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DAYTON OFFICIALS ESTIMATE 5,000 MAY BE DROWNED THERE

(By Associated Press.)
DAYTON (via Miami), March 27.—Many dead are being removed from the river at Riverdale (a portion of Dayton). They are being stacked three deep along the bank, according to word just received from the Western Union headquarters. It started snowing again this afternoon. The estimate of dead at 5000 is apparently nearly correct. The total number of dead may never be known and Dayton dreads the day when the receding waters will lay bare the full extent of the disaster. Up to this time there can be no intelligible estimate of mortalities, however.
All of today's bodies washed up were exposed as the waters fell. No one knows how many have been recovered. Five different sections of the town are practically cut off from each other. Through it all prominently in front stands the fact that a firm belief in the strength of the great Miami river levee added much to the huge death loss. Early Tuesday morning volunteers hurried through the threatened district warning residents to move. These warnings were largely disregarded and at 8 o'clock that night those who took the warning lightly were battling for their lives in the rush of waters. The west levee had gone. Other breaks followed. A reservoir broke and added to the torrent homes jerked from their foundations in torn pieces. The toll of life was also augmented through lack of boats. Riverdale, where the greatest number was saved, had 25 boats taken from pleasure seekers and volunteers who risked their lives to remove persons from trapped homes.
"Women and children first," was the order, and many husbands and fathers were forced to stay in their homes while their families were removed to safety.
"Swim," rescuers told the men who were able to do so. Before the first day was over boats could not be used. Time and again they were smashed.
On the roof of one house all day yesterday, a little boy hung. He was removed more dead than alive today.

REFUGEES SUFFER FROM SOME VERY SEVERE COLD—LOOTERS ARE SHOT DOWN BY GUARDS

(By Associated Press.)
DAYTON, March 27.—Most of the refugees have been exposed to a cold, penetrating wind and the driving rain before it, since Tuesday noon. Early today there was a decided drop in temperature.
The city was proclaimed under martial law yesterday afternoon. Last night, a thief was caught robbing homes. He was shot dead by state guardsmen doing police duty. Persons taken from flooded homes were numerous.
Although all the grocery stores outside the flooded area had sold out their stocks yesterday, food was soon supplied by other cities, though its distribution is difficult and many were not reached, especially those in the main flooded district, boats being unable to reach them owing to the rush of the waters.
Doctors and nurses were rushed from nearby towns and are doing great work. Nearby towns were called upon today for fire apparatus.
DAYTON, Ohio, March 27.—Last night's devastation of fire, which was apparently under control this morning, has begun again to burn fiercely.

MANY RESCUERS LOST.

(By Associated Press.)
COLUMBUS, Ohio, March 27.—Colonel D. N. Oyster, an attaché of the Dayton city sanitary department, reported this afternoon that two truck loads of bodies had been removed from one point on the west side.
Hundreds of people are still marooned in their flooded homes with rescue impossible. In the swift currents many boats have been overturned and the lives of several rescuers added to the toll.
"If the death list numbers only 1000 I will consider it a marvelous dispensation," telegraphed Governor Cox's secretary today. "If it is ten thousand I will not be surprised." "Horrible as it is, the real suffering will grow worse for days." Refugees are being fed from hand to mouth with less than a day's food supply ahead."

THE BURNED AREA.
(By Associated Press.)
SIDNEY, Ohio, March 27.—A message from Dayton says that last night's fire, consumed the territory bounded on the east by First street on the west by St. Clair, on the south by Third street and on the west by the Boulevard. If this fire, an area of nine blocks long and two blocks wide was burned. The district contains the Seckel House, Court house, Central Union Telephone, and Commercial Bank building and some other structures.

FIRE STILL RAGES.
DAYTON, March 27.—A fearful fire is still raging. Hundreds of persons marooned on the top floors of business buildings are in danger and it is impossible to render them aid. The snow continued at noon.
(By Associated Press to Coo Bay Times.)
DAYTON, Ohio, March 27.—Snow added to the terrors of the elements today. Hundreds of refugees are being taken out of Hickory street. The weather is bitter cold, adding to the suffering of

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Getting The News

THE TIMES believes that "actions speak louder than words." It's code of ethics is to "do things" rather than talk about them. It can not refrain, however, from referring to the splendid reports of the flood and cyclone disasters that have appeared in The Times. This may be done because it is a compliment to the Associated Press, rather than this paper. This great news-gathering association of which The Times is a member handles big things in a big way. The awful calamity that has befallen the middle-western states is quite the most stupendous happening since the Galveston tidal wave and when the returns are all received it will probably prove the greatest natural disaster in the history of the country.
Only those familiar with the wide extent of territory covered and the conditions prevailing, with all telegraph and telephone wires down, railway and mail service suspended, can appreciate the vast energy and expense entailed in the comprehensive report published in yesterday's edition of The Times. This extended report was an expensive one for a country daily to assume, but the people of Coo Bay and Coo county have come to depend upon The Times for the news and this paper will not disappoint them.
The Associated Press reports of this great event are in keeping with its past history and performance, wonderful feats of news gathering under adverse and trying conditions.

