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## DEA'TY LIST IS REDUCED OF EXPERIENCES

### 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 anxlety still centered about Dayton, where an accurate estimate of the number of victims of the flood continued to be an impos-

The death tolls promises to be much less heavy at Columbus, O., than first

number of victims in the north sec-tion of the city is tound to be large, of bread and water and planned to the dead in the entire city may not take further help. from first estimates and unless the number more than 200.

in Piqua, where more than 500 per-to several hundred families in the low cons were reported drowned, less than 20 lost their lives, according to advices Franklin streets. Here the water had

In Chillicothe, where the number not exceed 25. Similar results were expected as to Zanesville and other

Muskingum vailey towns.
Indiana points continued to report improving conditions during the night with the estimates as to death shrinkmore accurate reports were

By Associated Press.
Dayton, O., March 28.—The flood situation in Dayton today is this: The estimated number drowned

greatly exaggerated. The property loss from fire will not exceed a million and a half dollars. The damage caused to mercantile houses, factories and residences will anywhere from \$15,000,000

\$20,000,000. The water has receded over the lus reconstruction. business district of the city and large portion of the residence section Residents in portions still inundated are being taken to sections not affected by the flood.

There is no lack of food. The telebut all available fuel has been appropriated and there is prospect of imme-

diate relief. So far there has been no epidemic

of any disease.

One thousand militiamen arriving today have the city in rigid control, effectively preventing looting, sight-seeing that will interfere with rescue work and all disorder.
Touring the business section today,

ept those engaged in the work of res ne from the scene.
Militiamen and deputies were given nstructions to shoot offenders agains he pre-arranged plan of relief work. "Shoot at the legs first, then shoot a kill," was the order given the

No Effort to Take Out Bodies A score of motor boats and the life-saving boats were in the flooded dis-trict early and by night it was hoped relief would be extended to all those still alive. No effort was being made to take out any bodies, the first care being to provide help for the living. The boats began to return early from the nearer sections, each deposit-

ing its load of from 15 to 20 sur-Most of those rescued were so weak rom privation as to be scarcely able to move. By 8 o'clock several hundred had been brought to the cash

register shops.

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 vegctables, and several relief trains reached the city with supplies. The rescue work also had taken on a semblance of system and all the streets from which the flood had receded were patroled by militia. The people also were urged to get back to their houses whenever possible. "Beware of this as and burglars,"

said an official bulletin given wide circulation. "Don't leave your houses without protection, It was thieves who scared you about the reservoir and the natural gas explosion. The natural gas has been turned off and there is no danger of explosions.'

Without Food Since Tuesday. Sixty Catholic sisters at the Academ; of the Sisters of Notre Dame and 18 reports from the western part of that respect 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

district in the vicinity of Ludlow and child to his neck and swimming safely reached the roofs of all two story buildings. Only a few of the most desperate cases were brought out, the roof with an umbrella. He set they of drowned were reported to be in desperate cases were brought out, the the neighborhood of \$60, the dead will first move being to leave bread and water in as many places as possible.

There had been little hope there would be survivors in this district, and the fact that there proved to be few deaths brought hope that the death loss would be lower than was expected After returning for supplies, the lifeavers started for North Dayton.

Plans for Reconstruction.
South Dayton, O., March 28.—Facng 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. With headquarters at martial law. With headquarters at Bamberger Park, Colonel Zimmerman of the fifth regiment, Ohio National Guard, initiated plans for the organication that will protect the city during

Militia companies from all parts of the state reached Dayton during the early morning hours and by noon every accessible section was under strict guard. Members of the state board of health, bringing carloads of lime and other districts. phone systems are being restored.

There is much suffering from cold. to reach here during the day and begin the work of warding off the ever increasing menace of disease.

Colonel Zimmerman stated that boat loads of provisions continuously were 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," wa

work and all disorder.

Touring the business section today, Associated Press men found the high stage of the flood had been nine feet in Third and Main streets, which is in the very heart of the city. The orrushing waters flooded the first floor of every store in the business district. This constitutes the chief financial loss. The tower of Steele high schol was levelled and the Leonard building on. Main street was undermined so that it collapsed, Many houses were swep; away in Riverdale, West Dayton, North Dayton and Edgemont.

Situation in Control.

West Dayton, O. March 28.—Backed up by the militia and hundreds of special deputies, the citizens committee in charge of the rehet work in the various sections of the flooded city have a tight hold on the situation today.

The work of clearing up the chaotic conditions brought on by the flood is progressing with marvelous speed and rapidity.

Tresident G. B. Smith of the chamber of commerce expressed the prevailing sentiment today when he said. "We do not want the world to think that Dayton is unable to recover from the effects of the disaster. We are coing to show that we are capable of coping with the cituation with entire efficiency.

