

Water and Fire Bring Death and Destruction

HUNDREDS PERISH IN COLORADO FLOOD; LOSS IS \$10,000,000

Cloudburst Sends Two Rivers Surging Over Banks at Pueblo and Fire Adds to Terror.

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alive or dead. Parents searched frantically for missing children. Tonight the city was without light. Here and there lanterns bobbed about the wreckage as the searchers continued their quest for bodies of the dead.

When darkness settled over the city rescue work was virtually ended. It was believed morning would find the water so far receded that a complete exploration could be made of streets that were still under water tonight.

CITY IS WITHOUT LIGHTS

Street car traffic was completely tied up. There was no power. The electric light and power house was flooded and officials said it would probably be several days before repairs could be made. In the meantime the city will be without light.

FLAMING BUILDINGS FLOAT

Buildings on fire were floating on the water, early this morning. Drifting firebrands endangered scores of buildings that had withstood the water. Part of a burning building was seen to float and rest against a frame structure. A few minutes the building was in flames.

A railroad train on the Denver & Rio Grande was undermined and turned over in the flood. One hundred and fifty passengers or heard are believed to have escaped. The train was stalled on a siding. When the water was 18 inches deep in the Union station it was decided to move the train to a location.

A heavy yard engine was attached and the pull through the water covered tracks started. The engine, crossing the train sagged as the tracks gave way and the train slowly turned over. The movement of the train caused passengers were enabled to get to the platforms and crawl on the upper sides of the coaches.

100 REPORTED LOST

A report that 100 lives had been lost when a bridge gave way could not be confirmed. In early stages of the flood, when it was seen bridges were threatened, the police and civilian guards warned people not to go on them. Virtually every bridge was destroyed, but it was believed because of the precautions taken few lives had been lost with them.

Unless food supplies reach the city within 24 hours suffering will be acute. Great quantities of stores were destroyed by the flood. Appeals were sent broadcast today and relief trains now en route here reach Pueblo tomorrow the situation will not be so serious.

Reports from Denver said tents were being supplied. These will be used to care for the homeless until public buildings can be repaired.

Hundreds of homes that were not swept away have been made useless. The water left a heavy deposit of mud and slime on furniture and floors. Families have lost everything they possessed.

Reports from Greeley, Erie, Louisville and other cities told of flood damage. At Sterling four lives are reported lost and three were missing. At Erie 35 houses were washed away.

The Marshall dam just above Erie and Lafayette was reported holding firm tonight. Earlier in the day, it was feared it would go out.

The city was without lights or water during the night. Survivors gathered in terrified groups in public buildings. Women clutched their children to their breasts.

FIRE FOLLOWS FLOOD

Fire broke out soon after the first rush of the swirling waters. It attacked buildings mostly on the north-

ern half of the city, according to reports brought back by aviators. The fliers circled over the city, unable to land because of the high water surrounding the city. Water six to eight feet deep was rushing through the city's streets.

Railback said the waters had started to recede when he left.

Fliers over the city were unable to see what damage had been done in the northern half of the town because of the heavy smoke which was arising from the smoldering buildings.

Boats would be unable to aid the stricken city, Railback said. He declared they would be swept away in the torrent of water. He told how the rush of waters had picked up heavily loaded freight cars and had piled them high in the city's streets or swept them down with the swirling waters.

CITIZENS PANIC-STRICKEN

"Residents were panic-stricken," he said. "The utmost confusion reigned everywhere. Police authorities were helpless. State troops were called out. Terror-stricken men who attempted to rush back to their homes to obtain their families were arrested by guards who patrolled the streets and turned them back at the point of the bayonet."

The heavy rain which fell for hours this morning had swept them down in flames. The heavy fall of rain probably prevented the destruction of the entire city by fire.

The Arkansas river, usually only a small stream, near Pueblo, with its source a few miles distant in the mountains, was soon miles wide.

Many campers who at this time of the year gather in the mountains and parts of the country, were believed drowned. Camps usually made in valleys, near streams, undoubtedly proved death traps for many.

MANY BODIES SWIFT AWAY

Railback said the total number of dead will probably never be known, as many bodies were swept away in the torrent.

His estimate of dead, he said, was based entirely on impressions gained after spending 12 hours in the terror-stricken city. He said that he had no means to check his figures.

He told of his trip from Pueblo in the light motor car brought with him, after officials had made every effort to communicate with the outside world by telegraph, telephone, wireless, airplane and signals.

RAILROAD MAN CLAIMS

1200 DEAD IN FLOOD

Colorado Springs, Colo., June 4.—(U. P.)—C. R. Railback, special agent in charge of the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe railway, who arrived here this afternoon from flood-stricken Pueblo, said he believed nearly 1200 persons had perished in the flood waters of the Arkansas river. However, Railback admitted, there was no way of checking up on the number in anything like an accurate manner.

His estimates, he said, were based on the number of homes destroyed in the levee district and not on any compilation of figures by authorities. The pilot of an airplane who flew from here to Pueblo was unable to make a landing and his description of the chaos that reigned in the city was the result of his observations from the air. He said that parts of the city were apparently in flames, but that the southern half of the city seemed to be undamaged.

Pueblo tonight was a city within the raging torrent of the Arkansas river. In the downtown district water swirled around the blackened ruins of buildings which had been destroyed by the fire that raged throughout last night and today.

C. F. Railback, a railroad man who came on the first train from Pueblo to the outside world, arrived in Colorado Springs this afternoon on a railway motor speeder. It was Railback who first gave an estimate of the total number of dead in the stricken city.

Railback told of rowboats being tossed about on the water like chips. It was impossible, he said, for rescue parties to use small boats because of the danger of being smashed against buildings.

