

CAIRO, ILL., AN ISLAND CITY

Wall of Water Twenty Feet Higher Than Streets.

ONLY ENTRANCE IS BY BOAT.

Break Anywhere Would Mean Inundation of Town—Women and Children Are Sent Away and Only Levee Workers Remain.

Thirty thousand persons homeless, 2,000 square miles of country inundated, thirty persons drowned and a financial loss of \$10,000,000 constitute the result of two weeks' flood in the Mississippi valley. Railroad traffic in these sections is practically paralyzed. Hundreds of persons still are menaced by the tide of waters at points in lower Missouri, northwest Tennessee and Arkansas. They are marooned on house tops, in trees and on anchored rafts directly in the sweep of the rampaging river. A majority of them may be rescued.

Cairo today is an island city, surrounded by an ocean of water, the crest of which is ten feet higher than the average level of the city. In many places this wall of water stands twenty feet higher than the street.

With a bright sun cheerfully blazing upon the city after the severe rain and windstorm, hope returned to the fighting levee protectors. For the first time in a week the workers got a much needed rest, although the watchfulness along the levee was not relaxed and the men were ready at all times to answer calls to points of trouble.

Two thousand levee workers were scattered about the great levee system to renew their patrol.

Generous donations from all parts of Kentucky are being sent to Hickman to aid the 3,500 flood refugees who have straggled into that city.

A large number of steamboats are plying between this city and flooded towns below in search of stock, which is being landed on the hills near Wickliffe, Ky. Express companies are carrying supplies to refugees free of charge.

Several thousand acres of wheat are under water in Mississippi county, Missouri. Many thousand dollars' worth of stock have perished and farmers are living in their attics.

Cairo Island City.

For four days Cairo has been an island city. When the levees protecting the drainage district went out all rail communication was stopped and the only entrance to the city now is by boat from Mounds, nine miles away.

Mounds nominally is an inland town, three miles from the Ohio river, but there is now water three feet deep at the Big Four depot.

Almost \$300,000 has been spent in fighting the flood at Cairo and the drainage district. Five thousand or more men have been paid an average of \$1.50 a day for more than a week.

Cairo is protected by three main levees and several small ones. There are few women and children left in Cairo.

Two More Levees Break.

With two levees gone and more expected to break, the flood situation in the vicinity of Memphis is desperate.

At Golden Lake and Pen Camp, in Mississippi and Arkansas, it is almost as bad, and crevasses are threatening at Luxora, immediately north of Golden Lake, and at Modoc, on the White river front. At half a dozen other points the outlook is grave.

At the St. Claire and Wyanoke breaks water is pouring through both gaps at a terrific rate and eating away the earthworks. The southern half of Crittenden county and portions of the adjoining counties of St. Francis, Polk and Cross are inundated and the overflow is racing down the St. Francis river, back toward the Mississippi at Helena.

The tracks of the St. Louis, Iron Mountain and Southern, the Cotton Belt and the Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific are being washed away at several points.

Breaks Give Relief for Time.

For the moment the breaks have relieved the situation south of Memphis to some extent.

The big levee at Golden Lake, Ark., several miles above the St. Clair break, is expected to go out any minute.

The situation at Reelfoot could be much worse. The greatest loss has been to live stock that could not be rapidly moved. It is reported two children were drowned.

The situation at Hickman is greatly improved. The Mississippi fell eight inches in twenty-four hours. Counting aid authorized by the government, the flood fund for Hickman alone amounts to \$17,000. No distress is reported from other places seriously affected last week.

John Lax Is Dead.

West Point, Neb., April 8.—News has just reached the city of the death at North Yakima, Wash., of John Lax, a former resident of West Point, at the age of sixty-eight. Mr. Lax was formerly in business at West Point for some years and later removed with his family to the Pacific coast. He is survived by a widow and three children.

FLOOD SCENES.

Battling Night and Day To Re-enforce the Levees And Result of Bad Break.



DECLARE MADERO IS RUINING MEXICO

Special Commissioners Charge Him With Misuse of Funds.

New York, April 8.—The three special commissioners from General Orozco, leader of the Mexican revolutionists, who arrived here to present to the American people the revolutionists' side of the present trouble in their country, in a long statement given out by Manuel Lujan, head of the commission, bitterly assailed the administration of President Madero and declared that his tactics in the government of Mexico are slowly wrecking the nation.

Madero is charged with violating every oath he made to the men that helped him to overthrow the reign of Diaz. He is charged with misuse of government funds, with making it impossible to walk the highways of Mexico in safety and with not protecting the interests of foreign business and the people of his own country.

"The present revolution is not a new one," the statement says, "it is merely a continuance of the revolution which began when the rule of President Diaz became unbearable."

Madero, the commissioners declare was not called to the presidency by the people, but was accepted by the revolutionists because no one else came forward.

