

OHIO RIVER IS NOW ON RAMPAGE

FLOOD WATERS NOW ENDANGER ENTIRE VALLEY

Situation Could Not Well Be Worse—Marietta, Portsmouth and Ironton Inundated and Crest of Flood yet to Come—70 Foot Stage Expected

Eighty-five Bodies Recovered at Columbus at Noon and Dead Estimated 200—Stories of Disaster

AKRON, Ohio, March 29.—A company of militia is rushing from Athens to Middleport and Pomeroy, where the Ohio river is on a rampage, already having broken all flood records.

More than 300 persons who have sought refuge on roofs at Middleport are said to be in imminent danger.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., March 29.—All wires into the Wabash valley below Terre Haute went down today and flood conditions at Vincennes and Evansville are unknown.

COLUMBUS, Ohio, March 29.—Talking from a telephone pole 7 1/2 miles south of Lancaster, C. Brawley today informed Governor Cox that the flood situation at Marietta, Ohio, could hardly be worse.

Reports received here today said that the entire Ohio River valley is in danger. Portsmouth and Ironton are inundated and the crest of the flood is yet to come.

Miami Floods Subside.—The flood waters here and at Dayton, Zanesville and Piqua are subsiding rapidly. Governor Cox has announced that relief has reached all these points, but that clothing and more food supplies are still needed.

Eighty-five corpses had been recovered here up to 1 o'clock today, 38 identified. Colonel Barger, commanding the troops guarding the flooded districts, still estimates the dead here at 200. Undertakers who are fighting for possession of bodies and removing them to private morgues are delaying identifications.

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REBELS DEFEAT FEDERAL FORCES UNDER OJEDA

NACO, Ariz., March 29.—Forced after yesterday's skirmishing to separate into three divisions, the first attachment of General Ojeda's federal garrison returned to Naco early today. The remainder of his command was expected here before noon.

According to the officials of the returning troops, Ojeda, who left Naco two days ago to meet an approaching detachment of the rebels was engaged late yesterday by an overwhelming superior force, and compelled to break ground. The rebels lost four killed and nine wounded. It is claimed that the federal casualties were about fifty.

SIoux CHIEF, WHO DIED IN WASHINGTON



The remains of Chief Hollow Horn Bear, most prominent of the Sioux chiefs, who died of pneumonia in Washington on his visit there for the inauguration, have reached the Rosebud Agency in South Dakota.

MORE HORRORS DUE AMERICA SAYS FAMOUS SEERESS

PARIS, March 29.—Declaration that the Omaha tornado and the death dealing floods in Ohio and Indiana are but a forerunner of the disasters to befall America in 1913 was voiced here today by Madame De Thebes, the famous Parisian seeress, who predicted at the beginning of the year the present disasters in the United States.

"Let those in America," said Madame De Thebes, "who survive the present disasters protect themselves against further cyclones and inundations, for I cannot see any calm returning to America before April 21. The finger of God is at work in America. This coming September is to be the most dangerous month for that country. Terrible fire, wind and water will assail her and a large portion of her territory will slip into the sea within the next few generations. In September most of the horrors will develop from winds."

START REFERENDUM AGAINST UNIVERSITY

SALEM, Ore., March 29.—According to reliable information today a movement to invoke the referendum against all the state university improvement appropriations made by the recent legislature is ready to be launched next week. The petition will probably be put in circulation within the next two or three days.

CLINTON, INDIANA IS SUFFERING FROM FLOOD

TERRE HAUTE, Ind., March 29.—A gasoline launch arrived here today from Fort Wayne, traveling the entire distance by way of the swollen Wabash river. Its occupants said Clinton, Indiana, was suffering severely from flood waters, but that no fatalities had been reported.

WAR SECRETARY TAKES CHARGE DAYTON, OHIO

Garrison Wires President That Army Officers Have Situation Well in Hand, but Ohio is Rising Rapidly—Fatalities Greatly Overestimated

City to Be Divided Into Five Health Districts With Government Expert in Charge of Each

WASHINGTON, March 29.—Secretary of War Garrison today sent the following report from Dayton to President Wilson:

"Majors Normyle and Logan have the situation well in hand. The flood is receding in the smaller rivers, but the Ohio is rising at Cincinnati, where it is now 63 feet, and is threatening the towns below there. Officials have been sent down the stream to observe and report to Logan at Cincinnati."

Secretary Garrison states the fatalities are greatly overestimated.

