

LEGISLATURE TO AID

LEGISLATURE MAKES APPROPRIATION FOR TORNADO SUFFERERS.

WORK OF THE LEGISLATURE

Record of Events Transpiring in Both Houses of Nebraska Legislature.

Members of both houses of the state legislature took official cognizance of Sunday's death-dealing tornado at Omaha and nearby villages in the passage of a resolution providing for the appointment of a joint committee to confer with Governor Morehead over relief for sufferers. Practically all members of the committee visited the scene of devastation and were appalled at the loss of life and property that resulted from the storm's terrible sweep. The members unanimously, along with Governor Morehead, favor extreme liberality in the matter of appropriations and will not endeavor to stint the sufferers whatsoever, despite the unusually heavy appropriation list that confronts the present session. The committee met with the governor and an appropriation of \$100,000 was decided upon, this to become available just as soon as the bill providing for it can be hurried through the legislature.

Too Late With the Bill.

A peculiar coincidence between legislation and the Sunday tornadoes was noticed Tuesday. The senate passed the house bill permitting villages in which no newspaper is printed to advertise proposed elections for voting bonds by posting notices in place of newspaper advertisements. The bill was intended for the relief of the village of Ralston, a suburb of Omaha, which wanted to vote bonds for public improvements, but could not do so legally because no newspaper is edited in the village. The bill is now ready to go to the governor. But the village is a thing of the past. It was wiped out of existence by the tornado which also swept across the city of Omaha.

To Hold Evening Sessions.

With the end of the present session in sight and only a few days remaining in which the members can draw their \$10 per diem salary, the lower house legislative house voted to hold evening sessions from now on, unless by special action such sessions are dispensed with on particular days. Snyder of Adams explained his motion providing for this step by asserting that a glance at the general file and the committee work still outlined would convince any member that it behooved the body to "be up and doing" if a reasonable early adjournment is to be accomplished.

County Ownership of Telephone Lines.

The senate, by a vote of 19 to 13, amended the Fuller bill for county ownership of telephone lines by providing that counties shall purchase existing lines before going into the telephone business. This amendment was declared by friends of the bill to practically kill the bill, but they hope to get the senate amendment changed or stricken out when the bill goes to a conference committee of the two houses.

Must Give Full Measure.

No more berries are to be sold in Nebraska in boxes with false bottoms. Wholesale fruit dealers must purchase where false bottoms are not used or stamp their boxes before they leave the wholesale house. This was the decision of the house on the effort of several members of the Lancaster delegation to have the state weights and measures bill amended to except berries in crates from its provisions.

Weights and Measures.

The bill establishing a bureau of weights and measures under the pure food department was recommended for passage. The measure, S. F. 187, provides that the deputy pure food commissioner shall be the sealer of weights and measures. It provides for the stamping of correct weights and measures and defines the various weights and measures. It provides also for city, municipal and county sealers where such are desired.

Capital Punishment Bill.

The senate committee on judiciary decided to report out the bill from the house for the abolition of capital punishment. The committee will place the bill on general file with an amendment providing for the punishment by hanging of persons who, while under conviction of murder in the first degree, kills a keeper or another in the act of attempting to escape from the penitentiary, or who kills another after having escaped. This provision has been upheld as legal in the state of California.

For Fish Hatchery on Verdigre.

The question of appropriating \$5,000 for the establishment of a branch state fish hatchery on Verdigre creek in Antelope county gave members of the house a chance to indulge in volumes of pent-up oratory. In the end, despite the strenuous objection which was raised, the bill was recommended for third reading.

Harrie Thomas of Harvard, with his family, has gone to Washington to assume his duties as private secretary to Congressman Barton.

BRIEF NEWS OF NEBRASKA.

Wymore boasts a wireless telegraph station. Seward will purchase a new chemical fire engine. A socialist newspaper is to be started at Fairbury. Lushon was visited by a disastrous fire last week. State Yeoman conclave will be held at Lincoln next week. The Cortland creamery will expand and increase its capital stock. Democrats at York have decided not to put a ticket in the field this spring. Fremont will vote on the Sunday baseball proposition at the spring election.

Some localities in the state are becoming overrun with wolves and coyotes. Miss Kate Beechler killed a large gray wolf with an ax on a ranch near Callaway.

The estimated property loss in the state from Sunday's tornado will reach near \$7,000,000. Efforts are being made by York business men to land the state tennis tournament this summer.

The socialists of Fairbury are making an active campaign for the municipal election to be held April 1. More than an inch of rain fell in less than an hour at Grand Island. Many basements were flooded.

Frank Tinchner, nominated on the citizens ticket for mayor of Fairbury, has declined to make the race. Fremont has passed a new hack and taxi fare ordinance, fixing the maximum at 50 cents within the city limits.

A sale of blooded cattle at Fairbury was declared off by the state veterinarian on account of tuberculosis in the herd.

