

# WILSON READY TO GO IF HE IS NEEDED

### President Lets It Be Known Red Tape Must Not Stand in Way of Relief.

## CABINET MAY ACT TODAY

War and Navy Departments Join in Efforts—Treasury Waives Duty on Supplies, and Burleson Looks Out for Mail.

**RELIEF WORK BEING DONE IN ALL PARTS OF NATION.**

Portland, Or.—\$2500 telegraphed to Governor Cox before relief work is even organized.

Chicago — \$100,000 subscribed and \$60,000 paid. Carload of clothing sent to Peru. \$10,000 to be used for motor-boat fleet.

St. Louis — City sends \$55,000 to Ohio and Indiana as first part of \$100,000 to be sent.

St. Paul—Several thousand dollars raised early in campaign for funds.

Mississippi — Leading merchant sends \$1000 from mid ocean by wireless.

Oakland—City sends \$5000 as first installment of \$25,000, which is placed as minimum.

Denver — Legislature raises \$1000 among members. City sends \$1000 and individuals \$3000.

Lincoln, Neb.—House passes emergency appropriation of \$100,000 for tornado sufferers.

Plymouth — Governor Lister issues proclamation calling for aid.

Missouri—Governor issues proclamation calling for citizens to aid.

Washington, D. C.—Secretary McAdoo declines to let all supplies to flood district enter duty free.

Rockford, Ill.—Several hundred dollars sent to flood victims.

Jefferson City, Mo.—Governor Major issues proclamation calling for contributions.

Vancouver, Wash.—Several hundred dollars raised by subscriptions.

Woodburn, Or.—Citizens to send carload of onions, potatoes and other provisions.

North Yakima, Wash.—Citizens sending apples and potatoes to flood zone.

Oregon City, Or.—Farmers to send carload of potatoes.

WASHINGTON, March 27.—President Wilson threw open today the resources of the Federal Government to the homeless thousands fighting against water, famine and disease in Ohio and Indiana. More than \$250,000 has already been expended and the President is determined that no red tape shall stand in the way of instant relief everywhere.

Secretary Garrison, of the War Department, left today to orders from the President to survey the situation in Ohio and direct the Government's relief, and Mr. Wilson announced that in communication with the flood districts continued imperfect and his presence was required to issue emergency executive orders, he would go to the scene of the disaster himself.

**Cabinet to Consider Situation.**

The entire situation will be canvassed by the Cabinet tomorrow.

Postmaster-General Burleson is contemplating a quick journey to Ohio if the mail situation is not improved there. Mail routes across the continent are badly affected and the task of disentangling the mail service to points in Ohio and in Indiana, untroubled by floods has reached a crisis. Assistants are being ordered to the flood district from nearby cities and stamps and supplies are being rushed to places that have lost their stock in the floods.

**Naval Stations Dispatch Aid.**

The Navy Department issued orders to its recruiting stations in the Central West to send marines, physicians and officers trained in rescue work to cooperate with the Army medical staffs. Powerboats and skiffs were dispatched from Naval stations on the Great Lakes.

Secretary McAdoo, of the Treasury Department, sent Surgeon-General Blue, of the United States Public Health Service, to inspect flood districts and placed at the disposal of the Governors of Ohio and Indiana all United States lifesaving stations in those states. Secretary McAdoo also waived customs regulations so that relief supplies could enter free from Canada.

**Wireless Apparatus Taken Along.**

With Secretary Garrison went Major-General Wood, chief of staff of the United States Army, Quartermaster General Ateshbe and a staff of officers, physicians, surgeons and a signal corps detachment.

More signal corps men were to be picked up at Columbus Barracks, making up a complete field party, equipped with wireless telegraph and field apparatus. Flags and lights, so that communication may be opened through the isolated districts.

P. P. Claxton, United States Commissioner of Education, issued an appeal to the teachers and school officers throughout the country to receive contributions and send them to Dr. William M. Davidson, Superintendent of Schools at Washington.

**LEGISLATORS ASSESS SELVES**

Every Member of Colorado Body Subscribes \$10 for Ohio.

DENVER, March 27.—A relief fund of \$1000 for Ohio flood sufferers was raised this afternoon, when each house of the Colorado Legislature voted an assessment of \$10 against every member. The action of the Legislature followed the receipt by Governor Ammons of a telegram from Governor Cox appealing for financial aid.

