

# 47 KNOWN DEAD FROM TEX. FLOOD

TOTAL ESTIMATED AS HIGH AS 300 PERSONS.

HUNDREDS WITHOUT HOMES

Mexicans and the Poor People Who Lived in Submerged Zone Assisted by Red Cross.

San Antonio, Tex.—The list of known dead from Saturday's flood had advanced to forty-seven. The dead and missing were estimated at approximately 250 by rescue workers, while Police Commissioner Phil Wright said they might total 300. Many residents, however, consider these figures high.

The property lost was placed at \$5,000,000 by some business men, but both lower and higher estimates were made.

Soon after daylight searchers on the Alazan creek found three bodies in the driftwood and wreckage on the banks, and another was found near the San Antonio river. Other bodies were recovered. While it has been declared that possibly the majority of the estimated dead floated down the streams, searchers believed that as the wreckage is cleared away others will be found.

Rescuers confined their efforts principally to recovering bodies, work of rescuing the marooned having been completed.

Hundreds of Mexicans and the poorer people who lived along the Alazan are homeless and were given assistance by Red Cross headquarters. The fact that most of the bodies recovered have been fully clothed shows that the victims were either warned or heard the approaching rush of water in time to make preparations to leave.

The city proper has been in a crippled condition all day from the flood. There have been no lights nor street car service because of lack of electric power.

Water has been running into the mains in parts of the city and the pressure is weak at these places. However, city officials said that the water pressure would soon be turned on and it is thought electric current will also be available in a short time.

City Building Inspector J. L. Richter estimated the damage to buildings at approximately \$700,000. He said no large buildings have been permanently damaged.

Jitneys have been doing a rushing business because of the lack of street car service.

Damage to the street paving is estimated at approximately \$250,000, most of which resulted when wood paving blocks were washed up. Much of the business section was paved with wood blocks. Laborers have been engaged in moving away what remained of the blocks.

Every sanitary precaution is being taken. City Health Officer W. A. King issued an appeal to the citizens to be especially diligent in draining off water where mosquitoes might find a breeding place.

The cleaning up proceeded in every part of the business district. Proprietors of business establishments and employes were sweeping and brushing out the water and debris while pumps were forcing water from basements. Elegant office furniture lined both sides of the main streets, with employes scrubbing them to remove dirt and slime. In contrast to the damage to the larger establishments, there were the damaged fruitstands, curio shops and smaller establishments. Here and there a man was cleaning his small place, aided in some instances by his wife, sons or daughters.

Heavy Snowfall in Canada.

Moose Jaw, Sask.—A heavy blizzard swept over Swift Current and the surrounding territory. Meager telegraphic advices said that the snow was fourteen inches deep on the level.

"Fatty" Arbuckle Held for Murder.

Rockford, Ill.—Nearly 4,000 buyers participated in the government auction of one-fourth of the Camp Grant barracks and fitting. The sale realized scarcely 2 cents on the dollar, according to officials. Barracks buildings suitable to be razed for lumber went at an average price of \$150.

Snow in Montana.

Helena, Mont.—With rain or snow in many parts of the state and unseasonably low temperature, Montana is having the first autumnal storm of the year.

Handcuffed Body Found in River.

Chicago.—The body of a man, handcuffed, with the neck partly severed, was found in the Desplaines river by the police of River Forest, a suburb. The police suspect he may be one of the mail robbers who recently escaped from jail in Toledo, Ohio.