Beatrice poultry fanciers have reorganized the Southeastern Nebraska Poultry association which flourished a few years ago. The Northwest Nebraska Teachers' association meeting will be held in Chadron on Friday and Saturday, March 28 and 29.

The twentieth annual session of the Nebraska Educational association opened at Beatrice with an enrollment of over 300 teachers. The Greenwood school board at a recent meeting re-elected Prof. E. D. Lehman as principal of the high school for the coming year.

The proposition to hold a special election on Sunday baseball at Kearney has been withdrawn, as public sentiment seemed to oppose it. A. Alberts, a farmer living near Cortland, was seriously injured by getting caught in a belt wheel while sawing wood with a gasoline engine.

Sheriff Kerwin of Leavitt is at a Fremont hospital with a badly mangled foot as a result of the accidental discharge of the shotgun he was carrying. The employees of the Nebraska division of the Rock Island railroad held a "safety first" meeting in the division superintendent's office at Fairbury.

The Bradshaw Monitor announces that it will open its columns to all outside advertising if its merchants do not better patronize their home paper.

Editor Smith of the Elwood Bulletin was compelled to take an enforced vacation of a few weeks on account of a bum finger—he had it amputated.

The Gage county breeders of pure bred swine offer \$500 in prizes to the boys and girls of Gage county who produce the most pounds of pork from one litter of pigs.

J. A. Edgerton, at one time prominent in Nebraska populist circles, has been appointed purchasing agent for the postoffice department under the new administration.

Six hundred and ninety-eight Nebraska state banks reporting at the close of business on February 15 show that the resources of the state since March 16, 1912, have increased \$8,285,259, and the deposits have increased \$6,232,959 in the same time.

Plans and specifications for the new \$55,000 school house at Albion are now complete. It will be an imposing looking structure and as up-to-date as can be made.

At a meeting of the Dresher Commercial club, E. J. Mitchell was elected president; A. B. Ude, vice-president, and H. Harms, secretary-treasurer.

Charles Heitz of Albion was 70 years old Monday and has worked at his shoe making business for fifty-six years. He is an old pioneer, says he is in good health, and can do as much work as ever.

Stockmen report a little loss of live stock in Butler county in the recent blizzard. Socialists of Fairbury have placed a full ticket in the field for the approaching city election.

The Wahoo board of education has been considering plans for the erection of the two new school buildings for which bonds were voted a few weeks ago.

It is reported that the Superior state baseball league management has purchased all the players which had signed with the Beatrice Mink league for the season of 1913.

The timely arrival of Deputy Sheriff Watts prevented the suicide of Minnie Roberts, sixteen years old, in one of the rooming houses of North Platte.

With but two negative votes the house passed on third reading Senator Smith's bill imposing a 2 per cent annual tax on the gross receipts of all express companies in Nebraska.

Convict Maynard, a life term at the penitentiary, attempted suicide in his cell by hanging. The prisoner is one who has been shut off from his supply of dope, and his shattered physical condition is supposed to have been the reason for his act.

FOOTING UP DAMAGE

ACTUAL FATALITIES LESS THAN AT FIRST ESTIMATED.

OHIO RIVER ON A RAMPAGE

Fifty Millions Will Cover Property Losses—Flood Waters Receding—Fatalities in Indiana Are Cut Down.

Flood waters have receded sufficiently to show that the number of persons drowned in all the affected cities in Ohio and Indiana may not exceed 500. While many persons still are missing to friends and relatives, investigations made to date indicate that many were safe who were thought to be lost.

In Dayton careful estimates placed the number of deaths at 200 or fewer, although a meeting of undertakers asserted that the total might reach 800. Relief work went on rapidly in Dayton and all parts of the city were reached.

Columbus will have the next largest loss of life, sixty bodies having been found in the inundated portion of West Columbus.

Unverified figures of Miamisburg, O., give fifty dead, but in all other flooded cities the figures fell off rapidly as relief expeditions covered the ground.

Mount Vernon did not confirm its previous report of fifty dead, and no confirmation was had of thirty-two reported drowned at Venice, O.

Chillicothe and Tiffin, O., where there had been reports of fifty or more dead, each had found eighteen corpses up to midnight.

The best figures from Piqua give a death toll of fifty persons. Middletown and Fremont, O., each has fourteen dead, Troy four, Massillon one and Masonville four.

Indiana's total drowned receded to fewer than fifty, distributed as follows: Peru, 29; Brookville, 16; Fort Wayne, 8; Terre Haute, 4. No bodies have been found in West Indianapolis, where at one time as many as 200 deaths were reported.

Crave Conditions at Cincinnati.

