

EASTERN RIVERS OVERFLOW CITIES

Ohio Doing Great Damage
at Cincinnati and
Louisville.

THOUSANDS FLOODED OUT

Southern Ohio Metropolis in Dark-
ness and All Communication
Stops—Monongahela Flood
Makes Many Men Idle.

RIVERS WILL CONTINUE RISING.
Weather Bureau tonight issued a
flood bulletin showing continued rises
of the Ohio and Mississippi rivers.
The flood in the Ohio River, the bulletin
says, has assumed more seri-
ous proportions, with still higher
stages to come.

CINCINNATI, Jan. 18.—With a second
rise reported at the headquarters of the
Ohio River, the outlook tonight is
gloomy. Towns along the river are suffer-
ing from crippled communication, limited
fuel and a shortage of food.
Thousands of families have been re-
fugees from their homes, and many thousands
of men are idle because of the enforced
shutting down of the factories.

A number of citizens are in darkness
tonight because of broken gas mains,
flooded light plants, etc. Railroads,
trams and city electric lines were
generally crippled along the river.

At Louisville, more than one hundred
families were driven from their homes,
at Portsmouth, Tenn., more than one
hundred families have been driven from
their homes, and other vacant buildings
are being used for shelter.
In response to a request from the
Mayor of Manchester, O., Governor
Harris late today ordered one com-
pany of the Seventh Regiment, sta-
tioned at Manchester, to guard the
property of flood victims.

At noon the 60-foot stage in the river
was reached. One of the most serious
phases of the flood is the prospect of
a freight embargo. The Baltimore &
Ohio Southwestern issued a sweeping
order refusing to accept any freight for
delivery within or via Cincinnati, regard-
less of destination.

KENTUCKY RIVERS ARE RISING
Ohio Overflows Louisville and
Drives Out 500 Families.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Jan. 18.—The flood
situation at Louisville and through East-
ern Kentucky grows more threatening
with each hour. Tonight at 5 o'clock the
Ohio at Louisville registered 63.3 feet, with
a steady rise of about an inch an hour.
Five hundred Louisville families have
been driven from their homes.
Many mercantile houses have been com-
pelled to remove stocks. City firemen have
been busy all day removing families from
their homes in the lower central sections.
All invaders were taken to the city hospi-
tal in ambulances. River traffic is paral-
yzed and the business houses along the
river front are suffering heavy loss. Traffic
on the Prospect Interurban has been sus-
pended, owing to the flooded tracks.

The water from the Ohio River has
backed up into Harris Creek and Goose
Creek and has made a lake several miles
in length of the Bear Grass Valley. Traffic
was suspended over a portion of the
Parkland car line today.

Evansville reports the Ohio still rising,
with hard rains there and in places along
the Wabash.

ILLINOIS TOWN IN DANGER
Many Shawnee Families Driven
Out, but Levee Stands Strain.

SHAWNEE, Ill., Jan. 18.—The flood sit-
uation is not so alarming tonight, al-
though a river stage of 50 feet is ex-
pected. The levee is pronounced by ex-
perts in excellent shape and able to with-
stand the strain of the rise.

Secretary of State Rose today received
a message asking that 40 tents be sent
at once for the use of those driven from
their homes at Shawnee. All the stores
and buildings on the water front have
been abandoned and the people are home-
less. News of the flood conditions at
Shawnee were communicated to Governor
Deneen at Chicago by long-distance
telephone, and he at once directed that
Adjutant-General Scott send a supply of
tents for the relief of the flood sufferers.
Very precaution is being taken by the
Adjutant-General to insure the safety of
the people and property in the flooded dis-
trict. Company F, Fourth Regiment, I.
N. G., located at Mount Vernon, 15 miles
from Shawneetown, will be directed to
hold itself in readiness for possible ser-
vice in case the levee breaks.

Shawneetown lies in an elbow of the
Ohio, and is protected by a dike. When
the river is in flood the surface of the
water is six to eight feet above the street
level in the lower part of the town. In
1858 the city was inundated by the river,
which broke through the levee, and the
city was abandoned. The water was
driven out, and 20 persons lost their lives.
The dikes were repaired after this calamity.

EVANSVILLE, Ind., Jan. 18.—A tele-
phone message from Sheriff Kratz says
a cloudburst at Shawneetown had flooded
portions of the town. Seventy-five fam-
ilies were forced from their homes. The
embankment is still intact, but men are
working on weak places. The Mayor has
warned people of the danger, and they
are fleeing to the hills.

FLOOD MONONGAHELA TOWNS
River Falling After Overflowing
Into Mills and Mines.

PITTSBURG, Jan. 18.—At a late hour
tonight the water in the Monongahela
river reached a stage of 27 feet 9 inches
and is now stationary. Reports from
up-river points are that the water is
falling. At Greensburg, Pa., tonight the
water fell three feet in one hour. The
Weather Bureau says that within 24
hours the flood stage will be passed.

At the Springdale dam conditions
have improved on account of the water
receding in the Allegheny River. The
Government engineers have not suc-
ceeded as yet in blowing up the dam,
but expect by tomorrow to be able to
do so. The water has ceased to flow
over the dam and is now passing down
at each end of it.
The damage throughout Western
Pennsylvania will amount to thousands
of dollars. Over 10,000 miners employed
in mines along the Monongahela River
are temporarily out of employment and
high water at McKeesport, Pa., has
caused the suspension of several mills.

throwing 3000 men out of work. Half
the houses in West Brownsville are
said to be submerged. Fayette City is
surrounded by water, and many peo-
ple have removed from their residences.
California and Rosco are partly sub-
merged and scores of families have vac-
ated their houses. Nearly every house
in Black Diamond is flooded, and all
the residents are living in the upper
stories.
Conditions in the Ohio River valley
will be greatly improved by tomorrow.

MONONGAHELA ON RAMPAGE

Flood Closes Mills and Mines and
Swamps Dwellings.

PITTSBURG, Jan. 18.—A gradual fall
in the Allegheny River during the past
24 hours has greatly improved the sit-
uation at Springdale. The water has
ceased to flow over the dam and is now
passing down at each end of it. The
Allegheny River is falling at the head-
waters, but the Monongahela is still
rising. At all points along the river in
West Brownsville are said to be sub-
merged. The water there is rising
at the rate of two inches an hour.
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WRATH BOILS OVER

San Francisco School Board
"Roasts" Jordan.

ABOUT JAPANESE SCHOOLS

President of Stanford Enrages Di-
rectors by Saying They Work
Under Shadow of San Queen-
tin—Board Says He Lies.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 18.—The mem-
bers of the San Francisco School Board
tonight issued statements in reply
to the address made last night by David
Jordan on the Japanese school ques-
tion before the Unitarian Club, in which
the president of Stanford University is

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