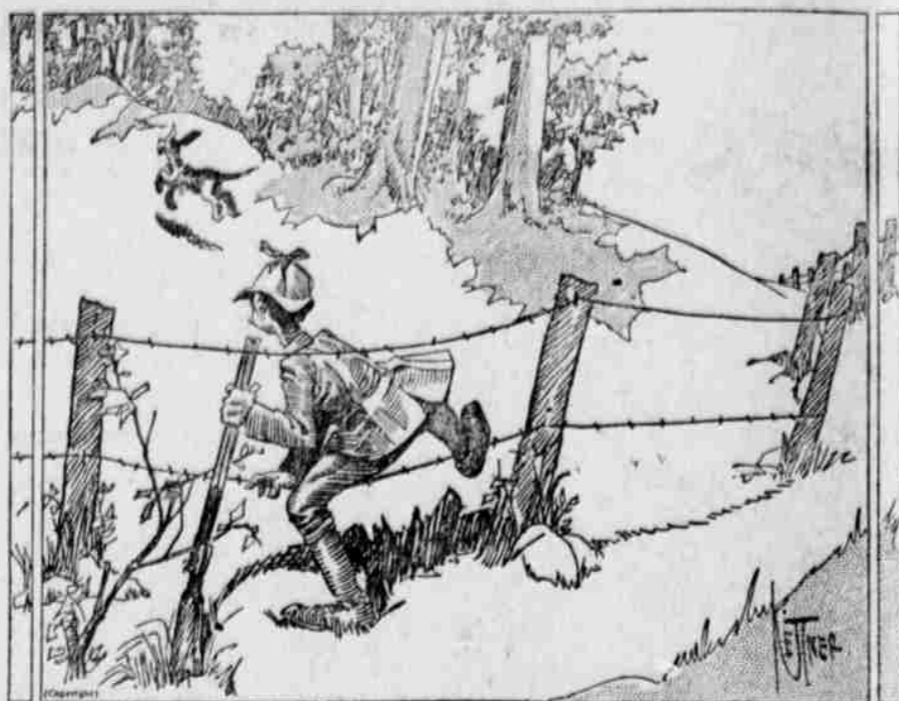
Coto Is Occupied.

Washington.—Costa Rica has taken peaceful possession of the Coto territory which has been in disputed territory on September 5, according to the state department advices.

Owners of Cars Summoned.

Chicago.—Owners of twenty-one automobiles who forgot to remove license tags or other means of identification from automobiles which were recovered from the "graveyard" at Summit, Ill., have been summoned to appear before the grand jury. Three insurance companies are the complainants. The owners will be questioned in connection with charges that the cars were buried by a gang who disposed of machines for persons seeking to collect insurance.

## Funeral Notice Later



### SAD SCENES ENACTED AT AUCTION OF JOBLESS

Edward Dixon, Slender Youth, Almost Collapses as Auctioneer Describes His Plight.

Boston, Mass.—Hysterical women wept and fairly threw money at Edward Dixon, a youthful ex-serviceman, who collapsed on the auction block on Boston common while being offered for sale by Mr. Zero. It was the second day of the sale, part of Mr. Ledoux's plan to wake Boston up to its obligation to these starving jobless men, many of them back from the world war.

Dixon, a slender, black haired youth in a greasy khaki shirt, without jacket and torn blue trousers held up with a strap, broke down and cried as Zero in a sonorous voice, recounted the boy's history. As the sobs welled into the lad's throat and tears streamed down his cheeks, he collapsed and would have fallen had not Zero caught him in his arms.

As the pair stood there before the 5,000 gathered about the stand women gave way to tears and had to be supported by those nearest them. Other women and many girls opened their purses and showered money, coins and bills, on the stand, many giving up their lunch money.

After the boy had been assisted to a seat Zero called for bids. "Never in the history of the republic," he said, "have you ever witnessed such a scene as this—which demonstrates the great sorrow of hearts that are broken."

He said that Dixon lost his father in the war, that his mother had recently died and that the lad was now homeless, penniless, jobless and starving. He was finally sold to one of the many women that crowded forward, she agreeing to provide for him until he was able to provide for himself. Dixon was too weak to even stand while thanking her and Zero for their interest.