Mayor Henry J. Arnold today telegraphed \$2000 to Governor Cox, \$1000 having been appropriated by the city and \$1000 contributed by individuals. Mr. Arnold today sent telegrams to 100 Colorado Mayors asking aid for the flood sufferers.

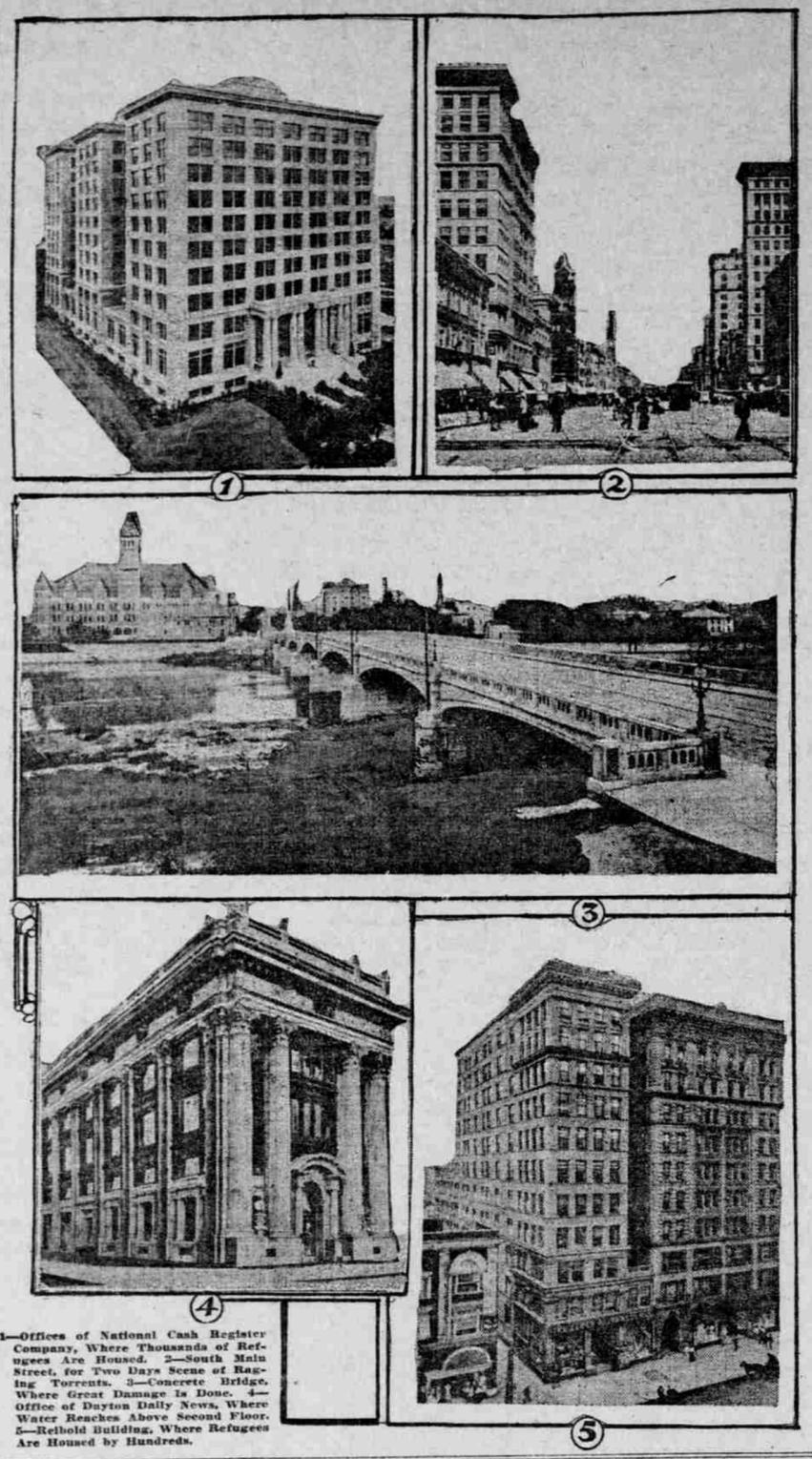
The Colorado Red Cross and various other agencies are collecting funds.

**OAKLAND WILL GIVE \$25,000**

\$5000 Telegraphed to Governor Cox as First Installment of Fund.

OAKLAND, Cal., March 27.—Frank K. Mott, Mayor of Oakland, telegraphed \$5000 to Governor Cox, of Ohio, today as the first installment of the city's contribution to the fund for the relief of the flood sufferers. The money is placed on deposit in a Chicago bank, subject to the Governor's check. The message to Governor Cox says that Oakland's minimum contribution will be \$25,000 and that there will be no limit to the endeavor to raise money.