SUMNER TO WED HEALTH PAIR

Final Banns Are Read for First "Certified Marriage" at Chicago.

Chicago, April 8.—Formal preliminaries of the first marriage under the new rules of the Episcopalian cathedral of Chicago were completed.

For the third and last time the banns were read for a wedding to be celebrated Wednesday. The contracting parties are A. W. Bode, an operator at the Englewood police station and Miss May Palmer.

Both Mr. Bode and Miss Palmer had met the restrictions established by Dean Sumner with the approval of Bishop C. P. Anderson. They have submitted certificates from reputable physicians stating that they are not mentally or physically deficient and that they have no incurable or communicable disease.

MINERS SOON TO RESUME

Returns From Referendum Vote Will Be in by April 15.

Des Moines, April 8.—There is no doubt that the mine workers will accept the wage offer made by the operators at Cleveland, according to John P. White, president of the United Mine Workers of America.

Mr. White was in Des Moines to attend to shopping and visited a few friends before returning to his home in Oskaloosa, from which he had been absent at the conference in Cleveland.

"The men will be able to return to work after the referendum vote, which will be taken on the new wage scale April 10. The votes will be in by April 15," he said.

Meat Rate Readjustment.

Washington, April 8.—A readjustment of the freight rates on fresh meats and packing house products throughout the middle west is to be made by the interstate commerce commission. Advances of the rates have been proposed to the commission by some of the railroads, the increases amounting to from 20 to 55 per cent over the existing rates. These advances were suspended by the commission pending an inquiry into the entire situation.

Western High Wins Debate with Diller

Diller, Neb., April 8.—The Western high school debating team defeated the Diller team here by a two to one decision. The question was that of the closed shop, Diller supporting the affirmative.

SAMUEL COTNER DIES SUDDENLY

Founder of Cotner University Passes Away in Logansport.

WAS THERE TO PAY A VISIT.

Nebraska Pioneer Drops Dead as He Enters His Sister's Home—Cotners Have Lived in Omaha for Forty-six Years—Body to Be Buried There.

Omaha, April 6.—Samuel Cotner, pioneer banker and real estate dealer, founder of Cotner university and a resident of Omaha for many years, dropped dead at the home of his sister, Mrs. Mary Barnett, of heart failure.

Mr. Cotner and his wife went to Logansport, Ind., to visit his sister and he dropped dead of heart failure as he entered her home. He was sixty-nine years old.

Mr. Cotner had been a resident of Omaha for nearly forty-six years, he and his wife having come here from Logansport in 1866, five years after their marriage. Mr. Cotner taught school on the site now occupied by Bellevue college and through the early days was one of the most ardent of those who fought for more thorough and higher education. He and his wife gave not only of their time, but of their means for educational advancement. They endowed Cotner university and from them it got its name.

Mr. Cotner is survived by his widow and one son, Samuel Cotner, Jr., who lives in the Big Horn basin.

The body will be brought to Omaha for burial.

ENGINEER BUSY ON BRIDGES

Preparing Plans at Request of Counties Over the State.

Lincoln, April 6.—The office force of State Engineer Price is busy preparing plans and specifications for bridges. There was a large amount of state aid bridge work in the office before the recent floods played havoc with bridges in the Platte, Elkhorn and other valleys. While there are no funds available for more state aid bridges, the law provides for the state engineer furnishing plans and specifications on application of the various counties, and many such requests are now coming to the office, with the demand just commencing. Plans made by the department are all standardized as far as possible, and with slight changes of specifications those made for one bridge of a certain length will answer for another, and up to last summer the office had a fairly complete outfit of plans for almost every sized bridge. The last legislature, however, changed the requirements to stand a strain of twenty tons instead of twelve, as heretofore, and new plans are required for all constructed since that date. This makes the work due to the flood considerably greater.

ISSUES GASOLINE ORDER

Randall Notifies Dealers That Fluid Must Be Kept Underground.

Lincoln, April 6.—Fire Commissioner Randall has issued an order which will stir things up in all probability. He is sending out a circular to all dealers in gasoline that the fluid must be kept in an underground system hereafter and that prosecutions will follow if the order is not respected. He takes the stand this authority is given him in the law which makes practices which endanger life and property by fire a nuisance, and he insists that unless gasoline is kept underground it is a great menace. He consoles the dealers by telling them the saving in evaporation by putting it underground will more than pay for installing the system.

Court Settles Black's Salary Suit.

Kearney, Neb., April 6.—In the district court the case of the Kearney Baseball and Athletic association against H. S. Slevers of Grand Island, president of the Nebraska State Baseball league last year, the association was awarded \$120 and the defendant charged with costs, all resulting from the Black salary case.

West Point Farmer Is Poisoned.