DAYTON, Ohio, March 29.—Secretary of War Garrison, General Leonard Woods, chief of staff of the United States army and Captain Rhoads and Captain McCoy arrived here at 12:30 o'clock this afternoon. They immediately conferred with Mayor Phillips, John Patterson, head of the National Cash Register company, and a committee of citizens. After inspecting the flood districts, Secretary Garrison wired a report of conditions to President Wilson.

At the request of Governor Cox, Secretary Garrison took full charge of the local situation. The city probably will be divided into five health districts with a government expert in charge of each district.

SOLDIERS SHOOT LOOTERS OF RUINS

COLUMBUS, Ohio, March 29.—A squad of soldiers detailed to hunt looters on the West Side here today shot and killed Edward McKinley and Edward White. Residents near Greenlawn had complained that their homes were being robbed.

Both McKinley and White were caught looting, each carrying a sack filled with valuables.

CRUISER COLORADO RUMORED DYNAMITED

SAN DIEGO, Cal., March 29.—A rumor the origin of which could not be traced was current here today that the cruiser Colorado had been blown up at Guaymas, Gulf of California. Inquiries at the United States wireless station at Point Loma brought the answer that no news of the sort had been received there. The report was not credited.

The wireless station was in communication with the Colorado up to 1 o'clock this afternoon and does not expect to be able to reach the cruiser again until about 6:30 p. m.

TRADING ENCOURAGED IN STOCK MARKET

NEW YORK, March 29.—Belief that the losses in the middle west floods will be smaller than at first reported encouraged trading in the stock market today. There was eagerness to cover short accounts. The market closed strong.

City Attorney Boggs Protects Notorious Dive

BOGGS & WILSON ATTORNEYS AT LAW SUITE 407, B. F. & M. BLDG. PHONE: MAIN 1061, ROOM 104 MEDFORD, OREGON

March 21st, 1913.

Mrs. Julia Jackson, Royal Rooming House, E. Main Street, City.

Dear Madam:— There may be some effort to bother or intimidate you on account of your testimony this afternoon. If anybody makes any indication of doing this, we want you to report the matter immediately to me, and I will see that you are not unjustly bothered.

Very truly yours, O. C. Boggs City Attorney.

GARRISON FINDS FLOOD SITUATION IS EXAGGERATED

CINCINNATI, Ohio, March 29.—The special train bearing Secretary of War Garrison and General Leonard Wood, chief of staff of the United States army, arrived here this morning. A message of welcome from Governor Cox awaited Secretary Garrison and General Wood here.

Garrison, Wood, Major Rhoads and Captain Frank McCoy at once started for Dayton by automobile. Before leaving Cincinnati, Secretary Garrison wired President Wilson that the latter's presence would not be needed. He telegraphed that the number of deaths and the general flood situation had been exaggerated.

Captain A. N. Whaley, at the head of the government relief corps, will establish headquarters in Dayton and direct the distribution of supplies, which are arriving from army posts throughout the country.

MORE CLOTHING AT DAYTON IS NEEDED

COLUMBUS, Ohio, March 29.—As the result of unexpected calls for help from parts of the state other than those already flooded, Governor Cox issued another proclamation today, calling for more food and clothing for the sufferers.

INDIANA'S DEATH LIST

- Peru 20. Brookville 16. Lawrence county 15. Terre Haute and vicinity 10. Fort Wayne 6. Washington 4. Cedar Grove 4. Frankfort 2. Muncie 1. LaFayette 1. Newcastle 1. Rushville 1. Shelton 1. East Mount Carmel 1. Counties not reported and deaths authentically reported, but unverified, bring Indiana's total dead up to one hundred.

QUICK WORK IS NEEDED TO STAVE OFF PESTILENCE

DAYTON, Ohio, March 29.—Quick work is necessary in Dayton today to fight off pestilence. All water flooding the streets is polluted and the heaps of debris on all sides are breeding disease. The assistance of outside sanitation experts is required at once.

Dayton undertakers asserted today that eight hundred persons are dead here. They insist that yesterday's estimate of between 150 and 200 victims is too low by hundreds. Digging in the wreckage is proceeding rapidly and the death list is growing fast.

The city council is to issue special emergency bonds to provide funds for food, supplies, care for the homeless and to improve the policing system.

THUG ROBS BANK; SHOT WITH SWAG

BARNES, Kan., March 29.—Shot down by a thug who afterward robbed the institution, Robert I. Browne, cashier of the Barnes State bank, was almost instantly killed here today. A posse later shot the robber to death in the outskirts as he was attempting to flee with a heavy sack of gold in his possession.

