

LEVEES SUCCUMB TO SWEEP OF FLOODS

Situation at Des Moines Now More Alarming.

FURTHER RISE IN RIVERS.

Thousands of People Are Homeless, Many Actually Suffering For Food. Property Loss Will Be Tremendous. More Rain Predicted.

Des Moines, Iowa, May 30.—Four feet of water was coursing through a large section of East Des Moines' business district at daylight this morning, due to the rise in the river of a foot over all past records, and the carrying away of a section of the levee in Center street.

Five thousand people in Des Moines and 4,000 in North Des Moines are practically cut off from communication with the main section of the city.

Absolutely no attempt has been made to transact business. The street railway company does not expect to be able to start cars for a week. Six thousand persons are homeless, 35 per cent of whom are practically without shelter and have been unfed for 24 hours, during which time they have been exposed to the constantly heavy rains with the thermometer close to the freezing point. Many women and children shivered all night long in rain-soaked garments, unable to find a dry place on which to lie.

Box cars were placed in reach of many of the refugees this morning, in which they could find shelter from the rain, but relief work is in a deplorable condition and far beyond the needs.

Inestimable suffering prevails. The suddenness of the flood left no time for preparation or for organization to combat it. Levees all over the city are yielding. In many places the Des Moines river is 2 miles wide. The damage cannot be computed because of the fact that close to 2,000 buildings are submerged and it cannot be told whether they will be carried away.

Great damage was done by the breaking of the levee along the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy tracks, which inundated the principal factory district. Several hundred thousand dollars' worth of machinery is under water. A dozen ice houses have been washed away, resulting in an approximate loss of \$100,000. The plant of The Daily Capital is flooded and boats are plying through the business district in that vicinity.

Water is over the Northwestern, Wabash, Burlington and Rock Island tracks in many places in the city limits. From Ft. Dodge above here the weather forecast is for continued rain. The Raccoon river above here is still at a standstill.

Missouri Valley Lake of Water.
Omaha, Neb., June 1.—The heavy rain continues with no indication of abating. Reports of damage by the floods continue to come in from the towns along the Missouri river. On the Iowa side between Council Bluffs and Missouri valley, the whole valley is a lake, and the water is beginning to soften up railroad beds. Trains were late from the west and a number were annulled altogether.

LITTLE TOWN FIRE SWEEP.
Claxton, on the Seaboard Air Line, Suffers Severely.

Savannah, Ga., May 30.—A special to the Savannah Press states that the little town of Claxton, on the Seaboard Air Line railroad, and about 40 miles from Savannah, was visited by a severe fire this morning at 1 o'clock.

Bob Pickens, general merchandise; Mrs. Simmons, millinery; D. C. Waters, jewelry; Mr. Lewis' dwelling; Henry DeLoach, green grocery; Willie Wilkinson's residence; R. R. Pippin's residence, McCormick Machine company's building were all destroyed. The DeLoach hotel was also threatened but was finally saved.

Dropped Dead After Speech.

Pensacola, Fla., May 27.—Judge Frank P. Bonifay, after delivering a heated address in the city campaign, dropped dead just as he was leaving the platform. The exertion and excitement caused his death. Hundreds of people had listened to the speech. After thanking the audience for its attention he turned and fell to the ground. The meeting was immediately adjourned. Judge Bonifay was one of the oldest and most respected citizens of Pensacola. He was 66 years old and was born here, as was his father.

Decoration Day at Mobile.

Mobile, Ala., May 30.—Decoration day here was observed by John C. Remont post, Grand Army of the Republic. Services were conducted in the National cemetery. Here the graves of the federal dead were strewn with flowers. Besides addresses and music, Lincoln's Memorial Address was

read. The principal address was delivered by United States Attorney W. D. Wickersham. There was a large concourse of people at the exercises.

Reconciliation Effected.
Nashville, Tenn., May 30.—A reconciliation has been effected between the Nashville, Chattanooga and St. Louis and Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen after an estrangement of 10 years. The Brotherhood was placed under the ban at the time of the Pullman trouble for the reason that many of its members violated their contract by going out on a sympathetic strike.

