

PRISONERS NEAR STARVING REVOLT

Workhouse Inmates, Without Food or Water Since Tuesday, Like Madmen.

EARLY REPORTS MODIFIED

Remarkable Feature of Dayton Situation Is Cheerful Spirit of Victims—More Guardsmen to Arrive Today.

SOME STRIKING FIGURES FROM THE FLOOD AT DAYTON.

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DAYTON, Ohio, March 27.—All but a few of those hundreds of persons who have been marooned in the downtown section of flooded Dayton since Tuesday morning are safe.

This was the news brought out late today by an Associated Press staff man, the first to succeed in the perilous task of penetrating as far north as the Big Miami River, which runs through the center of the town.

Chief of Police Allaback, himself marooned, who has been directing the rescue work, gave the first information as to the situation in what has heretofore been the waterbound district. Except for possible loss of life on the north side of the river, there will not be more than 200 dead in Dayton, according to Allaback's estimate after he had been given information as to the situation on the south side.

Workhouse Becomes Madhouse.

The worst condition found near the center of the flood was in the workhouse, where 60 prisoners have not had a drop of water, not a bite of food, since Tuesday. The men revolted Tuesday night and demanded their liberty and to fight for their lives. Since then the workhouse has been a madhouse, according to Superintendent Johnson. The prisoners repeatedly fought with Johnson and threatened to kill both him and his family. Johnson asked that a detachment of the National Guard be assigned to help him handle the men.

He declared that the men would have to be shot if they escaped from their cells.

Mayor Is Not Heard From.

No word has been heard from Mayor Phillips. The Chief of Police had been unable to get near the Phillips' house and did not know whether the Mayor was dead or alive.

North of Burns avenue as far as Fourth street the water was found to be from three to six feet deep. Beyond Fourth street, the water has receded enough to make it possible in many places to proceed on foot. From Fourth street to the Big Miami River, relief work was taken up by a committee headed by Chief of Police Allaback. All grocery stores were commandeered and in most cases the goods were covered with water, yet sufficient supplies were found to prevent suffering among those in the interior dry strip.

While there may be many deaths in individual homes which have been without food or drink, there was no place but the workhouse where any considerable number of people were held without food. None had enough, but no case approaching actual starvation was found.

Anxiety Somewhat Relieved.

Knowledge that the death list is likely to prove so low in the downtown section tonight gave rise to a hope that even in North Dayton, about which locality desperate anxiety is felt, there might be comparatively few deaths.

The progress of the first canoe into the waterbound district was greeted by appeals for bread and water. In nearly every house left standing people were asked whether there had been any deaths, and with only a few exceptions, all replied that there had not. Although heartened by news from the flood zone's interior, Governor Cox's secretary, Mr. Burba, scarcely was able to credit the assertion. From his own observations of the southern district he was unable to believe that the death list would be under 1500.

"There are 10,000 unaccounted for on this side of the river," he said, "and if

SCENES IN FLOOD-SWEPT DAYTON AND REFUGE POINT IN CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS.



1—St. Elizabeth Hospital, Dayton, where flood sufferers as well as sick folk are housed. 2—Soldiers and Sailors' Monument, Indianapolis; Morton Hotel (to left), designated by Indianapolis Mayor as headquarters for relief. Where food and clothing are being supplied to the stricken. 3—Old and New Courthouse of Dayton, now in raging water district.

all but 200 of these had been found it will be the greatest miracle of the time.

Hotel Probably Escapes.

It was impossible to approach within two blocks of the fire zone in the canoe, but there appeared every indication that the Beckel House had not been burned and that the fire had been confined to the blocks beyond Jefferson and Third streets. The 200 patrons of the Algonquin have been comfortable except for the continuous dread of fire. The water reached to the second floor, but all supplies had been moved to places of safety and those in the hotel experienced little discomfort.

A report current in the flooded district south of Main street that Adjutant-General Wood had been fatally injured by falling plate glass proved untrue. General Wood is now in full charge of the relief work and although his arm was badly cut his condition is not serious.

Women and Babies Find Refuge.

Two hundred women and babies found refuge in a paint factory in North Dayton, where it is believed they have found sufficient food to keep them from acute suffering. An effort is to be made at once to rescue them. The suburb of Riverdale up to Helena street has been penetrated by the downtown relief commission, and conditions found much similar to those in the southern suburbs. All have been crowded to the second floors or roofs of their homes, but few of the more

stable dwellings were washed away. The district north of Helena street has not been reached, but it is not believed conditions there will prove as bad as feared. Nothing is known of the foreign settlement in North Dayton, close to the Miami River. It was this part of the city where the flood first made its way and where the occupants of the houses had ignored warnings to leave.

