

## FAMINE THREATENS DAYTON

### Will Take Ten Years for City to Recover from Blow.

Dayton, Ohio, April 1.—Residents of flood swept Dayton were confronted by a new horror this afternoon when it was admitted that famine is imminent as a result of the relief committee underestimating the amount of provisions that would be required here. Admission that the stricken residents were now forced to face the specter of want was made by the head of the relief committee this afternoon.

Dayton, Ohio, April 1.—That it will be ten years before Dayton recovers from the disastrous flood which has almost ruined the city was the prediction of Major Rhoads, military aid to President Wilson, who came here with Secretary of War Garrison.

"It will require two weeks' hard work even to make an impression on the debris on the streets, doorways and alleys," Major Rhoads said, "and it will be two years before the city will be comfortably inhabitable. We have established a tent city on the fair grounds to relieve the congestion and to prevent the spread of disease."

Major Rhoads is erecting two army field hospitals for the many sick persons among the flood refugees. The Red Cross is conducting a house to house canvass of the city to ascertain the needs of the destitute.

General Wood declared the city will remain under martial law for an indefinite period.

Relief workers report that they are living on short rations, but refuse to accept food unless they can pay for it. The compulsory free food order was suspended today.

### Millar Fined \$50 and Costs.

George H. Millar, councilman from the third ward and socialist leader was found guilty before the mayor's court Monday on a charge of immorality and assessed the maximum fine of \$50 and costs. Papers asking for a review of the case before Judge F. M. Calkins of the circuit court was filed this week by Attorney Newbury for the defense. The case lasted a week, and attracted a large crowd every day.

The closing incident of the trial was the disappearance of the original complaint. Attorney Newbury argued that because the original paper was not on hand, the case should be dismissed. This important document mysteriously disappeared, and was

among the mayor's papers on the desk, when the last session of the court was held. A duplicate of the complaint is in the possession of the city authorities but where the original went is a mystery.

The opening argument was made by City Attorney Boggs, followed by Attorney Newbury for the defense. It was charged by Attorney Newbury that the case was a "political conspiracy" to whip Millar into line, and that the mayor and city attorney were using the disreputable Royal rooming house as a means of "political blackmail." Stress was laid upon the fact that the resort had not been closed, though prosecution is imminent.—Tribune.

### March Rainfall Shy.

The Rogue River valley, according to figures compiled by Prof. O'Gara for the month of March, is short 2.14 inches of rainfall. The rain for the month was 4.3 inches. The mean average for March is 2.57 making a deficiency for the last thirty days of 2.14 inches.

For the period from September 1 to April 1, there was a rainfall of 11.79 inches, about half that of other years. The average rain for this period is 22.66 inches, leaving a shortage of 10.87 inches. March, 1913, was one of the driest March's in the weather annals of the Rogue River valley.

Should April rainfall show as heavy a deficiency as the last month, the farmers and fruitgrowers will feel the effect in the summer months when the stored moisture in the ground is brought into use. Should weather conditions be such as to partially make up the deficiency in rainfall, during this month it will also have a deterrent effect on the growing and budding crops.—Tribune.

### DIED

At his home, 208 South Ivy street Medford, Patrick Daily, Sunday, Mar. 30, aged 69 years, 1 month. Born in County Kerry, he came to American at the age of eight years. He came to Medford in 1901. He was a member of the G. A. R., having served in Company D, First Missouri cavalry, in the civil war. He was in Price's raid and in the battle of Wilson Creek. He leaves nine children, Mrs. E. S. Stinson, Medford, James Daily, Medford, Mrs. A. J. Zimmerman, Jamestown, Kansas; P. H. Daily, Medford; Mrs. O. E. Stinson, Medford; Charles Daily, Medford; T. W. Daily, Trail; M. L. Daily and Bertha Daily, of Medford. Funeral services were held at the Catholic church Monday at 2 p. m. Burial at Jacksonville cemetery.

