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MANY ARE DROWNED

Great Loss of Life on the Mississippi Bottoms.

THOUSANDS OF MILES SUBMERGED

Levees are Breaking Everywhere and Still the River Rises and the Waters Spread.

MEMPHIS, March 19.—Sensational rumors are afloat today as to the breaking of levees above and below the city, causing serious damage to property and stock. So far these reports have not been verified in full, but sufficient is known to warrant the statement that before nightfall an additional 200 square miles of territory will be submerged.

In the territory covered by life steamers appalling facts came to light this morning. Drownings of negroes are officially reported until the number now reaches almost half a hundred.

The relief committee thus far has ample funds to feed and clothe all the afflicted in the city. Telegrams from points 65 miles south of this place ask for steamers to rescue the people left by the last trip of the boats. Two steamers were dispatched east and west, and are expected to return at midnight with several hundred persons.

A dispatch from Washington authorized government engineers to lend men to further the protection of life and property. The river is still rising.

A family of six found a watery grave by the capsizing of a dugout while making for high land today. Two were infants. Along the Memphis levee for half a mile there is a congregation of negroes awaiting their turns for relief. No one is refused.

A Levee Breaks in Missouri.

St. Louis, March 19.—The levee on the Mississippi, fifty miles below Caruthersville, Mo., in the extreme southeastern part, is reported broken and seventeen lives are reported lost. Efforts are being made to verify the story. The river continues to rise at Caruthersville, and the pressure on the levee is great. All the weak spots are being strengthened, but the work is handicapped by rain. Many families living on the river bank have abandoned their homes and taken refuge at Caruthersville. A large amount of stock has been lost on the Tennessee side of the river, the entire bottom for miles being inundated.

The levee near Cottonwood, about eight miles from Caruthersville, is expected to break and overthrow that part of the country.

No Relief in Sight.

WASHINGTON, March 19.—The heavy rains of the past forty-eight hours in central valleys will cause a continued rise of the Cumberland, Tennessee, Lower Ohio and Mississippi rivers and intensify the threatened flood conditions previously announced.

It is probable the floods in the Lower Mississippi valley during the next ten days or two weeks will in many places equal or exceed any previous year.

Additional warning is given residents in the threatened districts of Louisiana, Arkansas and West Mississippi to remove from the region of danger.

Situation in Iowa.

Sioux City, Ia., March 19.—Every stream in this locality is out of its banks and the situation is hourly growing more serious. Leeds, Springdale and Lynn, Sioux City suburbs, are flooded, and the bottoms in the city under water. Every bridge from Lamars to Sioux City is out.

The Big Sioux is on a rampage. Its waters are reported five feet deep in Hawarden street. It is said the Northwestern has lost every bridge between Huron and Hawarden. The Milwaukee bridge here across the Floyd will go soon.

The Missouri river is reported breaking and gorging near Onawa, but no change is yet observable here. Trains on nearly all roads are abandoned.

THE GUILT ON WAGNER.

Latest "Confession" of Pearl Bryan's Murderers.

CINCINNATI, March 19.—Both the En-

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quirer and Commercial Tribune print today confessions by Scott Jackson and Alonzo Walling, signed respectively by their authors.

Jackson lays the blame of the condition of Pearl Bryan on William F. Wood, who, he says, solicited him by letter to give her relief from disgrace for his sake. He engaged Walling to find some one who would perform the delicate task. On Wednesday, January 20th, Walling told him he sent Miss Bryan to a doctor.

On Thursday Walling received word to go out to Dr. Wagner's at Bellevue, Ky., near Newport. He and Walling both went out. They arranged to be there again Friday night, January 31st. They both went; Wagner sent Jackson to Fort Meyer's drug store for ergot and he obtained it.

When he returned all were excited, the girl unconscious, and it was determined to take her away. Wagner obtained a wagon, the body was put into it and all three got in the wagon, Wagner driving. On the Alexandria pike they stopped and carried the body to where it was afterwards found.

Wagner thought the girl was dead and told Jackson to hold her head. Wagner then severed the head from the body and wrapped it up in the girl's cloak. Walling carried the cloak to the wagon. Jackson says when he let go of the body the head was at the top of the bank, but fell forward.

Wagner let them out at Newport bridge. He and Walling went to Cincinnati and parted, Walling going to Hender's hotel and Jackson to his room with the girl's sachel, which contained the clothing which he threw into the river. The blood inside the valise came from a sack worn by the girl, which was put in it. Wagner took the head with him.

Alonzo Walling's statement is that Jackson solicited him to help the girl out of her trouble into which she had been brought by Will Wood. He agreed to find some one who would perform the abortion. On January 27th he wrote to one of his friends, May Smith, asking her for such information. On January 28th he received a letter from her, advising him to see Dr. Wagner, of Bellevue, saying she had written Wagner to call at the college. On the same day Wagner called, inquired for Walling, and agreed to perform the operation and gave him his address.

That afternoon Walling met Pearl Bryan at the corner of Fourth and Race streets and directed her how to go to Dr. Wagner. The next day, January 30th, Wagner asked him by mail to bring Pearl's clothes out to him, saying she was under his care. He and Jackson took the clothes, but did not go inside. The next evening, Friday, January 31st, he and Jackson went out to Wagner's.

Walling tells the same story as Jackson about Jackson's visit to the drug store, Pearl Bryan's unconsciousness

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and the trip to the country, ending with the decapitation.

Dr. Wagner, who is implicated by Jackson's and Walling's confessions, formerly lived at Nicholasville, Ky., and is a son-in-law of William Hendren, a wealthy farmer. Wagner formerly was minister of the Reformed church at Sulphur Well.

About the middle of January, 1896, Mrs. Wagner wrote her brother, Walter, that her husband was losing his mind and asked him to come to Bellevue. Hendren went and says that on the 23d of January he took Wagner with him to the house of William Hendren, near Nicholasville, where he remained until February 3d. This corresponds with the statement of the family when the Bellevue clew was first sprung near the time of the trial and which caused its collapse at that time.

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