Cincinnati, O.—As the waters of the Ohio river continue to rise, increased in volume by the flood waters from tributaries east and north of here, this city is facing the worst flood in its history. The river stage was sixty-four feet Friday, with indications that before many hours the gauge will have reached seventy feet, almost the mark of 1884, the record year. Weather forecasters here express the conviction that the river would reach sixty-eight feet and would go to the seventy-foot mark early in the week.

Floods almost unprecedented in area following the tornadoes and rains of the last few days swept the Mississippi valley, causing a loss of life that may reach into the hundreds and damage to property amounting to many millions.

Ohio and Indiana, and in a lesser degree, Illinois and Missouri, felt the brunt of the disaster. At Dayton, O., scores of persons were reported drowned following the breaking of the Miami river levee and the Laramie reservoir fifty miles above the city. Marooned in office buildings in the center of the town, hundreds of persons were awaiting rescue.

Millions of dollars in property damage has already been incurred and the flood is reported still on the increase. From Indianapolis came reports of one hundred thousand homeless throughout Indiana and a property loss reaching the enormous figure of \$10,000,000 in cities, towns and villages alone. This does not include the losses to farmers. The loss of life, while not so great as in Ohio, has not been estimated.

The climax of the flood in Ohio was reached at Dayton, where it was reported that the water is from twenty to forty feet deep in many streets, that bodies were floating past windows of office buildings and that the catastrophe assumed the proportions of a tidal wave. A telephone message to Chillicothe asserted that thirty thousand of Dayton's inhabitants were homeless and that a relief train had been dispatched from Xenia. Hundreds of fires which could not be extinguished were said to have added to the horror of the situation at Dayton.

At Delaware, nineteen persons were reported dead, many missing and four hundred families homeless. Sixteen or seventeen dead at Hamilton, O., where conditions similar to those at Dayton, render rescue work impossible. Otto, a hamlet of 100 persons, was said to have been destroyed and the fate of the inhabitants unknown.

Hundreds of lives have been lost in Indiana. Columbus, Ohio.—"If our worst fears are confirmed it will be necessary for us to call on the outside world for tents and supplies in order to make provision for the worst catastrophe that has ever befallen this state," said Governor Cox in a telegram sent to the New York World.

Columbus, O.—Governor Cox has issued an order directing Adjutant General Speaks to call out the entire Ohio national guard for duty in the flood-swept district, which comprises practically the whole state.

LIFE SAVING CREW RESCUES ORPHANS

Captain Carland and Men From Chicago Do Fine Work at Fort Wayne.

LEADER'S STORY IS GRAPHIC

Five Boatloads of Children Taken Safely Across Mile of Rushing Water—Incidents of the Flood at Peru.

Chicago.—Half-frozen and without food, fifty-eight children and their attendants were rescued from the Fort Wayne Orphan Asylum by Captain Charles Carland and his crew from the Chicago life saving station. Captain Carland and six life savers returned to Chicago from Fort Wayne with their surf boat, but immediately departed for Terre Haute to continue their rescue work.

Captain Carland's story was graphic. He told how he and his men arrived at the asylum just after four children had met death when an attempt was made to rescue them. Five trips to the asylum were made by Captain Carland and each time a boatload was taken safely across half a mile of swiftly flowing water. Besides the children four matrons and six men were rescued from the building.

Carland Tells Story. "We arrived at Fort Wayne when the water was highest," said Captain Carland. "No sooner had we arrived when a report reached us that the children were marooned in the Orphan Asylum. One attempt had been made to rescue them which ended disastrously for four of the children and two brave men. The small rowboat in which the would-be rescuers had reached the building overturned after four of the children had been taken from a second-story window. All were drowned.

"Conditions in the asylum were awful when six men and myself finally reached the building. In one small room, huddled together half frozen and hungry, were the little girls and boys with their attendants.

"Many were crying, a few were asleep from exhaustion. One of the women had fainted.

Afraid to Trust Boats. "At first they refused to trust their lives to our boats. They had witnessed the fate of the first boat and were afraid. We finally carried twelve of the little ones out of the second-story window and then our fight back started. It needed the combined strength of every man on the boat to fight the current and prevent the boat from overturning. Then we were hampered by the cries of the children and at times the one matron we took with us would become panic stricken. After getting to shore the children were placed in the care of merchants of the town, and we went back for another load.

"We received a different reception on our second arrival at the asylum. A shout of joy went up when they heard that the first load had been landed safely. A little confusion resulted from the natural anxiety of the tots to get into the boat. No one was hurt, however, and after five trips we succeeded in removing all the children and their attendants to safety.

Children Go Hungry. "The merchants thanked us for what we had done. One of the matrons told us the children had not had a full meal for 48 hours. They had run out of coal and were breaking up the furniture in the place for fire wood. The fire they kindled in the middle of the room, braving the danger of the entire building burning up."

Brings 200 Peru Children. Charles H. Thacher and his wife, who live at 3260 Groveland avenue, arrived here from Peru, Ind., with 200 Peru children, many of them now orphans.