PRESIDENT WILSON AND SEC. GARRISON TO FLOOD DISTRICT

Head of War Department Will Take Charge of Relief Work—Government Sends Troops and Life Savers.

WILSON MAY GO.
WASHINGTON, March 27.—President Wilson will go to the Ohio flood scenes if his presence will do any good. He will await word from Secretary Garrison, who is already en route to the district.
WASHINGTON, March 27.—Secretary Garrison of the United States War Department left Washington for the flood district to take personal charge of relief measures. He personally represents President Wilson.
The lighthouse tender Golden Rod near Louisville, capable of navigating the swollen rivers with relief accommodations for 300 persons was ordered into the flooded district. All the lighthouse service

employees in the Fourteenth district have been ordered taken there with all available small boats to do relief work.
AID FROM CHICAGO.
United States Troops and Life Savers Go to Indiana Today.
(By Associated Press to Coo Bay Times.)
CHICAGO, March 27.—Six yaws loaded with provisions and water to last a week, 52 recruits and two surgeons from the United States naval recruiting station in North Chicago, Ill., in charge of First Lieutenant John J. London, left for Logansport, Ind., today in a special train, in response to a request from the Mayor of Fort Wayne, Indiana. Captain Carlin and five men from the United States life saving station at Chicago left here for the Indiana city today with power boats to rescue 75 children marooned at the orphan asylum.

Secretary of the Treasury Medo will admit free of duty relief supplies from Canada for flood sufferers in Ohio, Indiana and elsewhere.

COLUMBUS REPORTS WORST OF FLOOD IS APPARENTLY OVER

Streams Are Subsiding and Measures for Relief Are Being Rushed—Estimate 2,000 Dead—Fear Looting and Disease.

COLUMBUS, Ohio, March 27.—Early this afternoon the Dayton fire was reported under control.
(By Associated Press to Coo Bay Times.)
COLUMBUS, Ohio, March 27.—With the Ohio river streams subsiding, the state is emerging from the greatest flood it has ever known. The loss of life has been very heavy. When the full count is made it is believed that the total death list will run well over two thousand and the property damage, \$100,000,000. In Dayton the loss of life will reach 1,000, it is said, and the property loss perhaps \$50,000,000. From all sections of the state, militia equipped with food and blankets are hastening to the relief of the Dayton sufferers. Already the advance guard is on duty, checking ruffianism and looting. Bridges are washed out everywhere, and railroad traffic is impossible or perilous. Arrangements are being made to quickly restore sanitary conditions. It is feared that there will be epidemics

of all kinds, as already disease from exposure is prevalent.
The Brigadier General received a telephone message from Lima Grand saying that the reservoir at St. Marys had broken. Owing to the great volume of water contained by the reservoir, St. Marys, Rockford and other towns will be hit hard and the flood would sweep through Decatur, Ind., into Maumeeville.

PITTSBURG IS NOW CUT OFF

Wire and Railroad Communication West and North of City Cut by Flood.
(By Associated Press to Coo Bay Times.)
PITTSBURG, March 27.—Wire communication with Ohio river points south of Wheeling was lost today. Train schedules west of Pittsburgh have been abandoned.
There is no telephone or telegraph north of Erie. The washing out of the Cleveland & Pittsburgh railroad severs connections with Cleveland and points north.

