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Something About the Progress of the Press

By JOHN P. FALLON.

¶ "You cannot see the forest for the trees," said a historian, "nor history in the making for being so close to the event."

¶ He wrote before the present greatness of the newspapers was attained. Nowadays the history of the minute is yours when you pick up your daily newspaper. Not only those things which happen in the city and throughout the country, but throughout the world. There are romances back of this achievement, tales of suffering, of loyalty to the paper, of long hours, of strenuous endeavor and daring.

¶ Consider carefully this composite wonder, the newspaper which you buy daily for an insignificant price. Usually it contains several square yards of paper, and, in the metropolitan dailies, its lines of type set end to end would extend for miles. And all this type must be set in a few short hours. The wonder is that your paper does not cost you many times its present price.

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Court of Common Pleas
Room 12 to 18, Court House.
Notice is hereby given that I will begin to issue the Annual May Licenses on Monday, March 31st, 1913.
ADAM DEUPERT, Clerk.

AMERICAN RED CROSS
Devastation by storm and flood has overwhelmed several states in the Middle States. Hundreds are dead, thousands are injured, and homes destroyed. Urgent calls for assistance have come from governors of states and our own representatives at the scene.
An earnest appeal is, therefore, made to our people to respond promptly and generously to this cry for help almost at our door.
Contributions should be sent to B. Howell Griswold, Jr., treasurer, care Alexander Brown & Sons, Baltimore.
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TO CARRY GOODS FREE

Express Companies Adopt Measures to Relieve Flood Sufferers.

New York, March 26.—The Adams Express Company, American Express Company, National Express Company, Southern Express Company, United States Express Company and the Wells, Fargo & Co. Express have issued instructions to the agents of their respective companies that they will carry free of charge contributions of money and necessary supplies for the relief of the sufferers from the floods in Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Northern Kentucky and adjacent flooded districts and at Omaha, Neb., when such shipments are consigned to municipal authorities or organized relief committees.

BELIEVE DAYTON TO BE DOOMED BY FIRE

IMPOSSIBLE TO TELL LOSSES

Indiana Presents a Scene of Desolation

ARMY AIDS REFUGEES

Frantic Appeals to Governor From Many Towns.

RELIEF MEASURES TAKEN

The Most Conservative Reports From Throughout the State Estimate the Loss at No Fewer Than 125 Drowned—No Attempt Made to Even Guess at the Property Damage—Indianapolis and Peru Suffer Heaviest — Reports Say That Several of the Smaller Towns Have Been Wiped Out.

Indianapolis, Ind., March 26.—Night fell upon flood-swept Indiana with but little comfort for its many thousands of flood sufferers, the most conservative reports from throughout the state estimating the loss of life at not fewer than 125 drowned, while persistent statements from various points indicate that more than that number may have perished in the high waters. There is none to attempt even a guess at the property damage, and the small army of relief workers throughout the state are without the aid of any public services in most of the cities.

Communication established with Connersville, from where Governor Ralston Tuesday received frantic appeals for aid, that he was powerless to answer, brought definite information that at least 40 persons perished in Brookville, Franklin county, during Monday night in the flood caused by the conflux of the swollen branches of the Whitewater River at that place. Less reliable dispatches from the same region declare that the smaller towns of Metmora, Cedar Grove and Trenton are swept away completely.

NO DRINKING WATER.

Late afternoon advices from Peru, sent by telephone through South Bend, say that 12 bodies were recovered from a single house there, and insist that the largest death figures for that city are not exaggerated. Peru is the most completely demoralized city in the great flood districts in Indiana, but Fort Wayne, Logansport, Lafayette and Terre Haute have experienced loss of life and great property damage, with practically all public service destroyed in each of these places.

Indianapolis has a certain loss of life in the western part of the city from the great flood expanses along White River, and an inestimable property loss in the most substantial residence districts through the overflow of Fall Creek. Water fell rapidly in the latter district during the day, but there was no consequential abatement of the waters in West Indianapolis.

THREE DISTINCT DISTRICTS.

