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## BUILDINGS RISE **OUT OF RUINS AS** THROUGH MAGIC

Sound of Hammers and Rasp of Saws Now Heard in Every Section of the Storm.

OPEN FOR BUSINESS. THE CRY ing from the mere providing of tempor-Restoration Committee Named to Help Struggling Builders.

MAKING SURVEY OF DISTRICT

Real Estate Men Report There Was Little Tornado Insurance.

MOST WORK WHERE WORST HIT Buildings Reconstructed with Great

Speed Near 24th and Lake. ALL PEOPLE ARE FULL OF HOPE

No Cry of Hopelessness is Heard in Districts Where Suffering Was Greatest, but Homes Are

Rapidly Rebuilding. Out of the ruins of Sunday's tornado, buildings are rising as if by magic and the sound of hammers and the rasp of saws are heard in every section of the take no very definite shape as yet. devastated district. Where a region of wreck and confusion met the eye Monlumber and new furniture and an in-

Cheerfulness has replaced fear and with tions. These, it is said, will get the a marvelous spirit of high hopefulness limit of the penalty before the police the home-builders are going about their Judge. work. Workmen have been secured and Relief Station No. 5 has been ordered while not many are employed on any to cut down on the quantity of foodstuff one house they are scattered in small given out to any one family. From this squads throughout the district.

restoration committees, it was decided to single families readily, until their that the general relief committee would supply has been running out too fresuperintend and assist temporary rebuild- quently. The committee feels that it ing and repairs for the tornado sufferers, although many of the owners of demolished dwellings and business builddemolished dwellings and business buildings are already far advanced with reconstruction work.

"Open for Sustness." is the slogan of the business men, who suffered in the tornado and dozens of small groceries and little stores of all kinds are caterners in half-wrecked buildings now under course of restoration.

A survey of the stricken district is being made by members of the Real Estate exchange and the restoration committee appointed by the Commercial club on Tuesday, will not make definte plans until this committee reports. Members, of the committee, who have reported say the damage is greater even than was first believed, because of the very small amount of tornado insurance carried, D. patrick store has been enlisted and V. Sholes is directing the Real Estate

exchange's survey. Restoration Committee Named. A committee on permanent restoration funds has been appointed and will meet Saturday noon at the Commercial club. The members of the committee are: 8. P. Bostwick
J. F. Finck
Victor Rosewater
Joseph Polcar
Harry Doorly.
C. C. George
J. R. Webster J. L. Kennedy
R. C. Peters
J. A. Rine
W. H. Bucholz
C. T. Kountse
Luther Drake
M. T. Barlow
H. W. Yates
"We have found a great many property

owners between Grant and North Twenty-second to Maple, repairing," said D. V. Sholes, of the restoration committee. "In this section there is a comparatively small percentage of total wrecks. About one-fourth the buildings were rented. Very little tornade insurance was carried.

Work of restoration is being rushed (Continued on Page Three.)

#### Some Employers Are Thoughtless of Their Helpers

"I am through work and am going home," remarked an office man in Omaha as he pulled on his coat and prepared to catch a 6 o'clock car to his family. Then he stopped, and the smile on his tace gave way to a countenance of deep thought. Again he spoke, and turned mis glance upon the stenographer, who had just finished locking her typewriter in

"Did it occur to ; ou that we are among those who have a home to 20 to in Omaha tonight? Just think what d means to those persons who suffered in the tornado. I know of several men whose houses were destroyed Easter. They are still working-compelled to do so in order to keep their heads above water. But when they have done with the day's work they have no home to Their families are crowded into some small boarding house-that isn't home. Gracious, we ought to be thank ful that we can leave our work here and go home to a good supper and a werin bed. It is impossible for us to ealite what we have-we must suffer adversity before we appreciate the blessings that those persons have who do want for food and a home. I am not going to complain

A tear stood in the typist's eye as the talker finished.

"You are right Mr. Blank, I wish had a home to go to tonight. I must stay with a frierd, while mother and papa sleep and eat at another house." Mr. Blank had forgotten that the family of the little typict had lost everything

in the storm-everything but the clothes

### RELIEF IS MORE EFFICIENT

Organization of Various Agencies of Assistance Shows Value.

ASK VICTIMS TO COME FORWARD

Committee Experiences Difficulty with Numerous Persons Whose Pride Keeps Them from Asking for Needed Reip.

Relief work at the stations in the north part of the tornado area rapidly is changary shelter and food, to the furnishing of homes. In consequence the urgent demand now is for bedding and beds, furniture of every kind, kitchen utensils

and other household necessities. This fact was most strongly urged at station No. 3, at 2726 Franklin street. It was said that in this district storm sufterers rapidly are finding new residences under instructions of the relief commit tee, but the families tack furnishings to

make themselves comfortable. In nearly all the districts a large percentage of the sufferers have been cared for temporarily and the more difficult and important work of establishing them n new homes is at hand.