## CIRCUIT COURT IN SESSION

### Number of Criminal Cases Heard this Week.

The circuit court this week heard and disposed of a number of criminal cases of greater or less interest, in several instances dismissing the case. The criminal docket is rapidly being wiped clean, a record being made last week when a variety of "guilty" in the case of Frank Kelly, Medford's "methodical" burglar, was returned in four minutes.

On Saturday afternoon of last week John Walker, a laborer was found guilty of raising a check for \$2.25 to \$42.25. The jury recommended him to the clemency of the court.

Henry Lerch, a second hand dealer of Medford, against whom three indictments was returned by the grand jury, was found not guilty of buying stolen property. He was released on \$500 bail to await a hearing on two other indictments.

The case against H. T. Haswell, charged with misappropriation of funds in his possession, was dismissed by the court.

Bert R. Greer, editor of the Ashland Tidings, charged with criminal libel by reason of an article last October, in which allegations of conspiracy to loot the county treasury were made, was acquitted by a jury in the circuit court Thursday after seven hours deliberation. Greer was the only witness for the defense. Witnesses for the prosecution were F. L. Tou Velle, Dr. J. M. Keene, Dr. C. R. Ray, Dr. J. F. Reddy, W. H. Canon, Porter J. Neff and Geo. Putnam, all of whom denied the existence of any organization to loot the county or of any intent to loot the county.

The court was occupied the latter part of the week by the case of Cecil Townsend of Ashland, charged with forgery. It is expected that action in the cases of the Medford liquor men, charged with selling liquor to minors, will be forthcoming the forepart of the week.

### Royal Neighbors Meet.

The Royal Neighbors of this city held their regular monthly meeting Tuesday at the home of Mrs. John Norling at Medford. Mrs. Norling is a member of the local organization. After the business of the meeting had been transacted, delicious refreshments were served. Those present from Jacksonville were: Mrs. T. T. Shaw; Mas. Jos. Moreom, Mrs. S. Walsh, Mrs. D. W. Bagshaw.

## MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL

### Held Tuesday Evening. Fick Elected to Council. Bills Allowed. Survey of Pipe Line Ordered. Bond of Marshal Approved.

The city council met in regular session at the City Hall, Tuesday evening. Present—Mayor Britt; Councilmen Florey, McIntire and Ulrich; Recorder Stansell; Attorney Hanna, Marshal Jones and Street Commissioner Ulrich. Minutes of previous meetings were read and approved.

Under the head of "Unfinished Business" the council proceeded to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Councilman Britt, who had been chosen mayor at a previous meeting. The names of Fred J. Fick and Alex Norris were placed in nomination and a ballot taken which resulted in the selection of Mr. Fick. Immediately following the election, Mayor Britt administered the oath of office to Mr. Fick and the latter then took his seat as a member of the council.

The bond of M. D. Jones as city marshal, was then presented to the council and on motion was approved. The oath of office was administered to Mr. Jones by Attorney Hanna.

The usual bills for salaries, labor, supplies, light, etc., were presented and ordered paid. Some discussion was had over a bill of the marshal for fees for making three arrests. It was stated that as the marshal was paid a salary for his services the fees should go into the city treasury. The bill however was allowed but a motion that in the future the compensation of the marshal should be a flat salary, prevailed.

The question of water rent was discussed at some length, several members contending that parties using water only part of the year ought to pay a higher monthly rental than those who used it the entire year; the matter was finally adjusted temporarily by the adoption of a resolution providing that where parties had discontinued using the water during the winter and desired to begin again in the summer a charge of \$1.50 should be made for turning on the water. Further consideration of the matter was deferred until a proper schedule of rates could be prepared.

The cemetery committee reported the need of new fence around the cemetery and on motion the committee was instructed to give the matter immediate attention.

The recorder stated that he was in immediate want of several record books, stationery, etc., also a filing cabinet. On motion the recorder was authorized to purchase such supplies at the lowest possible price.

The matter of the pipe line across land claimed by Mr. Beckman was discussed at some length and on motion it was decided to employ Mr. Eiknsat to make a survey of the land adjoining the water main in dispute.