Three distinct flood districts prevail throughout the state, each but a few miles wide, yet sweeping the entire width of Indiana. In the north all the towns and cities along the Wabash and its larger tributaries are affected; White River sweeps through Central Indiana, with Indianapolis the greatest sufferer; while White Water River drains a valley in the middle southern portion of the state, where many towns and small cities have been affected. Smaller streams throughout the valleys, all tributary to one or the other of the three principal rivers, are swollen and causing more or less damage.

Foold deaths may never be accurately known, and probably it will be several days before even approximately correct figures may be obtained. Efforts of all flood relief were directed today toward rescuing persons still in dangerous places and relieving the suffering and wants of the homeless. The Peru death list still is placed at from 60 to 300. It is generally admitted that at least 20 have perished in West Indianapolis, where the flood struck foreign quarters and poorer homes with overwhelming suddenness last night. Six deaths were reported from Fort Wayne, three miles from Newcastle; two from Lafayette, one from Rushville, one from Muncie and five scattering throughout the state, in addition to the definite reports of deaths in several places yesterday.

PERU SUFFERS HEAVILY.

The most reliable information obtainable from Peru said that but a single block of the city remains altogether out of water and that thousands are packed into buildings in a small area downtown. Six were said to have suffocated in the crowds at the courthouse, which still is out of water.

At Logansport flood waters of the Wabash are 16 feet deep on the floors of the Pennsylvania Railroad Station and cadets from the Culver Military

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Vice-Mayor Hubor Reported To Have Appealed For Dynamite To Check The Flames

STRICKEN CITY NOW UNDER MARTIAL LAW

Rescue Squads Work Frantically to Throw Back the Veil That Hides the True Story of the Dayton Disaster—the Number of Dead—Fate of Hundreds Still in Doubt. Wires Now Open.

LATEST REPORTS OF LOSS OF LIFE IN FLOOD.

Latest reports concerning the loss of life in the disastrous floods that devastated Ohio and Indiana indicate that the first estimates will not be greatly diminished. Figures based on these reports are as follows:

OHIO.	
Dayton	1,300 to 2,000
Near Cincinnati	200 to 250
Piqua	500 to 540
Columbus	200
Mt. Vernon (reported)	100
Delaware	50 to 100
Middletown	50 to 100
Tiffin (reported)	50
Sidney	25 to 50
Hamilton	12 to 115
Tippecanoe	3 to 5
Scattering	50 to 100
Stratford (reported)	200
Total	1,740 to 2,910
INDIANA.	
Peru	20 to 50
New Castle	3
Lafayette	2
Indianapolis (reported)	100 to 200
Noblesville	2
Scattering	25
Total	152 to 282
Total in Ohio and Indiana	1,892 to 3,109

Dayton, O., March 27, 6 A. M.—Believing the city to be doomed by fire, it was reported this morning that Vice Mayor Huber, of this city, has sent out appeals to all of the cities of the state for dynamite with which to raze the buildings in the path of the flames whenever this can be accomplished and also for all of the fire-fighting apparatus that can be rushed here.

Dayton, O., March 27.—That a fierce fire which appeared to be sweeping through the half submerged business district of Dayton late tonight had destroyed the Beckel House, where there were supposed to be more than 200 flood refugees, was the consensus of opinion of scores of watchers at the top of the National Cash Register Building, nearly two miles from the scene of the flames.

Investigation of the fire at close range was an utter impossibility. More than a mile of flood water intervened between the point where the staunchest boats dared to venture into the area of flames. Traced by aid of maps, it appeared that the Beckel House was destroyed at some time after 10 o'clock.

FATE OF REFUGEES NOT KNOWN.

Whether the scores of refugees supposed to have been there tried to escape was only a matter of conjecture.

At midnight residents of Dayton watching the course of the flames from across the wide stretch of flood waters believed the fire got its new start this afternoon in the store of the Patterson Tool and Supply Company, on Third street, just east of Jefferson, whence it ate its way west, apparently aided by escaping gas and exploding chemicals in two wholesale drug establishments.

Soon after midnight it appeared the flames were wavering. While many persons conversant with the district and who watched from a distance, did not agree upon the possibility that the Beckel House had succummed to the fire, yet all watchers expressed fear that many of the marooned had perished in the flames that appeared to have worked from East to West, a distance of nearly two blocks.

