a harness manufacturing concern. The building was old and was thought to be in no condition to withstand the pressure of the raging torrents.

Cloudy skies and a cold, drizzling rain added to the dismal aspect of the city this morning. The temperature fell steadily all night and when daylight came the thermometers showed that it was only three degrees above freezing. This condition, however, was welcomed, because a hard freeze will aid materially in holding back the innumerable tributaries of the flooded streams and will assist the earth in retaining the moisture that has been soaked into it steadily for the last five days.

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President Wilson Asks for Aid for Victims of Flood

WASHINGTON, March 26.—President Wilson today issued the following appeal to the nation to help the sufferers in the Ohio and Indiana floods.

The terrible floods in Ohio and Indiana have assumed the proportions of a national calamity. The loss of life and the infinite suffering involved prompt me to issue an earnest appeal to all who are able, in however small a way, to assist the laborers of the American Red Cross, to send contributions at once to the Red Cross at Washington or to the local treasurer of the society. We should make this a common cause. The needs of those from which this sudden and overwhelming disaster has come should quicken every one capable of sympathy and compassion to give immediate aid to those who are laboring to rescue and relieve.

WOODROW WILSON, and lifesaving apparatus, to Cincinnati. Secretary Garrison today ordered the immediate dispatch to Columbus and other suitable distributing points in Ohio of tents for 30,000 people, 100 hospital tents, a large quantity of medical supplies and 1,000,000 rations.

The United States lifesaving station at Louisville has been ordered to hurry its entire crew, equipped with power boats with orders to work up the Miami valley toward Dayton for rescue work.

Register of Missing Kept by Committee

In an attempt to locate the missing central relief committee has posted placards at the Union station and the Burlington and Webster street stations directing travelers in search of friends to notify the committee at the city hall, where a register is being kept. The committee will ask that the names of those lost be published as well as the names of inquiring relatives. George C. Sheldon of Nehawka was the first to make inquiries, asking Mr. and Mrs. Will Sheldon of Nehawka, who were supposed to have been in Omaha Sunday night.