Attorney Hanna reported the receipt of a communication from the representative of the Home Telephone Co. in which it was stated that the attorney for the company was preparing a franchise ordinance for presentation to the council and that same would be ready in a few days.

Mr. Abbott was present and addressed the council on the subject of the electric lights used, presenting a schedule showing the cost when using the carbon lamps in comparison with the cost when the Mazda lamps are used. The gentleman also strongly urged the testing of all meters in use in the city, by some one other than an employee of the Electric company.

On motion council adjourned to meet at the call of the mayor.

### Protects Boys.

County Judge Tou Velle Monday issued a warrant for the arrest of a man named Seranton, aged 25, who is said to have coaxed two boys, one 16 and the other 17, to leave home and go hobnobbing. Contributing to the delinquency of minors is the charge.

Judge Tou Velle telephoned to Ashland to have Seranton stopped. The boys are John Hard and Bryan Hewitt.

### Found Guilty in 4 Minutes

The record for quick action in the returning was set in the circuit court Friday, when a jury in the trial of Frank Kelley, a painter, charged with burglary returned a verdict in four minutes. The twelve men reached their decision by acclamation, so convincing was the evidence introduced by Prosecutor Kelley, and simply walking

from the court room to the jury room and back again.

Former County Clerk W. R. Coleman was foreman of the jury. The verdict is believed to be the quickest ever returned in the northwest, if not in the United States.

Kelley confessed to the burglary of a number of Medford business houses and of these crimes he kept a list of the articles stolen, causing him to be known as the "methodical burglar."

### W. Virginia and Ky. Flooded.

Pittsburg, March 29.—Telephone messages say Parkersburg and Huntington, W. Va., and bordering cities of Kentucky are suffering from flood waters this Sunday morning. The crest of the flood which did enormous damage throughout western Pennsylvania and part of West Virginia, passed Wheeling and is making trouble at Parkersburg and points beyond.

Parkersburg and Huntington are both cut off from communication. The business district of each city is almost entirely under water, something unknown in their history.

New York, March 29.—With the Hudson receding practically all danger is believed to be past in the flooded regions of New York state. The Genesee river is also receding. At Albany the flood damage is heavy as also at Troy. Hundreds of families in the flooded sections are homeless.

Indianapolis, March 29.—Sixty live are known to be lost in Indianapolis. The flood which almost disappeared in the central portions of the state is still threatening Evansville and smaller cities along the Ohio river. Governor Ralston is organizing a systematic relief work and money and supplies are being sent into the devastated districts. The property losses in the state will total many millions.

### Too Many Potatoes.

The unprecedented potato crop of last year in Oregon and other states has so filled the market everywhere as to absolutely cut out demand for this staple. The result has been that many friends are yet unharvested, the owners waiting to see if ever so slight a demand would justify the digging. Usually there is a call for potatoes in the spring but this year is an exception and with offerings made at twenty cents a hundred by those having stock on hand and no takers is a poor incentive for those with crop in the ground to do more than let the tubers rot.—Sheridan Sun.

Klamath county is to do its part toward helping storm sufferers in the eastern states. Two cars of potatoes will probably leave Klamath Falls today and within the next few days it is planned to start four or five additional carloads of Klamath potatoes on their mission of mercy.

These potatoes are being donated by various persons who have large quantities on hand and the Klamath Development company, C. H. Daggett, W. F. Arant and C. R. DeLap each have donated ten tons.—Klamath Northwestern.

### Turkey Bows to Inevitable.

Constantinople, April 1.—Beaten in every battlefield, her armies scattered and destroyed, Adrianople, her "Holy City" in the hands of the Bulgars, Turkey today bowed to the inevitable and formally agreed to unconditional acceptance of the terms of peace offered by the powers. The acceptance of the Porte was officially announced in a note to the diplomats stationed here.