OTHER DAYTON, O., VIEWS, AMONG WHICH ARE NATIONAL CASH REGISTER OFFICE, WHERE ARE HOUSED MORE THAN A THOUSAND REFUGEES, ALGONQUIN HOTEL, WHERE THE WATER REACHED THIRD FLOOR, AND UNION STATION, WHERE DEPTH WAS 30 TO 40 FEET.



1—Offices of National Cash Register Company, Where Thousands of Refugees Are Housed. 2—South Main Street, for Two Days Scene of Racing Torrents. 3—Concrete Bridge, Where Great Damage is Done. 4—Office of Dayton Daily News, Where Water Reached Above Second Floor. 5—Reihold Building, Where Refugees Are Housed by Hundreds.

All civic, commercial, professional, sporting and industrial bodies in the city have organized to make a thorough canvass for funds.

**ST. PAUL RESPONDS READILY**

Several Thousand Dollars Subscribed as Result of Appeal by Governor.

ST. PAUL, Minn., March 27.—As the result of the appeal made today by Governor Eberhart and an appeal made by St. Paul newspapers, several thousand dollars have been collected for relief of the flood sufferers in Ohio and Indiana. The St. Paul Association of Commerce has asked the State Legislature, now in session, to appropriate \$25,000 to aid the homeless.

A musical comedy company will give an open air benefit in front of the City Hall here next Monday afternoon, a collection being taken up by members of the chorus.

**FOREST GROVE TO SEND AID**

Carload or More of Potatoes to Be Made Up by Farmers.

FOREST GROVE, Or., March 27.—(Special)—Farmers of this section who have large quantities of potatoes on hand have agreed to furnish a sufficient quantity to make up a carload to be sent to the flood and fire-swept districts of Ohio and Indiana for the relief of sufferers, provided arrangements can be made with the railroads for transportation.

If necessary one or two additional cars could be obtained.

**NEBRASKA PROVIDES \$100,000**

Legislature Passes Bill for Relief of Tornado Sufferers.

LINCOLN, Neb., March 27.—The emergency appropriation of \$100,000 for the relief of the state tornado sufferers was passed by the House of Representatives this afternoon. The Senate will act on the measure tomorrow.

Governor Motthead held conferences today to decide upon the manner in which the relief fund for Omaha should be expended. It was decided to leave expenditures and accounting to the Omaha relief commission.

**CHICAGO PLEDGES \$150,000**

\$93,764 Already Paid in—Motor-boat Fleet to Be Equipped at Once.

CHICAGO, March 27.—One hundred and fifty thousand dollars have been subscribed to the flood relief fund of the Chicago Association of Commerce. Of this \$93,764 was paid in currency today.

Representatives Madden and Hobson met a committee of the association today and told them that motorboats are needed more than anything else at present to reach the flood refugees. Ten thousand dollars was asked at once by the committee to equip a fleet of 30

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A carload of clothing has been collected and will be shipped to Peru, Ind., tomorrow morning. Hugh E. Miller, business manager of the association of commerce, left for Dayton yesterday and is expected to arrive there tonight.

# UNNERVED WOMEN LEAP INTO WATER

### Rescuer Tells of Maddening Effect of Horror Scenes at Peru, Indiana.

## TORRENTS SHOW NO PITY

Currents Swirling Around Street Corners Tax Most Experienced Boatmen—Elephants From Circus Reach Safety.

PLYMOUTH, Ind., March 27.—Graphic description of the horrors of the flood that is believed to have swept 200 or more residents of Peru, Ind., to watery graves and made thousands homeless, was given today by Gilbert Kessler, one of the heroes of the calamity. Worn, tired-eyed and almost unnerved from the loss of sleep and the sight he had witnessed, young Kessler staggered from the relief train of the stricken city.

Kessler's most vivid picture was the suicide of several fear-crazed women who leaped from the rescue boats. The roaring current and the terrible sights, he declared, had maddened them.

**Woman Plunges Overboard.**

"It was cold and damp and misty and the sight of that black water rushing on pitilessly just seemed to take the heart out of most of us, especially the women," said Kessler. "I was piloting one of the rescue boats to the Courthouse, and the boat was pretty well filled. One of our passengers was a woman.