OMAHA RAISES QUARTER MILLION DOLLARS TO AID TORNADO VICTIMS

UP TO DATE, 112 DEAD HAVE BEEN IDENTIFIED IN OMAHA AND 32 IN COUNCIL BLUFFS AND NEARBY TOWNS—MANY INJURED WILL DIE—SEARCH RUINS FOR VICTIMS.
(By Associated Press to Coo Bay Times.)
OMAHA, March 27.—This city was able to put to work today a large force of men scouring the ruins of the tornado stricken district for additional bodies, many of which the coroner believes are still buried in the ruins.
Up to this time 112 dead have been identified within the city of Omaha.
Council Bluffs and other adjoining cities report 42 identified dead. A large number of injured are still

in the hospitals. Some will not recover.
It is estimated that nearly 1000 persons will require assistance until permanent relief is arranged for them. Nearly a quarter of million dollars has been subscribed for this work.
OMAHA, March 27.—The list of identified dead, as the result of Sunday night's tornado is given in the

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FIRES AND BLIZZARDS ADD TO HURRORS OF EASTERN FLOODS

(By Associated Press.)
CHICAGO, March 27.—A summary of conditions in Dayton last night, as reported over the American Telephone and Telegraph line to Phoneton and forwarded to this city was as follows:
"One of our employees, who returned last evening from the north side of the submerged district of Dayton says the scenes there are indescribable. People are huddled in churches and public school buildings and there is danger of these collapsing.
Three babies were born in one church this afternoon. One was born in a boat while its mother was being conveyed to safety. Such scenes are common.
"Every effort was made by us to aid the sufferers with supplies and such other help as we could.
"There is one building said to contain 600 persons, and indications were that it would collapse in a short time. Two men were seen using a pleasure boat to view the scene and were pressed into rescue service by the police at the points of shotguns.
"Many buildings in a portion of the down town district were destroyed by fire this afternoon. Indications are that there will be a great loss of life before enough help arrives to get the people to places of safety.
"A relief committee which met in the north side of Dayton this afternoon reported between 50,000 and 100,000 are homeless. Many dead bodies were floating past."

(By Associated Press.)
CHICAGO, Ill., March 27.—The menace of fire continues today in the flooded districts of Ohio. Dayton is still burning and appeals have been sent out for dynamite to blow up the buildings in the path of the flames.
The weakened Lewiston reservoir is still holding and men are being rushed to protect and strengthen it.
A blizzard is reported from parts of the inundated area. Cold weather and snow hampers the rescuers and life saving measures are being perfected in many cities.
Carloads of provisions, clothing and other supplies are being moved into the affected district. The Ohio National guardsmen are preparing to move into the flood area.
At Zanesville the flood conditions are growing worse every minute.
The Ohio river is rising.
Western Pennsylvania is facing a grave situation. Sharon and New Castle report 15 feet of flood in the Shenango river. Industrial plants in the Youngstown, New Castle and Sharon district are closed and the interurban electric lines, as well as the lines of the Pennsylvania and Erie railroads.
Estimates of loss of life in Ohio and Indiana are still inaccurate although 1500 is placed as the minimum and other estimates which included a large loss of life in many towns and districts ran as high as 4000.
Governor Cox is of the opinion that 1000 perished at Dayton alone and that the loss of life in the state would total at least 2000.
The latest reports from Piqua say the dead will number over 500, but there is no verification.
Waters in most of the flooded districts are receding. In Indiana the estimates of the dead run from 200 to 2000.

REPORT 500 LOST AT PIQUA.

(By Associated Press.)
COLUMBUS, Ohio, March 27.—Five hundred were lost at Piqua, according to information received this afternoon by Senator S. E. Kiser of Piqua. His informant was J. G. O'Donnell, prosecuting attorney of Miami county.
Governor Cox has issued a proclamation declaring holiday in all the flood stricken district of Ohio on account of negotiable paper that might be subject to protest.

(By Associated Press to Coo Bay Times.)
CHICAGO, March 27.—Not a word of cheering news came from the flood stricken district during the night, while the bad news was increased by information that the Ohio River from Pennsylvania to Cincinnati had gone on a rampage that presages a disaster as great as that of two years ago.
The fire which swept Dayton all night is believed to have added to the toll of life taken by the flood and another fire at Piqua did the most serious kind of damage. The weather shows no signs of abating, a cold sleet-like rain cutting like a knife all the refugees in practically every portion of the flooded district of Ohio and Indiana.
None of the devastated cities and towns have given up yet a sufficient number of dead to form anything that resembles accurate estimates.
As near as can be determined from data at hand, 3000 or more were lost at Dayton, over 500 at Piqua, at least 150 at Peru, possibly 200 at Columbus, an unknown number at Indianapolis, which may run as high as 200, in addition to those in a score of towns such as

WATER LOWER AT HAMILTON

(By Associated Press to Coo Bay Times.)
HAMILTON, Ohio, March 27.—Water has receded in the streets of Hamilton so that today every

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