West Point, Neb., April 6.—Frank Barcal, a farmer who lived in Gage valley, east of this city, is dead as the result of accidental poisoning. He had been sick for some time and got hold of a bottle containing wood alcohol, which he had mistaken for the medicine prescribed for him. He died in a few hours.

Hughes Cannot Come.

Lincoln, April 6.—Justice Charles E. Hughes of the United States supreme court, who had been invited to deliver the address on the occasion of the unveiling of the Lincoln monument on the capitol grounds, has written Secretary of State Wait that he cannot accept the invitation.

An Old Resident Dead.

Stromsburg, Neb., April 6.—Godfrey Johnson, a long time resident of Polk county, died at his home near Shelby. Mr. Johnson formerly lived near this city and has many relatives and friends here. He was seventy-six years old.

Easter Waists

We have about 50 Sample Waists and Shirts from Munson's (the Acorn brand) that we are closing out at the factory price. It is a good time to get a Stylish Waist at a reduction. These are all new 1912 Waists

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The Democratic Party Needs a Victory.

Says Seed Corn Will Grow.

Peter Keil does not take any stock in the rumor circulated some time ago that the seed corn this year is bad. Mr. Keil experimented with his pen of corn and took twenty kernels from as many ears, "hit or miss," as he came to them in the crib, and planted them in an earthen jar and kept the jar in proper temperature. Every kernel sent out a fine, healthy stalk of corn. Mr. Keil is of the opinion that all the fuss made about bad seed corn is not well timed.

Miss Atwood Sustains Injuries.

Last Friday afternoon while descending the steps at the post-office Miss Edith Atwood, by some mischance, fell and was severely injured, receiving cuts on her face and a badly sprained arm. She was removed to rooms at the Riley hotel and a physician summoned at once, and several stitches were required to close the cuts sustained. Miss Atwood has kept her room since, but is said to be doing as well as possible under the circumstances.

James Jelinek returned to Omaha on the early train today to attend school, after his Easter vacation. James is making good progress in his studies and will soon be equipped for business.

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THE WEATHER.

The readings below are taken at the Burlington depot, where the thermometer is placed under conditions similar to those used by the United States weather bureau.

Temperatures in Plattsmouth.

8 a. m. 47 | 1 p. m. 66

10 a. m. 57 | 2 p. m. 70

Forecast.

For Nebraska—Fair Monday; warmer in east portion. Tuesday, fair.

A Cowardly Assault.

As Fred E. Egenberger was wending his way homeward last night on South Sixth street someone dealt him a blow on the head with a club. He was walking along and had arrived at the vacant lot just south of the fire house when someone jumped out and dealt him a tremendous blow with a club that landed on his left cheek bone, knocking him down. As he fell he landed against a tree, making an ugly gash on the other side of his face. He got onto his feet as soon as possible, but no one was in sight. Fred says there was no cause for such an assault, as he has no enemies, at least one who would be so bitter as to commit such a deed. It is thought that whoever it was made a mistake, and that the blow was intended for someone else, probably with the intention of robbery. Fred was around this morning, and aside from the sore spots was feeling pretty well. It was a cowardly trick, and if Fred could have gotten hold of him he would have given him "what Paddy did the drum."

INITIAL STATIONERY AT LESS THAN COST

The Journal has 32 boxes of that extra fine English twill initial stationery that has been selling for 60 cents that we want to close out at 30 cents per box. The letters we have on hand are as follows: 4 G, 2 E, 2 J, 2 I, 2 H, 3 N, 1 L, 1 K, 1 V, 1 S, 2 R, 2 P. These are the old English style letter and the finest grade linen paper.

Attend Missionary Meeting.

Frank Wiles and wife, Mrs. E. H. Spangler, Miss Elizabeth Spangler, Mrs. Oscar Gopen, Mrs. Joe Wiles, Mrs. Stephen Wiles, Mrs. Luke Wiles, Mrs. Will T. Adams and daughter, Miss Harriet, returned last night on No. 2 from Omaha, where they had been as delegates to attend the branch missionary meeting of the U. B. church.

James Sage and wife were Omaha passengers on the morning train today, where Mr. Sage was called on business, while Mrs. Sage visited her sister, Mrs. O. M. Streight.

Sarah Bernhardt at the Parmels.

It may be doubted whether money alone would have induced Sarah Bernhardt, the greatest living actress, to play "Camille" before the moving picture camera. To such a passionate lover of art it must have seemed glorious to defy the limitations of space and time and have the whole world as her audience. The Cinematograph is indeed a monument. Photo plays will be the offering at the Parmels theater one night only, Sunday, April 14. Madame Bernhardt will be seen in the role of "Camille," while Madame Rejane will be seen in "Madame Sans Gêne." These are the same films as originally created such a furor in New York and are just closing a phenomenal engagement at the Brandeis theater, Omaha.

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