Zero was given an ovation as he came on the common with his "slave" band, twenty-six men in all, many of them ex-servicemen. The men did not have to wait long before their pleas for food and shelter in exchange for their utmost service were heard. The bidding was brisk and exciting. Many who were so placed as to be unable to provide work or shelter for "slaves" insisted on giving cash to finance their immediate needs, one and all handing over the money without divulging their names or addresses.

Shoots Wife and Lawyer.

Dedham, Mass.—Mrs. Elena Anna Wells and her attorney, Louis Altmeyer, were shot to death in a crowded street car here. The man who did the shooting said he was Charles A. Wells, the woman's husband. Witnesses said the man boarded the car quietly, shouldered into the crowd and began shooting. Mrs. Wells and Altmeyer were seated near the front of the car. Two bullets struck the woman. She died just as she was carried into the hospital. One bullet entered Altmeyer's head. He also died at the hospital.

U. S. Loses 98 Per Cent on Sale.

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### FIFTY MADE HOMELESS BY MINN. FOREST FIRES

Refugees Housed in Service Tents and Food Furnished Them by National Guard Contingent.

St. Paul.—One hundred men of the howitzer and headquarters companies of Stillwater were ordered by Major E. A. Walsh, acting adjutant general, to proceed immediately to Knife river and Two Harbors, to fight forest fires. The fire situation continued serious, with high winds in some districts, according to reports.

McGrath, Minn.—More than seventy refugees from the fire swept area in the vicinity of Solana and White Pine, including those who were made homeless when White Pine village was wiped out, are being cared for by the national guard contingents stationed here. Settlers and villagers were forced to flee when underbrush, grass and timber fires again broke through fire lines established by the state troops and forest rangers detailed here.

Approximately fifty persons were compelled to leave White Pine. The refugees are housed in service tents and food is furnished them from the quartermaster's department. Many are penniless.

All the buildings in White Pine were destroyed except one dwelling, several shacks and the schoolhouse.

Adj. Gen. W. F. Rhinow said he was of the opinion that the fire was of incendiary origin. An investigation will be made.

The fire which caused the excavation of Solana and Arhydea, numbering about twelve families, was checked when the wind died down.

Following a conference of state forestry officials and military officers, a concerted effort of fire fighters to check the fires on all fronts was made and every available person and trooper was sent to the front lines.

The situation was considerably improved and the hopes of fighters and officials are again that the menace was materially reduced.

A serious situation remains at Solana, the destruction of which it was believed would mean the trapping of about twenty families. If a high wind should develop from the southwest before the firebreaks are completed the fire would be impossible to check, it was said.

Troops Leave War Zone.

Washington.—Withdrawal of the 26th infantry, one of the two regiments ordered into the West Virginia coal fields last week, was recommended by Brig. Gen. H. H. Bandholtz, commanding the troops in the field, was approved by President Harding. Orders for the return of the regiment to Camp Dix, N. J., its home station, were immediately issued by Secretary Weeks after a conference at the White House.

Revolution at Bogota.

Buenos Aires.—A dispatch to La Prensa from Quito, Ecuador, quotes a report from Bogota, capital of Colombia, as saying that a revolution has broken out there, led by Colombian liberal elements. The dispatch added that the revolutionists had put into jail President Suarez, Bishop Herrera and the conservative candidate for presidency, Pedro Espina.

Four Airplane Passengers Killed.

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## RACE WAR IN SOUTH

Exact Number of Blacks Inside Not Known—Trouble Starts at Ball Game.

New Orleans, La.—Armed with shotguns and rifles, more than fifty white citizens of Gretna, a suburb, marched on a negro hall, where an indignation meeting in protest against the beating of several negroes was held. One negro is reported dead.

The trouble started at a ball game at which a number of white persons were spectators.

At 11 o'clock the building in which the meeting was held was a mass of flames, and could be seen from the city proper. The exact number of negroes in the building at the time of the meeting has not been determined.

Police here are held ready to answer any call from Gretna, which is across the river from the city proper. The sheriff of Jefferson parish has sent every available deputy to Gretna with orders to shoot to kill, in the event that mob violence is threatened, according to reports.