GUARDSMEN KILL LOOTERS.

At 1:15 A. M. state guardsmen shot and killed a man attempting to loot the homes of flood victims on Fifth street.

The fire in the business section was still burning fiercely at 2 o'clock this morning. It seems to have changed the general direction from northwest to straight west. Efforts to ascertain if buildings that house refugees have been burned were unavailable. It is impossible to approach closer than a mile of the blaze.

DAM IN GOOD CONDITION.

Columbus, O., March 27.—It was announced at the office of Governor Cox late last night that the Lewiston dam was in good condition; the flood was rapidly subsiding and that there was now no danger of the dam breaking.

Operator Bell, who has been furnishing Governor Cox with information as to Dayton conditions, telephoned tonight that the

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FEDERAL AID TO SURVIVORS

President Directs Relief Measures

SETS ALL HANDS BUSY

Every Government Agency Employed to Furnish Relief.

SOLDIERS READY TO ASSIST

War Department Rushing Food, Tents and Medical Supplies From Every Available Depot—Troops of the Department of the East Ordered to Be Ready For Duty—Navy and Treasury Departments Co-operating — Red Cross Also Active—Trying to Expedite the Mails.

Bureau of The Baltimore American,
1410 Pennsylvania Avenue,
Washington, March 26.

President Wilson devoted his time almost exclusively today to relieving, through government agencies, the appalling distress occasioned by the floods in Indiana and Ohio. He was in conference early with Secretary of War Garrison, whom he directed to send into the flood area every agency of aid at the disposal of the War Department. Even before the telegram of Governor Cox, of Ohio, calling for the President's assistance, reached the White House, Secretary Garrison was sending out orders to rush into the flood districts rations and tents and blankets to furnish immediate relief. From St. Louis, which is the nearest supply depot, 1,000,000 rations and 10,000 tents will be provided. Recognizing that the police power of the various cities and that the state militia may not prove sufficient to maintain order and to prevent looting, all the troops of the Department of the East were ordered to hold themselves in readiness for duty in the flood districts. One million rations, sufficient to feed 200,000 people for five days at least, are being purchased by the War Department at the nearest supply depots and hurried to the Ohio and Indiana towns.

Tents to shelter at least 50,000 people, thousands of blankets, cots, hospital and field supplies are being loaded in the Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, St. Louis, Chicago, Fort Thomas, Kentucky and nearby army posts, and within 24 hours should reach the devastated sections.

MEDICAL SUPPLIES.

Secretary Garrison, appreciating the grave danger of widespread fever and other sickness that will result from the conditions brought about by the floods, directed the Medical Department today to take every step necessary to prevent the new danger that threatened. Major Fauntleroy and a large number of medical officers, under his orders, together with liberal details of hospital stewards and other aids, are being hurried into Ohio and from the medical supply depot, thousands of vaccine points and antityphoid points are being dispatched together with hospital tents, the latter to the number of 100, and all other medical supplies that may be needed.

Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo was also instructed by the President to render every assistance in its power. The keeper and six men of the life-saving crew, stationed at Louisville, have been ordered to Dayton and the Public Health Service has offered its assistance to the state health authorities in Ohio and Indiana. The surgeons in the vicinity of the flood district have been ordered by Surgeon General Blue to report immediately for any assistance that they can render, and the hospitals of the Public Health Service at Detroit, Cleveland, Louisville, Cincinnati, Cairo, Evansville and St. Louis have been thrown open for the use of the sick and disabled immediately when requested by the governors of the afflicted states.

CONGRESS WILL SUPPORT HIM.

President Wilson conferred also today with Miss Mabel Boardman, the chairman of the relief board of the Red Cross, and after his conference with her he issued a proclamation to the people of the United States, appealing to them to aid in a practical way the labors of the Red Cross among the flood sufferers.

