

ONE THOUSAND LIVES ARE SWEEP AWAY BY THE BURSTING OF PAPER MILL DAM

HELPLESS HUMANITY CARRIED TO DEATH ON THE CREST OF TERRIFIC FLOOD AT AUSTIN, PENNSYLVANIA, YESTERDAY

Five Hundred Million Gallons of Water Thrown on the Town Carrying Death and Destruction Before. Heavy Rains of Past Few Weeks Caused Dam to Burst.

1,000 BUILDINGS DESTROYED BY ONRUSH OF THE WATERS

Estimated That Nearly 1,000 Souls Perished in Most Disastrous Flood Since Johnstown Was Wiped Out.

Details of Catastrophe

Dam of the Bayliss Pulp & Paper company burst one mile and a half north of town. Five hundred million gallons of water thrown on the town. Between 850 and 1,000 persons were drowned, crushed or burned to death.

COUDERSPORT, Pa., Sept. 30.—With a roar that could be heard for miles the great dam of the Bayliss Pulp & Paper company, at Austin, Pa., four miles from here, went out at 2:30 o'clock this afternoon.

The dam which was 130 feet long and 49 feet high, was 32 feet thick at the base, and held back more than 500,000,000 gallons of water. For the few times since its construction, two years ago, the water was running over the top of the draw today and many persons went out from Austin, a mile and a half away, to see the unusual sight.

Operator Spreads Alarm Harry Davis, a locomotive engineer, reached a telephone and notified the operator at the exchange. She called as many persons as possible but the time was short.

Gas Takes Fire

AUSTIN, Pa., Sept. 30.—A dangerous situation developed immediately after the great wall of water had passed. Austin is piped for natural gas and the great force of the flood tore the mains from the streets.

Death by Fire and Water

Austin has little fire protection at best and with this swept away by the flood and no one left to man the little apparatus the town possessed, the progress of the flames was uninterrupted. Rapidly they swept from house to house, leaping streets and alleys and fed by the continual supply of gas from bursting mains there was no staying their progress.

Women and Children

Women and children there were among the wounded and dying, but among the scores of men who might at other times have braved death to save the lives of the unfortunate there was none to dare.

Caught at Machines

Here, as elsewhere, the natural gas pipes burst and as the shops were in operation fire was quickly communicated to the heterogeneous mass. Men were caught before they could leave their machines. Some of them were crushed to death without a warning, but others less favored of fortune, were pinned down and met horrible deaths in the rapidly kindling flames.

Futile Efforts

Here is where the first organized effort at relief was made. Maddened by the sights about him, one man, with tears streaming down his cheeks, cried for volun-

MAY BE OTHER TOWNS. AUSTIN, Pa., Oct. 1.—The wires are down; it is impossible to reach points below here tonight. Refugees from Costello state only few houses left there.

RAILWAY SHOPMEN GO ON STRIKE ON HARRIMAN ROADS

Unions Claim That Number Who Have Quit Is Between 20,000 and 30,000 "MUCH SMALLER" SAYS JULIUS KRUTTSCHNIT

Railway Officials Claim That Strike Will Not Interfere with Services

CHICAGO, Ill., Sept. 30.—The threatened strike of the shopmen on the Harriman lines to enforce recognition of their newly organized federation became a reality today.

Traffic was continued without interruption and the railroad officials say the shopmen's strike even if extended would not interfere with transportation.

General Response The response to the strike order was general throughout the middle west and the south. The men had received notices from the international presidents of the five crafts directly involved and when the hour came they laid down their tools.

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Two Escaped Convicts Captured by Sheriff Overpowered Guards of Rowan County Chaingang, Taking His Arms

SALISBURY, N. C., Sept. 30.—Ed Hanes and Claud Hanes, the two young white men who overpowered the guard and made their escape from Rowan county chaingang Thursday night carrying on the Winchester rifle and pistol of the guard, were captured at midnight last night near Cass, Cabarrus county, by Sheriff J. H. McKinzie, of Salisbury, assisted by Deputies Krider, Tolberry, Attraction and others.

POSSUMS LIKE PAPAWS COLUMBUS, Ind., Sept. 30.—Edward Jones, proprietor of a barber shop here, has two opossums and he declares they were entitled to this city by the name of papaws.

PREVENT LABOR EXPORTATION PANAMA, Sept. 30.—In order to prevent the exportation of canal laborers by designing contractors who can find ready market for their services in Brazil and other South American countries, the assembly has passed a law providing that any foreigner found recruiting canal laborers shall be summarily deported.

ENORMOUS EXPORTS OF COTTON FROM SAVANNAH "Hand to Mouth" Statements of Foreign Exports Very Strongly Refuted

SAVANNAH, Ga., Sept. 30.—Recent statements that the foreign demand for cotton was a mere "hand to mouth" character, were effectively refuted by the enormous foreign exports from Savannah today. The reports show that the day's exports amounted to 95,716 bales, of which 34,204 went to Great Britain, 10,600 to France, 44,630 to the continent and 4,372 coastwise.

INGENIOUS INVENTION BERLIN, Sept. 30.—An inventive German has recently taken out a patent for a pistol for producing apparent death for a brief time. It is loaded with a bullet made of chemical composition, to which is added enough powder to propel it. The bullet explodes and causes a thick cloud of vapor, which envelops the victim, making it impossible for him to see. The inventor has breathing difficulty, and he finally falls into a swoon that lasts from ten minutes to a half hour.

ITALIAN WARSHIPS REPORTED TO HAVE BOMBARDED TRIPOLI

Now Feared There Will be Uprising Among Arabs And Wholesale Slaughter is One of Probabilities. Fleet Awaits Orders.

MALTA, Sept. 30.—It is reported here that the Italian warships began the bombardment of Tripoli at 3 o'clock this afternoon. The single cable connection between Malta and Tripoli is blocked with official messages.

Direct news from Tripoli is lacking. That the Italian forces have landed there is unquestioned but there is doubt as to whether Turkey offered any armed opposition.

Many Reports According to advices received by the press, Italy has effected a landing near Pervese in European Turkey. As a result the reserves of the vilayet of Janina are being mobilized.

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TURKISH SHIP SHELLED ATHENS, Sept. 30.—An Italian squadron today shelled the Turkish warships Hamidieh Har-Ed-Din-Berberos and Alpasut, anchored at Goulimiz, to the north of Prevesa.

ANOTHER RUNNER PARIS, Sept. 30.—The Matin's Constantinople correspondent writes that a rumor in circulation at the ports that the entire Ottoman fleet except one cruiser has been destroyed.

DESTROYER SUNK ROME, Sept. 30.—The minister of marine received the following dispatch tonight from Cape Sidero: "The destroyers Artigliere and Corazziere this morning sunk a Turkish destroyer and torpedoes near Prevesa. The Corazziere is now on its way to Taranto escorting a captured yacht. The destroyer Alpino captured a steamer manned by a Greek crew coming from the north and at the last moment of entering the harbor of Prevesa. She had 10 Turkish officers and 142 soldiers aboard besides a quantity of ammunition. No damage on Italian side."

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