That in a metropolitan city like Omaha here should be so little attempted looting at a time of widespread disaster is looked upon by the relief committee as one of the remarkable things. It is looked upon as showing that the organization is good and that the militia is doing efficient guard work. Vague reports have reached the committee that there has been attempted looting in the Leavenworth district, but the reports

Impostors too are few, in the present disaster, according to the committee, day morning, can now be seen organized although a few have been caught and gangs of workmen, huge drays with jailed. Only here and there is it discovered that some who are not worthy at noon. Automobiles were sent to the dustrious people, rebuilding their homes, and were not near the storm have re-Nowhere can be heard a hopeless voice. ceived relief at the organized relief sta-

station sacks of 100 pounds of potatoes At a joint meeting of the relief and and 100 pounds of sugar have been issued (Continued on Page Five.)

## You Monday for the Sufferers' Benefit

for the benefit of sufferers in the tor nado, according to plans of a number of young women prominent in society circles.

Those who are taking the most interest in the project are the debutantes of the year and a number of the other mem-

bers of the younger set. Miss Mary Marston took the initiative. The aid of Mr. Robert Cowell of the Kil-

A. Hospe has offered his store as headquarters for the young women. The money received Monday will transferred to the city relief fund.

## WHITE SLAVERS ARE **WORKING NEFARIOUS** TRADE ON SUFFERERS

Interrupt Work of Relief Committee When Their Activity Becomes Known.

POLICE ARE INVESTIGATING Young Girls Report Advances Made to Them.

IN GUISE OF RELIEF WORKERS Offer Girls Good Homes in Chicago and Elsewhere.

MILITARY IS AFTER THE GANG United Effort Being Made to Head Off the Efforts of This Heartless Gang Working In

Time of Trouble, White slavers from Chicago and eastrn cities are known to be at work in Omaha competing with the relief committees, some disguising as relief workers, in housing some of the girl victims of the tornado.

The central relief committee was confronted with the appalling situation yesterday and almost had to abandon other work to get the police and detective agencies and militia officers at work on the cases which have come to its

A meeting of managers of the relief stations was held at the Commercial club station and brought them to the club where the luncheon was on the table ready for them,

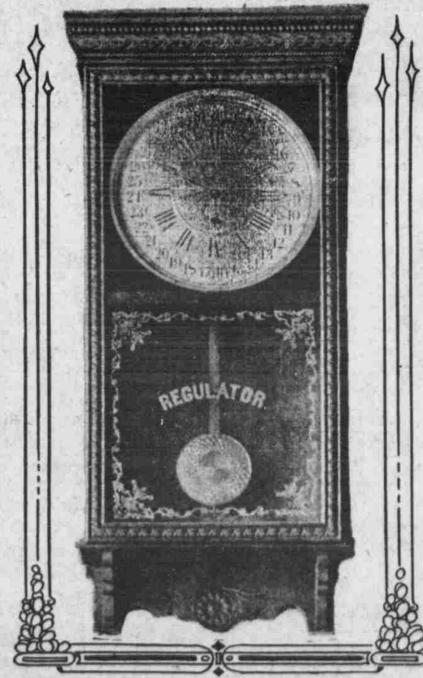
Slavers Rent Houses. While real estate men and home owners have come to the front with vacant lieve the suffering have turned open their doors the apprehension in the city of white slavers has had a tendency greatly to deter the work of the committee be cause of difficulties coming through discriminating between the needy and these criminal outsiders. Home owners have come to question each applicant and the retardation in housing the sufferers which necessarily comes from that is creating a serious handicap to the relief

work. Next to the startling problem of deal-Continued on Page Five.)

## Monday will be "tag day" in Omaha Clothing Needed

An appeal has been made from the Visiting Nurse association for baby clothes Not for the baby 4 or 5 months of age. but for the babe of I and 2 days old. "We have had four cases of this kind among the storm victims," said Miss McPherson, "and we are very much in need of garments for these babies. Other clothing is very much needed, but the tiny baby seems to be entirely overlooked in the bundles which have been sent to the relief stations,"

## Fixing the Time



This clock hangs on the back wall of the Electric garage at Fortieth and Farnam streets and is stopped at 5:49, which fixes almost exactly the very minute storm struck

### When Man Learns Humility!



#### COUNTY PHONE OWNERSHIP Senate Passes Fuller Bill Looking t This End.

NINE-HOUR DAY FOR WOMEN

for Tiny Babies Talcott's Measure Providing This Rule Passes Upper Chamber-Forestution Bill Cause of Some Debate.