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Several shots were fired in an effort to disperse the crowd, which threatened to invade the negro district at a late hour, but apparently lacked a leader. Four arrests have been made.

Mexican Oil Problem Solved.

Mexico City.—Immediate resumption of oil operations in the Tampico region by American petroleum companies, and payment of postponed taxes, with the lifting of the government embargo on the companies' funds and oil in storage, will result from the agreement reached by government officials and the heads of five American oil concerns. There will be an immediate movement of oil from Mexico and after minor details have been adjusted a settlement will be reached of all the great petroleum problems.

Newsboy Commits Suicide.

Sioux Falls, S. D.—"Here, shine, look!" With these words spoken to a negro boy companion, Alonzo Gray, 14, a Sioux Falls newsboy, committed suicide by shooting himself in the brain with a revolver. Himself and three other boys had gone to the Big Sioux river west of the city for a picnic and to hunt when the tragedy occurred. The boy was under parole on condition that he would pay for a large pane of glass he had broken.

To Care for Disabled Vets.

Washington, D. C.—Additional appropriation of \$16,400,000 for hospitalization of world war veterans and many other definite recommendations for improving the federal care of ex-servicemen are to be made to congress immediately upon its return by the special committee which has been investigating the administrative agencies caring for disabled veterans.

Son Admits Killing Father.

Salt Lake City.—Harry Bueter, 15, is in custody here as a result of slaying his father, Charles W. Bueter, 50, at the family home. The boy said that his brother Stanley, 13, was the victim of a severe beating with a razor strop, and that when the father tried to treat him likewise he picked up a gun and shot him dead.

Increase in Gasoline Consumption.

New York.—The consumption of gasoline in the United States during the first half of the current year was larger by 259,313,353 gallons, or a daily average of 710,447 gallons, than that of the corresponding period of 1920.

Chinese Troops Clash.

Hankow, China.—Fighting between troops of the northern and southern governments at I-Chang, a treaty port of Hupeh province, 165 miles northwest of Hankow, is reported to have begun in a wireless message.

Collapse and Dies on Stage.

Berlin.—Josef Mann, first tenor of the Berlin opera, collapsed and died on the stage while singing in "Aida." He had been engaged to sing in the Metropolitan opera house in New York the coming season.

Balloonist Killed.

North Adams, Mass.—Eugene M. Stafford, of Boston, a balloonist, fell 600 feet to his death at a fair here. His web belt broke as he changed parachutes in an attempt at a double parachute drop.

Whole Family Found Dead.

Ormsby, Minn.—A family of seven—the father, mother and five children—were found shot to death in their home here, apparently the victims of the father, Frank Klocow, business man.

Legion Challenges C. of C.

Washington, D. C.—There may be a series of joint debates throughout the country on the soldiers' bonus between officials of the American Legion and the Chamber of Commerce of the United States. In an open letter to the chamber of commerce the legion, through its national legislative committee, challenged that body to send its officials and representatives to meet legion officials in any city in the country or in every city in the country where there is a hall available and an audience interested.

## NEBRASKA IN BRIEF

Timely News Culled From All Parts of the State, Reduced for the Busy.

The Great Western Sugar company, which is advertising widely in this and other states for 2,000 laborers for the end of this month at its factories in Gering, Mitchell, Bayard and Scottsbluff, will not take down its advertising at the request of the mayor and city council of Scottsbluff. Scottsbluff's city officials had blamed a recent increase in crime to the fact that men had come for work and could not at present find any. The sugar company officers pointed out that unless there are thousands of men here at the end of September, when the beet harvest begins, farmers will lose a great deal of money because of the scarcity and high prices of labor, and the factory will lose also because it will be impossible to keep the factories running at capacity when the campaign starts.