Today begun with great promise. A brilliant san tempered the keening of the fronty air. The flood subsided percentibly. Flood ejettine who had been penned in the downtown sections of the firmty air. The flood subsided percentibly. Flood ejettine who had been penned in the downtown sections of the firmty air. The flood subsided percentibly. Flood ejettine who had been penned in the downtown sections of the firmty air. The flood subsided percentibly. Flood ejettine who had been penned in the downtown sections of the firmty air. The flood subsided percentibly. Flood ejettine who had been penned in the downtown sections of the firmty air. The flood subsided percentibly. Flood ejettine who had been penned in the downtown sections of the firmty air. The flood special penned to the appeals of humanity that led through the park of the min

sufficient patrol to bar everyone ex- Infant Found Sole Occupant of State Superintendent Says At-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 flood refugee center were supple mented here today by interest taker in an infant for two days probably the sole occupant of a floating house. The baby, a girl about two weeks old, was found wrapped in blankets, unaware of its perilous position. She was brought to the National Cash Register

relief company headquarters. There

was nothing to indicate who her pa

rents might be. As flood sufferers, saved from death by boatmen, are beginning to get ac customed to improvised surroundings and recount details of the past few days, tales of herolam and suffering are unfolded. Telegraph and tele phone wires, "dead" because all powe has been shut off, have been means ly inundated as a result of the worst of saving lives. Many people have aught them from their second or third story porches and worked their way to safer places.

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

John Meyers, a grocer, saved him ing him somewhat from the heavrain. He was rescued, little the wor

hysically for his experience. 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 alnost certain that the loss of life will not exceed six.

The pumping station was started gainst last night. Water is being against oumped direct from the river and the only drinking water available prought in bottles. Captain Garland of the Chicago Life-Saving Station, with a life boat this afternoon res-cued 56 inmates of the Ellen County Orphans Home

Evansville, Ind., March 28.—The Ohlo river at midnight was 39.5 feet, rise of 4.5 feet in 24 hours.

Warning has been telephoned to all in the bottom lands that can be reached. The county commissioners have ordered the township trustees to start over every road supervisors cartying warning to everyone in the threatened district. Many already have left. Two local steamers were busy to day removing farmers and their livestock from the bottoms.

Water today began to enter Oakdale, the district of this city so badly affected by the rise two months ago. A stage of 48 feet by next Tuesday night sings of 48 feet by next Tuesday night is the prediction, more than a foot bove the January stage.

The Evangville business association and a committee of citizens today Raiston it was at his disposal for general relief for flood sufferers in other parts of the state. He drew at once for \$1000 of this amount. All stream in this vicinity exceed any previous stage and are still rising. Railroad are moving few trains.

### LOOTING COMMENCED IN FLOODED ZANESVILLE

in Effort to Stop Thivery.

Zanesville, O., March 28,-With he coming of dawn today Zanesville's thirty thousand inhabitants, ten thouand of whom are homeless, saw th first glenm of hope since the fleed in the Muskingum river swept through the city three days ago. The river had segun to recede and provisions had arrived at a point within four miles rom the city. The sun rose clear ind bright and there were indienions that the bitter cold was pas-

tendance Is Compulsory. Regardless of County Board's Wishes.

Special to The Gazette-News.

Raleigh, March 28 .- State Superin endent 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 computsory, regardless of county boards. The county boards are only clothed with authority to execute the law and the state su-perintendent is the supreme court of the school system. His ruling cannot be overturned except by going into the courts and having the section of the act appealed.

Vorst Flood in Years Stops Traffic in Upper New

York.

By Associated Press. Albany, N. Y., March 28 .- Scores of ities and towns throughout the Mo hawk and Hudson valleys are partialtood in years.

The waters of the Mohawk rive were reported as receding this morning but the Hudson river continues to rise and already has shattered the high water mark of 1857. At 9 o'clock the Hudson had passed the 22-foot The lower section of Albany is under water and hundreds of families have been forced to length their homes. Business house of the lower forced to close, trolley traffic is close, trolley traffic is practically at a standstill, railroad schedules have been disarranged and navigation on Hudson has been suspended

## hysically for his experience. Fort Wayne, Ind., March 28,—With the flood receding at the rate of three

By Associazed Press Omaha, Neb., March 28.—Thirteen hundred families have been given help since the relief committee began the work of caring for victims of last such day's tornudo. Half a hundred houses have been provided with rent paid a month in advance, and furniture, month in advance, and furniture, to these household necessi-

Many families left homeless as result of the storm have permitted pride to keep them from the relief stations and the committee has pu to work a corps of searchers to reach and relieve this class of sufferers. A general supply depot at the auditorium is being used to supply the relief

The last of the original victims of the disaster were buried yesterday, a score of funerals being held.