> (From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, Neb, March 28 .- (Special.)-The senate passed the Fuller telephone county ownership bill this morning and hurrled it over to the house that the catter body might take action on the amendment tacked on by the senate. The house refused to concur in the amendment and sent back word that there would be nothing doing along that line They also signified their willingness to appoint a conference committee. The senate appointed Senators Smith consists of Fuller, Keckley and Stevens of Lincoln.

Talcott's bill for a nine-hour day for female workers in stores, factories and mills passed the senate without opposition. On the county awnership bill there were three dissenting votes, Bartling. Cordeal and Haarmann, with Bushee, Dodge an Hale absent.

House roll No. 691, introduced by Mockett at the request of the German-American alliance of Nebraska, calls for the appointment of a commission which shall serve without pay to investigate the sandhills for the purpose of finging out what can be accomplished in the way of forestation of the land. The bill was opposed by Hougland of Lincoln, Reynoids of Dawes and Olits of Valley. the opposition thought that inasmuch as the government had spent money and time to further danger was expected. investigate the same proposition and it had not amounted to very much, it would be folly to attempt the same thing by the state. Oilis wanted to strike out that part of the bill which called for the commission to prepare a bill for introduction at the next session embodying the need of th state to carry out the plans of the commission

Say Interests Oppose. Placek fought the amendment bitterly

carrying out the same line of work that was carried out by certain interests before the coal lands of the country were covering the bodies. gobbled up by the corporations, where they had the lands declared not of much

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#### Bryan Tells Dunne He Acted Wisely

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., March 28.-Governor Dunne today received the first word he has had from Secretary of State Bryan at Lincoln, Neb. Dead in Peru Will since leaving Mr. Bryan at Lincoln, Neb. two weeks ago. This was a telegrgam congratulating Governor Dunne upon his attitude and success in the settlement of the double senatorial deadlock in Illinois. The message came from Pittsburgh, Pa.,

"Good. You have acted wisely. Present my congratulations to Lewis, "W. J. BRYAN."

The General Fund for the Relief of Omaha Torrado Victims is \$103,950.75.

Send your contribution for the tornado victims to any Omaha newspaper and it will be acknowledged in the paper and turned into official relief fund.

GRAND RESERVOIR IS SAFE Water is Lower and All Banks Are

Holding Well.

Heasty and Cox. The house committee TWO HUNDRED DEAD AT PIQUA ported to the governor after all-night Property Loss There is Heavy, as

Many Factories Have Been Washed Away-No Deaths at Troy.

ROCKFORD, O., March 28.-The Celina eservoir was today declared out of danger. The water here was slightly lower and none is flowing over the banks. Celina on the west and St. Mary's on the east bank, reported the reservoir holding. There were no fatalities near here.

FORT WAYNE, Ind., March 28 .- With the announcement today that the Grand reservoir at Celina, O., is safe, the pecple of this city were relieved of anxiety. Inasmuch as the local flood conditions were much improved this afternoon, no Operation of street cars was resumed

Two Hundred Dead in Piqua.

CELINA, O., March 28.-Ten bodies have been recovered in Piqua and the number of dead is officially estimated at not more than 200, according to G. A. Thompson, a member of the Piqua relief committee today. Recovered bodies were four men, four women and two children. Most of the city is now above water and said the opponents of the bill were Militia from Sidney and Covington, together with the local militia and a relief committee are guarding property and re-

With every hour the list of missing decreases as men and women believed to have been drowned are discovered among those who escaped to the high ground. The greatest loss of life and damage to property was in the southeast part of the city, known as Shawnee, where many factories were located and workers lived The relief committee estimated that

## Not Exceed Forty

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SOUTH BEND, Ind., March 38 .- The situation at Peru today was much im proved. The water was fast receding and except in South Peru, which is still under ten feet of water, the conditions permit people to wade about the main streets It is said that the dead will not be more

#### MORE GUARDS ARE NEEDED Vandals Try to Rob Homes in West

Indianapolis.

FIFTY ARE DEAD IN PERU drowned are greatly exaggerated. Four Orphan Girls Drown White Trying to Swim to Railroad

Embankment.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., March 28.-Constantly tightening guard lines thrown about West Indianapolls today are shutting out all persons from the flooded districts, but the state troops and local police are not in sufficient numbers to handle the situation, and Governor Ralston will attempt to have two additional ompanies of militia in the city by night. Even refugees are being excluded from he flood districts of West Indianapolis until thorough organization can be completed to insure the exclusion of vandals Brigadier General Charles A. Girard rethat the forces there must be doubled to

furnish adequate protection. Much Ald Offered.