Some months ago A. W. Westhorpe of Yankton, S. D., came to Falls City and accepted a position with the Falls City Journal. Soon it became noised about that he was a specialist on butterflies and insects of all kinds. The children and even the older folks got busy with their nets until today Mr. Westhorpe has over 900 specimens on the mounting board. These will be permanently mounted and presented to the Fall City library. Everywhere in the county he is known as the "butterfly man."

The officers of consolidated district No. 14, southeast of Dawson, sold \$30,000 in bonds last week and will soon commence the erection of a splendid rural building. There are twenty-eight sections in this district with a valuation of about \$2,000,000. No expense will be spared to make this one of the best schools of its kind in the state.

Four officials of the Nebraska Clay Products company, owner of the Brick and Tile Manufacturing plant at Humboldt, visited the plant and conferred with the local foreman concerning the future of the plant. It is the expressed intention of the company to re-equip the plant for an early opening in the spring of 1922.

The Beatrice Chamber of Commerce has named a committee to take up the matter of providing for a municipal swimming pool adjoining chautauqua park or some other good location. The in a drive for the sale of \$1,000 worth of county fair tickets.

Great preparations are being made for the Washington county fair which will be held at Arlington, September 21-22-23. The agricultural society purchased the thirty-two acre stock park just west of the village of Arlington, which is one of the most attractive natural parks in eastern Nebraska.

Plans of A. W. Archer of Kansas City were accepted for McCook's new hospital. Plans call for a 40-bed hospital, suitable to be added to as demand arises. It is expected to begin work and to have the foundation in this fall. Dominican sisters will be in charge of the hospital.

A special election held at Wisner to vote \$35,000 bonds for electric light and power carried by a vote of 373 for, and 41 against. It is the intention of the city to install new engines in the city electric light plant.

Rumors that Charles Neal will be made resident manager of the Nye-Schneider-Fowler Co., at Fremont, followed his visit here in company with Julius Barnes, who is to become president of the concern.

The bite of a dog afflicted with rabies, in the opinion of physicians, caused Valentine Stellar, wealthy retired farmer, to blow off the top of his head with a shotgun at Clay Center.

Frank Summers of Beatrice sustained a dislocated shoulder, a crushed hand and gashes about the face when a team attached to a wagon load of corn backed into him, pushing him to the ground.

The Columbia school building, built at Gothenburg in 1892, has been equipped with a new, \$6,000 heating system to replace the old one which was last year condemned as inadequate.

Ira Robinson, thirty-eight, married and the father of five children, died from the results of being kicked in the stomach by a horse. He lived near Ceresco.

The Wymore fire department has just installed a combination chemical and hose truck.

About twenty swine breeders of Knox county recently organized the Knox County Swine Breeders association.

The Tackerville and Franklin school districts located near Callaway have consolidated and are now putting up a large school building.

One thousand garments comprise the quota reached by the women of Grand Island, which under supervision of the American Red Cross have been remade from old clothing for the stricken children of central Europe. They will be shipped to Europe immediately.

Adam Breed, of Hastings, will leave next week for the Hawaiian Islands, where he will attend the World Press congress as the Nebraska delegate. While in the islands Mr. Breed will act as correspondent for a number of Nebraska newspapers.

Record for largest paid attendance at Ringling Brothers Barnum & Bailey circus, goes to Norfolk, Neb., where over 17,000 people bought tickets for the performance there last week. Largest paid attendance in any season previous to last week was at Council Bluffs, Kan. Before that time Postville, Ia., had the record.

Chief Game Warden George Kester has received a letter from a ranchman at Broadwater, Morrill county, stating that a male buffalo was caught there September 3. Two buffalo cows are still at large in the hills and have been free for the past week. The animals bear no brand or mark of identification and no one knows where they came from. The game warden will investigate. Some believe the buffalo have wandered from the Yellowstone national park or from herds known to exist in South Dakota and Wyoming. The federal government has twenty head at Valentine, Neb. The one caught at Broadwater may be sent to join the federal herd at Valentine.