"We were moving rather shakily through one of the main streets when all of a sudden I saw this woman rise from her seat and begin to wall. 'Oh, what is the use? We'll all be drowned anyway.' Then she plunged from her seat into that boiling, fuming torrent.

"The next moment I found myself in the water. I saw a little arm stick up for a moment. I made a grab for it but it went down. There was no chance to swim in that Niagara. I struck the stern of our rowboat and seized it with one hand. Then I gradually drew myself aboard.

**Boatman Escapes Four Times.**

"We picked up one of our oarsmen a little later. He was still alive.

"Later we were bringing another woman languid out despairingly and all of us went over. Again it was a fight and I engaged in saving myself. Four times altogether I was thrown out into the water and I am still wondering how I managed to escape.

"The current swept around street corners with tremendous force and only the most experienced oarsmen could propel their craft with any degree of safety."

Kessler gave a description of the flood on the first night.

"We heard the roaring of lions and the neighing of horses and realized that a circus which has winter quarters at Peru had been engulfed. The lions and other animals in cages died in the trap, roaring until the water spawled them. The elephants escaped into the water and started for the shore and that was the last we saw of them."

**Peru Declines Offer of Aid.**

CHICAGO, March 27.—An offer today by the Chicago Naval Reserves to proceed to Peru, Ind., with 100 men and six boats under Captain C. A. Evers, was declined with thanks by the Executive Committee of that city, which declared that the water now is receding so rapidly that the proffered help will not be needed.

Clancy, Mrs. Nellie H. Lambson and Mrs. J. H. Jasey. All funds collected will be sent through the Red Cross Relief Society. The Grand Theater has volunteered to give the receipts of the show for one night to the storm sufferers.

**Montana Governor Issues Appeal.**

HELENA, Mont., March 27.—Governor Stewart today issued an appeal to the people of Montana for funds to prosecute relief work in Ohio and Indiana. Contributions may be sent to the members of the Montana board of the American Red Cross.

**Oil Man Watching Flood Killed.**

PITTSBURG, March 27.—D. J. Thayer, a wealthy oil operator, while watching the flood waters of the Allegheny late today, fell from a third-story window in his office and was killed.

**MAYOR MOTT HEAD HELD**

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**OLYMPIA, Wash., March 27.**—Governor Lister today issued a proclamation urging citizens of Washington to contribute to the aid of the flood sufferers and requesting that all money be forwarded to J. E. Chilberg, of Seattle, treasurer of the State Red Cross Society.

Mayor Mottman has issued an appeal to the citizens of Olympia for aid and the Olympia banks will handle contributions.

**FUNDS SENT FROM MID-OCEAN**

Minneapolis Merchant Tenders \$1000, for Relief, by Wireless.

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., March 27.—L. S. Donaldson, of Minneapolis, head of a department store here, who is on board an Atlantic liner, homeward bound from Europe, sent a wireless message today from mid-ocean, instructing his company to send \$1000 to the relief fund for the Ohio and Indiana flood sufferers.

The draft was dispatched this afternoon.

**Clackamas Farmers Give Potatoes.**

OREGON CITY, March 27.—(Special)—Dr. A. L. Beattie, of the Oregon Commission Company, announced today that steps were being taken in this city to aid the flood and tornado sufferers. A carload of potatoes to the Ohio and Indiana flood sufferers. Many other merchants and farmers are willing to furnish potatoes and other supplies. All persons desiring to aid should telephone to A. L. Beattie at once.

**Yakima Begins Relief Work.**

NORTH YAKIMA, Wash., March 27.—The Yakima Valley began preparations today to send a train load of apples and potatoes to the Ohio and Indiana flood sufferers. Mayor Spahn, of North Yakima, contributed 50 tons of potatoes.

**Vancouver Responds Readily.**

VANCOUVER, Wash., March 27.—(Special)—Several hundred dollars were raised today for the relief of flood sufferers at the call of Mayor Irwin. Subscription lists have been placed in four banks, the Vancouver Commercial Club and the City Clerk's office. The committee appointed by the Mayor comprises Miss Mollie



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| 70076 The Wee Hoose 'Mang the Heather | Harry Lauder                               |
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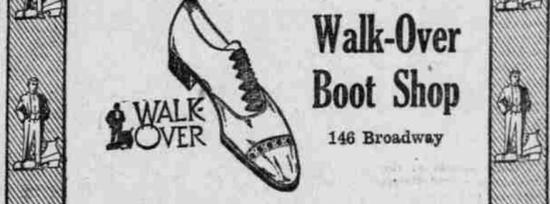


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