"Freight cars are piled topsy-turvy in the railway yards," Railback said. "At least one of the cars was floating through the streets when I left this afternoon. The business section burned nearly all night."

"Panic-stricken residents grabbed what few belongings they could gather together before the rush of waters reached their homes and fled to find a din motor cars to safety. The utmost confusion reigned everywhere. State troops worked frantically to save the stocks of stores from the flames and water."

"The scene was beyond description. Persons who attempted to enter the flooded area to save more of their household belongings were forced back by members of the state rangers at the point of a gun."

Railback said the city was in dire need of food and bedding.

The damage to property he believed would reach \$10,000,000.

All bridges across the Fountain and Arkansas rivers have been swept away, Railback said.

Marshall Dam Is Intact, Says Report

By Universal Service
Denver, June 5 (Sunday, 12:45 a. m.)—A. J. Shaw, in charge of the Marshall dam announced shortly before 1 o'clock this morning that he had just talked over long distance telephone with a woman who lives one-half mile below Marshall dam, who said the huge reservoir was intact and the night the woman told Shaw that the entire population of Marshall, about 300 persons, had fled from the city early Saturday night, fearing that the dam would give way, but that it was still holding.

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RED CROSS GIVES PUEBLO \$50,000

National Headquarters Authorizes Fund for Relief of Flood Sufferers.

Washington, June 4.—(U. P.)—The American Red Cross tonight, through its national headquarters here, authorized up to \$50,000 of its funds for the relief of sufferers in Pueblo, Colo., flood area. W. Frank Pearson, vice chairman of the central committee, announced. Telegraphic instructions were sent to the southwestern division headquarters at St. Louis to draw on the national organization's treasury for the money if it is needed.

Large quantities of supplies are being rushed to the relief of victims of the flooded area of Pueblo, Colo., by the army. Adjutant General Peter C. Harris of the war department said tonight.

The relief supplies are being sent out at the direction of the commanders of the Eighth and Ninth corps areas, with headquarters at San Antonio, Texas, and San Francisco, respectively.

SCENE IS TOO GRIM FOR DESCRIPTION

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"I saw three rooming-houses go into the torrent with lights burning in every window. Scores of the occupants must have been drowned like rats."

RIVER COVERS TWELVE BLOCKS

The channel of the Arkansas river, Railback said, now is from Seventh street to the Union station, a distance of 12 city blocks.

"The business section was completely inundated," he said. "Stores, packing houses, business places of all descriptions were flooded."

"The greatest loss of life was in three sections of the lowlands inhabited mostly by foreigners—The grove near Clark Mineral Springs; the lowlands proper, and Pepper Sauce bottom."

"When I left the city rescue parties in rowboats and other craft were patrolling all the inundated sections, seeking dead and living. The city was under martial law with all railroads being issued, on orders of the military commander."

Railback said the military and civil authorities entrusted to him a message to Governor Shoup calling for all possible help, but without any definite or specific request.

RAIN HALTS FIRE

"The fires which caused great damage during Friday night," Railback continued, "had been extinguished when I left. Only the torrential rain saved the city from complete destruction by fire before the flood swept down."

"The fires were started in most cases by lightning and burning timbers were lifted and blown through the streets, spreading the flames through the business and residence sections."

"I spent most of the night in the Santa Fe depot at First and Union streets, about in the center of the flooded area. This morning the water had receded so that I was able to strip off my clothes and wade out, shoulder deep to a point seven blocks from the depot where I got a gasoline speeder on which I came to Colorado Springs. I would have been swept off my feet in several places except for fire hoses hanging from roofs to which I clung in my perilous journey."

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MILK AND CLOTHING ARE BADLY NEEDED

Pueblo Begins to Feel Pangs of Hunger—Drinking Water Not Available.

Colorado Springs, Colo., June 4.—(U. P.)—Pueblo was beginning to feel the pangs of hunger tonight. Scores of guests from the Vail and Congress hotels, the two largest hostels in the city, are without clothing. Some of them have fled to higher ground in the city and are finding temporary shelter in automobiles, garages and barns with only blankets and lap robes to cover them.

In the outskirts of the city small groceries are said to be supplying sufficient food to feed the adults.

Milk and clothing are badly needed. And to that is added the cry for water. Although Pueblo is swarming with water in some places deep enough to reach the second story of business buildings, water mains have been broken, hydrants are submerged and drinking water is not available.

Charles Hughes, district attorney of Pueblo, left here tonight in an attempt to reach his home city. He carried in his automobile a barrel of water.

Oliver H. Shoup, governor of Colorado, and his two sons, Oliver H. Shoup Jr., and Harold Shoup, have made unsuccessful efforts to reach Pueblo.

"According to reports that I have received," said Governor Shoup tonight, "the Pueblo flood will equal in fatalities the San Francisco earthquake disaster. Colorado is calling on the nation to lend a helping hand to Pueblo now."

Mayor Baker Wires City's Sympathy to Pueblo's Sufferers

Mayor Baker, who left Portland on the Shasta at 4 o'clock Saturday afternoon for San Francisco, en route to the Shrine ceremonial at Des Moines, sent a message to the mayor of Pueblo just before his departure, in which he said:

"The people of Portland extend their deepest sympathy to the Pueblo sufferers. If there is anything in the way of aid that we can give please wire and we'll get busy immediately."

C. A. Bigelow, commissioner of public affairs, became acting mayor of Portland with the departure of Mayor Baker for a month's absence. He stated last night that he is certain the people of Portland will make a speedy response to contributions for the aid of the stricken citizens of Pueblo if this seems necessary, and that he will appoint the proper committees to handle the work if it appears advisable.

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