A man in Peru, having a boat, demanded \$50 from Thacher to take the two away. There was another woman in the marooned house, and the boatman refused to take her.

"A shot was fired and the man fell out of the boat, dead," said Mr. Thacher. Mr. Thacher escaped with his wife and the other woman in the boat. A second man, Dr. Hupp, offered a boatman \$100 to take his wife to a hospital, there being imminent a visit from the stork. The man refused and the doctor knocked him out of the boat with a brick. A Winona college student rowed the doctor's wife to the hospital, where a baby was born, mother and child being saved.

Trio in Stolen Boat Drowned. Three unknown men were drowned at Peru when a leaky boat, which they had stolen, sank. The boat was owned by Oliver Wilson, a farmer who lives near the water line of the inter-urban tracks. Wilson discovered the theft when the three men were 100 yards from shore. When they had gone a half mile, they appeared in distress. The Wilson family watched the men struggle in the water and disappear. No effort has been made to recover the bodies.

At Logansport heroic work was done by the crew sent from Lake Bluff and by the cadets from Culver Military academy in saving lives. Many pathetic incidents marked the work of rescue.

In all more than 5,000 persons were rescued from marooned homes and taken to safety in rowboats. Many lost everything they possessed. Horses, cattle and other animals were killed by the hundreds.

IN WARFARE OF FACTIONS

Snapshot of Quiet Domestic Scene When Rivals Fought for the Control of Mexico.

There was a dramatic silence. "We need butter for supper," said the wife and mother firmly. "I don't see how we can get along without it. I'll send Johnnie to the grocer's. It's just across the street, you know. He's little and can run fast."

"No," said the husband and father firmly, "I will go."

But the wife flung herself on his breast as he took down his hat. "No, no, John," she cried; "you can't be spared. I will go."

He caught her by the arms. "No," he quickly said. "What would I do without you? Hark!"

"They all listened."

"I can open a tumbler of jelly," said the wife and mother.

"Gimme jelly," cried the child. So they sat down and ate their butterless supper.

And all this happened because they lived in the City of Mexico, and the rival factions were using the streets for gun practice.

SAD PREDICAMENT.



"I have come to ask your daughter's wing." "Alas! Mr. Drake, I'm afraid you will have to wait until some new ones grow in. The farmer clipped our wings this morning."

Race Prejudice. This is an actual conversation which was overheard in Oregon in the presidential campaign. It was reported to President Wilson himself, then a mere governor and candidate. He enjoyed it, but refused to allow it to be published at that time.

Mike—Who are ye goin' to vote for this fall? Pat—Wilson Woodrow. Mike—Faith, an' vice versa ye mean, don't ye? Pat—The devil it is! D'ye think I'm goin' to vote for wan o' thim dom Eye-tallans?

Slightly Misunderstood. "I understand that the young man in the house next to you is a finished cornetist?" "Geel is he? I was just screwing up my courage to finish him myself! Who did it?"—Houston Post.

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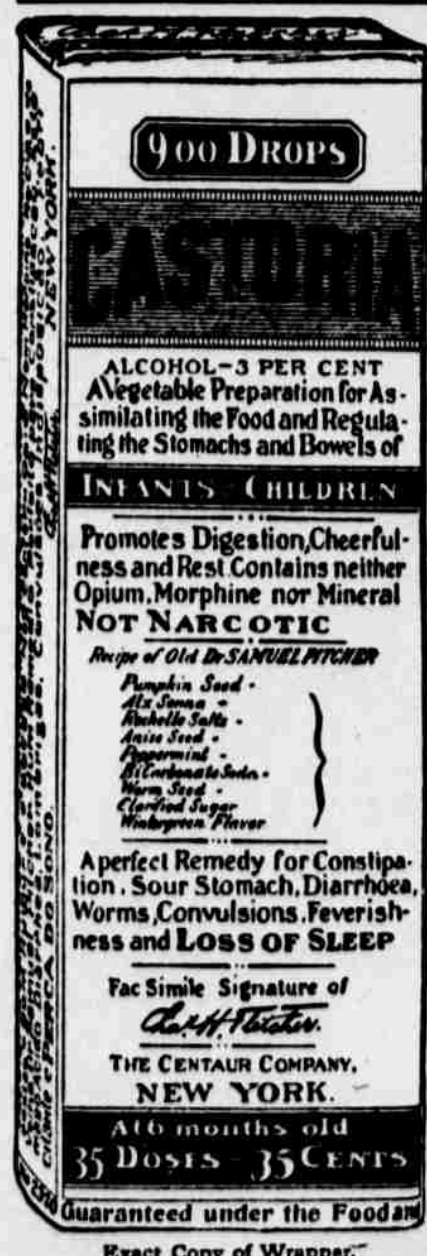
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