Hundreds of telegrams offering ald are reaching the governor today with the reumption of wire service. Governors Eberhardt of Minnesota and Major of Missouri wired sympathy and offers of money. The Indiana society of Sun Francisco, through A. R. Keesling offered aid, and the Billings (Mont.) Chamber of Commerce offered shipments of thirty to 100 carloads of potatoes at 30 cents a bushel. Other offers of aid came from every portion of the country-from Florida and Georgia to Oregon and Washington.

More street car lines are in operation oday, but water service may not be resumed till night, and then only for fire protection. Pure drinking water is being supplied in the downtown districts from (Continued on Page Two.)

#### Seventy-Foot Stage Expected in the Ohio at Cincinnati

CINCINNATI, O., March 28.-The Ohio iver is still rising. East and west of this city on the Ohio side of the river the lowlands have been inundated, and much damage has been done. In the low sections of the city many houses have been flooded. Across the river at Newport and Covington, Ky., similar conditions prevail.

Dayton and Ludlow, other Kentucky suburbs of this city, also are sufferers from the rising flood and many house. are completely under water.

No lives have been lost in this district The weather bureau predicts the river will have reached a stage of seventy feeby tonight, almost as high as it was Feb ruary 14, 1884, when the gauge showed seventy-one feet, the highest on record.

#### Thirty-Two Drowned at Venice, Ohio

CINCINNATI, O., March 18.-Auother flood-stricken village was heard from today when Coroner Fortmeyer was notithan fifty. Twenty-five is said by P. A. | fied that thirty-two lives had peer losi Joyce, controller of South Hend, to be a at Venice in Butler county. The dead safe estimate. Two carloads of clothing were members of five families. One were sent to the sufferers from South mother was saved. Three bodies have

## DAYTON COMING **OUT FROM SWIRL** OF MAD WATERS

Earlier Estimates of the Number Drowned in City and Its Suburbs Too High.

FLOOD IS RAPIDLY SUBSIDING Water is Now Out of the Business

District. DAMAGE IS FIFTEEN MILLIONS

Loss from Fire Will Not Exceed Million and a Half.

FEW LARGE BUILDINGS BURN Gas Plant, Laundry and Few Frame

Houses Destroyed. BUSINESS STRUCTURES STAND

Seven Thousand Persons Take Refuge in Office Buildings and Publishing Houses - Re-Hef Work in Hand.

BULLETIN. SOUTH DAYTON, O., March 28 .- The om of life in Dayton by flood will not

be more than 200 people. This was the general agreement here today after government lifesaving crews had penetrated every part of the water bound city. Up to the present, forty-five bodies have been recovered. Twenty of these were in Riverdale, fifteen in West, Dayton, five in the business section and five in the south side residence section. Three deaths from diphtheria were reported today and there is fear of an epi-

HULLETIN. SOUTH DAYTON, O., March 28,-Comparatively few dead were found in North Dayton today by the Louisville lifesaving crew, the first to cross the Miami into the section where it was thought the heaviest loss of life would be found. Indications there and in Riverdale now are that the total loss of life by flood will

ot be more than 200 persons. DATTON, O., March 3.-The flood site uation in Dayton today is this: Previous estimates of the numbers

exceed more than \$1,500,000. The damage caused to mercantile houses, factories and residences will run anywhere from \$15,000,000 to \$20,000,000. The water has receded from the business section of the city and from a large

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portion of the residence portion.

#### Drainage Congress Will Discuss Plan to Control Floods

CHICAGO, March 28 .- Plans for a comprehensive drainage system for the counduty in the flooded portion of the city try which would prevent floods and make impossible recurrence of the recent dus; aster in Ohio and Indiana will be considered at the National Drainage congress in St. Louis April 10.

In a telegram received here today by Edmund T. Perking, chairman of the executive committee of the organisation, President Wilson expressed regret at his nability to attend the meeting in Bt. Louis and added:

"The calamities in Indiana and Ohio make clearer than ever before the imperative and immediate necessity for a comprehensive and aystematic olan for iralnage and flood control. I very earnestly hope that your federation may take long step in this direction." Chairman Perkins telegraphed the fol-

lowing message in reply to President "Recognizing the unavoidability of your absence from St. Louis April 10 the National Drainage congress, saddened by the tremendous flood disasters now inflicted upon our country, and knowing that such catastrophies are needless, accepts the responsibility of presenting to the people and to the congress of the United States a plan to alleviate and prevent the recurrence of loss of life and property, and we respectfully suggest that, lacking your personal presence, the greatest impetus which could be given our work would be the presence of Secretary of the Interior Lane and an official exposition by him of the needs of our country for drainage and flood prevention. Will you confer with him at the cabinet meeting today and, if agreeable to him, draft him into our service?

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