Even this surrender of the Turk, however, by no means makes certain the end of the war. The Balkan allies have not yet agreed to the proposals of the powers, and should Montenegro still show a strong front at Scutari, it is more than probable that the proposals of the powers will come to mean nothing more than a basis for negotiating has been arrived at.

It is admitted here, however, that the surrender of Turkey ultimately will result in peace, and probably peace with practically all the demands of the allies satisfied.

### Bar on Ragging Causes Scrap.

When the manager of a dance being held at Kerby put the ban on the "turkey trot," "bunny hug," etc., trouble was started that resulted in a battle with knives between George Gates and Ed. Spence in which the latter was dangerously wounded, he receiving eleven knife wounds in various parts of his body.—Rogue River Courier.

### J. P. MORGAN DEAD

## Pujo Hearing Blamed by Friends as Immediate Cause of Failing Health.

Rome, March 31.—J. P. Morgan died at the Grand Hotel at 12:05 this morning. Announcement of his death was withheld until private cables had been sent to the Morgan banking houses at New York and London. The end was peaceful and came when the financier was unconscious. Henry Satterlee, Morgan's son-in-law; Mrs. Morgan's daughter, Prof. Brasteriallia, Dr. Dixon and others of the Morgan party were at the bedside when the end came.

For hours before his death Morgan was in a state of coma.

Dr. Dixon declared Morgan's collapse was due to the strain incidental to the financier's recent appearance before the recent Pujo probe committee meeting.

Morgan's death followed a week of critical illness.

New York, March 31.—The death notice of J. P. Morgan was posted this morning at 9 o'clock on the door of the offices of the banking firm of J. P. Morgan and company.

The notice simply stated that Morgan died this morning at Rome.

All flags were lowered in Wall Street upon receipt of the cable from Rome announcing Morgan's death.

It was announced that the stock exchange would not close today.

Members of J. P. Morgan and company say that hereafter, the firm will confine itself strictly to a conservative banking policy, devoting but little attention to speculation.

In a statement issued here, Henry Clews, a member of Morgan's firm blamed Morgan's appearance before the house committee which investigated the money trust as hastening the financier's death.

J. P. Morgan junior announced that he did not think the expected break in the stock market would occur, although tenseness was felt on all sides, the opening failed to produce sensations. Steel stock opened 3/4 of a point lower. Southern railway stock opened 1/2 lower but rallied. Reading opened a point lower but immediately recovered. Louisville and Nashville showed a gain of 1 1/4 points.

### Oregon Sidelights.

Union has a new water wagon of 600 gallons capacity.

Salem Statesman: Salem is filling up. There are fewer vacant residences than for some time; and the activity in building shows indications of continuing and growing.

Ontario's authorities are imposing the perance of toil upon sojourning bums. The chain gang has recently executed a City Beautiful coup among the dead leaves and other rubbish in the public park.

Gold Beach Globe: Gold Beach will soon be headquarters for at least two automobiles. We understand they are to be put on the run between Gold Beach and Crescent City as soon as the roads dry up sufficient for their use.

Tillamook Herald: The prospects now are that Tillamook city will experience quite a building boom this summer. Several good buildings are sure to be erected. The new brick yard will be a great aid. We have a very fine quality of clay for brick.

Monroe Leader: That "private car," heretofore known as the "Alsea" no longer bears that distinction. The name has been painted out. Superintendent O'Connor, however, continues to occupy its sumptuous apartments when out on the road on official business.

Seaside Signal: There is a movement on foot to form a civic improvement league in Seaside, to promote all sorts of improvements for the city and more especially to see that streets, alleys, vacant lots, etc., are cleaned up. Another phase of the new movement will be regular meeting at which men and women may gather and offer suggestions on civic development topics.

Lebanon Tribune: The outlook for a busy season for Lebanon during the present year is exceedingly bright. It is now certain that three and, possibly four concrete blocks will be erected during the year. This with the completion of our sewer system and the paving of twelve city blocks, should furnish abundance of work for mechanics and laborers during the entire year.—Journal.

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