Earl Porter, president of the Omaha Aero club, says that 50,000 personal invitations have been sent out among the 240,000 air men available for the big reunion to be held in Omaha November 3, 4 and 5. It is to be the most important aeronautical event in the history of the globe, according to those who should know, for not only will a national air body be formed, and eight air races and exhibitions held, including the Pulitzer trophy race, but the general meetings of the reunion promise to bring developments and a llation that will advance the cause of aerial navigation tremendously.

Fidelity Post, American Legion, at Ord, is after the grapes. It is the opinion of the Ord post that Post Commander Cline will be a good man for the job as national commander and then Ord is after a man on the state and national boards. Ord post has recently completed the purchase of a modern two-story building which will be used for headquarters and club rooms and are now planning the winter's activities which will include a carnival, home talent minstrel, several dances and special community service.

The average Nebraska farm, including both land and buildings, is worth \$29,927 or 887.95 an acre, according to statistics compiled by D. P. Hogan, president of the Omaha Federal Land bank. According to this same report the farm land of Nebraska is worth \$3,330,150,180. Mr. Hogan shows that Nebraska land ranks third of all the land in the forty-eight states and second in point of valuation for the Omaha Land Bank district, which includes Iowa, Nebraska, South Dakota and Wyoming.

While Nebraska has a good corn crop in sight, the chances of approaching last year's heavy production have vanished with the hot winds, high temperatures and drought of the last half of August, according to the state and federal weekly report issued at Lincoln by A. E. Anderson. Late corn, especially, was damaged by too rapid ripening, but early corn was unharmed.

Word has been received from many points that numerous veterans of the Sandstorm division will be in Omaha for the convalescence, September 19, 20 and 21. Fort Omaha has been obtained for the occasion. From 4,000 to 5,000 veterans are expected.

Considerable interest is centered in the special election to be held in Beatrice September 20 when the voters will decide on the proposition of bonding the city for \$150,000 for the construction of a municipal lighting plant.

Four old landmarks in Sidney have been torn down and three more have been condemned and ordered down by the state fire marshal. These buildings will practically all be replaced by new and modern business buildings.

Sixteen hundred and fifty-two tourists' cars were parked nights at the public camp ground in North Platte during August, a number about one-fourth greater than during the same month last year.

The sale of its light system and connection with the line of the Tri-State Utilities company line is being contemplated by the village of Magnet. The estimated expense of the change is \$12,000.

Through the courtesy of the Chadron business men the Pine Ridge Indians were served with free beef, sugar and coffee during the Dawes county fair. Over 1000 Sioux were in attendance.

John Webb has resigned the position of deputy county treasurer of Johnson county and has taken the superintendency of the schools at Brownville.

Plans have been approved for a new Platte river bridge at Oshkosh. It is probable that a new bridge will also be constructed at Lisco.

Workspring will soon have city water works in operation. A year has been consumed in building the plant.

From reports, residents of Plattsmouth expect to form a chapter of the Ku Klux Klan.

A large barn on the Ernest Ackman farm near Jansen was destroyed by fire of undetermined origin. Some hay and 700 bushels of oats went up in smoke. The loss is placed at \$1,500.

The new Gering-Scottsbluff bridge has been opened for traffic. The bridge is 24 feet wide of reinforced concrete and the approach is 1,900 feet long in the shape of an elongated "S." The bridge cost \$140,000. This bridge, it is said, carries more traffic than any other bridge in the state, and only one bridge that touches the state exceeds it—the Omaha-Council Bluffs bridge.

After breaking last year's attendance figures on the opening day, the Nebraska state fair suffered a slump in attendance during the remaining days of the fair.

Riding on a train for the first time in his 88 years of life, Silas Hunt of Hayes Center went to Lincoln to the state fair. At the same time Mr. Hunt saw an airplane for the first time as it circled above the fair grounds. He declared that he could see it better without his glasses than with them. Mr. Hunt came to Nebraska over sixty years ago with a ox team.