It was here also that it was feared most of the deaths had occurred. Only one body was found.

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These are tentative figures. These figures placed Dayton's loss at \$25,000,000 and were estimated by persons who had explored part of the flood area. Several estimates set the loss at a higher figure, but the best informed agreed on \$25,000,000. It was said 25,000 residences were damaged to the extent of \$2000 each, 8000 homes were classified under damage figures of \$1000 and it was said 7000 could not be repaired for less than \$500 each.

Damage to buildings in the business district was set at the conservative figure of \$2,000,000 and it was believed this amount would cover stocks in (Continued on Page 4.)

PORTLAND PERSONS FEAR FOR KINSEFOLK

Many Here Wait in Vain for Reassuring Word From Flooded Districts.

NEWS REMOTE POSSIBILITY

Telegraphic Communication Between Private Individuals Impossible at Present and Unlikely Before Coming Week.

Portland persons who have relatives in flooded districts of the Middle Western States remain exceedingly anxious concerning their probable fates. No word has come from the affected states, and it is improbable that tidings will be received until after the first of next week. Wire communication between private individuals is almost impossible. The few telegraph wires that are in service are being used for the transmission of official business and for the transmission of reports to the newspapers.

Until nature assists in breaking through this barrier of deluge and desolation, making possible the restoration of telegraphic facilities, people in Oregon who have loved ones in Ohio and Indiana will wait for news in vain.

G. W. Malsey, 573 Powell street, has relatives in the stricken area of Ohio. They are William Gemlin, who lived on Johnson street, Arthur and Albert Gemlin, 1235 Main street, Riverdale, and Robert Malsey, who resides on Rung street.

W. M. Johns, manager for J. P. Finley, shoe undertaker, is a former resident of Dayton and well acquainted throughout the flooded district. Both he and Mrs. Johns came from Dayton to Oregon less than a year ago. They have many relatives in that city and are eager to get information.

Tracy's at Metamora.

Mr. and Mrs. Hal Tracy, of 738 East Salmon street, have many relatives at Metamora, Franklin County, Indiana, reported inundated by floods. They are the Gordon-Blackledges and Tracys.

E. B. Clark, a salesman for Mason, Ehrman & Company, and living at the Seward Hotel, is exceedingly anxious to learn of his father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Clark, who live on a farm near Tippecanoe City, north of Dayton.

G. H. Groth, with offices in the Board of Trade building, has been unable to learn anything of his father and mother who live in the flooded district of Dayton.

M. Hendershot, of 395 Larrabee street, has relatives in Zanesville, O. Mrs. W. P. Courtney, of 125 Vernon street, is greatly alarmed about her sisters who are in the flooded district of Ohio. Mrs. Ella Herdman and three children lived at 46 North Oakley avenue, Columbus, O.; another sister resides at 117 Porter street, Marietta, O., and Mrs. George Mosler resides at 2550 Eastern avenue, Cincinnati, O.

Cheering News Received.

One of the first bits of cheering news from the flooded district in Ohio came to William Goldman, 209 Oregonian building, last night. His relatives in Middletown. The message stated that the danger had subsided and that all relatives of Mr. Goldman had escaped with their lives although they had to wait at one time to the hills of the city. The message came from Simon, Charles P. and Harry H. Goldman. An earlier message received yesterday afternoon advised Mr. Goldman that the danger was still advancing but the telegram last night relieved new fears.

Among the many friends in Portland anxiously awaiting word from friends and relatives in the flood-stricken district in Ohio, is Clifford P. Work, house superintendent of the Orpheum, who was formerly connected with the Standard-Dayton Motor Car Company, of Dayton. Mr. Work has two brothers still living there, both in the employ of the National Cash Register Company. One brother, Raymond J. Work and his family, had an attractive bungalow on the banks of the river and the other brother, Harold N. Work lived on Rung and Main streets in the very heart of the flooded city. Mr. Work has not only tried, so far without result, to reach his brothers by telegraph at Dayton, but has also attempted to communicate with them through friends in surrounding towns. Mr. Work has been a resident of Portland for the past two years.

Charles D. Raff, of 748 Belmont street, has tried without success for two days to get word from Malcolm H. Baker and Mrs. Baker, who reside in the De Wees Apartments, Toledo, Ohio. Mr. Baker is a brother of Mrs. Raff.

Rockford, Ill., Citizens Aid.

