

DEATH LIST IS REDUCED

SUBSIDING WATER FREES THOUSANDS

Chief Anxiety Still Centers About Dayton, Where Relief Work Is in Active Progress.

CITY IS IN CONTROL OF NATIONAL GUARD

Many of Those Rescued Have Been Without Food or Water Since Last Tuesday.

Revised estimates which came in early today from the flooded districts of Ohio and Indiana showed that reports of loss of life in many cities had been exaggerated.

The greatest anxiety still centered about Dayton, where an accurate estimate of the number of victims of the flood continued to be an impossibility.

The death tolls promises to be much less heavy at Columbus, O., than first reports from the western part of that city indicated.

In the parts of Dayton which have been explored by a motor boat, the death list has been greatly reduced from first estimates and unless the number of victims in the north section of the city is found to be large, the dead in the entire city may not number more than 200.

In Chillicothe, where the number of drowned were reported to be in the neighborhood of 500, the dead will not exceed 25. Similar results were expected as to Zanesville and other Muskingum valley towns.

Indiana points continued to report improving conditions during the night with the estimates as to death shrinking as more accurate reports were made.

mid, would lead to the stationing of a sufficient patrol to bar everyone except those engaged in the work of rescue from the scene.

No Effort to Take Out Bodies. A score of motor boats and the life-saving boats were in the flooded district early and by night it was hoped relief would be extended to all those still alive.

The flood situation was much brighter today. The trucks sent from the cash register company manned by men with military orders to confiscate potatoes and food from the farmers brought back a good supply of vegetables, and several relief trains reached the city with supplies.

Without Food Since Tuesday. Sixty Catholic sisters at the Academy of the Sisters of Notre Dame and 18 persons for whom they had provided refuge were found by the Louisville life-saving crew today to have been entirely without food or water since Tuesday.

Plans for Reconstruction. South Dayton, O., March 28.—Facing the tremendous task of caring for its ever increasing army of refugees and recovering its dead, Dayton began its fourth day of flood under strict martial law.

Colonel Zimmerman stated that most of the provisions continuously going into the still inundated districts, milk for babies and medicines for invalids were not forgotten by the rescue squads.

It was the aim of the military organization to keep from the danger line all persons seeking friends. "Be satisfied you are not dead yet," was the colonel's disposition of many applicants.

The problem of providing for refugees was barely faced by an army of workers, many of whom came from neighboring cities equipped with carloads and train loads of food.

SURVIVORS TELL OF EXPERIENCES

Infant Found Sole Occupant of House—Tales of Heroism and Suffering Are Unfolded.

FLOOD IS RECEDING THROUGH INDIANA

Property Loss at Fort Wayne Not Less than Four Million—Only Six Are Drowned.

By Associated Press. Dayton, O., March 28.—Horrors of a flood refuge center were supplemented here today by interest taken in an infant for two days probably the sole occupant of a floating house.

As flood sufferers, saved from death by boatmen, are beginning to get accustomed to improvised surroundings and recount details of the past few days' tales of heroism and suffering are unfolded.

Unconfirmed reports of women trying this method of escape and dropping off to their death into the torrent of water are told.

Fort Wayne, Ind., March 28.—With the flood receding at the rate of three inches an hour this city has the situation in control. The property loss is estimated at \$4,000,000 and it is almost certain that the loss of life will not exceed six.

LOOTING COMMENCED IN FLOODED ZANESVILLE

Military Given Orders to Shoot in Effort to Stop Thievery.

Zanesville, O., March 28.—With the coming of dawn today Zanesville's thirty thousand inhabitants, ten thousand of whom are homeless, saw the first glimmer of hope since the flood in the Muskingum river swept through the city three days ago.

FINDS TEETH IN SCHOOL LAW

State Superintendent Says Attendance Is Compulsory Regardless of County Board's Wishes.

Special to The Gazette-News. Raleigh, March 28.—State Superintendent Joyner is today preparing for the press an opinion showing that state-wide compulsory attendance law really makes four months school attendance for children between the ages of 8 and 12 compulsory, regardless of county boards.

TOWNS INUNDATED ALONG THE HUDSON

Worst Flood in Years Stops Traffic in Upper New York.

By Associated Press. Albany, N. Y., March 28.—Scores of cities and towns throughout the Mohawk and Hudson valleys are partially inundated as a result of the worst flood in years.

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BALKAN ALLIES SEEKING PEACE

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ADRIANOPLE ENTERED BY KING FERDINAND

Conquering Armies Take Formal Possession of Fortress and Cities—Bulgaria Desires Indemnity.

By Associated Press. Vienna, March 28.—A dispatch from Sofia to the Politische Correspondenz says the Balkan allies have agreed to accept the terms offered by the European powers "as a basis for peace negotiations."

LOUISVILLE IS FACING SECOND FLOOD OF YEAR

Ohio River Steadily Rising There—People are Warned from Lowlands.

By Associated Press. Louisville, Ky., March 28.—With water already sweeping over the lower sections of the city and the Ohio river steadily rising, Louisville today faces the second flood of the year.

COUP TO SAVE ALLENS FAILS

COLUMBUS COUNTS THE WATER'S TOLL

Relief Work Is Being Pushed Rapidly in the Ohio Capital.

By Associated Press. Columbus, O., March 28.—Some definite idea as to the total number of persons who lost their lives on the West Side of Columbus when the Scioto river flooded and broke through the levee is expected to be gained today.

PEACHES ALL KILLED? SOME SAY SO, SOME NO

However, Weather Man Looks for Another Killing Frost Tonight.

The opinions of most of the "oldest inhabitants" are that all the peaches were not killed last night, although there are some who declare that there will not be a peach.

STILL NO TRAINS RUN WEST OF HAZELWOOD

May Be Four Days before Track is Repaired—Line Open to St. Louis.

There are still no trains being run by the Southern railway over the Murphy branch beyond Hazelwood. A large part of the track beyond that point is either inundated or washed away, and although large forces of men are at work getting it into shape it is doubtful if the line will be reopened again for at least four days.

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EXECUTION STAYED UNTIL AFTERNOON

When Mann Hears of Expedition He Hastens Back to Richmond and Balks Plan.

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