## KILLED BY FAL

By Associated Press New York, March 28.-Justice Bis vator shift to his death this afternoon leave. Early today the water began in the Emigrant Saving bank build-ing where he had offices.

ing where he had offices.

The justice was a trifle near-sighted and it is believed as he left his chamWith the way. ber he stumbled over a piece of carpet and fell through a low window open-ing into the shaft. When he was picked up he was dead.

### Military Given Orders to Shoot MRS. EATON ARRAIGNED; PLEADS NOT GUILTY

By Associated Press.

Plymouth, Mass., March 28.—Mrs.
Jennie Mae Eaton wha arraismed today and pleaded not guilty to the indictment accusing for of the murder
of her husband. Rear Admiral Joseph
G. Enton, by administering arsonic in
his ten and through other mediums.

The widow listened without showing smotion to the reading of the billlifer face was hidden by a mourning
yell. When asked to plead she responded promptly in a firm voice;

"Not guilty."

No date was set for the trial. The
prisoner was remanded to jail without
ball.

Agree to Accept the Terms of fered by the Powers as Basis for Negotiations.

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 avs the Balkan allies have agreed to scept the terms offered by the Euro pean powers "as a basis for peace ne The dispatch adds that the Balkar

llies are prepared to cease military perations before an agreement with Turkey has been reached as they sin erely desire a speedy re-establishent of peace. Adrianople, March 28.—King Ferd

nand of Bulgaria today entered Adrianople, which recently fell before the assault of the combined Bulgarian Servian armies. He through almost endless lines of Turk sh prisoners and proceeded to the military club, where Shukri Pasha the Turkish commander-in-chief the Turkish commander-in-chief handed him his sword. King Ferdi nand returned him the weapon with a few complimentary words.

Turks Losing at Tchatalja. Constantinople, March 28.fighting between the Bulgarian and Torkish armies at the Tchatalja lines has resulted in a series of complet reverses for the Turks, who after stubborn defense of their advanced posts, began a retreat which soon be ame a panic-stricken route In spite of long continued and des-perate fighting only 500 wounded have

been brought to the hospitals in the capital. The news of the capture of Adrian ople by the Bulgarians has cast a gloom over official circles. The newspapers generally express the opinion hat recent events will make the task of the powers harder. Peace is be lieved to be further away now than it

vas some days ago. Bulgaria Wants War Indemnity. London, March 28.—Bulgaria per-sists in her demand for a war indemnity from Turkey and declines to agree to the suggested frontier running from Midia on the Black sea to Enos, on the Aegean sea, asserting that a frontier line from Midia to the Gulf of Saros at the top of the peninsula Gallipoli, is the only concession she is willing to make.

## SECOND FLOOD OF YEAR

Ohio River Steadily Rising There-People are Warn ed 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.

Profiting by experiences in January when many persons were caught in the rapid rise of the river, the board of public safety late last night ordered a special detail of police into the flood choff, of the New York state supreme threatened section with orders to court plunged 11 stories down an elevator shaft to his death this afternoon leave. Early today the water began

> With the work of rescue accom-plished, charity organizations today are feeding the homeless at relief stations while others are being cared for at hospitals and other nublic institutions. Cold hills other public institutions. Cold. biting winds with snow and sleet gave way oday to sunshine and higher temper

At several points along the river between Louisville and Cincinnati bodies have been seen floating by. At Maysville a body was taken in tow by a boatman but the current caught it and carried it under before he could get it ashore. These bodies are be-lieved to come from the flooded sec-

on of Onio.

In the western part of the state, round Owensboro. Renderson and aducab the water is spreading over

the lowlands.

Already high water has played have with railroad transportation. With washouts, weakened bridges and in some instances the tracks entirely gone, conditions have resulted in an auding all schedules. Yesterday a limited from Florida and other southern points was forced to so up one branch line and down another, signating across the state, and much to the edification of the inhabitants of hills stations, accustomed to only "lets"

### COUP TO SAVE ALLENS FAILS

# THE WATER'S TOLL

Relief Work Is Being Pushed EXECUTION STAYED Rapidly in the Ohio Capital.

By Associated Press. Columbus, O., March 28-Some def-

nite 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. At daybreak this morning hundreds of rescue and relief parties started for the flooded section with supplies of clothing, food and fuel. Today dawned crisp and cold but

clear and indications were that would get much warmer during the Flood victims suffered greatly last night and this morning from the

The water is receding rapidly and rescue parties will be able to reach fany sections of the West Side which were under water yesterday. West Columbus remains practically under martial law. Militia companies

on duty have been ordered to shoot looters on sight. Thousands of curious people and those with friends and relatives in the flooded districts are being kept out of the west side by police and troopers. The city relief station at the city hall and the newspapers are compiling lists of the dead and rescued.