SIXTEEN NEGROES DROWNED.

Their Skiffs Were Capsized in Mississippi River.

Memphis, Tenn., May 30.—Sixteen negroes, cotton plantation hands, were drowned in the Mississippi river near Pecan Point, 40 miles north of the city.

They left the plantation after dark in two skiffs. Waves from a passing vessel capsized the frail boats and all hands save one went down. A lad, Will Bell, escaped by clinging to an oar. He was washed ashore and reported the tragedy to Dr. B. F. Chiles, a prominent physician, who brought the news to Memphis. The following is a list of the dead, seven of whose bodies have been recovered:

- H. C. Rountree, aged 50.
- Rebecca Rountree, aged 40.
- Maggie Rountree, aged 18.
- Geneva Rountree, aged 10.
- Mack Rountree, aged 5.
- Ella Rountree, aged 6.
- Alberta Rountree, aged 3.
- Infant Rountree.
- Lewis George, aged 25.
- Neal Camm, aged 20.
- James Moore.
- Willie Moore.
- Infant Moore.
- Andrew Rountree.
- Wife of Andrew Rountree.

FEDERAL MEMORIAL DAY.

Graves of Union Soldiers Decorated at Marietta.

Atlanta, May 30.—About 1,200 Georgians, members of the Grand Army of the Republic, woman's relief corps and sons of union veterans, gathered in Marietta today to celebrate federal Memorial day.

A special train, consisting of a large number of coaches, left Atlanta.

Three posts of the Grand Army of the Republic were in attendance—the O. M. Mitchell post, of Atlanta; the Blue Ridge post, of Jasper, and the J. B. Steadman post, of Tallapoosa.

The band from the Sixteenth infantry at Fort McPherson rendered a special program sent out by the war department, which was quite elaborate.

WILD WORK OF WINDS.

Town of Haskell, Tex., Struck by Tornado.

Dallas, Tex., May 30.—Two ranches near Albany, Shackelford county, have been destroyed by a tornado.

The telephone and telegraph wires are badly crippled in that section.

The town of Haskell was struck by a tornado and 12 or 15 residences and 24 many more barns were blown down and a number of people seriously injured, among them were Abe Jones and wife, Mrs. Scott and a farmer.

Farmers To Build Oil Mill.

Dublin, Ga., May 29.—A movement is on foot among the farmers of Laurens county to establish a co-operative cotton oil mill. W. J. Joiner, one of the most progressive farmers in the county, has charge of the movement, and he states that he intends pushing it forward to completion. He is said to be meeting with much encouragement.

Startling Evidence.

Fresh testimony in great quantity is constantly coming in, declaring Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds to be unequalled.

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Injured Pugilist Dies.

Savannah, Ga., June 1.—Geo. Feeley, whose skull was crushed in a contest with Jim Jeffers, died at St. Joseph hospital at an early hour this morning.

Steamer Founders.

Sydney, N. S. W., May 30.—The British steamer Oakland foundered off Port Stephens today. The passengers and crew were saved. The Oakland was a small coasting vessel of 228 tons.

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Would quickly leave you if you used Dr. King's New Life Pills. Thousands of sufferers have proved their matchless merit for Sick and Nervous Headaches. They make pure blood and build up your health. Only 25 cents, money back if not cured. Sold by Z. W. Nichols, Druggist.

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Chinamen To Be Bounced.
Montgomery, Ala., May 30.—Fong Hand and Doc Sho, two Chinamen who escaped from a United States deputy marshal near here, who was carrying 46 of them to San Francisco to be deported for violating the Chinese exclusion act, were tried before Commissioner Elmore, who issued an order of deportation, the first ever issued in Montgomery.

Reward Offered for Murderer.
Montgomery, Ala., May 30.—Governor Jelks has issued a reward of \$150 for the arrest and conviction of the murderer of Robert Arrington and the brutal assault on his mother at Sullivan's mill, Barber county, last Monday.

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