"Put 'em up," commanded the thug, pointing two revolvers at Browne as he was counting money behind the teller's window. Browne replied by seizing a revolver from a nearby drawer and taking several wild shots at the thug. His fusillade was stopped by a bullet from the robber's gun plowing through his head.

EARL ROGERS TAKEN TO HOSPITAL FOR OPERATION

LOS ANGELES, Cal., March 29.—Earl Rogers, chief counsel for Clarence Darrow in his trials in Los Angeles, was taken to a hospital today to undergo a serious intestinal operation.

ONLY FLIMSIEST HOUSES DESTROYED AT INDIANAPOLIS

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., March 29.—Receding flood waters revealed today that only the flimsiest homes in West Indianapolis were destroyed but the homes remaining are filled with mud and ooze, and are uninhabitable. The fatalities throughout Indiana today are estimated at one hundred. The situation in the flooded districts is greatly improved with the state caring for its own victims as well as sending aid to the sufferers in Ohio.

Residents of Richmond, Ind., almost starved themselves by housing and feeding refugees from Ohio.

The state board of health is making frantic efforts today to prevent an epidemic. Clear and cold weather is aiding in this work.

The railroads are slowly resuming operations but nothing like regular schedules are being attempted.

CHICAGO STREET CAR MEN GIVEN INCREASE

CHICAGO, March 29.—Two cents an hour increase in wages was granted ten thousand employees of Chicago surface railways by a special arbitration board today.

The increase is regarded as a victory for the traction company which offered the men more than that amount to return to work during their strike. Judge Scanlan, who represented the employes of the board dissented from its findings.

REDDY'S RAILROAD FINALLY INCORPORATED

SALEM, Ore., March 29.—Articles of incorporation for the Grants Pass and Crescent City Railroad company, which places its capital stock at \$5,000,000, were filed here today. The incorporators are J. F. Reddy, H. L. Gilkey and W. W. Harmon. The articles set forth that the company intends to build a main line railroad from Grants Pass, in Josephine county, to Crescent City, Cal., and in addition a number of branch lines.

DAYTON BLOCKS NEAR COLLAPSE FROM DEULGE

Flooded Structures Ruined by Flood—School Buildings Roped Off—Curfew Rings at Six Evenings to Keep Looting Down

Seventy-five Bodies in Morgue at Noon—Many Never to Be Found—Workmen Carrying Off Wreckage

FLOOD SITUATION, DAYTON

The flooded sections of are clear of water. Rescuers everywhere in Dayton report the fatalities below two hundred. Governor Cox declared the state will seize all railroads entering Dayton, to aid the work of relief and rescue, if necessary. The militia at Dayton was forced to use drastic means to prevent undertakers fighting for possession of bodies. The houses in the path of the flood include a log cabin 115 years old, the first house built in Dayton. It escaped unscathed.

DAYTON, Ohio, March 29.—It is feared today that some of the flooded buildings here are in danger of collapsing.

Officials inspected the Steel high school building and ordered it roped off. They declared that the water has undermined the structure and that it may fall at any time. There is plenty of food here to supply the present needs, but more will be required soon.

Beginning tonight the church bells will ring a curfew at 6 o'clock when everyone will be ordered off the streets. Those who refuse to go will be arrested. This step is taken as a precaution against looting. It is believed that the danger of pestilence is passed. Sanitary engineers are removing the debris rapidly.

At noon there were seventy-five bodies in the morgue. It is believed many of the dead will never be recovered.

As fast as the buildings can be cleared of debris workmen are carrying the wreckage to other portions of the city.

The Arcade, Kuen-Rice, Carpenter, Conover, Mendenhall, Commercial, Herbold and United Brethren buildings were found to be in need of only minor repairs. The Callahan Bank building suffered but little more serious damage.

SONORA STATE CONGRESS VOTES NEW REPUBLIC

DOUGLAS, Ariz., March 29.—The Sonora state congress has voted to participate in a convention to frame a new constitution for the "Northern Republic of Mexico," according to advices received today from Hermosillo. The confederation will include the states of Sonora, Chihuahua, Coahuila, Sinaloa, Lower California and Tepic.

The Sonora congress approved the selection of the rebel governor of Coahuila, Carranza, as military leader of the forces of the new republic. Edwin Arden and Anne Sutherland will appear as co-stars in a playlet entitled "The Stool Pigeon," by Alice Leah Pollock and Carrington Phelps.