After directing the various departments to furnish every assistance in their power, President Wilson sent telegrams to Senator Martin, at Charlottesville, and to Representative Fitzgerald, at Brooklyn, the chairmen, respectively, of the Appropriations Committees of the Senate and of the House, notifying them of his action and suggesting that all expenditures incurred by the government in its relief work be reimbursed the respective departments in an urgent efficiency bill to be passed at the extra session. From both gentlemen President Wilson received replies assuring him that every penny expended would be promptly repaid to the different departments as soon

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DEATH ROLL NOW 3000

Half a Million People Are Homeless

$50,000,000 DAMAGE

The Loss to Railroads Extremely Heavy.

ALL TRAFFIC IS CRIPPLED

Latest Information Adds to the Number of Those Who Perished and Doubles the Financial Loss—The Revised Figures of Lives Lost—Railroads Converging in Indianapolis Alone Suffer a Loss of $25,000,000—The Companies Are Working Hard to Repair the Damages.

Chicago, March 26.—Three thousand may have perished in the deluge-swept northern half of the Ohio River Valley yesterday and today. Probably half a million people were made homeless by the flood in Indiana and Ohio, and property damage in both states will be at least $100,000,000.

These figures were compiled this afternoon from reports received here from various points in the stricken district. Further reports may increase the number of dead, and it is unlikely that any decrease in financial loss will be made.

Following are revised figures of the dead:

Ohio—Dayton, 2,000; Piqua, 540; Delaware, 100; Middletown, 100; Sidney, 50; Hamilton, 12; Tippecanoe, 3; Tiffin, 50; Freemont, 11; scattering, 200. Total, 3,066.

Indiana—Peru, 150; Newcastle, 3; Lafayette, 2; Indianapolis, 14; Noblesville, 2; scattering, 25. Total, 196.

Grand total, 3,262.

Reports unconfirmed said that 14 persons lost their lives in Fremont and 50 at Tiffin, O. It was rumored in Indianapolis early today that 200 persons were drowned in West Indianapolis, but this number was later reduced to 14, though it was estimated early this evening that more than that had died. South of Indianapolis the flood is said to have caused death in a number of small towns and villages.

Fire at Dayton added to the financial loss caused by the flood. Early estimates, placing the damage in Ohio and Indiana at $50,000,000, were revised to show tonight double that amount.

Railroad officials were authority for the statement that lines converging into Indianapolis would have to stand a loss of $25,000,000 in that city and vicinity alone.

Railroads were chief sufferers from property damage. It was said tonight by engineers and construction bosses, preparing trains for flooded districts, that strips of railroad more than a half a mile each had been washed away in several places through Indiana. Concrete and iron bridges, their supports undermined, crumbled before the strength of the torrents hurled against them.

The loss through cessation of traffic cannot be estimated.

Only two roads, the Michigan Central and the Lake Shore, maintained communication with New York over their own lines, those farther south finding mile after mile of their right of way under water.

The railroads are planning to repair the damage done to their property as speedily as possible. Men and material are being rushed to every accessible point where damage has been reported, and active repairs will be begun as soon as the floods recede. Telegraph and telephone wires over the stricken district were down. Long distance telephone service to Ohio was cut off with the exception of connections with Toledo and Cleveland. Wires through Indiana were down in many places and some of the devastated towns were cut off from all communication.

CINCINNATI THREATENED

Danger Line In Flood Stage Is Reached at Midnight.

Cincinnati, O., March 26.—Cincinnatti is threatened with a flood tonight. At midnight the danger line was passed and the stage of 55.6 feet was reached. The river is rising an inch an hour. The Union Central Station has been deserted and what few trains are operating are detouring by other routes.

At Lawrenceburg, 12 miles below this city, the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad tracks were dynamited late tonight in order to allow the backwater from the Great Miami to run out and this, it is beleved, saved the town from being swamped. Despite this, four persons are reported as having been drowned there.

The Muskingum, Scioto and Great and Little Miami Rivers are running out from the Ohio side, while the Licking is over its bank and running out from the Kentucky side. A 57-foot stage by noon tomorrow is predicted by the local weather forecaster, but beyond this he will make no assertions. The flood has as yet claimed no life in this city.

Bodies Floating In Flood.

Indianapolis, Ind., March 26.—L. C. Huddekston, one of the rescue party working in West Indianapolis this afternoon, saw the bodies of a man, a woman and two children in a house practically submerged. He could not identify the bodies, and others who saw them also were unable to identify them.

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