ROCKFORD, Ill., March 27.—Seven hundred dollars was telegraphed to the Red Cross by Rockford business men today. The Elks of Rockford sent \$150 direct to Dayton.

Seattle Raises \$2000.

SEATTLE, Wash., March 27.—Two thousand dollars was raised today by the Seattle Chamber of Commerce for the Ohio flood sufferers and will be telegraphed to Governor Cox tomorrow.

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BIG RESERVOIR HOLDS

INDIANA-OHIO BOUNDARY EXCITED BY RUMOR.

Waters, if Released, Would Sweep Through Fort Wayne and Once More Engulf Dayton.

VANWERT, Ohio, March 27.—Eastern Indiana and Western Ohio were excited today over a groundless rumor that Grand Reservoir had broken its banks at St. Marys, Ohio, threatening devastation of the valley of the Marys River and much damage to Fort Wayne, Ind. The rumor was denied at St. Marys, but not until hurried calls for boats and assistance had been sent out. The wind blowing east over the 17,000 acres of water in the Grand Reservoir tossed spray over the St. Marys embankment and gave rise to the report of a break.

The millions of gallons of water in the reservoir should a break occur on the east embankment, would flood the St. Marys River and sweep northward through Fort Wayne. Should the southwest bank give way, a wall of water would descend the valley of the Miami and again engulf Dayton.

Direct communication with those in charge of the embankments brought assurances that there was no break or danger of a break.

The flood water in and near Fort Wayne is subsiding and along the right of way of the Pennsylvania lines between Fort Wayne and Vanwert has fallen from six inches to three feet in the last 48 hours.

E. E. McCarthy, general superintendent of the Southwest lines of the Pennsylvania system, on the way to headquarters at Columbus, said the damage to the road would aggregate \$5,000,000. He hoped to see through service from Chicago to Pittsburg by Monday and rehabilitation of the lines in two weeks.

No trains are running along the 22 miles of track south from Vanwert to Celina, Ohio. Part of the roadbed of the Cincinnati & Northern is washed out and the bridge over the St. Marys River at Rockford, Ohio, is out of commission. The Cincinnati & Northern officials hope to repair the road by Saturday.

RELATIVE IS REPORTED LOST

Vancouver Pastor's Cousin in Death List at Dayton.

VANCOUVER, Wash., March 27.—(Special)—W. S. T. Derr, County Clerk, has several relatives in the flood district in Ohio and Indiana, among them being Mr. and Mrs. Harry Dean and Mr. and Mrs. William Maguire, of Dayton, and Rev. and Mrs. H. C. Hadley, of Fort Wayne.

A cousin of Rev. Walter I. Eck, pastor of St. Paul's Lutheran Church, of Vancouver, today was reported dead in Dayton. Mr. and Mrs. John Eck, his parents, live at Miamisburg, a few miles from Dayton. If they were at home on the farm, it is believed they are safe.

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WEST MAKES APPEAL

GOVERNOR ASKS OREGON FOLK TO AID FLOOD VICTIMS.

Executive Issues Proclamation Calling Upon People to Contribute. Flags Float at Half Mast.

SALEM, Or., March 27.—(Special)—With flags floating at halfmast on the Capitol at the order of Secretary Olcott because of the awful disasters in Indiana and Ohio and reports coming in of further calamities, Governor West today issued the following proclamation to the people of Oregon:

"Whereas, the Nation has been startled and dismayed by the awful calamity that has overtaken the people of the States of Ohio and Indiana by flood and fire;

"Whereas, it is fitting that those favored by divine providence with security and prosperity should come to the aid of those stricken and in the grasp of such great sorrow, want and distress; and

"Whereas, the Portland Chamber of Commerce has undertaken to gather to-

gether and send substantial relief to the authorities of the States of Ohio and Indiana, by them to be disbursed and distributed as necessity and humanity may require.

"Now, Therefore, in view of the foregoing premises and by virtue of the authority in me vested, I, Oswald West, Governor, do by this proclamation call upon the prosperous people of this state, that they give, according to their condition in life may permit, in aid of our brothers and sisters in so great need, and that they send such contributions to Edmund C. Giltner, secretary of the Portland Chamber of Commerce, by him to be accounted for and forwarded to the authorities of the States of Ohio and Indiana, as soon as may be.

"In testimony whereof, I have hereunder set my hand and caused the Seal of the State of Oregon to be hereunto affixed this 27th day of March, A. D., 1913."