Scores of persons are still unacing every effort to verify reports of persons reported drowned.

### PEACHES ALL KILLED? SOME SAY SO; SOME NO

However, Weather Man Looks for Another Killing Frost Tonight.

The opinions of most of the "oldest nhabitants" are that all the peaches were not killed last night, although here are some who declare that there will not be a peach. This is an ex-treme and pessimistic view of the case, however, and is combated by the opinions of a few others that there will be s good many, if nothing like a fair

Those who predict that there will be no peaches say that the freeze, formed that the attorney-general's oming after so much wet weath was more than the blooms could stand. On the other hand, it is contended that while there was rain the wind blew hard all day yesterday and Claude Allen, and a few friends of dried out the blossoms, and the little the Allens attended the conference snow that fell did not have much ef- last night, no reporters being admitfect. One man says he examined sev-eral trees, on one of which he found before he left the city yesterday afterpercentage.

danger is not over, however, and if the peaches were not killed last night they may be tonight. The weather bureau is not looking for a reeze but a heavy frost is expected. The thermometer went down to 26 ast night.

### STILL NO TRAINS RUN WEST OF HAZELWOOD in posses evidence.

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

by the Southern railway over the Murphy branch beyond Hazelwood. A

### THIRTY ARE REPORTED LOST AT VENICE, O.

When Governor Mann . Leaves State Effort Is Made to Get Commutation from Ellyson.

UNTIL AFTERNOON

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

By Associated Press. Richmond, Va., March 28,-Floyd Allen and his son Claude, the only two of the Hillsville gunmen to pay the death penalty for the Carroll house murders a year ago, were elecnoise infriers a year ago, were ele-trocuted in the state penitential shortly after 1 p. m. today, after dramatic eleventh-hour attempt save them had been thwarted by Governor Mann unexpectedly return-ing to the capitol, thus preventing the

licutenant-governor from acting upon a request for a commutation. Floyd Allen, aged leader of the outribly unnerved by the excitement incident to the delay of six hours in carrying out the sentence. to the chair at 1:20 o'clock. pronounced dead at 1:25 o'clock. The prison guards next brought Claude Swanson Allen, son of Floyd,

into the death chamber at 1:30 o'clock. He was dead at 1:35. Richmond, Va., March 28.—Acting under orders from Attorney-General Williams, Superintendent Wood of the state penitentiary this morning de-layed the execution of Floyd Allen and Claude Swanson Allen until the question of the lientenant-governor's constitutional right to act on a peti-tion for commutation could be finally determined. The respite is to hold only until this afternoon in the event that Lieutenant-Governor Ellyson de-

lines to interfere, Early last night the attorney-general when called upon by Lieute Governor Ellyson rendered verbally the opinion that he, as lieutenant-gov ernor, had no authority to interfere with the sentence. When this fact was made known at the residence of John P. Branch, a banker, where the conference was being held, long arguments followed. Friends of the Allens urged that the execution be de layed until they could go more fully into the constitutional question volved. They finally won their point and Attorney-General Williams called Superintendent Wood over the tele phone at 2 o'clock this morning and secured from him the promise to defer the electrocution of the Allens until the afternoon, Lieutenant-Governor Ellyson in the meantime being in-

o'clock today. Rev. William G. Daniel, who has been unfaltering in his efforts to save aral trees, on one of which he found noon for Trenton, N. J., that an appearentage. governor, the whole proceeding being

planned secretly. In discussing the matter at the con-Attorney-General Williams ference. Attorney-General Williams contended that there was no evidence to show that the governor was actu-ally beyond the borders of the state. especially as it was known that his original program was to leave Richmond today. Emphasis, moreover, was laid on the fact that he had repeatedly refused to interfere and that Lieuten. ant-Governor Ellyson had never been in possession of the court records of

While the effort to secure commutation of sentence related solely to Claude Allen, the half day respite included Floyd. There was a moment of intense excitement at the big prison when it was announced that the Al-lens had been given a temporary res-

Governor Mann, en route for New Jersey, evidently was advised of what had transpired in his absence, for he abandoned his trip and started back by the Southern sallway over the sallway over the southern sallway over the southern sallway over the southern sallway over the sallway over th for Richmond. He was on Virginia soil again at 8 o'clock this morning and will be in the state capitol before noon. His presence in the state

point is either inundated or washed away, and although large forces of section hands is at work getting it into shape it is doubtful if the line will be reopened again for at least four days. Passengers to Murphy are detoured by way of Knoxville.

The line by way of Knoxville.

The line by way of Louisville to St. Louis is now open, although there is no way of getting into Cincinnati and all traffic beyond that point is still annulled. Washington communication has now been opened up, and information from headquarters is to the effect that all lines will be reopened within a few days.