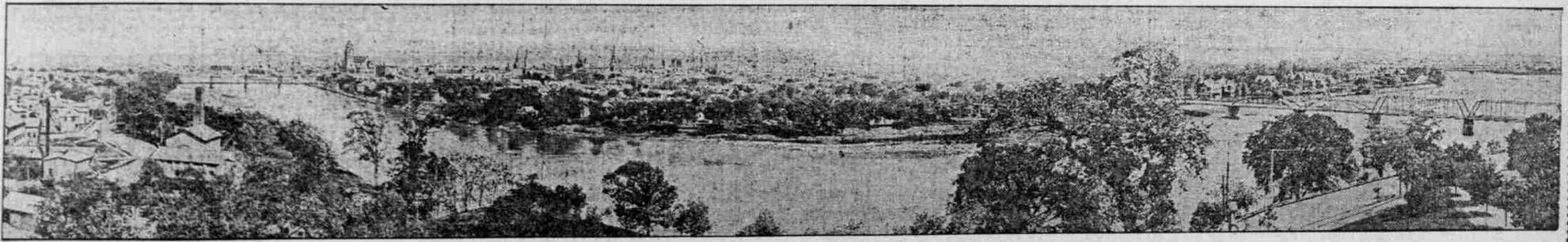
Farms Near Vandalia Flooded.

VANDALIA, Ill., March 27.—The Okawa River levee 16 miles south of here broke in four places last night and 60,000 acres of farming land is under one to eight feet of water.

Missouri's Governor Issues Call.

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., March 27.—Governor Major issued tonight a proclamation calling on the people of the state to contribute towards the relief of Ohio and Indiana flood victims.

PANORAMIC VIEW OF DAYTON, OHIO, LOOKING EAST AT THE HORSESHOE BEND OF THE GREAT MIAMI, VIVIDLY SHOWING GREAT EXPANSE OF THICKLY POPULATED AREA AVAILABLE TO THE SWEEP OF THE FLOOD WATERS



VIEW SHOWING THREE OF THE SIX BRIDGES ENTERING THE CITY—TWO, THE FIFTH-STREET SPAN AND A RAILROAD BRIDGE, HAVE BEEN WASHED OUT—THE MAIN BUSINESS SECTION IS SHOWN IN THE CENTER OF THE PICTURE. TO THE LEFT IS A PORTION OF NORTH-DAYTON, WHERE THE LOSS OF LIFE WAS HEAVIEST—THE RIVER ENTIRELY SUBMERGED MANY OF THE HOUSES SHOWN TO THE LEFT.

From Fourth street to the river in the main portion of Dayton, O., is still under water and 70,000 persons still are more or less marooned. There are 15,000 residences submerged, it is estimated, and 120 miles of the city's streets still inundated. Five hundred persons are provided for temporarily, and it is believed 500 horses have drowned.

The City of Dayton lies on the east or left bank of the Great Miami River, at its junction with the Mad River. From the latter Dayton receives its power. The business portion of the city, which extends a few blocks from the river back for a good distance, was largely submerged at the height of the flood. From its position, practically in the curve of the horseshoe bend of the river, the business portion and a large section of the residence section became a particularly good target for the rising waters, which approached from three sides. The Big Miami River runs practically through the center of the city, the more thickly populated and business section being on the side shown in the above photograph. Belmont avenue, shown to the extreme left of the picture, is part of the inundated section.

From Fourth street the water had receded enough late yesterday to enable the rescuers to go on foot in some places. It is learned that those marooned in the downtown section since Tuesday are safe. Considerable loss of life is expected to be found on the north side of the river, shown to the left in the picture, when the rescuers can make an inroad. The fires which have been menacing and destroying much of the city were confined beyond Third and Jefferson streets, is the latest announcement. This section is shown in the center of the picture and is a part of the business section.

The northern and southern suburbs were first victims of the flood waters. The foreign quarter of the city is in the north end of the city (left in photograph), and here the inhabitants refused to heed the first warnings.

The suburb of Riverdale as far as Helena street has been penetrated by the relief commission and conditions are grave here. Pestilence is greatly feared in the aftermath. The extent of the flood can be better understood by the fact that dead bodies were seen floating down Jefferson street, one of the main thoroughfares of Dayton. Although Dayton has had frequent flood frights, and the water has risen to an alarming stage on several occasions, and at times with loss of life, much of the territory flooded this time was considered without doubt high enough to be safe from the river.

The peculiar geographical situation of the town makes the rescue work difficult. The business section extends east of the Miami. West Dayton extends for several miles. The manufacturing district, which is known as East Dayton, in which the National Cash Register's plant is located, is separated from the central or business portion by lowlands, which are deep in flood waters. The extreme north part of Dayton is not visible in the picture.